

HOLIDAY SHOPPING IS MADE A PLEASURE IN OUR STORE. WE HAVE THE GOODS

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In Five Parts By
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FAMOUS PLAYERS FILM CO.,
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PRINCESS THEATRE
To-Night
Children 10c Adults 20c

REDUCING FIRE INSURANCE RATE

During recent years the people of Texas have been gradually coming to themselves in dealing with the problem of fire prevention and insurance rates. They are beginning to realize that the power to control the rates of fire insurance is with the people and not with the insurance companies. It is reasonable to expect that every fire insurance company doing business in Texas is going to charge a sufficient rate to take care of all losses and at the same time pay the high salaried officers, and other expenses of conducting the business and at the same time lay by a dividend for the man who has invested money in the company.

With this fact well established in the minds of the property owners—the people who foot the bill when there is a fire, there is one way to solve the problem and that is to inaugurate all kinds of methods for the prevention of fire.

There is a movement on foot to outlaw all matches except the safety match. Mrs. E. P. Tucker, chairman of the Texas fire prevention committee, in an address before a meeting of the State Federation of Women's Clubs at Corpus Christi, in an appeal to the men to help the women in a move to use none but safety matches, says:

"Our men can and will help us here, and also to secure legislation against the criminal 'striking-anywhere' matches. They are the cause of a great number of fires and should be prohibited being sold by law. All of you set a good example by buying only safety matches, the match that lights only on the box, and do not let your grocer send you anything else. If all housekeepers would do this it would be a big help to our work. My friends, you do not want to wait for a demonstration of what children do with the 'striking-anywhere' match before you stop using them."

PROF. HAGAN BUYS FINE CHICKENS.

G. H. Hagan has received a new blooded White Orpington rooster. He has named this one Twenty Dollar Bill. Mr. Hagan has also received his fine pair of Orpingtons which were with the Santa Fe demonstration train. This pair traveled more than 3,000 miles and was viewed by thousands of people.—San Saba News.

The Hagan referred to above is a brother of Prof. E. L. Hagan, of our city, and he was at one time a teacher in the Ballinger schools. He is well known here by o.d. timers.

WEATHER FORECAST

Unsettled tonight and Saturday; showers; colder tonight, temperature near freezing; colder Sunday.

SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR CHRISTMAS

The Ballinger schools, as well as the schools of the county, turned about 5,000 children out this afternoon (Friday) for a week's holiday. Many teachers are leaving for their homes, and some to visit at other places.

Only one week will be devoted to merry making this year, and school will commence again December 29.

The teachers in the lower grades closed their departments with appropriate exercises, and the patrons of the schools were invited in to hear the little ones recite and see the decorations. Many little hearts left the school grounds happy and overflowing with joy with anticipation of the coming week, the world's greatest holiday.

With hundreds of children running here and there in search of Santa Claus, and buying little gifts for mama and papa and friends, a real Christmas air was given to the things.

NEW FARMER FOR RUNNELS COUNTY.

D. L. Russell, of Denton, arrived Thursday with his car of household goods, live stock, etc., and is moving to a farm in the W. T. Nichols neighborhood south of Ballinger. Mr. Russell is coming from a good county, but he thinks the future of this country suits him better. His family will arrive in a few days. We welcome them to this county.

J. A. Bradstreet of Thornedale, Texas, who had been looking after property interests in the Wilmett section, left from this point Thursday afternoon for his home. Mr. Bradstreet is well pleased with his investments in Runnels county.

Miss Lulu Baggett, left from this point Thursday afternoon for Comanche, Texas, to visit her sister and family during the holidays.

Mrs. Frank Biggs and two children of Brady, came in a day or two ago and will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Roark and Ballinger friends.

J. B. Bass, of the Norton country, was transacting business in Ballinger, Friday.

Walter Allen of Lovakee, who had been in the city on visit, left Friday for his ranch.

STANLEY BUYING LAND FOR LAKE BED

San Angelo, Dec. 19.—Charles M. Stanley, promoter and engineer of the big Colorado river irrigation project, after spending two days in San Angelo negotiated with the largest owners of the body of land that will compose the lake bed of the company, left Thursday afternoon, declaring that the negotiations had been very satisfactory. One deal was closed with Mr. Semmes, living north of the river, and satisfactory progress is reported with the Harris Bros., and Z. Davis.

These men own the bulk of the land composing the site of the lake bed, perhaps 6,000 acres of a probable 10,000. Mr. Stanley left for Ballinger but will spend the holidays at his home in Houston and will return with his family to Ballinger where he will make his home.

He declared that he had no doubt about receiving the signatures of the necessary amount of land to warrant the building of the irrigation ditches.

We want your job work.

SUDDEN DEATH OF WALTER CORDILL

It has often been said that every Christmas brings sorrow to some home, and this comes true to Ballinger this year, and a host of friends in Ballinger were made to sorrow Friday morning when the news was spread that the death angel had claimed the life of Walter Cordill.

Deceased had been in bad health for several years, but for the past few months it was thought that he was improving, and his death came as a surprise. He had been suffering with rheumatism and the night before his death he did not rest well, and did not get up at the usual time Friday morning and remarked to his wife that he would remain in bed awhile. Mrs. Cordill returned to his bed a short time afterwards and found him dead.

Mr. Cordill had been a citizen of Ballinger for a long time. He is survived by a wife, a mother, a brother, and two sisters, all of whom reside in Ballinger, except a sister, Mrs. W. A. Perry, of Sweetwater. His friends and his acquaintances, and they are many, are made to sorrow, and they extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

Arrangements are being made for the funeral and the remains will be laid to rest in the Ballinger cemetery some time Saturday.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT PREVAILS AMONG GOOD ROADERS.

McKinney, Texas, Dec. 19.—The Christmas spirit prevailed here yesterday, and as a result the generous throngs who went to the polls presented McKinney precinct of Collin county with a \$450,000 good roads bond issue. The voters braved drizzling rain throughout the day and piled up an overwhelming majority for the bonds.

The proceeds of this election will be used to construct a modern system of highways in the precinct concerned.

LARGEST DRUG AD ON RECORD.

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 19.—The largest advertisement ever placed by a Texas retail drug store appeared in a local paper recently. The ad covered five full pages and brought hundreds of visitors to the place. The advertisement was placed by the Renfro Drug Company and appeared in the Fort Worth Morning Record.

THANKFUL FOR MONEY AND CLOTHING

N. F. Norris, who had charge of the collecting and shipping of money to the flood sufferers of the Brazos bottoms, received the following letter Friday:

Navasota, Dec. 17, 1913.
Mr. N. F. Norris and Associates, Ballinger Texas.
Gentlemen:—Yours of Dec. 15th with check, duly received and suppose that the clothing will soon be here. We want to thank you and all who donated of the above money and clothing for your generosity and kindness for the poor of the Brazos valley are left destitute and only a very small per cent of them have anything but the suit of clothes that they wore when the flood drove them from their homes.

The people of the state have been generous in sending in supplies. May the Lord who looks after all of us bless you and that your people may never meet with such disaster. Yours sincerely,
J. N. BAYLOR.

P. S.—Should any of you ever be in Navasota be sure to hunt me up.

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

BEAN-CURRIE.

Mr. A. L. Bean, accompanied by the Rev. Neal, pastor of the M. E. Church of Winters, came in Thursday at noon and repaired to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harbin, where in the presence of relatives and a few friends, Rev. Neal spoke the beautiful and impressive marriage vows that united in marriage Mr. A. L. Bean and Miss Ina Currie.

Mr. Bean is a prominent young business man of Winters and is the manager of the Magnolia Oil Company's business at Winters, and stands high in the esteem of the business and social circles of his city. Miss Ina Currie is the daughter of Mr. John Currie, deceased, of Paint Rock, and is a sister of Mrs. Joe Hardin of our city. She is a young lady of rare attainments, and a fit jewel to grace the home of the happy groom.

The young couple left on the afternoon train Thursday afternoon for Winters, their future home.

The Ledger joins many friends in congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy future for the bride and groom.

Miss Maggie Parrott, of Valera, was among the shoppers in Ballinger between trains Thursday.

Fritz Bredemeyer, of the Winters country, passed through Ballinger Friday, en route west.

AMERICAN SOLDIERS KILL MEXICAN

Presidio, Texas, Dec. 19.—An exchange of shots between Mexican and American soldiers on the American side of the border two miles west of Presidio today resulted in the death of Luis Orozco, a federal regular from the army of General Mercado. Orozco's companion, firing as he ran, escaped.

The Mexican fired first. Orozco, crossed to the American side to deliver a note and when they were halted by the sentries they fired.

According to eye witnesses the American soldiers on duty near where the shooting took place, were informed that federal soldiers were in hiding in a hut 300 yards from the river on the American side. The Americans went toward the hut to investigate. The Mexicans ran from the hut and proceeded toward the river. The patrol called to them to halt. The only answer was a shot from the rifle of one of the fleeing Mexicans. Then the Americans returned the fire and one of the federals dropped.

United States army headquarters sent a warning to the federal commander across the border that the shooting must not be repeated.

FURS! FURS!! FURS!!!

There is big money in furs. We are among the the largest handlers in Texas of furs and dressed turkeys. Our outlet is enormous, write today for our special price list. If you have some furs on hand ship them to us, we will mail you a check immediately. If our prices are not satisfactory, return the check and we will ship the furs any place in the United states you desire, losing what express we have paid. We want a bright entergetic man, who understands grading furs to represent us. Good pay to right party, write today

Chas. S. Guilhem Company

(Incorporated)

Capital Stock \$10,000.

Austin, Texas

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."

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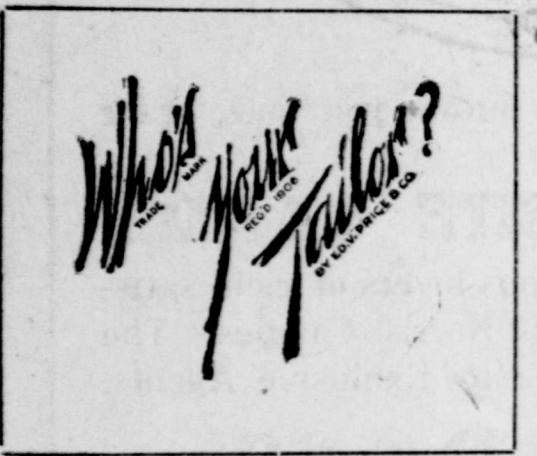
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The coming Christmas should be a happy one for the people of this county, because objects of charity are few and far between in this county. This is true in spite of the short crops and the wails of the calamity howler.

The eleventh hour Christmas shopper does not deserve the sympathy of anyone. It's the innocent children who must take what's left after the early shoppers have picked the best.

Bell county has set aside Jan-



uary 14 as the day to vote for the issuance of \$600,000 worth of bonds for building roads. The boosters of that county believe that the votes will nearly all be one way—for the bonds. Bell has been in the mud a long time.

With one year old turkey gobblers selling for as much as two and a half and three dollars a head it strikes us that some of our farmer friends are overlooking a mighty good opportunity to make some easy money cheaper than picking cotton. Plant a poultry coop next year, just for experiment.

Railroads and express companies are looked upon by the people as being cold-blooded and heartless corporations, but they are generally the first to respond when there is a call for help for those who meet with misfortune. The express people hauled many tons of food and clothing to the flood sufferers of South Texas without cost to the contributors or to the flood sufferers, 2200 pounds and over went from Ballinger.

The City Board of Health of Indianapolis has discovered that manufactured milk is extensively used in that city and that it is hard to detect from the real article. The milk is made from a powder and water and cream added to give it the desired richness. The discovery was made by the finding of a bottle of milk with the cream settled to the bottom, the milk having been made too rich. What next?

During the month of November bonusses for good roads and bridges carried in Texas in the total sum of \$1,719,000. The following counties voted for good roads: Bexar, November 12, \$750,000; Ellis, November 20, \$35,000 (additional bonds); Hill, November 22, \$250,000; Kinney, November 14, \$80,000, and Walker, No-

vember 14, \$150,000. The county that remains in the rut will be a back number county in the future and when a man passes through such county it will be because he is compelled to. It is safe to say that he will go round it if he can.

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 upon 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.

Mrs. Jones, mother of Mrs. E. C. Baskins, and Mrs. C. C. Schuehard, returned to Ballinger Thursday afternoon from a short visit to San Angelo.

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

L. P. Woods and G. B. Nixon left Friday at noon for the west on a short business trip.

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

Judge W. H. Gross, of Mineral Wells, who had been spending the past few weeks on his ranch up the river, came in and left for his home Friday to spend the holidays with his family.

TRESPASS NOTICE

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

Mr. and Mrs. G. Gressett and baby, of Cuero, came in Thursday night to spend the holidays with relatives and Ballinger friends.

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

Dick Parks, who lives northeast of Ballinger, left Friday at noon en route west on a few days' business trip.

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.

Sam Huskey left Friday at noon for a short visit to San Angelo.

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.

Miss Willie Hutton returned home Thursday night from Waco, where she had been attending Baylor University, and will spend the holidays with her parents, and Ballinger friends.

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

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

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

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

Col. J. R. Taylor, of the Norton country, was transacting business in Ballinger Friday.

SOMETHING EXTRA AT THE PRINCESS TO-NIGHT.

The Princess Theater is offering a special bill tonight in a five reel production, "The Bishop's Carriage." This is a fascinating drama of the underworld that approaches tragedy and ends in romance. Following is a brief synopsis of the play:

It was not altogether Nance Olden's fault that she was an inmate of the Charity House, neither was she to blame for being forced to escape. Falsely accused of theft and cruelly punished, she decides to rid herself forever of the matron's persecution. Pursued by the police she takes refuge in the rooms of Tom Dorgan, the crook, where later he finds her. Both refugees from a doubtful justice, their common lot inspires them to form a partnership in crime. After a daring theft of jewels, the loss of which is almost immediately discovered, Nance, in terrified despair eludes the police by jumping into the Bishop's carriage. From this incident a chain of thrilling adventures progress, until Nance is again rescued from the police by the timely intervention of Obermuller, a theatrical manager, who is impressed with her innate talent and offers her a position on the stage and a chance to travel the straight road. Now comes a bitter contest between Dorgan and Obermuller for the loyalty of Nance, which is culminated by the arrest and conviction of Tom Dorgan. Nance's admiration for Obermuller ripens into reunited love, and she attains fame and fortune as an actress.

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

LOST—Hog scalding iron vat. Please return to Globler's Market. 18-2td

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

Mrs. Yates and daughter, Miss Fay, of Lampasas, came in Friday to spend the holidays with her father, Mr. McWhirter, and family and other relatives.

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

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

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

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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

FOR SALE

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

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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.

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The Best Companies PROMPT SERVICE

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

Children Cry for Fletcher's

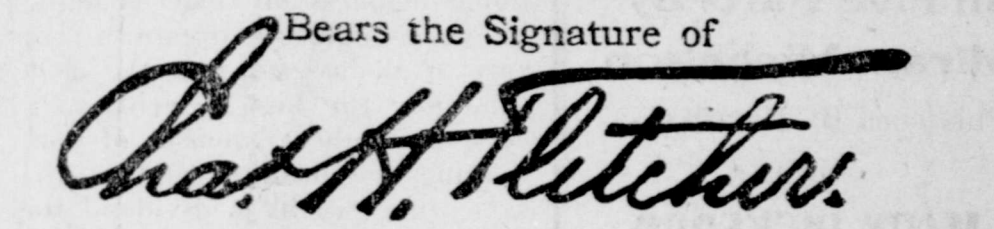


The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought In Use For Over 30 Years

THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

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Xmas Presents---

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

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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.

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The Tailor Telephone 290

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Competent Plumbers Always Ready to Attend to Rush Orders

Your Business Solicited

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H. Giesecke, Ballinger, Texas.

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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.

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Ballinger, Texas.

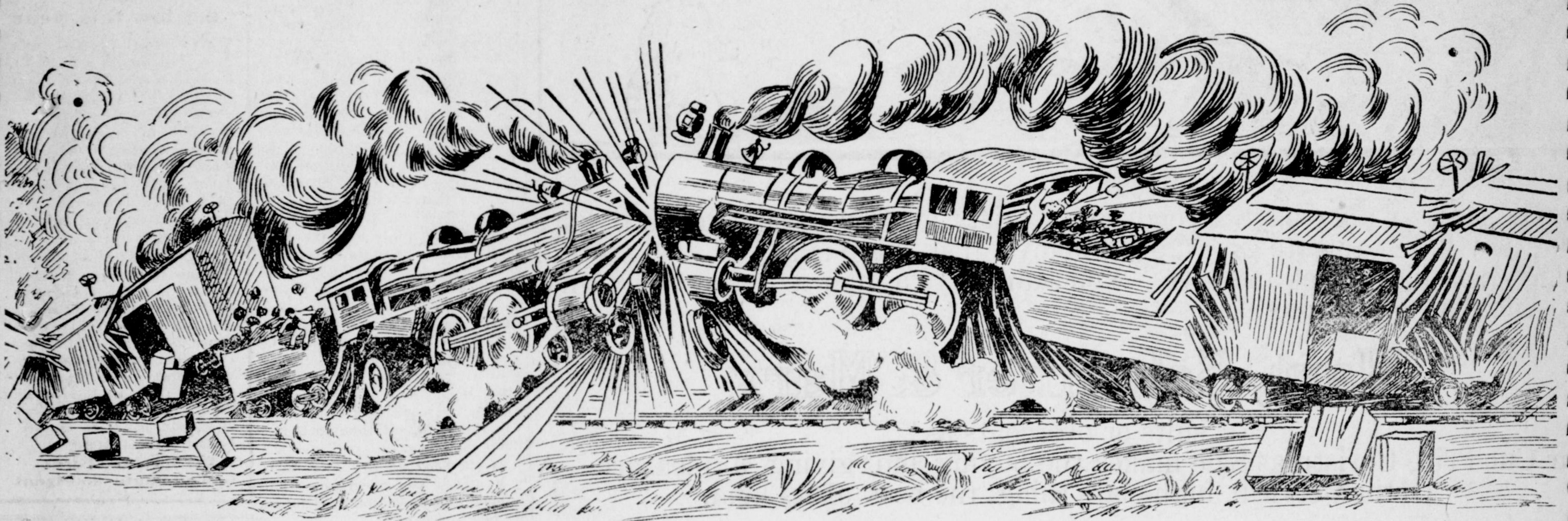
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Good Milk is Our Motto

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BIG RAILROAD WRECK SALE



Big Assortment of Fall and Winter Clothing, consisting of Men's Fine Dress Suits, Overcoats, Raincoats and Pants, Boy's Suits and Pants, Ladies Ready-to-Wear Garments, Skirts, Dresses, Tailored Suits, Coats, Jackets, Etc.

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Sale Begins Monday, Dec. 22nd, 1913 at 9 O'clock
AND CLOSSES WEDNESDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 24TH

LOCATION: on Hutchins Ave., first door south of The Globe under Opera House

Nothing to compare with this sale ever occurred in this city. Facts are startling, values are astonishing, the prices almost incredible. Think of it; high-grade fall and winter clothing for men, women and children. The same styles and quality that are shown in the cities, all to be thrown out on an average of about 40 to 50 cents, on the dollar. It sounds incredible, but it's true. You may doubt our word, but you cannot doubt the evidence of your own eyes, and when you come here you will see that every word we have said is true, and that every bargain we have advertised is here, just exactly as we said it would be.

MEN'S SUITS

\$10.00 Suits, well made, Worsted and Casimeres, in different colors and styles—Railroad Wreck Price \$4.95

Some fine Suits for business wear, worth \$12.50 and \$15.00, in Serge and Soft Worsteds, some slightly soiled—Railroad Wreck Price \$6.95

Over 150 Suits from well known manufacturers, worth up to \$16.00 many different patterns—Railroad Wreck Price \$7.50

\$20.00 and \$25.00 hand-tailored, perfect fitting Suits, the famous Priestly Cloth and Serge, Diagonal, Worsted—Railroad Wreck Price \$10.00

The "Prince Chap" Suits, Bloch's best, about 100 suits in the lot, sell everywhere at \$25.00 and \$30.00, strictly hand-tailored, Silk and Serge lined, Wool and Serge—Railroad Wreck Price \$12.50

BOYS' SUITS

Boys' \$2.50 and \$3.00 Suits — Railroad Wreck Price \$1.50

Boys' Lined Suits, worth \$4.00 to \$5.00, tailor-made, many different patterns—Railroad Wreck Price \$1.95

Boys' Suits, worth \$6.00 and \$7.50, hand-tailored; Silk and Worsted-mixtures; silk and satin lined — Railroad Wreck Price \$4.50

MEN'S OVERCOATS

Black and Blue Overcoats of heavy Beaver Cloth, full lined, three-quarter and full length—Railroad Wreck Price 4.95

Storm Collar Ulster Overcoats, full length, heavy Thibet and Kersey Cloth; our regular \$12.50 Coat—Railroad Wreck Price \$6.50

Ulster and Velvet Collar Coat, full length, extra well made—Railroad Wreck Price \$5.85

Very fine line of Dress Overcoats; all new fall patterns, beautifully tailored; they are worth \$15.00 — Railroad Wreck Price \$7.50

\$16.50—our big seller, many patterns and models to select from; all the new weaves concerned; all colors. Every one of these Coats the biggest kind of a bargain— Railroad Wreck Price \$8.50

\$25.00 fine Overcoats, made by the world's best overcoat makers, Abe Bloch & Co.; new models and new shades—Railroad Wreck Price \$12.50

MEN'S PANTS

One lot 150 pairs of good, well made Pants, suitable for dress and business wear; brown and blue; the lot, per pair—Railroad Wreck Price 95c

A nice lot of Bookman blue serge and light weight serges, and many different patterns; worth up to \$3.50—Railroad Wreck Price. \$1.65

THREE BIG DAYS

A lot of good \$4.00 Dress Pants, not a bad pattern in the lot, all full cut, heavy weight, winter Pants; this is our leader—Railroad Wreck Price \$1.95

The Bloch "Prince Chap" Pants, made for the best trade; all nice patterns, some full peg, worth up to \$6.00—Railroad Wreck Price \$2.50

A beautiful line of Bloch "Prince Chap" Pants, in heavy, fancy and worsted, strictly hand-tailored, including Priestly Cloth and Silk mixtures, worth up to \$7.50 — Railroad Wreck Price \$3.95

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Serge Dresses, all wool, good styles, worth \$10.00—Railroad Wreck Price \$4.95

Fine Silk Dresses, latest styles and all colors, worth up to \$15.00 — Railroad Wreck Price \$6.95

Many sample Dresses in Silks, Messalines, Panques and Net Lace, all colors and styles, beautiful fall and winter Dresses, worth at least twice the price we have marked them at.

LADIES' SKIRTS

A big lot of Ladies' Skirts, many different styles and patterns—some all-wool, voiles, whipcord; mostly samples, to close out at 28c on the dollar.

\$4.00 and \$5.00 fine Skirts, newest styles and patterns— Railroad Wreck Price \$1.95

Finest Tailored Skirts, newest styles, all materials, worth up to \$7.00—Railroad Wreck Price \$3.00

LADIES' SUITS

One job lot of about twenty-five Suits, one and two of a kind, in fancy Serges, Broadcloths, and Melton Kerseys, worth up to \$15.00 —Railroad Wreck Price \$6.95

One lot of sample Suits in different styles and materials, guaranteed Satin linings, all the new shades; cutaway coats, made of serge and worsted, all wool materials, worth up to \$20—Railroad Wreck Price \$8.95

Ladies' All Wool Serge Suits, in long, cutaway Jackets, semi-fitting and 36 inches long, turn back cuffs, in blue, tan and black, all-wool, serge material; are well worth \$39.50 Railroad Wreck Price \$15.00

LADIES' COATS

Ladies' Coats, made of fine all-wool material, many patterns to select from; Coats worth up to \$10.00—Railroad Wreck Price \$3.50

Black and Blue perfect-fitting Coat, full length, handsomely trimmed—Railroad Wreck Price \$2.95

One lot of Long Coats, assorted, all-wool, many different patterns, all well made, worth up to \$10.00 —Railroad Wreck Price \$4.50

One lot of Sample Coats, in all the new styles, the long cutaway Russian blouse, Bulgarian style coats, worth up to \$18.50—Railroad Wreck Price \$7.50

A beautiful lot of Coats in full length, three-quarter and short cutaway, all this season's samples, one and two of a kind; Coats made to retail up to \$25.00—Railroad Wreck Price \$12.50

All kinds of Children's Long Coats, Kersey, Caracul, Pony Skin, in all sizes from 2 to 14 years, worth up to \$8.50—Railroad Wreck Price 95c to \$4.95

As fine a lot of Ladies' Suits as you will see in Texas, worth \$65.00 — Railroad Wreck Price \$25.00

Finest Silk, Serge and Velvet Dresses, everyone a beauty, worth up to \$45.00—Railroad Wreck Price \$14.75

This Great Sale opens Monday, Dec. 22, at 9 a. m., and the wildest, most excited selling ever witnessed by mortal man or woman will commence. The stock has been gone through by the manager, and the sign of profit destruction placed thereon. The country has been billed for 100 miles around. Thousands of people are going to flock to this Great Sale. This event will live in the memory of the people for years. Without a doubt the most startling, irresistible bargains ever offered in Texas. This stock must be converted into cash. Values are no object. Read the cutting, smashing, wreckage of prices. Thousands of great bargains too numerous to mention for lack of space and time. Space will only permit us to announce the sale and place with only a few prices. Come early to get choice of bargains. Don't let anything prevent you from coming, rain or shine. Follow the crowd to the Great Railroad Wreck Sale.

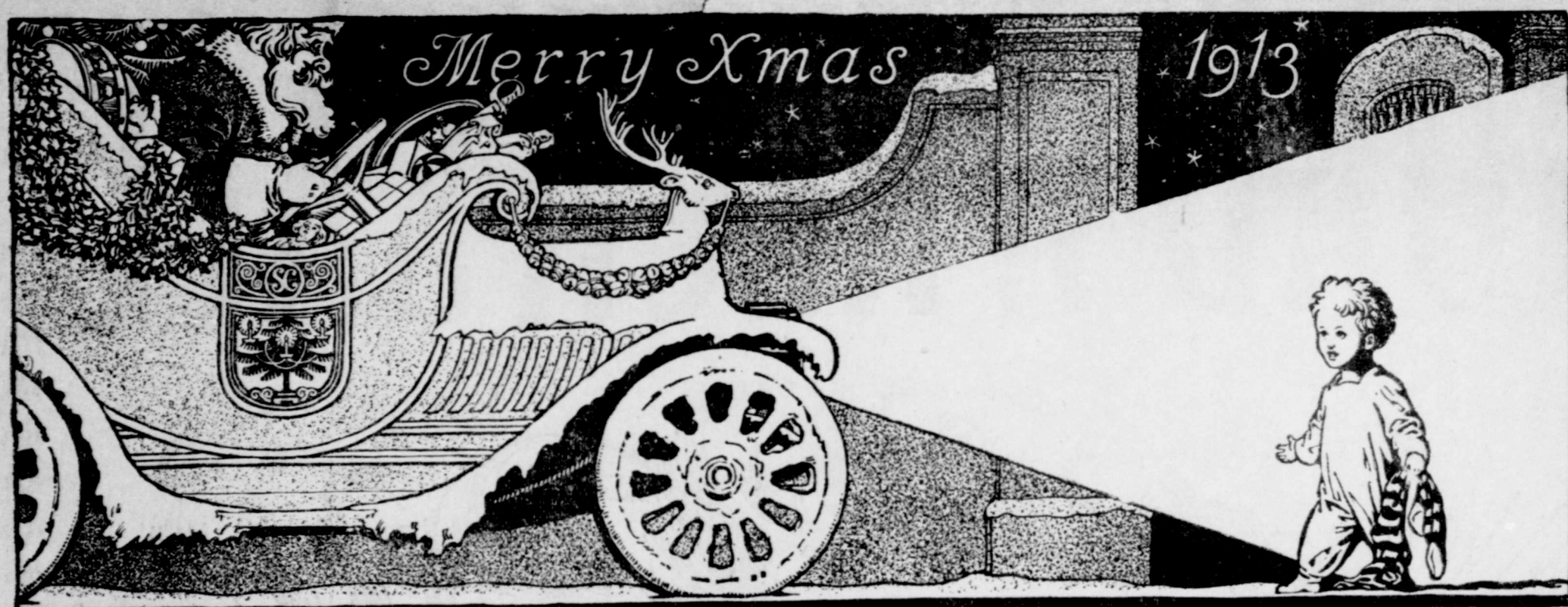
AMERICAN BROKERAGE AND SALES COMPANY

D. T. DEWELL, Manager

BALLINGER, TEXAS

If you don't see what you want advertised come to this store.

We can supply your wants at a saving of Half



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YOU'LL probably have a good many gifts at Christmas; and we hope you'll be able to give a good many. This store is full of the sort of things men like to get and give. You can't give a man a better Christmas present than one of our

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suits or overcoats as

Our Cut Price Christmas Sale makes the buying and giving a pleasure. A lasting, stylish, high-class thing; the best of its kind.

But we have many other good things that cost less; things for 25 and 50 cents, and up. Always very glad to have you call

HIGGINBOTHAM-CURRIE-WILLIAMS COMPANY

This store is the home of Hart-Schaffner & Marx clothes.

Mrs. J. H. Wilke left Friday morning to visit Mr. Wilke at Coleman for a few days.

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.

John Reiley, the Bronte banker, had business in Ballinger between trains Friday.

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

Wm. Halfman, one of the successful farmers of the Rowena country, was shopping in Ballinger Thursday.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

J. M. Greenhill, of the Pony Creek country, was among the visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Conor, of Benoit, were shopping in Ballinger Thursday.

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

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

A. W. Hall, of the Winters country, passed through Ballinger Thursday afternoon en route to Brownwood on a short business trip.

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

Mrs. W. S. Harmon of Brownwood, came in Friday at noon to visit relatives and Ballinger friends a few days.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND. Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Fine 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

Frank Cameron came in Friday at noon from the east to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Cameron, and Ballinger friends.

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

POOR BLOOD

Cause of Disease, Druggist Tells of Best Remedy for It.

Pure healthy blood is a most essential factor to good health. Poor, thin, devitalized blood may be caused by a weakness of the digestive organs, an accumulation of waste matter in the system, an inactive liver or lack of exercise.

Whatever the cause, the best remedy we know is our delicious cod liver and iron tonic, Vinol. It will purify and enrich the blood, tone up the digestive organs, give you a hearty appetite and give you strength.

A case has just come to our attention from Gulfport, Miss. Mrs. Armelise Saucier says: "For months I was in a run-down condition and my blood was very poor. I had taken several medicines prescribed by physicians, but they seemed to do me no good. Vinol was recommended and from the first bottle I noticed my improvement. I continued its use and now feel as strong and well as ever."

If you have the slightest indication of poor blood take Vinol. If it fails to help you we will return your money. For sale by the Walker Drug Company, Ballinger, Texas.

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. 18-2nd COMMITTEE.

Anna 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.

Rev. A. C. Flemister of Brownwood, passed through Ballinger Friday en route to the Bethel church neighborhood where he will preach Sunday.

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.

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

Quality counts. Our quality is the standard in Ballinger. Breedlove and Meadows. Phone 263, 26td

COMPLIMENT FOR OUR PRINTERS

There is no one that feels his keeping and is more "stuck up" than a printer when a little boost comes his way. He cannot account for this unless it is on account of the printer's ambition to please his customers. Especially when a compliment comes from such prominent manufacturers as Norris, the makers of high grade candies, the compliment is all the more appreciated. Read what Mr. Norris says about one of their candy ads which appeared in a recent issue of the Daily Ledger: Walker Drug Co., Ballinger, Tex. Gentlemen:—The attractive ad featuring NORRIS' Exquisite Candies that appeared in the issue of December 6 in the Daily Ledger is certainly well executed, both from a typographic standpoint, as well as showing the kind of vibrant interest that we like to see manifested on the part of one of our agents.

We receive at this time of the year about an armful of papers showing ads of this nature but if all of them would follow your example, we would ask no greater Christmas present than such valuable publicity.

We trust that the New Year will afford you everything that is good and with kindest regards, we beg to remain,

Very truly yours,

NORRIS, Inc.

By Wm. E. Cromister, Vice President and Adv. Mgr.

BALLINGER FOLKS ASTONISH DRUGGIST.

We sell many good medicines, but we are told that the mixture of buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., known as Adler-i-ka, is the best we ever sold. Ballinger folks astonish us daily by telling how QUICKLY Adler-i-ka relieves sour stomach, gas on the stomach and constipation. Many report that a SINGLE DOSE relieves the trouble almost IMMEDIATELY. We are glad we are Ballinger agents for Adler-i-ka. For sale by The Walker Drug Co., Ballinger, Texas.

WANTED—To lease or rent a secondhand piano. Apply to Ivan Hamilton, Ballinger, 19-3td

WANTED—Save men 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, Hardford, Conn. tfd

Holiday Fares



are very low this year

Tickets on sale between all points in Texas, December 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 31, 1913, and January 1, 1914, limited until January 6, 1914, for return.

Tickets on sale from all points in Texas to points in Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana and Memphis Tennessee, December, 23, 24, 25, 26, 31, 1913, and January 1, 1914, limited until January 6, 1914, for final return.

Tickets on sale from all points in Texas to points in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and to Washington, D. C., Chicago, Ill., Kansas City and St. Louis Mo. and Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo and Trinidad, Colorado, also to certain points in Louisiana, December 20, 21, 22, 1913, limited to January, 18, 1914, for final return.

For detailed Fares Call on Santa Fe Agent

Foolish Question

NO. 92,769,531



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



Lame back came from over-work, cold settled in the muscles of the back, or from disease. In the former cases the right remedy is Ballard's Snow Liniment. I should be rubbed 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.



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Of Quality Plants and Cut Flowers

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American Beauty, White and Pink Roses, Carnations, Sweet Peas, Violets, Etc., in Cut Flowers.

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