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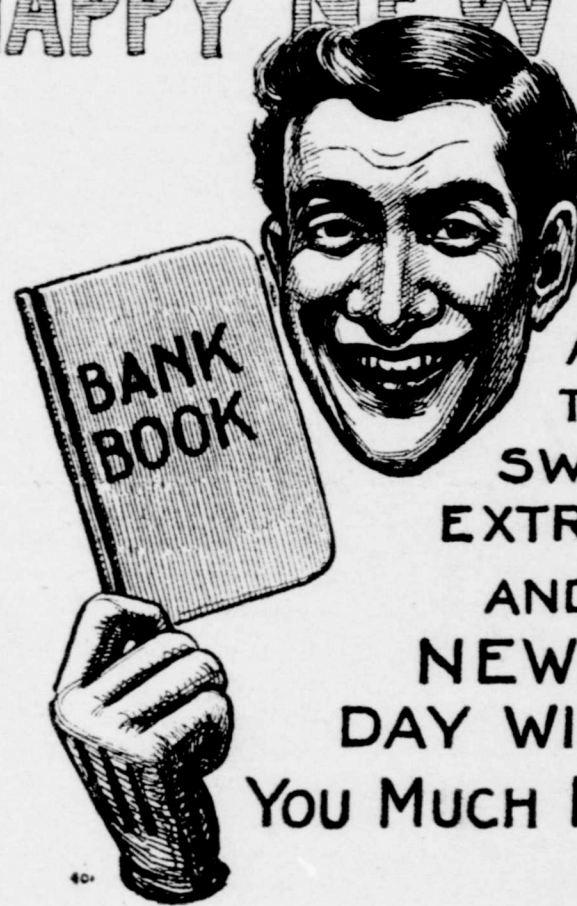
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Did you ever stop to think what kind of world this would be if every man could have his way?

If your resolutions are still intact you are making pretty good headway, and if you can make 'em stick for twenty-four hours longer

The man who fails to arm himself with a poll tax receipt will have no right to "but in" on the political game that is going to be played in Texas this year. Judging from the present line up there will be times when a man will want to say something, and he should arm himself with the necessary credentials.

The latest census reports show that there are 13,669,645 fowls in Texas and about three-fourth of them are egg producers. The annual egg production is 77,845,047 dozen with a money value of \$11,934,546. The yearly poultry production is 25,656,356 fowls valued at \$7,481,165. Some fowls for one state, but the city guy is still hungry for chickens and eggs and is bidding for them with a price that should cause every farmer to plant a big poultry coop next year.

The Abilene Reporter says: "Midnight Wednesday night found Chief of Police Clinton standing on the corner as another old year died and a new year was born. This was the thirtieth consecutive time the chief has occupied the same spot on the last minute of the last day of December, and the first minute of the first day of January." That's what might be called standing on the corner a long time.

S. B. Baggett, one of the successful farmers east of the city four miles, was marketing a load of turkeys in Ballinger Tuesday and reports having killed a year old hog last Saturday that weighed 368 pounds and rendered out 1000 pounds of lard without cutting the meat very close. Can you beat it?—Ballinger Ledger.

No, we cannot beat it, but if we wanted to try to do that well, we would write to Mr. Baggett to see if we could not learn upon what meat this "our Caesar was fed that he has grown so great."—Temple Telegram.

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.—Ballinger Ledger.

It wouldn't be so bad if what is said above was all there was to say on the subject. There is one variety of fire works that is operated down South with deadly results. The six-shooter year after year causes more sorrow and more suffering in the South than fireworks.—San Antonio Express.

Ballinger citizens are doing their part in relieving the flood

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For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
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In the little railroad town some five miles away is a dry-goods and clothing firm that buys up old, out of date bankrupt stocks a ll over the Southwest, brings them to its store and puts on widely advertised "cut-price sales." To blind the people to the shoddiness of its goods and give a conviction of genuineness to the advertised "cut prices" this firm carries in stock one or two lines of standard goods on which it does cut the price to cost or even less. This it can well afford, for the sale prices on the bulk of its stock are so high, quality considered, that the

profits made there easily make the loss sustained on the standard goods a negligible quantity. This "cut-price-sale" store is also always careful that the well-known standard line used as a leader at any particular sale is some popular line that the general merchant mentioned is featuring. At one time it was a popular brand of shoes, sold at less than wholesale cost; at another time it was a widely advertised line of men's clothing, sold at about cost.

Such business methods are unfair to the hoodwinked customer as well as to the merchant who sells only honest goods at honest prices. The customer, who really wants reputable goods because he knows that only in them he gets the value of his money, is deceived and cheated, and his faith in his fellowman receives a severe shock when he is made to believe that the merchant whom he has always considered the soul of honesty is charging prices little short of highway robbery. The merchant is robbed of custom that his long years of honest business and the superior goods he handles entitles him to, and he is held up to the community as a greedy commercial vampire.

MRS. C. R. APPLIGATE.

Tells Mother What To Do for Deaf Children.

"My little boy has been rather delicate for a long time. He was always very pale and his appetite was poor. Several people recommended 'Vinol.' I gave it to him and he took it willingly, as the taste is delicious. In a short time I noticed a great improvement in his appetite. He soon had more color in his cheeks. He is now well like other children and romps about every afternoon after school. I am so happy with what Vinol did for my little boy, that I want every mother to know about it."—Mrs. C. R. Applegate, Dayton, Ohio.

This delicious cod liver and iron preparation without oil is a wonderful body builder and strength creator for both old and young. We promise to give back your money in every such case where Vinol does not benefit. This shows our faith in Vinol.—Walker Drug Co., Ballinger, Texas.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Rannels.

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 Rannels 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 maturity, the siener 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

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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 Rannels County, Texas, the following described property, to-wit:

An undivided one-half interest in and to lots Nos. 6, 7, and 8 and 9 in Block No. 26, original town of Ballinger, Rannels County, Texas, as the same appears on the map of said town made by Thomas King, Engineer, and now in file in the office of the County Clerk of said County, to which reference is here made, together with an undivided one-half interest in that certain gin plant and all property and all property of every description whatsoever located on said lots or any of them, and together with all personal property of any description owned by the said R. Rutherford and constituting any part of said gin plant, together with all of the rights, members and appurtenances thereto belonging.

Witness my hand, at Ballinger Texas, this the 15th day of January, A. D., 1913.

R. G. ERWIN, Trustee.

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We want your job work.

Astronomers have reached the conclusion that it will be fifteen million years before the world explodes and the little fire that we have heard so much about is kindled under the furnace. The Bible says judge not, but we know people who will be in hell before real show comes off. We for the man who will refuse to say he did not subscribe it, and stick it back in the office marked "refused."

"Nothing less than the fall of Huerta and his banishment from the country ever will be considered as a preliminary step to peace in Mexico," says a telegram to visit The General has the honor and Uncle Sam to bring the law and do the banishing act at any time, but it is the opinion that Huerta will be banished to a country from

Foolish Question

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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 Electric Light Plant
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THE FREIGHT MAN

Always on the Dot at the Right Time

Nothing too Heavy

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Phone City Drug Store for Orders

Purely Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Midgley and Prof. Boiles of Paint Rock were among the visitors in Ballinger Friday.

LOST—Cog-wheel about one-foot in diameter on road to my farm. Return and get suitable reward. W. W. Fowler, M. D. 1wd

R. P. Taylor, one of the pioneer and prosperous citizens of Norton was transacting business in Ballinger Friday.

Heartburn, indigestion or distress of the stomach is instantly relieved by Herbine. It forces the badly digested food out of the body and restores tone in the stomach and bowels. Price 50c. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

J. A. Street and Jeff Riggs, of the Wingate country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Friday.

For Cold on Lungs.

Rub the chest well with Hunt's Lightning Oil. You will be really surprised how soon the soreness leaves. Cold in lungs is dangerous often developing pneumonia. The use of Hunt's Lightning Oil in time is important. Sold by all reputable druggists everywhere in 25c and 50c bottles.

Mrs. L. M. Wade left Friday at noon for Miles to visit her daughter, Mrs. Bradford and family a few days.

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

G. B. Morgan, of the Norton country, passed through Ballinger Friday at noon en route to Miles to visit his son and family a few days.

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

Wm. Forbus, of the Norton country, and R. L. Williams, of the Toket country, were among the visitors looking after business affairs in Ballinger Friday.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND. Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metal cases, signed 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

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Witherspoon are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine girl baby born to them Thursday night at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Bright, in Ballinger.

A good remedy for a bad cough is Ballard's Horehound Syrup. It heals the lungs and quiets irritation. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

Wm. Davenport, of the Hatchel country, was transacting business in Ballinger Friday and renewed his allegiance to the Banner-Ledger.

LOOK HERE.

If you want a sewing machine I will sell you a Singer for cash or time on any kind of terms desired. C. A. Freeze, agent, Ballinger. 31-26td

E. H. Pfluger, of the Rowena country was transacting business in Ballinger Friday and starts the new year right by ordering the Banner-Ledger to his address for 12 months.

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

In Use For Over 30 Years

The Kind You Have Always Bought

THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

Our County Agricultural Demonstrator McClelland returned to Ballinger Friday at noon from South Texas where he spent the holidays with his family.

Joints that ache, muscles that are drawn or contracted should be treated with Ballard's Snow Liment. It penetrates to the spot where it is needed and relieves suffering. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

Miss Mattie Baird returned to Ballinger Friday at noon from an extended visit to relatives and friends at Paris, Texas and other points in that section.

Ragged wounds are painful and cause much annoyance. If not kept clean the fester and become running sores. Ballard's Snow Liment is an antiseptic healing remedy for such cases. Apply it at night before going to bed and cover with a cotton cloth bandage. It heals in a few days. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

Miss Garnett Crouch, passed through Ballinger Friday en route to Miles from Oklahoma to visit her parents and friends a few weeks. She was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Lindley while in our city over night.

TRESPASS NOTICE

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

M. F. Watson, of the Hatchel country, formerly of Marie, was transacting business in Ballinger Friday and says he is now comfortably moved to his new home near Hatchel.

Mrs. Stella Ritter, the new voice and piano teacher, has decided to locate in Ballinger and will have her studio at Mrs. Simpson's, 207 Broadway. She is a pupil of Walker, of Chicago; Cain of Boston and also the Cincinnati and Nashville conservatories. Mrs. Ritter will sing at the M. E. church Sunday morning. 312d

Mrs. W. S. Harmon and little nephew, Master Eddie Eskridge, after a visit of several days with relatives and friends, left Friday morning for their home near Bangs.

Miss Florence Davis, of Portland, who had been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hutton the past few weeks, left Friday morning for her home.

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, Hardford Conn. tfd

John W. Cope, of Mississippi who had been visiting relatives in Ballinger the past few days, left Friday morning for Bangs to visit with his uncle W. S. Harmon and family a while before going on home.

"THE OLD RELIABLE"
 PLANTEN'S BLOOD CAPSULES
REMEDY FOR MEN
 AT DRUGGISTS OR TRIAL BOX BY MAIL FROM PLANTEN 93 HENRY ST. BROOKLYN
 BEWARE OF IMITATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hutton and two children, of Dallas, who had been the guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hutton and family the past week or ten days, left Thursday afternoon for their home.

For the next 30 days I want to buy \$500 worth of second hand furniture. Will pay the top cash price. See or phone me at C. A. Freeze, phone 381. 31-26td

Business in Ballinger or any other town will be dull only to the man who makes it a custom to lay off on the months immediately following the holidays. There is no reason logical for a slump in business after the Christmas season than there is after the Fourth of July. It is true that business should be extra good during the holidays along the close of the year, but there is no reason for there not being nothing after they will have passed away. The firm that advertises will continue to reap the harvest after; the present season has passed merrily on its way and a new year has entered.

The Houston Chronicle says. "And now it would be appropriate to exclaim: 'An egg! An egg! My kingdom for an egg.'" All of which goes to prove what a great state Texas is, since in this country many are calling: "A nogg! A nogg! My kingdom for a nogg."

On December 3d, 4th and 5th Buick Motor Cars Dominated and Won the 500-Mile New York Reliability Run--Conducted by the Motor Dealers Contest Association.

**BUICK
CARS WON
THE NEW YORK TROPHY**

AND THE ONLY PERFECT SCORES MADE BY ANY CAR

THE \$1,985 BUICK SIX made the only perfect score made by a six-cylinder car.
THE \$1,050 BUICK, the lowest price touring car in the run, made the only other perfect score, defeating all Sixes and Fours of other makes.
THE \$1,235 BUICK RUNABOUT made the shortest brake stops (both service and emergency).
THE \$950 BUICK RUNABOUT made the greatest mileage per gallon gasoline (average 19 miles per gallon for entire run.)
 The five Buick Cars entered in the run averaged 15.77 miles per gallon for the entire 2,575 miles covered.
 All five Buick Cars made perfect road scores, perfect brake, clutch and gear-set tests.
 Buick Cars won both the large and small car classes.

AN OFFICIAL RUN UNDER RIGID RULES A WONDERFUL SHOWING, SAYS MAIL

Remember, this was an official run. Cars were sealed; observers of other makes of competing cars were with Buick drivers whenever they were near the cars. Penalties were given for inoperative starters, tire-blowouts, burned-out electric bulbs, loose nuts, etc. Steering gear play, spring sag, battery tests, body rattle and defects of any kind prevented cars from perfect scores.

The New York Evening Mail said in part: "Two Buicks capture Reliability Run Test with perfect scores. It was the most strenuous test from the standpoint of a technical examination to which automobiles have ever been subjected in this country. Everything was sealed up tight, so that there was no chance for adjustments or repairs without the knowledge of the observers or the technical committee. The entrants showed praise-worthy courage and confidence in their cars to submit them to such a test. Altogether the cars made a wonderful showing."

WHAT THE RUN PROVED

The run was only another official demonstration of the correct design, good material, careful workmanship and economy of Buick Cars.

Buick Cars are feared by every entrant in every contest in which they participate.

Phenomenal Demand For Buick Cars

The Buick business is the largest in its history. They have been behind in filling orders all the Fall. They are building 40,000 Buicks for 1914. There will not be enough Buicks to supply the demand. If you wish to own and run one of these popular cars an order placed now will assure you of satisfactory date of delivery.

All The World Loves a Winner
Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co.
 "Everything and Lumber"

J. H. Mills, one of the prosperous citizens of the Winters country passed through Ballinger Thursday en route to Bell county to visit relatives and friends a few days.

An Ideal Woman's Laxative.

Who wants to take salts, or castor oil, when there is nothing better than Dr. King's New Life Pills for all bowel troubles. They act gently and naturally on the stomach and liver, stimulate and regulate your bowels and tone up the entire system. Price, 25c. At all Druggists, H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis.

J. S. Blocker passed through Ballinger Friday morning en route to his ranch up the river from a visit to San Angelo during the holidays.

Acute Sore Throat.

There is nothing better for sore throat than Hunt's Lightning Oil. Put it on at night, and the next morning the soreness is usually gone. Rubbed on chest is fine for sore lungs, of all reputable druggists in 25c and 50c bottles.

Roy Nicholson, who is attending college at Brownwood, spent the day with home folks and returned to Brownwood Thursday afternoon.

MADAM RUMOR SAYS!

The rumor is current in our city that C. C. Schuchard will be a candidate for tax assessor of Runnels county at the coming election. Mr. Schuchard has not yet been approached by the reporter but we feel safe in saying that there are many strong friends of Mr. Schuchard all over Runnels county who will be glad to see him enter the race. Mr. Schuchard has been with the Ostertag Furniture Co., of our city for the past several years and is no stranger to our people. He was for 12 years county treasurer of Menard county and has filled several other offices of public trust and is a man clerically qualified to fill any position to which he aspires. He is a thorough-bred German-American citizen, and soul honor and integrity, who never failed a friend nor betrayed a trust. You will possibly hear from him in the near future.

The liver loses its activity at times and needs help. Herbine is an effective liver stimulant. It also purifies the bowels, strengthens digestion and restores strength, vigor and cheerful spirits. Price 50c. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

W. F. McSham and little daughter, passed through Ballinger Thursday afternoon en route home down the river from a visit to relatives at Brownwood during the holidays.

**GINNERS REPORT
SHOWN BY COUNTIES**

Washington, Dec. Jan. 2.—The preliminary totals for the state was made public by the Bureau of Census at 10 a. m. on Saturday 20. The corrected total and the amounts for the different counties for the crops of 1913 and 1912 are as follows:

Quantities are in running bales, country round bales as half bales. Linters are not included.

County—	1913	1912
Total	3,628	4,368,915
Anderson	23,444	24,130
Angelina	6,946	6,222
Archer	4,015	8,911
Atascosa	10,670	13,568
Austin	26,858	26,711
Bandera	2,215	1,865
Bastrop	34,522	33,174
Baylor	7,357	13,715
Bee	7,582	18,931
Bell	66,626	79,445
Bexar	25,595	26,491
Blanco	4,998	4,505
Bosque	19,419	25,958
Bowie	26,622	24,964
Brazoria	7,301	7,750
Brazos	26,736	34,063
Brooks	2,005	3,813
Brown	14,604	18,203
Burleson	29,355	34,542
Burnet	12,010	10,664
Caldwell	57,187	53,474
Calhoun	5,161	4,555
Callahan	10,109	15,369
Cameron	6,509	7,948
Carroll	11,905	12,157
Cass	23,949	26,230
Chambers	98	
Cherokee	22,002	20,133
Childress	6,634	16,611
Clay	12,736	25,201
Coke	4,615	7,254
Coleman	23,931	23,874
Collin	70,975	91,235
Collingsworth	6,953	9,406
Colorado	18,583	20,688
Comal	16,257	13,322
Comanche	20,813	33,767
Conejo	5,496	4,508
Cooke	19,752	32,754
Coryell	24,803	35,706
Cottle	4,657	9,780
Dallas	55,087	80,209
Delta	29,163	38,180
Denton	34,482	47,863
Dewitt	52,528	51,676
Dickens	3,196	5,875
Donley	3,457	3,726
Duval	3,154	8,933
Eastland	26,483	35,517
Ellis	117,951	159,307
Egbert	19,740	37,929
Falls	60,463	69,120
Fannin	56,561	87,513
Fayette	42,918	45,916
Fisher	13,144	9,782
Foard	2,791	8,162
Fort Bend	33,719	32,017
Franklin	10,702	12,402
Freestone	24,348	23,794
Frio	15,371	16,267
Gillespie	13,140	9,460
Goliad	14,282	17,924
Gonzales	48,613	44,163
Grayson	50,066	68,344
Gregg	8,988	11,878
Grimes	26,660	27,495
Guadalupe	52,866	43,956
Hall	12,832	18,504
Hamilton	13,967	22,821
Hardeman	4,361	12,347
Harris	6,222	4,111
Harrison	21,902	24,442
Haskell	14,675	20,858
Hays	28,120	29,933
Henderson	26,713	22,530
Hidalgo	1,894	5,619
Hill	67,734	119,320
Hood	7,547	15,230
Hopkins	48,587	40,071
Houston	28,698	29,861
Howard	4,386	3,643
Hunt	64,576	75,307
Jack	5,807	14,692
Jackson	7,527	6,455
Jim Wells	2,389	7,017
Johnson	44,604	62,816
Jones	19,740	32,886
Karnes	29,298	32,298
Kaufman	67,563	92,213
Kendall	2,550	2,365
Kent	3,549	2,819
Kerr	957	527
Kleberg	1,750	2,963
Knox	12,160	17,230
Lamar	68,717	77,094
Lampasas	4,967	6,172
Lasalle	2,087	3,871
Lavaca	38,038	40,508
Lee	14,618	15,030
Leon	21,615	20,894
Liberty	2,567	1,715
Limestone	62,459	82,138
Live Oak	668	2,130

Baking Powder
Light as a Feather

By Mrs. Janet McKenzie Hill, Editor of the Boston Cooking School Magazine

Baking Powder Biscuits made by this recipe are so far ahead of ordinary baking powder biscuits that, if once tried, you will never use any other recipe. Try it the next time you run short of bread. Save this recipe.



K.C. Baking Powder Biscuits

Three cups flour; 1/4 to 1/2 cup shortening; 3 level teaspoonfuls K.C. Baking Powder; about 1 cup milk or water; 1 teaspoonful salt.

Sift three times, the flour, salt and baking powder. Work into the flour the shortening, using lard or butter for shortening. Then mix to a very soft dough with the milk. The softer the biscuit enters the oven, the lighter it comes out. Never knead baking powder biscuits; press the dough into shape and roll lightly. Cut in small shapes and bake on a sheet or very shallow pan in a hot oven. In placing biscuits in the pans place well apart, not allowing edges to touch. Small biscuits are better than large ones. Large biscuits do not have the proper amount of time to raise and bake.

Have you seen the new K.C. Cook's Book. Brimful of appetizing recipes that simply must be successful every time if the few simple directions are carefully followed. You would gladly pay 50 cents for this valuable book, yet we give it absolutely free upon receipt of the colored certificate packed in every 25-cent can of K.C. Baking Powder. Jacobs Mfg. Co., Chicago. Small cans do not have Cook's Book certificates.

Llano	4,123	2,491
McCulloch	15,650	12,271
McLennan	93,391	126,587
Madison	12,329	13,655
Marion	6,070	6,710
Mason	4,809	3,689
Matagorda	6,601	6,471
Medina	12,811	17,513
Milam	60,867	74,826
Mills	8,793	12,486
Mitchell	11,431	9,751
Montague	21,319	33,429
Montgomery	8,192	8,237
Morris	9,646	11,251
Nacogdoches	20,510	21,071
Navarro	95,575	96,454
Nolan	6,961	8,303
Nueces	14,799	15,825
Palo Pinto	7,298	16,504
Panola	20,406	24,145
Parker	18,464	34,817
Polk	8,681	6,900
Rains	7,665	
Red River	44,130	
Robertson	41,126	
Rockwall	22,603	27,827
Runnels	15,697	24,475
Rusk	28,456	31,635
Sabine	3,785	3,188
San Augustine	10,047	8,451
San Jacinto	7,583	6,773
San Patricio	19,390	16,472
San Saba	9,242	9,489
Seury	9,538	7,712
Shackelford	1,894	4,420
Shelby	23,112	23,268
Smith	38,502	45,603
Somerville	2,049	3,986
Stephens	2,748	5,334
Stonewall	5,732	4,500
Tarrant	26,542	41,093
Taylor	13,688	24,538
Throckmorton	3,180	7,357
Titus	15,642	16,305
Tom Green	3,436	3,817
Travis	61,833	65,055
Trinity	7,441	7,566
Tyler	2,201	1,746
Upshur	20,824	22,714
Uvalde	6,604	9,612
Van Zandt	39,211	36,550
Victoria	23,547	19,597
Walker	12,912	15,174
Waller	11,294	13,219
Washington	40,641	36,983
Wharton	20,245	24,228
Wichita	5,716	11,516
Wilbarger	9,929	24,299
Williamson	101,309	118,333
Wilson	27,524	23,476
Wise	18,890	34,486
Wood	27,839	29,421
Yorrg	10,891	22,832
All other	37,120	24,875

Rheumatic Pains.

Every last one of them leaves. The hurting is gone almost the instant Hunt's Lightning Oil is used. The aching stops so quickly is surprising. Hunt's Lightning Oil is especially compounded to relieve pain. For neuralgia and headaches it is a boon to humanity. For cuts, burns and bruises it acts as a healing oil, soothing the hurting parts and preventing infection. Nothing better for rheumatism. All druggists in 25c and 50c bottles.

98 Cents

**Every Hat on Display at
Gilliam & Poor's Next
Saturday for 98c.**

Remember the Date Jan. 3rd, 1914.

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