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### BALLINGER BUSINESS MEN PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

County Commissioners Nasworthy, Massey and Staggs of Tom Green were in Miles Saturday. These gentlemen were supervising the road work which is under way on the San Angelo and Miles road and the Miles and Mereta road. An outfit put in last week and a part of this week on the fermer road, which is now in excellent shape and the later road is now having their attenion. Hurrah for the Commissioners of Tom Green County.—Miles Mes-

Mrs. Don Meeks, of Talpa, who had been visiting her mother, Mrs. J. L. Heath, and family, returned home Thursday afternoon warmer.

# TRAIN MANGLES ABILENE YOUTH

to the meager information which asking for their support. body in Abilene.

et was the words, as they could Ballinger club around the circuit best be deciphered: "Mermont" twice, as planned. or "Merchan" with the letters Ballinger, Sweetwater, Coleman was made May, 27, 1910.

# TRAPPER BRINGS IN

to the county to be passed upon by this means. coyote and numerous banger, quired. skunk and 'possum hides were in The secretaries of the various

in the cold snaps.'

Angelo Standard.

### Weather Forecast.

# The Best Test

The one true test as to your success in life is this: "Are you saving money?"

Answer it honestly with yourself. No matter how much you MAKE, un!ess you are also able to SAVE, you are a failure and you had just as well face it squarely. Come in and talk it over. We will show you the advantages of a bank account with our bank and how to become a successful saver. It means much to you.

# The Farmers & Merchants ■ State Bank ■

"Fathers and Mothers Bank."

# PLANS GAIN TANGIBLE FORM

Abilene, Tex., Jan. 29-The The plans among Ballinger men identity of a young man who was who have been pushing the idea ground to death beneath the for the organization of a West wheels of a Texas & Pacific rail Texas league of six clabs, have road between Eastland City and almost gamed tangible form. A Dothan at an early hour this morn subscription list has been started ing has not been established in among the business men of the this city, although the young man city. Letters have been written wore clothes which had the Abi- to the baseball leaders of the five lene stamp on them. According towns interested in the movement

reached the city about the boy It is the intention of those at he was evidently known by some the head of the local movement to collect enough money from the The unidentified young man business men of each town to pay was aged between 18 and 19 ac all railroad expenses. Twelve cording to the judgement of those men will be carried by each club. who surveyed the badly maimed This will demand a neat little corpse. He had light complexion sum of money, but not as much as with along sear above the right imaginable at first thought, since eye. His eyes were brown, and a low baseball rate is allowed the he wore a Union Woolen Com- clubs by the railroad commission. pany suit that had the Abilene About two hundred and fifty dolstamp on the inner pocket. The lars would be required from the suit worn was a light grey check business men. This money will and on the inside above the pock- pay the railroad expenses of the

ball as a sport. Nothing but home material would be used.

hotel expenses of the visiting club be reached. George B. Eskeridge of Ballin each day of its stay in the city ger, one of the early settlers of and probably allow a little money Runnels county, now a trapper in to go to the treasury. At the end this section of the state, visited of the season this money would be San Angelo Thursday, bringing split amongst the players. It is with him a large number of furs believed that a neat little sum and hides, which he turned over could be derived from the games

for the bounty at the next meet- A sixty-game schedule would ing of the commissioners. The mean thirty games on the home pelts of three timber wolves, one lot. Two road trips would be re-

cluded in the number. The ani- chambers of commerce of the mals were trapped on the Llano cities interested in the movement ranch, 15 miles north of town. for a league's organization are Trapping has been unusually interested, judging from the mangood during the past few weeks, her in which letters have been due to the present spell of warm flewing into Ballinger lately, ask weather," stated Mr. Eskeridge ing about the league. It is hoped Thursday morning. "However, the before many days something defihides are not quite so good, due nite will be decided upon and to the fact that the fur does not plans actually perfected for the grow so long in warm weather as circuit. In all probability the Ballinger end of the organization After disposing of his pelts will be up to the standard since Mr. Eskeridge left again for the the amount required for the start ranch to resume his work.—San ing of the league will be raised among the business men with little effort. A majority of the mer chants who have announced their Tonight and Saturday fair and intentions of donating a little amount have stated that they re alize the amount of advertising the town will derive from the national game's being played here by an organized club.

### BOY SCOUTS OUT FOR A LITTLE HIKE

The Boy Scouts, about twenty in number, with Scout Master, Rev. A. C. Smith, will go out for a little hike this afternoon. They had planned to take a pretty good hike and spend the night out, but the sudden drop in the temperature made it most too disagree able to take the boys out, and they will only make a short hike and take supper on the river and return home in the early part of the night. They are planning for a long hike as soon as the weather clears up again.

R. O. Walton, the hardware man of Waco, came in Friday at noon to look after business affairs in Ballinger a few days.

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### SHORT ON CITY POLL TAX RECEIPTS

If the city of Ballinger issues as many poll tax receipts this year as it did last year Secretary Lusk E. W.' before the name. How San Angelo, Brownwood and Abi will be a mighty busy man today ever the coat was so badly ground lene are the towns planned by the and tomorrow. Up to ten o'clock and bloody that it was hard to Ballinger leaders for the circuit. this morning only 291 receipts decipher the lettering. The coat A schedule of sixty games, ach had been issued while the total cording to the Ballinger boys number issued by the city last All efforts of the railroad men would be sufficiently long enough year was 393. Over 100 receipts to identify him have been futile. to interest those who love base must be issued for the two closing days of the paying period. A steady run, however, today in ALL KINDS OF SKINS The gate receipts would pay the dicates that last year's limit will

> C. A. Doose left Friday afternoon for points North on the A & S. Railroad to look after business affairs.

Mrs. W. L. Brown left at noon Friday for San Angelo to be at the bedside of her sister who is reported quite ill.

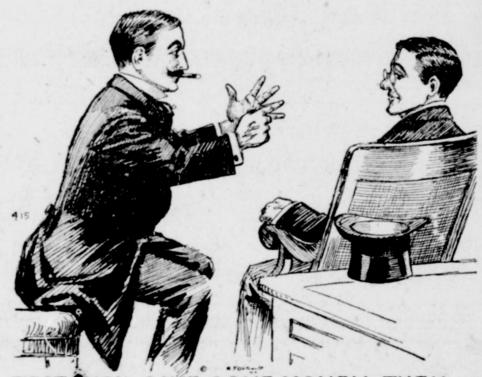
### SOME TURKEYS

Lem Creswell, one of the prom inent stock farmers of the Leaday country, came in from his ranch Thursday afternoon and brought in 82 fine year old Turker Gobblers, that averaged 14 3-4 pounds each and sold to Miller Mercantile Co. for shipment.

Mr. Creswell says they have raised something over two hundred turkeys on the ranch the past season and that he now has 103 turkey hens and 17 fine gobblers which he will keep to raise from this year. He has a fine range for his turkeys and at very little expense and trouble hopes to do better the coming year.

At 12 cents per pound this shipment of gobblers will net Mr. Cres well a neat little sum of money

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nday by the Ballinger Printing take the consequences.

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herd, excretary and treasurer.

DIRECTORS Trimmier, C. P. Shepherd, A. W.

STOCKHOLDERS: Scott H. Mack, T. J. Gardner, O alarm him. L. Parish, R. W. Bruce.

Sullivan, the ex-prize fighter, will happened there he would have to make the race for governor of arrange with Huerta's army to dropped the matter indefinitely. Ohio on the prohibition ticket furnish a bodyguard. Don't John has reached the dry age of know but we may drop down to

At the present high rate of speed being made by the suf-

born lucky and they spend the best part of their lives waiting diaphanous skirt.—Ballinger Led- by his firm. for luck. Luck never travels the road until the road has been paved by hard-work. And, again luck never comes to the man who most of the people who denounce ternally, acting directly upon th

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service. Phone 384.

THE DAILY LEDGER course there is no law to make you STEALING RUNNELS pay your poll tax, but there is a law to make you do road duty Published every afternoon except You can do as you please and

at the report to the effect that ing of billiards and pool. the United States is going to lift. Pool rooms were recently voted the embargo and permit the re-out of Runnels county, Winter pels to buy arms and ammunition thus falling in the restricted ter Skinner, C. P. Shepherd, Paul We believe the old man is telling ritory.—San Angelo Standard. Trimmier, A. W. Sledge, H. M. the truth, and nothing but a Just a little fast. There has Jones, R. T. Williams, J. Y. Pearce, bunch of American boys can been no pool hall election in

The Ballinger Ledger man says Press reports say that Jno. L. if he published everything that Ballinger for a few days some of these times.—Star-Telegram.

Some one has asked the ques F. J. CHENNEY & Co. Toledo, O. fragetts it will only be a short tion: "What's become of old We, the undersigned, have time until the man will be looked fashion women who wore four known F. J. Cheney for the pas petticoats." God bless 'em, there 15 years, and believe him perfect Some young men say they were they do not make themselves so actions and financially able to

They are really in the majority the new styles have their eves blood and mucous surfaces of the riveted somewhere else, and fail system. Testimonials sent free Tomorrow is the last day of to see her. If the Ledger man Price 75e per bottle. Sold by al January. It is the last day in will follow our example he will Druggists. which you can pay your poll tax see none but elderly ladies, dress | Take Hall's Family Pills for cor and become a qualified voter. Of ed as if they meant it-Star Tele-

Damask 65c. Wilke's dry goods.

County Clerk O. L. Parish at tended the Poulary Show at Miles between trains Friday.

# POOL HALLS

R. C. Sheppard of Winters will during the first of the coming week, open a pool parlor at No McKinley, the twenty-fifth 11 West Beauregard avenue in president, and one of the nation's the building belonging to Wilbur greatest, was born 71 years ago P. Allen, former president of the His favorite flower was the car Texas Baseball League, and re U. L. Parish, president; Paul Trim- nation and many admirers of Mr cently occupied by the Williams mice, vice-president; C. P. Shep- McKinley observed the day by Printing Co. The parlor will be wearing a carnation yesterday. up-to-date in every respect, hav ing a large number of expensive J. T. Pearce, O. L. Parish, Paul Huerta says he is not alarmed tables and equipment for the play

Runnels county. It was reported that the commissioners court would be petitioned for an election, but we have been informed that those behind the move have

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are a few of them still living, but by honorable in all business trans conspicuous as the woman in the carry out any obligations mad

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-gerrtly in the majority-but | Hall's Catarrh Cure taken in

Charlie Northington returned 25c. towels per pair 17c. 40c home Friday morning from Mert table Damask 25c. \$1.00' table zon and Fort Stockton where he had been on business the past

> Few more men's and boy's over coats. Ladies' tailored made suits adies and Misses' coat at less han cost. Wilke, the dry goods

> C. Y. Roberts, of Coke county bassed through Ballinger Thurs ay afternoon en route to Mullins a short business trip.

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C. A. Doose returned home hursday night from a trip to e Bronte country in his auto nd says the work on the irrigaon proposition is progressing arming operations in pretty

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John Alexander, one of the reresentative citizens of the country, was transacting business

FOR SALE—Registered Jersey Milch cow. Apply to Audice Reese, postoffice or phone 206

W. J. Young, of the Crews country, was transacting business in Ballinger Friday.

W. O. Parish, of the Mazeland in Ballinger Friday.

H. L. Mobley and family, who recently moved to our city from Cisco, are now comfortably domiciled in the Bennett home on Broadway.

# **Just Arrived!**

I have just received my complete sample equipment of Spring and Summer samples from ED. V. PRICE & CO. The line cotains: Venetains, Varicolored and Silk Mixed, Fancy and Finished and Unfinished Worsteds, Cassimeres, Pantings, Cheviots, Im porteb Goods and Broadcloths, Novelty Suitings Homespuns, Mohairs, Corduroys, Khaki Cloth, Linens, Palm Beach Cloth, Mollskins, Pongee and Shanting Silks, Outing and all kinds and grades of Serges.

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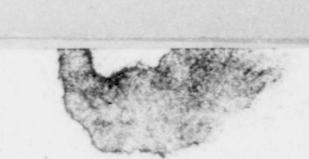
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This paper is authorized to announce the following candidates for the offices mamed, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary to be held in July:

For Sheriff: JOHN D. PERKINS. JO HARDIN. J. A. DEMOVILLE

For Tax Assessor: MIKE C. BOYD. WILL L STUART. C. C. SCHUCHARD. SAM H. McPHERSON. For County Judge:

M. KLEBERG. For County Treasurer: W. L. BROWN. For County Clerk:

O. L. PARISH. C. C. COCKRELL For District Clerk: JOHN THOMASON. GEO. M. STOKES. For Tax Collector:

T. L. TODD

### ATTENTION MOTHERS

cate Child Read This Letter.

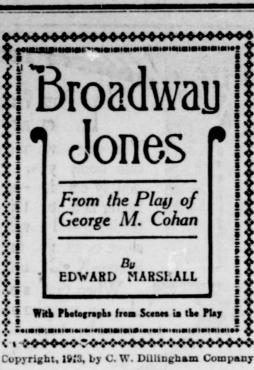
9 year, has always been delicate seemed listless, and we could not seem to find anything that would sient widow, wealthy and very giddy. anaemic, had no appetite and give her Vinol. She started tak ing it six weeks ago and inside of two weeks she showed a marked improvement both in appetite, vim improvement both in appetite, vim and looks. Being so well pleased with the results, I continued giving it to her, and words fail to express my gratitude, and faith in body bullder. As my child was an anaemie for so long makes the reason all the stronger for me to recommend it to others in similar eondition." Geo. E. Munro Brooklyn, N. Y.

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I. B. Elliott, of the Valley Creek country, was here on business Friday and says he is fixed for pork another year as his fine Poland China sow brought 11



### SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTEP. I-Jackson Jones, nicknamed "Broadway," because of his continual glorification of New York's great thorbughfare, is anxious to get away from his home town of Jonesville. Abner Jones, his uncle, is very angry because Broad-way refuses to settle down and take a place in the gum factory in which he suc-teeded to his father's interest.

CHAPTER II—Judge Spotswood informs Broadway that \$250,000 left him by his father is at his disposal. Broadway makes record time in heading for his favorite street in New York.

CHAPTER III-With his New York friend, Robert Wallace, Broadway creates If You Have or Know of a Deli White Way. Four years pass and Broadway suddenly discovers that he is not only broke, but heavily in debt. He ap-plies to his uncle for a loan and receives "My little daughter Louise, age rice to chew it and forget his troubles. He quietly seeks work without success."

CHAPTER IV-Broadway gives what is

help her, until we were advised to CHAPTER V-Wallace expostulates

Continued from Yesterday.

"It's terrible! You can't afford to let it go any further." "I can't afford to do anything, with

out signing a tab for it." said Broad-

"You can do something. Haven't you any 'get up and go?' "That seems to be all that is left for

me-to 'get up and go'-as far as possible-unless I marry her." "If you'd go to work you'd have the makings of a business man."

"If I went to work I wouldn't have the makings of a cigarette." "How do you know? You haven't tried. I'll get you a job."

"Where?" "With my firm, on my recommenda-

"You'd lose your reputation." "I'll see the guvnor tomorrow. I can get you, probably, five thousand a year

"Five thousand a year? How could I stay here in New York on that? I never lose their friends." pay more for this apartment! I owe ten times that much, right now!"

"I've got twenty thousand dollars of

pigs this week and all male pigs my own. I'll lend you that."



Retha Filtz, in "The Traffic" at the Princess Theatre, Monday, February 2nd, Matinee and Night.



"You're Not Sore at Me, Bob, Are You?"

"T'd never be asie to pay it back." "That doesn't make any difference." "Yes, it does," said Broadway stubbornly. "Even though you loaned me enough to pay up all I owe, I'd owe you, wouldn't I? What's the odds whether I'm in debt to you or to the the world that way."

"How do you mean?"

"Would you do anything so low, and so contemptible, as to marry a woman deliberately for her money?"

Broadway shrank a little, then rose in self-defense. "Who says I'm marrying her for her money?" "You know you don't love her."

that he must answer hotly. It was the only thing remaining for him.

and the next using I remember it one who'd come along and help you the previous evening' entertainment with which to raise his head after he Vinol both as a blood maker and old Rankin calling me when you came out of it?" He sighed. "Besides, it's and let him know the total, he sat had read this mighty news. So his here today. What do you think of al | too late now. The engagement's been

Wallace was intensely stubborn. He would not have this thing. "Engagements are broken every day in the week," he argued earnestly.

Broadway made a gesture of dissent. "Now, you leave it all to me," said Wallace soothingly. "I'll have a talk with Mrs. Gerard, and I'll guarantee to prove to her that it's all an utter impossibility. You needn't enter into it at all. I'll take the whole thing on my shoulders, and-"

Broadway shook his head emphaticten to any argument against it. My mind is quite made up, and that's all there is to it." He pulled a yellowback out of his pocket. "See this? A hundred dollars. That's my bank

Wallace went to him with friendly warning. "You'll lose every friend you ever had in all the world!"

"No; I won't; people with money

"I know one you'll lose," said Wallace gravely. "You?"

"Yes; unless you tell me within the next 24 hours that you've reconsidered all this rot, and that you're going to fight things out the way a real man should, I'll never speak to you again!" "Bob!" Broadway actually paled.

"That goes; Is it getting me anything-this giving you advice? Will it put a dollar in or out of my pocket whether you marry that old woman or not? You're nothing to me except a friend and a pal; but I don't want to and the ringing doorbell removed Ransee you do something you'll regret for all the balance of your life. I'm sorry you're in trouble, and there isn't anything I won't do to help you. I'll go the limit in everything I've got. But, if you don't give up all idea of that marriage, never expect the friendship of a man who has any decency or self-

"That's all I've got to say. Now, I'll be going."

### CHAPTER VI.

Broadway hurried to the angry and disgusted man and put his hand upon his arm. He was rather badly funked

by this uncompromising attitude. "Wait a minute, Bob," he urged. "Don't go off like that. That was an awful thing you just said to me. I-I had a wild night. Give me a chance to think.'

"All right," said Wallace, not very graciously. "Go ahead-think! about time you began to think."

He sank into a chair, his gloomy face regarding Broadway with small favor, his angry fingers tapping on a table top.

Broadway was very nervous. Realization was becoming vivid of the fact that he had not been wholly admirable in his general course.

"Don't you suppose I know it's a shabby thing to do?" he urged. "But, Wallace made a gesture c It was clear that he refuse

that anything could excuse hi

course with the widow. "You're not sore at me, Bob, are you?" Broadway pleaded. "I've said my say. You've heard my

"Do you think everyone will feel that way about it?"

"Of course." Broadway was distressed beyond his feeble power of explanation. Pacing up and down, he moaned:

"If it wasn't for those debts! If it wasn't for the bills I owe!" "You don't know the exact amount?"

"Why haven't you added them up?" "I haven't had time. I've been-too

busy. "Doing what?" "Now, don't give me the third degree, please! Look here! I'm so nerv-

ous that I'm trembling like a leaf." "Where are those bills?" "In the little room, in my desk." "Would you mind if I looked them

"No; I wish you would. You will do that. Bob?" He was as eager as if examination of them by his business Mr. Jones," said Pembroke unctuousheaded friend would mark each one ly, as he was tearing off the envelope receipted. "But, say, Bob, suppose I end. take your advice and call this thing off. What am I going to say to Mrs.

"You won't have to say anything. able man." I'll handle her."

Gerard?"

"Well, what would you say to her?" Go over there and sit down. Do some that it should happen while he was other fellow? I'd never get even with more thinking. You've got many a among mere strangers! think coming to you, young fellow! Jackson looked at him, not compre-"But you mustn't marry her; it isn't I'm going to see how much you owe hending in the least, and then turned the world.

> And Broadway did exactly as he or gram. it read: dered, looking after him almost as a "Cable from Mr. Graham, London, child might after some one had as England, announcing your uncle's de-

Broadway answered hotly. He felt He would try to get them in. He leaves unconditionally to you, his "I don't know anything of the kind! telephone and called up a certain fa broke will call on you today. Answer Now, you see here; suppose you were mous restaurant. After he had told at once." in trouble. Wouldn't you love any the manager to make out his bill for Broadway scarcely had the strength waiting, with the receiver glued tight | uncle had relented at the end! to one ear, and, when Rankin entered, called him to him.

other job, Rankin."

The butler almost fainted. "Hasn't my service been satisfactory, sir?" "Oh, yes; everything has been all given him while he still lived. "You right; but, you see, Rankin, I'm going | are?"

to leave town. I-er-expect to do a lot of traveling." He gazed at Rankin anxiously. He hoped this would be easy. The worry on his face and the cramped position

necessary to listening at the telephone ally, although regretfully. "No: there's and watching the butler closely gave no use, Bob. I told you I wouldn't lis- him a pitiful expression. He looked as if in pain. When Rankin said, respectfully,

that, if Mr. Jones was traveling he had business West between trains should like to travel with him, Jack | Friday. son was annoyed. "I'd like to have you, Rankin." he

said weakly, "but, you see, I expect to locate in-er-in Japan, and I've got to have some one who understands That was a poser. He congratulated

himself. That would settle Rankin and get rid of him with no hard feelings. He was really rather fond of

But no! "I speak Japanese very well, sir," and the extraordinary butler, with a calm which vouched for his veracity. "I was in service with two Japanese for over five years, and if you think of China, sir, or Russia-"

Fortunately for his master's difficulty maintained composure, two things happened to distract attention. He got his message on the telephone,

But the young spendthrift's calm was brief. "What's that, again?" he asked the restaurant man anxiously. 'Er--what? Twenty-three hundred and twenty-three dollars? . . . The what? Oh, the . . . vintage! Is that so? . . . Er . . . not at all. Twenty-three hundred is all right. It would be the same to me if you had said-er-twenty-three thousand."

Having hung up the receiver, he sagged down in his chair disconsolate

"Twenty-three! Twenty-three!" he murmured. "And . . . the butler speaks Japanese! I can't win a bet! I'll never forget this day!"

He rose and paced the room, then paused and gazed at the wall calendar. "The thirteenth of the month! No

He threw the offending Harrison Fisher girl into the grate, as Rankin, returning, announced a persistent visitor who had declared that he would wait when he had been assured that Mr. Jones was out. Jackson examined

"Peter Pembroke!" he mused, puzzled. "Where have I heard the name

"He appears to be a man of some mportance, sir.

"And he knows I'm in?"

Rankin nodded. 'Oh, well; bring him in. It can't be any worse.' He called to Wallace.

"Bob! O' Bob! When you get that

total add twenty-three hundred and twenty-three dollar, to it." "What for?"

"Thuh-vin-tage," Broadway answered bitterly, as his visitor came in. "Of course you expected me," were

his first words. "My name is Pembroke." Broadway was puzzled. "Expected

you?" "Didn't Judge Spotswood wire you that I'd call?"

"Spotswood?"

"Yes, of Jonesville."

"Oh, I know whom you mean, of course. No; he didn't wire."

"That's strange. I talked with him over the long-distance phone less than an hour ago, and he told me he had wired you early this morning."

"No," said Broadway definitely.

"I can't understand i..." "Hold on. Rankin did hand me a wire. I didn't read it." Broadway searched the table, then his pockets and finally discovered the crumpled and unopened telegram snuggling next his watch.

"You have my deepest sympathy,

"Have I?" Jackson was surprised. "You most certainly have, sir. I

knew your uncle very well. A fine and "U-m? Er-yes. He is abroad."

Pembroke nodded with an unction "Will you please leave that to me? rapidly increasing. "Yes. How sad

his attention to the neglected tele-

sumed full charge of tangled, juvenile mise, received late last night. His last will and testament made prior to his Suddenly he realized that some out sailing places you in possession of the standing bills would not be among the estate. His entire fortun, his busimass which Wallace was examining ness, his every earthl, possession he wished to know the worst, now that nephew and only neir. Shall I come he was at it. He went over to the to New York, or expect you here? Pem-

"Great . . heavens!" "I'm awfully sorry for you, young "You'd better look around for an man," said Pembroke sympathetically Jackson was surprised. Evidently the man knew nothing of the treatment which his uncle had invariably

> "Ah, yes; but it is something through which we must all go in this

> "What? Go through all he had? Never! I'll never go through all of that if I once really get it."

### Continued.

John Pechacek, the blacksmith

S. S. Grantham, of the Norton country, was in the city Friday with a load of poultry to ship out in the car now being loaded in

You are welcome to the profits on the goods. I made mine when I traded land for the goods. See? J

R. L. Williams, of the Moun tain country near Tokeen, was greeting friends and looking after business affairs in Ballinger

E. D. Futch, the cotton buyer. returned home Thursday night from an extended business trip to South Texas.

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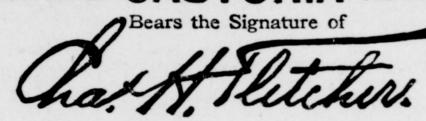
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citizens who used to live in Wash | air flows with a bouyant free ington county. He says they have dom with its invigorating effect ing to make Runnels county one industrial sections of this great State of Texas.

He says the following names are familiar in Runnels county and that they came from Wash. ington county: Judge Willingham, who is a brother of Consta ble Willingham of this county, the Dickersons, the Millers, and the Voelkers, each and all of whom he states, are making good and growing more prosperous every day that passes

WELL PLEASED WITH

( From Brenham Banner.) . C. C. Coekrell, of the Ledger ney and bladder troubles, dis-E. F. Edwards of Baltinger, way force, is in receipt of a letter solves gravel, cures diabetes, weak out in Runnels county, is here from Albert W. Woods, and lame backs, rheumatism, and ed in the Fifty-sixth district court among other things Mr. Woods bladder in both men and women. in Galveston the 21st inst., against

ers of Washington county had regret that I left Ballinger and spent and are still spending tens my many substantial friends to of thousands of dollars for good come here. Ambition only immules and that he is glad to hear, pelled me to leave a pleasant sit uation among a people whose de Mr. Edwards states that he gree of intelligence is so high feels almost at home here from and the morality of its citizen the fact that in Runnels county ship unsurpassed. And a climate there are a number of splendid exquisitely beautiful, where the all made good out there and are My purpose in leaving was to take now doing well, getting rich a step forward that I may some just as fast as time rolls and help day be a credit to those who have fostered my ambitions and are of the best and most prosperous interested in my career I am exceedingly pleased with my nex position, that of General Deputy In-Come Tax Collector for the State of Texas. I am among many fine men in the Custom House and am hoping and expecting to

> 'Sincerely yours,' "ALBERT W. WOODS.

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### DEATH OF BALLINGER LADY REACHES OLD HOME

In speaking of the death of Mrs. Don A. Swett, which occured in Ballinger last Sunday night, the The Victor (Colo.) Daily Record says:

"Mrs. Swett was one of the best known residents of the camp and was loved and respected by every one in the district. Coming to Victor about sixteen years ago the Swetts built a home on South Fifth Street where they lived until the time of their de parture for the warm country. Be sides her husband she is survived by two children, Harry age 14 and Clencoe age 4, both of whom were born in Victor.

About a year after their arrival in Victor Swett became engaged in the postal service and for about fourteen years he served most ef ficiently and well as an assistant postmaster under many heads. He was a very popular public servant and the unusually good standing of Mr. and Mrs. Swett in the lodge and social, life of the camp attested the ability of the

The couple were married at Punka. Neb, the girlhood home of Mrs. Swett, eighteen years ago and two years later they moved to Victor. Her health had been failing for some time prior to their removal to Ballinger about one year ago. It was with the hope; that a change in the elimate would benefit her health that Swett sought a stransfer to Texas. The change of climate promised to benefit for a time and then her condition grew steady worse.

### A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder cures kid "It was with a great pain of children. If not sold by your in which violation of the so-call receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle defendant company paid a fine of dom fails to perfect a cure. Texas is the first "spider law" case to testimonials with each bottle, Dr. come to trial. There are a num

> Drew Selby and American Lady out the compressed bale. shoes for ladies at Wilke's.

Miss Maurice Truly returned to Ballinger Friday at noon from Santa Anna, where she went to be with her music class the past few

### Ballinger Housewives, Attention!

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> General Agent for Southwest Texas, Headquarters: Brownwood

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### DOINS IN COLEMAN TOWN.

(From the Democrat.)

By petition of more than ten they had been with the Baillinger per cent of the qualified voters of Cotton Oil Mill the past several the city of Coleman, Mayor J. A | weeks in their run at that place Miller has called an election for Tuesday, March 3rd, to determine whether or not the city shall adopt the Commission Form of throat than Hunt's Lightning Oil.

Joe F. Bryant, a prominent farmer-citizen of the Burkett community, was accidentally kill gists in 25c and 50c bottles. ed Tuesday morning, January 27 in the neighborhood of his home five miles south of Burkett, when his team ran away. Mr. Bryant was engaged in hauling wood and it is supposed the accident occur red about 11 o'clock a. m. His body, almost lifeless, was found by Roger Kenney about one o'clock p. m. Tuesday, and conveyed to the home of W A. Smith where death ensued shortly after ward

An agreed judgment was enter Regulates bladder troubles in the Coleman Compress Company druggist, will be sent by mail on ed "spider-law" was alleged. The is two month's treatment, and sel- \$750 and costs in open court. This E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. ber of others pending. The vio-Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists. 312d lation of the "spider law" as it relates to the case of the Coleman Ralston, Fellow Craft and Compress Company and others, is American snoes for men and the using of spliced ties in tieing



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in the line of Sanitary Brushes. R. L. Harvwell, the Ford auto "A brush for every purpose." dealer, left Friday morning for No wooden backs, cleanly, made of Coleman on a short business trip

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you Se and Se outing for Se. J. H. no risk whatever in purchasing a are made and guaranteed by one worth and more, buy your dry

Bruce Creasey and Louis Mas sey returned home Thursday af ternoon from San Angelo where

### Acute Sore Throat.

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A. Levy returned home Friday at noon from Sweetwater where he had been to look after business interests the past week.

FOR SALE-My home on 5th street. Must be sold at once, for particulars write. E. C. Moor. Phone R 676, 1108 Mellwood Ave. Brownwood, Texas.

L. A. Bedford, of Bangs, passed thru Ballinger Friday at noon en route to Winters to look after business affairs a few days.



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