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## MAN PLACED IN JAIL FOR THEFT OF 16 QUARTS BOOZE

Will Alvie, of Comanche, Brownwood and elsewhere, is in the Ballinger jail charged with petty theft, having been arrested at Brownwood on a complaint filed in justice court here charging theft. Sheriff Perkins went to Brownwood Saturday and returned Saturday night on the midnight train bringing the man back with him.

According to the evidence in the case and upon which the complaint was filed, it is alleged that Alvie stole a suit case containing 16 quarts of booze from a roomer at the Lankford rooming house. The matter was reported to the officers by the owner of the suit case and booze, and the officers being of the tender hearted variety sympathized with the man who sold so much booze during the Christmas season, and did not leave anything undone to catch the guilty man.

Mr. Perkins located Alvie at Brownwood and soon had him in the lockup and recovered most of the booze and the suit case which the owner identified as being his property. Alvie declines to talk about the matter, and the case will be disposed of in the usual way, bond being fixed for the man, which up to a late hour Monday he had not made.

Roy Phillips, although he was under bond to appear in court at Brownwood today and stand trial on a burglar charge, could not answer when his case was called because he was locked up in the Ballinger jail. Sheriff Perkins answered over the telephone for Phillips when District Attorney Walter Early called to know about the man. Mr. Early stated that Phillips was wanted on New Year's day in the Brownwood court, but the Runnels county sheriff was not in a notion to give the prisoner up and he is being held here on a charge of burglary.

Mr. Perkins arrested Phillips in the southern part of the city Sunday where the man was celebrating after making a raid on the local express office where he stocked up with booze consigned to some other thirsty man. Phillips made his way into the express office Saturday night by cutting the screen and breaking through the window. He secured eight quarts of liquor and rejoicing over his good luck he confided in a friend the whereabouts of his booze, and as a result his pal turned states evidence, and the man was soon peeping through the bars.

### Other Burglaries Reported.

The glass in the front door of the J. Y. Pearce drug store was broken out some time during the night Saturday night, and it was

reported Sunday that robbers had raided that store. Nothing could be missed from the store, unless it is a small amount of change and the officer are inclined to believe that the breaking of this glass was an accident, and that the store was not burglarized. Glass in the door of the Ballinger Saddle Shop was also broken, but nothing could be missed from the store and the break in the glass seems to be that of rock thrown by some mischievous boy.

Some one entered the Stocks Hotel Saturday night and robbed a guest of that hotel of \$11 in cash. The money was stolen out of the man's pockets while he was asleep.

A man getting into the wrong room at the Kelly Cottage caused a report to be circulated that a burglar had visited that hotel Saturday night, but this proved to be false, as nothing was missed from this hotel and nothing more heard of the supposed burglar.

When the clerks opened the store for business Monday morning at the Cash Grocery store, it was discovered that a burglar had broke into this store some time between Saturday evening and Monday morning. The side door glass had been broken and the door unlocked from the inside. It is not known what the burglar or burglars secured in this store, but it is thought that a quantity of flour was stolen.

### C. E. Dickinson's Horse Stolen.

C. E. Dickinson is short a good buggy and his brother-in-law Tom Hays, is short a good mare as the result of the jandy work of a thief who visited this city Saturday night. Mr. Dickinson was in town Monday soliciting the aid of the officers in trying to locate the stolen property and catch the thief.

Mr. Dickinson came to town Saturday and remained until after the picture show. He left his horse and buggy in the vacant lot just north of the Jeanes Produce Co. store. When he called to get the rig he found only the short end of the rope dangling to the tree where he left the horse tied. The rope had been cut and the horse and buggy stolen. Mr. Dickinson put in all day Sunday trying to locate his horse and buggy but failed to get a trace of the stolen property.

This should prove a lesson to people who come to town at night and leave their horses tied out in the dark away from the main street. It would be cheaper to pay a nickel and store their rig in the wagon yard until they get ready to go home.

## PERSHING COMING OUT OF MEXICO

EL PASO, Jan. 2.—Preparations are underway for the withdrawal of the Pershing punitive expedition in Mexico, according to statements made by army officers here today. All property clerks here have been ordered to Columbus at once. It is the duty of the clerks to record army equipment entering the United States as the Pershing army leaves Mexico. This is taken as a confirmation of the report that Pershing is coming back to Columbus.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The American members of the joint Mexican commission will present a report to President Wilson late this afternoon, leaving the path clear for the American government to withdraw the punitive expedition from Mexico without Carranza's signature to the protocol.

While taking steps to compose the troubled situation the administration officials privately express fear that Villa is fast getting upper hand of things in Northern Mexico and the Carranza regime is crumbling, and the de facto government will completely lose out unless quick aid comes.

### MILES POULTRY SHOW DATES BEING SET.

Miles poultry growers and the Miles boosters are busy planning for the annual poultry exhibit to be given in that city on January 25, 26 and 27. Much interest has been worked up in poultry production in Miles and eggs and chickens are adding to the prosperity of that part of the county. Ballinger has two or three hundred dollars invested in poultry exhibit pens, but we haven't heard anything about a poultry show here.

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J. E. McAden, who recently moved from this neighborhood to Winters, was in Ballinger Wednesday and says they are now comfortably situated in their new home.

## LENGTHY REPORT FROM GERMANY

BERLIN, Jan. 3.—Ambassador Gerard sent a cablegram to President Wilson today, submitting a lengthy report following a conference between the American ambassador and Bethman Hollweg, the German chancellor.

The contents of the report have not been given to the public, but it is understood that Ambassador Gerard and Chancellor Hollweg discussed among other things, the allies' unfavorable reply to the German note. The statement received from the American ambassador comes to Wilson authoritatively, and will show what the Germans think of the allies' reply.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—The entente allies' reply to the Teutonic peace proposal was delivered to diplomats of all neutral powers here this afternoon.

The answer to the German note says in part that "the allies first protest the enemy's assertions attempting to throw on them all the responsibility for the war." The proclamation of the Central powers claiming victory is also protested, and both assertions are declared "untrue."

Further words say "for thirty months the allies have sustained the European war which they did their utmost to prevent, and they showed by numerous acts their attachment for peace. This attachment is just as strong as in 1914."

Lastly the note says the "German proposals appear, more like a warlike maneuver than an offer of peace."

### W. O. W. UNVEILING SUNDAY

The W. O. W. lodge will hold unveiling ceremonies for the purpose of unveiling the monument of W. W. Wooten Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. All the members of the local camp are requested to meet at the hall at three o'clock and visiting Woodmen are invited to take part in the ceremonies.

O. P. Dorsey, C. C.

Roy and Ed Clayton of the Benoit-Talpa country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

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## Voice of Barrientos to Be Heard on Columbia Records

Maria Barrientos who was the one big sensation of the Metropolitan Opera season of 1915-16, has signed a contract to make voice-recordings exclusively for the Columbia Graphophone Company, and has already made three splendid recordings that show her marvelous soprano at its best.

Mme. Barriento's first recordings, so significant in the world of music, include her great triumphs, the famous "Mad Scene" and the first act aria "Silence O'er All" from "Lucia," and a miraculous bit of coloratura work, the "Valse" from Gounod's "Mireille." These recordings are issued in the January Columbia record list coincidentally with another recording by Lazaro, acclaimed as the greatest tenor of the age: "Spirto Gentil," from "La Favorita."

This most notable record announcement also includes recordings by Kathleen Parlow, who plays the immortal "Last Rose of Summer;" by Godowsky who renders Liszt's "Paraphrase on Rigoleto;" by Lucy Gates, who sings two coloratura gems; and by Vernon Stiles, the new American tenor who is introduced with "The Sunshine of Your Smile." Oscar Searle, the American operatic baritone, turns his talents in a new direction by giving a splendid version of "The Ninety and Nine" and Paul Dufault and Jean Cooper make their debut in the music-recording world.

In addition, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra contributes two tremendous recordings; the Prelude to "Lohengrin" and the Professional from "Parsifal," while the fine orchestral series from Diaghileff's Ballet Russe is continued with the recording of "Les Sylphides" under the direction of Ernest Ansermet. Two operatic overtures, some Spanish light music, and two popular Grieg compositions are added by Prince's orchestra to a truly brilliant orchestral list.

The list is a "headliner" list all through, from the operatic to the popular end. The part classified as "popular" is led by Al Johnson, probably the best-known comedian on the American stage, who sings "Someone Else May Be There While I'm Gone," one of his latest Winter Garden hits, and by Fannie Brice, the young vaudeville star, who gives her newest specialty success, "If We Could Only Take Her Word." Added to these are such genuine song-hits as "Throw Me a Rose," the waltz-song from "Miss Springtime," "Give Me All of You" from "Flora Bella," "Everybody Loves An Irish Song" and "The Lovelight In Your Eyes."

Needless to say, the six dances listed are as brilliant as Columbia dance-records usually are, and the remainder of the list as varied and interesting as any that Columbia ever announced. There is the quartette from "The Gondoliers" sung by an ensemble composed of Florence MacBeth, Margaret Keyes, Morgan Kingston and Frank Coxton, all artists of international reputation; there are tenor triumphs by Charles Harrison; vocal quartettes: children's songs and stories; banjo, ukulele and cimbalom novelties—an offering that does credit to the versatility of the Columbia Company. In variety, as well as musical value, this list is well called their "greatest list" by the Columbia Graphophone Company. 1dw



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**JUST A CHRISTMAS FAVOR BY SANTA FE**

That the Santa Fe is an accommodating railroad, when it wants to be, was proven just before the holidays, according to a story told by a man who was among the number of passengers favored, and which story was published in the Brownwood Bulletin. Read it, here it is:

A kind deed accomplished last Sunday—Christmas Eve—by the Santa Fe railroad to accommodate sixteen passengers en route to various points west of Temple, became known only today. It was told by Jim Timmins of Austin, a former Brownwood man who is here spending the holidays with relatives and friends.

A train carrying a party of West Texans from points south of Temple, arrived in Temple about three hours late, according to Mr. Timmins. Sixteen persons on the train wanted to reach Temple in time to catch train No. 77, which leaves Temple for San Angelo every morning at 4:15 o'clock. They were disappointed to learn that the westbound Santa Fe left Temple on time and was half way to Brownwood at the time of their arrival.

The attention of Supt. K. S. Hull was called to the fact that the persons arrived too late to catch the train. He ordered a special train made up in the Temple yards to carry the parties to their destination. The train consisted of two cars—a baggage coach and a day coach. It left Temple at 9 a. m. and arrived in Brownwood at 12:30 p. m. It continued through to San Angelo, carrying only one passenger west of Coleman. Only three passengers were carried west of Brownwood.

And it was all done for the accommodation of the travelers who,

Supt. Hull realized, were anxious to reach their destinations to spend a merry Christmas with homefolk or friends.

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M. C. Gooch, of the Wingate country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday and ordered the Banner-Ledger to his address for the ensuing year.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Alleorn of the Crews country, were shopping in Ballinger Monday and while here renewed with the Banner-Ledger.

**SIX FAMILIES MAKE NEW YEAR MOVES**

A land deal or two recently made will make it necessary for six families to move during the coming week, or just as soon as the moving can be started after New Year.

Some time ago N. J. Wardlow purchased the home of W. B. Ray in Ballinger. This made it necessary for Mr. Ray to hunt a new home. Mr. Ray now owns the J. N. Adams place and is moving to same, in order that Mr. Wardlow can get possession of his new home in town and move to the city.

C. C. Cockrell closed a deal this week in which he trades his home in West End to A. B. Burrell for Mr. Burrell's South Ballinger home, now occupied by J. W. Black. The Cockrell West End home consists of residence and one acre, and is valued in the deal at \$2500. The Burrell place in South Ballinger consists of a residence and twenty acres of land and is valued in the deal at \$4500. Mr. Cockrell is arranging to move as soon as he can get possession, and says Mrs. Cockrell will at once engage in farming and poultry raising.

Before Mr. Cockrell can move Mr. Black must vacate the Burrell place. Mr. Black has leased the W. E. Branch place and will move to same as soon as Mr. Branch can vacate. Mr. Branch has leased the N. J. Wardlaw place and will move in as soon as Mr. Wardlaw gets out. Mr. Wardlaw will move to the Ray place as soon as Mr. Ray gets out. As soon as Mr. Cockrell vacates his home in West End W. B. Page will move in. There will be some moving.

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**JUDGE WOODWARD NOW ON BENCH.**

Brownwood, Tex., Dec. 29.—J. O. Woodward of Coleman has been installed in office to succeed Jno. W. Goodwin as judge of the Thirty-Fifth judicial district of the state of Texas. Judge Woodward tried his first case as district judge in Brownwood yesterday when a divorce case was heard. The remainder of this week is being devoted to non jury civil cases. The criminal jury cases will be heard next week. The grand jury will convene Monday afternoon.

C. B. Armstrong, the jailor, returned home Saturday from an official trip to Anderson, Texas.

**CHECK FORGERS WORK HERE; ONE IN JAIL**

Just as the merchants were congratulating themselves over the thought that they had passed thru the holiday rush without falling victims to bad checks, two strangers came to Ballinger to do their "shopping." It was just the common old game of signing the other fellow's name, or anybody's name to the check that was played in this instance, and the clerks at the Melton Dry Goods Co. store and at the Hub passed the goods over the counter, with a little cash thrown in for expense money.

A man called at the Melton store about dark Thursday night and purchased a bill of goods tendering in payment of same a check drawn on the Miles National Bank for \$18, made payable to Clifford Foster and signed by Homer Harrison. The young man passing the check posed as Clifford Foster.

While this transaction was going on another man was buying goods at the Hub, and tendered a check drawn on the Miles National Bank for \$16, made payable to Clifford Foster and signed by Homer Harrison. Both checks were written by the same party, the hand writing showing to be the same, but were passed by different parties.

Mr. Melton became suspicious a few minutes after the man had left the store and got in communication with Sheriff Perkins. Mr. Perkins is well known in the Miles country, having lived in that part of the county for a number of years. He stated that he did not know either Homer Harrison, maker of the check, or Clifford Foster. Mr. Perkins immediately called up the cashier of the Miles bank and asked him to go to his bank and report to him at once whether the checks were good. The Miles banker soon reported crooked work, and the Ballinger sheriff got on the job, and assisted by his deputies searched every nook and corner of the city Thursday night, and met all trains coming and going. It was at the A. & S. at six-thirty Friday morning, just as the train was fixing to pull out that Mr. Perkins nabbed his man and placed him in jail.

The man who passed the check at the Hub was with the one arrested at the A. & S. and placed in jail Friday morning, but it was not known at that time that the bad check at been passed on the Hub. It was after a "sweating" that the young man arrested "fessed up" and told the officer of the other transaction, or at least give the officer a clue that caused further investigation that led to the other case. By this time, however, the A. & S. train had reached Abilene, and the other party knowing that business would pick up for him, quit the train at the round house. The Abilene officers are on the trail and will no doubt have the other fellow in the lockup before this is in print.

When "cornered" the young man now in jail said: "Yes its a o— forged check." He attempted at first to make the officer believe that the check was genuine, saying that Harrison was a stockman living 18 miles north of Miles and that he had been working for Harrison for some time. The young man said his home was in Canada, but the officers do not weigh that statement very heavy. He indicated to the officers that this was not the first bad check he had put over and the officers are of the opinion that other forged checks are being held some where with Clifford Foster's name endorsed on them.

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Prof. U. S. Daniels, of Beaumont, who had been visiting relatives in the county the past week, left for home Saturday.

Forrest and Frank Taggart, of Belmont, who had been visiting their aunt, Mrs. F. D. George, and family during Christmas returned home Saturday afternoon.

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**MAKING RUSH ON TAX COLLECTOR**

With the coming of the New Year people are beginning to pay their taxes. A Ledger reporter visited the tax collector's office on New Year's day and found a dozen men waiting their turn at the window. This waiting will increase as the January month passes as this is the last month in which to pay your taxes and avoid the ten per cent penalty and to avoid being deprived of the privilege of voting in the state wide prohibition election next year, and may be voting in a woman suffrage election. Who knows?

The records show that a little better than one-third of the people have paid their taxes during the three months in which the collector has had charge of the rolls. This makes it necessary for the other two-thirds to "kick in" during the present month. To handle the work the tax payers must come mighty regular. It will be impossible for the collector to handle the business during the last week or the last few days of the month, notwithstanding that he has plenty of help.

Up to Monday, New Year's Day at noon the following number of poll tax receipts had been issued for the various voting boxes of the county:

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|---------------------|------|
| Ballinger No. 1     | 76   |
| Hatchell            | 46   |
| Benoit              | 19   |
| Crews               | 72   |
| Tokeen              | 45   |
| Fruitt              | 23   |
| Winters             | 89   |
| Antelope            | 13   |
| Pumphrey            | 17   |
| Wingate             | 68   |
| Baldwin             | 22   |
| Wilmoth             | 57   |
| Coehran             | 30   |
| North Norton        | 48   |
| Marie               | 19   |
| South Norton        | 25   |
| Pearce School House | 26   |
| Maverick            | 43   |
| Brookshire          | 19   |
| Miles               | 112  |
| Rowena              | 94   |
| Olfen               | 31   |
| Pony                | 40   |
| Ballinger No. 2     | 96   |
| Total               | 1130 |

**PIONEER CITIZEN BURIED NEAR CREWS**

The remains of I. L. Dietz were laid to rest in the Crews cemetery about noon Thursday, Dec. 28th. A wife, several children and many friends are grieving the loss of this good man.

Mr. Dietz came to Rannels county many years ago, and located in the Crews country. His early days were spent in South Texas. He lived to see this county develop from a stock country, and prosperous farming country, and he did his part towards developing the country, always standing for the things that made for the betterment of humanity. Deceased had been in poor health for some time. His condition, however, was not considered serious and he had been able to attend to his business and look after his work, and only a short time ago was in Ballinger. He became seriously ill Tuesday night and died about one o'clock of the same night. He will be missed in the Crews community as well as in the entire county.

**PHILLIP WILLIAMS OF THE WINTERS COUNTRY, WAS AMONG THE BUSINESS VISITORS IN BALLINGER MONDAY.**

Phillip Williams of the Winters country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

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HERE'S CHANCE TO GET NATURAL GAS

Winters, Dec. 28, 1916. A. W. Sledge, Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Sir:—At a mass meeting of the citizens of our town held a few days ago, they were unanimous in trying to make an attempt to get the gas company from Abilene to extend their line to Winters, and on to Ballinger. A committee was therefore appointed to confer with Ballinger, and if your people desire the gas, to work in conjunction in such a way that will interest the gas company at Abilene to make the extension.

Please confer with the DIRECTORS OF THE BUSINESS LEAGUE, and inform us of your pleasure in this matter, so we can proceed to do what we can to this end.

Thanking you in advance for a prompt reply, we are

Yours truly, WINTERS COMMERCIAL CLUB

T. W. Murray. The above letter is printed in full, speaks for itself and needs no comment. However, if we were not afraid of being classed as a knocker we would say something about Ballinger and her live Business League. The Business League consist of a desk, typewriter, and a nice lot of office fixtures, etc., valued at something like five or six hundred dollars.

Ballinger is good town and things we would put a man on the job with a combination of ability for and commercial secretary, a warehouse and second hand store on the corner of Ballinger wagon street and just below the Lankford furniture store. Mr. Lankford stated that he would use the warehouse for storage room and would arrange his new building with a view of displaying to the best advantage of the public a large line of new furniture, a large stock of which he has on hand at present, and the increase in his business is demanding more room.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is good town and things we would put a man on the job with a combination of ability for and commercial secretary, a warehouse and second hand store on the corner of Ballinger wagon street and just below the Lankford furniture store.

We can't live that we are dead, but for all indications are sleeping soundly. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is good town and things we would put a man on the job with a combination of ability for and commercial secretary, a warehouse and second hand store on the corner of Ballinger wagon street and just below the Lankford furniture store.

Mrs. C. Scott, of Arillo, who had been visiting her father, W. A. Brove and family left for her home Saturday afternoon.

P. Mids, of the Hatchel country, in the city Saturday and received his Banner-Ledger for himself and his son Elsie, a child rarely goes through the whole winter without a cold, and every mother should have a reliable remedy handy.

LANKFORD TO BUILD \$8,000 ADDITION

The old must give way to the new and with the coming of the New Year comes the announcement that T. S. Lankford is to invest \$8000 in a modern business store on the lot where his furniture store now stands.

When seen by a Ledger reporter Saturday Mr. Lankford talked of his building plan and stated that the contract would be let as soon as the contractor could make the figures and sign to business.

I am ready to put up the building," said Mr. Lankford, "my plans are to construct the most modern building for the furniture business to be seen in Texas.

The building now occupied by Lankford store is of part brick and part sheet iron, the front of the building is built of brick with stone walls extending to a depth of about sixty feet and a sheet iron building butts against the main building.

The plans for the improvements is for the removal of the sheet iron building and the extension of the stone walls the full depths of the lot with a two story and double like five or six hundred dollars deck covering a ground floor which stands good chance to be sold for storage.

Ballinger is good town and things we would put a man on the job with a combination of ability for and commercial secretary, a warehouse and second hand store on the corner of Ballinger wagon street and just below the Lankford furniture store.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is good town and things we would put a man on the job with a combination of ability for and commercial secretary, a warehouse and second hand store on the corner of Ballinger wagon street and just below the Lankford furniture store.

Mattress Factory Credit to Ballinger.

The Ballinger Mattress Factory is an enterprise that is bringing a trade to this city that the average man knows little about. The Ballinger Mattresses are now being sold over a large territory in competition to mattresses made in large cities. Mr. Lankford spends a good part of his time on the road selling mattresses and covers the plains country, where he has worked up a good trade. At present the little plant is being taxed to its capacity and shipments are being made daily.

Winter Brings Colds To Children

A child rarely goes through the whole winter without a cold, and every mother should have a reliable remedy handy. Fever, sore throat, tight chest and croupy coughs are sure symptoms. A dose of Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey will loosen the phlegm, relieve the congested lungs and stop the cough. Its antiseptic pine balsams heal and soothe. For croup, whooping cough and chronic bronchial troubles try Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey. At all Druggists, 25c.

RETURNED HOME.

J. A. Nunn, father and brothers, returned home Thursday night from Abilene, where they had been to attend the funeral of his cousin Max Burks, who was buried in that city Thursday morning. Max Burks and his parents were pioneer citizens of Runnels county and he has many friends in this section, who will be pained to learn of his early demise.

While here Mr. Nunn requested a meeting at the old Runnels school house the first Sunday afternoon in January at 3 o'clock to arrange for the Sunday school work to begin at that place and hoped everybody would attend the meeting and enroll.

Drives Out Malaria, Builds Up System. The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROW'S TASTELISS chill TONIC, drives out Malaria, enriches the blood, and builds up the system. A true tonic. For adults and children. 50c.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Foigay, of Valera, who had been visiting in the Winters country, passed thru Ballinger Saturday en route home.

W. T. Padgett is stocking up on his Valley Creek place and went out Monday morning with some fine stock to place in his pastures.

DANGEROUS CALOMEL IS SELDOM SOLD NOW

Calomel Salivates! It Makes You Sick and You Lose a Day's Work—Dodson's Liver Tone Acts Better Than Calomel and Is Harmless for Men, Women, Children—Read Guarantee!

Every druggist here, yes! your druggist and everybody's druggist has noticed a great falling-off in the sale of calomel. They all give the same reason. Dodson's Liver Tone is taking its place.

"Calomel is dangerous and people know it while Dodson's Liver Tone is safe and gives better results," said a prominent local druggist. Dodson's Liver Tone is personally guaranteed by every druggist. A large family-sized bottle costs only 50 cents and if you find it doesn't take the place of dangerous, salivating calomel you have your money back.

Dodson's Liver Tone is a pleasant vegetable remedy, harmless to children and adults. Take a spoonful at night and feel fine, no sick headache, biliousness, sour stomach or clogged bowels.

Dodson's Liver Tone doesn't gripe or cause inconvenience all next day like calomel.

Take a dose of calomel tonight and tomorrow you will feel sick, weak and nauseated. Don't lose a day's work!

Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up with your head clear, your liver active, bowels clean, breath sweet and stomach regulated. You will feel full and full of vigor and ready for your money back.

passenger Six at \$1685. The

anything afterwards without risk self or your children. Dodson's Liver Tone and try it. You'll never again put a dose of calomel into your stomach.

DESPONDENT; ENDS LIFE AT WINTERS

C. R. Crews was called to Winters early Thursday morning to embalm the body of M. T. Rush, who ended his life early Wednesday night by taking a dose of cyanide of potassium. It was first expected that the remains would be shipped to some other point for burial, but a telegram from relatives stated that they were coming to Winters to bury the body.

According to details of the tragedy Rush had planned his self-destruction in a calm and pre-meditated way, and retired for the last time. The man was stopping at the Stokes hotel in Winters, and after eating supper as usual, he asked for a glass to take some medicine and went to his room. Nothing more was heard of the man until about nine o'clock when Mr. Stokes noticed a light in his room and thinking perhaps the man had gone to sleep, he left the light burning, he called Rush. Failing to get an answer Mr. Stokes entered the room and found the man dead in bed with the glass containing a part of the poison nearby.

The despondent man left a note directing where his relatives might be found, and friends communicated with a brother at Decatur and a sister at Dallas, and they were instructed that the remains be prepared for burial at Winters and that they were coming to attend the funeral.

Rush was about fifty years old. He had never been married and for some time had been working at farm labor in the Winters-Wingate country. The man had recently visited San Angelo, and had been staying at the Stokes Hotel since returning from San Angelo. He had not indicated to any one that he was tired of life and that he intended to kill himself.

Bad Habits

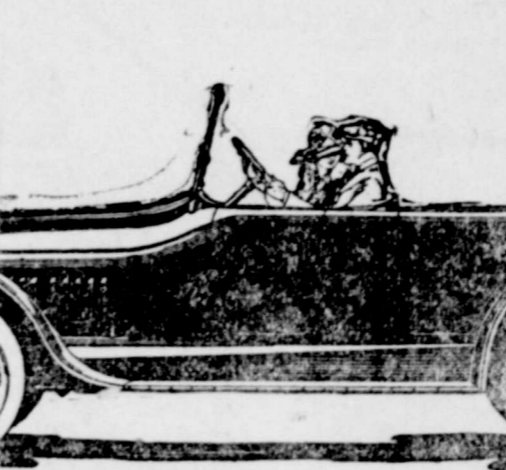
Those who breakfast at eight o'clock or later, lunch at twelve and have dinner at six are almost certain to be troubled with indigestion. They do not allow time for one meal to digest before taking another. Not less than five hours should elapse between meals. If you are troubled with indigestion correct your habits and take Chamberlain's Tablets, and you may reasonably hope for a quick recovery. These tablets strengthen the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally Obtainable everywhere.

COMPANY FORMED.

H. G. Roten and W. W. Embry who have a patent rotary cycle, have just organized their company and will get to work at once in putting them on the market. Grandma Smith left Saturday afternoon for Cameron to be at the bedside of her son-in-law, who is seriously ill.

S. C. Guin of the Hatchel country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

FATHER MAKES SON BUSINESS PARTNER



Frank Pearce, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Pearce, received for his Christmas present perhaps the greatest of all gifts given in this city. Frank's father presented the young man with a one-half interest in the Pearce Drug Store, including stock, fixtures, accounts and cash on hand, the gift amounting in dollars and cents to about \$10,000.

This means nothing more nor less than Mr. Pearce takes Frank in as an equal partner in the business. The new firm will begin under the name of the Pearce Drug Co., on January 1st, and Mr. Pearce will place Frank in charge of the business.

Since graduating in pharmacy Frank has been in his father's drug store, and he is by no means new in the business. In fact he is as familiar with the details of the business as his father. The young man is strictly business and his friends number his acquaintances. The change made only adds to the future prospects of this popular store.

Paper Shell Pecans

We have this year a choice lot of Soft Shell Pecan trees grown on our own grounds, warranted true to name, thrifty. Now ready for delivery and transplanting. Address orders to Runnels County Pecan Nursery, S. B. Howard, 107 N. 12th St., Ballinger, Texas. 15-11fv.

We Can Help You figure the bill when you get ready to make the needed improvements around your lumber and paint stock is select and correct. Ballinger Lumber Company

YOUR GOVERNMENT AND YOUR BANK. You'll never accumulate surplus unless you bank your money. What more watchful guardian of your individual wealth than your Government? A better or surer place for your money than YOUR GOVERNMENT'S BANK. First National Bank OF BALLINGER, ESTAB. 1886

WELCOME. Some Banks Solicit Only Large Accounts. This Bank is equally the Bank of the laboring man, the mechanic, the business man, the house-wife, the child or the man of leisure. All accounts, large or small, will be given the same treatment. We are a bank for the people and extend to you a WELCOME. The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co. RELIABILITY ACCOMMODATION STRENGTH SERVICE

**THE BANNER-LEDGER**  
 PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY BY  
**THE BALLINGER PRINTING COMPANY**  
 The Banner-Ledger and the  
 Runnels County Ledger were con-  
 solidated January 28, 1913.  
 A. W. Sledge, Editor

We must hand the auto the blue  
 ribbon for claiming the greatest  
 number of lives.

Fort Worth has our sympathy  
 in failing to land the farm loan  
 bank. You know there is not  
 much difference between Fort  
 Worth and Houston's murder re-  
 cord.

In a letter to the Brownwood  
 paper a man in that city says that  
 he had nothing in his house to eat  
 on Christmas day but a little  
 meal—no meat, no flour for a  
 family of a dozen. The man stated  
 that he had not been able to  
 get work and his letter for help  
 was a pitiful appeal. If there  
 were any such cases in Ballinger  
 they were kept a secret. The  
 charity committee went out with  
 loads of food and clothing and  
 supplied the needy.

Commissioner Kirk announce  
 today that he would begin re-  
 work on what is known as the  
 Johnson lane within the next few  
 days. The road crew is paving  
 the way for Winters to come  
 Ballinger, and the road passing  
 the site of Old Runnels is under-  
 going a great change for the bet-  
 ter. The crossing at Coyote creek  
 is receiving attention and who  
 has been a Jonah to travelers is  
 being converted into an ideal  
 riding road. If Bod Kirk fails  
 to rub the rough places out of the  
 bad roads leading into Ballinger  
 there will be no use in trying any  
 one else on the job. However,  
 it will take some time to do it with  
 the small means in sight.

The district clerk of Tom Green  
 county is a woman, and hereafter  
 there will be no smoking in the  
 district court of that county dur-

**THE PRIDE IN POVERTY**  
 The Ballinger Ledger avers that  
 there was no suffering and want  
 in that city on Christmas day, be-  
 cause a charity committee "with  
 loads of food and clothing sup-  
 plied the needy." A committee  
 has been doing service in Brown-  
 wood for several weeks, and still  
 there is want and suffering in  
 dozens of homes. Charity com-  
 mittees can not find all the fam-  
 ilies which need help, because  
 many such families are too proud  
 to accept help from a charity or-  
 ganization. What they want is  
 work, and when they haven't  
 work to do they suffer in silence.  
 —Brownwood Bulletin.

The pride in poverty is what  
 hurts. Some people will steal or  
 starve before they will beg. Oth-  
 ers will beg before they will work.  
 Hence there are at least two classes  
 of poor people in the world.

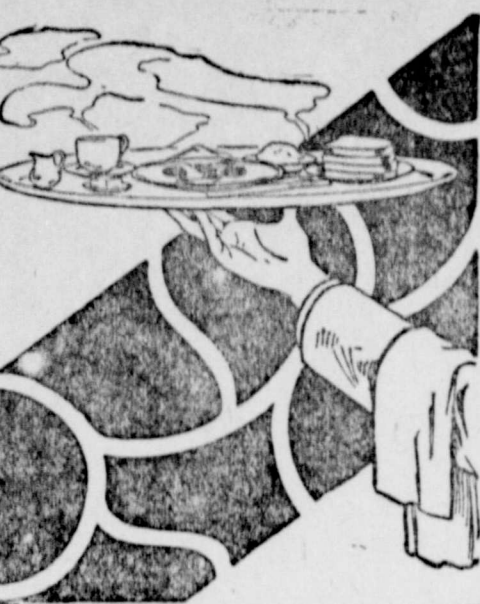
**GOOD ADVICE**  
 A Ballinger Citizen Gives Infor-  
 mation of Priceless Value.

When you suffer from back-  
 ache  
 Headaches, dizziness, nervous-  
 ness  
 E for hard water use  
 and cleanses in any kind of water, d-

ishing and other household tasks—  
 jiffy—and it WILL NOT reddened  
 Try it.

**GOOD FOR PREMIUMS**  
 Aluminumware pieces and other prom-  
 ised. Write today to Products Mfg. Co.,  
 for new premium catalog. It's free.

**GEN GROCERY CO.**  
 San Angelo,  
 Sweetwater.



**A Dainty, Ap-  
 petizing Meal**

that just makes you eat  
 it—that chases the  
 troubles from your mind  
 and makes you feel like  
 a millionaire—that's the  
 kind of meals we serve.

Everything is pure,  
 clean and wholesome—  
 well cooked—daintily  
 served—and the prices  
 are just right.

Come in and give us  
 a trial.

**City Cafe**  
 J. L. Stroble, Proprietor

"Uncle" Johnny Ballew and J.  
 T. Elms, of the Mazeland country,  
 were business visitors to Ballinger  
 Wednesday motoring down  
 to the county site to pay taxes  
 and spend a few hours meeting  
 friends, and renewing acquaint-  
 ances.

E. H. Voelkel of Rowena, was  
 looking after business affairs in  
 Ballinger Tuesday.

**VALLEY CREEK Route N**  
 Born to Mr. and Mrs.  
 Tubbs, the 27th, a fine boy.  
 Jeff Tubbs who had his  
 thrown out of place two  
 ago, is improving.

George Denton returned  
 Denton county Saturday and  
 reports everything fine over there.  
 Miss Ruth Greer returned  
 Lampasas county Sunday at  
 up her school work Monday.  
 Bro. A. P. Cleveland moved  
 family from Winters last week  
 North Norton, in the new  
 that this community built for  
 Albert Hight and Jeff  
 returned from Hill county  
 Thursday.

Rev. Key and family re-  
 from Fort Worth Saturday  
 ing decided that count-  
 beats town.

S. H. Hight and family  
 Sunday evening with Bab-  
 and wife.

Young Pinkerton and  
 spent the day Sunday with  
 once Jennings and sister Ruth  
 Norton.

Quite a crowd took dinner  
 Year's day with Mr. and Mrs.  
 Walker.

Sam Hight moved Monday  
 Joe Smith's place.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells entertain-  
 the young folks with a party  
 Friday night. Everybody had  
 good time.

**RUNNELS RUMBLINGS**  
 Professor Mullins opened school  
 here on the 2nd with a pretty  
 fair attendance. Some, we are  
 sorry to say, are on the sick list.

We have an earnest instructor  
 who is struggling to keep up an  
 intense interest by the pupils in  
 his charge.

I understand that there is to  
 be a "singing" in Runnels'  
 church this coming Sabbath.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Nunn were  
 made happy by the absent sons  
 home coming for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hays visited  
 Mrs. Hays' mother in old Runnels  
 during the holidays.

Miss Gertrude Dickinson spent  
 the entire Christmas week with  
 her mother except dining Christ-  
 mas day with Mrs. M. L. Patter-

young folks chaperoned by Mes-  
 sames Dorsett, Hill, J. S. and W.  
 Neely, went to Moro mountain  
 and spent the afternoon kodak-  
 ing. Among them was Miss Novie  
 Losley of Humphrey, who was  
 visiting Katherine Neely.  
 Miss Donnie Young of Killeen,  
 visited the Misses Ratliffe during  
 Christmas.

The young folks enjoyed a party  
 at W. L. Neely's Thursday  
 night.

**REI RIDING HOOD.**

**THINKS PERKINS**  
**GOOD SHERIFF**

Sheriff J. D. Perkins of Run-  
 nels county arrived in Brownwood  
 last night, bringing with him a  
 conviction wanted here in connec-  
 tion with bootlegging case in  
 Brownwood county. The party in all  
 probability will be placed on  
 trial at this time of court. After  
 the trial here is expected to be  
 returned to Runnels county to be  
 tried there on burglary charge.

Perkins recognizes as one  
 of the best police officers in this  
 part of the sta. He is well known  
 in a number of counties in Cen-  
 tral West Tex for his diligence.

Brownwood Bulletin.

Perkins is recognized as  
 one of the best police officers. If  
 he had not been considered the  
 people of Runnels county would  
 have canned him last July.  
 There is no less in keeping a  
 man on the job when he fails to  
 make good. Many other good  
 men are ready to take the place.

The man card to Brownwood  
 was Roy Philli held here charged  
 with robbing express office.  
 It was booze that got Phillips in  
 bad here and going from the  
 charge against a in Brown coun-  
 ty it was booze that county.

W. B. Kelsyd Grover Mur-  
 phy of the Northcountry, and E.  
 W. Stone of Don county, were  
 among the busis visitors in Bal-  
 linger Tuesday. Mr. Stone is a  
 brother in law dr. Kelsyd and is  
 visiting in this section with the  
 view of locating permanently.

John Reiley and R. E. Hick-



**DR. KING'S**  
**NEW**  
**DISCOVERY**  
**FOR**  
**COUGHS**  
**AND**  
**COLDS**

Romping and playing in the  
 snow is every healthy  
 boys birthright, but he's  
 apt to neglect precautions  
 against dampness.

A cold results—then Dr.  
 King's New Discovery proves  
 its worth. A few doses loosen  
 the phlegm, relieve the tight  
 chest, the healing balsams  
 soothe the throat raw from cough-  
 ing, and the mildly laxative qualities  
 expel the cold germs and the child  
 is healthy and happy again.  
 All druggists. Try it.

John, of Bronte and Sam Jones  
 and John Ballew of the Mazeland-  
 Wingate country, J. A. Weath-  
 ersby and J. B. Carleton of the  
 Maverick country, were among  
 the business visitors in Ballinger  
 Wednesday.

Lonnie Baldwin of Winters and  
 his brother, Judson Baldwin of  
 Clyde, Texas, were greeting  
 friends and looking after business  
 affairs in Ballinger Tuesday.

We are glad to report that Ar-  
 thur Giesecke, who was hurt dur-  
 ing Christmas is doing very nec-  
 ely at present and will soon be able  
 to be about.

Miss Susie Rogers, after a plea-  
 sant holiday visit to home folks  
 and Ballinger friends, left Mon-  
 day to resume her school duties  
 near Miles.

**Preparation**  
 If not  
**Ballinger**

Is the livest national issue of the  
 "PREPAREDNESS" is the state  
 which may arise. Are you prep-  
 arance Agency for full information as to how to  
**Insurance Agency**  
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day. he meaning of the word  
 being ready for any emergency  
 ed for e fire demon or cyclone?  
 epare gainst these evils  
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ing the trial of cases. There is to  
 be "order in court" while ladies  
 are present.—Brownwood Bulet-  
 tin.  
 Why wait until a lady comes on  
 the scene before restoring order?  
 We know some men that second-  
 hand smoke is obnoxious to, and  
 if smoking in a closed covered  
 room constitutes disorder with  
 ladies present does it not also  
 constitute disorder when the lad-  
 ies are absent. Runnels county  
 also has a woman for district  
 clerk and also has "order in  
 court."

E. W. Gray, of the New Home  
 neighborhood, was among the  
 visitors in Ballinger Monday and  
 had the date on his Banner-Led-  
 ger set up for another year.  
**Important To Poultry Growers**  
 The poultry packing plant will  
 open close for this season and the  
 market will likely be lower. So we  
 advise all that have turkeys to  
 sell to bring them in at once while  
 the price is good. We pay the  
 highest market price in cash for  
 all country produce.  
 Edw. JEANES PRODUCE CO.

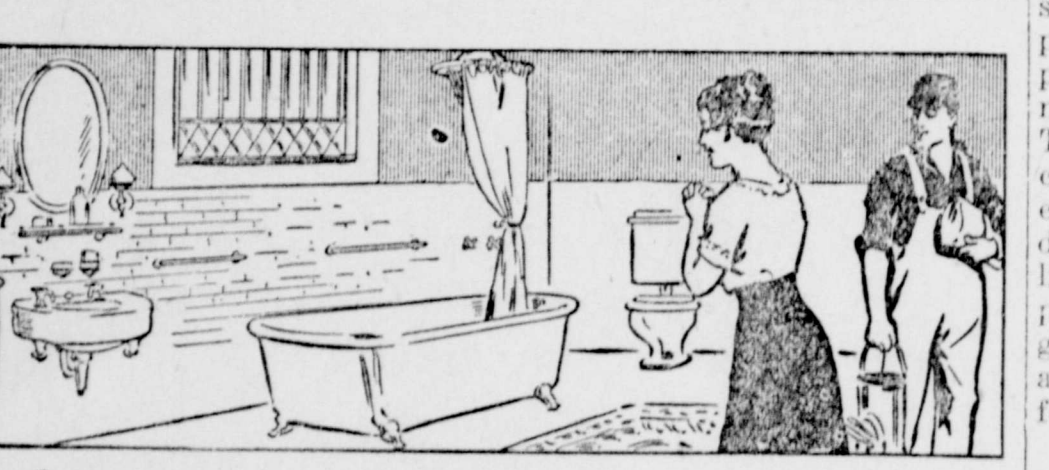
**UGH! ACID STOMACH,  
 SOURNESS, HEARTBURN  
 GAS OR INDIGESTION**  
 The moment "Pape's Diapepsin"  
 reaches the stomach all  
 distress goes.  
 Do some foods you eat hit  
 back—taste good, but work bad-  
 ly—ferment into stubborn lumps  
 and cause a sick sour, gassy,  
 stomach? Now, Mr. or Mrs. Dys-  
 peptic, jot this down: Pape's Dia-  
 pepsin digests everything, leaving  
 nothing to sour and upset you.  
 There never was anything so  
 certainly effective. No differ-  
 ence how badly your stomach is  
 disordered you will get happy re-  
 lief in five minutes, but what  
 pleases you most is that it stren-  
 gthens and regulates your stom-  
 ach so you can eat your favorite  
 foods without fear.  
 Most remedies give you relief  
 sometimes—they are slow, but not  
 sure. "Pape's Diapepsin" is  
 quick, positive and puts your  
 stomach in a healthy condition so  
 the misery won't come back.  
 You feel different as soon as  
 "Pape's Diapepsin" comes in con-  
 tact with the stomach—distress  
 just vanishes—your stomach gets  
 sweet, no gases, no belching, no  
 eruptions of undigested food,  
 your head clears and you feel  
 fine.  
 Go now, make the best invest-  
 ment you ever made, by getting a  
 large fifty-cent case of Pape's Dia-  
 pepsin from any drug store. You  
 realize in five minutes how need-  
 less it is to suffer from indiges-  
 tion, dyspepsia or any stomach  
 disorder.  
 We were glad to see Uncle  
 Johnnie Fox of the Pony creek  
 country, in the city Tuesday, af-  
 ter a six weeks seige of lagrippe.

son.  
 A. B. Hutchinson and wife with  
 their daughter and grand-daugh-  
 ter visited Mrs. A. M. Dickinson  
 and family Christmas week.  
 We had a pretty Christmas tree  
 in the school house Saturday  
 night before Christmas, all pre-  
 sent seeming to enjoy the event.  
 C. A. Dickinson and mother  
 went to see the last scenes of  
 "Liberty" in moving pictures on  
 Saturday night before New Year,  
 and their horse and buggy were  
 stolen. I guess they wish they  
 never had heard of "Liberty."  
 We are enjoying Spring-like  
 weather but wish so much to see  
 a good rain.  
**CORRESPONDENT.**

**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE**  
**Farmers and Merchants State Bank**  
 at Ballinger, Texas, at the close of business on the 27th day of Dec-  
 ember, 1916, published in the Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and publish-  
 ed at Ballinger, Texas, on the 4th day of January, 1917.

| RESOURCES   |       |                     |
|---|-------|---------------------|
| Loans   | ..... | \$264,891.57        |
| Loans and Discounts on real or collateral           | ..... | 13,250.00           |
| Bonds, real estate                                  | ..... | 4,000.00            |
| Real Estate (bank's)                                | ..... | 39,000.00           |
| Other real estate (bank's)                          | ..... | 5,000.00            |
| Furniture and Fixtures                              | ..... | 7,000.00            |
| Due from Approver Agents, net                       | ..... | 128,234.22          |
| Cash from other Banks, subject to check, net        | ..... | 13,522.68           |
| Current items of other Banks, subject to check, net | ..... | 2,682.83            |
| Specie  | ..... | 23,505.00           |
| Interest  | ..... | 5,614.67            |
| Other resources in Deposits                         | ..... | 4,800.94            |
| Resources as per                                    | ..... | 43.91               |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  |       | <b>\$511,635.82</b> |
| LIABILITIES   |       |                     |
| Capital   | ..... | \$100,000.00        |
| Surplus   | ..... | 6,000.00            |
| Individual Profits                                  | ..... | 16,631.70           |
| Due to Banks and other Banks, subject to check, net | ..... | 4,687.94            |
| Individual Deposits                                 | ..... | 372,670.10          |
| Cashier's Certificates                              | ..... | 4,478.85            |
| Other liabilities                                   | ..... | 1,534.98            |
| Liabilities as per                                  | ..... | 7,232.16            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  |       | <b>\$511,635.82</b> |

OF TEXAS, State of Runnels, ss  
 We, H. Giesecke, President, and A. C. Homann as cashier of said bank,  
 do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of  
 our knowledge and belief.  
 H. GIESECKE, President.  
 A. C. HOMANN, Cashier.  
 Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 4th day of January, A. D. 1917.  
 H. M. JOSEY, Notary Public  
 Runnels County, Texas.  
 Corrected by I. E. D. Walker, J. L. Chastain, Directors.



**Pleasing Workmanship**  
 Of course you want your plumbing in-  
 stalled with careful regard to convenience of  
 arrangement. That is our first thought when  
 we undertake the work.  
 But it isn't all. We use particular pre-  
 caution not to mar the walls or floors of your  
 home. We aim to leave the finished work as  
 neat and tidy as possible.  
 And we are exceptionally careful to  
 see that all joints and connections are perfect-  
 ly tight—everything in good working order.  
 Repairing done promptly  
 and efficiently.  
**E. G. Allison & Son**  
 Phone 136

**BALDWIN SCHOOL NOTES**  
 Christmas is gone and the new  
 year is here. We all started in  
 Monday morning to make our  
 school, "one out of many"—E.  
 Pluribus Unum. That is the  
 motto we have selected and all of  
 us have determined to live up  
 to it.  
 Our Christmas tree was a grand  
 success. Old Santa was there  
 and had a gift for every one.  
 Bro. Johnson made a talk and a  
 few recitations were said by the  
 children. There was a large  
 crowd present and everyone  
 seemed to enjoy themselves.  
 Mumps and measles are having  
 their turn in this community.  
 Vernie Downing is out of school  
 on account of measles. Durward  
 Hill has the mumps.  
 Our new school supplies have  
 arrived, including new desks,  
 globe, charts, etc. We also have  
 the state aid of \$400.00. Oh, our  
 school is improving. If you don't  
 believe it just come around and  
 see us and be convinced.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Sprinkle spent  
 Christmas in Stevens county.  
 Miss Lucille Spann spent the  
 holidays in Ballinger.  
 The young folks of this com-  
 munity spent the holidays in many  
 different ways.  
 Tuesday afternoon a crowd of

**RECAPITULATION**

| RESOURCES    |       |                     |
|--------------|-------|---------------------|
| Loans        | ..... | \$278,141.57        |
| Bonds and    | ..... | 1,000.00            |
| Real Estate  | ..... | 45,000.00           |
| Other        | ..... | 5,000.00            |
| Interest     | ..... | 4,800.94            |
| Bills        | ..... | 43.91               |
| Cash         | ..... | 173,559.49          |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |       | <b>\$511,635.82</b> |
| LIABILITIES  |       |                     |
| Capital      | ..... | \$100,000.00        |
| Surplus      | ..... | 22,031.70           |
| Individual   | ..... | 389,604.12          |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |       | <b>\$511,635.82</b> |

**PURE RICH BLOOD PREVENTS DISEASE**

Bad blood,—that is, blood that is impure or impoverished, thin and pale,—is responsible for more ailments than anything else. It affects every organ and function. In some cases it causes catarrh; in others, dyspepsia; in others, rheumatism; and in still others, weak, tired, languid feelings and worse troubles. It is responsible for run-down conditions, and is the most common cause of disease. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the greatest purifier and enricher of the blood the world has ever known. It has been wonderfully successful in removing scrofula and other humors, increasing the red-blood corpuscles, and building up the whole system. Get it today.

**THIEF STEALS \$225 WORTH SKUNK HIDES.**

One hundred and twenty-four skunk and approximately seventy five opossum hides were stolen from the John Finnigan Company's building at 111 East Concho avenue sometime Wednesday night. Entrance to the hide house was gained by merely removing an iron bar which was dropped into slats nailed across a side door. The furs were valued at \$225.

Officers were notified of the burglary early this morning and Ralph W. McCormick, manager of the Finnigan company, offered a \$50 reward for the return of the furs and the arrest and conviction of the guilty party or parties.—San Angelo Standard.

**DRAUGHON'S PRACTICAL Business College**  
ABILENE, TEXAS  
Only well-known Business College in West Texas. Thousands of firms nearer our Employment Department than any other. Money-back contract guarantees position. Catalogue FREE.

**ONLY 12.60 IN'S RAIN FALL 1916**

The rain fall for year just closed was just a trifle less than one-half the average of the past twenty-two years, and the second to the shortest fall for any year in the twenty-two years record. In 1910 the fall amounted to only 1.71 while for the year just closed it amounted to 12.60 inches. The amount of water for the past year was found by observing the record with 12.74 inches and for 1904 with 13.41 inches, with 15.75 for the year just closed. April was the best month, with 5.15 inches, the record showing 5.5 inches of rain fell in that month, with 3.40 for September, for October, 1.10 for March, remainder of the 1916 month failed to bring as much as an inch of rain. The rain fall for 1916 amounted to 29.35. Following is rain record by months for year just closed:

January .10; February .00; March 1.10; April 5.15; May .50; June .50; July 2.50; August .50; September 3.40; October 1.90; November .65; December .00. Total 12.60.

Lame back may stem from overwork, cold settled muscles of the back, or fracture. In the two former cases right remedy is Ballard's Liniment. It should be rubbed in thoroughly over the affected part, the relief will be prompt and satisfactory. Price 25c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

**NEW YEAR WATCHERS PUT ON BIG SHOW**

Shooting irons that perhaps have been lying dormant for years were brought into play Sunday night, and as the old year passed out it was shot full of holes. A Villistas battle had nothing on Ballinger for noise, and those who could shoot tooted the horns while others put in the time ringing out the old year and ringing in the new. If there was any one in Ballinger who did not know that town had an auto fire truck they know it now. It appears that the truck was chartered for the occasion Sunday night.

The prediction that it would be a quiet New Year eve proved false and the New Year was given the warmest reception ever. For many the year just closed was the most prosperous, made so by high prices for everything produced on the farm. For some it was a fight to make ends meet, made so on account of the high cost of living. The year just beginning will be an interesting one. What the future will bring no one knows, but a majority of the people greet the new year with an over supply of optimism. In fact the pessimist has almost been eradicated out, and most every one seems to be expecting the best years of their life. Time will tell.

**GIRLS! DRAW A MOIST CLOTH THROUGH HAIR, DOUBLES ITS BEAUTY**

Try this! Hair gets thick, glossy, wavy and beautiful at once.

Immediate?—Yes! Certain?—that's the joy of it. Your hair becomes light, wavy, fluffy, abundant and appears as soft, lustrous and beautiful as a young girl's after a Danderine hair cleanse. Just try this—moisten a cloth with a little Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. This will cleanse the hair of dust, dirt or excessive oil, and in just a few moments you have doubled the beauty of your hair. A delightful surprise awaits those whose hair has been neglected or is scraggly, faded, dry brittle or thin. Besides beautifying the hair, Danderine dissolves every particle of dandruff; cleanses, purifies and invigorates the scalp forever stopping itching and falling hair, but what will please you most will be after a few weeks use, when you see new hair, fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair growing all over the scalp. If you care for pretty, soft hair, and lots of it surely get a 25-cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store or toilet counter and just try it.

**Notice of Final Account No. 294**

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greetings: Warren Williams, survivor in community of the Estate of Susan C. Williams, deceased, having filed in our County Court his Final Account of the condition of the Estate of said Susan C. Williams, deceased, together with an application to be discharged from said administration.

You are Herewith Commanded, That by publication of this Writ for twenty days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper regularly published in the County of Runnels you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate, to file their objections thereto, if any they have, on or before the February Term, 1917, of said County Court, commencing and to be holden at the Court House of said county in the City of Ballinger, on the fifth day of February, A. D. 1917, when said Account and Application will be considered by said court.

Witness W. C. McCarver, clerk of the County Court of Runnels County. Given under my hand and seal of said court, at my office, in Ballinger, Texas, this 21st day of December, A. D. 1916. (Seal) W. C. McCarver, Clerk C. C. Runnels, County. A true Copy, I certify: J. D. Perkins, Sheriff Runnels county. 29-3tw

**VILLISTA VICTORY FOR NEW YEAR**

EL PASO, Jan. 1.—Outnumbering the Carrancistas by a little over a thousand men, eight thousand bandits under Villa himself, decisively defeated the government troops commanded by Murguía, at La Cruz, sixty-five miles south of Chihuahua City.

Following the New Year's day attack, Villa is expected to attack the Carrancista garrison at Chihuahua City immediately.

**DIDN'T TURN OVER**

Ross' "Dead Quick" Spray kills bedbugs, ants, fleas, vegetable and plant insects so dead, and does it so quickly, that people exclaim, "They didn't turn over." It puts mosquitoes out of business just as quick. Sold in Ballinger by Walker Drug Co.

**ALLISON & SON MOVING TODAY**

E. C. Allison & Son, plumbers, windmill dealers are moving from the Harrison building on Eighth Street to the building vacated by J. P. Martindale. Mr. Martindale is moving into the building just one door west of his old stand. H. L. Wendorf is to occupy a part of the building with Martindale and is also moving today. Mr. Allison's move came following a notice an increase in rent from the owner of the building he has been occupying.

**Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days**

Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of itching, burning, bleeding or protruding piles in 6 to 14 days. The first application gives ease and rest. 50c.

**BROWNWOOD SHIPS \$100,000 WORTH OF PORK.**

In making a summary of the years business the Brownwood Bulletin says that the Hog Growers association of Brownwood shipped during the year just closed more than \$100,000 worth of hogs. This increase in the output of products from Brown county is due to a spirit of co-operation, and the adoption of a marketing plan that made a ready market for the small farmer with only one or two hogs to sell. Of course the big end of this hog money is clear velvet to the farmers of that county.

**Sloan's Liniment for Stiff Joints.**

Rheumatic pains and aches get into the joints and muscles, making every movement torture. Relieve your suffering with Sloan's Liniment; it quickly penetrates without rubbing, and soothes and warms your sore muscles. The congested blood is stimulated to action; a single application will drive out the pain. Sloan's Liniment is clean, convenient and quickly effective, it does not stain the skin or clog the pores. Get a bottle today at your druggist, 25c.

J. B. Clark, of Coleman, who had been visiting his son on Valley creek, left Saturday for his home.

Jack Blasdel, who spent the holidays with his father and Ballinger friends, returned to his school work at Houston Saturday.

**How's This?**

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Hall's Catarrh Cure has been taken by catarrh sufferers for the past thirty-five years, and has become known as the most reliable remedy for Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure acts thru the Blood on the Mucous surfaces, expelling the Poison from the Blood and healing the diseased portions.

After you have taken Hall's Cure for a short time you will see a great improvement in your general health. Start taking Hall's Catarrh Cure at once and get rid of catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists, 75c.

**Card of Thanks.** We take this means of thanking our friends and neighbors, for their untiring kindness and help during the long sickness, and for the manifestations of sympathy at the death of husband and father. dwdh Mrs. E. Ballou and family.

**The Quinine That Does Not Cause Nervousness or Ringing in Head**

Because of its Tonic and Laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. It removes the cause of Colds, Grip and Headache. Used whenever Quinine is needed.

—but remember there is **Only One** "Bromo Quinine" That is the Original **Laxative Bromo Quinine** This Signature on Every Box.

Use the World Over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c. **E. W. Grove** Maker also of the Old Standard Grove's Tasteless Chilli Tonic

**Anti Stream Pollution Law Now Effective.**

Austin, Tex., Jan. 1.—The state anti-stream pollution law, which becomes effective today, provides, as a penalty of \$1,000 per day for cities which permit sewage to be emptied into any river or stream of the state.

To meet this requirement of the law, hundreds of cities and villages of Texas have invested thousands of dollars in various forms sewage disposal plants. These include a wide variety of plants, ranging from a \$500,000 Inhoff disposal plant just completed and to be put into operation by the city of Dallas immediately, to an inexpensive septic tank, such as will be used by Dalhart, and other small towns.

A dry, hacking cough is hard on the lungs, often causing them to bleed. Ballard's Horehound Syrup is a healing balm that quickly repairs damage in the lungs and air passages. Price 25c, 50 and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

**Dallas Doctor Joins British Army**

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 1.—Dr. J. H. Dorman, of Dallas, has gone to Liverpool, where he will join the medical corps of the British army. He will probably be assigned to one of the military hospitals.

**WILL NOT ASK STATE AID FOR FAIR**

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 1.—The state fair of Texas, will ask no help from the state, according to R. E. L. Knight, recently re-elected president for another year.

**CHICHESTER'S PILLS**

Little! Ask your Druggist for CHICHESTER'S Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Box of your Druggist for CHICHESTER'S PINK PILLS, BAKING PILLS, for 32 years known as Best. Sold Always to be Sold BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

**H. & T. C. Employees Get Checks.**

Ennis, Tex., Jan. 1.—Employees of the Houston & Texas Central railroad are receiving checks representing the first half of a bonus of 1 per cent of the 1916 salary today. They will receive the second half of the bonus money July 1. Only employees receiving less than \$1500 per year share in the extra money.

**OKLAHOMA POULTRY SHOW OPENS TODAY**

OKMULGEE, Okla., Jan. 1.—The largest exhibition of pure bred poultry to be staged in the southwest this season began here this morning, when the Oklahoma state poultry federation opened its annual poultry show.

More than 2,000 fowls are on exhibition. Premiums are offered in all classes, including chickens, turkeys, geese, waterfowl, pigeons, and all kinds of poultry. A feature is the exhibit of a model hen house and grounds, by the Oklahoma A. & M. college.

T. E. Quisenberry, of Kansas City; Thomas Wood, of Fayette, Missouri; and H. V. Tormohlen, of Portland, Ind.; all widely known poultry authorities, are in charge of the judging.

Many special prizes are offered by business houses of Okmulgee, besides the regular premiums. The show will last throughout the week. Lectures by the judges and other poultry experts will be given daily.

Miss Hellen Williams left for Waco Monday, where she will continue her school work in Baylor University.

**525 AUTOS SOLD COUNTY LAST YEAR**

Figuring on a basis of \$1,000 per car more than one-half million dollars was invested in autos in Runnels county during the year just closed. From January 1, 1916 to January 1, 1917, 525 autos were registered in this county, bringing the total number of cars registered from 637 to 1162, and making the largest year's business for the auto dealers in the history of the auto.

The auto register for this county is not complete in that the record shows no date for issuing numbers up until March 1, 1913 when car No. 187 was issued. Since that date each number issued shows the date upon which it was issued, and the increase by years comes fast.

On January 1, 1914, 244 cars had been registered. On January 1, 1915, 311 cars had been registered. On January 1, 1916, 637 cars had been registered. On January 1, 1917 the number totals 1162.

**CASTORIA**

For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

**119 RATTLES IN ONE SNAKE DEN**

One of the biggest rattlesnake dens ever discovered in this section is reported to have been found on the S. N. Morrison ranch in Jones county one day the past week.

The den was found in the cavity of a small mound and the snakes were extracted one by one by a process much resembling "rabbit twisting"—meaning the introduction of a forked stick into the hole.

There were one hundred and nineteen snakes extracted, the largest of which measured five and a half feet and the smallest two feet.—Abilene Reporter.

**Found a Sure Thing**

L. B. Wixon, Farmers Mills, N. Y., has used Chamberlain's Tablets for years for disorders of the stomach and liver and says, "Chamberlain's Tablets are the best I have ever used." Obtainable everywhere.

**Moving To New Location.**

I am moving my saddle and Harness and shoe repair shop to Eighth street next to Ballinger Light and Power Co., and I take this method of thanking my customers and friends for past patronage and hope they will find me in my new place and continue their liberal patronage.

H. L. WENDORF. 1-dwif The Busy Shop.

Miss Lelia Latham, of Brownwood, who had been visiting her aunt Mrs. Mike C. Boyd and her cousin Mrs. Hobart Nicholson, the past week, left for home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bates and his mother, Mrs. S. J. Bates, of Merton, came in a day or two ago to visit relatives and Ballinger friends a few weeks.

Jim Cavitt, of Holland, and John Cavitt, of Moody, came in Sunday to visit and to look after business affairs in our section a few days.

**NOTICE**

Now is the time to make your application for land loan money on land in Runnels County at 8 percent interest, extend Vendors Lien Notes bearing 8 per cent interest, and make commission for placing your loans. For further information call on **H. Giesecke** Ballinger, Texas.

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"Blue Back Abstracts" and Conveying.

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Wm. Cameron Co., Inc.

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

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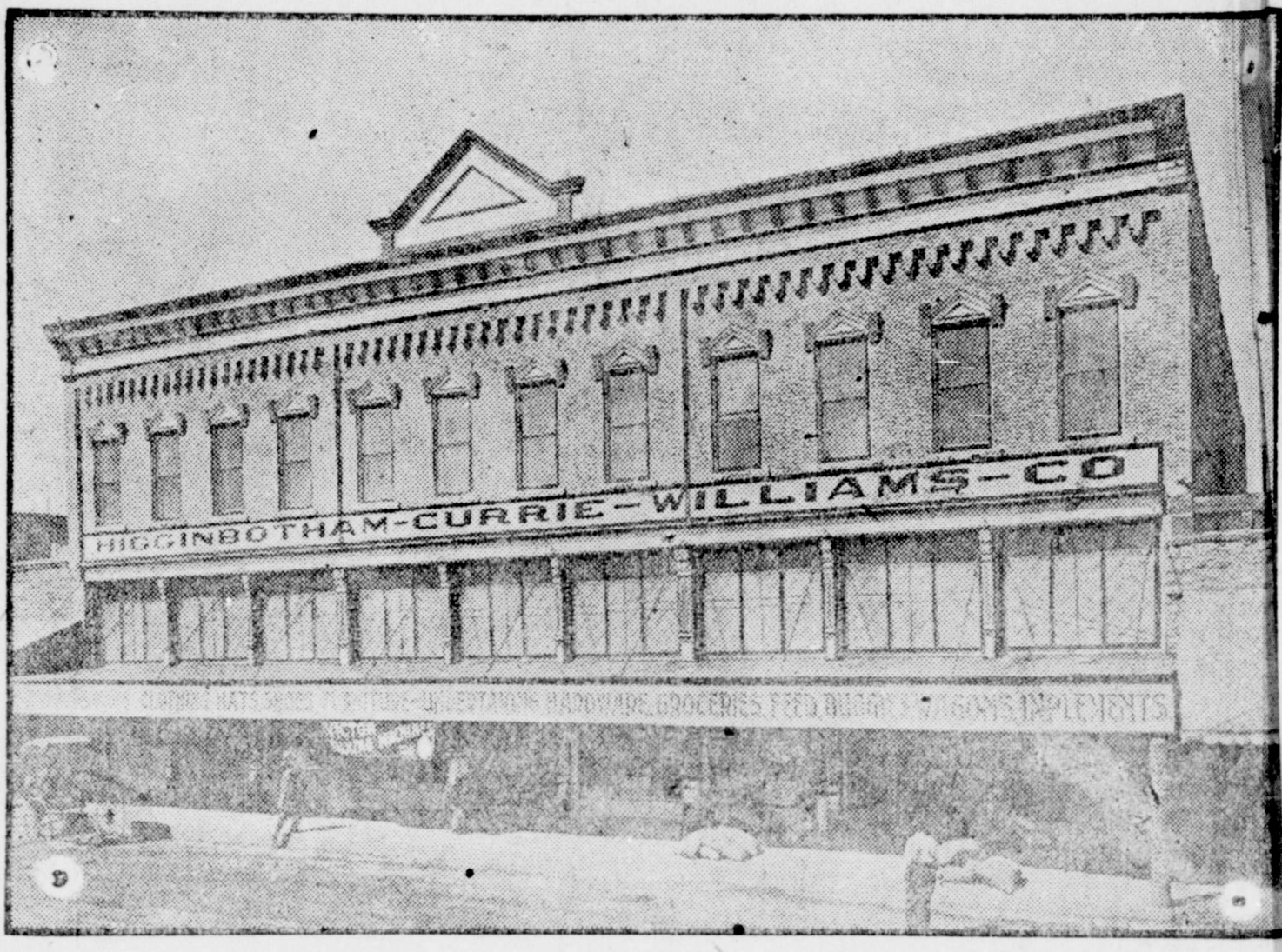
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Having surpassed our fondest expectations for the past year, we are determined to sell one hundred thousand dollars more in nineteen hundred and seventeen. Every department in this great store will put forth every effort to reach this goal. Profit will be the secondary consideration, we want the volume.

## We Are Thankful.

For the wonderful business we have received during 1916 we are indeed thankful; for the generous response to our advertisements; for the confidence reposed and ask that you help us realize our ambition to sell \$100,000 more in nineteen and seventeen. To sell this amount we realize that our prices must be low and the quality high. Consequently we will feature only satisfactory brands.



## Enthusiasm Our Watchword.

Anything worth while must be entered into with enthusiasm. Our wonderful success last year was only possible by this indispensable factor. Every attendee of this great store is brimfull and overflowing with enthusiasm for the coming year. They believe in the store, their store and your store, by their methods they will compel you to have the same confidence.

## Many Special Bargains and Odds and Ends at Greatly Reduced Prices.

You will marvel at the many lines we are showing at the old prices, by conservative buying we are protected for practically the entire year and can show you the prestige we have secured through our wonderful buying power.

# HIGGINBOTHAM-CURRIE-WILLIAMS CO.

Ballinger's

Greatest

Store

## HUNTING RABBITS WITH AUTO LIGHTS

Chas. Evans was in the city first of the week from the New Home community, and reported that the citizens of his community were killing many rabbits at night by taking their guns with them when they went out joy riding. Mr. Evans reported that 24 rabbits were killed Saturday night in the light of one auto. Some of the rabbits were caught by hand, the light blinding them so they could not get out of the way. Others were shot with a target.

Mr. Evans suggested that many rabbits could be killed in this way before the big drives are pulled off later in the season. It is fine sport, don't you know, to go joy riding at night and shoot rabbits in the light of the auto. Be careful that you do not shoot somebody.

Eugene Risser, of Bonham, came in Tuesday at noon to visit friends and to look after business affairs a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Trammell and baby, of the Norton country, passed through Ballinger Monday en route home from a visit to relatives in East Texas.

## ANY CHEST COLD MAY BRING Bronchitis or Tonsilitis

The irritating, tickling cough affects the lung tissue and wears down nature's power to resist disease germs.

# SCOTT'S EMULSION

suppresses the cold, allays the inflammation, steadily removes the irritation and rebuilds the resistive power to prevent lung trouble.

SCOTT'S has done more for bronchial troubles than any other one medicine. It contains no alcohol. Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J., 16-10

## ROBERT LEWIS WILLIAMS SERIOUSLY ILL

Robert Lewis, the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Williams, is seriously ill at his home on Broadway. The young man was stricken with heart trouble late Monday afternoon and was carried to his home in a critical condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams and daughter, Miss Helen, left on the afternoon train Monday for Waco, where Miss Helen was going to enter Baylor University. Robert became ill a few hours after his parents had left and a telegram caught them at Mullen, just beyond Brownwood, where the west bound and east bound train pass each other. Fortunately Mr. Williams received the telegram in time to catch the train returning to Ballinger at midnight, and he and Mrs. Williams and Miss Helen all returned home.

The latest report from the Williams home Tuesday afternoon stated that Robert was better, his condition is still serious, and the physicians have announced that the young man must be kept quiet and not permitted to leave his room for two or three weeks.

Hearthburn, indigestion or distress of the stomach is instantly relieved by Herbine. It forces the badly digested food out of the body and restores tone in the stomach and bowels. Price 50c. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Skaggs of Winters, came in Monday to accompany a crowd of young people, who had composed a house party at their home. Among the number were Misses Gladys Oliver, of South Texas, Eva Jackson and Elna Skaggs of Lometa. The latter two young ladies left for their home in the afternoon.

F. F. Ernst of Rowena, J. P. Webb the Maverick blacksmith and A. J. Zaak, of the Spring Hill neighborhood were among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Harris, of Centreville, Ala., came in a day or two ago to visit his brother, Jim Harris and family of the Hatcher country and will likely make Texas their future home.

## MOTHER! YOUR CHILD IS CROSS, FEVERISH, FROM CONSTIPATION

If tongue is coated, breath bad, stomach sour, clean liver and bowels.

Give "California Syrup of Figs" at once—a teaspoonful today often saves a sick child tomorrow.

If your little one is out-of-sorts, half-sick, isn't resting, eating and acting naturally—look, Mother! see if tongue is coated. This is a sure sign that its little stomach, liver and bowels are clogged with waste. When cross, irritable, feverish, stomach sour, breath bad or has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, sore throat, full of cold, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated poison, undigested food and sour bile gently moves out of its little bowels without griping, and you have a well, playful child again.

Mothers can rest easy after giving this harmless "fruit laxative," because it never fails to cleanse the little one's liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach and they dearly love its pleasant taste. Full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown ups printed on each bottle.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs;" then see that it is made by the California Fig Syrup Company.

## OIL MILL TO RESUME OPERATION

The oil mill at Winters closed down at Winters for the Christmas holidays and will not resume operation until about the first of March when the season's run of about one month or longer will be made. The crew who has been on duty at Winters has been transferred to Ballinger, at least part of the hands, and the mill will begin operation here Monday and complete the season's run at this place which it is estimated will require a couple of months time. From a standpoint of easy running the

Runnels county mills have had a very successful run so far. No accidents have occurred and the mills have made good time crushing the year's seed crop.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE 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, ETC.

## SAYS BAD WATER SHOULD BE BOILED

A Brownwood chemist who was requested to make an analysis of Winters' water, has made an adverse report, and advises the people of that town to boil their water until the condition can be improved. The continued drought has no doubt caused other water supplies to become contaminated, and it would be wise for the health authorities to keep an eye on the water situation and advise the people accordingly. An epidemic of typhoid originating from bad water could play havoc before it could be stopped.

## ENNIS SHEPHERD IN POLITICS

E. A. Shepperd who recently resigned his position with the Winters State Bank and purchased the insurance and loan business of J. F. Holliday, has announced as a candidate for the office of city secretary of Winters. Mr. Holliday who sold his business to Mr. Shepperd, was in Ballinger Monday attending to some unfinished business preparatory to moving to Abilene, where he will be associated with a loan company. His moving had been delayed on account of the little Holliday having the mumps.

Lax-Fos, A Mild, Effective Laxative & Liver Tonic Does Not Grip nor Disturb the Stomach. In addition to other properties, Lax-Fos contains Cascara in acceptable form, a stimulating Laxative and Tonic. Lax-Fos acts effectively and does not grip nor disturb stomach. At the same time, it aids digestion, arouses the liver and secretions and restores the healthy functions. 50c.

## ADAM HULSE HELD IN JAIL

While he has done nothing that justifies the county locking him in a cell, Adam Hulse is being confined in the misdemeanor room of the local jail. This treatment is the best the county can give its weak in mind and dependents who must look to the county for a living. Hulse has been under the care of the county for several

years. He recently became worse, and was for time in a helpless condition due to paralysis, but has not gained strength and is unable to get about and would be on the streets if he had his way about it, but the unfortunate man has lost his mind and is not capable of taking care of himself. There is no cure for him, and the county can not get him in the asy-

lum, hence he must be kept in jail until death relieves him of his burdensome life.

It is unfortunate that provisions can not be made for taking better care of the paupers and insane. Texas jails are housing people today that should be in the hospital where they can receive proper attention instead of being confined in jail.

## COUNTY TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels.

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared M. Kleberg, County Judge, R. P. Kirk, W. D. Meadows, J. D. Smith and C. N. Craft, County Commissioners, all of Runnels County, Texas, who being duly sworn, each on his oath, deposes and says he has fully complied with the provisions of Article 567 R. S., as set forth in said Article, taken in connection with chapter No. 164 Acts of the 29th Legislature 1905, known as the depository law, by having actually counted and inspected all the cash in the hands of W. L. Brown, County Treasurer of Runnels County, Texas, as set forth in said County Treasurer's report for the quarter ending October 31st, 1916, and find the same to be as follows:

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| First Class, Jury Fund, cash balance                   | \$ 36.92 |
| Second Class, Road and Bridge Fund, cash balance       | 446.22   |
| Third Class, General Fund, cash balance                | 102.69   |
| Fourth Class, Special Fund, cash balance               | 749.74   |
| Fifth Class, Advertising Fund, cash balance            | 307.60   |
| Sixth Class, Court House, Skg Fund No. 1, cash balance | 1893.54  |
| Seventh Class, B. B. Skg Fund No. 2, cash balance      | 307.31   |
| Eighth Class, B. B. Skg. Fund No. 2, cash balance      | 1792.24  |

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| To amount due county   | 5630.26   |
| By balance commission due                                    | 41.31     |
| By Outstanding checks  | 44.00     |
| By balance Oct. 31st, 1916 as certified by depository        | \$5712.57 |
| By amount included in report deposited November 1st, 1916... | 3.00      |

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M. KLEBERG, County Judge.  
R. P. KIRK,  
Commissioner Precinct No. 1.  
W. D. MEADOWS,  
Commissioner Precinct No. 2.  
J. D. SMITH,  
Commissioner Precinct No. 3.  
C. N. CRAFT,  
Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of November, A. D. 1916. W. C. Y. (Seal) Ter



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Prominent Houston Man Says, "Money Could Not Buy the Good It Has Done Me."

"Money could not buy the good Tanlac has done me, and I gladly recommend it for what it has done in my case," said Hon. Archie R. Anderson, of Houston, ex-sheriff of Harris County, a few days ago.

Mr. Anderson needs no introduction to the people of Texas, as he is unquestionably not only one of the best known, but one of the most popular men that ever held public office in "The Lone Star" state. After serving as Deputy Sheriff of Harris County for 12 years Mr. Anderson was elected Chief of Police of the City of Houston. He had occupied this office only a short time when the Sheriff of Harris County died. Mr. Anderson's friends then persuaded him to make his name for an unexpired term of Sheriff to which he was easily elected. He was honored with re-election seven different times and served the people in this important office for 15 consecutive years. Four years ago Mr. Anderson declined re-election and retired to private life. He cast his lot among the people of Houston and is a large property owner and foremost citizen of this interesting and prosperous city.

"I was in a run-down condition," continued Mr. Anderson, "and had no appetite at all. I could hardly sleep a night and never felt like getting up in the mornings, I was so red. I had the worst form of indigestion, suffered all the time from gas on my stomach and was continually belching up undigested food. I had to take my coffee without sugar, as when I drank it with sugar, I would just belch for hours. I would blot and swell up like I was poisoned and suffered with neuralgic pains of the worst sort, and nothing seemed to help me only in temporary way. I just can't tell you how I did suffer for the past four years and up to the time began taking Tanlac, a few weeks ago.

"When I read the testimonials of some who had been relieved of troubles like mine just felt like I couldn't make a stake by taking Tanlac and it is done even more for me than I had expected. I began to feel bet after taking my first bottle and just now started on my third and I'm a different man already. I sleep like a log now and adjust any and everything I eat without the slightest discomfort afterwards. I am glad to endorse Tanlac because it does the work and I'm telling all my keds just what I'm telling you. I never felt better in my life than I do since taking Tanlac. I'm willing for you to publish my statement and let every suffering person who may wish benefit buy experience with this great medicine."

Tanlac is sold in Ballinger by Walker Drug.

**DR. J. L. ALLED SERIOUSLY  
 ILL**

The Ledger gets to note that Dr. J. L. Allred of Winters, is seriously ill. Dr. Allred is one of the pioneers Winters. He has many friends in the county and is numbered among The Ledger's best friends. Trust he will pull through.

Pleurisy is located just below the ribs. Lumbago affects the sac region but toward the back. Ward's Snow Liment is the remedy in either case. If rubbed thoroughly it eases pain, relaxes muscles and the patient can move about freely and comfortably. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per lb. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Shields of South Ballinger are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine baby boy, born at home January 2nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Allen and little son, Winters, passed thru Ballinger Sunday and went out to Norton to spend a day or two with Mrs. Allen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Lilly.

Miss Taylor of the Norton cot returned home Monday afternoon from a visit to relatives east Texas.

**SELLS VELIE TO J. K. HUTTON**

The Velie auto agency closed a deal Tuesday afternoon and delivered to J. K. Hutton a Velie Six, the latest model. This is the second Velie sold here since this car was placed on the Ballinger market by a local agency, the first car going to J. C. Latham.

**DEPUTY STATE INSPECTOR**  
 R. R. Rosa, of Houston, of the State Department of Agriculture, and Deputy Inspector of Orchards and Nurseries, was in Ballinger Tuesday and is inspecting the orchards of this county. His information along the line of fruit tree blight, bug and insect ravages will be of great benefit to our section.

W. F. Farmer, of the Valley creek country and R. L. Huddleston, of the New Home neighborhood, were among the number who renewed with the Banner-Ledger Monday, also Mr. Farmer sends the Banner-Ledger to his friend C. C. Jacob at Crenshaw, Miss.

**RATES FOR  
 Classified Ads**

IN THE BALLINGER DAILY LEDGER

One cent per word first insertion. Half cent per word each subsequent insertion.  
 Black face type double regular rate.  
 Cash must accompany copy except where party has regular open account with us.  
 Call Telephone No. 27.

**WANTED—Furs, hides and junk.**  
 I buy everything that is loose.  
 I. O. Wooden. 12-15-w12t

**FOR SALE**

**CORN FOR SALE—**Car shells, corn just received and is now on track. \$1.20 per bushel, or \$1.17 where purchaser furnishes the sacks. Greer & Taylor, phones 219 and 3302. 3-24-17v.

**FOR SALE—**My orchard and irrigated garden in South Ballinger. Also nine acres sandy land well located. See me for price and terms. E. M. Eubank. 2-24-17w

**FOR SALE—**Twin Indian motorcycle, in first class condition. Cheap for cash. Will consider trade. See Briggs at Photo Studio. 15-17w

**LOST.**

**LOST—**One light colored full leather hand bag, containing ladies wearing apparel, including a pair of shoes. Lost between Talpa and San Angelo. Return to Ledger office and get reward. 1-31-17w

**LOANS**

**TO LOAN—**6 per cent money on good improved farms. Twenty-five years here in the business. Write us what you have and find out what we can do for you before you place your loan. COMPERE & COMPERE. District managers. Abilene, Texas. 15-w17f

**TRESPASS NOTICES**

**POSTED—**My place located 16 miles south of the river, known as the Blocker ranch, is posted. I will prosecute anyone hauling wood, hunting, camping and fishing. G. B. NIXON. 3mo-d&wpd

All parties are hereby forbidden under penalty of the law, to hunt, fish, gather pecans, haul wood, or otherwise trespass upon my Pecan Mott farm, or upon any and all other properties owned or controlled by me in this (Rumels County.)  
 C. A. DOOSE  
 dwt!

**NOTICE TO TRESPASSERS—**

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on the land owned or controlled by the undersigned in Rumels and Concho counties for the purpose of hunting, fishing, hauling wood, gathering pecans or working stock will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law—I mean it. GODFREY MASSEY. Paint Rock, Texas. 7-1-17

**Warning**

All parties who have been getting wood off the land belonging to the Cicero Smith estate will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law if caught taking wood off said land. 15-31w-pd.

**POSTED—**my pasture is posted, and the law governing same will be enforced. No hunting, day or night will be tolerated. It is my purpose to protect all game on my place, and the trespassers will take notice and avoid prosecution. J. W. RABY. 5-d 17- w tf.

**Velie**

The new Velie has arrived

STEP in and see the 1917 Velie "Biltwel" Models. The most remarkable value of the year. Instead of raising the price to a prohibitive figure, Velie offers even greater value than before. More room, more power, more equipment. Timken axles front and rear are but an indication of the superior features throughout the car.

7—Body Styles on One Chassis—7

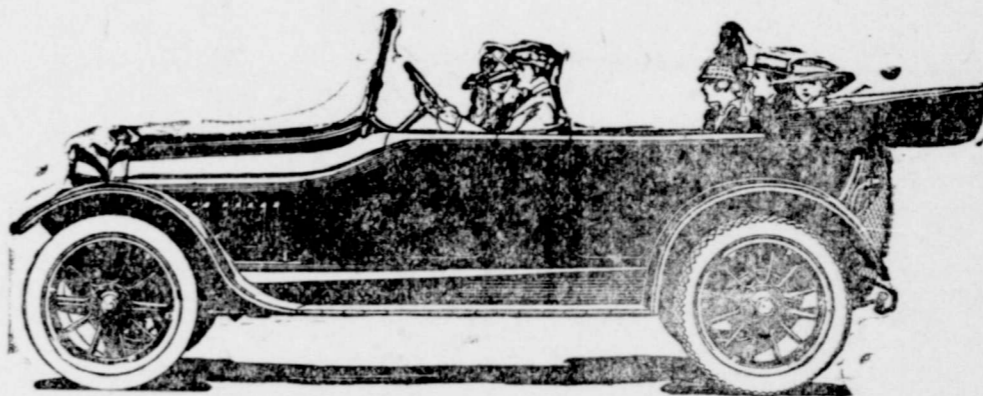
Select the body you prefer—Touring Car, \$1135, new and different, four-passenger Roadster, \$1135; two passenger Roadster \$1115; Coupe, Sedan, Town Car and Cabriolet; also a larger, more powerful seven-passenger Six at \$1685. THE HEIGHT OF LUXURY AND REFINEMENT.

We claim for the Velie "Biltwel" Models better construction, finish and detail, than found on any other light six. We will be pleased to demonstrate to your satisfaction.

**Spann Auto Sales Co.**

Ballinger, Texas

\$1135



**MORTUARY.**

**Frank Hoffman Died Wednesday**  
 Frank Hoffman, one of the pioneer German citizens, who for many years has been living on the Colorado river below Ballinger, died Wednesday morning at five o'clock. Parties came to Ballinger Wednesday morning to arrange for the funeral and the remains will be laid to rest in the cemetery Thursday afternoon at two o'clock.

Deceased had been in poor health for a long time, being a victim to cancer of the stomach. He often visited Ballinger, but during the past few months he has not been able to come to town and his friends knew that he could not live long.

Mr. Hoffman came to this county many years ago. He had never married and was the only son of his surviving mother. Two or three sisters also survive. The man had many friends in Ballinger and throughout the southern part of the country, who will regret to hear of his death.

**Rowena Citizen Dies.**

Undertaker Crews was called to Rowena Tuesday morning to bury Frank Kabela, an aged citizen of that community, who died on New Year's day at eleven o'clock. Deceased was 86 years old, and had been making his home with his daughter Mrs. Joe Summers in the Rowena country for about ten years.

On the day following Christmas

day Mr. Kabela was stricken with paralysis, and he lived for one week and one day without speaking or regaining consciousness. The funeral services were conducted by the Catholics and the remains interred in the Rowena cemetery at eleven o'clock Tuesday morning.

**Patronize—**

Ballinger Saddlery Mfg. Co. the largest leather establishment west of Ft. Worth. Buyers in jobbing quantities, manufacturers of all kinds of leather goods. Shoe work and general repairing. Compare our prices with others.  
 E. J. CATHEY, Mgr.

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At no other time in the history of Texas has business been better or positions more plentiful. Combined Bookkeepers and Stenographers are as staple in business as Lumps as sugar and coffee in a grocery store. THAT'S WHY TWO HUNDRED STUDENTS may enroll NOW, pay one-half of tuition down and hold the balance to be paid out of salary at 10 per cent of amount received each month after we secure for them A GOOD POSITION. Board, including everything except laundry, \$15.00 to \$18.00 per month, or it may be carried before and after school hours. Our Mr. Darby, Mr. Lacy, Mrs. Lacy, Mrs. J. C. Earhart, Mr. Reed, Miss Cloud and Mr. Weaver constitute unquestionably the strongest commercial school faculty in the entire Southwest. If interested, write, wire or phone today DRAUGHON'S PRACTICAL BUSINESS COLLEGE 1609 1/2 Commerce St. Dallas, Texas

**HERE FOR KEEPS.**

Will Legg and W. P. King of the Crews country, were in Ballinger Wednesday and Mr. Legg has just sold Mr. King 257 acres of improved land adjoining the town of Crews. Mr. King had just returned from a short stay in New Mexico and said that country did not suit him, so he is in Rumels for good this time.

I. D. Thompson, of Haskell county, who is visiting his brother-in-law, W. H. Cane, of the Hatchel country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

**Dissolution of Partnership.**

Notice is hereby given that the co-partnership heretofore existing between M. E. Carey and D. J. Young doing business at Ballinger, Texas, as Ballinger Lumber Company, was dissolved on the 31st day of December, A. D. 1916.

Wm. P. Carey Company, not incorporated, will continue the business at Ballinger, Texas, as Ballinger Company, and all debts due the said co-partnership heretofore existing between M. E. Carey and D. J. Young as Ballinger Lumber Company will be collected by Wm. P. Carey Company, not incorporated, and all obligations due by the said co-partnership heretofore existing doing business as Ballinger Lumber Company will be assumed and paid by Wm. P. Carey Company, not incorporated.

M. E. CAREY, D. J. YOUNG.

**Postponements usually end in postmortems.**  
 The day that has slipped away can't come back—the old gentleman with the scythe and hour-glass doesn't make round trips.—Herbert Kaufman  
 What have you to show for the last year? Start now to make the coming year fruitful. Start to put money in the Bank!

**FARMERS & MERCHANTS  
 BALLINGER STATE BANK TEXAS**

Don't postpone STARTING

**The Luxury of Perfect Laundering**



Does the feel, sight and smell of fresh, clean, crisp linen delight you?

No matter where or how your washing is done—next time, have it done with

# COTTON BOLL

The whitest white laundry soap—pure, wholesome and guaranteed to work beautifully in even the hardest water.

Cotton-Boll is MADE for hard water use—especially. It THRIVES, lathers and cleanses in any kind of water.

A delight for dish-washing and other household tasks—lathers profusely in a jiffy—and it WILL NOT redden or roughen the hands. Try it.

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Hundreds of high grade aluminumware pieces and other premiums free for the wrappers. Write today to Products Mfg. Co., Oklahoma City, U. S. A., for new premium catalog. It's free.

**H. O. WOOLEN GROCERY CO.**  
Abilene, Tex. San Angelo, Texas.  
Wichita Falls, Stamford, Sweetwater, Big Springs, Texas.

**NEIGHBORS SELL AND BUY FARM LAND**

It is generally known that there was heavy trafficking in real estate in this county during the last three or four months of the year 1916. The many sales made would lead one to believe that people were leaving this county, as well as new ones—the buyers coming in, but this is not true as is shown by the deed records. Most of the sales were made between local people, one farmer selling his land to another farmer, and buying in some other part of the county, or buying larger tracts of land.

H. Giesecke, in commenting on the activity of the real estate market during the fall, and especially during the later part of the fall, stated Friday that his books show that he sold about \$200,000 worth of land since the first of August, and with one or two exceptions the land was purchased by men who are residents of this county, and who had been living here for quite a number of years.

Quite a number of men who have been renting land, or farming on halves for many years, are now home owners, having pocketed a sufficient amount of cash from their high price cotton to make a substantial cash payment on a good farm, and with anything like favorable conditions these men will soon become independent home owners.

In quite a number of instances farmers who already owned good farms, and had them paid for, have invested their surplus cash in more land, buying land owned by non-residents, and which had been cultivated by renters in years past.

Farming in this county is in its infancy. At least this country is just taking its place as an agricultural county, and those who have invested their surplus cash in real estate have shown good judgment, according to the writer's opinion.

**An Effective Laxative for Growing Children**

**Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin Highly Recommended as a Family Remedy.**



In children the slightest irregularity of the bowels has a tendency to disturb the entire digestive system and unless promptly remedied, invites serious illness. The experienced mother knows that by training her children to regularity in this respect, and when occasion arises administering a mild laxative, she will have little need for the doctor's services.

Mrs. Leo. Weigand, 3551 Central Ave., N. S., Pittsburg, Pa., whose two boys, Frank and Joseph, are shown in the illustration writes that she has found Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin a most effective laxative, not only for the children but also for herself, and that she will always keep it in the house to use when needed. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin that acts easily and naturally without griping or pain or discomfort. It is pleasant to the taste so that children like

it, and is equally effective on the strongest constitution. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin can be obtained at any drug store for fifty cents, and should have a place in every home. It will save many times its cost in lessened doctor bills and maintain the health of the entire family. To avoid imitations and ineffective substitutes be sure to get Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. See that a facsimile of Dr. Caldwell's signature and his portrait appear on the yellow carton in which the bottle is packed. A trial bottle, free of charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 455 Washington St., Monticello, Illinois.

**BLACK AND WHITE FLAGS AROUSE MUCH SUPERSTITION HERE**

No, the white capers are not at work, nor the Mexican bandits have not one this far north. The white and black flags fluttering from stob-driven in the ground every few miles, and marking a line from the Conecho to Moro mountains, do not stand as an omen of illluck or foretell any calamity. Such signs may mark the beginning of an epoch of prosperity and development that may attract attention. And again it may be a matter that will pass from the mind of the public and forgotten in a day.

"Hello, that the Ledger?" Please tell what all these black and white flags are doing stuck up all along the road." That question has been put up to the Ledger several times during the last few days. We regret that we can't go into detail and tell what the flags stand for—what their real meanings in the terms of the geologist.

Suffice to say that a company of surveyors have been at work in this section several days, making a geological survey. The surveyors are stopping at the Central Hotel while working out of Ballinger. We're reliably informed that the surveys are not working under the direction of either the state or federal government, but are doing the work under the direction of a plate corporation, and an amendment may be made soon that will cause some of the "old heads" to take a new lease on life.

People are superstitious, under certain conditions, and in this day of war and rumors of war, it does not take a real smoke of battle or the roar of cannons to arouse that superstition. In this case we can assure our friends

that there is no danger in the white and black flags that are fluttering in the winter breezes. Don't trouble them, they may bring you great riches.

**Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's**

The Old Standard Grove's Taster's Chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

**LEFT FOR HOME**

Dr. Cates and wife, of Petrolia, came over in their auto to visit Mrs. Cates' parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Truly and the doctor returned home Friday afternoon but Mrs. Cates will visit her a few days longer. The doctor made a record trip in his Saxon Six, leaving Petrolia at 8 o'clock in the morning and after two hours stops on the road, arrived in Ballinger at 8:15 the same evening, and his speedometer showed he had traveled 266 7-10 miles during the day.

**Card of Thanks.**

We take this method of thanking the many friends for the many kind words of sympathy and the many kind and generous attention shown our dear wife and mother, during her illness and time of death. Empty words do not express our deep feelings for one and all and may the good Lord bless and protect you and loved ones in our prayer.

E. F. ELDER and Children.  
30-11dw

Miss Mollie Slaughter and brother Johnnie, of Maverick, motored into the city Saturday to accompany Prof. E. W. Cockrell back to his school at that place, after a pleasant Christmas visit to his parents and Ballinger friends.

M. B. Farmer of the Miles country, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger first Monday.

**BREAKS A GOLD IN JUST A FEW HOURS**

"Pape's Cold Compound" ends gripe misery—Don't stay stuffed-up!

You can end gripe and break up a severe cold either in head, chest, body or limbs by taking a dose of "Pape's Cold Compound" every two hours until three doses are taken.

It promptly opens clogged-up nostrils and air passages in the head, stops nasty discharge or nose running, relieves sick headache, dullness, feverishness, sore throat, sneezing, soreness and stiffness.

Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and snuffing! Ease your throbbing head—nothing else in the world gives such prompt relief as "Pape's Cold Compound," which costs only 25 cents at any drug store. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, and causes no inconvenience. Be sure you get the genuine.

**RETURNS FROM OLD HOME.**

P. M. Caudle, of the Pony creek country, passed through Ballinger Saturday en route home from a visit to his old home in Wood county, and while here renewed with the Banner-Ledger for another year. Mr. Caudle says the old county is in pretty good shape financially, but said Rummels county still looked the best to him.

**New Method for Sharpening Disc Plows**

Rolls out in proper shape and sharpens without heating. No temper taken out and life of plow doubled. No increased cost but a big saving and satisfaction. Bring your disc plow to us.

JOHN PECHACEK.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Harnel, of Burton, are visiting their brother-in-law and family the past week and while in Ballinger Saturday Mr. Harnel ordered the Banner-Ledger to his address.

Will Dunn of Wilson county, who had been visiting relatives the past week or ten days, left for his home Saturday afternoon.

Miss Lena Belle Doss returned to Ballinger Monday from a Christmas visit to her parents at DeLeon.

**ANGELO SUFFERING FROM COAL FAMINE**

The public and the railroads in some places are suffering on account of a coal shortage at this particular time. The shortage in some cases is due to car shortage, while the nearby mines are "swamped" with orders and can not handle the business during the winter rush. In several places citizens have held up trains and confiscated coal by force, and at division points of some railroad trains have been discontinued, and only mail or mixed trains are being operated.

In giving a summary of the fuel situation at San Angelo the Standard says:

Forty-five mechanics in the Orient shops at San Angelo have been laid off temporarily, due to the shortage of coal.

The Orient is operating its mail and passenger trains west of San Angelo as mixed trains, due to the shortage of coal.

General Manager N. J. O'Brien of the Texas division of the Orient states the T. & P. Railway, from which it gets its supply of coal

from the Thurber mines, states that the output of the Thurber mines is not more than sufficient to keep T. & P. engines moving.

Other coal mines throughout the Southwest are said to be swamped with orders they cannot fill, due to the shortage of cars.

"We are trying to divide coal with the people," says General Manager O'Brien.

This, in a nut shell, is the fuel situation which greets the people of San Angelo at the close of the year 1916.

The Fuel Situation in Ballinger. While there is no fuel famine in Ballinger the situation is not altogether cheery for the man who likes to enjoy a good warm fire on a cold wintry day. There is at present a supply of about 175 tons on hand with a demand for 400 tons for the months of January and February. The power company have about 100 or 125 tons on hand and C. J. Lynn & Son have about 75 tons on hand. The power company report that they have no coal in transit, but Lynn & Son have standing orders for a car per week, having placed such order early in the fall, but the shipments are far behind, and while they are supposed to have coal in transit they have no assurance that it will reach

here.

Both Mr. Lynn and M. F. Treadwell, manager of the power company, express the opinion that the situation will ease up within the next thirty days and that it will not be so difficult to get coal during the month of February.

**CHILD BURNT WITH HOT BEANS**

The five year old child of Joe Graves, of the Hatchel country, was badly burnt last Wednesday night one week, but no medical attention was given it until last night when Dr. Bladdell was called. The injuries were caused by spilling hot beans on the kiddie. The child will recover it is believed.

**Painful Coughs Relieved.**

Dr. King's New Discovery is a soothing, healing remedy for coughs and colds that has stood the test of nearly fifty years. For that cough that strains the throat and saps the vitality try Dr. King's New Discovery. The soothing pine balsams and mild laxative ingredients soon drive the cold from the system. Have a bottle on hand for winter colds, croup, gripe and bronchial affections. At your druggist, 50c.

**MOVED TO NEW HOME.**

The deal was closed a few days ago in which A. C. Willingham bought an improved farm from H. Giesecke for a consideration of \$5,468, and he is now comfortably located in his new home, one of the best little farms in Rummels county. It consists of 160 acres, known as the Wilkerson place, near the New Home school house.

Master Mack No. 251,633. My Poland China will be kept at my place one mile east of Ballinger (on Joe Routh farm). \$2 for season with return privilege. 15-wtf J. H. TAYLOR.

G. S. Walker, of the Norton country, passed through Ballinger Monday en route to Coleman to look after business interests a few days.

Prof. Joiner returned home Monday at noon from a visit to relatives and friends at San Antonio during the holidays.

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all the Poultry, Butter, Eggs and Cream We Can Buy, and the highest market price paid in cash at all times. We are new people with you, come and give us a trial—

## Potter Produce Co.

In the Wilke Building Across from Santa Fe Depot.

**Ya Need a Tonic**

There times in every woman's life when she needs aid to help her over the hard places. When thine comes to you, you know what tonic to take—dui, the woman's tonic. Cardui is composed of purely vegetable ingredients, which act gently, surely, on the weakened womanly organs and helpild them back to strength and health. It has beied thousands and thousands of weak, ailing wo in its past half century of wonder- success, it will do the same for you.

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Miss Jia Wilson, R. F. D. No. 4, Alma, Ark., says: "I thidardui is the greatest medicine on earth, for women-fore I began to take Cardui, I was so weak anervous, and had such awful dizzy spells and no appetite. Now I feel as well and as strong as ever did, and can eat most anything." Begin taking it today. Sold by all dealers.

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