

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

Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack

MAY DISCONTINUE RURAL MAIL ROUTE

On account of much complaint being raised in the postal department against the condition of the public roads in certain sections of the country, the postal authorities are considering very seriously a move to discontinue all mail routes where the roads do not come up to a certain standard.

In many places in Texas the carriers have quit their routes and say that it is impossible for them to make the trips without killing their teams. We are not thoroughly posted on what constitutes a road that will be acceptable to Uncle Sam, but we have been informed that Runnels county roads are far below the standard and that this county will be among the first to go when the axe is applied, and there will be several thousand people in the county who are now receiving mail daily, who will be deprived of that convenience, and they will have to go back to the old way, and come to the postoffice, or do without.

We do not believe that our citizens will stand for this. If the ru-

ral mail routes are discontinued the people will get busy and build roads that will suit Uncle Sam. A mail carrier out of Ballinger remarked to the writer the other day, that he wished it was within his power to carry a few of those who are opposed to the bond issue for good roads, with him on his route for a few days, and he felt sure that it would make good roads enthusiasts of them.

Before the postal department will furnish free mail delivery in towns it requires certain conditions be complied with that the streets and sidewalks be in good shape, etc., and this move for good roads has been expected for some time, and we predict that our people will get busy on the road question.

GIRL BABY ARRIVES AT THE HOME OF MR. AND MRS. W. A. TRAILOR.

News came from St. Louis Thursday telling of the arrival of a girl baby at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Traylor, who are now making their home in St. Louis. The young lady arrived December 17, and the message stated that mother and little one were getting along nicely. Ballinger friends send congratulations.

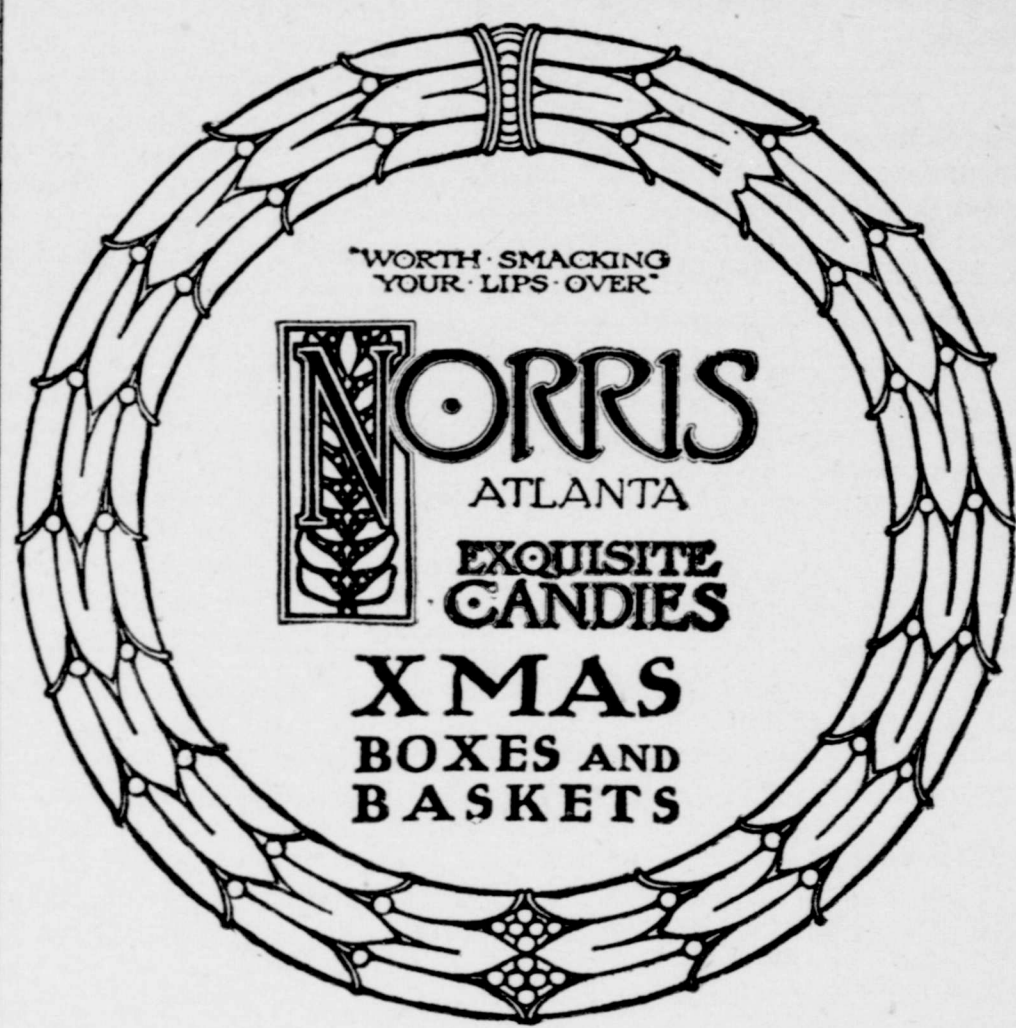
IRRIGATION FARMER TURKEY RAISER

W. W. Farmer, the big irrigation farmer, believes in raising something else on his farm besides cotton. In fact, he believes in diversification, and he came to town this week with a big load of turkeys for which he received a check amounting to more than \$60.00. This is no doubt easy money for Mr. Farmer and the satisfaction of knowing that he is helping to feed the hungry people is worth a great deal. The day is rapidly approaching when the farmers of this section will realize the importance of raising more feed stuff for both beast and man.

A PAIR OF \$11,000 SHOES.

There is on exhibition at the First National Bank a pair of novelty shoes, which belong to the Regal Shoe Company. This company claims that these shoes were made from redeemed United States greenback bills, ground into a pulp and formed in the shape of a shoe. They claim it required \$11,000 in redeemed bills to make the shoes.

We want your job work.



The Candy you should buy for one you love, or for yourself is

NORRIS' EXQUISITE CANDY

The highest ideal of fastidious lovers of rich satisfying confections is realized in Norris' Candies. The craving for more lingers. We are Exclusive Agents.

The Walker Drug Co.

"In Business For Your Health"
Two Phones 13 and 142

Do Your Christmas Shopping Early!

For the Sake of Yourself,
The Folks who Sell to You
and the Folks who You Buy For

Do It Here!

We have the useful gifts.
The kind Mother, Father, Wife, Husband,
Son, Daughter, Brother, Sister, Friend, or
Sweetheart will appreciate.

Let us show you and help you to select
them, Cut Price.

Christmas Sale Prices Prevail

Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Company

Ballinger's Greatest Store.

\$34,000 WORTH DIRT CHANGED HANDS

W. C. Spencer and wife to J. T. Elms, 114 1-2 acres of land, survey No. 445, consideration \$3000.

I. L. Beard and A. J. Watson to J. M. Gilliam 2 1-2 acres of land S. W. qn. Michael Fitzpatrick survey No. 492, consideration \$1000.

R. M. Trammell and wife to James A. Talley, 209 1-4 acres of land lot No. 4 subdivision of the T. R. Webb survey, consideration \$4370.

A. H. Schneider and wife, to Thos. C. Hall, all of blocks No. 2 161 68-100 acres each, out of survey No. 153, consideration \$5,400.00.

J. L. Young and wife to H. E. Nutt, a part of T. & N. O. Ry. survey No 86, consideration \$700

F. L. Harper and wife to J. E. Fowler, et al., 696 acres of land situated in Coker and Runnels counties, consideration \$17,112.

C. A. Dooze to W. T. Baker, 100 acres of land out of the north end of block 87, being a portion of survey No. 337, consideration \$2,425.

J. B. Kornegay to Gus Hester, being part of northeast 1-4 of the T. & N. O. Ry. Co. survey No. 86, lot No. 4, block No. 13, consideration \$150.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

C. R. Jones to Miss Fay Garlington.

P. M. Davis to Arnie Marks.

V. R. Allen to Miss Clovie Rogers.

A. W. Caughron to Miss Maud Jones.

Lee Proctor to Miss Myrtle Heidel.

W. P. Reese to Miss Ida May Altman.

W. J. McDaniell to Miss Beulah Nigg.

W. D. Counts to Miss Claudin Burford.

E. D. Jackson to Mrs. Sue Jackson.

ROBBED, HE WOULD LOSE \$50 TO MEET THIEF ONCE MORE

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 18.—F. G. Warnick, Brownwood stockman, was enticed into a rooming house on 15th street near Calhoun, late Tuesday and robbed of over \$50, ring and stickpin by a "friend" who met him earlier in the day at a Weatherford street saloon.

He even took a newspaper clipping telling of the death of my father a week ago," Warnick complained to Detective Chief Connelley. "I'd lose the \$50 for the \$50 for the privilege of meeting him again."

Warnick gave the detectives a description of the suspect.

SENDS OUT HANDSOME CATALOG.

The editor of this paper is in receipt of a very pretty calendar, compliments of the Nussbaumer Floral Co., of San Angelo. The calendar is made up from a variety of delicate colors forming a beautiful picture of a little girl with an armful of flowers, and the picture is built on a white panel with a blue border. We are pleased to acknowledge receipt of the beautiful calendar and will see that it occupies a prominent place in our wife's home.

TAKE NOTICE.

The mayor says that complaints are made to him by both ladies and children that the delivery wagons are driven on the sidewalks and footpaths used by them in the far-out parts of town thus destroying their chances of getting to town without miring in the mud. The mayor will thank those drivers to show consideration for those people and not drive on their sidewalks. A manly man always respects ladies and children.

W. E. Allen left for the east Thursday on a short business trip.

THE DAILY LEDGER

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In talking good roads please keep in mind that it is a waste of money to build anything but permanent roads. No more patch work should be done in this county.

If you have no children of your own, remember there are many parents who are not able to play Santa Claus to their children. If you can help the poor, your Christmas will be a happy one.

Christmas is several days away but Ballinger has lost one home by fire, and many are of the opinion that the fire originated by the shooting of fireworks, or the sending up of a balloon. At any rate the house has brick flues, and it looks strange that nothing but the top of the house burned.

Every time that you drop a let-

Community Co-Operation

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Few communities in the Southwest are not beyond the pioneer stage. In most of them—even in the country communities—the progress made in community betterment is already remarkable. It is no uncommon thing for a town of 3,000 to 4,000 population to have waterworks, sewer systems and even paved streets, and country communities with good roads, efficient, graded schools and strong churches, are not at all uncommon. But whatever advance there has been made there is always something else that can be done to make the community a better place to live in, something that can be accomplished as was that already done, only through the hearty co-operation of all concerned.

If the roads are still inadequate the people that use them must work together to make them better. If the school is not meeting

ter or package in the postoffice you are helping Uncle Sam to conduct his big business. If you stick a Red Cross Seal on the letter or package, you are helping to care for and carry out methods for the prevention of the Great White Plague.

Buckner Orphans' Home of Dallas, will gladly accept money or other voluntary gifts for the 600 children that are being cared for in that institution. You need not hoard your money and say that

the requirements of the community its standard can be raised only through the thoughtful co-operation of the patrons with its management. If roads, school, water supply, sidewalks and such are adequate and efficient, there still are advantages. Less material, but none the less valuable, such as a public library and a lyceum course of lectures and entertainments, that can be had in nearly any reasonably prosperous, populous community if the people only co-operate to secure and maintain them.

Co-operation enriches a community materially, and it broadens and deepens the social and moral life of the community. Co-operation of its people in every laudible undertaking for betterment alone can give them a satisfactory environment in which to live. The greatest word in community life is Co-operation.

you cannot find anyone to help. There are thousands of little children throughout the country, who are not responsible for being in the world, nor are they responsible for their condition.

Despite the fact that the crop increase of the present year over 1912 is nearly two hundred million dollars, everything a man buys to eat is so high he is compelled to buy it on the installment plan. The aggregate value of the 1913 crop is \$4,940,300,000. Some money, eh?

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.

SPRING HILL NEWS

Health in our community remains good.
Roads are some better but it is raining again.

There will be an interesting program and Christmas tree at the Spring Hill school house.

Weather permitting there will be preaching at the Spring Hill school house next Sunday evening at 2 o'clock, by Rev. Wells, pastor of the Nazarine church. All are cordially invited to come out. It has been many months since there has been a sermon preached at our school house.

Miss Maud Jones and Mr. Gus Carnes were united in the holy bonds of wedlock last Sunday. Miss Maud having lived in our community several years, also Mr. Carnes, we wish them all the happiness that can befall them.
KNOX.

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

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.

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.

The Ballinger Dairy

Wants to sell you milk. Prompt service. **QUICK DELIVERIES.**

Good Milk is Our Motto
The Ballinger Dairy. Phone 210

GOOD ROADS.

The greatest chasm between the producer and the consumer is the mud hole.

The highwayman takes your money in spite of yourself. You help bad roads take it.

Without good roads there can be no development that will be permanent and enduring.

The elementary principles involved in improved highways are social and domestic happiness and business economics.

Man is made of dust, and to dust he must return, but if he lives on a bad road he must have dust or mud all his life.

Three things that should receive attention in roadmaking: First, grades; second, system; third, maintenance.

One thousand dollar stock of TOYS and Xmas goods on sale at Higdon, Melton, Jackson Co. Buy early. 16-5td

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

CHANGE IN LOCATION.

The dinner to be given Christmas day by the Nazarine church will be held at the city hall instead of on Seventh street as at first announced.

Heartburn is a symptom of indigestion. Take a dose of I-ber-bine 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.

Mrs. Joe A. Jones and two children of Somerville, Texas, came in Thursday at noon to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Erwin and Ballinger friends.

It Always Helps

says Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Ky., in writing of her experience with Cardui, the woman's tonic. She says further: "Before I began to use Cardui, my back and head would hurt so bad, I thought the pain would kill me. I was hardly able to do any of my housework. After taking three bottles of Cardui, I began to feel like a new woman. I soon gained 35 pounds, and now, I do all my housework, as well as run a big water mill. I wish every suffering woman would give

GARDUI
The Woman's Tonic

a trial. I still use Cardui when I feel a little bad, and it always does me good." Headache, backache, side ache, nervousness, tired, worn-out feelings, etc., are sure signs of womanly trouble. Signs that you need Cardui, the woman's tonic. You cannot make a mistake in trying Cardui for your trouble. It has been helping weak, ailing women for more than fifty years.

Get a Bottle Today!

Here's To You.

A Merry Christmas to you all—Whether Customer or not. May cheerfulness and happiness And gladness be your lot.

And if you're not our customer We add this wish right here That you'll enrol yourself with us Within the coming year.

The Farmers & Merchants

State Bank

"Fathers and Mothers Bank."

The Wisest Money Spent For Xmas Presents Is The Money Put Into Useful And Durable Articles.

Such As

Rugs, Rockers, Art Squares, Dining Chairs, Kitchen Cabinets, Bed Room Suits and Many Other Useful Articles

These are presents that will add to the comfort of the home for day's and year's to come and be appreciated above all other gifts.

Such as are Now On Sale at the

OSTERTAG FURNITURE CO.

Call and See for Yourself

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

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. Shoeshop 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

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

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

Hall Hardware Co.
 Everything in Hardware
Competent Plumbers Always Ready to Attend to Rush Orders
 Your Business Solicited
Hall Hardware Co.

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

Purely Personal

H. B. Halfman, of the Rowena country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

LOST—Hog scalding iron vat. Please return to Glover's Market. 18-2h-d

C. W. Barrett, of the Norton country, was supplying in Ballinger Thursday.

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

Emil Pfluger, of the Rowena country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

FOR SALE—\$15 Winchester Rifle. Good as new. A rare bargain. Enquire at The Globe. 17-3td

R. B. Armstrong, of the Valley Creek community, was in the city Thursday on business.

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

G. W. Franks, of the Maverick country, was transacting business in Ballinger for a few hours on Thursday.

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, Bruis, Sprains. Ask your druggist.

J. J. Hubbard, who spent a day or two in our city, left Thursday for his ranch in Glascock county.

Amaz 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.

Editor Ed. P. Eason of Winters, passed through Ballinger on Thursday en route to Miles 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

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ray, of Sweetwater, came in Thursday at noon to spend the holidays with their son, W. B. Ray, and family.

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.

Mr. Hall and daughter, and Miss Young of Miles, were among the shoppers in Ballinger between trains Thursday.

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

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Jackson returned to Ballinger Thursday at noon from a visit to Cisco, and will now be at their home in South Ballinger.

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.

Dr. T. E. Mangum returned home Wednesday night from Arlington and other points in that section and left Thursday at noon for Miles to dismiss the smallpox cases at that place.

Children Cry for Fletcher's

CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

What is CASTORIA

Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. It destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. For more than thirty years it has been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency, Wind Colic, all Teething Troubles and Diarrhoea. It regulates the Stomach and Bowels, assimilates the Food, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

GENUINE CASTORIA ALWAYS

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

The Kind You Have Always Bought
 In Use For Over 30 Years
 THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

Mrs. Walter Fox and baby, of Galveston, came in Tuesday at noon on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Jones and family, of South Ballinger.

"THE OLD RELIABLE"
PLANTER'S C & C CAPSULES
REMEDY FOR MEN
 AT DRUGGISTS OR TRIAL BOX BY MAIL 50c FROM PLANTER 93 HENRY ST. BROOKLYN, N.Y. BEWARE OF IMITATIONS

Who's Your Tailor?

J. O. Roots of Winters, passed through Ballinger Thursday at noon en route to Miles on a short business trip.

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.

John H. Webb, one of the prosperous farmers, ten miles down the river, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday. Mr. Webb is not complaining of hard times as he has gathered 450 bushels of good corn besides other feed stuff, and plenty meat killed to run him another year.

M. Frick and mother, Mrs. L. Frick, of the Winters country, came in Thursday, and Mrs. Frick left in the afternoon to spend Christmas at Stockdale, Texas.

Wm. Hackler of the Winters country, passed through Ballinger Thursday en route to points in South Texas, to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

We give the highest cash price. The T. E. & P. S. Co. d&w-tf

Merchants in all cities are reporting that the shoppers are

trading earlier this year than ever before. The slogan of the business houses and the newspapers seem to be having an effect on every individual and a very good effect it is.

Of course, you cannot do your Christmas shopping early now. You have waited too late, but you can profit by your experience and get in the market early next year.

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.

OTTO DAVIS No. 113,492

MY—REGISTERED JERSEY BULL IS LOCATED AT THE UNION WAGON YARD IN BALLINGER. FEE \$2.50 CASH WITH COW. RETURN PRIVILEGE FREE. PHONE 235.

M. C. BRADEN

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Of Quality
Plants and Cut Flowers

SURE TO PLEASE.

American Beauty, White and Pink
Roses, Carnations, Sweet Peas, Vio-
lets, Etc., in Cut Flowers.

We guarantee our Plants to be sat-
isfactory and arrive in good condi-
tion. Try them.

Holly 25c per lb. Wreaths from 50c up
Well Berried.

PHONE

WIRE

WRITE

The Nussbaumer Floral Co.

San Angelo, Texas

J. Morgan Nussbaumer, Manager

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.

PRINCESS THEATRE

TONIGHT

A Feast for Pic-
ture Seekers

Picture Program

MABLE'S DRAMATIC
CAREER
Keystone Comedy

THE JUDGE'S SON
Broncho

BETWEEN HOME AND
COUNTRY
Reliance

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

Foolish Question
NO. 92,769,531

W. H. Roark

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

CHRISTMAS DINNER

At the Old Mission Hall Near
Santa Fe Depot.

The Ladies of the Nazarine Church of Ballinger, feel that God has laid it on our hearts, and are arranging to have Christmas dinner for the benefit of those around us, in our town and surrounding country who, may not feel able to provide a dinner and a way by which they might attend the many things to do at Christmas time. We would be very grateful should anyone on the outside or in our neighboring churches, wish to contribute to the cause, or donate anything cooked or uncooked, fruits or candies.

Anyone desiring to help us phone No. 380, deliver at Nazarine parsonage or see any one of the committee.

A nicely arranged program will be rendered.

Anyone who wishes to attend these exercises or spread with us will be cordially welcomed.

Come and be with us. We are expecting a great time in the name of Jesus Our Lord.

Mrs. C. Armstrong,
Mrs. L. Breedlove,
Mrs. E. L. Seargent,
Mrs. B. Farley,
Mrs. C. Brown,
Miss Nannie Morris,
Miss Ha Hurley,
Committee.

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. I 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.

J. H. Taylor, of the New Home community, was in the city Wednesday, and says that his people are stirred up over the road question and are now ready to do their part to get better roads in the county. They now see the need of good roads since the continued rains over the county.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS

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

Harry Scott of San Angelo, came in Wednesday afternoon to visit Ballinger friends and look after business affairs for a day or so.

Buy a Xmas tree for the children at Higdon, Melton, Jackson Co. Prices 75c to \$1.50. 16-5td

RUNS PICTURE SHOW AS A SIDE LINE.

Prof. E. A. Buschacher, superintendent of the Rowena schools was in Ballinger between trains school matters and attending to Wednesday, looking after some other business. Prof. Buschacher is not only a successful school teacher, but he has put on a side line that is meeting with success in his town, and furnishes amusement to the people that they would perhaps not otherwise have. On Friday and Saturday nights of each week he runs a moving picture show, and the Rowena people give him splendid patronage in this line, attesting their appreciation of his enterprising spirit.

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

WEATHER FORECAST

Tonight fair, Friday increasing cloudiness, warmer.

Sickly children need White's Cream Vermifuge. It not only destroys worms, if there be any, but it acts as a strengthening tonic in the stomach and bowels. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

R. T. Williams of the firm of Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co had business at Valera between trains Thursday.

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

C. A. Freeze, the secondhand man, left Thursday morning on a short business trip.

Real Spruce Xmas trees and holly decorations for sale. Place your order early. Prices 75c to \$1.50. Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co. 16-5td.

Kelso Wylie of San Angelo, came in Thursday morning to visit friends and look after business affairs in Ballinger for a few days.

If you want Xmas money sell me your secondhand clothing and furniture. C. A. Freeze. Phone 381. Always pays the best prices. 18-d26t

See the Texas Egg and Poultry Supply Co., for best prices on eggs poultry of all kinds, and butter. d&w-tf

WHO BUYS RED CROSS SEALS

"In selling Red Cross Seals, looks are deceiving," says a well known Washington society leader, who each year has charge of a booth in a large department store. "Aristocratic looking men or elegantly dressed women with diamonds on their fingers, buy five cents worth of seals while little children empty their pocket-books of all their pennies. Only the other day a little boy came up to the table with his mother. "Mother, how many stamps shall I buy?" he said. "As many as you have pennies for," she told him, and he turned his pocketbook upside down and gave forty-five.

At one of the other stores where the booth is near the door on the first floor, the little boy who leaves the evening paper stopped to examine the pictures hung above the Red Cross Seal table. There was one of tuberculosis children taken at the hospital which the Red Cross Seals help to support. Seeing some little colored children in the group, the little boy asked: "What are them snokes doing?" He was told that they were sick. Then spying the Seals he asked what they were for. She told him they were to sell to help the sick children in the picture. Digging a penny from his pocket, he put it on the table and started to take a package of twenty-five. He was told that the stamps were one cent each and that he could only have one for his penny. Crestfallen for only a moment and stuck it on one of his papers. Starting out of the door, he turned and said as a parting shot: "The next paper I sell is going to bring two cents."

WANTED—Man to handle our line of goods in Ballinger, on commission; bond required, wagon furnished; good proposition. Write Grand Union Tea Co., Denver, Colo. 18-d3t

CASH FOR XMAS.

We pay spot cash for all second hand clothing and all kinds of Furniture. Now is the time to get cash for Xmas needs. We pay the top prices on secondhand goods. See us before you sell. Phone 381, C. A. Freeze, the Second-hand man. 18-d26t

CAKE AND CANDY SALE

The Ladies of the Ninth street Baptist Church, will have a Christmas Cake and Candy Sale, in the VanPelt, Kirk and Mack Store, beginning Saturday morning, December 20, 1913. 18-2hd COMMITTEE.

Now is the time to get your Singer Sewing Machine for Xmas present. Cash or time. C. A. Freeze, Agent. Phone 381. 18d26t

T. G. Conway and family came in Tuesday from Memphis, Texas, and will occupy the John F. Currie farm northeast of Ballinger. Mr. Conway says that he is back in Runnels county to stay for good. No other country like Runnels county.

FOR SALE

Extra choice Pecans 10 and 12 1-2c lb. "The Globe." 17-3td-1tw

TRESPASS NOTICE

My place across Elm Creek is posted. All persons found trespassing there will be prosecuted as the law provides. w/mo-dlmo Mrs. Fannie Johnson.

Give us a chance before you sell your hens, friers and turkeys. The T. E. & P. S. Co. d&w-tf

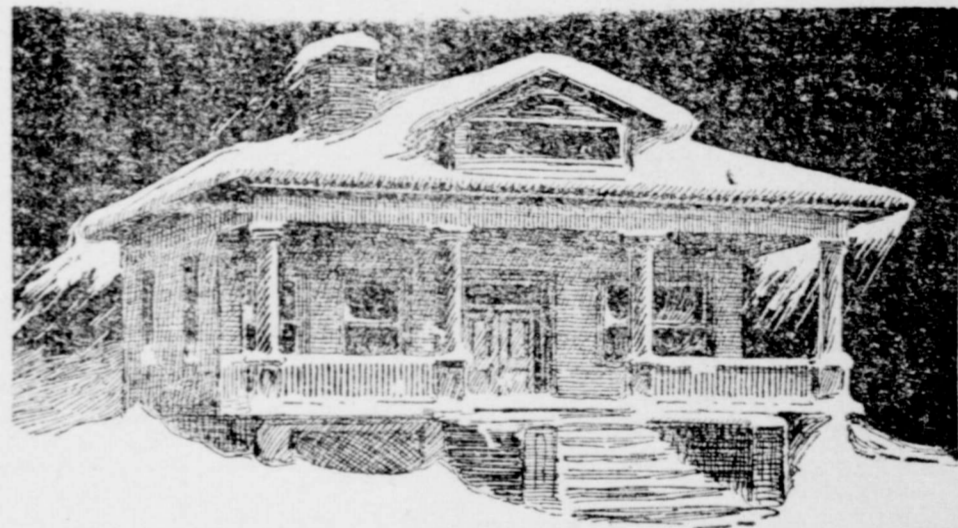
Mrs. Mattie Foigay passed through Ballinger en route to Valera to visit relatives for a few days. She had been to Winters on a visit to her father, W. S. Davis and family.

We handle everything in our line. The T. E. & P. S. Co. d&w-tf

Col. C. L. Morgan returned home Wednesday from Coleman where he had been to attend the marriage of his grand-daughter and visited in the city the past ten days.

The farmers' friend—The Texas Egg and Poultry Supply Co. d&w tf

Quality counts. Our quality is the standard in Ballinger. Breed-love and Meadows. Phone 263. 26t



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