

# THE DAILY LEDGER.

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**We Are Bidding** For your patronage with our big store **Van Pelt Kirk & Mack** full of the very best in ever line

## LOCAL COMPRESS

**SETS 35,000 BALES**

Receipts for Present Season Will Fall About 6000 Short of Last Season Very Successful Run.

R. L. Bassett, manager of the local compress is busy winding up the end season's run of cotton. When interviewed today he stated that up to date his company had pressed 32,000 bales and that they had about 2600 on hand and expected to get about 400 more which would make a total of 35,000 for the year.

This is 6000 bales short of last year, and is due to the fact that more of the cotton north of Ballinger was compressed at Abilene this season than last, for some cause it having been shipped out that way. The Ballinger press handled about 80,000 bales the first season it operated, and with a reasonably good year it will crowd that again the coming season. Ballinger is in the center of the best cotton belt in all of West Texas, and everybody is looking forward to a good crop this year, and are eager to hear the "howl" go up for pickers. With an average crop Ballinger will loom up as a cotton market again and all lines of business will be taxed to their limit.

## LATE LEGISLATIVE NEWS.

A bill has been introduced in the House providing for the exemption of cotton mills from taxation for a period of twenty-five years. The measure was designed to encourage the cotton mill industry in the State and has many friends in both branches of the Legislature.

On his retirement from the lieutenant-governorship Hon. A. B. Davidson, president of the Senate was presented with a beautiful bouquet of American roses. The contribution came from the entire membership of the Senate which is the first time many years that body has acted in perfect unity on anything except signing the payroll.

In their inaugural addresses both Governor Colquitt and Lieutenant-Governor Will H. Mayes pleaded for the unity of both branches of the Legislature in bringing about a fuller development of the State's resources.

The anti-tipping bill which has been introduced in the House providing a heavy penalty for any one found guilty of receiving tips or gratuities bids fair to be a popular measure.

The Katy Consolidation bill has been favorably reported on by the Senate Committee on common carriers. Opposition to the bill in the House has been withdrawn and it is reported that the measure will pass both branches without opposition and will go to the Governor.

Several prominent cotton mill men are in Austin in connection with the nine-hour workday bill. Both the owners and employes are opposed to the bill claiming that it is not feasible and that the cotton mill business cannot be adjusted to such restrictions.

The legislative event of the week attracting most attention

## FOUR BURNED TO DEATH IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Jan. 30.—There men and one woman were burned to death and three were seriously injured early today in a fire which destroyed a four-story hotel structure. The three who were injured jumped from the windows.

## NOTE IN BOTTLE TELLS OF TRAGEDY

Cowboy Discovers Paper Describing Attack and Massacre By Indians.

Truscott, Kan., Jan. 30.—An old whiskey flask, a brown-stained piece of paper and a rusted wagon wheel tire are the mute evidences of an early day tragedy near here, in which a pioneer family was absolutely wiped out by Indians.

Wounded, scalped and left for dead, the last of the family set down a record of the tragedy up on the brown-stained paper, and for more than fifty years the sand hills along Crooked Creek have kept the story hidden, until Walter Crossley, a cowboy, found them.

Riding along the course of the creek Crossley saw the flask which appeared to have been uncovered by the heavy wind which caused a blinding sandstorm here last week.

Out of curiosity, noticing the paper within it, he dismounted and picked it up. Part of the cork was still in the bottle, and after removing that Crossley carefully removed the paper. One side of it, where it had been exposed to the sun, was illegible, but the inside, the paper having been rolled, could still be read, where the unknown man had written his story of tragedy and consigned it to the bottle.

Unfortunately only part of the first letter of the man's name can be made out, and it was either O or C. The note reads:

"Cheyennes jumped us before daylight and killed our boys. I'm wounded and dying, they scalped me and— Mary and two girls, Walter was shot in— If anybody finds this please tell— Illinois."

There was no date on the note, but from all that can be learned about Indian depredations in the early days here the family must have been killed previous to 1860. Crossley found no bones near the place, and it is supposed that they were carried off by wolves.

## TWELVE COUNTIES ARE INCLUDED IN DISTRICT

The new division of the Western Judicial District, with headquarters in Pecos, which was created this week, will be composed of the following West Texas counties: Reeves, Ward, Martin, Reagan, Ector, Gaines, Andrews, Upton, Midland, Loving, Jeff Davis and Crane.—San Angelo Standard.

J. A. Tyler, of Miles, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Friday.



Austin, Texas, Jan. 31.—The Commercial Secretaries are in evidence at this session and their cheery optimism helps to keep the Legislature in a good humor. The profession is represented by J. E. Kauffman of Galveston, E. M. Chrestman of Grand Saline, Capt. B. B. Paddock (retired) of Fort Worth and others. Mr. Kauffman is in the upper house and Mr. Chrestman and Capt. Paddock are in the lower branch of the Legislature. These evangelists of prosperity are on the progressive side of every measure that comes up for consideration.

## COKE COUNTY MAN IS CHARGED WITH INSANITY

W. H. Walls, who came here recently from Coke county, was arrested Wednesday afternoon by Sheriff Allen and charged with insanity. He was given a hearing before Judge Frink, of the county court, and convicted. He will be held here until he can be entered in the State asylum.—San Angelo Standard.

## NO MORE FREE COPIES.

After today we will discontinue distributing free copies of the Daily Ledger, and you must become a regular subscriber if you want the paper delivered to your home or your place of business each afternoon. We have supplied you with copies of the paper in order that you might know what you are getting when you subscribe for the paper. It is our purpose to keep the paper up to the standard, and if the patronage justifies we will add a brief telegraph news service. The subscription price of the paper is 40 cents per month, \$1 for three months or \$3.50 for one year. The paper will not be sold for less than one month, except in cases where a subscriber is not permanently located and only wants the paper for a short time. In such cases the price will be 15c per week.

We want you on our list, and ask that you not wait to be solicited in person, but call or phone to this office and the paper will be delivered and the collector call on you. Subscriptions are cash in advance and the paper will be stopped when the time for which you have paid expires.

R. W. Gilliam, of the Old Runnels neighborhood, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Friday.

**Weather Report.** Tonight fair, Saturday generally fair.

## WAXAHACHIE WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH

Waxahachie, Tex., Jan. 30.—Mrs. Harry B. Huggins, aged 72, was fatally burned this morning by the explosion of a lamp. John Trice was badly burned when he attempted to extinguish the flames as she ran screaming from the house.

## PARCEL POST BUTTER COMES HIGH

When Letters are Sent in Package—Parcel Post Mail Not Include Letters or Writing.

Postmaster Cady make the following statement for the benefit of those who do not understand the rule governing the parcel post system:

"People who send parcel post packages must not enclose letters in the package. There has been received at the Ballinger post office a package of butter containing a letter. This package was sent at parcel post rate, but when the letter was discovered the postage rated at 76 cents, which makes very expensive butter."

The new system is proving of great benefit and convenience to the public, as the people living on rural routes can order goods from town and have them delivered right at their door a great deal cheaper than they can make the trip to town, and those in the country having things to send to town can use the parcel post and realizing a great saving in time and expense, and the business is rapidly increasing at the Ballinger office.

## LEFT FOR COLEMAN.

Madames Edwin Day, Ben S. Long, J. F. Currie, W. C. Penn, and J. G. Douglass left Friday morning for Coleman to attend the meeting of the Pastor's Association today, this being ladies day which is in session in that of the meeting.

## FROM NEARBY TOWNS

We have noticed this week quite a number of families from the nearby towns trading in Ballinger and say they can at all times get a more full assortment of merchandise when they buy in Ballinger for they find complete stocks in all lines here.

Now if our merchants and business men will go after this trade with the right kind of inducements valued received.

Get busy and reach the people through judicious advertisement. The Daily and Banner-Ledger covers this entire territory. We are glad to report Paul Simpson still improving right along this afternoon.

Send out extra papers, circulars, etc., to all the adjoining counties and to all the postoffices in Runnels county and show the people that you appreciate their business and will at all times give

Rev. D. M. West, of Miles, came in Friday morning on a short business trip in Ballinger.

## POLL TAX RECEIPTS

LESS THAN 2,500

Records Show a Decrease of Over Four Hundred—Off Campaign Year Cause For Falling Off.

Perhaps no place in Ballinger has handled as much business during the week just drawing to a close than the Tax Collector's office. For the accommodation of the public the office has been kept open early and late, and those who called early were fortunate in not having to wait their turn, but through the busy hours of the day it was necessary to line up and wait until the collector could get to you. Today is the last day of grace, and both Mr. Padgett and Mr. Kirk think the rush is over with, and when interviewed this morning thought there would be less than two hundred poll tax receipts issued today.

Up to 8 o'clock this morning the following number of receipts had been issued at the county collector's office.

Ballinger	280
Hatchel	86
Benoit	46
Crews	131
Token	52
Truitt	32
Winters	314
Antelope	25
Pumphrey	45
Wingate	200
Baldwin	34
Wilmeth	77
Cochran	47
Old Norton	49
Marie	32
Maverick	48
South Norton	45
Pearce School	46
Brookshire	18
Miles	211
Rowena	172
Olfen	51
Pony Creek	89
N Ballinger	270
Total	2302

## City Polls Paid.

At noon today the indications pointed to a decrease of about one hundred polls in the city. Last year the total number paid was 463, while this year they will run between 350 and 400.

The number of poll tax receipts issued by the county collector last year were 2956.

## D. M. WEST MOVING TO BELTON.

Rev. D. M. West, of Miles, was here paying his taxes and winding up some business affairs. He informed us that he had loaded his goods on a car and same had been shipped to Belton where he and his family will move and make their home. Rev. West and Tom Cooper recently established a paper at Belton, and Mr. West is now trading his Miles paper for Mr. Cooper's interest in the Belton paper and Mr. Cooper will move from Belton to Miles.

Rev. West was at one time pastor of the Baptist church in Ballinger and he has many friends throughout the county who will regret to learn that he is moving away from the county.

We are glad to report Paul Simpson still improving right along this afternoon.



THE DAILY LEDGER

Published every afternoon except Sunday by The Ballinger Printing Co.

Are you a qualified voter?

About one hundred new bills are introduced in the Texas Legislature each day, and yet the cry continues to go up for fewer laws and better laws.

The present legislature will pass a bill for the establishment of an insane asylum in West Texas. Does Ballinger want it?

Since the McKinney disaster several towns in Texas are making a thorough investigation of their buildings. Is a good idea and we predict that the inspector if he does his duty, will condemn some of the death traps.

Two women are in the race for school trustee at Waco. Well, why not, they make splendid teachers, and are closer to the needs of the need of the school than many men, and will no doubt make good as trustees.

The Ballinger Ledger is cruel enough to suggest that the ladies save that \$500 gotten from Holland, to fight mosquitos with next summer. The Ledger man is still thinking about the Brownwood of four or five years ago, and not Brownwood of the present.—Brownwood Bulletin.

"For Sale—Your poll tax receipt, price only \$1.75. Sale closes next Friday night. No chance to buy it at any price after that date for a year to come." The idea is not original, but it is timely and to the point.—Waco Tribune.

It is a mistaken idea that your poll tax is not due after the 31 of January. It is not worth anything when it comes to voting, if issued after the above date, but it is still due, and if your taxes on real estate are still due you can not pay them without paying your poll tax also.

The Daily Ledger at Ballinger came out Tuesday under new management, a deal having been closed Saturday whereby that paper becomes the property of C. P. Shepherd and associates operating as a stock company under the name of Ballinger Printing Co. It is a good move for all parties concerned, and the very first issue of the Daily Ledger under the new regime showed evidence of improvement which will undoubtedly become more apparent as the new proprietors get accustomed to the work of issuing a daily instead of a weekly only.—Brownwood Bulletin.

An exchange has the following to say regarding a neighboring city: "There is a disposition on the part of business men and property owners to 'pul together' for the good of every one. It is team work that counts. There may be some long hits in a ball game, at which the rooters yell themselves hoarse, but when the pennant is won, it can be traced back to harmonious work of the team, whose one desire was to win, and not just to make grandstand hits. A man is willing to sacrifice that the other fellow may make a run."

W. A. Hennig, one of the Banner-Ledger good friends who lives six miles south of Rowena, was here Friday and made this office a pleasant call. Mr. Hennig says while the small grain crop in his community is not of a large acreage that the crop is looking good after the recent rain. The country between Miles and Rowena is pretty well covered with oat fields and the crop is looking fine.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- For Mayor: W.H. WEEKS, J. W. POWELL. For Alderman: C. C. COCKRELL, R. A. NICHOLSON, E. F. KREBBS. For Treasurer: J. WHIT PATTERSON. For Marshal: T. A. TIDWELL, J. N. McKAY.

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IMPORTANCE OF SHADE TREES.

We often neglect the important item of shade trees about the home or on the streets of our city. We sometimes think that it does not amount to much whether we plant trees or not but it is a duty we owe to the rising generation and not only makes the home attractive but it is said trees are a great benefit to the health of a county.

Mr. E. A. Miller writes a very interesting article this week in the Texas Farm and Fireside and is worthy of your careful study and will do well to put into practice many of the ideas suggested. He says.

The subject of shade trees is one of rapidly growing importance to the city as well as rural homes, and it is only natural that we should take an increased interest in these, our true and faithful friends, who are always ready to serve up by mitigating the hot rays of the sun during the summer and protecting us from the merciless winds of our Texas northers in winter, besides adding much desired beauty to our homes.

The value of shade trees can hardly be overestimated. They add greatly to the desirability of a community as a place of residence, and it is no exaggeration to say that the complete destruction of all the trees and shrubbery would reduce the valuation of some cities and towns at least 50 per cent. A home without trees is indeed a lonely looking place.

Aside from the utilitarian value trees also possess great esthetic value, appealing to the eye as an object of beauty. Street trees add value to real estate, the same as a sidewalk or curbing does, and if given the proper care they increase in value for many years.

We really can not appreciate trees to the fullest extent until we happen to lose them through some cause or stay at a place where there are none.

From a sanitary standpoint, we must not fail to give credit to our shade trees for the part they breathe. Man and animals in hale air using up the oxygen in oxidizing waste products and purifying the blood and exhale carbonic acid gas which is harmful to man. All plants on the other hand take up the carbonic acid gas, composed of carbon and

oxygen, retain the carbon, combine it chemically with water to produce starch to be used as food, and liberate the oxygen which is so essential to the life of man and animals. By this means the air is kept pure, and the more trees, shrubs and other plants there are the purer the atmosphere will be. For this reason alone, every community should see to it that it has plenty of trees.

Then again as a matter of civic pride, the planting and care of them should not be neglected. Everyone should take sufficient pride in a home to have an ample number of trees, so that he can fully enjoy all of its beauty and comfort.

The summers of the last few years have been extremely hot and dry, and as a consequence the vitality of a great many neglected trees has been lowered, causing them to fall prey to insects and diseases. As a result, a large number have either died or are in a weakened condition. These should be replaced at once and more added whenever necessary.

The State Agricultural department earnestly submits to the people of Texas the necessity and desirability of having more and better shade trees and appeals to them to interest themselves in this important subject. Let us all join in beautifying our homes with stately trees.

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was the action of the Legislature in appointing Morris Sheppard for the short term in the United States Senate to succeed Joseph W. Bailey.

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As the little country paper from his Old Home Town. It ain't a thing of beauty and its print ain't always clean. But it straightens out his temper when a feller's feelin' mean.

It takes the wrinkles off his face and brushes of the frown That little country paper from his Old Home Town.

It tells of all the parties and the ills of Pumpkin Row, Bout who spent Sunday with who's girls and how the crops 'll grow,

An' how it keeps a feller posted 'bout who's up an' who is down. That little country paper from his Old Home Town.

Now, I like to read the dailies an' the story papers, too, And at times the yaller novels an' some other trash,—don't you?

But when I want some readin' that'll brush away a frown I want that little paper from my Old Home Town.—Denver Post.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Beaty, of Talpa, who had been here for treatment of Mrs. Beaty, in the sanitarium, left for home Thursday afternoon and we are glad to state Mrs. Beaty again regaining her usual splendid health.



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FOR THE

# PRINCESS THEATRE

## Happenings of Local Nature Concerning People We Know

J. L. Atwell, of Miles, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger between trains today.

Frank Flynt, of Winters was the guest of his brother, Sheriff J. P. Flynt and family Friday.

John Hoffman and son, Joe, two of the prominent Beniot citizens, were transacting business in Ballinger Friday.

W. J. Wilke, of Abilene, came in at noon Friday to look after business interests in Ballinger a day or two.

Howard Baldwin, of the Contant country, came in Friday at noon on a visit to his brother Judson Baldwin and family.

F. Smithson, one of the prominent Wingate citizens, was transacting business in Ballinger today.

Luke Mangum left Friday morning for Brownwood, where he will enter Howard Payne college for the ensuing term.

Mr. Passur, who had been visiting friends at San Angelo the past few days, returned to Ballinger Thursday afternoon.

J. H. Booth and son, Frank, returned to Ballinger Friday en route home down the river. They had been visiting relatives and friends at Dallas and other points in that section for a few months past.

E. A. Jeans, the fruit and produce dealer, returned home at noon Friday from a short business trip to Winters.

Miss Hester Padgett left Friday morning for Lubbock where she will visit her sister, Mrs. Frank Maddox and family and other relatives and friends for several days.

Guion Gregg, representing the Orient Townsite promotion department, came in Thursday afternoon on a short business trip and to visit relatives and Ballinger friends.

### LATEST NEWS GOOD NEWS FROM PAUL SIMPSON

The latest news from the sanitarium just before we go to press states that Paul Simpson, whose has been lingering between life and death for the past week, is resting very well. His condition has improved wonderfully today and the physicians hold out some hope for his recovery. However, he is still in a very critical condition.

G. W. Bonner and son, of Gainesville, who had been here visiting R. W. Gilliam and family and other relatives, left for their home Thursday afternoon. Mr. Bonner tried to get up a bunch of steers while here but failed to find them.

Victor Pitney, of Louisiana, Mo. who had been visiting his aunt, Mrs. A. H. Wigle and his uncle Charlie Hetrick and family the past ten days, left Friday afternoon for New Orleans, where he will attend Mardi Gras before going on home.

### A MOTHER'S LETTER TO HER SON

My son, you are about to enter upon the duties incident to manhood; you are about to become responsible to society for your conduct; you are about to enter into that part of life's highway where you must act upon your own judgement, your cadetship is about to come to an end and you are to become a soldier in the battle, not of life but for life. Upon you depends the decision whether you will be a camp follower, a deserter or the first to mount the breastworks, cheering your comrades to go forth to glorious victory.

Let uncompromising honor and exact justice to all be your motto. Rags and poverty and an honest heart are preferable to affluence obtained by questionable methods. The burial of an honest heart beneath a rude mound in the potter's field is more to be desired than a marble vault encasing a rotten heart.

Politics, religion, finance and your social duties will engage the attention of the thoughtful. When you begin to study these subjects in all their phrases you will discover none of them are an exact science, that we are yet groping our way in the entangled mazes of experiment and theory. Your political convictions are already fixed, your religion is for your own decision.

Finance is the simplest of all—a mere matter of addition and subtraction. If your income exceeds your expenditures you are getting ahead; a heart is a good financier, for he lays by stores for future use. In choosing a vocation, consult rather your inclination than the judgement of another.

If when you have chosen your work and find you have made a mistake, do not hesitate to change it.

If you are no larger than what is called society and can enjoy its folly, why there is where you are long, but if you are thoughtful and independent you will care nothing for its butterfly existence. Be kind to all, but trust no man until you have tried him. When you meet a man who is continually boasting of his character, and especially his piety, you need not necessarily lock your smoke house but you can safely conclude he is a "Uriah Heep" or a fool.

The career you are about to enter is a hard one, many obstacles will loom up before you. You will find those your enemies whom you had every reason to believe your friends.

Do not stop to ask them why, for there is no accounting for the perverted workings of the human mind and heart, and they possibly do not know themselves why they oppose you.

Keep a stout heart, a steady nerve an honest purpose, a smiling face, select a certain goal, and you must win the battle.

This is not intended for my boy alone, but for all young men about to take up the duties of manhood.

A MOTHER.

M. L. Nelms, of Hauffman, Texas, who had been visiting his sister Mrs. Knight and her two sons John and Tom Knight, of South Ballinger, left Friday afternoon for his home.

The bill to establish a rural high school in each of the thirty-one Senatorial districts has been reported on favorably by the house committee on education. The Executive Committee of the State Teachers Association and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction advocated the measure.

### FOR SALE.

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A concurrent resolution has been passed by the House and three from the senate to make a personal investigation of the fish and oyster industry of the Texas Gulf Coast. The committee will make such recommendations to the Legislature as in their opinions will best encourage this line of industry.

### FOR SALE.

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Frank Schoeder, of the Rowena country, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Wednesday.

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IN THE LOTTERY MAN AT OPERAHOUSE TONIGHT.