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The White Store.

Ballinger, R. A. Risser & Co. Texas.

Special and Extraordinary Sale of SHIRT WAISTS AND SUITS

Our Collections of this season's lovely creations are all represented. The assortment is complete, all sizes in stock, the WAISTS have just been received.

WE BOUGHT TOO MANY

We Offer the Entire Selection at Less Than Manufacturers Cost—OUR LOSS YOUR GAIN.

The Irish Crochet Lace Trimmed Waists. The Baby Irish Lace Trimmed Waists. The Handkerchief Soft and Glingy Waists. The Embroidered White Silk Waists. The lovely Spider Spun Mulle Waists. The Embroidered Panama Waists.

THE SUBSTANTIAL AND THE GAUZY

The Lovely Shirt Waist Suits. The Semi-made Lingerie Waists. The Embroidered Waist Patterns. All will be sold at less than Manufacturers cost. This is indeed an opportunity as the warm season has not begun. Call and examine our offerings, you will be welcome whether you buy or not.

RESPECTFULLY,

R. A. Risser & Co.

THE SALE BEGINS MONDAY, MAY 14th, 1906.

We Want the Small Account

of the wage-earner and householder as well as the larger patronage of business firms and corporations. We are gratified to see the steady growth of the small deposits and are glad to help and encourage all who earnestly desire to better their financial condition.

We Pay 4 Per Cent on Time Deposits of 6 months, 5 Per on 12 months.

The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.
"THE ACCOMMODATING BANK."
Ballinger, Texas

\$1.00 Will Open a Savings Account.

Interest 4 Per Cent Compounded Twice a Year.

Sunday School Picnic at the Park.

The First Baptist Sunday School had a picnic at the City Park Thursday which was attended by nearly every one of the pupils and quite a number of others. The children all went early and spent the forenoon very pleasantly at play. By noon the ladies and menfolk had all arrived as is customary on picnic days, and especially when it is known that a dainty dinner is to be served. About 12:15 o'clock the table clothes were spread in the shade under the beautiful trees south of the auditorium, and the bountiful and delicious dinner, which consisted of every imaginable dish that was good, was soon spread before the hungry crowd, and despite the fact that it was principally a Baptist affair, yet the yellow leg chicken, so palatable to the Methodist, played no inconsiderable part in this dinner.

Excepting that Mrs. Fannie McWhirter fell from an old swing in the evening and hurt herself slightly, everything passed off nicely and all present seemed to enjoy the outing very much.

Births.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hogg, of Miles, a girl. Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Leston, of Miles, a girl. Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Cerry, of Miles, a boy. Mr. and Mrs. Festus Greer, of Content, a girl. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hommon, of Content, a boy. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Pendleton, of Content, a girl. Mr. and Mrs. Asa Walden, of Rowena, a girl. Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Atnelt, Ballinger, a girl. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Gentry, Ballinger, a girl.

Abe Mulkey at Sonora.

Rev. Abe Mulkey is holding a meeting this week at Sonora, and it is reported that he is in close pursuit of the sinners in that nick of the woods. One old sinner said that he was making it so uncomfortably warm for them that many would probably leave there this week.

Go after them brother, you are advocating a good cause.

John E. Quarles Company Lumber, successors to Clem Lumber Co.

B. Y. P. U.

Meets Ninth St. Baptist church Sunday, May 20th 7:30 p. m.

Leader—Mrs. L. E. Bair

Song.

Prayer.

Topic Lessons from the lives of Elijah and John the Baptist, Luke 1:14-17; 1 Kings 18:30-39.

Scripture readings:

Solomon's words—Prov. 23:19

21,—Miss Edna Routh

Drinks doing Prov. 23:29:35—

Mrs. Tom Shaffer

A disturbed debauch Dan 5, 5-

9—E. C. Moor.

The Apostles advise I Cor. 10:

21-23—Miss Lee Plummer.

Song.

Benediction.

Merry Matrons.

Mrs. Dan Moser entertained in honor of the Merry Matrons, Wednesday afternoon of last week, at the home of her mother Mrs. D. P. Moser. She was assisted in receiving by Mrs. Price Maddox, and Miss Verna Moser presided at the punch bowl and dispensed refreshing punch to every one present. The afternoon was spent most pleasantly playing "42", Mrs. R. B. Creasy being fortunate enough to win every game. Dainty and original score cards were used, being the work of the clever little hostess. At the close of the games delicious ice cream and cake were served.

Mrs. George Pearce will entertain this club Friday May 25th.

Bob Taylor.

Seats are now on sale at J. Y. Pearce's Drug Store for Gov. Bob Taylor's lecture which is to be given at the Opera House June the 6th. Get seats now.

Banner Leader \$1 year.

Mystic Weavers.

Mrs. C. P. Shepherd entertained the Mystic Weavers in the usual manner Wednesday afternoon of this week, in honor of her mother, Mrs. H. H. Luckett.

The refreshments consisted of Broulea and cake, and all present thanked the hostess for a pleasant afternoon.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Wm. Miller Wednesday May 23rd.

New Spring Goods Arriving Daily

Pretty line of Low Cuts are in now. We have fine values in Ladies Oxfords, all new styles.

Price per pair, \$1.50 to \$3.00.

White Fancy Figured Waisting, excellent values, per yard at 20, 25 and 35c

Fine Line of Gingham, the good and reliable kind, per yard, at only 10 and 12 1/2

Finest Line of Embroideries in Ballinger, special bargains, per yd 5, 10 and 15c

36-in. Black Chiffon Taffeta, special value, regular \$1.25 yd quality only 1.00

All kinds of the very Best Standard Calicoes, in blue, grey, garnets, light colors, yd 5c

6 New Pieces corset cover edgings, regular 35c quality, a bargain at that, only 25

New Line of Ladies Neckwear.
New Line of Hand Bags.
New Line of Back Combs.

New Line of Ladies Muslin Underwear at Extremely Low Prices.

A.H. Van Pelt. H. Winkler, Mgr.

FIFTY LOTS FOR SALE.

\$75 Each--\$15 Cash and
\$5 per month until paid
out.

C. H. Willingham.

C. A. DOOSE, President. D. M. BAKER, Vice Pres. and Cashier,
Sam BAKER, Asst. Cashier.

The First National Bank.

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Capital Stock \$50,000.00
Undivided Profits \$15,000.00.

Safe, Reliable and Conservative. Your Patronage Solicited.

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R. K. Wylie Dr. W. W. Fowler.

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Good clothing at very lowest prices at The Hub.

Good Luck flour \$1.00 per sack. at J. B. Alvis & Bro.

The biggest and best stock of watches, Jewelry and etc at Jas. E. Brewers.

The White Mountain Refrigerator has the "chest with the chill in it." For sale by The Ostertag Furniture Co.

Notice to Farmers.

I am writing hail Insurance this year. If you want your wheat or oat crop insured against hail, write to or call on

Ernest Plumer,
Ins. Agent, Ballinger, Texas.

Sore Nipples.

A cure may be effected by applying Chamberlain's Salve as soon as the child is done nursing. Wipe it off with a soft cloth before allowing the child to nurse. Many trained nurses use this salve with the best results. Price 25 cents per box. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Men Don't Talk

Of Groceries

As much as women do, perhaps, but all the same they know good groceries when they are cooked and put on the table. :- :- :- :-

LET US sell you your groceries one month and show you that our prices and goods are right. Fresh vegetables always on hand. We want your country produce and pay the top of the market.

Ellis Grocery Company.

Notice of Special Stockholders Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the stockholders of the Abilene & Northern Railway Company has been called by the Board of Directors of said company to convene at the general office of said company of the Farmers and Merchants' National Bank in the city of Abilene, Taylor county, Texas, at 9 o'clock a. m. on the 28th day of June, A. D. 1906, which meeting is called for the purpose of considering and authorizing the making, execution and delivery of the first mortgage bonds of said company in an amount not exceeding \$20,000 per mile for each mile of main line constructed or thereafter to be constructed by said company, said bonds to be payable in gold coin at a time not exceeding thirty years from their date, and to bear interest not exceeding 6 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and to be issued for the purpose of paying for completing, improving, equipping and operating the said line of railroad for the purpose of considering and authorizing the making, execution and delivery of a first mortgage on the property of said company, (for the purpose of securing said bonds,) to-wit:

The line of railroad now under construction belonging to the Abilene & Northern Railway Company and beginning at a point on the line of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad at or near the town of Hamlin in Jones county, Texas, and running thence in a south-westerly direction to and through the town of Anson in Jones county, thence continuing in a southeasterly direction through the counties of Jones and Taylor to the town of Abilene in Taylor county, Texas; thence continuing in a general southerly direction through the counties of Taylor, Runnels, Coleman, Concho and McCulloch to the town of Brady in McCulloch county, Texas, with a branch beginning at or near the town of Anson in Jones county, Texas, and running thence in a northerly direction to the town of Stamford in Jones county, including all the franchises of said Railway Company together with all the right of way, depot grounds, terminal facilities, sidings, structures, depots, improvements and real estate, together with all equipment, rolling stock, machinery, engines, round houses, shops, buildings, tools and any and all property owned by said Abilene & Northern Railway Company in the Counties of Jones, Taylor, Coleman, Concho, Runnels and McCulloch in the State of Texas, and such other property of said Railway Company that may hereafter be acquired or so much thereof as the stockholders of said company may authorize. Abilene, Texas, April 9th, 1906.

D. T. Bomar
Secretary, Abilene & Northern Railway company.

Talpa Tribune.

Mrs. J. L. Kennedy from Runnels county was in town shopping Tuesday.

Mrs. McNutt went to Ballinger Wednesday.

T. W. Ward was a visitor to Ballinger Sunday.

W. A. Foreman was in Ballinger Tuesday.

The Lee Bros. of Ballinger were in the city this week.

Bob Brown was in Ballinger Wednesday.

The meeting conducted by Elder Black of Bllinger is progressing nicely. Quite an interest is being manifested. Elder Black is greeted by an attentive crowd each service.

Death of Mrs R. J. Moore.

Turner Moore received the news Friday that his mother had died on the 10th inst. at Yero, Walker County, Texas.

The Banner-Leader extends its heartfelt sympathy to this good family in their bereavement.

The Walker Drug Company have their large soda fountain up and inoperation. This is one of the largest and most expensive soda fountains in West Texas. In fact you will find very few in the large cities of Texas larger or more expensive than the one they have recently installed.



There
Is a
Chance

Of

Losing your property by Fire. Don't play Dice with the Hazard but take out insurance on your home and save worry and premature old age. See

LEE MADDOX,

(The Insurance Man.)

Development Of The SOUTHWEST.

The problem is solved when the idle capital of the Northeast and the cheap lands of the Southwest are brought together. Intelligent organic co-operation is the key-note to this consummation. This again, is reached through the NATIONAL CO-OPERATIVE REALTY CO., of Chicago, Ill., CAPITALIZED with \$350,000.00, of which, the WEST TEXAS LAND & LOAN CO. are members.

List your land, city or business property with us for results.

West Texas Land & Loan Co.,

Ballinger, Texas.

Let Us Show You

That we sell Groceries, Ranch and Farm supplies cheaper than any house in Ballinger.

Years Of Experience

We have had years of experience in the grocery business and know how to buy so we can sell right. A month's tryal will convince you.

Miller Mercantile Company

Sciatica Cured After Twenty Years of Torture.

For more than twenty years Mr. J. B. Massey, of 3322 Clinton St, Minneapolis, Minn., was tortured by sciatica. The pain and suffering which he endured during this time is beyond comprehension. Nothing gave him any permanent relief until he used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. One application of that liniment relieved the pain and made sleep and rest possible, and less than one bottle has effected a permanent cure. If troubled with sciatica or rheumatism why not try a 25-cent bottle of Pain Balm and see for yourself how quickly it relieves the pain. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

Spectacles at Jas. E. Brewers.

White Mountain Refrigerator

It is well to remember that these Refrigerators are the product of the largest refrigerator manufacturing plant in the world. For the reason that this factory is located near the great forest of pine and hardwood, raw material is purchased at the lowest possible cost. This is why the best Refrigerators in the world are sold at a moderate price. Sale by Ostertag Furniture Co.

Try some of our New England Bread sold by Godwin Grocery Co.

White Mountain Refrigerators have germ proof atmosphere Dry, clean, cleanable and cold as an iceberg. At Ostertag Furniture Co.

Hall Hardware Co.

Ballinger, Texas.

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We Will Appreciate Your Business.

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The Greatest Eye Glass in the World.
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Plymouth Twine

Is The Best.

Harvest is approaching and you will need twine. The old reliable PLYMOUTH is what you want.

...We Handle It...

Do You Want a Buggy?

Then you should visit us, we can supply your wants. We handle the

Connersville
Moon Bros.

and just received a car of each.

Our Line of Shelf Hardware is Complete.

Van Pelt & Kirk.

Concho Locals.

Farmers are still planting cotton. Crops in general are looking well.

Mrs. Tickle was calling on Mrs. Bengé last Saturday.

A happy looking fishing party have pitched camp on the banks of the Concho. They are from Ballinger.

Last week a crowd from Coleman spent several days on the Concho, Dr. G. Beaumont, Mr. Aubrey Dunn, Misses Polk, chaperoned by Mesdames S. P. Woodward and Harry Hubert. They were joined later by Isabel Griffin, Dolores Gam and Messrs Walter and S. P. Woodward. It was a jolly crowd.

Thursday morning Daisy Griffing was badly kicked by a horse. No bones broken however, and she is recovering nicely.

Mr. E. E. Gam was on the sick list last week.

Travis Wiggins is able to hobble around a little but he is not fit for work yet.

Mrs. Skaggs was in Paint Rock Tuesday.

Everybody in Concho intends going to Millers View on May the 18th and 19th to the grand picnic and school entertainment.

A Letter From California.

Santa Rosa, Cal., Apr., 29 1906.
Mr. J. D. Hutchinson.
Friend Judge;

Well here I am all O. K. since the shake up, we

were not damaged any but houses all around us were damaged more or less. The shake was worse in town.

We have a 10 acre chicken ranch out in the country three miles from town, traded our town property for it. While we have a good place here, Texas still looks good to me, and you need not be surprised to see me in Texas before a great while, will probably go into the mercantile business again if I return to Texas. If you know of a good location let me know about it.

The business part of Santa Rosa is a mass of ruins. Every brick and stone building that was over one story high is down flat. They have taken out about 60 dead and no doubt will find more. It will be years before the town will be as good as before the shake and fire. What cash I had is buried in the ruins one of the banks here but guess will get it after awhile. If you like you can show this to our friend Mr. Cockrell the Banner-Leader man, as there may be some that have a curiosity to know how we came out of the "quake".

With best wishes for your future happiness and prosperity, will close. Answer soon and tell me all the news.

Your friend,
O. T. Hixson.

Special prices on clothing at The Hub.

Temple's Record Under Prohibition.

1:—POPULATION HAS INCREASED.

There have been erected in Temple during the last 2 1-2 years more than 175 dwelling houses, at a total cost of over \$250,000 and every one of these houses is occupied.

2:—RENTAL VALUES HAVE INCREASED.

Rent on dwellings have increased all over the town, and in many instances the raise has been as much as 25 to 30 per cent of the rate charged in 1902 prior to local option.

3:—BUSINESS HAS INCREASED.

When the saloons were voted out of Bell County, Temple had 18 vacant business houses, 11 of them were brick buildings. Now all are occupied.

4:—CRIME HAS DECREASED.

During the 29 months prior to local option in Bell county, Temple's corporation court record shows 1683 cases for violations of the law, and the 29 months since local option there have been only 1288 cases in said court. A net decrease of 395 cases.

5:—OUR SCHOOLS HAVE INCREASED.

"The total enrollment for last

year up to February, 1905, was 1661, for the current year up to corresponding date, is 1859. These figures show an increase in actual attendance during the past five years of over four hundred pupils."—(Report of Supt. Kimball to City Council City of Temple, Feb. 10th, 1906.)

The Board of Trustees have asked that the City issue \$25,000.00 of school Bonds for the erection of new buildings to accommodate this increased attendance and our Mayor has ordered the election to decide whether this shall be done.

Belton's Record Under Prohibition.

1:—Number of prisoners now in the county jail three—the smallest number in thirty years.

2:—Every case was off the criminal docket last year in the District Court—first time in thirty years.

3:—The last twenty-nine months under saloon reign the number of pleas of guilty and convictions in County Court were 441, (432 pleas of guilty, 9 convictions.)

5:—Property has increased in taxable value \$565,270.

6:—Jail improvements have been made to the amount of \$9,-

000.

7:—Borrowed indebtedness reduced \$6,000.

8:—Bonded debt reduced \$22,500.

9:—Floating indebtedness has been paid aggregating \$8,000.

10:—Interest on back notes paid.

11:—All current expenses met and no debts made.

12:—Available funds now on hand \$23,277.

13:—Jury fees reduced last 2 years \$6,810.

14:—Improvements in Belton during last 2 years \$120,000—more than any like period in the last twenty years.

15:—No business failures in Belton during last 2 years.

16:—Bank deposits in Belton have more than doubled.

17:—Out of about 75 business men in Belton only 4 signed the petition for return of the saloon—namely, 1 dry goods merchant, 1 butcher and 2 restaurant men.

18:—Number of vacant business houses in Belton now more than 50 per cent less than under saloon regime.

Mrs. E. C. Ely,
Mrs. T. N. Duckworth,
Ladies' Committee,
Belton, Texas.

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SHEPHERD & LEE,
PROPRIETORS.

ALBERT S. LEE, EDITOR.

Entered at the postoffice at Ballinger, Texas as second-class matter.

If you have visitors or if you know any item which would be of interest to our readers, please phone us and if necessary we will send our reporter to get data.

Advertising Patrons.

The Banner-Leader accepts advertising under the guaranty that its **Actual Bonafide paid Circulation** is as large as any paper published in Runnels County.

While we want facts, we want all the facts.

Facts and nothing but facts' so help me God.

If parts of the facts are good all of the facts are better and the whole truth is best.

Right may be injured by a portion of the truth but, all the facts do a righteous cause good.

A Thought.

The number of signatures on the petition to the Commissioner's Court ordering a local option election in Runnels county, approximated 500. So you can see that this represents about 25 per cent of the voting strength of Runnels county, since 2082 poll taxes were paid. Now, don't this look good to the Pro's.

It occurs to us that The Ledger man made a reckless guess when he guessed "in all probability" there would not be enough signers to the petition to warrant the granting of the election. He made this guess, he thought, to suit the occasion, and to have some encouraging effect, and it did from what we have learned, have a wonderful effect, but to the sorrow of The Ledger man. Had he been an employe of a real up-to-date newspaper man, instead of a proprietor, and willfully and intently made such a bust as he did make, he would have been hunting a job before the ink dried on his "article."

A man who will blow up his town and county to "newcomers" as being the "garden spot of Texas," and urge them to locate and become citizens; citing his own twenty years of successful experience here as evidence that Runnels county is all that he claims it to be; we say that a man who can and will do all of this, and then fling such an insult into the faces of the "newcomers" as he has, does not deserve their recognition much less their patronage.

It does not pay a fellow to be too pat in this age of hustle, bustle, phones and telegraphs, because he is liable to become a "newcomer" when he least expects it.

A Blessing in Disguise.

The rumor is afloat, and is so authoritative that it is hardly to be considered a rumor, that several anti-prohibitionists have already interviewed some of our merchants and informed them that if they vote the prohibition ticket they will cease to patronize them. Ten days ago we had too much respect for the antis to believe that they had any such

cranks in their ranks, but a little time sometimes reveals wonders. We are sorry indeed to learn that Ballinger is burdened with any such narrow-minded characters, and it is with reluctance that we even have to class them with anti-prohibitionists.

The merchant who gets the names of these whelps off of his books first ought to consider himself fortunate.

Not in The Market.

The Ledger has exhausted enough hot air about the size and length of its subscription list during the past few weeks to have stalled a double-header going down the steepest grade on the Santa Fe route.

Blow on March wind, "it is an ill wind that does not blow good to some one." The Banner-Leader, however, is not bidding for any of your "papaw" or "bee-course" subscribers.

A Change of Heart.

The following article appeared in the daily Ledger of Wednesday May 16th, which tells the truth about saloons and we are indeed glad to see Bro. Truly get right on the question.

WORK DONE BY SALOON.

The Following is Said to be the Advertisement of a Saloonkeeper in Tombstone, Ariz.

Friends and Neighbors: I am grateful for past favors, and, having supplied my store with a fine line of choice wines and liquors, allow me to inform you that I shall continue to make drunkards, paupers and beggars for the sober, industrious, respectable part of the community to support. My liquors will excite riot, robbery and bloodshed.

They will diminish your comforts, increase your expenses and shorten life. I shall confidently recommend them as sure to multiply fatal accidents and incurable diseases.

They will deprive some of life, others of reason, many of character, and all of peace. They will make fathers fiends, wives widows, children orphans, and all poor. I will train your sons in infidelity, dissipation, ignorance, lewdness and every other vice. I will corrupt the ministers of religion, obstruct the Gospel, defile the church, and cause as much temporal and eternal death as I can. I will thus "accommodate the public"—it may be at the loss of my never dying soul. But I have a family to support—the business pays—and the public encourages it.

I have paid my license and the traffic is lawful; and if I don't sell it somebody else will. I know the Bible says, "Thou shalt not kill," "No drunkard shall enter the Kingdom of Heaven," and I do not expect the drunkard maker to fare any better, but I want an easy living, and I have resolved to gather the wages of iniquity and fatten on the ruin of my species.

I shall therefore carry on my business with energy, and do my best to diminish the wealth of the nation and endanger the safety of the state. As my business flourishes in proportion to your sensuality and ignorance, I will do my best to prevent moral purity and intellectual growth.

Should you doubt my ability, I refer you to the pawnshops, the poorhouse, the police court, the hospital, the penitentiary and the gallows, where you will find many of my best customers have gone. A sight of them will convince you that I do what I say. Allow me to inform you that you are fools and that I am an honest saloon keeper.

We want to buy your eggs & butter and sell you your Groceries.

Godwin Grocery. Co.

Strong Dictation.

Yesterday's Daily Ledger thought it made the hit of the season when it reproduced a short editorial clipped from the Miles Messenger, wherein it had handed him the straight truth consisting of just what it thought about a man who is so fond of money that for a few gold dollars would publish just such excerpts of an official record to bear him out in deceiving the voters of Runnels County.

The reason, old man, that the editor of the Miles Messenger did not attempt to explain the simple reason why your Bell County stuff was "rot," was that he deemed it wholly unnecessary, because it came from a source that absorbed what little truth they got "through the pores of their skins" and not through their hearts.

We and the Messenger are in this fight because we know it is right—you are in it old man for the dollars and cents.

Don't hesitate, brother Perry, to pour it into him every chance you get. If he rides both of us much he will have to rise early and keep late hours.

Does Your Heart Beat

Yes. 100,000 times each day. Does it send out good blood or bad blood? You know, for good blood is good health; bad blood, bad health. And you know precisely what to take for bad blood—Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Doctors have endorsed it for 60 years.

One frequent cause of bad blood is a sluggish liver. This produces constipation. Poisonous substances are then absorbed into the blood. Instead of being removed from the body daily as nature intended. Keep the bowels open with Ayer's Pills, liver pills. All vegetable.

Made by J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass. Also manufacturers of
Ayer's HAIR VIGOR, AGUE CURE, CHERRY PECTORAL.

Tresspass Notice.

All parties found hunting, cutting wood, gathering stock or trespassing in any way on the R. K. or H. C. Wyle ranches will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. C. A. Dooze, Ballinger, Texas. w. 42

Notice.

Come unto me, all ye that are weary and heavy laden with run down Sewing Machines, and I will give you rest.

My work will make your burdens easy, and my charges are light.

Dan Lewis, the Sewing Machine, at Mater Hotel, Phone 215.

Jim Brown Case Affirmed.

The case of State of Texas v s Jim Brown was affirmed in the court of criminal appeals this week now in session at Austin. It will be remembered that Jim Brown (colored) was convicted in the Dist. Court here last fall for the murder of negro George and sentenced to 15 years in the Penitentiary.

Election Ordered.

The Commissioners' Court has passed upon the petition signed by about 500 citizens and duly qualified voters of Runnels county asking that body to order an election at the May term for the purpose of determining whether or not the sale of intoxicating liquors should be prohibited within the limits of Runnels county. The election was granted May 16, and was set for June 2, 1906.

To the Voters of Runnels County

Now that the Prohibition election is ordered for June the 2nd and the campaign is already in progress as promoters of this issue, we, business men in Ballinger and citizens desire to say that campaign was inaugurated because we believe the open saloon is an evil and enemy to the best interests of society in Ballinger and Runnels county. This is a fight against a condition and not against any man or set of men. We live in Ballinger and are just as much concerned about her future growth and prosperity as any anti-prohibitionist can be, we are property holders and are not afraid of any decline in values or any other calamity happening to the town by reason of Local Option as our anti-friends would try to make you believe.

We are aware of the fact that our anti friends call us enthusiasts cranks, zealots and that we are actuated by a selfish motive in promoting this campaign, but be that as it may, we think our cause is just, that as democratic American citizens we have a perfect right to launch this campaign and we expect to fight it to a finish with our efforts, our hearts, our means and every other legitimate and fair way we can command, and if we lose, we will have the satisfaction that we have done our best to eliminate what we believe to be a detriment to the moral and religious upbuilding of our town.

It is our aim to conduct this campaign along a high plane, without abuse to anyone, but we expect to arraign the liquor traffic in such a way as to show the evils attendant upon its iniquitous tendencies.

We grant you, that the anti's have a right to defend their side of the question in a fair and legitimate way, but we do ask them (the anti's) to stick square to the issue, instead of showing what prohibition will not do. Please state the good that saloons, running under license do; show that they are an uplifting force for good, that they benefit society, that they develop the educational spirit in a town, that they are a good thing for the women and children. Don't confine your argument to the weakness of the local option law.

Defend your position affirmatively, and do not try to dodge the issue.

J. N. Adams, H. C. Parramore, J. H. Kelly, W. B. Currie, C. C. F. Blanchard, T. A. Rape, W. W. Fowler, C. P. Shepherd, C. O. Harris, C. F. Dickenson, T. S. Lankford, M. D. Chastain, W. A. Davis, T. M. Osteen.

Will Issue Daily.

The Banner-Leader will issue a Daily, beginning Monday, May 21 and continuing until the close of the prohibition campaign. We expect to give all the news and keep our readers up with the campaign.

Lot Sale in San Angelo.

We call attention to an ad in this issue of a lot sale in San Angelo May 24th to 26th by T. P. Bell this is a very pretty part of San Angelo and no doubt will make pretty resident lots.

Revival Services.

The revival services at the Methodist church are increasing in interest. Rev. J. K. Wooten, Evangelist, is a preacher of power. He and his wife will be with us until the meeting closes. The service will continue next week. Come and bring your friends.
E. P. Williams, Pastor.

Prof. Ed. S. McCarver was in town Saturday. He has just closed the Deitz school near Crews, and has secured the Crews school for another year. Ed is a bright and industrious young man and a successful school teacher. He will attend the University Summer Law School this summer and remain in the University until time to open his school at Crews. Ed is an orphan boy and has had a hard fight to make himself what he is and to obtain an education. He graduated several years ago from the Moody Academy which is affiliated with the State University. Ed has many friends in Runnels County and elsewhere who are anxious to see him climbing higher.

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Ballinger Hive Ladies of Maccabees.

Mrs. Laura B. Hart, State Commander of the ladies order of Maccabees, held a meeting in Ballinger on the 9th inst. and completed an organization among the ladies here. The following officers were elected and installed:

- Past Commander,—Mrs. Turner Moore.
- Lady Commander,—Mrs. Chas. Dickinson.
- Lieut. Commander,—Miss Jennie M. Bennett.
- Record Keeper,—Mrs. Margaret T. Orgain.
- Finance Keeper,—Mrs. Emma Nash.
- Chaplain,—Miss Angie Butler.
- Sergeant,—Mrs. M. McGinnis.
- Mistress at arms,—Mrs. John Hoffer.
- Sentinel,—Mrs. L. H. Thomas.
- Pickett,—Mrs. Emma Nicholson.
- Musician,—Miss Alpha Caperton.
- Auditors,—Miss Minnie Greset and Mrs. Jennie Grant.

Mrs. Hart went up to San Angelo Thursday, but will return in about two weeks to meet again with the Ballinger Hive.

Advertised Letter List.

Of letters and wholly written Postal Cards remaining in the Ballinger, Texas, Post Office, unclaimed for two weeks at the close of Business on Saturday May 21 1906. In calling for these letters please say advertised giving date of this list.

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A Sensible Judge.

Judge Sam Scott of Waco administers justice on the common sense plan rather than upon the technical, and its a pity that he can't preside over every court, high and low, in the land. Last week a prisoner was being tried before his court on the charge of embezzling the funds of a lodge. The evidence developed that the indictment had named the wrong lodge, and of course an acquittal was expected. But the judge was there to measure justice by facts and not by technical errors, and he met the situation sensibly and promptly. He ordered the jury to return a verdict of guilty and assess the prisoner's punishment at two years in the penitentiary; this verdict he immediately set aside on his own motion and ordered the grand jury to bring in a new indictment. In reply to exceptions by defendant's attorney, Judge Scott said:

"I will assume all responsibility for the legal effect of this case and I do not propose when the evidence shows clearly that he is guilty for a violation of the law to escape on a technicality. If the higher court wants to let him out under these circumstances, they can do it.,

If all our judges loved justice and hated foolishness as Judge Scott does, court houses would no longer be referred to as halls of comedy and people would have far more respect for our courts and law.—Honey Grove Signal.

A. Shawe went up to Rowena Saturday.

W. L. Dowdy, of Brownwood, was in town Saturday.

Rev. J. W. Raby contributed to our finances Saturday.

W. A. Breedlove paid us a dollar Saturday, let others imitate him.

T. A. Fannin, Winters leading Druggist, helped us a dollars worth, this week.

Rev. Harrell, pastor of a Baptist church in Duncan, I. T., is spending a few days in our city this week.

Pure old Ribbon cane syrup at J. B. Alvis & Bro.

We were glad to see our friend C. F. Dickinson out Saturday after a two weeks illness.

Mrs. Stella Forbes, has the Banner-Leader sent to her address at Fort Worth this week.

Miss Della Clem of San Angelo, who had been visiting in Ballinger returned home Saturday.

We appreciate your good trade and will treat you right. Cotton and Grain buyers. Miller Mer Co.

S. B. Wade, of Santa Anna, was the guest of J. N. Taylor and family Saturday and Sunday, returning home Sunday evening.

Prof. Felix H. Herrington, who has been teaching the Crews school which closed recently, left Saturday for his home at Kileen.

Mrs. Cordill and two daughters, Misses Moody and Kallie, returned from Miles Monday where they had been visiting for several days.

G. B. Ryan of Waco came in Monday to look after the steam-heating work on the new Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co. building.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Chastain left for Menardville Monday to visit Mr. Chastain's mother. Mr. Chastain is making his regular annual trip.

C. C. Cockrell has purchased the Tom Lankford place vacated by Mr. Lankford, moving into his new home Tuesday. He will rent his old home out.

Why pay 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50 for shade trees when you can get them from O. D. Battle, of the Coleman Nursery, for less than half the above amounts.

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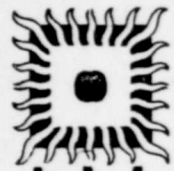
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Concho Locals.

As usual, it has been raining in Concho. Though the cotton had began to feel the effect of the dry weather before the rain came.

Friday night, Earl Collins entertained the young people of Concho and Mapes settlements, at the home of Mr. Ward. Ice cream, cake, lemonade and candy was servtd. Every one had a jolly good time.

Saturday several people of Concho attended Memorial services at Paint Rock. It made ones heart throb in sadness to see how few of the old soldiers there are left in the Sunny-South.

Concho Literary Society is still alive some of the members are doing good work.

Cold wave passed over this part of the country Sunday. It made one wish for heating stoves. Crops were not injured.

Messrs. J. M. King, Fletcher and C. G. Cabe were in Ballinger this week.

Mr. E. E. Gam has gone to Leaday on business.

T. O. Wiggins is taking a rest. He has a crippled foot.

Earl Collins and P. B. Griffin were in Paint Rock on business last week.

Mr. Dick Tillery was in Paint Rock Tuesday.

Blue J.

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HOW PROHIBITION WORKS IN BELL COUNTY.

More Cases of Drunkenness Under Prohibition Than Before it Was Adopted.

Following is a copy of a circular used in the recent prohibition election in Bell county wherein the people repudiated prohibition for a trial of two years.

This will prove interesting reading at this time in Runnels county.

The State of Texas, County of Bell.

Belton, Texas., Feb. 19, 1906. The records of the commissioners court of Bell county show that local option went into effect in Bell County, Texas, on Sep. 29, 1903, and has therefore been in force for almost 29 months.

The minutes of the county court show that for 29 months before the 26th day of September, 1903, there were filed in the county court 1015 new criminal cases; that during the 29 months since local option went into effect there have been filed on the docket of the county court, 2219 criminal cases.

The report of the county treasurer for February, 1903, before local option went into effect shows that the Jury fund contained \$6,350.28; the road and bridge fund \$11,703.83; the general fund \$2544.35, the Paupers fund \$4287.62; court house and jail fund \$5495.16, making a total in available funds of \$30,381.24. The treasurer's report filed on January 31, 1906 which may be subject to a correction of about \$100.00 shows that the Jury fund contained \$60.29, the road and bridge fund \$2338.39 the general fund \$2,573.26; the pauper's fund \$277.36, court house and jail fund \$470.99, making a total in available funds of \$5720.29. The County at this time is indebted for money which has been borrowed for the use of these available funds in the sum of \$24,000.00, which amounts have been borrowed on the following dates: on October 4, 1902, \$2,500.00, on August 21, 1903, \$13,888.88; a part of this amount was used to redeem occupation taxes at the time local option became effective. On August 24, 1903, \$3300.00, and on June 14, 1904, \$6000. Since September 26, 1903, there has been transferred from other funds into the jury fund the sum of \$7870.00, in addition to which \$2000.00 has been borrowed none of which has been repaid.

In the county court, the fees paid to jurors for the first 21 months before September 26 1903, were \$1146.00 and for the first 21 months after September 26, 1903, were \$2313.00.

I have carefully examined the reports of the commissioners court and of the county court of Bell county, and find the above and foregoing statement to be true and correct.

W. J. Lee,
Deputy Co. Clerk, Bell Co.

The State of Texas, County of Bell

Belton, Texas, Feb. 19, 1906. This is to certify that I have examined the criminal docket in the Justice Court at Belton, for Precinct No. 1, Bell County, Texas, and find that from May 15, 1901, to September 26, 1903, there were 98 criminal cases in said court, one of which was for drunkenness; that from September 26, 1903, to February 19, 1906, there were 457 criminal cases in said court, sixteen of which were for drunkenness.

Witness my hand this 19th day of February, 1906.

A. J. Smith, Justice Peace.
The State of Texas, County of Bell

Belton, Texas, Feb. 19, 1906. This is to certify that I have carefully examined the docket of the Corporation Court in the city of Belton, and find that from May 15, 1901, to September 26, 1903, there were 54 cases for drunkenness in said court; that from September 26, 1903, to February 19, 1906, there were 84 cases for drunkenness in said court.

Witness my hand this the 19th day of February, 1906.

N. A. Ensor, City Secy,
Hon. Fred P. Hamill, City.

Dear Sir: As per your instructions I hand you herewith a

statement of assessed value of Temple for the past three years: 1903, value \$2,986,531; 1904, value \$2,880,538; 1905, value, \$2,783,247.

Also a statement of intoxications that were tried in the corporation court of the city of Temple from January 1, 1903 to October 1, 1903, which were 76, and from January 1, 1905 to October 1, 1905, which were 180.

Yours very truly,
M. O. Woodward,
City Secretary,
—Ledger.

The foregoing Bell county matter having been published by the Runnels county Ledger, both daily and weekly, can serve but one purpose, that of misleading the voters of Runnels county.

The following from Bell county will serve to give the voters of Runnels county all the facts:

There is no character of evidence more deceptive, misleading and dangerous than portions of a record selected to suit the occasion. This was shown in the case of the man who asserted that the Bible not only taught but commanded the practice of suicide and proved his assertion by reading the verse stating that "Judas Iscariot went out and hanged himself", and continued by reading another verse which contained the command, "Go thou and do likewise."

If the Record published in The Ledger has any bearing on the question of the failure or success of the local-option law, then the voters ought to have all the facts shown by the record and not such portions of the same as may suit The Ledgers desire and purpose of showing it to be a failure.

The points upon which The Ledger seems to base its contention that local-option has been a failure in Bell County and in support of which it cites the county records are.

(1) That violations of the law have increased under local-option in Bell County and;

(2) That local-option has injured the county financially. In support of the first of these contentions it says:

"The minutes of the County Court show that for 29 months before the 26th day of September 1903, there were filed in the County Court 1015 new criminal cases; that during the 29 months since local-option went into effect there have been filed on the docket of the County Court 2219 criminal cases."

The obvious purpose of The Ledger in asking the voters of Runnels County to read this statement was to induce them to believe that violations of the law had more than doubled under local-option law, and that Bell County needed the influence of the open saloon to reform her citizens and raise the standard of her citizenship.

Does he state ALL the facts shown by the record that throw light on this question of increase or decrease of crime? The voters ought to know ALL the facts. Let us see if there are not other facts shown by the record that ought to be known in connection with those given by The Ledger.

The record shows that of the 2219 cases filed since local-option went into effect, 1439 cases grew out of sales of intoxicating liquor on doctors prescriptions and filed by Chairman Hamill himself as a druggist; about one half of these were indictments against Chair-

man Hamill for selling intoxicating liquor upon these prescriptions and the remainder were against the Doctors who gave the prescriptions. After four of these cases had been tried and verdicts of not guilty rendered in each of them the other 1435 were dismissed. It was never claimed that there was any intent on the part of Chairman Hamill who made the sales, or of the doctors who gave the prescriptions upon which the sales were made to violate the local-option law; but on the other hand it was perfectly clear that they were attempting to comply with the provisions of the law allowing such sales to be made by druggists.

The only shadow of reason for finding these indictments was the fact that the prescriptions were not in exact statutory form; nobody seems to understand why indictments were found in these cases and especially why such an unprecedented number were presented; and the only purpose they seem to have served is to furnish Chairman Hamill against whom they were presented with statistics for his Anti-prohibition circular.

Chairman Hamill surely will not insist, unless he desires to plead guilty, that these 1439 cases furnish any evidence of violations of the law, and it is but fair that they be deducted from the 2299 cases filed since local-option went into effect, which leaves 780 cases under local option.

The Record shows that none of the 1015 cases were for violations of the local-option law while at least one-half of the 780 cases were for such violations making a little more than one third as many prosecutions for violations of the law other than the local-option law since it went into effect, as there was for the same period before. Again the record shows that there were 432 pleas of guilty in the County Court from October 1st, 1901 to October 1st, 1903 the two years before the local-option law went into effect while there were only 146 pleas of guilty from October 1st, 1903 to October 1st, 1905, the two years after it went into effect, and the increase in jury fees paid out by the County Court and referred to by Chairman Hamill, only shows (in the face of the above facts) that a greater per cent of the cases docketed during the local-option period were contested in the court and not that there were more criminal acts committed, and if by reason of long drawn out trials of local-option cases Mr. Hamill or the Attorneys succeed in putting the County to extra expense. It is certainly unfair to try to make the voters of Bell County believe by presentation of the cost of their acts, that there is a greater number of criminal violations than the records show. Again in Chairman Hamill's second contention he seeks to show, that the county is in a bad shape financially on account of local-option and for proof calls the attention to the treasurer's report for February 1903 before local-option went into effect, which report showed that the county had available funds on hand amounting to \$30,381.24; while the report filed on January 31, 1906 showed only \$5720.29 on hand; and that the county is indebted for \$24,000 borrowed for the use of these available funds as follows; on Oct. 4, 1902 \$2500. on August 24, 1903, \$3300.00, on August 21, 1903 \$13,888.88 and on June 14, 1904 \$6000.00; and that since Sept. 26, 1903, \$7870. has been transferred from other

funds into the Jury fund in addition to which \$2000.00 has been borrowed, none of which has been repaid.

The obvious purpose of The Ledger in asking the voters of Runnels county to read this statement was to lead them to believe; 1st, that Bell county had fallen behind more than \$24,000.00 in its available funds; and since local option went into effect; and 2nd, that the county had been forced to borrow more than \$24,000. for the use of these available funds; 3rd, that the expense of Juries was increased to such an extent by local local-option, that it was necessary to transfer \$7870.00 to that fund besides borrowing \$2000.00 for it.

But does The Ledger's statement of facts from record declare ALL the facts shown by the Record? The question is answered by the following statement:

Statement of Treasurer Blair,
State of Texas
County of Bell

Belton, Texas, February 23, 1906.

This is to certify that my report to the Commissioners Court for February A. D. 1903 showing the total available fund at said time to be \$30,381.24, included the January collections for said year, and fines collected by the Justices of the Peace up to the 20th of February A. D. 1903.

That my report to the Commissioners Court on the 31st day of January A. D. 1906 showing the total available funds to be \$5720.29 did not include the collections for January 1906 nor fines collected by Justices of the Peace for the quarter ending February 1st 1906.

The collections for January 1906 amounted to \$35,181.80 of which \$28,746.62 went into the available funds; and the fines collected by Justices of the Peace in January 1906 amount to \$527.20 which also went into the available funds of the county making a total available fund after January collections were in, of \$34,994.11.

W. B. Blair, Treas. Bell Co.

The statement of facts contained in Chairman Hamill's circular shows the available fund of the county to be more than \$24,000 worse off under local-option than it was before local-option; the statement of all the records made by treasurer Blair shows this fund to be \$4612.87 better off under local-option than it was before only a difference of \$29,274.82 made by stating a part of the record by Mr. Hamill, and by stating all the records by Mr. Blair.

Then we learn from Mr. Hamill's statement of the record that of the \$24000. the county has borrowed, "\$2,500. of it was borrowed before the 1903 election and the balance since." And the dates of the loans mentioned above show that of \$25,488.88 except the \$6000. was borrowed before local-option went into effect and that all of the \$25,488.88 was used to make good deficiencies which occurred under Anti-prohibition. The county has borrowed no money to supply deficiencies in the revenues assessed and collected under the local option administration, but has paid all of its inherited floating debt, has paid interest on the money borrowed under Anti-prohibition and \$1488.88 of the principal of that debt. Furthermore the county has paid its way in cash and it appears that it has sufficient available funds to pay expenses of the present year; and has reduced the rate of taxation from 50 cents to 49 cents since local-option went into effect.

And third, Chairman Hamill's statement from the record shows that the jury fund has been augmented by \$9,870 transferred and borrowed since local option went into effect, and the inference is that local-option has increased the Jury expenses of the county, something like \$4000. a year. Does a statement of all the record lead to the same inference? The record shows the exact amount paid out for juries for each year as follows:

From Nov. 20, 1901 to Nov. 20, 1902, \$ 11,422.90.

From Nov. 20, 1902 to Nov. 20, 1903, \$12,844.71.

From Nov. 20, 1903 to Nov. 20, 1904, \$9187.70.

From Nov. 20, 1904 to Nov. 20, 1905 \$8269.70.

The actual amount paid for juries for two years of prohibition, is \$17,457.40, as against, \$24,267.61, paid juries for two years under Anti-prohibition, a difference of \$6693.21 in favor of Prohibition, or \$3845.80 per year in favor of Prohibition instead of \$4000. against it as would be inferred from Chairman Hamill's statement from the record.

From the statement of facts selected from the record contained in Chairman Hamill's circular it appears that under local-option the available funds of the county have decreased from \$30,381.24 to \$5720.29; that \$24,000.00 has been borrowed; that the expense of juries have increased over \$4000. a year and that crime has more than doubled.

From a statement of all the facts in the record it appears that under local-option the available funds has increased from \$30,381.24 to \$34,994.11; that no money has been borrowed, but on the other hand debts incurred under Anti-prohibition have been paid, and taxes reduced; that the expenses of the juries has decreased \$3345.80 per year and that crime has decreased from 432 pleas of guilty two years before to 146 pleas of guilty in the two years after Sept. 25, 1903 when local-option became effective.

We submit the above statement of facts as verified by all the records for the candid consideration of the thoughtful voters of Bell county and ask them to sustain the local-option law.

T. S. Whitely,
Chairman Local-option Campaign
Committee Bell Co., Texas.
TEMPLE'S AWFUL (?)
RECORD.

Office of M. O. Woodward,
City Secretary

Tax Collector and Assessor.

There has been filed in the Corporation Court for the 29 months prior to local-option 1683 cases and for the 29 months since local-option there have been filed 1288 cases. M. O. Woodward,
Clerk of Corporation Court.

If it Fails the Money's Yours.

Thousands of boxes of Hunt's Cure are being sold by the Southern druggists daily, for the simple reason that people are rapidly finding out that it is the best cure for any itching disease ever discovered. The first application relieves, and one box positively guaranteed to cure any one case.

W. Biggs, representing the Farmers & Bankers ware house Company of Houston, was here Monday of this week. The purpose of his visit was to establish and build a ware house for storing cotton. He states that one will be built here and at several other points between here and Temple.

Money to loan on Farms and Rances by The W. C. Belcher Land Mortgage Co., Fort Worth, Texas.

A POPULAR REMEDY.
Sales of Sal-Te-Na Fruit Seltzer Growing by Leaps and Bound.

A Quick-Acting Laxative.

Don't go to bed with a Headache!

If you are suffering from Constipation, and your head throbs like a bass drum, take a dose of SAL-TE-NA, and get results inside of an hour!

Then you will sleep peacefully and get up in the morning refreshed and ready for a big day's work.

If you take cathartic pills at night, your sleep will be fitful, and you will dream of hobgoblins.

Cathartic pills are loaded with Croton Oil, and their harsh action on the bowels leaves you weak and exhausted.

SAL-TE-NA is a natural Laxative that acts gently on the Bowels.

It's an ideal cure for Headache, as it is entirely harmless, and unlike headache tablets and powders doesn't depress the heart's action.

Our local druggists tell us that SAL-TE-NA is the most popular remedy for Headaches and Constipation they have ever handled, and sales are growing by leaps and bounds.

It's sold in 25 and 50 cent bottles.

For sale by Walker Drug Co.

The Sad Death of A Bride.

Death in all its phrases is sad, but inexpressibly so when it comes with the swiftness of lightning and snatches a life young and full of hope and promise. Mrs. Marshall Simms a bride of only four months was called last Friday morning to answer this inevitable summons—alone, no one near to answer her call or to note the passing of her soul, she lay down and breathed her last while her young husband was out in the field plowing, little dreaming that the bride he had left in full bloom of health in the morning was going through the agonies of death's struggle in their little home near the hillside.

Mr. Simms came home for the welcome and ever ready meal which usually awaited him, to find his wife stretched on the bed as if asleep, but alas it was the sleep from which there is no awakening for no answer came back to his call, there was no response to his touch—the woman he loved lay before him dead.

Wild with grief, he called for help, but when medical aid came it was found that death had preceded the arrival of the husband an hour or more.—Bronte Enterprise.

J. E. Powell.

In this issue we announce J. E. Powell for reelection to the office of County surveyor of Runnels County. Mr. Powell has filled the important office the past two years to the satisfaction of the public, as is evidenced by the fact that he has no opponent for the office.

We take pleasure in presenting Mr. Powell to the voters of Runnels County for their consideration at the coming Primary election on July the 28th.

Mrs. A. S. Lee returned Saturday night from a 4 months visit with relatives, having staid three weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Brown, at Granbury and one week with Mrs. M. A. Lee, her mother-in-law, at Brooke Smith.

Organized at Wingate.

Wingate, Tex., May 7, 06.
Banner-Leader,

Ballinger, Tex.

There was quite a number met in Wingate on May 5th, and organized in order to help the county organization to put down the greatest evil of our land.

The meeting was called to order by Turner Moore, the (chairman of Ballinger organization.) And W. G. Cathey was elected chairman and A. E. Turner Sect., and Treasury. A short address was then made by Turner Moore. As to how the work should be carried on, he told us that it was to be carried on as a business proposition and many other things that was very appropriate for the occasion. A collection was then taken which amounted to \$1.65 for expenses, and we then adjourned to meet again next Saturday at 3 p. m.
A. E. Turney.

Nature's Way Is Best.

The function strengthening and tissue building plan of treating chronic, lingering and obstinate cases of disease as pursued by Dr. Pierce, is following after Nature's plan of restoring health.

He uses natural remedies, that is extracts from native medicinal roots, prepared by processes wrought out by the expenditure of much time and money, without the use of alcohol, and by skillful combination in just the right proportions.

Used as ingredients of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, Black Cherry-bark, Queen's root, Golden Seal root, Bloodroot and Stone root, specially exert their influence in cases of lung, bronchial and throat troubles, and this "Discovery" is, therefore, a sovereign remedy for bronchitis, laryngitis, chronic coughs, catarrh and kindred ailments.

The above native roots also have the strongest possible endorsement from the leading medical writers, of all the several schools of practice, for the cure not only of the diseases named above but also for indigestion, torpor of liver, or biliousness, obstinate constipation, kidney and bladder troubles and catarrh, no matter where located.

You don't have to take Dr. Pierce's say-so alone as to this; what he claims for his "Discovery" is backed up by the writings of the most eminent men in the medical profession. A request by postal card or letter, addressed to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., for a little book of extracts from eminent medical authorities endorsing the ingredients of his medicines, will bring a little book free that is worthy of your attention if needing a good, safe, reliable remedy of known composition for the cure of almost any old chronic, or lingering malady.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation. One little "Pellet" is a gentle laxative, and two a mild cathartic.

The most valuable book for both men and women is Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser. A splendid 1008-page volume, with engravings and colored plates. A copy, paper-covered, will be sent to anyone sending 21 cents in one-cent stamps, to pay the cost of mailing only, to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y. Cloth-bound, 31 stamps.



Letter to Bair & Brown.

Ballinger, Tex.

Dear Sir;

When you see a well-dressed man, you like to say: "There's a sample of our clothes. That man is worth two of himself as he was when he came to us."

We have the same feeling. Our paint on a house is worth twice as much as old-fashion painter's paint, lead-and-old. It looks the same when first put on. In three months it don't. In three years it decidedly don't.

Lead-and-oil chalks off in three years: it is considered a first-rate job that lasts three years.

Devoc lead-and-zinc is about as good in three years as it was the day the painter left it.

Zinc is the secret of it: no secret at all. A good many painters know zinc; some mix it in with their lead. We grind it in: not a little: good deal.

It's the zinc and the grinding that does it. You can't mix zinc by hand. We grind it in by machinery.

Painters are finding us out, though some painters are slow.

You know that it pays a good man to wear good clothes. How many customers have you that know it?

Yours truly

F. W. Devoc & Co.

Ballinger Lumber Co. sell our paint.

Tom Crosson & Co.

Land Agents.

We have listed with us some of the finest pieces of Farm and Ranch lands in this section.

We invite your inspection of Prices, Terms, Ect.

Correspondence Promptly Attended To.

Write us or call on us at our office in this city.

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DON'T LOSE MONEY
Figure with Smith & Bateman before you buy your Lumber bill.
Brick, Lime, Cement in fact all kinds of Building Material at bed rock prices
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS PAINTS are the Best. We have it in all colors
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Go to THE CHAS. S. MILLER ABSTRACT CO., Ballinger, Tex as for certified Abstracts of Title. We guarantee all our work to be accurate, neat and up-to-date. We also have many improved places for sale at bargains and unimproved lands in any size tract on small cash payment and long time. Call and see us.
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SHIPMAN & IZARD, Props.
Tombs, Tablets, Marble and Granite of all kinds, also handle Iron Fencing. We buy our material in car-load lots which enables us to sell at very low prices.
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Rates—Cash in Advance.

District Officers \$10.00
County " 7.50
Precinct " 2.50
Subject to Democratic Primary.

For District Attorney:
WALTER U. EARLY.

For Representative 102nd Dist:
W. B. SILLIMAN.

For County Judge:
F. B. STONE.

For County Attorney:
R. S. GRIGGS.

For Sheriff:
HENRY A. MITCHELL.

A. S. JUSTICE.
C. C. CULWELL.

R. P. KIRK.

For Assessor:
EDWIN DAY.

W. T. PADGETT.

For County Clerk:
R. A. TERRY.

For County Treasurer:
W. F. SHARP.

For J. P. and Com. Prec. No. 1:
W. H. WEEKS.

W. W. MCKINLEY.

For Constable Prec. No. 1:
B. W. PILCHER.

For Public Cotton Weigher Prec. No. 1:
FRANK STUART.

T. A. TIDWELL.

For Commissioner Prec. No. 2:
J. E. McADAMS.

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The Seligmann and Scherty Pasture; we have exclusive agency to sell this land. These pastures contain about 4000 acres and are located 1 mile north east of Wingate. This is all very fine farming land, and fronts on Alley Creek. We have these pastures subdivided into tracts of 160 to 240 acres. Terms \$100 per acre cash, balance ten years in 5 notes at 8 per cent interest.

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Try a good generous glass filled to the brim with pure delight. Only the purest ingredients are used in our flavors, so you can drink as much as you like. And you'll like a whole lot we assure you. Have plenty of company, too.

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Chamberlain's Salve is good for any disease of the skin. It allays the itching and burning sensation instantly. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

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Dr. Price's Baking Powder supplies a pure, wholesome leavening agent, which makes the biscuit and cake of highest healthfulness at medium cost, and protects the food from alum, which is the greatest dietary danger of the day.

PRICE BAKING POWDER CO.
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NOTE.—Alum baking powders are sold at ten to twenty-five cents a pound or a cent an ounce, but they render the food partially indigestible and unhealthful.

The Armour and Swift packing companies threaten to pull up stakes and leave the State if the prosecutions being made by the Attorney General are not discontinued. It is not yet clear to the public just how the two companies are violating the law, but it is presumed the States legal department has made thorough investigation and knows what it is doing. If the laws are being violated, threat of leaving the State should influence the action of the officials in charge of the prosecution, unless it throw a little more into their efforts. Texas can get along handsomely without these plants, and if we are to have only at the expense of the suspension of law in their favor, it would be better to dispense with them entirely. Ft. Worth might kick at their departure but the rest of the State would care little.—Comanche Chief.

Fresh line of good groceries on hand all the time at Miller Mer. Co. Call and see us.

Lee Maddox can write you \$1000 tornado insurance on your residence or business house three years for \$5.00.

A good rain fell last night. Fine wash silk 25c at W. H. Davis.

New line of Men's pat Kid and Kid Oxfords at The Hub.

Fresh vegetables received daily. Give us your order.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Call around at the John E. Quarles, Co., for estimates on your lumber bills.

Warner's Rust Proof Corsets at the Ballinger Dry Goods Co's every one guaranteed.

A swell line of Gents neckwear at the Ballinger Dry Goods Company's store. Call and see it.

The most complete stock of Fishing Tackle carried by any house.

The Walker Drug Co.

Rev. J. K. Wooten, of Dallas, is helping Rev. E. P. Williams in his meeting this week at the Methodist church. Rev. Wooten delivered a very forcible lecture on the evils of the liquor traffic last Sunday night to a packed audience. Every pew in the church was full and the little folks sit on the rostrum. He made an unanswerable argument.

Rates To California Will Remain in Effect on the Santa Fe.

Owing to the recent disaster in San Francisco there will be no meeting of the National Educational Association in 1906.

In order that those who have anticipated the pleasure of making a trip to California, may not be disappointed, the Santa Fe has decided to permit their rates and arrangements for the above named meetings, as heretofore announced, to remain in effect.

For those that may not be familiar with these arrangements we give them below:

For National Educational Association Convention at San Francisco, to have been held in July, a rate of one fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip will be in effect, selling June 25th to July 7th, final limit September 15th.

As stopover privileges are allowed on these tickets, you may visit the Grand Canyon of Arizona, Petrified Forest and Moki Indian Pueblos.

Drop me a card for descriptive booklets and any other information you may desire regarding trip to California.

W. S. Keenan,
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Mazeland Musings.

Big, bully country altogether. A mighty good spot on the great round globe to develop the mental, moral and physical man.

A fruitful land at whose fair bosom all nature is nourished—a country through which rings the voice of Progress and rolls the Eternal Melody of rippling rivers. Dressed out now in living green, her bosom is buried in blossoms.

The best day I ever lived was lived up near the pure, blue sky where June Bugs don't give milk and frogs don't grow feathers but that don't signify, the signs of the times signify. If fools, fanatics, frauds and fussy folks think that they don't, let them move out and let the procession proceed. Some may wobble in and some may wobble out, but that it will proceed, I'll be sworn.

But let us be genteel, I said we do not expect every goose to turn to a swan, I assure you.

It is a great point well grounded that we have not reached the highest point of human joy, but we are reading, I promise you.

We have not commenced sawing sunbeams up into cypress shingles and we are not offering any territory or "county rights" for sale.

But for fear you accuse me of "shooting doodlebugs with a gatling gun", I will say that the average citizen is clinging to the ground and making the gravel fly. I wouldn't throw stone only at talebeares, tattlers and two-faced talking machines, who should be tapped for the simples.

But I am not going to waste much space on these harmless, sucking doves.

Give 'em the frozen face and devote valuable space and time to the subject of homebuilding

in a land unhaunted by the wolf of want, crowned with sweet content and gilded with freedom glory. We are deeply impressed that far more lasting good can be accomplished along this line of thought than by bombarding these intellectual tomitits, mentally dwarfed and morally debased.

We loose no sleep and miss no meals over a man with a moulton head and no moral force, and no moral force, and by the way no more back bone than a banana.

Mazeland Happings.

A farmers union has been organized at mazeland with forty members and a charter issued with W. C. Spence, Pres., D. B. Cox sec. Treas. meet every alternate Friday night.

Last Saturday Evening Rev. Cabe and Mr. Moore of your city organize a prohibition club at the school house. W. C. Spence, the old wheel-horse Pres Jno Ballew Sect., Mr. Warren Treas. An executive committee was appointed, composed of Mr. Brice, Milton Phillips and Walter Williams. The same two gentlemen went from here to Dry Hollow to organize another club at night.

Henry Mitchell, Candidate for sheriff was in the neighborhood looking after his fences. Mr. Mitchell is a cool calm conservative gentleman.

J. J. Jones is painting his house.

A. T. Tuerpe has subdivided his fine farm and will offer it for sale, Jno. Ballew is keen to trade his place in Mitchell county for land in Rannels.

How is Mazeland coming now? Sunday school every Sunday morning, Prohibition club every Sunday evening, Farmers Union one Friday night and the Litiary Club the next and preaching Saturday night and Sunday.

A glorious light rain fell here Saturday night Mr. Livingston and Mr. Boyd are putting in nice farms near Valley creek and Mr. Whitley is also improving a place over there.

These people have transformed the north Turner pasture into one of the most pleasant looking farming sections in our community. Your correspondent took a little jaunt through this neck of the woods and was agreeably surprised. Mr. Bond has one of the nicest places in the county and Mr. Warren's is equally fine. Mr. Warren is treasurer in our pro club.

Jim Allen is on a trip to his Western ranch. Capt. A. B. Hutchison and Mrs. Hutchison will leave on a visit to their son Archie, who ranches in midland county in a few days. Mr. Archie came in to accompany them back, as these good people are getting old.

Uncle Johnnie Hutchinson will look after the business of the store while his brother is gone.

Mr. Horten has painted his house. Let every paint Uncle Jonnie

P. S. To your splendid correspondent "You Know" I will say that I have been in this man's county turning into three years and everything looks good to me.

Uncle Johnnie.

Y. P. S. C. E. Program.

Christian Church Sunday 7: p m Subject—"Lessons from the lives of Elijah and Jonn the Baptist," Luke, 1: 14-17 1 Kings, 18: 30-30.

Leader—Miss Kate Glober. Opening songs.

Prayer—Rev. H. A. Moore. Reading of the lesson responsively.

Song. Paper on topics by the leader. References.

Where and how are Elijah's needed now?—J. T. Cabe. Encourageing facts of temperance progress—Miss Viola Moore.

Song. Sentence Prayers. Roll call by Secretary, Collection.

Endeavor Benediction.

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IT IS YOUR DUTY to buy home manufactured goods, provided they are as good as can be gotten from a distance.

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Service perfect in every respect. The very choicest meats the market affords. Prompt delivery and courteous treatment at all times. Call or phone us your orders.

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Both the H. C. and R. K. Wylie Ranches owned by our company will be sold by us on the extraordinary low terms of one-fifth cash, balance "on or before," 2, 4, 6, 8, or 10 years, 8 per cent. per annum, interest payable annually, which contain some of the best land in the county.

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Ballinger, - - - Texas.

Portraits! Portraits!

It will pay anyone interested in high grade Portraits to reserve their order for W. R. Meadow, as he is making a canvas of the same territory made by him last year. He does nothing but high grade work, and will deliver in the fall or make special delivery if desired.

The proposition to create the office of County school superintendent was defeated by an overwhelming majority in Erath county.

W. P. Humphrey, our generous lumberman, left for Mineral Wells Monday evening in response to an attack of Rheumatism. (?) We hope to hear of "Bill" being better soon.

W. C. Gay and B. S. Robey, of Coleman, were in town first of the week. Mr. Robey is interested with Messrs. Gray and Hemphill in the skating rink to be built in Ballinger soon. They decided to enlarge their former plans and make the rink larger and more expensive than they had anticipated.

Mrs. Stella Forbes, who has been manager of the millinery apartment, of R. A. Risser & Co's store here for a long time, left for Ft. Worth Monday accompanied by her mother. They will make Ft. Worth their future home. Their many friends regretted very much to see them leave Ballinger, and their best wishes go with them to their new home.

The packeries are a great thing for Texas, but the law was here first and they must abide by it. It is the duty of the Attorney General to see that they do not violate the law. And since they have threatened to leave the State if he does not cease his prosecution, we would suggest that he push them all the closer for it naturally seems that there is something wrong somewhere.

Will Bryan

IN BALLINGER

See him for a Hair-cut or anything in the tonsonial art you want done in an up-to-date style.

Barber Shop on 8th street at Crown Saloon. . . .

It is Dangerous to Neglect a Cold.

How often do we hear it remarked: "It's only a cold," and a few days later learn that the man is on his back with pneumonia. This is of such common occurrence that a cold, however slight, should not be disregarded. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia, and has gained its great popularity and extensive sale by its prompt cures of this most common ailment. It always cures and is pleasant to take. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

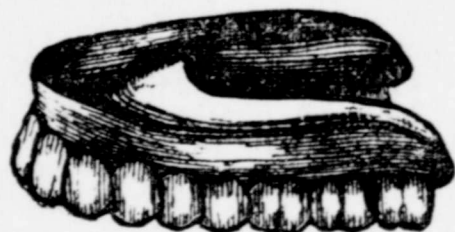
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Will be ready to nurse patients for all the physicians of the city, or any others needing her services.

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Have you weakness of any kind-stomach, back, or any organ of the body? Don't dope yourself with ordinary medicine. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea is the supreme curative power. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. Ask your Druggist.

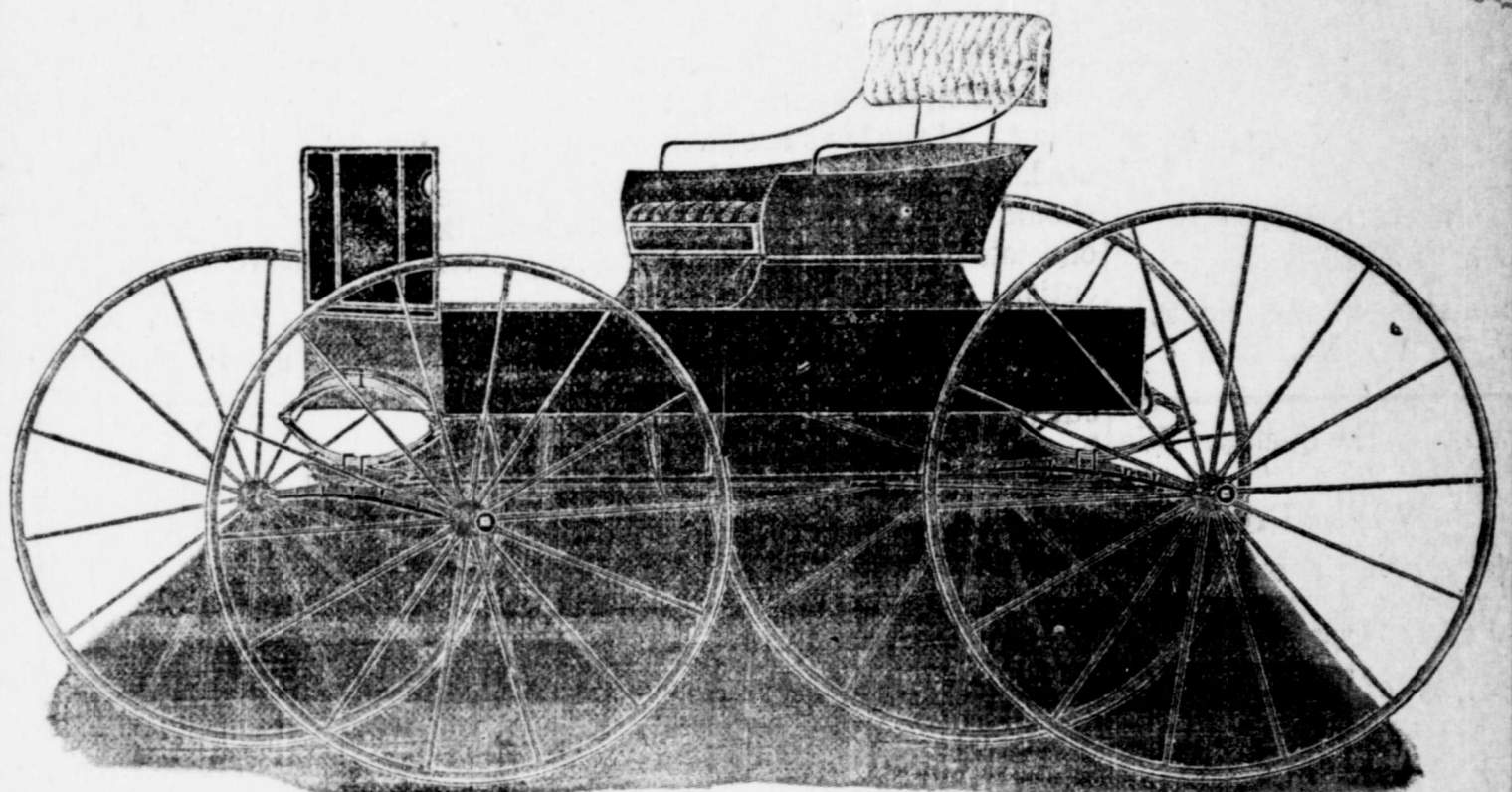
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Pure Georgia cane Syrup at Godwin Grocery. Co.

Rev. W. J. Moore, accompanied by his little son, Lyman, went down to Santa Anna Sunday evening to visit Rev. Moore's brother, returning Monday night.

It pours the oil of life into your system. It warms you up and starts the life blood circulating. That's what Hollister's Rocky Mountain does. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. Ask your Druggist.

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A full line of High Grade Buggies and Surries. New and Second Hand Furniture. For Bargains every day in the week see

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HOLLISTER'S Rocky Mountain Tea Nuggets

A Busy Medicine for Busy People. Brings Golden Health and Renewed Vigor. A specific for Constipation, Indigestion, Live and Kidney Troubles, Pimples, Eczema, Impure Blood, Bad Breath, Sluggish Bowels, Headache and Backache. It's Rocky Mountain Tea in tablet form, 35 cents a box. Genuine made by HOLLISTER DRUG COMPANY, Madison, Wis. GOLDEN NUGGETS FOR SALLOW PEOPLE

ALLEN'S MUSIC HOUSE

Most complete in the Southwest. All the latest songs, marches, waltzes, etc. HALF PRICE. All publications. Piano, Organ, Violin, Guitars etc. We handle Everything Musical. Write for catalogue and prices. Book of "Old Time Songs" FREE. GEO. ALLEN, SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

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If you had all the wealth of Rockefeller, the Standard Oil magnate, you could not buy a better medicine for bowel complaint than Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. The most eminent physician can not prescribe a better preparation for colic and diarrhoea, both for children and adults. The uniform success of this remedy has shown it to be superior to all others. It never fails and when reduced with water and sweetened, is pleasant to take. Every family should be supplied with it. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

The Texas Wonder.

Cures all Kidney, Bladder and Rheumatic troubles; sold by all druggists, or two months' treatment by mail for \$1. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive street, St. Louis. Send for Texas testimonials.

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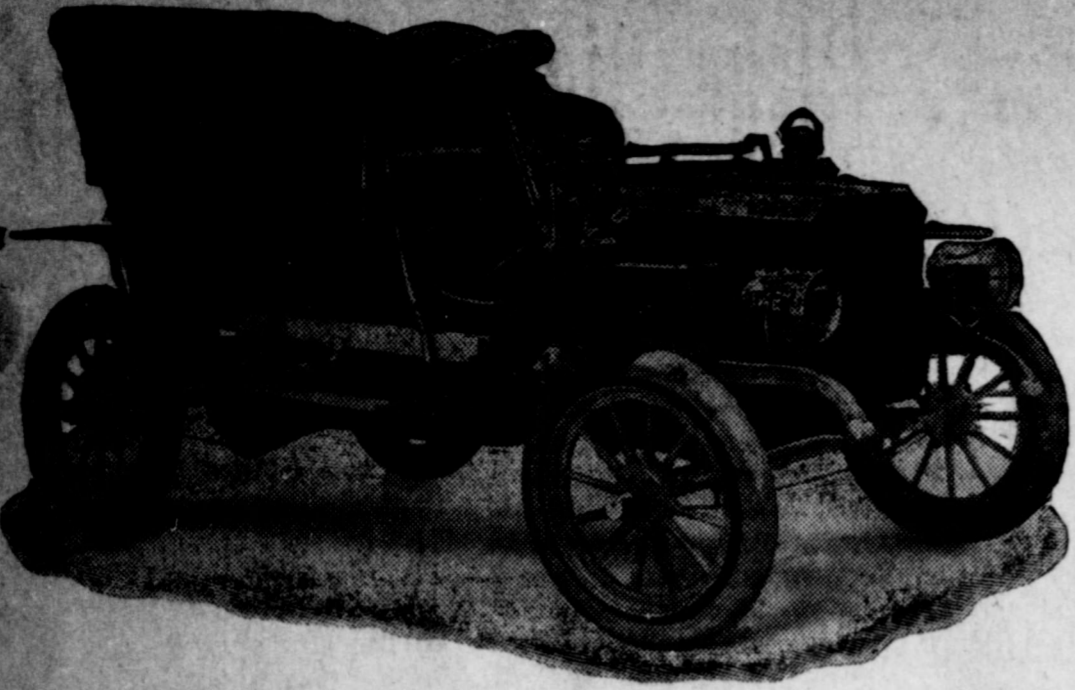
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Jas. E. Brewer is after your Jewelry business see us in First Nat'l Bank Bldg.

The "White Mountain" is the coldest refrigerator made—colder than was even thought possible a few years ago.

When kept closed it is so cold as to be very near the freezing point—so cold that the ice melts with amazing slowness—and every degree of coldness is utilized in the preservation of the food. For sale by The Ostertag Furniture Co.



REO
Touring Car.

16 horse-power, 1600 pounds. 5 passengers. Side doors. 35 miles per hour.

\$1250.

Show us and we'll show you—Show us how many people you want to carry, the road you want to take, the speed you want to make, the price you want to pay. We'll show you the car that meets your every requirement fuller and fairer than any other car you can name—and for less money.

FOUR-SEAT RUNABOUT. 8 horse-power, 1000 pounds, 25 miles per hour \$650. With folding seat to carry two extra passengers. **\$675.**

Come here to-day and try it out.

REO MOTOR CAR Co. Factory and Sales Department, Lansing Mich.
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How To Cure Biliousness
Without Punishing Your Liver

HHEAD aches awfully. Temples throb. Tongue wears fur overcoat. Appetite gone off on vacation. Mouth tastes like bad eggs. Breath has odor of limburger cheese. Stomach turned upside down. Bowels tied up—constipated. Feverish feeling, accompanied by drowsiness, Muscles sore. Bones ache. Everything going wrong.

That's Biliousness.

Friend says, "Take dose pills—liven up your liver!"

Doc says, "Quinine!"

Trouble is, liver already overworked, trying to clean up the system. Bowels won't do their part—that's what's wrong! Let liver alone. Relieve Stomach and Bowels of gas and fermenting mass of poisonous material. This

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Where's The Leak

Sometimes, even with most careful managing, the good house develops a surprising deficit! A Bank account aids you to the difficulty. It shows you just where the money has gone, where down, and a creditable balance maintained for sickness. The ladies are beginning to appreciate the advantage bank. We always have appreciated their patrons may we number you among them.

The Citizens
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Fifty Years the Standard

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

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W. H. Davis sells the Eagle coat shirt.

Turner Moore had business in Miles Thursday.

C. P. Shepherd had legal business in Rowena between trains Thursday.

Our efficient telegraph operator, D. H. Baker, will read the Banner-Leader for a year.

Miss Mae Harris left Wednesday for Mineral Wells to recuperate for a few weeks.

Cal Kirk is having his house painted this week which makes it look like a brand new one.

Henry A. Mitchell, candidate for sheriff, was in the city interviewing the boys Saturday and Monday.

Miss Kathleen Francis returned from San Angelo Thursday where she had been visiting among friends.

W. M. Gray was in Wednesday from the Lone Star community and paid the Banner-Leader office a pleasant visit.

Mrs. U. Z. Morris, who had been visiting her sister Mrs. M. C. Smith, left for her home at Winwood Wednesday.

Mrs. Robert Turner and Mrs. Robert Turner children left Wednesday for Perry, Texas, where they will stay a few weeks.

They have opened a general repair shop at the office.

Globe Department Store.

We have just received a new line of Men's, Boy's and Children's clothing. Come in and see them and get our extremely low prices. They will make you open your eyes.

Men's Suits \$2.85 to \$11.75.

Boy's and Children's as cheap accordingly.

Our White and Colored Lawns, Mercerized Goods, Batiste, etc. can not be duplicated at the price we ask.

New line of Ladies Muslin Underwear.

Ladies fine Bleached Knit Vests 3 for	- - -	25c
" Hose, seamless, 3 pair	- - -	25c
" " Lace, pr. 15c to	- - -	50c
1 set 5 Palm Table Mats	- - -	33c

Beautiful line of Jap. Chinaware.

Wool Blankets? No, not wool blankets, but you ought to see those beautiful SUMMER Lap Robes and there are more to follow.

All sorts of Fishing Tackle.

2 fine Jap. Cane Poles	- - -	25c
10 feet Minnow Seine	- - -	78c

Men's Work Shirts, black Negelige, with or without Collars.

Washboards and Washing Powders.

Ice Cream Freezers \$1.45 and up.

45 bars Death-on-dirt Soap	- - -	\$1.00
Common Egg Beaters 3 for	- - -	5c
Dover " " "	- - -	10c
Window Screen Wire 26 inch, per yd	- - -	18c

Other widths as cheap accordingly.
Walk-over Shoes and Oxfords a specialty.

Yours anxious to please,

Bair & Conn.

Mykawa Killed.

Mykawa, the Japanese, who was killed extensively in Texas a year ago, and who was killed by Ballinger in command of the Santa Fe. Mykawa was accidentally killed in some place. He was killed but, liked people so much that he had a back and front in Houston. He was killed.

Gov. Bob Taylor Coming.

It is an established fact that Gov. Bob Taylor will be here at the Opera House June 9th Arrange now to hear him.

If its in the Grocery line we have it.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Give us your trade for one month we will do our best to please you.

Godwin Grocery. Co.

John E. Quarles Co. Lumber dealers are new in Ballinger but long in the lumber business. Give us a trial at your lumber orders.

Opportunity

W. J. Harvey Department Store rearranging the stock to arrive. We are going to gain Opportunity, such as before. The stock including, Notions, Queens-ware assortment of Rack-

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