

Ballinger Schools in Class A; Have Full State Affiliation

Austin, March 27. 22.
S. B. Raby
 Chairman School Board
 Ballinger has not lost Texas affiliation. Was dropped by Southern Association from accredited list for failure to report. Notice was sent, both of required report and of association action.
KATHERINE GRAY,
 High School Supervisor.

The above telegram refutes a report put in circulation here on the eve of the school board election to the effect that the Ballinger school had lost its affiliation with other schools and colleges of the state.

The false report threw a "bomb shell," so to speak, into the Senior class of the forty-odd pupils of the local high school, as the loss of affiliation would have made it necessary for those of the class who desired to enter college to submit to an examination before they would have been admitted.

As soon as the report reached members of the school board a telegram was sent to the state department of education, and the above reply received. However, the superintendent of the school and the members of the board branded the report as false and the members of the Senior class were quieted and assured that the school had not lost its affiliation and was in good standing before the message from Austin was received. Had the school lost its affiliation the school authorities would have been notified, and it was known by the local school trustees that the school had met and maintained all requirements necessary for affiliation.

Not only maintaining its affiliation but the local school this year increased its credits from sixteen to seventeen, which is higher than it has been since the war. Graduates from the school who make fifteen credits will be admitted to any school or college in Texas on the face of their diploma, and without further examination.

Instead of losing its affiliation, Ballinger school rank Class A, the highest rank in the state, and has been able to maintain this rank in the face of disadvantages, and will close the present year, after a full nine months term, in the best financial condition in several years. If the tax payers will pay up anything like a reasonable per cent the term will close with all debts paid and money in the treasury.

The board has practiced economy and carried out a program of making the income take care of the expenses. While increase in salaries made two years ago called for more money, the salary of the superintendent was cut from \$2700 to \$1800, netting a saving of \$900 on the cost of superintendency.

The question of affiliation with the Southern Association, which means affiliation with schools in other states, was brought before the board of trustees and discussed at length, and the board decided not to maintain the Southern Association affiliation in view of the fact that it would call for an additional expense of \$2000 in the employment of teachers. In order to affiliate with the Southern Association a teacher must be employed for every thirty pupils, or not more than thirty pupils will be allowed to the teacher. The crowded condition of the schools and the shortage of funds made this practically impossible and impracticable.

If the patrons of the school want affiliation with the Southern Association they can get it by voting a higher school tax and putting up the money with which to meet the requirements. Otherwise they must content themselves with state affiliation.

The public schools are no place to play politics. Patrons of the school who have grievances should bring them before the board where they can be adjusted, and every patron should make it a part of his or her business to see that good men are chosen for the school board, and after they have been chosen they should receive the loyal support of the citizens.

Ballinger's public schools are one of her most valuable assets, where young men and young women are being prepared for life's work, and we don't believe that one man or woman, who has the best interest of the school at

heart will throw a monkey wrench in the machinery, if they pause to consider what the cost might be.

The school board election will be held next Saturday, at which time four new members will be elected. Every man and woman who is qualified to vote in any election is entitled to vote in this election, and the patrons of the school should see to it that none but competent men, patrons of the school with the best interests of the school at heart and who have agreed in advance to serve on the board, are elected.

While under present conditions and disadvantages, the school has made good progress and improvement, there is much room for improvement. The primary grades are running on half time, and the high school is crowded, all for lack of funds. These are matters which future boards will have to contend with, and with our hats off to the old board, let's see that a new board equally as good is elected.

MOTHER! MOVE CHILD'S BOWELS WITH CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP

Hurry mother! Even a sick child loves the "fruity" taste of "California Fig Syrup" and it never fails to open the bowels. A teaspoonful today may prevent a sick child tomorrow. It constipated, bilious, feverish, fretful, has cold, colic, or if stomach is sour, tongue coated, breath bad, remember a good cleansing of the little bowels is often all that is necessary.

Ask your druggist for genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother! You must say "California" or you may get an imitation fig syrup.

BRADSHAW CHILD HURT AT STOCKPENS

BRADSHAW, Mar. 27.—Ralph Stewart, son of Mrs. C. Y. Stewart, of this town, age 6, got his jaw broken and five or six teeth caved in one day last week when he and a number of other little fellows were standing around the Abilene & Southern Ry. stock pens watching the loading of sheep. Ralph was standing near the movable bridge between the car and the chute, when the car was moved, knocking the bridge on the boy, causing the accident.

Mrs. Stewart thought it was only a bruise at first, but as it seemed that Ralph was in considerable pain, a physician was called a day later and the exact injury ascertained.

BAPTISTS LAUNCH BUILDING DRIVE

At a meeting of the Ballinger Baptist Church last Sunday morning, the congregation launched its campaign for building funds, and \$13,800 was pledged by the 103 of the more than 500 members.

It is the intention of the Baptist people to raise about \$40,000, before breaking dirt for their new edifice which is to go up on lots across the street from the Guion home on Eighth Street, and the campaign is on.

With the good start, and with assets already on hand, the church expects to have the building under good headway within a few weeks. Plans have practically been agreed upon, and the new church will be one of the most modern in West Texas.

For several months the Baptist congregation has been worshipping in the Carnegie Library, paying a monthly rental which goes toward maintaining the library.

JURY SELECTED GALVESTON TRIAL

GALVESTON, Mar. 28.—Eight jurors had been selected when the trial of Perry McFadden and J. E. Hayer, and Hayden Ross, of League City, cattlemen charged with the murder of Marcus Benson at League City, last summer, was resumed here today. Two hundred and fifty veniremen were examined in selecting the eight jurors.

CONG. PARRISH SUCCUMBS TO AUTO ACCIDENT

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Immediately after convening of the House this morning congress adjourned today out of respect for Representative Lucian Parrish, who died at Wichita Falls, Texas, last night. As the funeral will be held tomorrow the usual custom of sending a congressional delegation to attend the funeral was abandoned. Representative Hutton W. Sumners, of Texas, announced the death of Mr. Parrish as soon as the House was called to order this morning.

The final vote on the army appropriation bill went over until tomorrow on account of the House adjourning.

AUSTIN, Mar. 28.—The Texas flag on the state capitol at Austin is lowered to half mast today through respect for Congressman Lucian W. Parrish, who died at Wichita Falls last night.

WICHITA FALLS, Mar. 28.—The body of Congressman Parrish will be removed to his home at Henrietta at three o'clock this afternoon and the funeral will be held at that place at three o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

WICHITA FALLS, March 28.—Funeral arrangements for Congressman Lucian W. Parrish, of

the 13th Texas district, and candidate for the United States Senate from Texas, whose injuries in an automobile accident near Roby two weeks ago resulted in his death here last night, had not been decided upon early today. It is understood, however, that the body will be interred at Henrietta, the late home of Congressman Parrish.

Deceased was 44 years old and is survived by his wife and two children, who were summoned here when it became known that Mr. Parrish was in a serious condition with little chance for recovery.

Congressman Parrish was filling speaking engagements in his canvass for the Senate, when an auto in which he was traveling plunged off a bridge near Roby. It was at first thought that he was not seriously injured, being able to walk from the train when taken to a hospital in Wichita Falls, but cerebral meningitis developed and death resulted last night.

No Worms in a Healthy Child

All children troubled with worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVES TABLETS GULL TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a general strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Notice will then show off or dispel the worms, and the child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. 50c. per bottle.

Mayor C. S. Guin is quite ill at his home on Fourth Street. Mr. Guin returned home from Dallas Sunday, where he had been for a week receiving instruction regarding post office work, and he was stricken down with a severe case of the flu Monday.

Read Leazer "wants" column.

POLICEMAN HELD FOR SHOOTING

FT. WORTH, Mar. 28.—Following three shootings in which policemen either killed or wounded residents within the last week, Police Commissioner Alderman announced today that he was making a thorough investigation and would not tolerate promiscuous firing at fleeing prisoners, even though the offi-

cers did not shoot to kill. A charge of murder has been filed against a policeman who has been suspended from duty and the case given to the grand jury for investigation, following the mortal wounding of a fugitive last night in a shooting which it is claimed was accidental. The policeman claims to have shot to halt the fugitive and the bullet rebounded from the ground, struck the man.

Judges A. K. Doss and C. P. Shepherd are in Abilene on business today.

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TWO FRONTS--HUTCHINS AVE. & 8th ST.

SALE WILL CLOSE
SATURDAY NIGHT

April
1st

Easter Sale

April
15th

Saturday begins the advance Easter selling of new Spring goods presenting values that are of great importance. Prices quoted below on the very things you need right now makes it well worth your serious consideration. We make mention of only a few of the special values you will find during this sale. New goods arriving daily and will be included at these low prices.

NEW FABRICS THAT WILL EXPRESS INDIVIDUALITY IN YOUR EASTER FROCKS

And you have time to get them made before the last few days of the Easter rush providing that you make your selections and plans immediately.

DRESS LINEN—pink and maize only, 40 inches wide, regularly \$1.50 per yard \$1.10
SUITING—Linen finish suiting, 40 inches wide, honey dew, blue and rose, regularly 60c the yard 45c
SPORT CREPE—Wool and silk washable sport material, beautiful color combinations, will not shrink, regularly \$2.00, special the yard 95c
DOTTED SWISS—Import Swiss, very highest quality, in white, red, blue, brown, pink and black, regularly \$1.75 the yard \$1.40
DOTTED SWISS—Good quality, white and blue only, regularly \$1.25 the yard 75c
ORGANDY—Good grade, 40 inches wide, light and dark blue only, special the yard 20c

ORGANDY—Imported Kabeco guaranteed permanent finish organdy, in brown, rose, brick, lavender, yellow, maize, red, pink, white and parrot, regularly \$1.75c
ORGANDY—Imported embroidered organdy, guaranteed permanent finish, very beautiful, in pink, tomato, navy and brown, regularly \$2.50 the yard \$1.65
ORGANDY—Imported organdy with embroidered dots of contrasting colors, guaranteed permanent finish, all wanted colors, regularly \$2.00 the yard \$1.40
ORGANDY—New imported plaid organdy, guaranteed permanent finish, in brown, orange, red and white, regularly \$1.50 per yard \$1.10
TISSUES—Imported satin stripe tissues, beautiful color combinations, 36 inches wide, regularly \$1.25 yard 85c

TISSUES—All wanted combinations in sheer satin stripe tissues, 32 inches wide, fast colors, regularly 75c, the yard 55c
TISSUES—Tissues de Luxe, large assortment, attractive patterns, regularly 30c the yard 20c
VOILES—Large assortment very attractive voiles, regularly 35c, 40 inches wide, the yard 25c
VOILES—Large assortment very attractive voiles, regularly 60c, 40 inches wide, the yard 40c
PONGEE—All silk, best grade pongee, regularly \$1.50 the yard, during sale for \$1.20
LACE FLOUNCING—Ko-Ket Mesh silk lace flouncing and all-over, 45 inches wide, in orange, blue and brown, regularly \$6.00, very special, yard \$3.95

All Canton and Taffeta Dresses at Just 3 Prices

\$12.50, \$16.50 and \$19.50

Taffeta and Canton dresses self trimmed with little frills and folds, in blue, brown and black are among the prettiest utility gowns. They formerly sold up to \$37.50, and they all go during this Easter event at only \$12.50, \$16.00 and \$19.50.

New Spring Suits 1-2 Price

Selling Regularly at \$13.50 to \$40.00
Tailored and semi-tailored models of tricotine, tweed and jersey for the street, vacation, or travel wear. Only a few left to be sold at this wonderful reduction, just half price during Easter Sale.

Silk Pongee Overblouses Only \$3.25

All silk pongee Overblouses, Bramley collar with ribbon bow, front with pleated ruffle and turn-back cuffs, selling regularly at \$4 and \$5, at only \$3.25. Other new blouses, one and two of a kind, including voile and other wash materials, at similar reductions.

Children's Gingham Dresses Special \$1.45

Children's fast color gingham dresses, ages 7 to 14, of beautiful new Spring ginghams, nicely made and trimmed, regularly up to \$2 during Easter Sale only at \$1.45.

Black Satine Bungalow Aprons \$3.25

A new novelty in black satine Bungalow Aprons, cretonne trimmed, very attractive regularly \$4.25, during Easter Sale at \$3.25.

Charming Dresses at Low Prices

The approach of Easter is the signal for new Spring styles in dress. Your favorite shade is here in a new rich, lustrous Crepe Knit Dress—a very limited number of these extremely new creations in Henna, Navy, Black, Copen, Tan, Jade, Cornflower and Periwinkle, with collars, cuffs and belt in contrasting colors. Regularly priced at \$22.50 to \$25.00 during Easter Sale

\$18.50

Bungalow Aprons of Percale only 95c

Ladies Bungalow Aprons of fast color percale, nicely trimmed in light and dark colors, regularly \$1.50, during Easter Sale at 95c.

New Spring Ginghams Very Special 18c Yard

One solid case new fast color spring ginghams, all wanted checks, blocks, plaids and solids. Better buy all you need at this very low price while they last, just 1239 yards, during sale, only, yard

18c

See Main street window

Women's Silk Hosiery

EXTRA, EXTRA—special purchase of several dozen pure thread silk hose, brown only full fashioned, hile tops, sold as seconds but apparently perfect, Easter Sale only, pair 85c
Vassar Girl pure thread silk black hose, hile top, excellent \$2.00 grade, pair \$1.35
Nude and Silver full fashioned silk hose, \$2.50 grade, per pair \$1.75
All silk full fashioned hose, brown and black only, very best \$3.25 grade, pair \$2.35
Full fashioned hile top thread silk hose, \$2.75 grade, per pair \$1.95
All silk lace hose, beautiful design, \$3.75 grade, the pair \$2.65
All silk lace net hose, exclusive design, \$3.50 grade, the pair \$2.50
All silk lace clox hose, black only, \$5.00 grade, the pair \$3.75
Genuine glove silk hose, black only, lavender top, \$3.50 grade, per pair \$2.50
Fibre silk hose, good quality, brown and black, \$1.00 grade, pair 50c

Women's Novelty and Dress Shoes

In addition to the following, we have several new novelties in patent pumps in transit to be placed on sale at low prices.

Remaining stock three buckle strap Grecian dull kid sandals, formerly sold at \$7.50, during Easter Sale \$5.50
Four strap patent leather pump, junior Louis heel, \$7.50 grade only \$5.00
Beautiful gun metal lace Oxford, perforated or wing tip, regularly \$7.00, only \$4.75
Brown kid Oxford, brass eyelets, wing tip, best grade, only \$6.50

Other shoes at like reductions.

Ginghams and Other Cotton Fabrics Greatly Reduced

GINGHAM—36 inch British ginghams in exclusive patterns, regularly 75c, the yard 50c
GINGHAM—36 inch Scotch ginghams, new large block designs, regularly 45c the yard 35c
FLAXON—Pretty printed flaxon, good quality, regularly 20c the yard 12 1-2c
FLAXON—Excellent quality white flaxon, 30c regularly, the yard 20c
FIGURED CREPES—Beautiful figured crepes, in white, pink, and flesh, regularly 40c the yard 28c

SATINE—Good grade black satine, 40 inches wide, regularly 40c the yard 25c
SATINE—Best grade black satine, 40 inch wide, regularly 50c the yard 30c
PERCALES—All wanted patterns in light and dark colors best grade, 36 inches wide, the yard 17c
CHEVIOTS—Fast color Blue Bell cheviots, solid colors and stripes, the yard 16c
GABERDINE—White gaberdines in stripes and plaids, regularly 65c the yard 30c

VOILES AND LAWNS—Special lot voiles and lawns in stripes, white only, regularly 50c and 75c, very special, the yard 25c
DAMASK—White table damask, excellent quality, 72 inch wide, regularly \$1.00 the yard 65c
DOMESTIC—Best bleached domestic, 20c grade, the yard 12 1-2c
INDIAN HEAD—36 inch Indian Head, very special at 20c
OIL CLOTH—Standard oil cloth, white and colors, the yard 35c