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WINTERS NEWS.

On Thursday, the 15th inst., this community was visited by a severe wind, rain and hail storm. Little damage was done here in Winters, but near here the destruction was great. Following is a partial list of the names of those whose homes were partly or totally destroyed: Bill Gee, roof and windows ruined by hail; A. L. Cox, roof considerably damaged and what was once the most beautiful yard in this country totally ruined, orchard riddled; Tom Hambrick, house blown away and contents almost a total loss. Mr. Lewis, Sr., on Long Branch, house a complete wreck, also that of Messrs. Golder and Hickson, near Mr. Lewis'.

There was nothing left of the crops in the storm's path to show that any had ever been planted.

Fortunately no lives were lost nor anyone seriously hurt. The farmers will replant their cotton, sorghum and maize, but corn, oats and wheat are beyond redemption. This was the greatest storm, by odds, that has ever visited this county since its organization. We hope it will be the only one ever recorded on the pages of her history.

Children's Day, the 18th, was appropriately observed by the Sunday School here. Long before the appointed hour, 7:30 p. m., the church was crowded.

The following program was carried out:

- Opening song, by school.
- Prayer by Bro. Jackson.
- Recitation, "Jesus Paid the Fare," by Pearl Speer.
- Recitation, "Little Buds of Promise," Lucile Murray.
- Duet—"The Sweetest Song," by two little girls.
- Recitation, "It Must be Set and Right"—Oliver Fannin.
- Recitation, "Was it You?"—Katie Pierce.
- Recitation, "Sin of Omission," Katie Speer.
- March Song, by School.
- Recitation—Miss Eula Hood.

Dialogue, "The Way of the World," by Joe Yeats, Miss Lucy Tinkle, Ada Currie, Earl Rogers, James Speer and Geo. Murray.

Song, "Two Little Hands," by Girls.

"Crowning the Sunday School Angel," Geo. Murray, Lucy Tinkle, Lola Rodgers, Ruth Farrar, Mollie Murray and Edna Springfield. "The Angel of the Word of God" (Miss Ruth Farrar) was crowned "Angel of the Sunday School."

Recitation, "The Two Princes," Etta Farrar.

Recitation, "Do Our Work," Lorena Hood.

Song, "Jesus Bids Us Shine," Sunday School.

Recitation, Ethel Crowder.

Closing Address by Geo. Speer.

Song, "God Be With You,"—Congregation.

Mrs. T. W. Murray, organist.

All acted their parts in a way that reflected credit upon themselves and the committee, of which Mrs. T. W. Murray was chairman. It will long be remembered as one of the most pleasant occasions that Winters ever experienced.

D. R. Oliver and little brother returned the 21st from Groesbeck, Texas, where they went to be present during the last moments of their grandfather, Oliver, who recently expired at his home in that city. We sincerely condole with the bereaved.

Col. R. H. Nesbitt, who has been confined to his room for quite a while with a severe attack of sickness, was up town Wednesday morning for the first time since he became sick. We are glad to see the Colonel so much improved.

The basket picnic to be given by the people of Winters and surrounding country on the 7th will be on Bluff creek in Van S. Lewis' pasture, about 2½ miles southeast of Winters. Let us lay aside the cares of business for one day and enjoy a regular old-fashioned picnic. Don't forget the date,

June 7th, 1902.

C. W. Miller, Esq., of Content, was in Winters the 21st the guest of C. E. Woodrow, his partner in the gin business at Content.

The picnic given by the Lone Star Gun Club the 19th was a success. W. H. Mullin won the first prize, Joe Ashbacha, second, J. Whit. Patterson, 3d, and Parker Woodward 4th.

Tom Frieson, of Content, was here the 17th. He reports destruction by the wholesale in his community as a result of the recent storm.

L. A. Harper is treating his residence to a fresh coat of paint. W. H. Mullin, painter.

R. L. Meek, Esq., is having I. T. Avery, the painter and paper hanger, to practice his profession towards further beautifying the already beautiful premises of said R. L. Meek.

An arbor or tabernacle to hold protracted meetings under this summer is very much needed here. Who will be first to make a move towards having one erected? More anon. NEMO.

A BRILLIANT RECEPTION.

The Second Open Session of The Shakespeare Club.

One of the most pleasant events of the season was the entertainment given by the Shakespeare Club, at the residence of Mrs. Garland Odom, Friday evening, May 16.

The ladies who assisted Mrs. Odom in receiving were Mesdames John F. Curry, William E. Odom, William R. Spencer and Miss Edna Odom.

The house was most beautifully decorated with ferns, smilax and evergreens; the club colors, white and gold, being carried out in daisies.

The guests were taken immediately to the dining room, where, from a cozy corner, and beautifully decorated table, punch was served by Misses Nelle Butler and Mamie Thom-

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son. Programs were then distributed, and the guests repaired to the spacious double parlors, where were arranged fourteen tables, each of which was provided with a dainty hand-painted score card, the work of Misses Edna Odom and Nelle Butler, and a list of questions, etc., to be answered by the guests, but the table around which the greatest interest centered, however, was the one at which the greatest number of words was to be made from the word Shakespeare. Mrs. W. R. Spencer was the successful contestant at this table and received the prize, an etching of "Stratford On Avon," while the booby prize, a blank book, was awarded Mr. John Ryan. "Othello's Apology" was recited by Miss Minnie Guion

Francis in a most graceful and interesting manner, while Miss Augusta Hardgrave delighted the audience with the solo "The Lorely," by Listz. The piano solo "Liebestraum" Von Gabriel, as rendered by Miss Neal Guion, was a musical treat. Mr. Jas. W. Pickens rendered several original piano selections in his inimitable way, which were highly enjoyed by everyone.

Ice cream and cake were served and at a late hour the guests dispersed, having spent a most delightful evening.

REPORTER.

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The rain of Saturday night and Sunday put this country two-thirds on the way to prosperity. The sunshine and the citizens will do the rest.

"Early to bed, early to rise; Hustle all day and advertise," is a good motto, and if more of our people would adopt it, there would be more successful men in business.

A terrible cyclone struck Goliad, Texas, Sunday afternoon at 3.45 p. m., killing ninety and wounding 120. The storm lasted five minutes. A path two miles wide and one mile long through the city is in heaps.

"What would you say," began the voluble prophet of woe, "if I were to tell you that in a very short space of time all the rivers of this country would dry up?" "I would say," replied the patient man, "Go thou and do likewise."

On May 17th. Alfonso XIII was crowned "King of Spain, Castile, Jerusalem, Majorca, Minorca, Gibraltar, The Canary Isles, The East and West Indies, India and Oceanica," having reached the age of sixteen.

"We would like to get a holt of some of these city fellers that are always singin' 'bout the happy fields and the pleasures of farm life," said the Georgia farmer. "There's a great demand for field hands, and we could utilize every one of them."

The present management of the Banner-Leader truly appreciates the compliments passed on last issue of the paper and the words of encouragement and kind wishes from numerous friends. We will strive to merit the good will of good people continually.

Governor Sayers has extended a formal invitation to the Illinois Manufacturer's association of Chicago to visit Texas for a tour of the state and an investigation of its business possibilities. Supplementing this are like requests from Houston, Palestine, Temple, Waxahachie, Weatherford, Dallas, San Antonio, Fort Worth, Beaumont, Sherman, Denison, Waco and Corsicana.

The Joser, of Colorado City, gives this timely advice to one of the local politicians: "A certain politician in this town says he is going to Stephens county and call Ed Davenport, of the Breckenridge Democrat, a liar from the stump. I would advise the gentleman to select a stump in an adjoining county and use a long-distance telephone. I was editing the Breckenridge Texian. Davenport's first paper, with a hand roller, when a bad man dropped in one day to call Davenport something foreign to the truth. I had a letter from that county ten years later stating that the bad man was slowly recovering."

Texas' Two Senators.

At no distant future Texas promises to march at the head of the procession, not only in quantity and quality of material products, but also in things political. No State in the Union is represented in the United States senate with greater zeal and ability than Texas. Senators Culberson and Bailey are both men of great ability and in the prime of life physically. These men have great careers before them, and we can see no reason why they, or either of them, may not attain the highest honor in this giant republic. But a few weeks ago Senator Bailey was complimented with many notices in connection with the presidency from leading newspapers throughout the country, and now it seems that Senator Culberson's turn is due. From far off Michigan comes the vibrant strain through the Detroit News, which rightly says that "if the National democracy is looking for a live man for presidential purposes in 1904 it can hardly begin a systematic search without encountering Senator Culberson of Texas. Culberson has come forward surprisingly for a man who has been at Washington so short a time, and, in estimating his qualities, it is just as well to remember that he arrived in the senate nine years after his introduction to public life, and has taken a prominent position there at the end of his first dozen years in politics. It was in 1890 that he was elected attorney general of Texas, and he followed that up by landing in the governor's chair, from which he transferred himself to the senate in a campaign which ended with only three votes against him in the two houses of the legislature. Even if nothing else were known, a record like this is convincing evidence that its owner must be a man of qualities. But Culberson has other things to recommend him."

This is a year of great disasters—volcanic eruptions, earthquakes, tornadoes, floods and mine horrors. The latest is an explosion of the Frateville coal mine, located two miles west of Coal Creek, Tennessee, in which over two hundred men and boys met instant death. The explosion occurred at 7:30 o'clock Monday morning. Only one man working in the mines was found alive after the explosion, and he was blown out of the entrance by the force of the explosion.

There is a volcano on Mount Iona, Neb. It has been silent for thirty years, but last week a sudden ebullition of gases, steam and a slight cloud of fine ashes created the belief that the volcano was about to break forth in full volume, and residents of the city began preparing to leave. It has since quieted again.

Dr. John Grant the U. S. marshal who was recently relieved of his job by President Roosevelt, announces that he is for Hanna for president in 1904. It is but natural that he is not for Roosevelt.

In talking with a number of farmers the Banner-Leader learns that the first crop of Johnson grass will be light, due to light rains, but there will be a very heavy second crop.

—The best 5c cigars at Dorsey's

The Texas Ginner and Miller says cotton mills are short and thinks cotton will be worth 7 cents from October till Christmas. This has been the cry of the beginning of every cotton season for a number of years. It depends large upon the financial condition of farmers. Even with a short supply and a short crop the price manipulators can hold the price low till late in the season, if they realize that the cottonraisers must sell.

The beautiful, historic old town of Goliad, Texas, was on last Sunday afternoon struck by a cyclone which left death and desolation in its pathway. About one hundred people being killed and fully as many wounded, many of whom will die. Many thousands of dollars worth of property was destroyed. The cyclone also destroyed \$50,000 worth of property at San Antonio, and visited Seguin and other places, doing great damage at each.

This year promises to be a prosperous one and Ballinger's business men should begin to prepare for it. Of course we all want Ballinger to grow, but wanting doesn't amount to but very little unless backed up by efforts to stimulate growth. A good way to start would be to organize a board of trade and make it a business to invite capital and capitalists, welcome visitors and prospectors, and show Ballinger up as a field for investment, as a location for factories, etc., etc. An organization of this kind under any name would mean much for the city. Let us organize.

A Love-Sick Reuben.

You have sot my heart a cuttin' up most thunderation queer,
O! it never acted this-a-way before!
Keeps a flippin' an' a floppin' sort o' shuck all out o' gear,
Like a calf a buttin' at a barn door!
Sence I tuk you home from meetin' week ago come Sunday night
I have bin a hoein' in a weedy row,
Fur you hugged the arm you hung to with yer own so goldarned tight
Like you had a mind to never let it go,
When I heerd you sing in meetin' "Sin-ner turn, why will ye die,"
I come plaguey near a turnin' then an' there;
If I'd only caught a coxin' little twinkle of yer eye
I'd have hustled to the mourners' bench fer prayer.
Felt as mean as any sneakin' dog that's caught a suckin' eggs
When I listened to yer voice so master sweet,
An' I had to work like thunder fur to keep my longin' legs
From a totin' me up to the mercy seat.
When I'm in the field a plowin', earnin' of my daily bread
By the wet percipitation of my brow
Seems to be a little 'Hanner dancin' in my cranky head
To th' music of the scrapin' of the plow.
Every furrow that I foller seems a rosy path o' love
E'enmost too holy fur my stoga boots,
An' I'm all the time a wondering if my little turkle dove
Will with me be willin' to go in cahoots.
Ain't a hollyhock a blooming that is purtier than you,
Ain't no indigo that's bluer than your eyes so master blue,
Ain't a dandelion growin' that is pleasier to view
In the meadow where the clover blossoms air.
You air plumper than a punkin, you air slicker than a plum,
An' the next time I from meetin' go to see you safe to hum
I will ask you if you'll have me, by the great Jerusalem,
If I die for it, Hanner Jane Blair!
—James Barton Adams in the Denver Post.

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ANNOUNCEMENT COLUMN.

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CAPT. J. E. SMITH,
(Re-election)
W. H. WEEKS.
IKE O. WOODEN.

For Constable Precinct No. 1.

J. A. DEMOVILLE.
B. W. PILCHER, Re-election

For Public Weigher:

FRANK STUART.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector

R. P. KIRK (Re-election.)
PARKER G. WOODWARD.
J. W. CLAMPITT.

For Treasurer

W. F. SHARP (Re-election.)

For County and District Clerk

E. M. BLACKBURN.
W. L. TOWNER (Re-election)

For Tax Assessor:

W. T. PADGETT,

For Representative 102nd Representative District:

CLAUDE B. HUDSPETH,
of Ozona.

For County Judge.

C. H. WILLINGHAM.
T. T. CROSSON (re-election)

For Congress 16th Congressional District:

O. T. MAXWELL, of Cisco.

Justice of the Peace and Commissioner Precinct No. 3:

J. E. GREENFIELD.
C. J. HORTON. (Re-election)

Commissioner and Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 2.

A. D. TALLY, (Re-election.)

For Commissioner Precinct No. 2:

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—For matting at bargains, see Bowden.

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Wingate Items.

After a silence of several weeks we again dip our pen in ink to chronicle a few of the happenings of our progressive little town and community.

Since the refreshing showers grass is in its richest state, and who will not welcome the growing grass of spring? Since it takes this rich grass feed to successfully combat the great beef trust, which through scarcity of feed, has oppressed and put the price of beef almost out of reach of the people who occasionally want a breakfast steak. Give us more grass if it can put beef on our tables for there is no meat more wholesome than good juicy cow when well cooked and we maintain that any trust that deprives us of our beef is a menace to the stomach of mankind. Give us grass.

The beautiful streams are again filled with water and affords much amusement for our people. The sportsman shoots ducks, the fisherman spends his time angling for perch, while the lad and the lass seek pleasure in riding upon the placid waves.

A large number of our people attended the closing exercises of the school at Pumphrey Saturday night, ye scribe being among the number. Pumphrey is situated right in the middle of the great black land belt of our community and surrounded by many substantial farmers and we don't think the time far distant when she will be able to cope with Wingate in all of her undertakings.

The Wingate base ball team is now organized with Mr. Wylie Cathey as captain and we think that with just a little practice we will be able to cross bats with most any team in the country. We had quite an interesting game of ball Saturday two weeks ago at the picnic among the married men and single men. The single men of course came off victorious by a large majority.

Mr. Will Moore, of San Angelo is visiting among us this week.

Prof. Parker has again got his dwelling upon its foundation since the storm blew it off and is now soliciting aid to help dig a storm house.

The cry of too much rain can now be heard on almost every corner. Guess by this time that some of the new comers are beginning to believe that it can and does rain in Runnels once and awhile.

Rev. J. S. Moore finished repairing his barn and sheds that were badly wrecked during the storm of last Thursday and Mr. McTownsend has again rebuilt his buggy house that was torn down.

Wonder what has become of Saul and many others of the correspondents that used to brighten the columns of the Leader with their newsy articles? Since the good rains we see no reason why they shouldn't again come to the front and tell us what they are doing.

Hoping for the Leader and her new managers much success, we will close.

REX.

He—Wise men hesitate. Only fools are certain.

She—Are you sure?

He—I am quite certain of it!

Then she laughed.—New York Herald.

Spring dusters, whips, bridles, collars, saddle blankets, marals, etc., etc., at Currie & Shaffer's.

Cured by Immersion.

Jake Smith and his outfit had been shipping cattle from Baird. They had worked all day Saturday and almost all of Saturday night. About 3 o'clock Sunday morning they loaded the last car. Tired, cold and hungry, they went by a saloon and got enough whiskey to warm up on and then went out to their camp, which was on a small creek near the town. Jake felt weary and wrapping his blankets about him lay down and was soon fast asleep. He awoke to find himself sailing through the air into a ten-foot pool of water. Swimming out he said nothing, for even the "boss" must take what comes when the boys are in a rollicky humor.

In turn each of the sleepers was treated to an ice bath. About the time the last man was crawling out on the bank of the creek and just as the sun was rising, a stranger came riding over the hill to the camp and inquired if they had seen anything of a small black pony. "Yes sir," replied Jake, "he's out there with the hosses. Git down and warm and the boys will get him for you." The stranger alighted, but had no sooner touched ground than a stalwart cowboy walked up to each side of him and catching him by the arms, started to the creek with him singing "Amazin' grace, how sweet the sound." When they reached the creek they caught him by the slack of the trousers and in he went. He rose to the surface and swam to the bank. Sitting there he calmly surveyed the crowd and remarked:

"Gentlemen, is this thing customary in this country?"

"Yes, it's customary," was Jake's reply. "We will teach you to hunt horses on Sunday." The stranger mounted his horse and rode off with the water sloshing out of his boot tops while Jake led in the song, "There were ninety and nine."—Houston Post.

Roped a Catamount.

A large sized and very savage looking catamount, securely chained in a barrel and loaded on a wagon, created considerable interest on Chadbourne street Wednesday afternoon. The animal was in charge of W. M. McQueen, who roped it a few days since on the Duke ranch in Sterling county. He said that the saying, "Fought like a wildcat," was fully exemplified in the actions of the creature when it felt the noose about its throat. It sprang a distance of ten feet in an effort to come to close quarters with its captor and narrowly missed sinking its claws into his horse's flank. The cat is one of the largest of his kind, and is still chuck full of fighting energy.—San Angelo Standard.

Scholastic Census Report.

District No. 9, Runnels county Texas. Scholastic year beginning September 1st, 1902, and ending August 31st, 1903, is as follows: The scholastic number for 1900 was 447, for 1901 was 497 and 1902 is 510. If there is anyone overlooked you will please let me know or call on Mr. E. D. Walker and have your children enrolled. Ages between 8 and 17 years September 1st.

Yours Respectfully

"Papa, what is an octopus?"
"Any man, who has just succeeded in getting the best of his neighbor."

Love Making by Injunction.

Judge Mullins, of Denver, Colo., denied John Conlon application for injunction to restrain Charles Richards from visiting Niss Etta Rice, with whom both young men were paying their attention. Conlon's petition sets forth:

"That on or about February 13, for a valuable consideration, to wit, ten dollars (\$10.00) paid by the said plaintiff to the aforesaid defendant, the aforesaid defendant agreed and contracted to introduce this plaintiff to Miss Etta Rice, described by the said defendant as a 'swell.'

"That the purpose of said introduction understood and agreed to by and between said defendant and plaintiff, was matrimony.

"That the said defendant, pretending to carry out the obligation thus imposed, presented this plaintiff to the said Etta Rice.

"That plaintiff did press his suit and receive such encouragement from the said Etta Rice as led this plaintiff to expend much money at that time and since.

"That all the efforts of the plaintiff to secure the favors of the said Etta Rice have been rendered fruitless by the malicious interferences and unwarranted attacks made on the character and personality of this plaintiff by the said Richards, who, the plaintiff alleges, at divers times and places referred to him sneeringly, contemptuously and slightly as a 'rube', a 'farmer' and a 'sucker', all of which caused the said Etta Rice to display coolness toward the said plaintiff.

There is a class of people who buy everything they can away from their home town, but when they have something to sell they raise a tremendous howl because they can find no market. They want to "save money," as they express it, and beat the local dealer out of his legitimate profit and thus they proceed to get a catalogue of some wholesale house and supply their wants. Some business men as well as professional men order their stationery at some cheap printing house because it is a little cheaper and thus refuse to support their home newspaper that does more for their interests in building up their town, enhancing the value of property, etc., than they can ever repay. That which builds up one interest in a town or county necessarily builds up the interest of every other citizen in that town or county and we should all strive to build up our town and thus help each other.

Annual Meeting National Educational Association and sale of tickets to St. Paul Minn. for the same occasion Minneapolis, Minn. July 7th to 11th Limit July 14th. Rate one regular standard first class fare plus \$2.

Tourist rates, Sulphur Spring, I. T. See Santa Fe agent for particulars.

Southern Students Conference, Y. M. C. A., Ashville, Tenn. June 14 to 23 and Atlanta, Ga. June 24 to 28.

Y. M. C. A. Conference, Y. M. C. A., Chicago, Ill. June 29 to July 3.

Y. M. C. A. Conference, Y. M. C. A., Chicago, Ill. July 4 to 8.

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Cuba a Republic.

On May 20th a new republic was born, the flag of Cuba taking the place of the stars and stripes. Thus ends a struggle for existence of this little island. Perhaps no nation in its incipency ever had a bloodier siege for its freedom, and none ever exhibited more heroism and bravery than the soldiers who fought, bled and died for that which is dear to every civilized man, viz: life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

A Banner-Leader man in conversation with a certain capitalist who invested pretty heavily in Runnels county real estate before our little dry spell, asked him if he was shaky of his venture and he replied that he was not by any means. He stated that he had invested in real estate in Williamson county while land was cheap there and in a few years saw land go from \$5 per acre to \$40.00, and he felt sure that the same results would soon be realized here. He stated that if old Runnels raised a crop this summer, a large influx of immigration will come this fall.

The genial smile and warm clasp of the candidates hand is now encountered on every hand. We have often thought what a happy world this would be if the same sociability would characterize all our citizenship as it does our candidates during their campaign. If this were true we would not sigh for that "land of rest," where all is peace and plenty, where the rippling brook with its sparkling waters and merry birds that warble their sweet music and the sighing bough which is so restful, but we would try to homestead a section of Runnels county soil and there live on and on.

In this issue of the Banner-Leader appears Carpenter Bros. add. These gentlemen besides handling the best grade of ice are conducting the Ballinger Filling Works and turn out first grade of soda water. Agents in surrounding territory do business with them.

Result of the City Election.

The following is the result of the special election for an alderman to fill the place made vacant by P. E. Truly's removal from the city. John Hoffer received 112 votes; T. S. Lankford 70; C. S. Bowden, 1.


AN EARLY DAY EXPERIENCE.

Cashier Who Fights off Bandits Visits the Scene of the Fight.

Cleburne, Texas, May 16.—When Cleburne was a little village on the border of civilization, pursuing the small commerce common to all infant Texas towns in the year 1881, Mr. Ben Hartseau was cashier of one of Cleburne's two banks. In fact, he performed all the duties necessary to the conduct of the banking business and was alone in the bank. Such men as the James brothers, the Younger brothers and Sam Bass were then common topic, inspiring young and old with vague fears and dread lest they suddenly appear in the quiet town on the banks of Buffalo creek and create consternation with rifle shots and depredation. One quiet day in April, 1881, two strangers appeared in Cleburne. They wore rubber slickers, and were mysterious in manner. It was soon known that they were armed and they became objects of suspicion. In those days of slow travel by stage the mail came to town about twice each week. On this particular April day the stage came in bringing the mail, which attracted most of the few business men to the postoffice on the opposite side of town from the bank presided over by Mr. Hartseau. This hour these two mysterious strangers selected to enter the bank. Both banks had been warned against the strangers being probable members of a gang of bank robbers. So when they entered the bank Mr. Hartseau was on his guard. Just what transpired preliminary to the battle that followed is not now clear.

He believed they were going to rob the bank and he tried to prevent it at the risk of his life.

The cashier would have killed both men, but his pistol failed to fire three times in succession. He grappled one of the men, and hung on to him till they reached the street, when the other one struck him on the head with his pistol, felling him instantly, and completely paralyzing speech, sight and motion. He heard one say: "Let's kill him and get out of this in a hurry." A pistol was placed against his head and a shot went crasding through his jaw. The rush of blood relieved the paralysis and Mr. Hartseau revived about the time the two men were twenty feet away, running to their horses. This time his pistol did not fail to fire. With blood streaming from a severed facial artery, hatless and disheveled, he pursued the fleeing men, a pistol duel in the street. Just as the men were turning the corner, one of them



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wounded companion to a seat behind him, making a successful dash for liberty. His daring dazed his pursuers and before they gained their equilibrium the trees and bushes had hidden the pair from view. They made a successful rush and were not caught. Mr. Hartseau was badly wounded, but eventually recovered. He soon moved away from Cleburne. This week he visited Cleburne and talked over the battle with the bank robbers with this writer, who was a small boy at the time, playing marbles across the street from the bank, and saw the whole encounter after the parties reached the street.

Sante Fe Excursion Rates.

Dallas, Tex.—Texas Convention Christian Church, June 9th to 12th, and Texas Retail Grocers and Butchers Association, June 19th to 11th, rates on the convention plan, limit June 13th.

Waco, Texas.—Texas Grain Dealers Association, May 22 and 23d, limit May 25th. Rates on the convention plan.

Huntsville, Tex.—Commencement Exercises Sam Houston Normal, convention rates. Dates of sale May 29th and 30th.

Minneapolis, Minn.—National Meeting Fraternal Order of Eagles, one fare for round trip. Dates of sale May 31 and June 1.

Galveston, Tex.—Texas Oot-touseed Crushers Association, convention rates, dates of sale June 2d and 3d.

Austin, Tex.—University commencement and University Summer Normal, convention rates. Dates of sale June 7th, 9th and 12th.

Obituary.

Miss Maude Wirt in Daviess county 1880. Was con the M. E. Ch Came to B 1st, 1901 1902. He its

Miss Grace Hudson and Cornelia Clark left Friday afternoon for their home in San Saba, after spending several days this week visiting Mrs Irene Gregg.

My motto is to select the best quality and pay cash, thus enable me to give you the most for your money. Jas. E. Brewer. Jeweler.

My office will be with the Banner-Leader over the Mapes saloon where I will be glad to see my friends. I take this occasion to thank the public for their support and patronage and expect to continue to conduct a first class insurance business, make farm ranch and city loans etc. as in the past. C. P. SHEPHERD.

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BALLINGER, TEXAS

Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, it has been seen best by our Heavenly Father to remove from our Sunday School class on June 20th, 1902, our loving friend, Miss Maud Winn.

Resolved, That we as teacher and pupils bow in humble submission to Him that doeth all things well, fully realizing that our loss is her eternal gain.

Resolved, 2nd. That we extend our deepest sympathy to the sorrowing relatives and pray that God's richest blessings may comfort them in this hour of trouble.

Resolved, 3rd. That a copy of this be furnished the bereaved family and a copy be placed upon the minutes of our Sunday School. STELLA FORBES, Teacher

Committee { Sammie Padgett, Lena Abney, Mary Rather.

It is reported that Lange & Co. will, in the near future, establish a real estate office in Angelo, and Mr. Lange will there and conduct the business at that end of the line. They are hustling, energetic men and we predict much success in their venture.

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Citation by Publication.

THE STATE OF TEXAS } To the sheriff or any Constable of Runnels county—Greeting.

You are hereby commanded, That by making Publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Runnels, if there be a newspaper published in said County, (but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published,) for four weeks previous to the return day hereof, you Summon T. C. Hunt whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. Justice Court at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the County of Runnels at the Court House thereof, in Town of Ballinger on the 26th day of May 1902. File Number being 322, then and there to answer the Petition of J. F. Currie filed in said Court, on the 8th day of May A. D. 1902 against the said T. C. Hunt and alleging in substance as follows to wit: That the said del. T. C. Hunt is justly indebted to plaintiff upon an open account in the sum of seventy eight 60-100 dollars for merchandise. That same is justly due and unpaid

Herein Fail not, but have you then and there before said Court this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court in Ballinger this the 8th day of May A. D. 1902.

Attest: J. E. SMITH Justice of the Peace Runnels county Texas.

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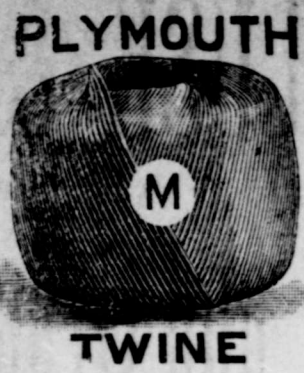
To the Public.

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Statement of Congressional Race in 16th District.

The following table shows the status of the Congressional race up to May 20th, and is official.

INSTRUCTED FOR SMITH.		INSTRUCTED FOR DEAN.	
Andrews.....	1 votes	El Paso.....	9 votes
Borden.....	1 "	Ector.....	1 "
Crane.....	1 "	Jeff Davis.....	1 "
Crosby.....	1 "	Loving.....	1 "
Crosby.....	1 "	Presidio.....	1 "
Cochran.....	1 "	Pecos.....	1 "
Dawson.....	1 "	Reeves.....	2 "
*Eastland.....	7 "	Tom Green.....	2 "
Fisher.....	1 "	Total.....	18 votes
Glasscock.....	1 "		
Gaines.....	1 "		
Garza.....	1 "		
Howard.....	1 "		
Hockley.....	1 "		
King.....	1 "		
Lubbock.....	1 "		
Lynn.....	1 "		
Midland.....	1 "		
Mitchell.....	2 "		
Martin.....	1 "		
Nolen.....	1 "		
Terry.....	1 "		
Upton.....	1 "		
Ward.....	1 "		
Winkler.....	1 "		
Yoakum.....	1 "		
Total.....	32 votes		
*Eastland is being contested between Smith and Maxwell.			

INSTRUCTED FOR JONES.	
Jones.....	3 votes.

UNINSTRUCTED.	
Shackleford.....	1 vote

FAVORABLE TO SMITH Convention not yet held

Brewster.....	1 votes
Coke.....	1 "
Callahan.....	3 "
Edwards.....	1 "
Irion.....	1 "
Kimble.....	1 "
Kent.....	1 "
Palo Pinto.....	5 "
Runnels.....	2 "

Schleicher.....	1 "
Sterling.....	1 "
Scurry.....	1 "
Stephens.....	3 "
Stonewall.....	1 "
Haskell.....	2 "
Concho.....	1 "
Total.....	26 votes

FAVORABLE TO DEAN. Convention not yet held.

Menard.....	2 votes
Sutton.....	1 "
Total.....	2 votes

DOUBTFUL.	
Crockett.....	1 votes
Taylor.....	4 "
Total.....	5 votes.

Remember the special sale of jewelry at Jas. E. Brewer's on Monday and Tuesday.

An old plow point made new at McKinley's shop shows that Mr. McKinley is a skilled workman. It is a smooth piece of work.

Junior Endeavor Program.

Song 52.
Subject—"How to be a Good Friend."—Proverbs 17:17.
Leader, Willie Allen.
Reading, Sam Rather.
Song 127.
Prayer, Rev. O. M. Fitzhugh.
Reading, Hattie Miles.
Solo, Anna Lee Doose.
Prayer.
Bible story, Merle Starnes.
Minutes read and roll called, answer by verse of scripture.
Song.
Benediction.
Everyone is requested to come promptly at 4 o'clock with their parts prepared to render.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on the ranches and lands formerly owned by W. J. Turner in Runnels county, near Wingate, for the purpose of hunting, fishing, cutting wood, gathering pecans, working stock or hunting hogs will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
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Southern Students Conference Y. M. C. A., Asheville, N. C. June 14 to 23 and Annual Conference Y. M. C. A. June 13 to 23, limit June 29, rate one standard first class limited fare for the round trip.

Annual meeting Young people's Christian Union Society of the United Presbyterian Church Tacoma, Washington, July 23rd, to 27th. See Santa Fe agents for limit and Rates.

LITTLE DROPS OF WATER.

A Chinese Punishment That Downed Strong Man Sandow.

One of the Chinese modes of punishment, especially when it is desired to extort a confession from a criminal, is to place him where a drop of water will fall on one certain spot of his shaven crown for hours. Some measure of the torture this inflicted was once experienced by Sandow, the "strong man," says The World's Events.

When Sandow was in Vienna some years ago, a schoolmaster made a wager with him that he would not be able to let a half liter of water drop on his hand until the measure was exhausted. Sandow laughed at the idea.

The measure was procured and a hole drilled in the bottom sufficient to let the water escape drop by drop. The experiment began. Sandow chatted gayly at first. The schoolmaster stood by and counted the drops as they fell. At the two hundredth Sandow became less jovial; then he became sober, and an expression of pain crossed his face. At the three hundredth his hand began to swell and grow red. The pain increased and at length became excruciating. Then the skin burst. Finally at the four hundred and twentieth drop Sandow acknowledged his defeat.

The Doctor and His Patient.

Dr. P. of London enjoys a very large practice and hardly finds time to take his much needed rest.

One day Dr. P., who had company to dinner, sat quietly chatting in a corner of the drawing room when he was told that a patient had come to see him who was strongly recommended by some fellow practitioners. The doctor submitted with a bad grace and stepped into his surgery.

Our physician was in the habit of ascertaining the condition of the patient by asking him to count and generally stopped him at thirty or thirty-five, quite enough for the purpose. This time also Dr. P. asked his patient to count. Time passed, and the guests began to feel alarmed at his protracted absence. One of them opened the surgery door. Dr. P. had gone to sleep in his armchair, and the patient had counted up to 8,642.—London Answers.

Dogs as Horses.

"In Belgium all the dogs are horses" is the way in which the Irishman described the fact. It comes as a rude surprise to an Englishman the first time he sees a heavy cart with an equally heavy market woman comfortably squatting in it drawn by a dog. And when he finds out that the streets of the old Flemish cities swarm with dog drawn vehicles of all sorts, sizes and shapes he rapidly concludes that he has entered a land of cruelty where man hath no bowels of compassion for the dumb brute. The milkwoman, the butcher, the fishmonger, the general dealer, all convey their goods through the streets in dog carts. Sometimes a single animal represents the tradesman's wealth in dogflesh; more often we see a pair cheerfully plodding along; occasionally the load is heavy enough to tax the energies of three of these patient animals.

The Musician and His Notes.

Once upon a time a very mean man employed a musician to play sweet music for him.

After some time the player asked his employer for compensation for his services and was put off with a fair promise. Then, after a time, he asked again, with a similar result. Then a third time he asked and insisted on receiving his pay.

"Did you not hear me promise to pay you?" asked the man.

"Yes," answered the player, "I did hear you, but I cannot play by ear alone."

Moral.—A good musician must have his notes.—New York Herald.

A Real Loss.

A gentleman who knew Bronson Howard when he was a boy in Detroit met him in New York one day and asked him if it were true, as he had heard, that William Winter had been a very bitter critic of his early plays, but that the sting had been extracted from his pen by a dinner at which some of their mutual friends had managed to bring them together.

"Yes," said Howard, "he was the only enemy I ever had. I lost him." —New York Times.

Ben Stone came in from Bryan Monday night.

Prof. M. L. Hill, of Pumphrey, was in the city Wednesday.

J. W. Taylor, Barnard & Co.'s man, spent Monday in Ballinger.

Sidney Cockrell has returned from a trip to Brownwood and Temple.

Mr. Zurcher, a handsome young man of Brenham, spent Sunday in Ballinger.

Mrs. T. T. Crosson and daughter left last Saturday afternoon for Houston and other points.

A. D. Tally, of Crews, was circulating among his many friends in Ballinger Tuesday.

W. J. Miller and wife arrived Sunday evening from San Angelo, where Mrs. Miller spent several weeks.

C. B. Black and family have returned from a stay of several months' duration at Madisonville, their old home.

Rev. Jake Hodges, representing the Church Helper, a Cumberland Presbyterian paper of Fort Worth, was here Tuesday.

Mrs. L. Rayburn and children, from Ada, I. T., arrived last week and are visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Dancer, and family.

The Methodist Sunday School spent last Saturday very pleasantly on a little picnic on the Colorado river. All report a pleasant time.

A revival meeting will begin at the Methodist church Sunday. The pastor, Rev. C. M. Shuffler, will be assisted by Rev. J. H. Stuart, of Vernon.

Mrs. B. B. Stone left last Saturday afternoon for Bryan to visit her parents. Her husband accompanied her as far as Temple, returning Sunday night.

A. M. Treadway called Monday, paid a dollar on subscription and gave the editor some items of news. We know how to, and do, appreciate such friends as Mr. Treadway.

Mrs. R. K. Wylie, accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Jewell, of Ft. Worth, arrived Tuesday night and went out on Wednesday to the ranch home of R. K. and Mrs. Wylie.

F. C. Ludwig, the genial young manager of the Temple Grocery Co., brought the Banner-Leader a dollar Saturday and ordered his name enrolled on the list that contains the names of a great majority of Runnels county's best business men and citizens.

M. L. Hill, of the firm of Davis & Hill, the merchants of Pumphrey, placed a nice order with the Banner-Leader for printed stationery while in the city Wednesday. He reports fine rains and no damage to crops by hail or wind in his section of the county.

Prof. J. H. Rotramel, principal of the public school of Winters, came down Tuesday and placed an order with the Banner-Leader for 500 catalogues for the term of 1902-1903, and a lot of stationery. Under his management Winters has had a good school and we predict the next term to be even more successful.

The BANNER-LEADER is a star advertising medium and is being recognized as the BEST because it goes into more homes and is read by more people than any other paper in this section of country. We are not running any "complimentary" or DEAD ads., but devoting all the space we can to reading matter.

C. O. Harris spent Saturday and Sunday in Concho county.

Mrs. Wm. Reinboldt came in from San Angelo Monday afternoon.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jones of near Runnels, Sunday, a fine boy.

The rain of Saturday night and Sunday extended over nearly all of western Texas.

T. D. Shepherd, of Coleman, spent Tuesday with his brother, C. P., of this place.

J. Whit Patterson one of Winters' hustling merchants was mingling with Ballinger's business circle Wednesday.

Mrs. Huffaker, mother of our efficient pumpman, left Monday afternoon for Lampasas. She had been visiting her son.

Uncle Joe Routh and Miss Katie Bell Gregory spent Tuesday in Content, the guest of H. T. Edgar's family.

Chas. W. Avery, a prominent young business man of Georgetown, spent a few days in Ballinger this week visiting friends.

C. B. Black and family returned to Ballinger Saturday night, after spending several months in East Texas at their old home.

Miss Maurice Truly came down Saturday afternoon from San Angelo to spend a few days with her cousin, Miss Viola Truly.

Miss Hermia Smith came in Monday night from Lewisville, where she has been teaching school. Her many friends here welcome her return.

W. A. Snyder, the genial "knight of the grip," and who owns a store at Maverick, this county, spent Monday in Ballinger talking up the interests of the Temple Grocer Co.

There's still a chance for Ballinger. Coleman has not yet raised the necessary "wad" with which to build the oil mill, and we think they have "called on their wealthiest citizens," too, but in vain.

C. A. Doose, the Ballinger real estate hustler, sold a section of land on Lipan Flat Thursday to Mr. Hall, of Runnels county. The land is situated in the I. G. Yates survey. Price not given.—San Angelo Standard.

Rev. J. H. Marshall, ex-pastor of the Christian church of this place but now of Oklahoma City, spent several days in Ballinger this week looking after business interests. Rev. Marshall made many friends while here and they are glad to see him again.

Anybody can do common printing, but when it comes to neat printing—printing that pleases and is in every way creditable, the Banner-Leader office is leading. We are equipped for doing all kinds of job printing promptly and at reasonable prices.

San Angelo is soon to put on several automobiles to be used as street cars, and of course she doesn't want oil mills and like concerns occupying space that could be used as a beautiful driveway. Now let Ballinger put on a little steam and build the oil mill.

Robert McAdams and son, Elgar, from Hunt county, were here this week and were guests of A. M. Treadway and family. Mr. McAdams traded a number of resident lots in West End addition to Ballinger to J. H. Wilkie for some cattle and he was here to see after them.

Teachers Elected.

On Wednesday of this week the school board of the Ballinger Public Schools elected teachers as follows:

1st grade, Miss Daisy Pitman.
2nd grade, Miss Augusta Hardgrave.

3rd grade, Miss Olive Dulaney.

4th grade, Miss Willie Proctor.

5th grade, Miss Alice Routh.

6th grade, Miss Edna Meyers.

The election of a superintendent and principal was postponed. Three of the six elected have taught in our schools for a number of years.

Picnic.

On June 7, 1902, Winters will give a grand celebration. An elegant program has been prepared and those who know Winters know she never does anything by halves but always breaks a trace. Everybody go and enjoy this occasion.

C. P. Shepherd made a business trip to Coleman Tuesday evening returning on the night train.

D. F. Lollar, one of Winters' substantial business men was mingling with friends at the capital city Wednesday.

Prof. M. L. Hill has been elected to teach the school at Pumphrey for the ensuing term. Pumphrey has a good school and the Banner-Leader predicts a successful year under Prof. Hill's management.

W. R. Davis, a prosperous farmer of the Pumphrey country was in the capital city Wednesday, he reports everything prosperous in the garden spot of old Runnels county.

—Currie & Shaffer still sell the famous "Noxall" collar—the best ever sold in the west.

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Cures Cholera-Infantum, Diarrhoea, Dysentery and the Bowel Troubles of Children of Any Age. Aids Digestion, Regulates the Bowels, Strengthens the Child and MAKES TEETHING EASY. Cures Eruptions and Sores, Colic, Hives and Thrush. Removes and prevents Worms. TEETHINA Counteracts and Overcomes the Effects of the Summer's heat upon Teething Children, and costs only 25 cents at Druggists, or mail 25 cents to C. J. MOFFETT, M. D., St. Louis, Mo.

It seems impossible for some of our creatures to be satisfied Always kicking for something, and if we get it kick again. A few weeks ago it was dry, dry weather and many wished it would rain "for two weeks on a stretch." Since then a bounteous rain has fallen and we now hear them complaining of too much rain. One man says it overflowed a ravine and washed grasshoppers off another man's farm on his; another says it filled his cellar and molded two pounds of good old homemade "terbacker" for him which he "wouldn't have taken a hoss for," and still another says it just ruined his prospects for a good melon crop—that the vines are growing so fast they drag and bruise the little melons "till they can't do no good." One man left a double-shovel and single-tree in the field and the high water got a double-shuffle on both of them, also one pair of suspenders and a bandana full of choice, early beans which he left hanging on the handles the double-shovel. After all "it's an ill wind that blows nobody good"—or words to that effect.

Sante Fe Excursion Rates.

Asheville, N. C.—Southern Students' Conference Y. M.C.A. June 14th to 23rd, and Annual Conference Y.W.C.A. June 13th to 23rd, One stan. 1st class

limited fare for the round trip.

Macon, Ga.—Annual Meeting Farmers National Congress, Oct. 7th to 10th, limit Oct. 15th, one first class limited fare for the round trip.

Reunion Hood's Texas Brigade Association, Bryan Texas, June 27th and 28th limit June 29th, rate on convention plan.

Annual Meeting Southern Educational Association, Chattanooga, Tenn., July 1st to 4th, limit July 8, rate one standard first class limited fare for the round trip plus \$2.

There is Health in the Pines.

Kinney's Rheumatic and Kidney Remedy, "K. R. K. R." distilled from the buds and berries of our forest trees, pine, etc., not the balsam, but the essence. This famous little remedy has gained its good reputation on its genuine merits. If this should meet the eye of a sufferer do not hesitate to mail 75 cents in stamps to Kinney Medicine Co., Los Angeles, Cal., and a bottle of this remedy will be sent by mail. Rheumatism scatica, lumbago, dropsy, grave kidney and urinary troubles are cured to stay cured.

Wall Paper

J. Y. PEARCE.

The famous Live Oak Flour delights all housekeepers. A fresh lot at Miller Mercantile Co's, opposite postoffice.

Bright's Disease.

The largest sum ever paid for a prescription, changed hands in San Francisco, Aug. 30, 1901. The transfer involved in coin and stock \$112,500.00 and was paid by a party of business men for a specific for Bright's Disease and Diabetes, hitherto incurable diseases.

They commenced the serious investigation of the Specific Nov. 15, 1900. They interviewed scores of the cured and tried it out on its own merits by putting over three dozen cases on the treatment and watching them. They also got physicians to name chronic, incurable cases, and administered it with the physicians for judges. Up to Aug. 25, eighty-seven per cent of the test cases were either well or progressing favorably.

There being but thirteen per cent of failures, the parties were satisfied and closed the transaction. The proceedings of the investigating committee and the clinical reports of the test cases were published and will be mailed free on application. Address JOHN J. FULTON COMPANY, 420 Montgomery St. San Francisco, Cal.



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Safe. Always reliable. Ladies, ask Druggist for CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with blue ribbon. Take no other. Refuse dangerous substitutions and imitations. Buy of your Druggist, or send 1c. in stamps for Particulars. Testimonials and "Relief for Ladies," in letter, by return mail. \$2,000 Testimonials. Sold by all Druggists.

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Two Papers--One Price.

The Ballinger Banner-Leader and Texas State Democrat Farm and Home, \$1.00 each per year. Both for \$1.50. If ordered in 30 days. The Texas State Democrat Farm and Home is a 16-page Farm and Home Democratic newspaper well worth its price of \$1; but for the next few weeks we have arranged to offer it with ours for \$1.50 for one year. The Truck Growers page alone is worth the price of the paper. Then the Agricultural Miscellaneous Live Stock, Dairy and Poultry pages with its general news and correspondence, make it a valuable paper for the Texas home. The paper is eight years old, and has been under the present successful management for nearly five years. Cash must accompany orders for the papers.

Carnegie's Fish Hatchery.

Mr. Carnegie has just erected within the Skibo castle grounds, in Scotland, a magnificent salmon and trout hatchery, in which 150,000 eggs are incubating in well-appointed boxes. In connection also with his Skibo and other estates in Sutherlandshire, he is the proprietor of extensive salmon fishings in Dornoch Firth and along the Kyle of Sutherland, and there are several lakes, both natural and artificial, throughout his domains that are well stocked with trout.

The Birds' Christmas.

In Norway, the cold northern land, the kind-hearted people wish to have every creature rejoice at the glad Christmas season, and they think of the dear little birds; so there is always a sheaf of wheat fastened high on a pole in every farmyard, that the birds may enjoy a good dinner of grain, and the little Norwegian children are Santa Claus' helpers, when they help to bring Christmas to the birds.

Decoration Program.

For Sunday May 25, 1902.

Services at the court house in Ballinger by Rev. M. S. Smith, after which the congregation will repair to the cemetery, and the following deceased persons' graves will be decorated by the ladies whose names appear opposite.

Mrs. A. M. Kelley—Misses Jennie Bennett and Josie Glen.
Mrs. A. N. Allison—Misses Angie Butler and Eva Routh.
W. M. Laxton—Misses Katie Demoval and Olive Pearce.
W. T. Cordell—Misses Moody Cordell and Earl Gressett.
H. A. Reed—Misses Bertha Reed and Rubie Green.
J. H. Douglas—Misses Annie Massey and Minnie Williams.
S. M. Dunlap—Misses Nettie Massey and Fannie Simmons.
Mrs. S. M. Dunlap—Misses Earle Williams and Myrtle Weaver.

W. A. Humphrey—Misses Sammie Padgett and Myrtle Miles.

Mrs. Parks—Misses Beulah Jones and Olga Schawe.

Wm. Gentry—Misses Agnes Globber and Edna Shap.

J. D. Hardgrave—Misses Augusta Hardgrave and Maggie Wardlow.

Mrs. J. H. Routh—Misses Katie Bell Gregory and Emma Lankford.

Mrs. B. S. Taylor—Misses Stella Routh and Adrienne Truly.

J. H. McKandless—Misses Byrdie Pearce and Ethel Bowden.

W. S. Knox—Misses Marriett Smith and Emma Williams.

Mrs. L. S. Fowler—Misses Katie Globber and Lee Stocks.

Mrs. H. S. Murphy—Misses Irby Towner and Lousou Luckett.

Mrs. W. J. Dickinson—Misses Inez Butler and Bessie Miller.

Mrs. Eskridge—Misses Annie Harmon and Adelle Miller.

Miss Christian McAuley—Misses Iola Green and Mary Lee Thompson.

H. A. Ransom—Misses Edna Odom and Louise Bacon.

A. L. Bennett—Misses Emma Bennett and Nettie Bacon.

S. P. Brown—Misses Jessie Woodward and Matilda Doose.

G. W. McInturf—Misses Inez Moser and Amelia Johnson.

Mrs. M. C. Kirk—Misses Nellie Gregory and Minnie Wilson.

Mrs. J. A. Younger—Misses Lola Brown and Nellie Alexander.

Mrs. T. D. Shider—Misses Verna Moser and Minnie Wilkie.
Mrs. Sheets—Misses Lena Gay and Zandie Royalty.

Each one of the decorative committee is requested to prepare a wreath and bouquet of flowers. Procession will be formed just inside the gate of the cemetery.

G. W. NEWMAN, } Com.
H. D. PEARCE, }

Bargain Extraordinary.

I have for sale 14 residence lots, well located, between business part of town and West End Addition, size 67x132 feet. Title perfect. Can sell at forty dollars per lot, or if purchaser take's all together, \$35 per lot. Terms cash. For further particulars, or if you want to see property call on

R. B. TRULY, Attorney,
Ballinger, Texas.

—Buy yourself a new dress, make biscuit for supper with Housekeepers Delight flour and "all will be well"—Davis-Noyes Co. 23-1f

THE FACTS IN THE CASE

When you read a thing you like to feel that it's the truth. The Dallas Semi-Weekly News gives the facts in the case.

SPECIALY EDITED

If you'll read the News awhile you'll like it. It holds the attention. It is specially edited, that's why. Brains and not hazard go into the makeup of the News.

TWO PAPERS YOU NEED

You need the Banner-Leader because it's your local paper. It gives a class of news you can't get elsewhere. You need the News because it gives you all the State news. The Banner-Leader and the Semi-Weekly News one year for only \$1.80, cash in advance.

Saved Many a Time.

Don't neglect coughs and colds even if it is spring. Such cases often result seriously at this season just because people are careless. A dose of One Minute Cough Cure will remove all danger. Absolutely safe. Acts at once. Sure cure for coughs, colds, croup, grip, bronchitis, and other throat and lung troubles "I have used One Minute Cough Cure several years," says Postmaster C. O. Dawson, Barr, Ill. "It is the very best cough medicine on the market. It has saved me many a severe spell of sickness and I warmly recommend it." The children's favorites. E. D. Walker

T. E. Brown, of Crews, was here Monday and called on the Banner-Leader. He says that a few miles north of where he lives the storm of last week was very destructive, killing one cow and wounding several others for T. J. Cothran, and on Saturday following the hail was ankle deep in his tank. James Legg's house was blown twelve feet off its foundation, his buggy shed torn to pieces and the buggy broken. Monro Hixon's house was blown away and everything he possessed was destroyed. Prairie dogs drowned by the hundreds.

Advertised Letter List.

Letters and wholly written Postal Cards remaining in the Ballinger, Texas Post Office, unclaimed for two weeks, at close of business on Saturday May 17, 1902. In calling for letters please say advertised, giving date of this list.

Ayers, Jas. G.
Beuton, Wm.
Callon, Jas.
Fristen, J. W.
Homes, G. W.
Huldenheim, C. M.
Saundvin, R. W.
Stringer, J. H.

Lost.

A pole red cow, slightly bred, branded JS on left hip, brand blotched; mark—crop and underbit in the right ear and swallowfork in the right. Will pay \$2.50 for her delivered to me in Ballinger. J. O. LEE.

For Sale.

One Casady Sulkey.
One 9 inch steel beam plow.
One 10 inch steel beam plow.
All good as new. For sale at a bargain by

LEE MADDOX.

—Visit "The Fair" for bargains.

World Wide Reputation.

White's Cream Vermifuge has achieved a world wide reputation as being the best of all worm destroyers, and for its tonic influence on weak and unthrifty children, as it neutralizes the acidity or sourness of the stomach, improves their digestion, and assimilation of food, strengthens their nervous system and restores them to the health, vigor and elasticity of spirits natural to childhood. 25c by E. D. Walker Druggist.

T. E. Brown, of Crews, has authorized us to announce him as an independent candidate for Justice of the Peace of precinct No. 2. Mr. Brown served as justice of the peace for three years in Georgia and during the three years never had a case reversed on him. He resigned to move to Texas. If elected he will no doubt make an officer of whom the people will be proud.

For those Who Live on Farms.

Dr. Bergin, Pana, Ills., writes: "I have used Ballard's Snow Liniment; always recommend it to my friends, as I am confident there is no better made. It is a dandy for burns." Those who live on farms are especially liable to many accidental cuts, burns and bruises, which heal rapidly when Ballard's Snow Liniment is applied. It should always be kept in the house for cases of emergency. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 by E. D. Walker Drug-

CAUSES OF STOMACH TROUBLES. Four Professors Claim That Quick Lunches Bring on Diseases.

The "business lunch" threatens to accomplish the destruction of the human race—or so much of it as dwells in large American cities—if the statistics adduced by eminent physicians and surgeons, at a meeting of the Chicago Medical Society are bound to be the unflinching mirrors of destiny that the doctors promise.

In the alarming increase of intestinal or "gastric" ulcers such eminent medical practitioners as Dr. N. S. Davis, Jr. W. A. Evans, J. B. Herrick and E. W. Andrews announced in a symposium that they feared the American stomach would give out in the course of time unless the public becomes wise enough to curb and regulate the lunch counter method of hasty eating.

It would seem that danger from gastric ulceration is not confined alone to the men who are the consumers of the business lunches, but that women are also threatened. To the women's habit of eating a few bites at many hours of the day their imminent peril is ascribed.

Everyone should counteract the danger brought about by too hasty or overeating by taking at meal times Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin and Herb Laxative Compound. This wonderful medicine will keep the stomach in a perfectly healthy condition, preventing and permanently curing indigestion, constipation, biliousness, sick headache, and all complications arising from stomach trouble. Try it today. It's pleasant taste and almost immediate effect will be a revelation to you. 50c and \$1.00 bottles. For sale by E. D. Walker.

A whole lot of new watches at Jas. E. Brewer's. See them and get prices before buying.

Ladies Locketts and chains. Latest thing in jewelry, very stylish. Jas. E. Brewer.

THE MASS OF HUMANITY comprises two Classes,—those whose Individual Characteristics enable them to command situations and those whom situations govern. The weaker element covets constantly the attributes of Preference. Frequently the Insufficient appear to triumph. Title and Regalia, however, never yet made a king.

Half a dozen Conventions occur within a few months, at Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland and Salt Lake City.

By reason of Advantages, natural as well as acquired, "THE DENVER ROAD" is Master of the situation as to Pacific Coast points and the Northwest. It simply has the Best of it any way you care to figure.

One important consideration is distance. Distance means time, which is money. Just for example, would you deliberately choose to ride out 856 miles to a point but 588 miles distant from Fort Worth via "THE DENVER ROAD," which reaches the place where the interesting part of the Los Angeles trip begins, with 268 miles Less travel, taking Less time, therefore Less money, with neither changes nor waiting, too? Why, of course it makes a Difference! It's so with all other possible combinations of lines—twas so in old Euclid's time, 'tis so now, always will be,—two sides of a Triangle must exceed the third.

Study the Map. Further than this, persons of Discrimination recognize and appreciate the fact that certain Modern Conveniences are of the Necessities of really good passenger service and that many of these "THE DENVER ROAD" alone provides. Such are:—

Daily thru trains, models of improved, box-vestibuled equipment; Sleepers with ladies dressing rooms, large enough for several.—With No Locks; Coaches furnished with the most Comfortable high-back seats made; Cafe Cars, meals a la carte, pay for what you order; No Junctions to wait at, nor any changes of cars; no matter how small your Party, Thru trains for each, for everybody, Each Day.

Another point, "THE DENVER ROAD" gives choice of Six Routes from Colorado west, with thru connections. You may view Colorado's Grandeur going, returning, or both ways, if you will.

Study the Map and Think Twice before buying. Tickets cost no more via "THE DENVER ROAD" than over routes where you'd get considerably more ride but less actual Satisfaction. "THE DENVER ROAD" doesn't need to be called "Official." Correspond with us. FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

Cures When Doctors Fail.

Mrs. Frank Chiasson, Patterson La., writes June 8th, 1901: "I had malaria fever in very bad form, was under treatment by doctors, but as soon as I stopped taking their medicine the fever would return. I used a sample bottle of Herbine, found it helped me. Then bought two bottles which completely cured me. I feel grateful to you for furnishing such a splendid medicine, and can honestly recommend it to those suffering from malaria, as it will surely cure them." Herbine, 50c bottle at E. D. Walker's, Druggist.

—For window shades at right prices, see Bowden.

The Finest Cake

Is made with Royal Baking Powder. Always light, sweet, pure & wholesome.

Read in this issue the new ads. of Chilton Dry Goods Co. and Van Pelt & Kirk.

Jim Allen, of the Wingate country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday and Thursday.

All denominations have been invited to participate in the revival meeting which begins at the Methodist church next Sunday.

Charlie Carter, one of Brownwood's genuine knights of the "grip," was interesting some of Ballinger's business men, Wednesday.

No dead ads. in THIS paper, everything live and up-to-date. We're THE printers, we're THE publishers, the Banner-Leader is THE paper.

Howard Pickens, one of the most popular conductors on the Angelo branch of the Santa Fe, is now running a train on the main line from Temple to Galveston.

Mrs. S. Hazlewood in company with her little grandson, Clyde Forbes, left Wednesday afternoon for Galveston, Halletsville and other points to be gone about a month.

J. Y. Pearce, spent Wednesday and Thursday in San Angelo looking after business interests there. Mr. Pearce has one of the neatest, up-to-date drug stores in West Texas out there.

Rev. Eugene T. Bates, pastor of the M. E. church at Wingate, was a pleasant caller at the Banner-Leader office Thursday morning. He reports everything favorable in the moral and religious vineyard in his section.

Mrs. J. F. Right left Wednesday for Savannah, Georgia, where she will make her future home. Her many friends here regret her departure, and may she find her new home pleasant and agreeable is the wish of the Banner-Leader.

On last Friday, Prof. M. G. Hodnette withdrew his application for the principalship of the public schools. He has been offered a more profitable position. During his stay of two years in Ballinger he has made many friends who will regret his departure from this city.

There will be no more meetings of The Shakespeare Club until October, owing to the near approach of hot weather. This popular ladies club has done fine work the past year, in fact it was the most successful year in the history of the club, both in point of study and socially.

Mrs. Isaac Vancil, accompanied by her two sons, Delbert and Ralph, leave this afternoon for Brownwood, to be present at the commencement exercises of Howard Payne and Daniel Baker Colleges, where they will be the guests of Miss Modena Whitehead. Mr. Vancil will join his family at Brownwood Wednesday, and from there they will go to Oklahoma to visit relatives.

Max Lange spent Thursday in the Miles country surveying.

Judge Garland passed through Ballinger Thursday en route for Talpa.

M. G. Hodnett left yesterday afternoon on a short business trip to Brownwood.

Master David Guion, Ballinger's talented young pianist, is visiting relatives in San Angelo this week.

Lee Good came in from San Angelo Friday afternoon. He has been looking after business interests out west.

Clay Parks, of Brownwood, father of our invincible Sam, spent Friday in Ballinger looking after business matters.

Doc Vancil, one of Runnels county's most prominent stockmen and planters, orders The Banner-Leader sent to him at Runnels.

Miss Hollie Davis, of Sonora, came in Thursday afternoon to spend a few days with her friend Miss Kate DeMerville.

Charles A. Dailey, one of San Angelo's hustling real estate men, spent a few days in Runnels county this week, looking after land matters.

The W. C. T. U., meets Monday afternoon at the Cumberland Presbyterian church at 4 o'clock. All members urgently requested to be present.

Messrs. F. E. Wirbuch, of Birch, Texas, and E. A. Zucher, of Brenham, Texas, were visitors at the home of J. H. Wilkie's this week.

The Robert Lee normal, under the able management of Prof. T. D. Evans, is progressing nicely. They have a good enrollment and are doing thorough work.

Miss Octavia Wade, after spending several weeks with her nieces, Mrs. Theodore Butler and Mrs. W. R. Spencer, left Wednesday afternoon for her home in Brownwood.

Willis Childs, who spent a few weeks here in the winter, came in from New Orleans Saturday night. He is out in this country for the benefit of his health and we think he will find it.

Mrs. Tom Embrie, of Menardville, came up Tuesday to Ballinger and took the 5:12 train Wednesday afternoon for Galveston. From there she will go to Marlin to visit friends before her return home.

Mrs. E. H. Richardson left for her home at Pilot Point, Texas, Thursday afternoon. She has been in Ballinger for several months for the benefit of her health and while here she made many friends who regret to see her departure.

Mr. Paul Hauptvogel who put up the ice depository for Carpenter Bros. died very suddenly Friday afternoon. His remains were shipped to Ft. Worth on Saturday afternoon's train. The Banner-Leader extends condolence to friends of the deceased.

Dr. I. H. Turney, of Blanket, passed through Thursday en route home from a prospecting tour of several western counties.

Ballinger should have a Carnegie library, and The Ladies Shakespeare Club can secure one. Won't they make the effort?

J. C. Bell and wife left Brownwood Tuesday night for Ballinger. In future they expect to make their home at Winters, where they have a son living.—Brownwood Daily Bulletin.

Miss Bryce Scoggins, who is well known to the people of Ballinger and who has been attending the Denton Normal, has been elected to a good position in the Lewisville, Texas, high school.

The B. Y. P. U. will meet Saturday night instead of Sunday afternoon next on account of decoration services at the cemetery Sunday afternoon. After this date they will hold their meeting as usual, Sunday afternoon.

A Carnegie library is just what Ballinger needs and must have! The Shakespeare Club should look this matter up at once, as we feel sure if this club takes hold of the proposition it will be pushed until Ballinger secures a fine public library.

—Delicious "Betsy" at B. M. Dorsey's.

—Just think! Murray will cut your whiskers out of sight for 10c.

—For Ladies and Misses Oxford at close prices—visit "The Fair."

Waco, Tex.—Eighteenth Annual Session Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias June 9th to 14th, limit June 15th. rate on the convention plan.

Atlanta, Ga.—Negro Young People Christian and Educational Congress, August 6th to 11th, One standard first limited fare plus \$1.00 plus 50 cents, membership fee.

Monteagle, Tenn.—Monteagle Sunday School Institute. August 11th to 23rd, limit August 27th, One standard first class limited fare for round trip.

—If you can't see good take your eyes around to Jas. E. Brewer and have him to fit them with a pair of periscopic lenses. They are the best.

—When you visit Winters be sure to call on W. H. Avery for cold drinks and warm good lunch or meals at all hours. Willie will make you happy. 29-4t.

F. Ramsel

Blacksmith and Wood Work,

Prices Reasonable and good work rendered. All custom appreciated.
HORSE SHOEING A SPECIALTY
WINTERS, - - - TEXAS.

Having made
A Change in Business

that necessitates a closing of my books I respectfully ask that all owing me come forward and settle up by paying the cash or their notes until fall. Very Respectfully,

T. A. FANNIN,
WINTERS, - - TEXAS.



A REAL TREAT is assured those who purchase our ICE CREAM

The most subtle skill has transformed ingredients of the greatest purity into cream of the most exquisite flavor. Our delicious confections are not excelled by any made in the city and by very few made elsewhere.

A. HALL.

—See Bowden for bargains in crockery.

—Any publication supplied at Runnels County News Co., Ballinger, Texas.

—The BANNER-LEADER has blank chattel mortgages, blank crop mortgages and blank notes for sale. 23-tf

State Epworth League Convention (colored) Austin Texas. Date of sale May 19th. Convention rates.

Meeting Texas Millers Assn., New Braunfels, Texas. One and one third fares for round trip. Dates of sale May 12th.

HOT and COLD BATHS

Easy Shaves
at
Jim Dancer's

BARBER SHOP

Notice.

It is my desire and intention to make a general canvas, but as it may be possible that I cannot do so without neglecting the duties of the office, I will ask my friends to remember me at the primaries.
W. L. TOWNER.

Fresh vegetables received three and four times a week at Miller Mercantile Co's.

—Books to rent at Runnels County News Co., Ballinger Texas.

Take your old shoes to Currie & Shaffer and have them made new.

—For good blacksmithing try McKinley, at corner of Cameron's wagon yard.

Look out for the ice man and have him put your ice in a White Mountain Refrigerator.

J. A. Ostertag & Co.

—How about your eyes? Do you need glasses? If so get a pair from Jas. E. Brewer. He has just received a new lot of all kinds.

—When you visit Winters be sure to call on W. H. Avery for cold drinks and warm good lunch or meals at all hours. Willie will make you happy.

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Headquarters for Everything

Attention

We desire to announce to the people of Ballinger and Runnels county that no firm is better prepared to fill your wants in Dry Goods, Groceries and Feed Stuff than ourselves.

Dry Goods

We have a Full Line of New Spring Goods, fresh from the Eastern Markets. We paid Cash and got them at a Bargain and so can sell cheaper than others.

Groceries

In this line we have no superiors. We can furnish you with anything from a picnic lunch to a dinner fit for a king. Once our customer always our customer

Feed Stuff

We can supply your wants with dispatch. Our stock is complete and up-to-date

The DAVIS-NOYES CO.,