

**Holiday Shopping is Made a Pleasure In
Our Store. We Have the Goods**

Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack

PRINCESS THEATRE TONIGHT

Mutual Pictures are mutually beneficial to our patrons of discernment and ourselves. The Mutual Program is acknowledged to be and is, the last word in all that is best in Motion Pictures.

Picture Program

**THE VETERAN POLICE
HORSE**
Two Parts.
Thanhauser

CURRENT EVENTS
Mutual

Coming — Next Friday
Night—Mary Pickford in
the "Bishop's Carriage"—
A Drama in Five Reels

**NOT A PICTURE
OVER 30 DAYS OLD.**

Admission 10c

WRITING TO SANTA CLAUS

Since publishing the children's letters to Santa Claus in the Daily Ledger Saturday we have received several letters from other children, who are anxious that Santa Claus visit them, and we have decided to issue another Santa Claus paper next Saturday. All the children who wish to write Santa Claus a letter are requested to have the letters in the Ledger office by Thursday night. It is not necessary for those who have already written Santa to write again.

Weather Forecast.

Tonight cloudy and Tuesday warmer.

54 HOUR LAW EFFECTS BALLINGER

At the request of certain local merchants County Attorney Shepherd called on the Attorney General for an opinion regarding the effect of the 54 hours law in towns the size of Ballinger. The following letter is self-explanatory:

"December 12, 1913.
"Hon. C. P. Shepherd,
"County Attorney,
"Ballinger, Texas.

"Dear Sir:— in your communication of the 2nd inst., you submit the following question:

"Is Section 1, Chapter 175, General Laws of the 33rd Legislature, applicable to female clerks working in dry goods stores and grocery stores."

This section provides in part as follows:

"No female shall be employed in any manufacturing or mercantile institution engaged in the manufacture of clothing, shirts, overalls, jumpers, or ladies garments or any mercantile establishment for more than fifty-four hours during any one week."

"A mercantile institution or establishment is a place where merchandise is bought or sold. The term merchandise is very extended in its meaning, and may include every article of traffic, whether foreign or domestic, which is properly embraced in a commercial regulation. A merchant is one whose business it is to buy and sell merchandise, not incidentally or occasionally, but habitually. The term merchant has been held to include a person who keeps and sells groceries. *Cove vs. Commonwealth, 8 Dana (Ky.) 31, 32* It has been held to include persons who keep or handle a stock of goods which they have purchased outside of the State, and made up into clothing and sold upon orders of their customers. *Murray vs. State, 11 Lea (Tenn.) 218, 219.*

"In 20 Cyc 1367, groceries were defined to be a term which may include all such goods and merchandise as are usually kept in such stores as are called dry goods and grocery stores."

"You are therefore advised that in the opinion of this Department the Act known as the fifty-four hour law applies to female clerks working in dry goods stores and in grocery stores.

"Yours very truly,
"B. F. LOONEY,
"Attorney General."

MUCH CLOTHING FOR FLOOD SUFFERS

The committee in charge of the relief fund for the flood sufferers made the last shipment of clothing to the central committee Monday. Cash contributions are being received, and this amount will be wired to the proper authorities where it will be distributed out to those who have lost everything they had by the high waters that have swept the Brazos and Colorado bottoms in South Texas.

N. F. Norris, in charge of the collecting of clothing and bedding in Ballinger reported that the local express company had accepted for shipment from Ballinger 2328 pounds of clothing and bedding and that this had been shipped to the following points:

1431 pounds of clothing to H. V. Cummings at Hearne, Texas.
130 pounds to the mayor of Belton.

667 pounds to J. N. Baylor at Navasota.

According to the latest press reports the total number of lives lost runs above the 200 mark, and there are districts yet to be heard from. It is impossible to estimate in dollars and cents the amount of damage done to property. The waters of the Brazos and Colorado et near the gulf forming a raging stream 36 miles wide and covering portions of Fort Bend, Wharton, and other counties. The water reached the highest point in the history of the state. It will require years of time to replace the property loss, as houses must be rebuilt, farms restocked and railroads rebuilt.

Ballinger gave very liberally contributed of their clothing, and perhaps there is no town in Texas that contributed as great amount of clothing. Other places have contributed both money and clothing, and a fund is now being raised here which will be sent. Our citizens deserve credit for their help.

EIGHTH STREET SUNDAY SCHOOL TO HAVE A CHRISTMAS TREE

The officers and teachers of the primary department of the Eighth street Presbyterian Sunday school have decided to give the children a Christmas tree, and arrangements are being made to entertain the little ones in the primary department with a tree on the afternoon of the day before Christmas.

On the last Sunday in this year the primary department will hold their annual promotion exercises at which time a number of the children in the primary department will be promoted.

ANOTHER PICTURE SHOW FOR BALLINGER.

It is reported that Ballinger is to have another moving picture show.

S. A. B. Hamilton has rented the Miller building and will use the stand between the Iedal Barber Shop and Gilliam's Tailor Shop. We understand that he will open for business about the first of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gerhardt of the Crews country, were interviewing Santa Claus in Ballinger Monday and while here Mr. Gerhardt had the Banner-Ledger sent to his daughter, at San Angelo, for the next 12 months.

VanNess Lewis, J. M. Bizzle and Morgan Humphrey, of Winters, were among the business visitors in the city Monday.

RED CROSS SEALS SALES TO DATE

The various committees in charge of the sales of Red Cross Seals made a report on the number of the little stamps sold up to Merday morning, and the report shows that Ballinger people have purchased up to this time 2204 of the little stickers. The committee have over 5000 seals left and it is to be hoped that every one will be sold before the next weekly report. Every Sunday school in Ballinger has a committee that is handling the sale of the stamps and a number of the local business houses are handling them. You can help the cause by calling on the committee of your Sunday school or by getting them from your merchant.

The work is being pushed all over the country, and it is expected that the total amount realized from the sale of the seals this year will reach half a million dollars. Texas will come up with her share of the seals used and Ballinger cannot afford to be behind in the use of the little stamps.

Ten thousand stamps have been sold in Taylor, Texas.

The first seal at Austin was purchased by the Rotary Club for \$15.50.

Texas sold the first supply of seals and ordered another supply, making a total of 27,000 seals for that town.

Sam F. Woods of the New Home country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger on Monday.

Wm. Lehr, one of the prominent Rowena citizens, was shaking hands with Ballinger friends Monday.



**Just the gift
for John!**

Handsome, practical—
he can use it in his
work every day.

Gonklin's
Self-Filling
Fountain Pen

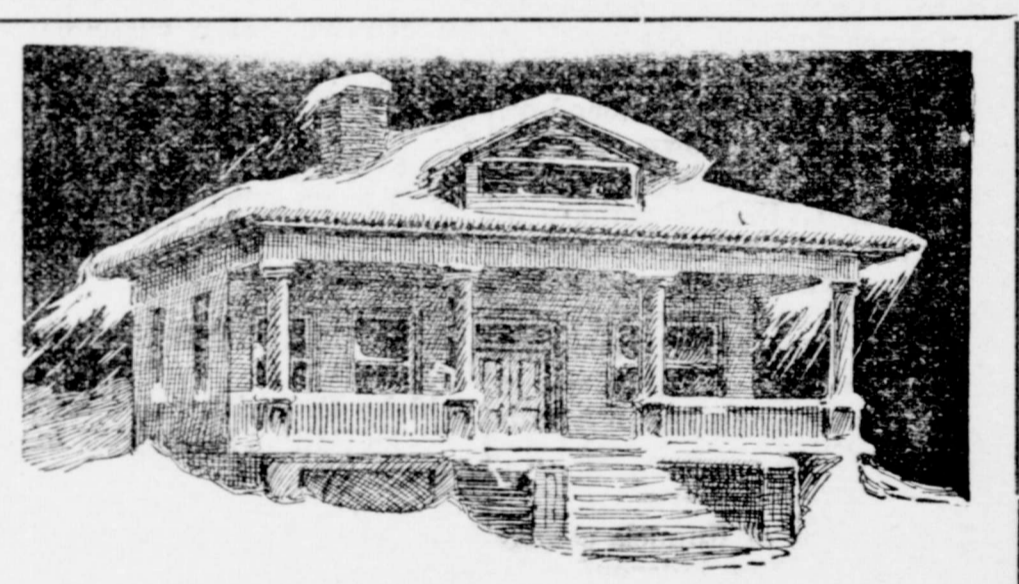
**It Fills Itself
in 4 seconds by one
simple thumb pressure Like This**

**In handsome Christmas
boxes. Exchangeable
after Christmas if point
doesn't suit.**

Walker Drug Co.

MOVING TO PONY CREEK.

Mrs. Senar and household goods passed through Ballinger Monday, moving on route to the Pony Creek neighborhood where they will make their home the ensuing year. The good citizens of the New Home country moved her household goods for her and among the number who so kindly gave their time and wagons were, Messrs. R. B. Ingle, Bill Coul, Adams and Washington. These good people always look after the wants of the widows and orphans in their neighborhood.



**THE BEST WAY TO PROTECT
YOUR HOME IS WITH A
BANK ACCOUNT — THE BEST
WAY TO GET A HOME IS TO PUT
YOUR MONEY IN THE BANK. OUR BANK IS
A SAFE HOME FOR YOUR MONEY**

Every year has its winter. Every life has its winter. YOURS IS COMING. Have a home to get into when the winter of the year comes, and the winter of your life comes. When you bank your money you can buy a home. With a bank account you can protect your home. Have money in the bank, anyhow; it makes your GREDIT better. It is safe in our bank.

Make Our Bank Your Bank

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Of Ballinger

WE WILL WELCOME

The Opportunity of Proving
to You the Benefits and
Advantages of Form-
ing Relations With

**The Farmers & Merchants
State Bank**

"Fathers and Mothers Bank."

WE WILL WELCOME

The Opportunity of Proving
to You the Benefits and
Advantages of Form-
ing Relations With

**The Farmers & Merchants
State Bank**

"Fathers and Mothers Bank."

THE DAILY LEDGER

Published every afternoon except Sunday by the Ballinger Printing Co.

A. W. SLEDGE, Editor
P. SHEPHERD, Business Mgr

OFFICERS:
O. L. Parish, president; Paul Trimmier, vice-president; C. P. Shepherd, secretary and treasurer.

DIRECTORS
J. Y. Pearce, O. L. Parish, Paul Trimmier, C. P. Shepherd, A. W. Sledge.

STOCKHOLDERS:
M. Skinner, C. P. Shepherd, Paul Trimmier, A. W. Sledge, H. M. Jones, R. T. Williams, J. Y. Pearce, Scott H. Mack, T. J. Gardner, O. L. Parish, R. W. Bruce.

If every man who devotes much of his time criticizing the faults of others, would realize that he is not faultless and that others are criticising his life, it would be a different Christmas this year.

The Southern people send sufficient money to the North every year for fireworks to support thousands of people. The Northern people get the money and the Southern people get the burns, the broken limbs and have their eyes blown out. It's a poor way to commemorate the birth of Christ.

Many people do not realize the true spirit of Christmas giving. Christmas day will find many people almost sick from worry and work brought on by trying to select something that would please those to whom they gave gifts. We would rather have the smallest gift from a friend or loved one, given with the spirit which Christ himself would wish than to have gifts of great value from those who only seek a selfish gain, or with a motive of winning our admiration. It is far better not to give at all than to give selfishly.

There was a time when the glare of the electric lights attracted the boy from the farm and it appeared that the country life had no charms for the coming generation but things are rapidly changing, and today the opportunities for the farmer are greater than ever before. The world is appealing to the farmer to feed. All kinds of produce raised on the farm is selling for a price never dreamed of, and the man who owns a little farm should be the happiest man in the world. He has nothing to worry about. If he has a few good cows, a poultry yard and a pig pen, he has an income that will keep him independently comfortable, and things will continue to come his way regardless of who is who in politics.

The farmers of Runnels county have not become independently rich during the last three or four years, but there are many here who have bank accounts, and who are what we might call "comfortably fixed." Their families are enjoying good health and they have the best prospects for a good crop that this country has been promised in many years. As far back as there is any record no winter can be called to mind when the ground was as wet as at present. In the old reliable black belt of Texas, where land at from \$100 to \$200 per acre is considered cheap, there are thousands of people homeless and without food or clothing except what is being received from a relief fund. The farmer who stays on his job and who has not lost confidence in this country, will be able to match dollars and give big odds to the fellow who became discouraged and fled from the drouth.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of *Wm. D. Galt*

FEDERAL OFFICER SHOT DOWN



Death is the usual portion of the federal officers captured by the rebels, and though this one disguised himself as a private he did not escape the vengeance of his enemies.

GOOD SUGGESTION TO BALLINGER PEOPLE

It is surprising the amount of old foul matter the simple mixture of buckthorn bary, glycerine etc., known as Adler-i-ka, drains from the system. This remedy became famous by curing appendicitis and acts on BOTH the upper and lower bowel so thoroughly that ONE DOSE relieves sour stomach, gas on the stomach and constipation almost IMMEDIATELY. We are mighty glad we are Ballinger agents for Adler-i-ka. Walker Drug Co., Ballinger.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured.
with Local Applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly up on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props.
Toledo, O.
Sold by Druggist, price 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

ADVERTISED LETTER LIST 13, 1913:

- Burreson, Ben.
- Beene, I. H.
- Dolan, George B.
- Garrett, Al J.
- Gauny, Mrs. Dooley.
- Hunt, Vincent.
- McWilliams, Mrs. D. N.
- Jackson, Miss Mamie.
- Walker, J. M.

When calling for the above letters please say Advertiser and give the date of this list.

After two weeks these letters will be sent to the dead letter office.

JAS. J. ERWIN, P. M.
J. L. Bailey of Bradshaw, has business in Ballinger Monday between trains.

W. H. Rogers, one of the prominent pioneer citizens of the Winters country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Quality counts. Our quality is the standard in Ballinger. Breedlove and Meadows. Phone 263, 261.

NOTICE TO CHILDREN
Don't forget to write your letter to Santa Claus in time to get

them printed in Saturday's paper. All letters must be in the Ledger office by Thursday at noon. Address your letters to Santa Claus in care of The Ledger Or you can bring them to the Ledger office and mail them in the Santa Claus mail box.

CAN A BOY FORGET HIS MOTHER?

The following is published at the request of Tom L. Altman, the boy who is in jail serving a sentence for stealing a watch. The poem was sent to the Ledger after Altman received a letter from his mother, in which his mother expressed her grief, and plead with the boy to be a good boy and try to make a man of himself. The poem is published just as sent to this office:

"Can a boy forget his mother's prayer,
When he has wandered, God knows where?
Its down the path of death and shame,
But mother's prayers are heard the same:
Come back my boy, come back I say,
And travel in thy mother's way.
Can a boy forget his mother's face,
Whose heart was kind and filled with grace?
Her loving voice, its echoes sweet,
She waits, she longs her boy to meet.
Come back, my boy, come back I say,
And travel in thy mother's way."

Silas Izard of San Angelo, was here, a couple of days this week in the interest of the marble and tombstone business.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels.

Whereas, by virtue of authority vested in me as trustee, named and appointed in a certain deed of trust, recorded in volume 13, pages 390 and 391, deed of trust records for Runnels County, Texas, executed and delivered to us on the 16 day of January, A. D., 1913, by R. Rutherford, for the better securing the payment of one promissory note of date January 16, 1913, in the principal sum of Eight Hundred (\$800.00) Dollars, fully described in said deed of trust, said note executed by R. Rutherford and payable to the order of John W. Clappitt, at Ballinger, Texas, said note due and payable on the 1st day of September, A. D., 1913, bearing interest from date until paid at the rate of ten per cent per annum, said note providing in its face that in the event said note be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection upon default of payment of same upon its

PLANT TREES

Did You Ever See A Better Time For Planting Trees and Shrubbery?

The Brownwood and West Texas Nursery

has as fine a stock of Fruit and Shade Trees, Roses, Shrubs, and Vines of all kinds as can be grown, and at reasonable prices. Send and get my price list before ordering your trees. I have no agents and so save you the middle man's profit.
Respectfully,

W. J. Schulze
Bangs, Texas

maturity, the signer should pay 10 per cent additional upon the principal and interest of said note as attorneys fees.

And whereas, said note bears credits as follows: January 20, 1913, \$30.00; April 15, 1913, \$36.10.; and there is now due on said note in principal, interest and attorneys fees the sum of \$883.30.

And whereas, the said J. W. Clappitt, owner and holder of said note and beneficiary under said deed of trust has been forced and compelled to pay out certain premiums for policies of fire insurance on the property conveyed by said deed of trust, to protect him, the said John W. Clappitt, against loss or damage by fire to said property, said premiums having been so paid since the execution of said deed of trust by said R. Rutherford, and the said R. Rutherford having failed and refused to so insure said property against loss and damage by fire in favor of said John W. Clappitt, and to pay said premiums, said premiums being in the sum of \$47.50.

And whereas, the said John W. Clappitt is now the owner and holder of said note, and the said R. Rutherford has made default in the payment of said note and the same is now long since past due and unpaid, and the aggregate of indebtedness of said note, principal, interest and attorneys fees and said fire insurance premium is of the total amount of \$930.80.

And, whereas, I, R. G. Erwin trustee, under and by the terms of the said deed of trust, have been requested by the said John W. Clappitt to enforce said trust, I will offer for sale, between the legal hours thereof, to-wit, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., at public auction to the highest bidder, on the first Tuesday in January, A. D., 1914, the same being the 6th day of the month, at the Court House door in the town of Ballinger, in Runnels County, Texas,

R. G. ERWIN,
Trustee.

Dec15-d4t-

BALLINGER LUMBER CO.

We carry a full line building material at all times.
Oak for Coupling Poles, Tongues and Etc.
Let us save you some money on your bill.

THE BALLINGER LUMBER CO.

FIRE INSURANCE
The Best Companies
PROMPT SERVICE

Your business solicited.
Miss Maggie Sharp.
Upstairs in old Fidelity
Credit Co.s Office. Phone 215. See Me.

DON'T FORGET

H. L. WENDORF, the Saddle and Harness Man.

Wants your business however large or small. All kinds of repairing done neatly and promptly. Shoe shop in connection

Hutchings Ave., Ballinger, Texas.

You Eat to Live and Live to Eat

It's our business to furnish your table with the Best Groceries. Our deliveries are prompt—our goods are first class.

Phone 66

Miller Mercantile Company

-- The Ballinger Dairy --
 Wants to sell you milk. Prompt service.
QUICK DELIVERIES.
 Good Milk is Our Motto
The Ballinger Dairy. Phone 210.

Christmas Clothing
 should now be made ready, and you will do well to follow Santa Claus' lead and have your garments cleaned and pressed in honor of the festive day. At our shop you will find our facilities for doing this work of the very best, as our skill in cleaning all kinds of gentlemen's and ladies' garments bear witness.

W. H. ROARK
 The Tailor Telephone 290

Electrical Conveniences

Don't cost much but add greatly to the convenience of the housewife and gives her many an hour of recreation. Don't put the matter off; but **See to it at once.**

Phone 15.
Ballinger Electric Light Plant
 Ballinger, Texas.

GUNTER HOTEL
 SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.
 Absolutely Fire-proof, Modern, European. **A Hotel Built For The Climate**
 Rates \$1.00 to \$3.00 Per Day
 SAN ANTONIO HOTEL CO., Owners, PERCY TYRRELL, Mgr.

Xmas Presents---

Give me your orders now for potted plants, holly wreaths and holly by the pound, cyclamers, primroses, ferns and all kinds of potted plants and beautiful cut flowers. Accordion pleating done. Phone 131

MRS. EDWIN DAY

NOTICE

Now is the time to make your application for land loans. I loan money on land in Runnels County at 8 per cent. interest and extend Vendors Lien Notes bearing 8 per cent. interest, and charge no commission for placing your loans. For further information write or call at my office.

H. Giesecke, Ballinger, Texas.

Hall Hardware Co.
 Everything in Hardware

Competent Plumbers Always Ready to Attend to Rush Orders

Your Business Solicited

Hall Hardware Co.

Purely Personal

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Young of the Crews country, were shopping in Ballinger Monday.

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

Clarence West of Miles has business in Ballinger a few hours Monday.

You will find the Evans Butter at our store. L. B. Stubbs. 6tf

H. C. Moten of the Winters Wingate country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

Hunt's Lightning Oil.
 This is the liniment which has caused so much talk. So many people are telling how it has relieved them of pain that one can no longer doubt that it is truly a wonderful remedy. Every druggist handles it.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Davis, of the Crews country, were among the shoppers in Ballinger Monday

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

S. D. Williams of the Hatchel country was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

"THE OLD RELIABLE"
PLANTEN'S BLACK CAPSULES
REMEDY FOR MEN
 AT DRUGGISTS OR TRIAL BOX BY MAIL 50c FROM PLANTEN 23 HENRY ST. BROOKLYN, N.Y.

A. L. Kirby of the Crews country, was among the visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Lame back came from over-work cold settled in the muscles of the back, or from disease. In the two former cases the right remedy is Ballard's Snow Liniment. It should be rubbed in thoroughly over the affected part, the relief will be prompt and satisfactory. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

Judge J. B. Wade had legal business between trains at Winters 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

S. P. Hale, of Talpa, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS
 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 other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

G. W. Brister, of Oxeen, country, was trading in Ballinger Monday.

You will find the Evans Butter at our store. L. B. Stubbs. 6tf

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gray and little son and their daughter, Mrs. Ligg, of Crews, were shopping in Ballinger Monday.

Amazon in British West Indies writes: Wherever I am I find Hunt's Lightning Oil in dispensable. It is truly a wonderful remedy for pains, etc. you should just try it and be convinced. Your druggist sells it.

CASTORIA
 For Infants and Children.
 The Kind You Have Always Bought
 Bears the Signature of
Dr. J. C. Hutchins
 of
 In Use For Over
Thirty Years
CASTORIA
 THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

900 DROPS
CASTORIA
 ALCOHOL 3 PER CENT.
 Vegetable Preparation for infants simulating the Food and Digesting the Stomachs and Bowels of Infants and Children.

Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC.

Recipe of Dr. J. C. Hutchins
 For Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, Hoarseness, Bronchitis, Asthma, Spasms, Convulsions, Feverishness and LOSS OF SLEEP.

A Perfect Remedy for Constipation, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea, Worms, Convulsions, Feverishness and LOSS OF SLEEP.

The Sincere Signature of
Dr. J. C. Hutchins
 THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK.

16 months old
35 Doses - 35 CENTS
 Guaranteed under the Food and Drug Act.

Exact Copy of Wrapper.

J. R. Holloway and son, Leslie, and R. P. Taylor, of Norton were transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

TRESPASS NOTICE

My place across Elm Creek is posted. All persons found trespassing there will be prosecuted as the law provides.
 Wm. D. Mrs. Fannie Johnson.

Mrs. Elley of Miles, came in Monday morning and will be the guest of Mrs. C. J. Davis, and family, for a few days.

LOST— Package containing two stick pins and tie clasp. Jos. E. Bayers name was on paper, between Elders and first culvert on Maverick road. Please leave at Ledger office. —15-1td-1tw

Mr. and Mrs. G. Schuhmann, of Rowena, were visitors in Ballinger between trains Monday.

WANTED—Salesmen for SKAT Soaps. Don't miss this opportunity to secure the selling right for these well known soaps. Experience not necessary. You can devote your entire time or handle as a side line. Write for our offer. Address SKAT, Hartford, Conn. tfd

L. J. Strube, one of the Ledger's friends in the Rowena country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Gas in the stomach comes from food which has fermented. Get rid of this badly digested food as quickly as possible if you would avoid a bilious attack; Herbine is the remedy you need. It cleanses and strengthens the stomach, liver and bowels, and restores energy and cheerfulness. Price 50c. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

Max Winkie, one of the repre-

sentative citizens of the Millersview country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

Our hats are the best and the cheapest. Allow us to show you our new line. Breedlove and Meadows. Telephone 263. 26td

Frank Booth returned home Saturday from North Texas where he had been spending the past several weeks.

Something Fine for Headaches.
 If you know how quickly the pain is eased with Hunt's Lightning Oil, you would always have it on hand. It is also splendid for Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Cuts, Bruises, Sprains. Ask your druggist

R. Gatschalk and son of the Valley Creek country, were transacting business in Ballinger on Monday.

Hearthburn is a symptom of indigestion. Take a dose of Herbine in such cases. The pain disappears in stantly. The bowels operate speedily and you feel fine vigorous, and cheerful. Price 50c Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

J. G. Ray came in from the east Saturday to spend a few days with his family and Ballinger friends.

You will find the Evans Butter at our store. L. B. Stubbs. 6tf

Who's Your Tailor?

W. R. BUSHONG
 THE FREIGHT MAN
Always on the Dot at the Right Time
Nothing too Heavy
Nothing too Small
 Phone City Drug Store for Orders

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Make this Xmas ideal by giving the proper gift, our
Quality Plants and Cut Flowers

SURE TO PLEASE.

Cyclamen, Primrose, Azaleas, Begonias, Hyacinths, Poinsettias Etc. Etc. in the best possible condition. Shipments Guaranteed to arrive in good condition. The biggest stock in the state.

American Beauties, White and Pink Roses, Carnations, Sweet Peas, Violets, Narcissus, Bracks of Poinsettias, Etc. Etc. All fresh and a big stock for selection. Early orders are appreciated as well as late.

Holly, Holly, Holly, Loose and in Wreaths. Wild Smilas, Blue Spruce Wreaths with Cones for the Cemetery, will keep Indefinite.

PHONE WIRE WRITE
The Nussbaumer Floral Co.
San Angelo, Texas J. Morgan Nussbaumer, Manager

NOTICE FROM FIRE MARSHAL

Beg to call attention to the danger of sending up balloons here in the city limits. It is not our intention to rob any boy of the pleasure of Christmas joys but as soon as we explain the danger of a toy balloon we think that you will agree with us. These balloons have a boll of cotton saturated with turpentine, gasoline or kerosene that is calculated to burn from 30 to 45 minutes. It is very often the case that the balloon does not get started off good and fall a short distance from the place where it is sent up. Now suppose this balloon should fall on the compress or in the cotton yards where thousands and thousands worth of cotton is located. In an action of this kind it would probably bur neverything within reach. cotton being so inflammable. Cotton is only one item

not mentioning the dwellings, barns, hay stacks, lumber yards, mercantile establishments, and other lines of business. You can readily see that many dollars worth of property is at the mercy of a little Christmas merriment and I believe that each and everyone will agree that we are correct.

We want the co-operation of the parents in this appeal, and since we are doing this for the public interest at large, we feel that it will be your duty as well as ours to see that the request is carefully observed.

Wishing you a merry Christmas I am, Yours very truly,

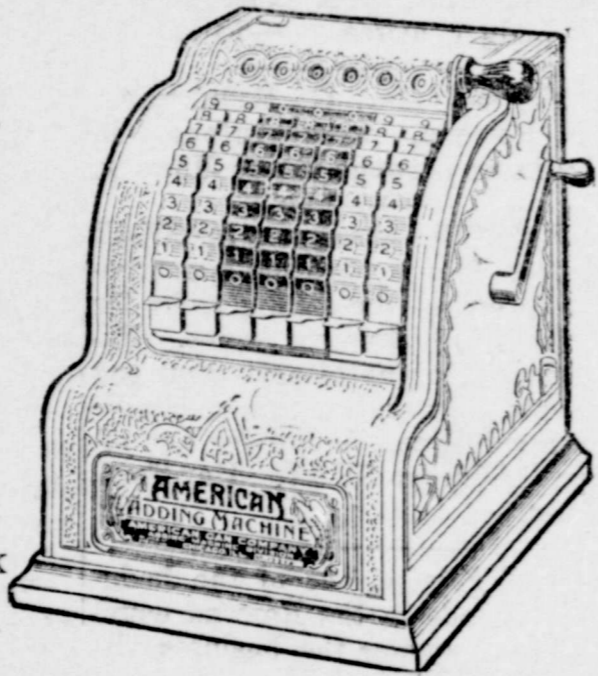
ELMER SHEPPERD,
Fire Marshal

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

The American Adding Machine

The Latest Adder
Costs But \$35

See our exhibit—ask
for 10 days' trial



Here is a new price on a competent Adder. On a machine that is rapid, full-size and infallible.

The very latest machine, built by men who know, in one of the largest metal-working shops.

It is an individual Adder, to be placed on one's desk close to one's books and papers. To take the place of the central machine requiring skilled operators.

It is also intended for offices and stores where costly machines are a luxury.

The price is due to utter simplicity and to our enormous output. Seven keys do all the work.

Now we make this offer so that offices everywhere may learn what this machine means to them.

Ten Days' Trial

We will gladly place in any office one American Adder for a ten days test.

There will be no obligation, and charges will be prepaid.

Compare it with any non-listener—even the costliest. Let anyone use it. See if any machine can serve better than this.

Just send us this coupon and we'll send the machine.

Please send us an American Adding Machine for ten days' free trial.

Name
Street Address
City
State

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.

Van Pelt. The club meets next week with Miss Lena Belle Doss.

Children's Party.

Mrs. J. F. Currie entertained Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock at her home on Ninth St., with an attractively planned children's party in celebration of the eighth birthday of her little niece, Maurine Wylie. The rooms were bright with roses, ferns and garlands of red and green crepe paper suggesting the Christmas season.

A number of games furnished amusement. Delicious refreshments were served in the dining room where the table was effectively decorated. At either end of the table were silver candelabra in which red candles burned under red shades. The birthday cake occupied the center of the table in which burned eight candles, one for each year of her life.

The candelier above was twined with vines and streams of crimson satin ribbon were drawn to the corners of the table and caught with bows.

The little honoree wore a pretty lingerie frock trimmed with lace and ribbon. About sixteen children enjoyed the afternoon.

Beau Not Club.

The Beau Not Club met with Miss Bertha Van Pelt on last Tuesday afternoon with all members present. The popular game of "Five Hundred" was played at two tables. After playing a number of games, a salad course was served on the card tables to the following members: Misses Bettie Miller, Hattie and Etta Hutton, Lois Crews, Winnie Trail, Mrs. Harold Tucker, and Miss Bertha Van Pelt.

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

Mrs. Cooper and children of Sabine county, came in Saturday and will make Rannels county their future home. Mrs. Cooper

Foolish Question

NO. 92,769,531

What Your Tailor?

W. H. ROARK,
The Tailor
"OF COURSE"

er is a daughter of J. M. Greenwell of South Ballinger.

SANITARY COUGH for sale Almost new. See Rev. Fred Carter d5t

A. C. Homann, the banker, and Editor Kubela, of Rowena, were among the business visitors in Ballinger between trains Monday.

Who Suffers Pain?

Those who suffer pain should try Hunt's Lightning Oil, the world's greatest liniment. It is the finest thing for Rheumatic Pains, Neuralgia, Sprains, Cuts, Burns, Backache, etc. All druggist sell it.

J. H. Wilke spent Sunday with home folks and returned to Coleman Monday morning to look after business interests in that city for a few days.

You will find the Evans Butter at our store. L. B. Stubbs. 6tf

Frank Wilke returned home on Monday at noon from Coleman, where he had been assisting his father in the store for the past few days.

Mrs. Oscar Clary and two children, who had been visiting her parents, Judge and Mrs. R. B. Truly, left for their home at San Angelo Monday at noon.

SOCIETY

Phone All Society News to No. 240
Miss Louie Doss, Editor

Miss Bertha Rasbury was hostess Wednesday afternoon at her handsome home on Sixth St., of a beautifully appointed announcement party given for Miss Hattie Hutton, who will be married to Dr. Preston Hunt of Texarkana on the first of January. The spacious home was artistically decorated for the occasion with a lavish arrangement of roses, carnations and other flowers. In the drawing room, the color note of red and green prevailed and a quantity of red carnations was used. When the guests had arrived contest cards were passed and much pleasure was obtained by answering the questions of an Automobile Romance. The game of Hearts was then played at five tables which were arranged in the drawing room and reception hall. The score cards were in cupid design.

Miss Hutton's announcement was given in quite a unique way: each one receiving an envelope containing a puzzle and after working it out, it formed a red heart on which was written in white ink the announcement. Later elegant refreshments in two courses were served. Miss Rasbury received her charming guests in a handsome costume of pink crepe with rare lace trimmings. Miss Conway of Brownwood, the house guest of Miss Rasbury, wore a lovely costume of brown crepe combined with lace.

Miss Hutton was charming in an artistic Parisian gown of grey crepe meteor. Her hat was a French model of grey velvet trimmed with grey plumes.

Those who had the honor of being present were: Misses Hattie Hutton, Conway of Brownwood, Bettie Miller, Lois Crews, Winnie Trail, Ada Allen, Etta Hutton, Louise Doss, Bertha Van Pelt, Beulah Kendall, Evelyn Rosenborough, Louise Harris, Mae Bridwell, Mesdames R. W. Bruce, J. K. Hutton, E. L. Rasbury, R. W. Lynn.

Club Meeting.

The Thirteen Club met with Miss Bettie Miller Saturday afternoon. The afternoon was spent in embroidering and a musical programme was rendered by Miss Conway of Brownwood, Misses Lois Crews, Hattie Hutton and Louise Doss. Delicious refreshments were served to the following guests. Misses Bertha Rasbury, Hattie and Etta Hutton, Lois Crews, Ada Allen, Louise and Lena Belle Doss, Beulah Kendall. Those visiting were, Miss Conway of Brownwood, Miss Louise Harris and Miss Bertha

Something Any Lady Would Appreciate

In selecting presents for your lady friends remember there is nothing that will make a more appropriate inexpensive gift than a nice package of—

Visiting Cards

We Can Supply Them in the Latest Style, Printed or Engraved.

Phone 27
For Prices

BALLINGER PRINTING COMPANY