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### 300 RABBITS KILLED IN SATURDAY'S HUNT

A rabbit hunt was pulled off down the river in the Pony creek neighborhood last Saturday and those who went out from town report a very successful hunt, and are loud in their praise for the committee who had the matter in charge, and especially are they saying nice things about the ladies of the neighborhood who provided the delicious extras to go with the barbecue dinner. Over 300 rabbits were killed, and the scalp saved for the bounty which is being paid by the county. The barbecue dinner was spread near the home of J. H. Webb, and it was a spread of good things to eat that contradicts any complaint of hard times that you hear about in this country. Besides the nice barbecue there were all kinds of pies, cakes, etc., and those who went hungry did so because they were too timid to eat enough. There was a plenty and to spare.

Another hunt will be given next Saturday, the drive to be made down the river below the territory hunted out last Saturday. Everybody is invited.

### GOOSE LAYS FREAK EGG.

Holt Smith is the first to come up with a freak goose egg. Mr. Smith is not exactly in the goose business, and while he does not own the goose that lays the golden egg, he owns one that lays a freak egg. After laying two common size eggs the old mother goose laid the freak egg and then went on a strike. The freak egg is just about one-third the size of a hen egg, and appears to be a perfect egg in every other respect.

### Weather Report

Tonight and Wednesday generally cloudy, warmer.

### MORGAN JONES MAY EXTEND LINE

Motley County Raising Bonus for Line to Connect With Morgan Jones Line at Hamlin. Citizens Meet Jones.

Matador, Texas, March 31.—An enthusiastic railroad meeting was held here Monday and money subscribed for the building of a road from here to Hamlin. Col. Morgan Jones, a noted railroad builder was here to meet with the citizens, and says he is ready to start the work as soon as the committee gets in shape to sign the contract.

Col. Jones proposes to build a railroad running from Matador through Roaring Spring, Afton, Girard and to connect with another one of his lines at Hamlin. He was accompanied by a surveying corps, and the surveyors are now at work making the survey of the proposed line of railway. The citizens of this county are very optimistic and confident that the railroad as planned will be built.

### AN EGG WITH A CROOKED NECK.

W. A. Tally brought to this office an egg found in his poultry yard that is perhaps the greatest freak egg yet reported. It is about two and one-half inches long, with a crooked neck, shaped like a squash or gourd. The egg is otherwise well matured. Who will be next?

Mr. and Mrs. McCullough, of Abilene, came in Sunday afternoon and will visit their daughter, Mrs. Pat Murphy of South Ballinger for a few days.

### MAN'S BODY FOUND IN RIVER

While Attending Gasoline Engine Pumping Water Man Meets Sudden Death at Sterling City.

Sterling City, Texas, March 31.—While tending a gasoline engine which pump water for irrigating purposes, M. E. Dagley was either caught in the machinery or accidentally struck on the head by some blunt instrument and fell, while in a stunned condition, into the river.

He was alone at the time of the accident. It is not known whether he met his death from the blow or whether he drowned after falling into the three feet of water.

Mr. Dagley was a tenant on Mr. Shipman's farm, near Allard irrigated farms, just south of where the Garden City road crosses the river. He was tending a gasoline engine and pump and putting water on the farm.

It seems the pump had been going until past the noon hour, when Mrs. Dagley became uneasy because her husband had not come home for dinner. She telephoned to her neighbors and inquired of his whereabouts. A. B. Stiles and B. Allen, in response to Mrs. Dagley's request, went to the pump where Mr. Dagley had been at work. On their arrival at the pump they found deceased's cap and glove lying on the bank of the river, and at once concluded that the body of the missing man was in the river. They then called in several neighbors, and upon their arrival, the body was soon located and taken from the water. On examination it was found that the deceased had received a blow on the ear, nose and base of the skull, and a slight wound in the corner of the left eye. Some were of the opinion that the neck had been broken, and others not, but all were of the opinion that death must have resulted instantly after receiving the blow.

Justice Patterson held an inquest over the body, and his verdict that deceased came to his death through some unknown accident.

Just how Mr. Dagley met his death will probably never be known, for he was alone, and only conclusions can be drawn from the circumstances. It has been suggested that he was caught in a belt, and, after receiving his death wound, was thrown into the river by its rapid motion. Again, it has been suggested that the blow was delivered while cranking the engine, it "kicking" and the crank striking him; but this is thought not probable, because the engine was running after he was dead. The fact that the water in which he was found was only about three feet deep, precludes the theory of drowning, unless the wound rendered him helpless.

### PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE OPENS

San Francisco, Cal., April 1.—The Pacific Coast Baseball league opens its fourteenth season today. According to President Allen T. Baum, of the league, the outlook is for a close pennant race as the playing strength of the teams has been recruited to a degree which brings them close together.

Jess McAdams left Tuesday morning for the East on his first trip as general manager of The Texas Company as traveling representative.



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### J. P. MORGAN DEAD.

Rome, March 31.—J. Pierpont Morgan died here last night. Dr. Allen M. Starr, of New York, who was called into consultation on Morgan's illness, attributed the break down to the emotion by the Pujo committee's money trust investigations.

New York, March 31.—The market was practically unaffected by the news of Morgan's death. Opening prices showed a few declines, which in no case exceeded one point. The market quickly rallied.

Leading financiers said the recent rumors of Morgan's serious illness had enabled those in the market operations to prepare for Morgan's death. It became known today that just before his departure for Europe, Morgan sustained a serious attack, but rallied so quickly that no fear was felt.

Morgan's control over men money was the dominating note of his career. At the height of his power he is said to have controlled nine billion dollars.

For several hours before his death, Morgan was in a state of coma. He was unable to answer any questions or recognize those at his bedside. He indicated his internal suffering only by a movement of the right hand. Other wise he showed no sign of vitality. When death approached, the physicians forced Mrs. Herbert L. Satterlee, Morgan's daughter and her husband, to leave the sick room.

The sad news was received in Ballinger Sunday stating that Mr. George Savoy, of Zephyr, died of paralysis at that place last Wednesday. He was a cousin of Mrs. D. A. Cameron, of West End and lived in our county for a few years.

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April fool.

Study the good roads question. It is a problem the whole people must settle for themselves.

Don't forget the county fair will be held this fall, and that you can help to make it a success.

Freak eggs are common, but had it ever occurred to you that Runnels county hens are also laying the golden egg?

As a rule a moral town is a good school town, and a good school town is a moral town. We have just such in Ballinger.

Ballinger merchants were never better prepared to care for the wants and needs of their patrons than they are this spring. They are fighting the mail order houses by handling everything the public wants, and that of the best quality and as cheap as goods of the same quality can be bought anywhere.

J. P. Morgan it is claimed controlled nine billion dollars. He died in Rome Monday morning and as far as this world goes he is now on an equal with the dead pauper. No doubt he would have gladly exchanged his nine billion dollars for good health if it had been within his power to do so. What is money worth to a man when the end comes?

Reports come in from every section of the county, that the planters are running on full time, and

that thousands of acres of feed stuff and cotton will be ready for a good rain by the end of the week. Perhaps never before in the history of the county were the farmers in better shape with their work than they are this spring. Most of them have their land in splendid shape, and are beginning the new crop under the most favorable conditions.

Huerta promised to restore Mexico to peace by May first. Eighty-nine were killed and many wounded in a battle between the rebels and federals last Saturday near Lampazos, a town eighty miles from Laredo. Huerta will have to hurry if he kills off all the rebels and restores peace by the first of next month.

The broad principle of life seems to me to be this: To have some work in hand in which one is interested, either because the work is interesting or because the product of the work is worth while; and to take that form of recreation which is best fitted to re-create the body, mind and spirit, when exhausted by its toil, and so fit it for resumption of serious work upon the morrow. No recreation is wrong which really does re-creat. No recreation is right which does not re-create. But in the choice of recreation everyone should have regard for his social surrounding and the effect of his life and example upon others.—Ex

**THE HUMAN QUALITY**

A great crisis brings out the social qualities of men—using "social" in its broad human sense. The merely selfish man who looks out only for his own interests, the man who cries "Save himself who can," braves the indignation of society. When there is great need the common welfare becomes paramount.

In the Dayton flood John H. Patterson, president of the National Register Company, waded about in the water helping to save families and rowed one of the rescuing boats. That was the effect of the great disaster on an important business man who stands convicted of anti-social practices in his business.

The day is coming when the same regard for the general good that dominates in time of calamity will be the controlling influence in the business world. Indeed, the public conscience already is insisting that business must be conducted with a view to the welfare of the whole community.—Brenham Banner.

**RAILWAY BUSINESS FOR JANUARY.**

The mild weather that prevailed throughout the United States during January and the good condition of business in general caused the returns of the railways to show large increases over January of 1912, a month that was characterized by severe weather impeding railway operation. Operating income for each mile of line averaged \$7.66 for each day in January 1913. This average for January 1912 was \$5.09.

The corresponding average per mile per day for the last fiscal year was \$9.19, for the previous fiscal year \$9.52, for the seven months of the current fiscal year \$11.45. Comparison with these longer periods averages the effect of fluctuations of the weather and shows that last January as usual was relatively a poor month for

railway traffic.

The fact that this operating income per mile of line per day averaged \$12.13 in November, \$10.16 in December, and \$7.66 in January shows that as usual this was a month during which traffic diminished.

Operating income is the amount, after the payment of operating expenses and taxes, available to the railways of the East; \$224 for on bonds, appropriations for betterment, improvements and new construction, and for dividends. In the aggregate it averaged per mile of line for the month \$375 for the railways of the East; \$224 for the railways of the South, and \$177 for the railways of the West. These figures are from the summary of earnings and expenses of steam railways operating about ninety per cent of the mileage of the country, made by the Bureau of Railway Economics from the reports of these railways to the interstate Commerce Commissions.

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Miss Elizabeth Alexander left Sunday afternoon for Abilene and will enter Simmons Female College for the ensuing term.

J. H. Wilbourn, the photographer, returned home Tuesday morning from a short business trip to San Angelo.

**WILL BE SOLD  
NEXT MONDAY.**

My household goods, consisting of everything necessary for house keeping, will be sold to the highest bidder at the auctioneer's stand on First Monday. J. I. GUFFEY. 1-2td

Judge C. O. Harris left Sunday morning to look after legal business in the courts of Abilene for a few days.

George Lusk, of Coleman, was here Sunday on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Lusk and family and Ballinger friends and returned home in the afternoon.

**CONCERT.**

The faculty of the school of music of Daniel Baker College of Brownwood, consisting of pianist vocalist and violinist will give a concert at Carnegie Library, Friday night, April 4th at 8:15 p. m. This is under the auspices of the ladies of the First Presbyterian church and they insure a rare treat 31-dtf

Will Gressett, of Wichita Falls, who had been here to attend the funeral of his brother M. L. Gressett, returned home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. John Boyd, of Carlsbad, Texas, came in Sunday morning on a visit to her brother-in-law Mike C. Boyd and family for a few days.

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Mrs. Dave Fentress and little child of Saint Louis, came in at noon Tuesday on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. J. McGregor and family and other Ballinger relatives for a few weeks.

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Dave Williams, Ernest Reeves and Oscar Taibott came in Tuesday morning from San Angelo, where they are with the Ballinger Oil Mill Co. They come over to vote and returned on the noon train. They say the season will close at that place the latter part of this week and the entire crew will return home.

M. C. Cobb came in Saturday night from the East where he had been spending several months past and will leave Wednesday for Lubbock, Texas, and will represent the Radford Grocery Co. in that section.

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Rev. Fred Carter and Mrs. Carter returned Monday from San Angelo, where Rev. Carter has been in a revival meeting.

Mrs. J. D. Norwood left Monday afternoon to be with her little daughter who was sick at the home of Mrs. Norwood's mother, in Santa Anna. She will go from there to her new home at Temple. Mr. Norwood left Tuesday in his auto and will go by Santa Anna and get his wife and children, and they will make the trip to Temple in their auto.

**Where Are the Mothers?**

While their daughters, "turkey trot," and "buny hug" or parade the streets dressed more after the fashion of the Woman of the streets than of modest girlhood, where are the mothers? If thoughtless girls do such things, what shall be said of the mothers who have so far forgotten the duties of motherhood as to permit or encourage them. At Palm Beach the other day when a thoughtless (or worse) young man had made all arrangements for the younger set to turkey trot in bathing costumes on the beach to the accompaniment of a talking machine, a mother who had a sense of her duty declined to have her daughters take part in such a proceeding and the vulgar performance was nipped in the bud.

But where are the mothers that demand a restraining hand? Do they no longer care about the amusements their daughters seek? Are they no longer concerned how their daughters dress? Is maidenly modesty becoming a thing of the past? A revolution in manners and morals is taking place with little or no protest from those who should be first to speak—the mothers. The vogue of filthy and beastly dances in supposedly good society, the vulgar and suggestive styles, and the general laxity of conduct, even among boys and girls still in their early teens, constitute a terrible indictment of the mothers of the day whose eyes have been so blinded that they do not see, whither we are moving. Give us a revival of old-fashioned mothers who will restore the simple customs that used to characterize the period of childhood and youth.—Leslie's.

Active work of raising the building fund was begun a few weeks ago, tickets having been placed in the banks and trust companies throughout Texas for sale to those desiring them, each bank retaining the money received on deposit until called for by the trustees to be put to the use for which it is given. Already much interest in the monument has been aroused and county agents are explaining the plan and purpose to the people in their respective territories, arousing more interest every day, so the monument fund is increasing rapidly. Each day brings nearer the time when the actual work of constructing this new world's wonder may be begun, each ticket purchased makes this work possible.

Mrs. H. Zadril visited friends at Rowena between trains Tuesday.

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## Picture Subjects

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Second Show Begins 8:45

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### BIG LAND DEAL.

R. W. Bruce shows his abiding faith in Runnels county when Tuesday he closed up the deal with Sid Allison farm up the river. We fail to get the price paid but Mr. Rutherford paid \$40.00 per acre for the place less than a year ago, and this body of land is one of the best improved and most valuable tracts in the county and Mr. Bruce is fortunate in securing the same to add to his present large holdings in the county consisting of over a thousand acres in cultivation on his different places in this county.

Mr. Bruce's already large holdings comprise some of the best improved farms and ranch lands in this county. It pays to invest and hold real estate in Runnels county and not a one of the old settlers and Mr. Bruce among the number but feels safe when their money is invested in dirt in this county and are sure of the ultimate outcome.

### ONE-EYED PIG HAS ELEPHANT TRUNK

Dr. C. S. Jackson showed the Bulletin man this morning a freak of nature in the shape of a newborn pig with one eye and a trunk like an elephant. The little fellow was one of a litter of eight or nine pigs belonging to Ben Ratliff. The pigs were all of good size and normal in every way, except this Cyclops. He is the same size as his brothers and sisters, but had absolutely no hair, one great eye in the center of his head, and immediately above his eye and hanging down over it was a trunk about three inches in length. The little pig evidently lived for a short while after birth, breathing through this miniature trunk. The scientific name for this class of freak is "Synophthalmia," and he certainly looks it.—Brown wood Bulletin.

### 2000 ACRE OAT PATCH LOOKING GOOD.

John A. Loomis was here Monday from his ranch in Concho county, Mr. Loomis has 2000 acres planted in oats and he reports that they went through the recent freeze with very little damage, and that they are looking pretty good. He has been getting good benefit from this winter by running stock on them, and if they do not make much grain he has already received a good benefit from them in the way of pasturage.

## MRS. LARAMORE TELLS TROUBLES

Lady in Goodwater Describes Her Distressing Experience and Tells How She Was Finally Relieved.

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L. F. GRESSETT and Family  
Mrs. Luther Gressett.

### TRADES DAY AT CREWS.

As previously announced in the Banner-Ledger the occasion of the first trades day at Crews was pulled off last Saturday and quite a number went to that place and brought with them their fine horses, mules, colts, etc., and also some splendid trotting animals and fine spans of mules and draft horses and taken all in all the day was very satisfactory in every respect and those who took part will make this a permanent event each month and no doubt next month will be much better. The representative of the Banner-Ledger was on hand and enjoyed the day in a social and financial way and enjoyed meeting quite a

number of new people and many of the old friends. Jo Wilmoth, of the Farmers & Merchants State Bank, and Jap N. Adams, of the firm of Higginbotham, Currie, Williams, Co., and Tax Assessor Mike C. Boyd, were also on hand on that occasion circulating among the crowd and all left feeling like the day had been pleasantly and profitably spent for all concerned.

### THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

#### April 1.

1813—Joseph C. G. Kennedy, noted statistician and superintendent of the U. S. census, born in Meadville, Pa., died in Washington, D. C., July 13 1887.

1815—Count Otto von Bismarck, Germany's "Iron Chancellor," born. Died July 30, 1898.

1843—John Armstrong, secretary of war during the war of 1812, died in Red Hook, N. Y. Born in Carlisle, Pa., Nov. 25, 1758.

1852—Edwin A. Abbey, famous painter, born in Philadelphia. Died in London, Aug. 1, 1911.

1873—White Star steamship Atlantic wrecked off the coast of Nova Scotia, with loss of 481 lives.

### AUTO TURNS TURTLE; FIVE ARE INJURED

Arthur Ulmer of this city sustained three fractured ribs and 4 other persons were painfully injured Sunday morning in an automobile accident between this city and Robert Lee. The party was on their way from Angelo to Robert Lee. The accident occurred about ten miles from this city.

According to statements of some of the members of the party, the car was going at the rate of 27 miles an hour when one of the tires blew out. The car turned over and all the occupants were hurt, though Ulmer was the only one who was seriously injured. He was driving the car at the time of the accident.—San Angelo Standard.

### GOOD VOTE POLLED IN CITY ELECTION

There is more interest in city politics today than was expected, and candidates are campaigning for votes and it is hard for a voter to reach the polls without coming in contact with a candidate. The voting was heavy for the first two hours after the polls opened, something near 100 votes being polled within two hours. The voting from ten o'clock to noon was slow, but the voters began to drop in pretty fast after dinner and the number of votes polled soon ran up to 200. At four o'clock 310 votes had been polled and it is thought that 350 will be polled by closing time.

### FASTEST LONG-DISTANCE TRAIN

Chicago, Ill., April 1.—In early preparation for the increased travel expected during the Panama Exposition, the Northwestern and Union Pacific railroads today put into service a new overland limited train between this city and San Francisco. The claim is made that the new train will be the fastest for long distance ever attempted on a regular schedule. It will cover the distance between Chicago and San Francisco in sixty-four hours, which will be five hours less than the best time now made between the two points.

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### FAMILY SEPARATED IN FLOOD RE-UNITED.

Dayton, Ohio, March 31.—With the rapid subsiding of flood waters and dissipating of panic among refugees, thrilling adventures continue coming to light. Among the most interesting was the family of Charles M. Adams in Riverdale.

When the flood first rushed thru that section Adams got his wife and ten-months-old baby towns in a siff and took them to the home of a friend. An hour later it was again necessary to move. Their canoe was dashed against a telegraph pole and capsized. Just before Adams was rescued he saw his wife sink for the third time. The baby girls were floating down the stream. Then he collapsed.

Three hours later he regained consciousness in an attic by his wife, and a few minutes later a man crawled into the attic window from the floating roof a barn bringing with him the two babies. They had caught in the branches of a tree. Mrs. Adams was rescued by a high school boy, a member of the Riverdale Troop of Boy Scouts.

Mrs. C. J. Green and little son, Master Jack Jr., of Abilene, came in Monday afternoon and will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cockrell and family and Ballinger friends for a week or so.

Mrs. T. E. Mangum and baby returned home Tuesday at noon from an extended visit to relatives and friends at Rochelle, Texas.

Ed Lehr, one of the prominent Rowena merchants, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

Mrs. Oscar Talbott and children left Tuesday at noon in Company with Mr. Talbott where they will spend a few days while Mr. Talbott is winding up his work with the cotton oil mill at that place.

A. B. Phillips visited friends at San Angelo the past few days and returned to Ballinger Tuesday morning.

Mrs. W. T. Padgett left Tuesday morning for Lubbock, Texas, to visit her daughter, Mrs. Frank Maddox and family for a few weeks.

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