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TOCH \$25,000.
Lee Bank,
City of Stockholders \$500,000.
and solicit your Banking business.

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San Angelo, Texas.
Capital \$25,000.
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Watchmaker, Jeweler

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Years Apprenticeship, 40 Years at the Bench.

Can make any part of any watch.
Satisfaction Guaranteed.

SAN ANGELO, OPPOSITE PLANDON HOTEL,
Next door to Corner Saloon.

Our Books Closed December 1.

For the first time since we began business we have closed our books. For the next THIRTY DAYS we will sell only for cash, everything in our house goes at greatly reduced prices. Our house is filled with fresh goods and we are going to

Slaughter Prices.

For the next thirty days in order to reduce our stock before stock taking. On January 1st, Mr. J. W. Reed withdraws from this firm. All parties indebted to us will please come forward at once and settle as the business must be closed up.

New Firm Opens January 1st.

YOU WILL MAKE MONEY BY TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THIS CASH SALE—EVERY ARTICLE A BARGAIN.

J. W. REED & COMPANY.

*In Youth
or
Old Age*

It has the same effect.

GRANDMA'S COUGH CURE

WILL CURE THE YOUNG, AND ACT AS A SURE SPECIFIC FOR THE OLD

It is purely vegetable—contains no mineral poisons.

MORE GENUINE WITHOUT GRANDMA PARD'S PICTURE

PARK LABORATORY CO., New York

LIME BRICK

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Everything in Building Material

Southeast Corner Court
House Square.

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

CEMENT CEDAR POST

TALKED OF RAILROADS

The Railroads That Will Some Day Checkboard the West. Santa Fe Extension.

A party of Santa Fe engineers have been in the field for some time locating a route for a new line which is to be built from Ballinger, on the San Angelo branch of the Santa Fe, to a connection with the Pecos Valley system at Canyon City or Amarillo. This new line will be about 300 miles long and will afford a direct route to the port of Galveston from the northwestern part of the state and from points on the Pecos Valley and the Southern Kansas divisions of the Santa Fe.

THE TALMADGE ROAD.

The construction of the railroad which Talmadge of Chicago and associates are to build from a point on the Pecos Valley line near Canyon City, in the Panhandle, to San Antonio will soon be commenced, according to advice received here. The survey for more than 150 miles of its proposed road south from its connection with the Pecos Valley has been finished and the Northern Texas Construction company is ready to push the construction work with vigor. Mr. Talmadge and associates also propose to build a branch line from a point on the main line near Canyon City to El Paso. The main line will be about 450 miles long and the branch line about 230 miles. Mr. Talmadge is one of the most prominent railroad colonizers in the West. He says that the project in which he is now interested

has ample financial backing and it is hinted that the proposed road is to become a part of the Santa Fe system. COLORADO, TEXAS AND MEXICO. Another road on which construction work has commenced and which will be of great benefit to a large section of West Texas is the Colorado, Texas and Mexico. It is run from Abilene to Llano, a distance of about 135 miles. It will connect at Abilene with the Texas and Pacific and at Llano with the Houston and Texas Central. This company

Texas, and it is stated by Mr. Stillwell that it is all to be built as rapidly as possible. While work on this road is temporarily suspended, it is expected that a force of men will be put to work again in a short time, as Mr. Stillwell, president of the road, says the financial affairs of the road are now in better shape than they have been since the road started. Chief engineer, Webster, is in the city now, and as soon as he receives orders from headquarters to go to work, he will be ready at almost a mo-

G. H. GARLAND,
LAND, LOAN AND
LIVE-STOCK AGENT.
Agent for K. C. M. & O.
Ry. Co. town site lots.
Office over San Angelo
National Bank.
SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

Send your hides to H. H. Sigman & Co., at San Angelo. They will give you the top prices for them.

The Cotton Situation.
The ginner's report showing the number of bales of cotton ginned in the United States up to Nov. 14th was given out this week and the figures lead the cotton men to believe that the largest crop ever raised will be the result of the cotton growers work for 1904. We give below the report by states:

Alabama	1,077,819
Arkansas	856,433
Florida	69,291
Georgia	1,245,513
Louisiana	678,910
Mississippi	1,631,806
Total	5,960,067

Mississippi	1,000,000
North Carolina	800,000
Tennessee and O. T.	650,000
South Carolina	1,100,000
Texas and I. T.	2,300,000
Total	11,940,000

Take the reports by states and the estimate by states it will readily be seen that each state will not have to bring up much cotton since the 14th of Nov. to run the crop up to the Times-Democrat's estimates. Everything points to a big crop. The local market today is very weak, buyers not anxious to buy

Grip Quickly Kneel
"Some weeks ago during the severe winter weather both my wife and myself contracted severe colds which speedily developed into the worst kind of grippe with all its miserable symptoms," says Mr. J. S. Ngeleton of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, aiding the same with a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and by its liberal use soon completely knocked out the grip. These Tablets promote a healthy action of the bowels, break down the system, and are indicated when the system is congested by a cold or attack of the grip. For sale by Evans Drug Store.

We Are Anxious

to have the trade of Coke county and will make you prices on Dry Goods that will astonish you. We are prepared to give better value for your money than you can get elsewhere.

THE HUB

Ballinger, Texas,
Walter Kent
Proprietor

The Best on Earth

for your cash trade there is nothing too good for our customers, though you live 50 miles away remember if our goods don't give you entire satisfaction we will refund you the money. We want your trade come and see us.

has its general office at Abilene. KANSAS CITY, MEXICO & ORIENT. If President A. E. Stillwell and associates are successful with their plans, more than 200 miles of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient railroad will be built in Texas before the close of next year. The grade for this road is completed between Sweetwater and the Red river on the northern boundary line of the state, a distance of about 150 miles. This road will have a total of more than 600 miles of main track in

ment's notice. The promoters of the Orient are as sure of its construction today as they were the first time they started to work on it, and the next year will complete a great part of the road in Texas. Sweetwater will yet have the Orient, and not only the road but the shops, and many other good things in connection with them. "Everything comes to Those who Wait."—Sweetwater Review.

We are sole agent here for Dr. Thurmond's celebrated line of remedies. Dr. Thurmond's catarrh cure, which is guaranteed to cure the most aggravated case of catarrh in 30 days. Dr. Thurmond's blood syrup, which is guaranteed to cure indigestion, constipation and all female troubles. Necessaries for all diseases of the kidneys. Sold by Evans Drug Store.

WHEN IN SAN ANGELO STOP AT
Caldwell Wagon Yard.
Clean comfortable camp houses, good corals stalls and plenty of feedstuffs.

DAVID GIRDWOOD,
PROPRIETOR.

J. D. Baker of the renowned Coke County was in Angelo the other day, and while here said that many of the cattlemen were anticipating with much interest the establishment of the dipping vat at San Angelo.—San Angelo Standard.

North Carolina	619,427
Indian Territory	331,981
Virginia	11,518
Ke-tucky	850
Texas	1,737,190
Tennessee	196,387
Oklahoma	222,930
South Carolina	930,713
Total	9,906,067

The above report includes running bales. Count round bales half bales would reduce the number in square bales to 6,876,645.

The New Orleans Time-Democrat, which is very accurate in its figures, estimates the crop for the year by states as follows:

Alabama	1,250,000
Arkansas	825,000
Florida	65,000
Georgia	1,700,000
Louisiana	900,000

at any price, and the prevailing street price is running from 7.50 to 8. The receipts for the week have been light, probably on account of the big slump in prices.

H. H. Sigman & Co., of San Angelo pay the very highest price for your hides.

—Boeman will take your picture or enlarge it as cheap as it can be done.

A. J. BAKER, President. W. F. BAKER, Asst. Cashier.

A. J. BAKER & CO.,

BANKERS.

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

Deposits Solicited.

LOANS MADE ON CONSERVATIVE BASIS.

To the Grocery Trade

I have lately stocked my house with the best of.....

Staple and Fancy Groceries.

which I am selling as cheap as it is possible considering the quality of the goods I handle and just as cheap as can be bought elsewhere. Purity is paramount at my store—I handle nothing but the best.

D. L. BUCHANAN

Handsome Furniture

A pretty piece of furniture added now and then to the household furnishings makes home surroundings more comfortable and adds a bit of spice to life. No more

- Appropriate Christmas Presents -

can be selected than those found in the well-ordained furniture store. Ours is that store and the grades of goods we carry makes it all the more desirable that your selections should be made here. Come let us show you.

A. S. GANTT & SON,

Furniture and Undertaking.

A Most Brilliant Opportunity

Now presents itself to the people of west Texas to buy the very best in building material. Every day the builder has golden chance to buy

Lumber, Building Material and Paints

at the lowest possible prices. At our yard we have a large and new stock of lumber, which we will take pleasure in showing you. Let us figure on your bill of lumber. One thing certain, its to your interest.

B. B. Hail & Company,

L. E. KUHNIE, Manager.

Age Is What...

You want with Liquors. Our famous brands provide both age and flavor. Send us your order, we ship it out the same day the order is received and we please every time. When in the city give us a call.

EDDIE MAIER,

San Angelo, Texas.

A GREAT HOLIDAY DISPLAY OF JEWELRY AND NOVEETIES--W. E. HEALD, San Angelo.

NEW DRUG FIRM

I have purchased the City Drug Store from Dr. W. J. Adams and would be glad to meet old patrons of the firm and make new ones. It will be my constant aim to keep on hand at all times a complete stock of Drugs and Druggists sundries. Mr. Joe L. Hall will remain with the new firm and will have charge of the prescription department which is a guarantee of its accuracy.

P. D. COULSON, Proprietor.

New Firm, New Goods.

We will about December 15th, open up in Robert Lee a complete line of farming implements, Wagons, Buggies, etc. Rock Island wagons, Avery plows, Mr. Bill Planters the best in the world. We want your business.

STEPHENS & JANE.

THE OBSERVER.

GOE. COWAN, Editor and Publisher.

SUBSCRIPTION \$1.00 PER YEAR

Entered in the postoffice at Robert Lee, Texas, as second-class mail matter.

ADVERTISING RATES—Single column, 12-15 cents per line each insertion. Locals 5 cents per line.

PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY.

Paint Creek Panthers.

Everything is moving along peacefully and serenely in our neighborhood, nothing, save the fall in the price of cotton has happened lately to disturb the even tenor of our way.

Nearly all the cotton has been gathered, but the farmers are having difficulty in getting it ginned. Many bales yet remain in the fields not ginned.

School opened a month ago with a small attendance, but the

well to see him before locating. Sunday is Rev. Hooten's day on Paint Creek. Come out and hear him.

Messrs. Guthrie and Sparks from Midland, are now at M. Nute-Fields. They are engaged in the photograph business and will remain until after Xmas. Mrs. Sparks will probably join her husband here.

We are much obliged to "Ike and Jake" in the "Standard" for writing up our country so flatteringly. Come again gentlemen.

Ten books have been ordered for the school library. This is but the beginning, but 'tis a good work and should be encouraged by patrons and others.

Mrs. Corcoran and little granddaughter, Elmer, who have been visiting John Gardner, are now at Mrs. Boykins.

Mr. Mote at Edith has sold his place to Mr. Blackburn. Mr. Mote will move near Robert Lee.

As this is our first will say no more, but if this receives a kind reception, you may hear again from

EDITH.

Three Famous Brands

Deers of liquors may be sure of having best quality in the

L. W. HARPER, Per Gallon	\$3.00
BON PEPPER, Per Gallon	\$2.00
HENNESSY, RYE	\$3.50

Best goods of every kind. These goods are their own recommendation. A trial order is all we ask.

THE PARLOR SALOON, San Angelo, Texas.

Your Grocery Business

Is what we want and we are making prices that will hold it. We are in San Angelo, across the street from the

32 LBS BEST RICE ONLY	\$1.00
BEST APPLES, PER BARREL	\$3.00
BEST COAL OIL, 5 GALLONS	\$5.00

Everything else sold at proportionately low prices.

JONES & DAVIN, Near the Postoffice.

number has been steadily increasing since, however a full school is not expected until after Xmas, when the cotton will all be gathered.

Grandma Gardner has been visiting relatives in Weatherford several weeks. Miss Fulah Blackwell, grand daughter of Mr. Gardner, will keep house for him during her absence.

The Farmers Union met at the school house Saturday evening. The farmers here have a large and growing organization.

Mrs. King is suffering from a very sore thumb. It is thought the thumb will have to be removed.

D. P. Reeder has the Mexico lawyer and wishes to sell out. He has a nice little place and anyone wishing to settle here would do

Hon. W. L. Douglas covered every bill board in Massachusetts with posters giving reasons why he should be elected, he inserted page advertisements in every newspaper in Massachusetts calling attention to the real issues of the campaign. His advertising agent directed the campaign from Boston, where the great shoe factories are located. At seven years of age W. L. Douglas was pegging away with an awl in a shoe factory. At fifty-eight he is worth \$5,000,000 employs 300 men, is governor of Massachusetts and well directed advertising is largely responsible for his success in life. Printer's ink rules the entire world.—Dallas Times-Herald.

—New line of Furniture at Green's.

READY FOR CHRISTMAS.

Our store is now in holiday array. We are showing large assortments of such things as will make suitable Christmas presents for both young and old.

Handsome Pieces of Furniture. We can not be excelled for Holiday Gifts, and now is the time to make your selections. Our assortment is large and our prices are the lowest to be found.

MISS MAMIE B. NORTON, SUCCESSOR TO MRS. E. C. FITZGERALD.

NEELY BROS.

Wholesale and Retail Dealers in

Grain and All Kinds of Feedstuffs

We Buy Hides, Furs and Pecans.

Corner West of Landon Hotel, San Angelo, Texas

Bargains in Holiday Goods.

We bought a large line of Christmas goods which we now have on display at our store. This stock consists of all the novelties for the young folks as well as handsome presents for the older ones. It was bought before we contemplated a change in the firm. We want to close out the stock and to do it we have put the price to a little above first cost. See our stock before you buy. It means money saved to you.

J. W. REED & Co.

Cheap Holiday Excursion Rates.

To points in Texas and Louisiana, Missouri, Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Indiana and Oklahoma Territories and the Southeast, see any Texas & Pacific Ticket Agent, or write E. P. Turner, General Passenger Agent, Dallas, Texas.

DR. W. J. ADAMS
PHYSICIAN & SURGEON.
Office in City Drug Store.
Robert Lee, Texas.

DUNN'S Cattle Queen

Is recognized as the best saddle manufactured in the West. They also carry a full line of

Harness, Whips, Laprobes. When in San Angelo inspect their stock and you will buy.

J. F. Dunn Saddlery Co.
SAN ANGELO, TEXAS



The Queen of Laundresses

is a title longed for by the Parisian Blanchisseuse. But our aim and ambition is to have the name of giving full satisfaction to all our patrons in the excellent manner our laundry sends home its linen, etc. without shirt bosoms cracking, and beautifully done up, at low prices. Our clothes are callidried in the open air, which both bleaches and purifies.

SAN ANGELO
Steam Laundry,
D. L. Buchanan, Agt.

My Fall Samples

Have arrived and consists of the most complete and up-to-date fabrics ever brought to this city. Call and let me take your measure for a

TAILOR MADE SUIT

We always give a fit. Prompt delivery, no worry.

W. E. Foreman, San Angelo

Jimmie Barron is circulating a list to get up a roping here during Christmas week and is meeting with good success. It is probable that we will have a good old West Texas roping event during Christmas week. The date will be announced next week.

Mrs. J. L. Latham and daughter, of Fredonia, Mason County, mother and sister of Dr. J. L. Latham are here on a visit to the doctor and family.

Saved My Life Twice.

Weatherford, Tex. March 27. Dr. Thurmond—Enclosed please find one dollar, for which please send me one bottle of your Catarrh Cure. I am anxious to get it. Send by mail. I think your remedy is the best medicine ever made for catarrh or colds in the head. I am satisfied that it saved my life twice. Hoping to hear from you at once. I am respectfully,
Mrs. Anna Harris.
Sold by Evans Drug Store.

—Bocman will take your picture or enlarge it as cheap as it can be done.

WE ARE MAKING

Special Low Prices on

Dry Goods and Groceries

To get CASH trade during the month of December. Bring your money to the store that will give you most for it.

C. A. PROBANDT,
SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

Commissioners Court.

Court met in special term this week. Present—County Judge J. D. Jowers, E. C. Rawlings, E. S. McCabe, T. J. Goss.

Official bond of Wm. Cliff as Surveyor was approved. Ordered that the bridge across Mess Box Creek 4 miles north of Robert Lee erected by R. I. Rushing be received.

Official bond of W. T. Hazlewood was approved.

Official bond of B. F. Hall Jr as county treasurer and treasurer of the school board was approved.

Official bond of J. W. Vowell, Hide and Animal Inspector of Coke County was approved.

Ordered that the Tax Collectors report or taxes collected be approved.

Ordered that the quarterly report of C. L. Hughes, county treasurer, of receipts and expenditures from November 14 1904 to December 5, 1904 be approved.

Ordered that the following county warrants be and the same are hereby cancelled in open court, Jury warrants \$450; road and bridge warrants \$341.15 contingent warrants \$98.75.

Ordered that the official bond of I. V. Hamilton Justice of the Peace of precinct No. 1 be approved.

Ordered that the Tabular Statement of Dr. W. L. Hamilton County Clerk of the indebtedness expenditures, and receipts of Coke County for the fractional quarter beginning November 14 1904 and ending December 5 be approved.

The Court counted the money in hand of treasurer and found it to be \$1,957.00.

After allowing the members their per diem of \$4 each for two days services the court adjourned.

Middleton & Turner

Successor to San Angelo Livery and Feed Stable ARE NOW WIDE OPEN FOR BUSINESS.

Good teams, Buggies and Hacks. Can send you out to any part of the country at very moderate rates.



BUY THE NEW HOME SEWING MACHINE COMPANY

Many Service Machines are made in all respects of quality, but the "New Home" is made to last. Our cutting operation is made to suit. We make Sewing Machines to suit all conditions of the house. The "New Home" is made by hand of a High Grade Factory using the best material. Sold by authorized dealers only.

FOR SALE BY
New Home Sewing Machine Co
DALLAS, TEXAS.

C. W. REEDER
Dealer in
GROCERIES.

Ranch Supplies
Miles, Texas.

I would like to agree with the Coke county farmers when they visit our town, and an extra money on every purchase. The best price paid for country produce.

Rev. J. C. Johnson of Edith, calling a protracted meeting at the first Baptist church which is growing in interest nightly.

—Overstocked out Price Sale now on at Woodwards cheap cash store. Miles Texas.

Commissioner E. C. Rawlings, of Bronte, was here the first of the week attending the session of Commissioner's Court.

—Big Bargains now, for our Overstocked out Price Sale Woodwards cheap cash store. Miles Texas.

When you want a pleasant laxative take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. For sale by Evans Drug Store.

J. N. Buchanan is having Mr. Harmons short order house moved about thirty feet north on the lot to make room for the new extension of Robert J. Walker's house.

—Robt. J. Walker has selected his stock of Xmas goods with a view of pleasing at the lowest possible cost. See his line.

Judge G. W. Perryman and Jas. Kendall will leave Saturday for Tahola, Lynn county which place they will make their future home.

—Finest display of clocks to be found in the city at the Evans Drug Store Price from 90 cents to \$8.50.

Rev. J. M. Baker the new Methodist Minister and his family, arrived Tuesday and are now pleasantly domiciled in the parsonage. The Observer welcomes them to the city.

To Our Patrons.

You will please call and settle your indebtedness with us by the 15th as all of our bills are due then and we have to collect in order to meet our obligations. BARRHAM BROS.

TURNER

is the
To
and anything else
BEST, QUALITY,
6 Goblets 28 cts; 6
Laundry Soap 25 cts.
SAN ANGELO,

That Christ

or in fact a meal at any time is not your groceries at our store. We stock quality and price. We can supply you with anything from heavy and staple groceries to ingredients for your fruit cake

BARHAM BROTHERS

Christmas Goods of all kinds.

Our merchants this year have bought an unusual amount of Christmas novelties for the old and the young, which they have displayed in the most artistic manner. Young America will be in his glory now in about two weeks.

—Picture frames, the handsomest to be found and the cheapest in the city at the Evans Drug Store.

—Nice line of chinaware such as cups and saucers mugs etc at the Evans Drug Store.

Mrs. F. B. Perry and little son John, of Sweetwater, left Wednesday for their home after a pleasant visit to Dr. and B. Latham.

—If you want a good that will look nice and have Rushing the black make you one.

—Toy trunks, and tool chests for the children at from 25 cents to \$2.50 at Evans Drug Store.

Miss Lena Smith, left this morning for San Angelo, where she will spend a few days visiting friends.

Robert Lee and Sweetwater Stage Line.

Leaves Robert Lee Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Returns, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

FARE \$2.50, ROUND TRIP \$4.50.

Special attention paid to express and packages. Best of service offered to the traveling public.

J. W. Casey, Proprietor.

Buyers of Hardware

I have the most complete line of Hardware, Crockers, Glassware, Saddlery, and HARNESS

Ever brought to this city which I am offering at lowest prices. I want your patronage. Shoe and harness repairing neatly done.

L. V. HAMILTON.

Now Arriving

a handsome line of new and up-to-date Dry Goods. Christmas goods consisting of tops, fancy notions etc. Call and inspect my stock and get prices. They are money savers.

J. L. BARRON, Robert Lee, Texas.

The handsome Gold Watch to be given away by the Observer to the most popular young lady in Coke county will be placed on exhibition at the Evans Drug Store next week.

J. L. Barron returned Thursday from Sterling City. He tells us that a fine baby boy arrived at Sterling City on December 31 and would accompany Mrs. Barron home when she returns and will make his home with them permanently.

W. B. Green our ex-sheriff has accepted a position with the Evans Drug Store and will be glad to meet his friends.

J. M. Meek, of the Indian Territory bought Chas Adams place, containing 302 acres and situated southwest of town. Jas. A. Starn made the deal and the price paid was \$1900.

The lumber arrived Thursday for the new residence of Sheriff W. T. Hazlewood. Contractor J. H. Burroughs has the contract and it will be built on the place recently purchased from J. M. Buchanan north of town.

S. S. Craddock is in San Angelo purchasing a complete stock of merchandise which he will open at Edith in the next few weeks.

HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS

ONE FARE PLUS \$2.00



To the Old States in the Southeast.
To Old Mexico.
To St. Louis, Chicago, St. Paul, Denver and Intermidates,

Tickets on sale December 21, 22, 23 to 26. Good for return within 30 days.

You can get complete detailed information concerning any trip, from

ANY SANTA FE AGENT—HE KNOWS.

W. S. KERNAN, G. P. A. Galveston, Texas.

YOU COMING N ANGELO?

Call to call and see the largest
display of

Saddles and Harness

We will take pleasure in showing
Look for the Gray Horse and you

J. C. ALEXANDER & CO.
Next to First National Bank's New Building.

Lee Bank,

H. H. Pearce, Cashier,
S. G. Wilkins, Bookkeeper.

We solicit your business. All
business given careful attention.
OBERT LEE, TEXAS

LOCAL NEWS.

No trouble to show Christ-
mas goods at Robert Walker's.
Rev. A. H. Long was in the city
Monday trading.

S. B. Miles of Kieapoo Canyon,
was here Saturday on business.

Morgan McDrell, of Hayrick
Mountain was a visitor to the city
Saturday.

Remember the box sale at
Robert Walker's Saturday Dec.
10th and 17th.

B. M. Connor the substantial
stockfarmer of Silver was here
Saturday transacting business.

You'll find lots of \$1.00 shirts
in those boxes at Robert Walker's
Saturday December 10th and 17th.

C. A. Farquhar, the San Angelo
Liveryman was here Thursday
chaperoning a drummer.

Handsome line of Albums
and Dressing Cases at the Evans
Drug Store.

E. L. Weaver, the new commis-
sioner from Tennyson was
here the first of the week attend-
ing commissioner's court.

Mirrors from 25c to \$2.50 at
the Evans Drug Store.

Frank McCabe was in from the
Divide the first of the week to
attend commissioner's court and
qualify as commissioner.

Dolls for the little ones
from 5c to \$4.50 at the Evans
Drug Store.

Mrs. W. T. Hazlewood, wife of
our sheriff and Miss Kate Doug-
las were here yesterday from
Fort Chadbourne trading.

Doll pianos and doll beds
for the little ones at the Evans
Drug Store.

Rev. W. K. Simpson has
moved with his family out to
Rev. A. H. Long to spend the
winter.

Buy your Sweetheart a watch
from Robert Walker for a Christ-
mas present.

The Observer watch voting con-
test promises to be a hummer.
There's lots of votes being saved
up already.

Handsome Medallions, the
very thing for a Christmas
present at the Evans Drug Store.

Dr. W. D. Francis the
specialist of San Angelo came in
on Wednesday stage and will
remain in the city for a few days.

Our school books are strictly
cash. Remember this and bring
the money with you. Evans
Drug Store.

R. C. Ledford, proprietor of
the Concho Bottling Works was
here the first of the week inter-
viewing our merchants.

D. L. Buchanan pays 22 1/2
cents per dozen for eggs.

CHRISTMAS

Is almost here and so are we with the largest
stock of Jewelry in West Texas at prices so
low they will astonish you.

COME See for yourself.

We have something nice for everybody's
Xmas gift, and its guaranteed to last and give
satisfaction. We welcome you to our store.

JAS. E. BREWER,
Ballinger, Texas.

Observer Advertising Brings Results.

Prof. T. D. Evans the popular
proprietor of the Evans Drug
Store says that he has been
thoroughly convinced that adver-
tising in the Observer is profit-
able to him because he has had
everyday for articles advertised
and by parties who tell him they
saw it in the Observer.

The proprietor of the Observer
has had about sixteen years ex-
perience in writing advertising
and that branch of the printing
business and our experience has
taught us that the business man
who reaps the best results is the
one who describes each article
for sale and gives the prices.
The average citizen is not ac-
cused to his interest and when he
sees a bargain advertised he generally
takes advantage of it. Too many
merchants and business men give
little or no time in preparing their
advertising. The newspaper man
can furnish headlines—we are as
full of them as a corner cran-
berry merchant is of business, but
no one can more properly de-
scribe the articles off red for sale
than the man who handles them
over the counter. This paper is
always glad to get a change of ad-
vertisements they should be
changed weekly. There is no
more sense in running an adver-
tising more than one time than
there is in publishing news items
from week to week without change
and where is there a subscriber
who would not stop his paper after
the second week if this was done.
It is expensive and trouble to
change your advertisement, but
we had rather do it. The adver-
tising that changes often is the
one that grows in size—the
advertiser sees at once that it
is profitable to him.

A Growing Institution.

Banker H. H. Pearce and his
corps of able assistants have been
working overtime for the past two
months to keep up with the un-
usual amount of business. The
Robert Lee Bank is growing
rapidly and the management is
more than pleased with its pro-
sperity. The amount of business
done by this home institution is
surprising and has more than
doubled the past few months.

A good bank is a necessity in
every town no matter how small
the town, and the people of Ro-
bert Lee know its worth and are
giving it their support.

To My Patrons.

Having sold my drug business
to Dr. P. D. Coulson I expect all
those indebted to me for medical
services and drugs to come for-
ward and settle at once as I am
very anxious to close up the busi-
ness. I will continue the practice
of medicine in Robert Lee and
surrounding country and hope to
receive a share of your patronage
as in the past. Office at City
Drug Store. Joe L. Hall will
receipt you for any and all bills.
W. J. ADAMS, M. D.

I. O. O. F. Officers Elected.

At the regular weekly meeting
of the Odd Fellows No. 357
Thursday night the following
officers were elected: W. B.
Green, Noble Grand; J. N.
Adams, Vice-Grand; J. H.
Burrroughs, Secretary; J. N.
Buchanan, Treasurer; C. W. Me-
Cormac, Representative to the
grand lodge; Dr. J. B. Latham,
Alternate. The appointive
officers will be filled after the
installation.

R. L. Hall who has been con-
nected with the Observer for the
past six months has severed his
connection with this paper and
will probably accept a clerkship
with one of our business houses
after the first of January. Mr.
Hall is painstaking and conscien-
tious young man and the Obs-
erver force hates to lose him. He
will fill any position of trust to
the satisfaction of his employ-
ers and the public and the Observer
wishes him unbounded success in
his new position.

Now is the time to buy your
Christmas goods. Rob't Walker
has on display now a big line at
very low prices. Buy now before
the best goods are all gone.

Hon. B. A. Taylor former com-
missioner of Precinct No. 3, was
in attendance at commissioner's
court this week wading up his
business with that body. Mr.
Taylor has made the county one
of the best officers it has ever
had, and has made many friends
in his official capacity.

The prettiest line of Xmas
goods ever shown in Robert Lee
is now on display at Robert
Walker's.

W. A. Nipp and son R. R. of
Edith, was in to see us the past
week. R. R. Nipp will leave next
Tuesday for Del Plain Arkansas
to visit friends until after the
holidays.

Buy a nice bible or a book at
Evans Drug Store. There is
nothing that would make a more
appropriate Christmas present.

If its Land You want

I have it in any size
tract at the right price.
If you have land to sell
I get the purchaser.
Last your land with me
JNO. A. STUART,
Land Agent Abstractor,
Notary Public and Con-
veyancer.

TYPEWRITERS

Bought, Sold, Ex-
changed or Rented.
District agent for the UNDER-
WOOD Standard Visible Type-
writer, High Grade Ribbons
and Carbon Paper in all colors
and for all machines, kept in
stock.
Typeewriter Exchange.
Clarendon Ions, Mgr.

GET READY TO PLOW!

I have now in stock a good
lot of steel for Plows, Land Slides,
Shares Etc. Bring in your work
now in order to get it by the
time you are ready to go to plow-
ing.
J. J. VESTAL
At The Book Shop.

CLARK & LIVINGSTON,

We do all kinds of
Blacksmithing, Etc Etc

Bicycle repairing a specialty. A
complete stock of fixtures.
Fire arms of all kinds cleaned
and repaired.
When you want keys fitted or
locks repaired see us.
San Angelo, Texas.

SAVING:—From my premises
Wednesday night, one black pony
horse, unbranded, has one white
hind foot. Liberal reward.
G. W. Smith, at the Gin.

Fight Will be Bitter.

Those who will persist in closing
their ears against the con-
tinual recommendation of Dr.
King's New Discovery for Con-
sumption, will have a long and
bitter fight with their troubles, if
not ended earlier by fatal
termination. Read what T. R.
Beall of Beall, Miss. has to say:
"Last fall my wife had every sym-
ptom of consumption. She took
Dr. King's New Discovery after
everything else had failed. Im-
provement came at once and four
bottles entirely cured her. Guar-
anteed by T. D. Evans, Druggist.
Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles
free.

The Editor of the Observer
acknowledges an invitation and
season ticket to be present at the
San Angelo Steer Roping Contest
on December 15th and 16th. The
roping promises to be a great
event. Fred Baker and Jno.
Murrah are pitted against each
other to rope three steers each
for a purse of \$600, and Clay
McDonnell and Abe Wilson are
also matched to rope three steers
each for a purse of \$1000.

A Frightened Horse.

Running like mad down the
street dumping the occupants, or
a hundred other accidents, are
every day occurrences. It be-
hooves everybody to have a re-
liable Salve handy and there is
none as good as Bucklen's Arnica
Salve. Burns, Cuts, Sores, Ec-
zema and Itches disappear quickly
under its soothing effect. 25c at
Evans Drug Store.

The Ladies Aid Society of the
first Baptist church will give a
box supper Wednesday night
December 21st at the residence
of Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Wilkins
for the benefit of church work.

CONTRACTORS

Builders AND PROPERTY OWNERS

Wanted: Best Lumber in their houses. Every builder should see to it that
the best is used. We have made the lumber business a study for
our business, have our own mills and ample capital and
figures that can be beaten in any bill. We give every order
the most attention. We are not satisfied until we have all your busi-
ness and will appreciate it if you will give us a share of it.

SMITH and P. BERTSON

The Pioneer Lumber Co. of San Angelo.

A Certain Cure for Croup.

When a child shows symptoms
of croup there is no time to experi-
ment with new remedies, no mat-
ter how highly they may be recom-
mended. There is one prepara-
tion that can always be de-
pended upon. It has been in
use for many years and has
never been known to fail, viz
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.
Mr. M. F. Compton of Market
Texas, says of it, "I have used
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in
severe cases of croup with my
children, and can truthfully say
it always gives prompt relief."
For sale by Evans Drug Store.

T. W. HENNING,

At San Angelo
Buys and sells Furniture
OLD IRON, BRASS
AND COPPER.
He carries a full line of second-
hand furniture and hardware, musical
instruments, jewelry, buggies,
wagons, sewing machines, saddlery,
hardware and other things too
numerous to mention. Prices below
competition.

Can't Say to Much in its Praise.

Mrs. Sam H. Milliken, of 263 West
16th St. Oak Cliff Texas, writes:
"Oak Cliff, Tex. Jan. 27, 1897.
Dr. W. J. Thomson:
Dear Sir:—For the past year my
general health has been run down.
About six weeks ago I began using
your blood syrup, and I am so much
improved that I feel that I cannot say
to much in its praise. I find it to be
excellent for indigestion and general
nervous debility, as well as a great
remedy to improve the complexion.
Respectfully, Mrs. Sam H. Milliken,
Sold by Evans Drug Store.

Changed Hands.

The Cit drug store has changed
hands, Dr. P. D. Coulson of
Sterling City having purchased
the business and stock of drugs
from Dr. W. J. Adams. Dr.
Coulson will move his family here
at an early date. Mr. Joe L.
Hall the accommodating druggist
will remain with the new firm and
will have charge of the prescrip-
tion department as heretofore.

T. W. TAYLOR,

New and
Second Hand
FURNITURE,
stoves, machines and
all second hand goods.
Furniture and sewing machine
repairing of all kinds. It will
pay you to inspect my stock and
feel pleased. San Angelo, Texas.

Mrs. G. A. Beeman came very

near being seriously burned last
Friday afternoon. She was in
the creek near the house where
her father, J. C. Newton, and Sid
Lewis were killing hogs and in
passing around the kettle they
had to heat water, her clothing
ignited and had it not been for
the presence of Messrs. Newton
and Lewis she would have prob-
ably been seriously burned.
When she found her clothing afire
she started to run but Mr. New-
ton caught her and they quickly
extinguished the flames.

American Restaurant

Next to Legal
Tender, Saloon.

Johnson & Hordage

Proprietors.
Months at all hours. The farm-
ers and stockmen trade espe-
cially solicited.
San Angelo, Texas

Don't fail to investigate the
big part sale now on at J. W.
Reed & Co. To clear their house
they are offering 50 pair of pants
worth from \$1.50 to \$2.50 at only
\$1.00 per pair. And 50 pair of
pants worth from \$2 to \$3 at
\$1.50 per pair. It will pay you
to investigate this unparalleled
offer.

THOUSANDS SAVED BY DR. KING'S NEW DISCOVERY

This wonderful medicine pos-
sibly cures Consumption, Coughs,
Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma, Pneu-
monia, Hay Fever, Pleurisy, Le-
gionnaires Disease, Sore Throat,
Croup and Whooping Cough.
Every bottle guaranteed.
Cure. No Pay. Price 50c. & \$1.
Trial bottles free.

Buy your Sweetheart a Christmas present from Rob't J.

There is no money made in
handling school books. We can't
cheat them. They are cash.
Evans Drug Store.
Miss Doris Faubion after a
severe spell of fever for the past
three weeks is again able to be at
her post of duty at the Observer
office.

Prof. L. C. Thomas, the princi-
pal of the Bronte High school
was in the city the first of the
week and he has ordered a thim-
ble for some printing.

—Buy a nice bible or a book at
Evans Drug Store. There is
nothing that would make a more
appropriate Christmas present.

Take your hides to H. H.
Sigman & Co., San Angelo

BIG BOX SALE!

On SATURDAY DECEMBER 10 and 17 we
will have a box sale at our store. In every
box will be merchandise valued at.....

From 50 Cents to \$2.75.

besides we will put in two watches, value
\$5.00 and \$7.50. Money refunded to anyone
not getting 50c worth of merchandise out of
any box. Be sure and call.....

ROBERT J. WALKER.

Is Still in Good Health.

Plot Point, Tex., Feb. 15.
Dr. W. J. Thomson:
Dear Sir:—In reply to your
letter of late date in regard to my
wife's health, and your Blood Syrup is
all you claim for it. Five years ago
she took the blood syrup and has
been in excellent health ever since.
Her weight is now 150 pounds. She
has gained 37 pounds from the use
of the medicine.
W. T. Scott.
Sold by Evans Drug Co.

P. O. Budman, the High Justice

of Bronte was in the city Thurs-
day on business. He tells us that
the Bronte gin has gained some-
thing like a 1000 bales of cotton
up to the present time.
—Buy a nice box of fancy
stationery at the Evans Drug
Store for your best girl.
T. S. Newton has bought 100
acres of improved land two miles
north of Colorado City at \$12 per
acre and will move to his purchase
about the first of the year.
—Cyran Wilson Rye, sold by the
Edgewood Bar at San Angelo
can't be beaten. 24

DR. I. E. SMITH

SPECIALIST

EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT

of Weatherford, Texas.

Robert Lee, Dec. 23 to the 25

DO YOUR EYES TROUBLE YOU?

Do you suffer with Granulated Lids, Ulceration, Injuring Lashes,
Deformed Lids, Cataracts, Pterygia, Overflow of Tears or Cross
Eyes?
Enlarged Tonells and Adenoids removed. Deafness cured if not of
too long standing. Catarrh treated by the latest and most improved
methods. If you have any of the above mentioned troubles give me
a call. as you can be cured or benefited you will be told so. If not,
you will be told so and be out no money.
Glasses fitted to suit abnormal condition of the eyes, such as Near-
sight, Far-sight, Old-Sight, A Stigmatism or Cross Eyes.
I carry a nice line of glasses and pay special attention to fitting them.

Those blind from Cataract made to see or no fee asked,
Cross-eyes straightened free.

THE LADIES STORE

Will next week have on display a complete line
of Xmas novelties for the children, and a great
variety of substantial articles for grown up folks.
See this stock before you make your purchases.

Miss ARA TURNEY, Proprietress.

The Robert Lee Gin.

The Robert Lee Gin is now
running on full time. They have
ginned up to date 725 bales and
managers Barbee & Smith think
there will be over one hundred
more bales of this years crop to
gin.

A Costly Mistake.

Blunders are sometimes very
expensive. Occasionally life it-
self is the price of a mistake, but
if you take Dr. King's New Life
Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness,
Headache, Liver and Bowel
troubles. They are gentle yet
thorough. 25c at Evans Drug
Store.

Remember the box sale at
Rob't Walker's Saturday Dec.,
10th and 17. You'll miss a good
thing if you don't call.
Some young lady in Coke
County is going to get that hand-
some gold watch given away to the
most popular young lady. Ask
your friends to subscribe and
give you the votes, it is well
worth the trouble.
—Be sure and call at Rob't J.
Walker's and see that line of
holiday goods before you buy.
Misses Fannie McOutchen and
Jessie Bridgeman has charge of
the Holiday goods department at
Rob't Walker's and will be glad
to have their many friends call on
them and inspect the line.

Don't Cut It Out!

We don't want to be cut out of any of your
Hardware or Lumber business, therefore we
offer you our best in every line that no other
can imitate. We believe.....

We Cut the Price But not the Quality.

If there's anything in our line you want, it will
pay you to buy it here.....

C. & G. HAGELSTEIN COMPANY,

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

Dr. Daly will be in Robert Lee December 27th and 28th and will straighten two case of Cross Eyes free.



At the Commercial Hotel December 27 and 28.
DOCTORS
Daly, Francis & Adams,

Eye Specialists.
Sanitarium for the Care of Chronic, Surgical and Difficult Cases
At San Angelo and Brownwood.

Cross Eyes Straightened and Glasses Fitted Free

We positively cure any disease or deformity of the Eye that is curable. We tell you when your case is not curable and you are not to pay any money on useless treatments. No experimenting with us. We know what we can accomplish and we do not claim anything but what has been accomplished. We have cured 15,000 people in the past 10 years who had one or more of the following Eye troubles; Cataracts, Cross Eyes, Pterygiums, Granulated Lids, Ingrowing Lashes, Overflow of Tears, Lid Tumors, Falling of Lashes, Eye Strain caused from Near Sight, Old Sight Fair Sight and Astigmatism.

IF YOU ARE SKEPTICAL IN REGARD TO A CURE YOU CAN PLACE YOUR MONEY IN THE BANK UNTIL WE GIVE READING VISION. THE WORTHY POOR WILL BE TREATED FREE.

PATIENT CURED RECENTLY, DOES IT NOT STAND TO REASON THAT YOU MAY NOW GET WELL?

We could give you thousands of just such references but the following should be sufficient proof to convince the most skeptical.

Mrs. Carrie Flynn, mother of Flynn Bros. merchants at Bangs, Texas, 79 years old, blind 11 years, feet about, went blind in each eye with cataract. Operated on a few weeks ago and received perfect sight.

Mr. J. J. R. Moore, of Brown county, has a daughter who was led 18 years. She was born blind. Had Cross Eyes, Cataracts and Daring Eyes from birth. She is now under treatment and rapidly regaining her vision.

Mr. Tom Stephens, of Dublin, was led 6 or 7 weeks ago and now sees to read.

I have known Dr. Daly for several years and know him to be an expert in his profession. He fitted my glasses after several noted oculists had failed. I sent several of my friends to him for treatment and he restored their sight. L. L. McInish, Cashier, First National Bank, Bryan, Texas.

I was practically blind for 30 years and spent hundreds of dollars on my eyes trying to get relief. Dr. Daly restored my sight in 30 days and adjusted glasses that give me perfect vision. I know several patients that he treated and restored their sight.

Mrs. A. L. Heister, Iowa Park, Texas.

Mr. Dave Rouson a banker and cattle dealer of Midland, says: "I tried for seven years to be cured of granulated lids, spent thousands of dollars on my eyes and treatment at Fort Worth five months; Chicago three months; Atlanta, Ga. two months; and many other places. I could not tell a cow from a horse 35 steps, when Dr. Adams began on my eyes. I now see to read. I am well and shall always refer the blind to him. He cured me in two months time, after other eminent oculists failed. I know many like myself he cured—Dave W. Rouson, Midland, Texas.

I was led to Dr. Adams and pronounced blind for life by those who treated me before he did, but he gave me reading vision. Respectfully,
Ulen Walker, Dublin, Texas.

One of the doctors will be in Robert Lee.
December 7, 8, 9 and 10th
and will then visit every 30 days in the future.
Office at Commercial Hotel.

C. M. Campbell & Sons.

MILES TEXAS.
Lumber, Builders Hardware, Paints, Oils and Painters Supplies
Wholesale, Lumber and Cement.
John Deer Implements and Buggies and New Moline Wagons. Figure with the people that can give you the quality of material and price you are looking for.
I. H. FERGUSON, Manager.

Suits For Men, Youths and Boys
Most people in West Texas know this store to be the one where their dollars go farthest. To those who have never visited us we will say that if you want a suit of clothes you can save a nice amount on every purchase made here. We have men's and boy's suits as cheap as \$4.00. A good suit for \$2.50. Another good one for \$1.25. Come See.
Austin Spencer & Co, SAN ANGELO TEXAS . . .
Highest Price Paid For Cotton.

RAILROAD RUMBLINGS.

Maj. E. C. Gordon, of the North Texas Construction Co. Here.

Maj. E. C. Gordon, of Amarillo, was in Ballinger first of the week making a preliminary trip over the territory through which there will be some road building in the near future. He spent the day here and in conversation with a Ledger man stated that he had nothing definite to give out as to the route their road would traverse through this country, but before leaving town he had some good things to say about Ballinger. W. A. Norman accompanied him around through the cotton yard, oil mill, compress and other leading enterprises of the town and his opinion of the future of Ballinger was very encouraging.

Maj. Gordon said they were making three surveys through this country, one connecting with the Santa Fe at Coleman, one at San Angelo and one at Ballinger. He said his business on this trip was to meet the people and see what their feelings were towards a new road, stating that his company had not determined as to what route would be the more acceptable, but was positive that the road would come this way from Amarillo at an early date, and in leaving Ballinger said we would hear from him again soon.—Runnels County Ledger.



THE FORD'S BLACK DRAUGHT

The Ford's Black-Draught cures many regulating the entire system and keeping the body in health than any other medicine made. It is always ready in any emergency to treat ailments that are frequent in any family, such as indigestion, biliousness, colic, diarrhoea, and stomach aches.

The Ford's Black-Draught is the standard, never-failing remedy for stomach, bowel, liver and kidney troubles. It is a cure for the domestic ills which so frequently summon the doctor. It is as good for children as it is for grown persons. A dose of this medicine every day will soon cure the most obstinate case of dyspepsia or constipation, and when taken as directed brings quick relief.

THE FORD'S BLACK DRAUGHT has been analyzed for five years and we want to show you the results. It is a safe and sure cure for all ailments of the stomach, bowels, liver and kidneys. It is a safe and sure cure for all ailments of the stomach, bowels, liver and kidneys. It is a safe and sure cure for all ailments of the stomach, bowels, liver and kidneys.



J. J. Robbins, of Bronte, was transacting business with Ballinger merchants this week.—Runnels County Ledger.

—Everything in Furniture at Green's.

GO TO
Oak Hall Saloon
Miles, Texas,
For Fine Whiskies, Beer
Wines, Cigars etc.
Your Patronage Solicited.
W. S. LAND, Prop.

A Warm Boquet.
George Cowan, the versatile and untiring editor of the Robert Lee Observer, spent a couple of days this week in San Angelo. He was on his way up the Santa Fe on business bent. George has wonderfully improved the appearance of the "Coke County Rattler," has added hundreds of subscribers to its circulation, and is doing a world of good work in dear old Coke county, all of which the people over yonder seem to appreciate, and it does our hearts good to see it. Here's all sorts of good luck to you, Editor Cowan, may the Lord bless you in your good work and may the Goddess of Fortune smile ever so pleasantly on the Robert Lee Observer.—San Angelo Standard.

You-m, y-c-m, take anything you want, from a schooner to a keg.

—The Edgewood Bar at San Angelo, carries as fine a stock of liquors as can be found in that city. They make a specialty of the jug trade. 24t

Revolution Imminent.

A sure sign of approaching revolt and serious trouble in your system is nervousness, sleeplessness or stomach upsets. Electric Bitters will quickly dismember the troublesome cause. It never fails to tone the stomach, regulate the kidneys and bowels, stimulate the liver and clarify the blood. Run down systems benefit particularly and all the usual attending aches vanish under its searching and thorough effectiveness. Electric Bitters is only 50c, and that is returned if it don't give perfect satisfaction. Guaranteed by T. D. Evans, Druggist

Fenced the Cemetery.
San Angelo, Texas, Dec. 1.—The Ladies of the Fairmount Cemetery association have had erected around the cemetery here a substantial iron fence with stone gates. The fence has just been completed, the cost of same being \$950. Thus far the sum of \$633.50 has been subscribed.

Collection Notice.
Our patrons knowing themselves indebted to us will please call and settle. We are in need of money. All our debts come due in October and November and we must collect in order to meet our obligations.
Evans Drug Store.
—Don't forget Beeman when you want a good photo.

J. A. GREEN

DEALER IN
Groceries, Grain and Furniture and Undertal
Livery Stable and Wagon
First-class service in every line. We want your money. Give us a trial.

There are those who will say that the South has lost millions by not selling her cotton as fast as it was ginned. On the surface of Saturday's slump this would appear so, but that is a superficial view.

If the cotton had been marketed as rapidly as ginned in October and November the port receipts would have depressed prices from day to day and week to week, and the net decline from the high prices of the opening of the season would have been the same or greater. We have only to recall the experience of the last few years to realize this fact. It has been the habit of the farmer to rush the market in September, October and November, and the spinners have never failed to magnify the significance of receipts, to talk ominously of the top crop, which rarely ever materializes, and by means of these figures and warnings keep cotton down until the bulk of the crop had left the farmers' hands.

This year prices have been sustained, in spite of gradually accumulating evidence of a big crop until the first of December. The fact is, therefore, that a third to a half of the crop has been sold at 9 to 10 cents instead of the 8 cents—or possibly 7 cents—that would have prevailed with the accustomed heavy marketing in the early months.

THE BURTON-LINGG
Successors to Wm. CAMERON & CO.
EVERYTHING IN
LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIAL
COURTEOUS TREATMENT AND RIGHT PRICES
San Angelo, Texas.

I AM IN MY NEW QUARTERS.
I have moved my Furniture and Second hand store into the building formerly occupied by the U. & G. Hagelstein Co. I am now ready for business in my new home and would like to meet my Coke county friends when needing anything in Furniture or Second hand Goods.
W. J. DOUGHERTY, — San Angelo, Texas.

It was fortunate that the gin reports came out in installments during the week ahead of the bureau estimates, for they foreshadowed a big yield and cotton houses were enabled to hedge in time against the anticipated decline. Otherwise the slump would have brought ruin to many concerns.

Aside from all this, the incident again teaches the folly of cotton speculation. It is a hazardous business at best, and sooner or later brings disaster to all who venture upon margins. There are just two legitimate fields of the cotton business. The one is growing it and the other is manufacturing it. All between is a delusion and a snare.—Fort Worth Record.

Long Living.
The men of eighty-five and ninety years of age are not the rotund well fed, but thin, spare men who live on a slender diet. Be as careful as he will, however, a man past middle age, will occasionally eat too much or of some article of food not suited to his constitution, and will need a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets to cleanse and invigorate his stomach and regulate his liver and bowels. When this is done there is no reason why the average man should not live to old age. For sale by Evans Drug Store.

Notice Trespass.
Notice is hereby given that I own and control every acre of and in my Grape creek pastures situated in Coke and Tom Green counties and that all trespassers for hunting, fishing, hauling wood, hunting hogs, bee trees, gathering pecans, working stock or any other trespass will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
N. M. March.

Purity The Real Standard
In buying drugs the really essential feature is purity. It is impossible to get cheap drugs and have the pure.
We Buy the Best and Sell Them Close
The result is a trifle lower cost to you, but we never slight the worth of the drugs we sell and we are exact on the prescriptions we fill.
EVANS DRUG STORE

GO TO TOM CROSS
For first class Horse Shaping, the celebrated Copewell Horse Nails used. Buggies, Wagons and Machinery overhauled and repaired on short notice. Buggies refitted with Ball Axles which makes your Buggy forty per cent lighter draft. Wheels rolled, made good as new. Tires set cold, the latest and best process. Bring me your repair work, prices reasonable and satisfaction guaranteed. Will stock up on material about January 1906 for all kinds of Buggy and Wagon repairs. I also take orders for Buggies and Hacks.

Everything New
Our stock of Dry Goods, Shoes, Groceries, etc. etc. is all new stock, and our lines are complete in every detail. We bought at figures that will enable us to
SAVE YOU MONEY
on every purchase no matter how large or small, we want your business and are willing to divide profits with you.
B. F. TUBB, Robert Lee.

PROFESSIONAL CAR.
W. O. MERCHANT,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
Robert Lee, Texas.

J. D. JOWERS,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
Robert Lee, Texas.

J. R. PATTISON,
G. C. McInish
PATTISON & MERCHANT
LAWYERS, LAND AGENTS
AND NOTARIES PUBLIC
ROBERT LEE, TEXAS.

J. B. LATHAM,
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.
Office at Evans Drug Store.
ROBERT LEE,
Drs. MARRHEBY & COOPER,
SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.
Practice limited to all cases of Wounds, Gun and Surgery, Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat and Chronic diseases generally.
DR. F. B. DICKINSON,
DENTIST
Office at residence, Dr. Martin place.
Robert Lee, Texas.

Drs. LOVE & GORMAN,
DENTISTS,
San Angelo, Texas.
Over Finlader's. Phone 185

DR. H. WIGGINS,
DENTIST
Gold Crown and Bridge Work Scientifically done. Phone 185
Office up stairs in the Mays building.

GIVEN AWAY!
A Ladies Handsome Gold Watch With Diamond Set in Case, Valued at \$50.

In order to increase the circulation of the Observer and put it in every home in the county we will on Saturday February 11 present to the most popular young lady in the county the above described present. The contest will be run eleven weeks, from Dec. 2nd 1904 to February 11, 1905.

The price of subscription will be \$1.00 per year as heretofore and the contest will be conducted in the following manner:

COUPON No. 1
Good for One Vote (1) for Miss _____
in the Observer Watch voting contest for the most popular young lady in Coke County.

NAME _____
P. O. ADDRESS _____

On No. 1 when cut from the paper entitle the holder one vote.

On No. 2. For every \$1.00 paid in advance on subscription either new subscription or renewals will be given coupon No. 2, entitling the holder to 100 votes.

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Parties voting will sign their own name on the back of each vote and send it to the Observer not later than Thursday morning of each week following the date of the previous Friday's paper, together with the name of the young lady you wish to receive your vote signed on the front on the lines for that purpose. The vote will be signed by the editor and placed in a box and will be counted by a committee of three citizens each week and the result recorded in the paper.

No votes will be sold at any price. The only way they can be obtained is by cutting the coupon No. 1 from the paper and coupon Nos. 2 and 3 by paying subscription.

Any young lady unmarried, over 14 years of age whose home is in Coke county will be eligible, provided they are endorsed by one or more citizen of the county. Now is the opportunity for you to secure a handsome and durable present by a little work for the Observer. Ask your friends to subscribe for the Observer or pay up back dues and give you the votes. Ladies entering the contest will be furnished with circular letters and envelopes in order to help them secure subscriptions. Address all letters of inquiry or subscriptions to

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Mrs. Anna Harris.
Sold by Evans Drug Store.

R. L. McCauley left this week for a look over the Orient grade from here to the Red river. Mr. McCauley says there will be something doing in railroad matters within a short time.

J. A. Clift, who has recently been appointed deputy sheriff of Coke county, was in the city since our last issue looking after some official business in the district court at this place.

Messrs Allison and Foster of Coke county, were here on business this week.

F. D. Copeland, of Coke county was here trading this week.

Justice Hamilton was here the latter part of last week from Robert Lee.—Sweetwater Review.