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THE LARGEST TURNIPS IN THE WORLD.

L. B. James, who lives on the Colorado River, just above Ballinger, is the producer of the largest turnips in the world, as far as we know. He brought three turnips to town Monday that weighed 22 pounds. He left one of these little roots on display at the First National Bank and the other two were left at the Banner-Ledger office. We know these are the largest turnips in the world because we have seen them with our own eyes, and know they are the real article and that they weigh what they weigh. If any one tells us that there are larger turnips we are not going to believe it unless we see them. Some roots, eh!

MUDD IN BALLINGER.

As proof of the fact that Ballinger is wet, a chicken was found near the A. & S. depot on last Saturday night mired up and required the help of three men to extricate Mr. Chicken from his predicament.

Elder G. W. Newman will at the Carnegie Library on 7th inst. lecture on the subject of the Dead, Where are They, in reply to Dr. Brodie of Chicago. Lecture at three o'clock sharp. Come early and avoid the rush.

CONCHO COUNTY

DON'T WANT JAIL

An election was held in Concho Saturday to determine whether that county should issue \$15,000 for the purpose of building a jail at Paint Rock. Our neighbor on the south has been without a jail throughout the history of its existence. A pretty court house adorns the banks of the Concho River, but if a citizen of that county gets on a "high lonesome" or does anything that requires he be placed behind the bars Ballinger is called upon, and furnishes the cage. At present Ballinger is furnishing jail room for one Concho county prisoner. Of course Concho County is footing the bill and so long as she does that she is welcome to our jail.

The campaign just closed was a warm one, and the vote shows that it was not a vote for or against the bond issue, but it was a vote in which Paint Rock and Eden were voting against each other. Following is the vote for the three principle voting boxes:

	For	Against
Paint Rock	99	1
Eden	2	100
Millersview	4	38

Other voting boxes in the coun-

SOME EGGS FROM THREE GUINEAS.

Rev. J. W. Raby says he has three guineas that are breaking the record for producing eggs. They have been continually on the job since March, and seem to have no notion of taking "lay off" for the holidays. He had been missing the usual supply of eggs for several days and thought perhaps they were taking a rest, but found that they had changed their nest and he found a nest that contained nineteen eggs and the laying is still going on. Eggs have been in great demand for the last month or more, as is always the case at this season of the year, and the guinea is a valuable bird if she will stay on the job and keep up the laying instead of "laying off."

Pink Hubbard, of Glascock county came in Saturday afternoon and spent Saturday night with Ballinger friends and returned to his home Sunday at noon. He was accompanied this far by his brother J. J. Hubbard, who was en route to Temple where he goes to be operated upon for appendicitis.

E. J. Haudley and C. E. Trammell of the Norton country, were among the first Monday visitors in Ballinger today.

BALLINGER LEADS IN CLEAN TOWN CONTEST

Ballinger, the cleanest town in Texas. The citizens are in a position to have this news herald all over Texas, and other states, if they will get up and get busy. Dr. Carriek, the clean town inspector has completed the first inspection and made his report, and Ballinger stands at the head of the list and holds a tie with Gonzales. Under the rules of the contest Gonzales can be honored by being selected as the cleanest town, but it cannot win the premium as it won in last year's contest and is exempt in the present contest. As the matter now stands Ballinger can win the prize and also win the honor of being cleanest town in Texas under the class in which it is running, which is towns from 2500 to 5000. Dr. Carriek is out on his rounds now inspecting the towns that tied, and he is due in Ballinger on no certain date, and may be here any day. Let's get busy.

Holland's Magazine publishes the following in commenting on Dr. Carriek's report:

In the contest for the titles "Cleanest Town in Texas" and "Cleanest Town in Oklahoma" the competition in each class is keen. Dr. Carriek and his assistants have completed the first inspection of all towns and are now engaged in making second inspections to determine the winners. Several towns in each class are to receive second inspections, but is hoped that the final scores can be completed in time to be announced in the next issue of Holland's.

On the first inspection, Mem-

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23 DAYS UNTIL CHRISTMAS. Mr. Merchant, get your advertising copy ready for this week's Banner-Ledger. If you have anything that will make Christmas presents, tell the people about it. We cover Runnels County. Telephone 27.

WILL GIVE BETTER SERVICE IN THE FUTURE

During the last two or three weeks we have been unable to handle business as prompt as we desire to do, and the delay in a number of cases has been due to our force not being equal to the volume of business. We have secured an experienced workman, machine man and operator in the person of John Olson, of Dallas, and we expect to give more prompt service in the future. On account of the rush we have not been getting the daily to our readers as early as we would like to, and this objection will also be ended. We have the material and experienced workmen, and we are now in a position to handle anything in the printing line.

GATHERING IN THE TAX MONEY

W. T. Padgett came in Saturday afternoon from Miles where he completed his work of visiting the various points in the county on a tax collecting tour. He spent all of last week in Rowena and Miles, and will be in the office the remainder of the season. Tax money is coming in gradually, but the rush is not on yet. Many people will wait until the short end of January. Next year is election and it is expected that the poll tax receipts will be paid and issued to the full voting strength of the county. So far very few poll tax receipts have been issued, considering the number assessed.

ty made the total vote for bonds 173 and against bonds 241, defeat ing the issue by 68 votes.

SOME PENITENT TIARY FIGURES

During the month of November according to the report of Prison Commissioners, there were 118 convicts pardoned and released from the Texas pen. The total number of convicts on hand on the first day of October were 3,926, and on Nov. 1st the number had been reduced to 3,771. There were 80 new convicts placed in the pen during October, 4 recaptured, 2 returned by sheriff, 95 discharged, 21 escaped, 4 died, 1 delivered to sheriff and 2 paroled. The report shows that crime in Texas is on the decrease.

MANY ENJOY DINNER WITH THE LADIES

The ladies of the Ninth Street Baptist Church served dinner at the City Hall Monday, and as usual there were all kinds of good things to eat, and lots of it. These church dinners in Ballinger are getting to be popular, and are well patronized by the people of the town, as well as many who come to town from the country. The various churches of the town seem to be taking their turn for giving a spread and about once or twice a month a dinner is given.

The dinner Monday was a well managed affair and the ladies realized \$82 and at 25 cents per least 328 people.

Miss C. Granshaus, who spent Sunday with home folks at Rowena, returned to Ballinger Monday morning and resumed her duties at A. J. Zappe's store.

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Get in on the ground floor. Call on Santa Claus early and avoid the rush.

Dallas has discovered an umbrella thief. Nothing new, we have had them with us all the time.

Tax Collector Padgett has a poll tax receipt for every man in Runnels County, and you will need it next year.

Remember that you were a child once, and that Santa Claus was your best friend. Help to make the little hearts happy.

President Wilson no doubt was not in a fighting frame of mind with the big wedding on his hands. He will now get busy and attend to Huerta's case.

Watch the papers and you will see where the air gun and fire cracker gets in its work during the next thirty days. It may be your child.

It's time to begin to draft some new resolutions to take the place of those you adopted a year ago, and which have long since been smashed to smithings. Its better to have tried and failed than to have never tried at all. Try again.

Some of our exchanges are having a great deal to say about the high price of eggs, and the effect it will have on the egg-nog supply. Eggs are more plentiful in this drouth stricken country than the other ingredients. We can get the eggs, but what about the nog???

Austin Cunningham, a young man, who has rapidly made his way in the world has announced for Congressman-at-large, Mr. Cunningham was born and raised in San Angelo, but for the past two or three years he has been doing newspaper service at Washington.

Some day Ballinger will permit San Angelo to become connected with her by an interurban line. When the big dam is built and the big power plant put in power will be cheap, and electric cars will be as common over the irrigated district as freight wagons over West Texas.

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At the prevailing price of eggs a hen can lay enough eggs in a dozen lays to pay for herself. There is no other animal on the farm that will produce its wealth in twice the time. The farm that is without the cackle of the hen is a poor farm.

During the last week Abilene lost two handsome residences by fire. One was valued at \$15,000 and one at \$25,000. Ballinger has been fortunate this year in that the loss from fire has been small. Let's use precaution and do as well in the year 1914.

The Brady Standard says, "The best rains in thirty years." Not so in Ballinger. Just the same kind of rains we have been having every few years since that 40 day rain that Noah had. The quality was the same, the only difference was in the quantity.

Some time ago President Wilson said he was going to whip Huerta, the self appointed president, if the later didn't quite his job. Huerta is staying with his job. Huerta Wilson has not seen fit to administer the thrashing. Conditions in Mexico have grown worse since President Wilson issued his "would-be ultimatum," and some of the cruelest murders ever committed by a civilized nation have taken place in Mexico. Press dispatches Sunday told of the brutal killing of an army officer who had been wounded in battle. The helpless officer was lying prone on the ground when a soldier from the opposing ranks walked up and sticking his six-shooter against the wounded man pulled the trigger. Sherman was, no doubt, correct in what he said about war, and we have been opposed to intervention in the Mexican trouble, but we have reached the conclusion that Uncle Sam is going to have the job to do, and the quicker he does it the better will it be for all parties interested. But what's the use of this, Wilson does not get The Banner-Ledger, and by his failure to take advantage of our clubbing offer and send in his subscription he is deprived of our advice.

WE ARE PLAYING A LOSING GAME.

McCulloch county and the town of Brady has jointly purchased a rock crusher and have under consideration the purchase of a road roller in the county. McCulloch county is setting an example that might well take notice of.—Coleman Democrat-Voice.

Ballinger has the crusher and the roller, and every day it stands idle is just that much time lost. With the unlimited supply of road building material roads in this county could be built at a cost so low that it is folly to delay.—Ballinger Banner-Ledger.

The Banner-Ledger reads a lesson worth heeding. Of what use can valuable machinery be so long as it is permitted to lie idle, to rust and fall to pieces from disuse. The man who would buy an expensive machine and allow it to stand idle would be considered foolish indeed—such policy would be business suicide. Should not the same be true of a city or county?

Let's get our road drags out and make them look slick and shiny from hard use, and when we get the rock crusher let us see how many hours of labor we can crowd into each day and how many days into each year—that's what makes the dividends on the investment—Brady Standard.

We can borrow money at 4 per cent and build good roads. The taxes we are paying now for patch work would more than pay the 4 per cent interest. There are farmers in Runnels County who are paying \$, 10 and 12 per cent interest to handle their private affairs, but oppose the idea of paying 4 per cent for money to build roads that would be here when the present generation is gone, and would be used by our children who would help pay for them. "Oh," says a farmer, "We don't want to make debts for our children to pay." We can continue to travel rough roads and leave the work for our children to do, and they will do it. The time is coming when Runnels County will have good roads,

and if we don't issue bonds and build them our children will have the work to do, and in our day we must travel the rough roads. Why delay?

REV. BROOME AND FAMILY LEAVE TUESDAY

Rev. Bartow Broome closed his pastorate with the First Baptist Church at this place last Sunday, and is arranging today to leave with his family Tuesday for their new home at Granger. Rev. Broome is numbered among the best pastors the Ballinger church has ever had. He has done much for that church since he came here, and it was with no little regret that the church accepted his resignation. He goes to the Baptist church at Granger, and the Granger town is fortunate in getting this splendid family as an addition to their citizenship. His leaving is a loss to Ballinger that will be hard to restore.

HE WANTS TO COME BACK AND WE WANT HIM.

The Bauham Favorite says: "A commercial traveler who seemed too modest to give his name, stated to a Favorite representative this morning at the T. & P. depot that he thought Bauham had the prettiest square and park he ever saw in his life, and he says he has seen most every town in the country, not only in Texas, but in other states as well.

"We will say for the benefit of that traveling man and anybody else that to Mr. E. D. Haden, the landscape gardener at the court house, all praise for the physical condition of the park, must be given. He laid the beautiful beds and designs out and it is he who has watered the flowers and who has seen that the grass is properly mowed and attended to all the time, it is true he draws a salary for the work, but after a man has drawn his stipend for labor performed, if he has done that labor well the Favorite believes in saying so.

Mr. Haden formerly lived in Ballinger and had charge of the Santa Fe Park. Our citizens know what he did for that work. He wants to come back to Ballinger and we trust some arrangements can be perfected whereby he can again become a citizen of this town again. He is anxious to see the new park improvements north of the Santa Fe made, and he has drawn a plan for that park that would make that the prettiest spot on the face of the earth. There is nothing that our citizens could invest as little money in that would be worth as much to Ballinger as that park. It is true that we have two pretty parks, but this is necessary to make Ballinger the most talked of town in Texas.

BACK TO THE FARM.

A. C. Tylor, who has been with the Rosenwasser & Levy dry goods store for the past two years, has resigned his position with that firm, and on Tuesday of this week will leave for Goldthwaite, where he will try ranch life awhile. He has a proposition in Mills county that needs his attention, and he goes to it. He and his wife have made many friends during their residence in Ballinger who regret to see them leave.

OATS HEADING OUT.

H. E. Petty, of the Maverick country, was a visitors to Ballinger Monday. Mr. Petty reported that there were oats in his section that were running up and ready to head. Of course those so far advanced are in the minority, but all volunteer oats are very rank. Mr. Petty stated that the roads were in bad shape.

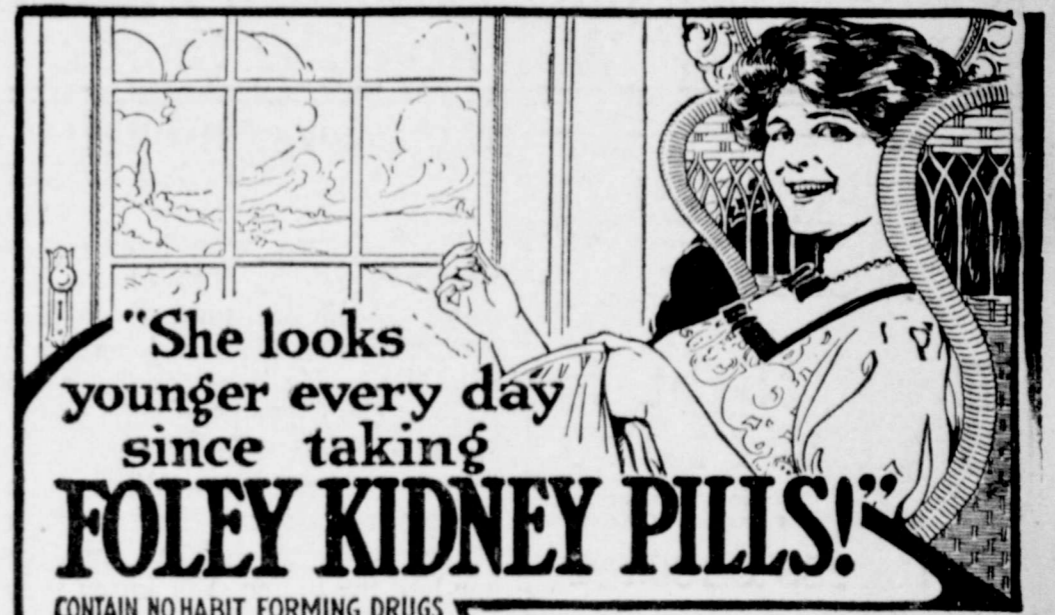
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McShann and baby returned to Ballinger Sunday from Brownwood and Mr. McShann informed us that he would farm on his place down the river next year.

Miss Eliza Hubbard, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. Joe Spill and family the past month, left Monday at noon for her home in Glascock county.

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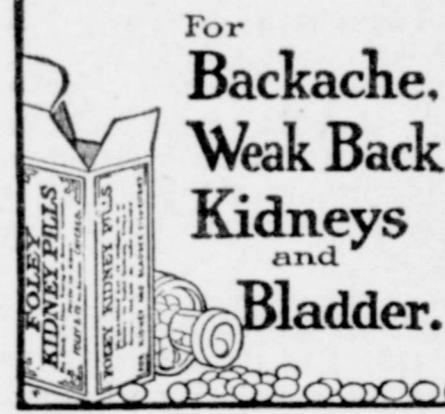
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TRY THEM

For Sale By All Dealers

S. B. Caperton, of Maverick and Sam Brookshire and Jerome Clayton of Benoit were among the first Monday visitors in Ballinger today.

W. A. Ogle, the irrigation farmer, was in Ballinger Monday and informed us that he had just bought a farm up the river from Gus Noyes, near the S. B. Howard place and would put the farm under irrigation next year. He will remain on the Schneider place down the river the next twelve months.

F. G. you have a hat that don't fit your head. Yours is at the city hall. I have none. Please exchange same.

R. B. Ingle, of the New Home Community was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday and says the Ledger man get the names mixed when they spoke of their community as the Norton country.

Charles Warbritton, who has purchased an interest in a barber shop in Greenville, Texas, left Monday afternoon for that place.

Big Land Bargain.

Offered if taken at once, 1180 acres, over 60 per cent tillable land from two to four miles southwest of Norton. Can be had for \$12.50 per acre, if bought now. Mostly cash. Apply to Chas. S. Miller. 26-2d1tw

H. M. Leach left at noon Saturday for a business visit to San Angelo. He is busy equipping his garage with modern machinery and getting ready to look after the automobile when they get down and out.

NOTICE OF HEARING TO APPROPRIATE PUBLIC WATERS

THE STATE OF TEXAS, Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that C. S. Miller, whose

postoffice address is Ballinger, Texas, did on the 4th day of November, A. D., 1913, file an application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas in which he applies for a permit to appropriate 400 acre-feet of water per annum, or 3 1-2 cubic feet of water per second of time for the period of 56 days in each year, for the purpose of irrigation, to the extent of irrigating 200 acres of land described in said application, from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas, to be diverted from Colorado River, at or near City of Ballinger, Runnels County Texas.

You are hereby further notified that the land proposed to be irrigated is 150 acres out of the C. D. from survey No. 421 and 50 acres out of the John Pape survey No. 422, lying adjacent to the Colorado River in said Runnels County, Texas.

A hearing on the said application of the said C. S. Miller will be held by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at its office, in the City of Austin County of Travis, said State, on Monday, the 5th day of January, A. D., 1914, beginning at 10 o'clock, A. M., at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under, and by virtue of an order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at the office of said Board in Austin, Texas, this 22nd day of November, A. D., 1913.

J. C. NAGLE,
JOHN WILSON,
Board.

(Seal)

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T. J. McCaughn, the Norton merchant had business in Ballinger Monday.

Quality counts. Our quality is the standard in Ballinger. Breedlove and Meadows. Phone 263, 264

Sam Farmer, of Miles, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday

Nice oak wood, sizes and length to suit. Arctic Ice and Fuel Co. Phone 312. tdf

Paul Trimmier, the popular J. P., of this precinct, had business at Talpa between trains Monday.

Cash Prices for Old Rags
The Ledger will pay cash for old rags. They must be clean. Bring them quick.

Deputy Sheriff John Perkins had official business at Coleman between trains Monday.

In damp, chilly weather there is always a large demand for Ballard's Snow Liniment because many people who know by experience its great relieving power in rheumatic aches, and pains prepare to apply it at the first twinge. Price, 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

Mrs. Mike C. Boyd returned home at noon from a visit to relatives and friends at Brownwood.

What is good for Headache

One lady says after suffering dreadfully for about seven years, she tried Hunt's Lightning Oil, which almost instantly relieved her, and has been entirely free from those dreadful headaches since. Ask your druggist.

G. A. Williams, the Miles lumber dealer, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

Rub a sore throat with Ballard's Snow Liniment. One or two applications will cure it completely. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

C. Y. Witherspoon of the Tennyson country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

A Painless Headache.

Is there such a thing as Painless Headache, Painless Neuralgia, Painless Rheumatism. Hunt's Lightning Oil will make the pain go away and the suffering cease. That's why Hunt's Lightning Oil is so popular, and praised so much. Ask your druggist.

Len Stokes, of the Rowena country, was among the visitors in Ballinger first Monday.

Have on hand quite a nice lot of cedar kindling, Arctic Ice and Fuel Co., Phone 312. tdf

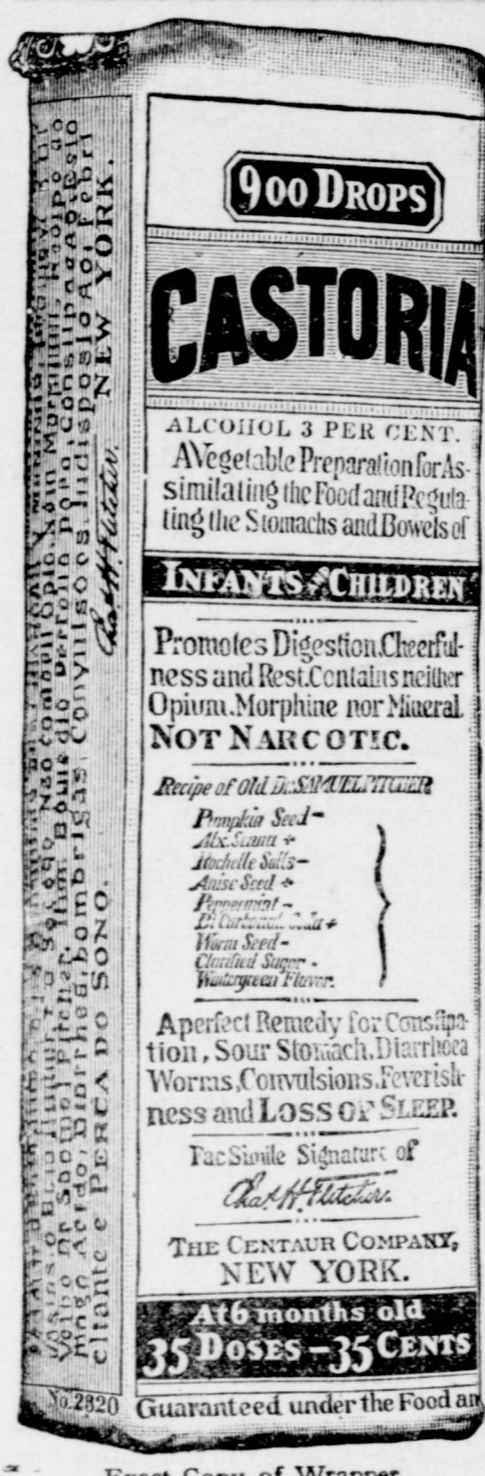
W. J. Miller, of Austin, came in Saturday to visit relatives and Ballinger friends and to look after business affairs a few days.

A tight feeling in the chest accompanied by a short dry cough, indicates an inflamed condition of the lungs. To relieve it buy the dollar size Ballard's Horehound Syrup; you get with each bottle a free Herick's Red Pepper Porous Plaster for the chest. The syrup relaxes the tightness and the plaster draws out the inflammation. It is an ideal combination for curing colds settled in the lungs. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

J. L. Lee, of the Maverick country, was transacting business in Ballinger first Monday.

Pain, Pain, Pain.

To those who suffer PAIN, let us say Hunt's Lightning Oil is truly wonderful in the way it destroys pain. So many praise it that you cannot doubt. You simply rub it on, and the pain goes away.



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Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Pflunger of the Rowena country, were shopping in Ballinger Monday.

Regulate the bowels when they fail to move properly. Herbine is an admirable bowel regulator. It helps the liver and stomach and restores a fine feeling of strength and buoyance. Price 50c. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

J. A. Loika of the Pony creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism, and bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Texas testimonials with each bottle. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists. 312d

J. B. Bass, of the Norton country, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

WANTED—A bad case of Rheumatism. If you have Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Headaches, we want you to just try Hunt's Lightning Oil. You will be convinced of the truth of the statement of one customer that "as a reliever of pain it is without an equal." All druggists sell it.

Some gentleman took hat at City Hall Monday at noon by mistake. Please leave at The Ledger office.

C. W. Northington returned home Saturday afternoon from San Angelo where he had been on a short business trip.

Phone 263 and allow us to show you our new hats for ladies. They are the cheapest and as good as the best. Breedlove and Meadows. 26td

W. Goetz, P. J. Baron and J. F. Kuhn, prominent business men of Rowena, were among the business visitors in Ballinger.

L. Daugherty, returned to Ballinger Monday morning from a short business trip to Sweetwater.

Mrs. Jack Carroll, of South Ballinger, left Monday morning for

Coleman to visit relatives and friends a few days.

H. Clements, of New Braunfels came in Monday at noon to look after business interests in our section a few weeks.

Trespass Notice.

My land on Valley creep in Runnels county, is posted and all persons are warned not to hunt, gather pecans, haul wood, or to commit any other kind of trespassing.
J. W. RABY,
9-dwtf Route 3, Ballinger, Tex.

J. A. Fitzgerald and little son returned home Monday at noon from a short visit to relatives at Bangs and Brownwood.

Irregular bowel movement leads to chronic constipation and a constipated habit fills the system with impurities. Herbine is a great bowel regulator. It purifies the system, vitalizes the blood and puts the digestive organs in fine vigorous condition. Price 50c Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

Sam Boyer, of the New Home neighborhood, was here Monday looking after business affairs a few days.

Miss Lawrence left Monday at noon to visit her sister Mrs. C. O. Harris and family at San Angelo a few weeks.

J. H. Wilke returned home Monday from a business trip to Temple and other points in the East

Mrs. Condy Wylie left Monday at noon to join Mr. Wylie at the ranch near Fort Chadbourne for a few days.

J. F. White, of the Truitt-Winters country, was here visiting Ballinger friends in the city Monday.

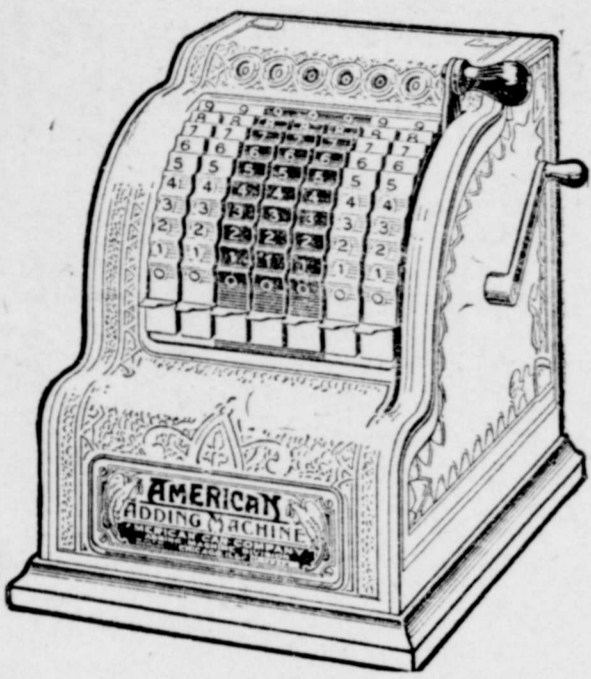
W. R. Little, of the Maverick country, was among the visitors in Ballinger first Monday and remembered The Ledger with a renewal.

Mr. Parmer, one of the prominent merchants of Miles, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

J. J. Crockett, of the country south of the city, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday and ordered The Banner-Ledger for the coming year.

The American Adding Machine

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Each copied number is shown up for checking before the adding is made. The machine will add, subtract and multiply. With very slight practice anyone can compute a hundred figures a minute and the machine never makes mistakes. Countless offices, large and small, are getting from these machines the highest class of service.

Manufactured and Guaranteed by
AMERICAN CAN COMPANY, CHICAGO
Sold in Ballinger by T. S. Lankford.

BALLINGER LEADS IN CLEAN TOWN CONTEST

(Continued from First Page.)

phis and Gonzales, which won first in their respective classes last year again take rank at the head of the list, but their scores are tied by other towns. Gonzales dividing honors with Ballinger and Memphis with Canyon and McGregor. Brownwood, which won in Class A last year, stands fifth on the list for the first inspection, being outranked by Abilene, Bonham, Denton and Marshall.

On the second inspection not only those towns which tie for first place, but others whose scores on the first inspection warrant it, will be visited to determine the final winners.

The scores made on the first inspection were:

Class B—Towns of 2500 to 5000 population.	
Ballinger	90
Gonzales	90
Sweetwater	89

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REMEMBER--- I Represent Mrs. Steffens of Brownwood for Cut Flowers, Bulbs and Potted Plants, the Best and Cheapest Florist in West Texas. Telephone 131 or 111.

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-- The Ballinger Dairy --
Wants to sell you milk. Prompt service. QUICK DELIVERIES.

Good Milk is Our Motto
The Ballinger Dairy. Phone 210

ter supplies and providing for proper disposal of sewage in an intelligent, scientific manner; second, because the people of the towns co-operated; third, because the movement, which was first fostered by the newspapers and the women, was made a topic of all absorbing interest to every man, woman and school child in the towns before it had been under way. It permeated the churches, schools, clubs and became a part of the business enterprises of the place.

"This clean town idea has come to stay and to develop and be as much a part of our civic life as our political system, our sidewalks, our street paving and our fire departments. Churches will gradually accept the ages-old teachings of Moses that pertain to cleanliness. Schools are beginning to look upon filthy habits and carelessness in hygiene measures as a manifestation of ignorance. Business concerns are beginning to look upon dirt as needless expense and cleanliness as true economy and men and women everywhere are rapidly forming healthy habits that are adding to their comfort, pleasure and longevity.

"All of the towns in last year's contest that I visited this year showed great improvement over my initial visit. I found improvements in not only private property, but in public buildings—which are usually the last places in a town to feel the effects of any sanitary movement."

State of Ohio, city of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.
Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Frank J. Cheney,
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.
(Seal) A. W. Gleason,
Notary Public

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. Cheney & Co. Toledo, O.
Sold by all druggists, 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

POSTAL DEPARTMENT EXPECT HEAVY BUSINESS.

Uncle Sam's letter carrying department expect a heavy business during the holidays, and the department has notified all postmaster to be well supplied with stamps, and be sure that they did not get caught with the supply short when the Christmas rush came on. It is the first Christmas since the parcel post went into effect and as to what the business will amount to in the transportation of holiday packages the postal department has no idea and it is guess work for them in arranging to handle the business. They have gone so far to appeal to the people to mail their packages early and write on them the inscription "not to be opened until Christmas" etc. That's a good idea and will be of some advantage for the sender of the Christmas package. If you send a package early it will give the receiver time to return the favor before the proper day for giving gifts. Its a great idea, and one perhaps you had not thought of. If you are going to send all your kin folks a present, send them early, help the postmaster and by doing this you give your kin folks a hint that you are expecting a present from them.

"THE OLD RELIABLE"
PLANTEN'S OR BLACK C & C CAPSULES
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AT DRUGGISTS OR TRIAL BOX BY MAIL 50c FROM PLANTEN 93 HENRY ST. BROOKLYN, N.Y.
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Our hats are the best and the cheapest. Allow us to show you our new line. Breedlove and Meadows, Telephone 263. 26td

RETURNS HOME.

Tax Collector W. T. Padgett and this writer for the Banner-Ledger returned home Saturday afternoon from the Miles and Rowena country where they spent the past week with the good citizens of that section. A very pleasant and profitable trip was had and we found the people in good spirits over the splendid rains the prospects for a bumper crop in 1914. The wheat and oat fields are simply immense and bids fair to make one of the largest crops in the history of the country.

While at Rowena we had the pleasure of meeting the Santa Fe demonstration train and the people of that city and country turned out en masse to meet the train and to listen to the splendid talks and see the fine stock, poultry, etc. All the business houses closed for the occasion and the school children, headed by the teachers also met the train, and it was a beautiful sight to see the little children with their flags cheer the train as it pulled in and went out and all enjoyed and took a big interest in the demonstration train. We were placed under obligations to many Rowena people for favors shown us while in their city and a more clever, hospitable people you seldom ever find in any country.

While the past dull years has worked a hardship on the Miles merchants and the farmers generally, still they are all in good humor and very hopeful for the future since the recent splendid rains. Nearly to a man, they are very enthusiastic over the irrigation and we feel sure the proposition will be carried to a successful end. The citizens say it is the salvation of that section and will also be a big help to our entire county.

We picked up quite a number of new subscribers and collected several old subs and all seemed well pleased with the county paper, many saying it is the best county paper Runnels County has ever had. We are under obligation to these substantial and wide-awake citizens for the many courtesies shown us while in their midst.

HOW TO KEEP ACTIVE.

When Old Age Overtakes Us.

Mrs. John Admayer of Jackson, Mich., says: "Although 69 years of age, and naturally, because of my advanced age, in an enfeebled condition, I can truthfully say that Vinol has done wonders to keep me as active as I am. It is the best medicine to create strength that I ever saw. This spring I was very much run down and worn out but I took Vinol and soon left stronger and able to work about the house. I can recommend Vinol as a very invigorating tonic."

Should the system get run down—digestive organs weak—the blood thin and sluggish—take Vinol, which is a delicious combination of the medicinal—body-making properties of cods' livers with the useless grease eliminated and tonic iron added. We regard Vinol as one of the greatest body-builders and strength creators in the world for aged people.

We wish every feeble old person in this vicinity would try Vinol on our agreement to return their money if it fails to give satisfaction. The Walker Drug Co., Ballinger, Texas.

P. S. If you have any skin trouble try saxo Salve. We guarantee it.

Coran Russell returned home Sunday from South Texas where he had been spending the past few months and says he is at home for keeps as it rains too much in that country to suit him.

FOR SALE.

190 acres land improved, wood and water. Price \$12.50 per acre. SAM BOYER, Route 4, Ballinger, Texas. 1-1td 2twtd

FOR RENT—After Jan. 1st, 1914, my hotel on 7th street next to A. & S. depot. Apply to Mrs. Mullins, Phone 284, Ballinger 1-3td 2tw

SOCIETY

Phone All Society News to No. 246
Miss Louie Doss, Editor

Lucky Thirteen Club.

Miss Mammie Gregory delightfully entertained at her home on Friday afternoon, the members of the Thirteen Club. Although a very disagreeable afternoon, all members were present except three. After spending a most enjoyable time embroidering, a delicious salad course, of pickles, potato chips, salad, sandwiches and hot chocolate were served.

Those who enjoyed the hospitality of Miss Gregory were: Misses Lois Crews, Bertha Rasbury, Hattie and Etta Hutton, Beulah Kindall, Ada Allen, Lena Belle and Louise Doss.

The club will meet with Miss Kindall next Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. J. K. Hutton on 8th Street.

42 Party.

Mrs. A. C. Taylor entertained Friday afternoon from three to six with an attractively arranged 42 party at her home on 9th St. The guests, who were confined mostly to the married element were met at the door by the hostess. The card tables were arranged in the parlor, dining room and library. Mrs. Lovelace and Mrs. Ben S. Long won high score.

Following the game a salad course was served at the card tables. The guests list numbered twenty. Mrs. Taylor received her guests in a handsome blue satin combined with lace and pearl bead trimmings.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Fowler entertained a few friends at dinner at the Central Hotel on last Thursday. A menu of three courses was served from a beautifully decorated table.

Those seated at the table were: Dr. and Mrs. Fowler, Rev. and Mrs. Doss, Misses Lena Belle and Louise Doss.

LOOK AT YOUR HAT and see if you did not pick up the wrong one Monday at the City Hall during the dinner. Yours is at the City Hall, and I am going bare headed until I find the one you are wearing. Phone or leave the new one at The Ledger office.

We will sell you your winter hat at a much cheaper price than any other millinery in town. Breedlove and Meadows. Phone 263. 26td

G. T. Avery of San Angelo, come in Monday morning to look after business affairs in Ballinger a few days.

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THE DIAMOND BRAND.
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no others. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS. 25 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.



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