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We Are Adding New Customers to our Grocery List every day
We Please Others, and can please you. Try Us.

Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack

PROMINENT CANDI- DATE TO BE HERE

Candidate For United State Senate
to Succeed Joe Bailey to Speak
in Ballinger May 6th.

Yes, of course you are coming to Ballinger on 1st, Monday. The great attraction for the coming First Monday will be Hon. Morris Sheppard. Congressman Sheppard is among the ablest speakers in the South. He has a reputation as an orator that few men have, and to hear him will be a privilege every voter in this section of the country should take advantage of.

Congressman Sheppard has been invited here by the Ballinger Business League, and will be the guest of the League while here. The committee appointed to entertain and arrange for the speaker will see that everything is done to make his stay in our city a pleasant one.

Card of Thanks.

Words can not express our gratitude and deep feeling for the kindness shown us by the good people of our community during the illness of our dear daughter May. We can only thank the people through your columns with few words. We are truly grateful to each and every one that was ready and willing to extend a helping hand to us.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Riggs,
Wingate, Texas.

First National Makes Statement.

We are pleased to give to our readers elsewhere in this paper a statement of the financial condition of the First National Bank of Ballinger. As usual, this bank comes out with a splendid showing, and right up to the standard in popularity with the people who have banking business to transact.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Kunitz went to Cuero last Saturday to visit relatives a few days.

Phone S. W. Cobb, the second hand man for good charcoal cheap.

CLEAN-UP LEAGUE DOWN TO BUSINESS

Officers Elected and Clean Campaign to Be Waged. Every Citizen a Member.

The committee appointed at the mass meeting last week at the court house to select officers for the Clean Up League met this week and elected Joe Wilmett president, Mrs. W. S. Fleming vice President, A. W. Sledge, secretary and E. D. Walker treasurer. The new officers will meet at an early date on the committee with them and a campaign of work will be planned and the best method for handling the work discussed. It is also the intention of the committee to call for a mass meeting of the citizens at an early date, perhaps the first of next week, and in order that a full attendance may be had, the business houses will be asked to close for thirty minutes. The time elected for the meeting will be so as to cover a dull hour in the day and will not conflict with business. The plan of work is to be laid before every citizen and made plain so that the work of making Ballinger the cleanest town in Texas can be handled to the best advantage.

Ballinger is in this contest to win. The town that wins will not only get \$300 in cash, but will profit by advertising and profit greatly from a sanitary standpoint, which is worth more and is to be considered more than any other one thing. Up to date the towns that have entered the contest are Ballinger, Colman, Merkel, Bay City, Eagle Pass, New Braunfels and Stamford. If each citizen does his or her duty it will be easy to go ahead of any of the above towns.

Keep your eye open and be at the mass meeting when it is called, and don't lag when it comes to knocking the man that helps to make the town filthy.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Watkins returned to their home at San Angelo Monday, after a visit to Mrs. Watkins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Allen.



Our Suits are in the Ring

Doesn't this warm weather make you feel like getting into cooler clothing? We have some very tasty spring and summer suits on sale that are made especially for hot weather comfort. We also have a swell line of Men's Shirts, Underwear, Hose, Shoes and Oxfords; all new in style and bought since January 1st, 1912.

To the ladies we wish to announce that we have many splendid patterns in dress goods of all kinds; Gingham, Percals and Calicoes; Trimmings, Embroideries, Laces and Notions. Slippers, Oxfords and Pumps, Black and Fancy Hose and Gloves; in fact, everything you might wish. We cordially invite you to visit our store.

The HUB

Patronize Home Industry.

Dr. W. B. Phillips of the University of Texas in discussing our Home Industries before the Texas Welfare Commission in Houston last week, presented with vivid accuracy a terrible arraignment of Texas consumers for their failure to patronize home industries. Our indifference to Texas-made goods has caused struggling industry many a heartache and has forced our Texas producers to seek foreign markets at considerable expense and embarrassment.

There is no more pitiful sight than a shipment of Texas-made goods on its journey to the foreign markets meeting a similar consignments from an eastern factory on its way to the Texas market. Patronize home industry.

State Sunday School Convention.

Miss Jim Gilliam is busy sending notices of the State Sunday School Convention which convenes in Dallas, Monday, May 6th. The Santa Fe has made a very low rate for the occasion, and it will not cost much to make the trip and Runnels county Sunday Schools should be well represented. Each Sunday School in the county should take this matter up next Sunday and elect a delegate to attend.

PIONEER CITIZEN DIES AT ROWENA.

A. J. Pou died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Dan Gill, in Rowena Monday morning at 7:40. This news did not come as a surprise as Mr. Pou had been in feeble health for a number of years. He had lived to reach a very old age, and his life was not lacking of interest, and he often talked of the trials through which he passed during the civil war. He was true veteran of the South, and never failed to stand up for the protection of the good name of the Southern soldiers.

Deceased was among the early settlers in Ballinger. For many years he was the only man who lived on the land which now comprises the Western part of the city, which was for many years under litigation. He was familiar, character in Ballinger and is well known by all the old timers. He was true to his friends, and stood up for what he thought was right against the man that was his enemy.

Mr. Pou raised a large family, most of whom have scattered out to different sections of the country. Two daughters, Mr. Louis Massey and Mrs. Tom McFarland, reside in Ballinger and Mrs. Dan Gill, another daughter, lives at Rowena. They were present when the remains were laid to rest in the Rowena cemetery.

BALLINGER SCHOOL CLOSES MAY 26TH

Dr. Bogg to Make Commencement Address on 27th. Fourteen in Graduating Class.

The Ballinger Public Schools will close on Monday, May 27 with commencement exercises and the address will be delivered by Dr. W. E. Bogg, pastor of the Methodist Church, of Brownwood. The commencement sermon will be preached Sunday, May 26th by Rev. R. M. Hammock, pastor of the First Presbyterian church at this place.

There are fourteen in the graduating class. It is not known yet how many of these will pass the examination and receive diplomas certifying that they have completed the full course in the Ballinger High School. They have over a month yet in which to buckle down to business and get in shape to pass the muster.

As far as we can learn this has been a very successful year for the school, and those who fail to come up with a good showing at the close can find fault with no one but themselves. The teachers have been faithful, and the school term has passed off without the least bit of friction among the faculty and the patrons.

Chas. S. Miller returned home Sunday from a two weeks stay at Marlin, where he had been recuperating. Mr. Miller reports that the section of country east of us has been receiving too much water, and that Runnels county is a head of anything he saw while on his trip.

Man Arrested for Robbery.

Sheriff Flynt arrested a man by the name of Wilj Crouson, first of the week and placed him in jail on a charge of robbing the Truitt store some time ago.

PUBLIC ENTERTAIN- MENT AT LIBRARY

Interesting Program For Library Meeting To Night. No Charge For Admission.

As announced last week, the ladies of the Shakespere Club and the Library Association will hold a joint meeting at the Public Library to night. A splendid program has been arranged for the occasion, and every body is cordially invited to be present.

No charge for admission and a good time guaranteed.

Program:

Music—High School Band.
Piano Duet—Misses Hutton and Adkins.
Talk—Judge B. B. Stone.
Vocal Solo—Mrs. J. B. Wilmett.
Piano Solo—Miss Armour McGregor.
Talk—W. S. Fleming.
Music—Maje Quartette.
Vocal Solo—Mrs. H. H. Thompson.
Accompanied by Orchestra.
Reading—Jessie Routh Nash.
Vocal Solo—Mrs. McAlpine.
Music—Orchestra.

Mule Sale.

J. H. Kelly and E. L. Rasbury sold this week to Frank S. Miller, of Oklahoma, 139 head of two and three year old mules. The price paid was not made public. Mr. Miller will be here next week to receive the mules and will ship them to Oklahoma where he will pasture them.

Quarterly Conference.

The Quarterly Conference for the Methodist church will convene at the Methodist church in Ballinger Saturday night, at 8:00 o'clock. Rev. J. H. Stuart, the Presiding Elder will preach Sunday. All members are requested to be present.

Farmers' Business

We give particular attention to the business of farmers.

A checking account with a bank is a convenience no farmer should be without.

Our offices always at the disposal of our customers. We cordially invite the farmers to make this their banking home.

A bank account is a little school master—it teaches you the systematic care of your funds.

Save while you can that you may spend when you must.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK
Capital \$100,000.



*It was built
little at a time;
so are great
Fortunes*

The Pyramids of Egypt that were built many centuries ago are still standing. The whole world looks at them with inquisitive admiration. Storms and time have not destroyed their magnitude nor their symmetry. But they were built one stone at a time. If the first stone had not been properly placed, the Pyramids would not be there today. A fortune can be built little by little, but not until after it is STARTED. If you want a fortune START ONE NOW.

Do YOUR banking with US.

The First National Bank
of Ballinger

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

District Office.....\$10.00
 County Office..... 7.50
 Precinct Office..... 2.50
 Payable in Advance.

County Treasurer:
 MRS. MATTIE C. (C. F.)
 DICKINSON.
 W. L. (WILLIE) BROWN.
 JOE. SPILL.

For Sheriff:
 J. P. FLYNT.
 B. W. (Chop) PILCHER

For County Judge.
 W. D. Jennings.
 MARCELLUS KLEBURG
 A. E. WOOD

Representative, 11th. District:
 R. S. GRIGGS

For Dist. Clerk:
 MISS MARY PHILIPS

For County Attorney:
 H. ZDARIL
 C. P. SHEPHERD.

County Superintendent:
 E. L. HAGAN

For Constable Precinct No. 1.
 J. A. (Dad) DEMOVILLE

For County Clerk.
 O. L. PARISCH.

Shoe troubles are over if you
 come to us for your foot wear.
 Higginbotham Currie Williams C

TO BREAK UP COLD

Some Advice That Will Save
 Time and Money.

Strong drink and quinine may re-
 lieve a cold, but it usually does
 more harm than good.

To break up a hard cold in eth-
 er head or chest thousands are
 using this sensible treatment.

First of all look after your bow-
 els; if they need attention use any
 reliable cathartic. Then pour a se-
 ant teaspoonful of HYOMIE into
 a bowl of boiling water, cover head
 and bowl with a towel and breathe
 for 5 or 10 minutes the pleasant,
 soothing, healing vapor.

Do this just before going to bed:
 your head will feel fine and clear
 and you'll awake from a refreshing
 sleep minus a cold in the morning.

For colds, coughs, catarrh, as-
 thma and croup HYOMIE is guaran-
 teed. A fifty cent bottle is all
 you need to break up a cold and
 this can be obtained at The Walker
 Drug Co. and druggist everywhere.

No Calomel Necessary.

The injurious effect and unpleas-
 antness of taking calomel is done
 away with by taking Simmons' Li-
 ver Purifier, the mildest known li-
 ver medicine, yet the most thorough
 in action. Put up in yellow tin
 boxes only. Price 25c. Tried
 once, used always.

Dr. W. A. Gustavus, Dentist.
 Over F. & M. State Bank. 11-1.

For the stomach and bowel dis-
 orders of babies McGEE'S BABY EI-
 LIXIR is a remedy of genuine merit.
 It acts quickly, is pure, wholesome
 and pleasant to take. Price 25c. an
 50c. per bottle. Sold by J. Y.
 Pearce.

The very dress that you will
 want for Easter is at The Hub.



FEATHER WEIGHT HARNESS

is not necessarily light in quality.
 The excellent grade of leather used
 in the manufacture of the Har-
 ness which is light and durable and
 still not clumsy.

BLANKETS AND HORSE GOODS.
 in general forms are important
 parts of our stock. Whatever your
 wants may be we can supply you.
 Prices will please.

H. L. WENDORF

Shoe repairing in connection.
 BALLINGER, TEXAS.

Alcohol.

The Following is an essay writ-
 ten by Luther Watson of Eagle
 Branch School.

First, what is alcohol. How is
 it made. Of what is it composed.
 Stating briefly of what it is, it
 is a poison. Alcohol is made by
 the fermentation of grain, or, in
 other words by the rotting and
 decaying of grains in water. It then
 goes through a process of distilla-
 tion, and other poisonous substance
 are added to it. It is composed
 of C-2 H-6 and O-1 part, this mak-
 ing a poison.

The effects of Alcohol plants has
 been discovered by actual experi-
 ments. For example, if a beautiful
 rose bush is watered with water
 containing a small per cent of Al-
 cohol and other bushes raised from
 this, and others from those, still
 watering with water and alcohol,
 in a few years the rose will be
 generated into a small scrubby rose
 as its early ancestors were.

This is true of animals of the
 lower kind. Experiments have been
 made on dogs, cats, monkeys, and
 other animals, and in all cases al-
 cohol has proven itself a poison
 and narcotic, weakening the ani-
 mals both physically and mental-
 ly. What is true of animals of the
 lower kind also holds good with
 animals of the upper class.

Like wise, alcohol tends to de-
 generate man when used by him.
 This is the fatal part in the exist-
 ence of the abominable stuff. First
 lets consider its effect on the body.
 Its effects have been proven by
 years of careful study, observation,
 and experiment. The whole world
 of learned men and doctors have
 pronounced it fatal. Its work on
 the stomach is to burn out its walls
 and toughen them so that it hind-



**Storm
 Season
 is Here**



You can't take your property to the storm house, but you can come to us and se-
 cure a policy, at a small cost, that will protect you from loss when the storm
 comes. Carry tornado insurance and be safe. Don't worry; let the company
 carry the risk.

FIRE! FIRE!! FIRE!!! If you have a policy in the M. D. Chastain & Co. Agency
 you need not worry when you hear the fire alarm. If
 your property is not insured you are in danger of great loss ev y minute. We
 fix it right. Get that insurance now.

Chastain & Company Ballinger, Texas

City Building Notes.

Shipping facilities are the first
 thing to consider in the building
 of a great city.

Be loyal to your home town,
 stand up for it at all times and
 in the long run you will receive
 your reward.

When you contemplate buying
 anything, try at home first.

Some men are boosters away
 from home and knockers in their
 own community. A cure for this is
 to agree to anything they say,
 but go ahead and do the right
 thing anyway.

Nothing builds a city like build-
 ings of some sort.

A busy city is sure to become
 a big city.

"The old town is all right after
 all" as you will find out when
 you leave it for new fields of
 labor.

Boost the sky line with a smoke
 stack.

To have a fine healthy complex-
 ion—the liver must be active, the
 bowels regular and the blood pure.
 All this is brought about by us-
 ing HERBINE. IT thoroughly se-
 cures the liver, stomach and bow-
 els, puts the body in fine condition
 and restores that clear, pink and
 white complexion so much desired
 by ladies. Price 50c. Sold by J.
 Y. Pearce.

Air Ship free to boys and girls
 at Higginbotham Currie Williams
 Co. Ask the clerks.

Mrs. J. L. Golden visited friends
 at Mijes this week.

A. Levy returned last Saturday
 from a visit to Fort Stockton. He
 did not form a good opinion of the
 country he saw west, and said that
 it would probably be some time be-
 fore the Orient reached the Ft.
 Stockton town. It is thirty miles
 away and very little is being done
 to rush matters. The best thing he
 saw in town was the hotel. He said
 that Ft. Stockton had a hotel that
 was aced to any city.

Bad breath, bitter tast, dizziness
 and a general "no account" feel-
 ing is a sure sign of a torpid liv-
 er. HERBINE is the medicine need-
 ed. It makes the active, vitalizes
 the blood, regulates the bowels and
 restores a fine feeling of energy
 and cheerfulness. Price 50c. Sold
 by J. Y. Pearce.

Miss Loucile Powell attended the
 Battle of Flowers at San Antonio,
 and remained over to visit friends
 a few days.

Itching Piles.

I want you to know how much
 good your Hunt's Cure has done
 me. I had suffered with Itching
 Piles for fifteen years, and when
 I was traveling through Texas a
 man told me of your Hunt's Cure.
 I got a fifty cent box and it cured
 me.—John Bradley, Caney, Kan.

BLACK HAWK JACK.

Long Bill is a thorough bread
 Black hawk Jack; is fifteen hands
 high and will make the season at
 my farm, 9 miles west of Ballinger
 on the Ballinger and Wingate road.
 Z. T. GRIGGS.

**SOMETHING TO EAT
 IS A QUESTION THAT SHOULD
 INTEREST EVERYONE**

We make a study of this ques-
 tion and try to supply our cus-
 tomers with the best the mar-
 ket affords. Prompt delivery
 and the best quality of goods is
 our motto. Give us a trial.

W. B. Wood & Son
 Ballinger, Texas

Jewel Strong

My all-purpose Stal-
 lion will make the
 season at the Union
 Wagon Yard in Bal-
 linger. Fee \$10, just half what I charged last season.

M. C. BRADEN

This Space Belongs to
Arctic Ice & Fuel Company

IF IT IS LUMBER YOU WANT

The Ballinger Lumber Co is ready to fill
 your wants, at the same old stand, with
 prices that are right. We carry a com-
 plete line of building supplies and mill-
 stuff. Call on us.

Telephone Number 65

THAT SPRING HAT

If You Have Not Bought That Spring
 Hat Visit Our Store

SOMETHING NEW AND SNAPPY

A New Line of Sailors Which are all the RAGE Now.
 Drop in and See Them.

Our Prices are Always RIGHT and Our Goods PLEASE.
 A Call Will Convince You.

Misses Gilliam & Poor

AT THE FAIR

BALLINGER, TEXAS

Money For Farmers

We can save you from 25 cents to one dollar on each plow point, and we can save you money on the plow extras for almost any make of plow including the Avery, Canton, Casady, Case, Jno. Deer, Oliver and Rock Island.

COME TO US WITH YOUR PLOW TROUBLES.

Owensboro Wagons and Buggies

We can save you \$25 on a buggy or wagon and at the same time give you something that will give good service. We guarantee this. The Owensboro is guaranteed to stand the test in wear and tare.

BUY AN OWENSBORO AND SAVE DOLLARS.

Blacksmithing and Blacksmith Supplies

We carry in stock a complete line of blacksmith supplies, wood material, etc., and can furnish you such goods at a big saving. We are equipped to handle your blacksmith troubles by giving you prompt service. Call on us.

F. F. Moore & Co.

For Best Grades and Lowest Prices on Building Material, buy from—

Wm. Cameron & Co., Inc.

At Concho Lumber Co.'s Old Stand

B. P. S. PAINTS Are Best

GIESECKE-BENNETT COMPANY

REAL ESTATE, LOANS, AND ABSTRACTS

"GET YOUR LAND TITLES RIGHT."

HAULING!

Give me a part of your hauling. Promptness is my motto.

W. R. BUSHONG

Phone No. 401 Ballinger, Texas

Notice of Change

I have purchased the City Market and have taken charge of same. I solicit a continuance of patronage from all the old patrons of the business and I cordially invite new customers promising the best meats, prompt delivery and fair treatment.

W. T. (Tim) Ward

Ballinger, Texas

Mrs. J. H. Wilbourne and Miss Willie Lankford visited friends at Miles first of the week.

Mrs. Jones, of Athens, Texas, came last Saturday on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Dr. Gustavous.

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting. Mrs. Timie Rayburn and Paul Trimmer, Administrators of the Estate of M. I. Rayburn, Deceased having filed in our County Court their Final Account of the conditions of the Estate of said M. I. Rayburn, Deceased together with an application to be discharged from said Administration.

You are hereby Comanded, That by publication of this Writ for twenty days in a Newspaper regularly published in the County of Runnels you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate, to file their objections thereto, if any they have, on or before the May Term, 1912, of said County Court, commencing and to be held at the Court House of said County, in the City of Ballinger on the 6th of May 1912 when said Account and Application will be considered by said Court.

Witness O. L. Parish Clerk of the County Court of Runnels County. Given Under My Hand and seal of said Court, at my office, in the City of Ballinger this 11th day of April A. D. 1912.

O. L. Parish, Clerk C. C. Runnels County.

J. P. Flynt, Sheriff Runnels Co

Texas Industrial Notes.

The Railroad Commission recently approved bonds to the amount of \$230,000 for the Houston & Brazos Valley Railroad. These bonds are to be used to complete a railroad from Velasco to Anchor.

Grading work has begun on the Hillsboro Dallas interurban at Hillsboro.

The Peerless Fire Insurance Co., has been organized at Waco with a capital stock of \$500,000.

The stock holders of the Gunter Hotel at San Antonio have increased the capital stock from \$375,000 to \$500,000 for the purpose of improving the hotel.

The American Iron and Steel Company of Jefferson has been granted a charter, capital stock \$300,000.

The Beeville citizens have raised a bond of \$40,000 to insure the San Antonio, Rockport & Mexican Railway building through that city.

The \$75,000 road bonds issued at Lewisville have been sold, and the contract let and work will begin soon on the roads.

Plans are being considered by the Engineers of Fort Worth and Dallas for a piked highway between the two cities.

A bill has been introduced in Congress asking for an appropriation of \$2,000,000 for a National Highway to extend from Canada to Galveston.

Upshur County recently voted to build 100 miles of good roads in that county.

The Advertising Club of Baltimore expects to take the largest number of delegates of any city in the Union to Dallas in May to attend the convention of the Associated Advertising Clubs of America.

Work will start soon on dredging the slip at Port Bolivar to depth of thirty feet. The dredging will cost \$40,000.

Bonds to the amount of \$150,000 have been voted at Corpus Christi for street paving.

Through the efforts of the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce all the Civic organizations of that city have been united and now form a part of that organization.

Through the efforts of the Commercial Club, Slaton is to hold a big celebration on June 15th in honor of the town's first birthday.

A Civic League was recently organized at Tioga.

The Klam, Building & Realty Company of Houston has been chartered with a capital stock of \$100,000.

Ladies and gents low quarter shoes at The Hub in all styles widths and prices, they are beautiful see them.

RESOLUTION OF RESPECT IN MEMORY OF M. L. PARKER.

God in His unchangeable providence has seen fit to take from among us, our beloved and useful member, Mr. M. L. Parker. We shall miss him. He has been so helpful in advancing the worth of our Union. We are sad when we remember that he shall meet us no more here below. "God's finger touches him and he sleeps."

To his grieving companion and orphaned children our hearts go out in deep sympathy for the great loss that has befallen them, but we can only say to her, that "He has promised to care for the widow and the orphans." Our loss is great, but to God's disposition we humbly bow.

Singed by Hatchel B. Y. P. U.

Miss Rena Walker,
J. A. Patterson,
S. W. Williams,
Committee.

Good Bread Delivered Daily.

The new firm composed of J. Y. Pearce, Geo. Holeman and John Phillips, who now own the City Bakery, are replenishing the stock with fresh goods and in addition to the bakery will maintain an up-to-date confectionery. They will retain Joe Haddin, who has charge of the baking, and will deliver bread to any part of the city. Phone your order to 165. We guarantee the best bread.

CITY BAKERY.

John Phillips, Manager. tf.

SOME HAIL, MUCH RAIN IN SOME SECTIONS.

A good rain fell North and East of Ballinger last Friday afternoon. The rain extended from Abilene to Hatchel and passed around East of Ballinger, striking the Benoit neighborhood. It is said that Mustang creek was higher than it had been in several years. Considerable hail fell in some sections but little damage was done.

Fresh shipment Blanke Wannekers fine box chocolates just received at the Olympia Confectionery.

"My little son had a very severe cold. I was recommended to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and before a small bottle was finished he was as well as ever," writes Mrs. H. Silks, 29 Dowling Street, Sydney, Australia. This remedy is sold by all dealers.

Big Picnic.

Ballinger, Texas,
April 22, 1912.

Editor Banner Leader,

Please announce in your paper that the Eagle Branch, New Home, Galsby, and Long Branch schools will have a joint picnic three miles North of New Home school house on Elm Creek in the Parramore pasture Saturday April 27, 1912.

Every one invited to come and bring well filled lunch baskets.

Prof. R. J. Beard,
Per Lola Lee Watson.

Electric Rings.

To those who suffer with any of the following troubles I have for sale an electric Ring that I guarantee to cure or refund the money.

Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Indigestion, Female Weakness, Lost Vitality, Head-Ache, Back-Ache, Eczema, Cramps, Fits, Sores, Boils, Child Nervous Disorders, Palsy, Asthma, Catarrh, Stomach, Bowel and Kidney Troubles, Etc.

Price of Rings 50 cents each.

W. R. NUNN, Agent,
Ballinger, Texas.

Fly Campaign for San Antonio.

The San Antonio Express has adopted a unique plan to help the extermination of the pesky house fly and prizes have been offered to the boy who swats the most flies in a stated time, which is from June 1st to the 31st. While this plan of action places the killing of flies in a commercial light, nevertheless no one will complain for the means justify the end and an interest will be created not to be created otherwise.

YOUR JOB WORK.

The Banner-Leader will be pleased to get a part of your job work. We have a competent man in charge of this department who can please you.

Sedes Abilene cream served only at the Olympia Confectionery.

We want your business and will show our appreciation by giving you just a little better quality and a little better service.

Olympia Confectionery.



A. E. Anderson & Co.

Tailors—Chicago

No sale of Anderson Tailoring is closed until the buyer is satisfied. We have no use for your money unless we can get it by rendering you a service that will win and hold your good will.

We guarantee to please you.

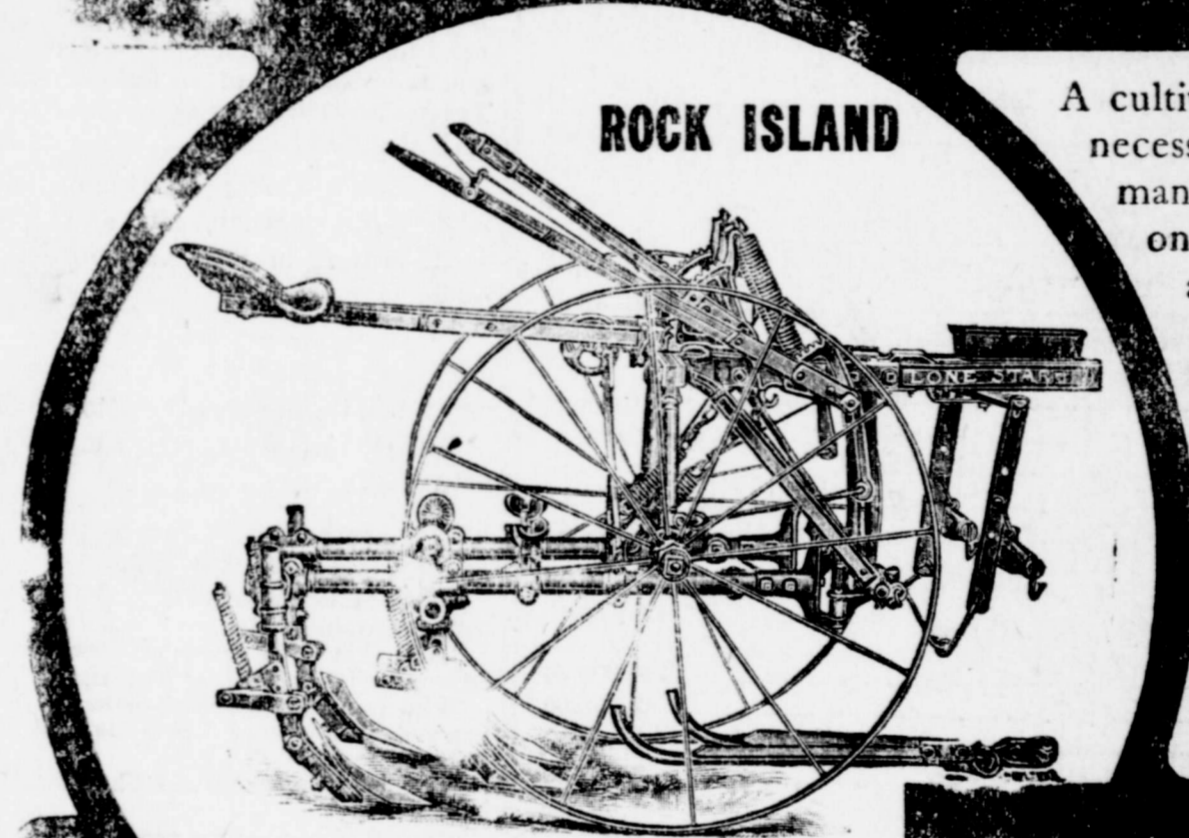
C. C. GILLIAM
Representative, Ballinger

Sprained Back.

Sprained back and sore muscles throw off their soreness when Hunt's Lightning Oil is applied. For relieving pain of any kind there is nothing better, and those people who have tried it for neuralgia and rheumatism are loud in its praise. For wire cuts Hunt's Lightning Oil is especially fine as it takes away the inflammation and causes rapid healing. 25c and 50c bottles.

MONEY! To loan on Farms and Ranches. Long time. 33-ft. Lee Maddox.

Here's a Southern Cultivator That Has Strength—Utility—Service



ROCK ISLAND

Use This Cultivator and Have Larger Crops

The Lone Star

MADE BY THE
ROCK ISLAND PLOW CO.

A cultivator that has all the necessary durability demanded by the hard use on Southern soil under all conditions.

A cultivator that has every adjustment desired. Not a weak point. Nothing to disappoint the most particular user.

A cultivator that at last combines the very limit of strength with the very limit of service—such is

The Lone Star is stronger and more easily operated than any other cultivator. It meets all Southern conditions for it is built specially for Texas and the South.

With a compact, rigid frame, this cultivator is so strong that the hardest service can't twist it or spring it out of shape. It is a way on the job and doing good work. No repairs. No trouble.

Frame, pole, gangs, hitch and balancing and raising levers are all quickly and easily adjustable.

Balancing lever is easy reach from seat. Perfect

balance maintained. Horses relieved of all neck weight regardless of driver's weight.

Adjustable pole makes the Lone Star work as well with a team of small mules as with a big pair of Percheron horses.

This combined walking and riding cultivator, with its marvelous endurance and ease of operation, offers Southern Farmers a real opportunity—a real cultivator that can't fail to interest YOU when you once LOOK INTO IT. Don't put off coming in. Now's the time to look it over.

Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack
The Live Wire Store
Ballinger, Texas

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RUSHED INTO ETERNITY IN THE LAP OF LUXURY.

Fondle in the lap of luxury, with a warning of less than three hours of what was to come, sixteen hundred souls were swept into eternity and twenty million dollars buried two miles deep in Atlantic water, seven hundred people, mostly women and children, sent ashore by hair-breadth escape, to tell the awful story and with an experience that will shudder their lives for years to come, thousands of relatives grief stricken and penniless, many widows and orphans, a world staggered by the seemingly cruel blow, is only a partial summing up of the result of the going down of the passenger steam ship Titanic.

The Titanic was the largest vessel afloat. It was the most sumptuous vessel afloat. It cost more money to build than any vessel afloat. It was the newest vessel afloat. It was on its first trip across the Atlantic ocean. It was designed and built with an eye to pre-eminence in luxurious accommodations, and, we might say, to attract the travel of the millionaire. It had its gymnasium, its swimming pavilion, its winter garden, its pool hall, its tennis court, its art gallery, its elevators, its ice plant, electric light plants, and everything else that the shrewd imagination could conceive as desirable in equipping the ship. In fact the ship was a modern city afloat. At the same time it was braced by the marien inspectors as the ship unsinkable.

But, there was something lacking what was it. The government very promptly appointed a committee from the senate to hold a rigid investigation and place the responsibility of this awful disaster on the proper party. We predict that the investigation will accomplish little. It is one of the awful wholesaler agencies that removes from this world from time to time people by the hundred. We have earth quakes to claim the lives of many, we have floods, we have storms, train wreck

etc., and such has been the history of the world. Safety appliances are being invented and improved on all the time and no doubt henceforth when a ship sails it must carry sufficient life boats to care for all the passengers in case of ship wreck. Railroad lines are spending thousands of dollars to lessen the danger of the loss of life, but strong hand that rules the world will continue to claim souls by the thousands and that through agencies we least expect.

God in His allwisest plan provided a way for man to live, likewise He provided a way for man to die. It was intended in the beginning that some would go down to a watery grave, for we read some where in the bible that "the sea shall give up its dead, and every man be judged according to his works."

In a certain district up in Missouri the school is offering a cash prize of fifty dollars for the family that shows the largest increase in fifty years. Down in Texas there are many districts where the school boards are issuing bond, borrowing money and working all kinds of schemes to provide schools and facilities for the children.

The antis tried out another dry county on the 13th, day of this month, and now it is a penitentiary offense to sell booze in Llano county. That county was in the dry column, but under the old law, and it was only a misdemeanor to violate the law. The antis thought they could vote the county wet, as a result of their effort the county is now under the feony law, and when a man tries boot-legging he is working dangerously close to the pen. Llano has been dry a long time.

Newspapers all over the world have had great deal to say during the last ten days about the millions that were lost when fifteen hundred lives went down in the sinking of the passenger ship, Ti-

tanic. Of course that was a sensational feature of the disaster, but many people died on that occasion whose lives were worth more to the world than the richest men on the ship. A helpful, useful life is worth more to the world than the man who hoards his millions and spends his money for his own selfish greed and pleasure without a thought of suffering humanity.

The pride of every citizen in Ballinger is now being tested, and in a short time it will be easy for the town to place its finger on every pull back, every knocker and in fact every man who prefers filth to cleanliness. The citizens who have pride in the town, and where possible, have come together and are working for the best health organized a Clean Up League, and started a move to make Ballinger the cleanest town in Texas. It is said by those who have made some investigation that we have the start over any town in Texas, and that we have a town so located as to make it easy to clean and keep clean if every man will do his duty. What stand will you take in the matter.

PERUNA SAVED MY LIFE.

"I Recommend It Wherever I Am."

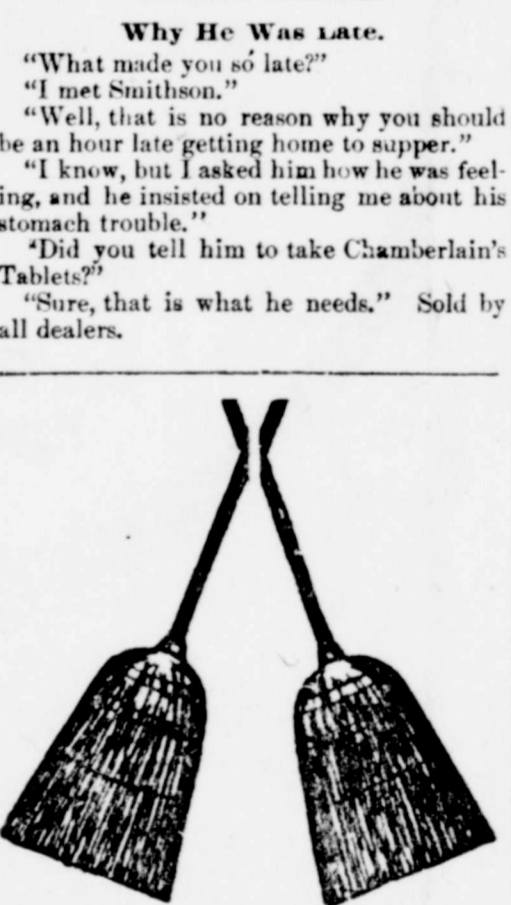


Mrs. John M. Stabler, Millersburg, Ind., writes: "I have been cured of a very bad case of catarrh of the stomach and constipation, and a complication of ailments that I have had for several years. I doctored with three doctors, who did me not much good, so I quit doctoring. 'I bought a bottle of Peruna and commenced taking it. I found I was getting some better, but thought I was not doing as well as I might. So I wrote The Peruna Medical Department, to see what they thought about me. They gave me special directions and medical advice. To our astonishment I improved and am to-day a well woman and weigh as much as I ever did in my life. 'I tell my friends that Peruna saved my life. I recommend it wherever I am, and when any of our folks are sick, I give them Peruna with success.'"

Mrs. Sam Baker is visiting her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Miller, in San Antonio this week. Chalrey L. Madden, the lumber man, made a business trip to Crockett, Texas, last week, returning home Saturday.

Why He Was Late. "What made you so late?" "I met Smithson." "Well, that is no reason why you should be an hour late getting home to supper." "I know, but I asked him how he was feeling, and he insisted on telling me about his stomach trouble."

"Did you tell him to take Chamberlain's Tablets?" "Sure, that is what he needs." Sold by all dealers.



Every straw raised by the farmers of Runnels and adjoining counties. Every one guaranteed to be a good one. Try them.

T. S. LANKFORD

SOUTH TEX. MAN VISITS BALLINGER

Tells Home People of West Texas and Old Friends Met While Visiting Here.

Mr. J. W. Davis returned Tuesday from a business trip to San Angelo and intermediate points. While at Ballinger Mr. Davis also had a nice time with old friends, meeting Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Wendorf, formerly of Sealy, and B. Dornberger, formerly of Bellville. Mr. Wendorf and family are enjoying good health and contentment. They have a good home near town upon which is a very fine peach orchard and other fruits. Their land is also excellent for melons. Mr. Wendorf having good success with them and finding a ready market. Mr. Dornberger is in business there and while Mr. Davis was with him the subject of truck aroused by the receipt of a barrel of radishes from Brownsville. Mr. Davis asked why he didn't buy truck nearer home and save something in time and on the express shipments. He then told Mr. Dornberger that Sealy truckers were also shipping radishes and other vegetables and that when he came home he would send him a list of names of these shippers which he has done. Mr. Davis also met in Ballinger an "old comrade" in the person of Mr. H. Giesecke, with whom he worked in the woolen mills in 1883. Mr. Giesecke is in business in Ballinger. The meeting of old friends after many years of separation was to be a pleasure to each.

Mr. Davis enjoyed a couple of days near Winters, in Runnels county, at the home of his sister, Mrs. D. P. England, and interesting family of four boys and four girls, all grown and single, yet very happy and contented. They are a musical family and have many musical instruments to amuse themselves and friends with and Mr. Davis says they and their neighbors have great times.

Mr. Davis says there has been an abundance of rainfall in the section he visited and the season is quite promising for the crops usually raised there, such as oats, wheat, milo maize, cotton, melons, etc. He brought back some samples of soil from that country which at a glance shows where the rich red soils of the Brazos bottoms of the coast country come from. The Brazos and its tributaries have their sources in the highlands of this Western country and the constant washing towards the Gulf has builded up lands along the banks of the stream in our section that are richer than the renowned "Valley of the Nile."—Sealy News.

Moved to Oklahoma. Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brewer have moved to Aoadarko, Okla., where they will make their home. Mr. Brewer moved here from Brownwood and accepted a position with his brother, Jas. E. Brewer in the jewelry store. He bought a business there and goes to take charge of same.

YOUNG LADY ARRIVES AT EDITOR'S HOME.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Tom O'Bryan in Miles last Saturday. They lived in Ballinger and have many friends here who will be glad to learn that the mother and babe are getting along nicely.

Miss Lewis Party.

Miss Lewis gave a party to her room Wednesday afternoon. The children in her room had been so quite that day. That was her birthday. She served ice cream cones. We tried to get them to play drop the handkerchief. It was not a very big party. The children had a big time.

ALBERT SLEDGE. Every one had a fine time at Miss Lewis' party. She invited all her room. Every one at the party told her they had a nice time. She gave us cream to eat. The whole room went to the party.

BILLIE BURKE. J. E. Francher sold his telephone property in Post City and has moved to Angelo.—San Angelo Standard.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure

Economizes Butter, Flour, Eggs; makes the food more appetizing and wholesome

The only Baking Powder made from Royal Grape Cream of Tartar

JURY IN NORRIS CASE SAYS NOT GUILTY

Verdict of Preacher for Perjury Ends With Verdict of Not Guilty. Jury out Two Hours.

Ft. Worth, Texas, April 24.—When the jury filed in to the court room shortly after two o'clock this afternoon, there was a silence in which the dropping of a pin could easily have been heard the crowd being eager to catch the first word. When the clerk read in a clear voice the verdict, "Not guilty" the joy could not be restrained and the church members with one accord started the refrain, "Tis the old time religion." Possibly never before was such a scene witnessed in a court room in Texas. Norris was not present at the time, but Mrs. Norris was there and she was busy shaking the hands of the jurors while the audience sang and then there was a general rush to grasp the hand of the wife who has stood by her husband encouraging him every hour of the tedious trial to which he has been subjected.

It would have been needless for any court to have attempted to keep down the demonstration, for those who have stoutly believed in the innocence of the preacher were overcome with joy and many laughed and cried alternately.

The many friends of Mr. Norris have not for a moment doubted that he would finally be cleared, for they were confident of his innocence and believed that there was not a semblance of a case against him, but inasmuch as one juror in this state can prevent a verdict, there was naturally a little fear as to a hung jury, which would have prolonged the strain for an indefinite time.

This has been one of the most notable cases ever tried in a court in this country, and attempt to bind together a group of circumstances into a chain that would convict a preacher of the crime of per-

Jury, but the effort failed to palpably and was so completely offset by the evidences introduced by the defendant that there was not a link left on which a conviction could possibly be sustained.

Many of the church people of Ft. Worth, not only of Dr. Norris' church but of other churches, regard this as a distinct victory not merely for the preacher, but the churches of Ft. Worth in their fight against certain evils, the fight upon which was largely led by Dr. Norris and associates in religious work.

The facts in the case are too well known and are too fresh in the minds of newspaper readers to be related in connection with the verdict.

There is another case pending against Dr. Norris, in which he is charged with burning his church and this, too, is based largely on about the same kind of circumstantial evidence that developed in the perjury case. It is understood that the counsel for the minister will insist upon an early trial of this case.

Just received a swell line of spring merchandise for ladies gents and children. When in town don't fail to see me I can and will save you money.

A. J. Zappe, At corner of Hutchings & 7 St.

Norton News.

Mr. Gardner of Roscoe is at the bed side of his daughter Mrs. Long who is very low with fever.

C. G. Bowden, W. K. and Oliver Lilly made a business trip to Ballinger Tuesday.

Mr. Hardin and family visited Mrs. Hardin's brother at Shep Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Eva Lilly visited in Ballinger last week.

Mrs. Stephen of Miles and Mrs. Lee of Maryneal, Mrs. Long's Aunt and sister, are out to see her this week.

Norton had another fine rain Friday evening. Grain looks fine. Queen of the Prairie.

THE TEST OF TIME

We have been in the Retail Grocery business in Ballinger many years, and have built our reputation by the quality of the goods sold. The best groceries that we can buy is what we offer to sell you and at prices as reasonable as the character of the goods offered will permit.

Give us part of your Grocery trade.

THE MILLER MERCANTILE COMPANY

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708 HUTCHINS AVE. BALLINGER, TEXAS

BANKS

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION Of the FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 18th day of Apr., 1912, published in the Banner-Leader, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 25th day of April, 1912:

RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts, personal or Collateral	\$143,952.70
Loans, real estate	none
Overdrafts	4,239.30
Bonds and Stocks	none
Real Estate (banking house)	41,678.35
Other Real Estate	1,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	8,731.67
Due from Approved Reserve Agents	66,422.75
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check	4,891.43
Cash Items	542.74
Currency	11,981.00
Specie	3,887.43
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund	2,322.63
TOTAL	\$289,650.00
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	100,000.00
Surplus Fund	2,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	3,400.75
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check	8,421.25
Individual Deposits, subject to check	147,058.00
Time Certificates of Deposit	3,332.50
Demand Certificates of Deposit	none
Cashier's Checks	432.50
Bills Payable and Rediscounts	25,000.00
Other Liabilities as follows: Dividends Unpaid	5.00
TOTAL	\$289,650.00

State of Texas, County of Runnels, We, J. F. Currie as president, and Jo Wilmeth as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

J. F. Currie, President.
J. Wilmeth, Cashier.
Sworn and subscribed to before me this 25th day of Apr., A. D., 1912. Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.

C. P. Shepherd, Notary Public, Runnels County.

Correct Attest: R. A. Risser Jr., M. D. Chastain, J. L. Chastain, Directors

RECAPITULATION

RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts	\$143,952.70
Overdrafts	4,239.30
Real Estate, Banking House and Fixtures	50,410.02
Other Real Estate	1,000.00
Cash and Exchange	87,747.67
Int. in Guaranty Fund	90,070.30
TOTAL	\$289,672.32
LIABILITIES:	
Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	5,423.07
Bills Payable	25,000.00
Total Deposits	159,249.25
TOTAL	\$289,672.32

NEGRO WOMAN MURDERED AT ANGELO

Leila Brown Meets Death at The Hands of Sallie Roberts at San Angelo.

Leila Brown, a negro woman, is dead with a large hole in the right side of her head inflicted by a gun shot Sunday night between 8 and 9 o'clock. Sallie Roberts, known as Sallie DeJay, is in jail on the charge of having fired the shot. The killing occurred in a two-room house in the alley.

The cause of the shooting is not known, the defendant refusing to make any statement except that she had a cause for firing the shot. Frank Brown and William Brown, negroes, are being held as witnesses. Frank Brown is in the county jail and William Brown is in the city prison.

Leila Brown was shot while sitting near the east window of the little house preparing to eat a lunch of ham sandwiches. She lived about an hour after having been shot. The weapon used was a single barrel, breech loading shot gun owned by William Brown. The fatal shot was fired with the assailant standing not more than ten feet from the victim.

In the jail Monday morning, Sallie Roberts refused to make any statement except to admit having fired the shot, which she said was done for cause. "We had had no previous difficulty of any importance," said Sallie, "but I killed her because I had a cause for doing it." — San Angelo Standard.

Fire Did Little Damage.

An alarm was turned in from the home of Mr. Yeager on Twelfth St., Wednesday about three-thirty. The fire company responded promptly, but the flame had been checked before the fire had time to spread and little damage was done.

By something at the Fair, and ask about the prize contest at win \$2.50. The Fair.

We Want Your Cleaning and Pressing Come Around and Look Over Our Samples.

W. H. ROARK TAILORING CO. 815 Hutchins. Ave. Ballinger Phone 202

Millinery for All. We have Hats at Prices to suit all pockets and all faces. Give us a trial. New goods arriving daily.

Misses Gilliam & Poor
At The Fair

Chick Food

Chicks properly started on a good food are the ones that mature first. Chick Food is the right food for chicks, mixed ready for use, consists of cracked grains, small seeds, grit shells, bones and beef scraps (to take place of bugs and worms.) Directions, Begin feeding Chick Food when the chicks are 48 hours old. It should be scattered in a litter of straw, and the chicks in scratching for their food will get exercise which will keep them in a healthy condition, feed no more than they will eagerly pick up, but every few hours at first, gradually increasing the quantity and not feeding quite so often, until the chicks are old enough to be fed three times a day.

For Sale By All Merchants In Ballinger.

Report of The Condition of The FIRST NATIONAL BANK, at Ballinger in the State of Texas, at the close of business, Apr. 18th, 1912:

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$318,061.72
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	7,809.59
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	100,000.00
U. S. Bonds to secure Postal Savings	1,000.00
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	25,900.00
Other Real Estate owned	3,484.92
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	16,912.48
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies, and Savings Banks	751.44
Due from approved Reserve Agents	67,915.65
Checks and other Cash Items	1,636.64
Notes of other National Banks	2,510.00
Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels, and Cents	400.08
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$30,506.20
Legal-tender notes	360.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	5,000.00
Bills of Exchange (Cotton)	19,247.87
TOTAL	\$600,596.59

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	200,000.00
Surplus fund	20,000.00
Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid	17,653.20
National Bank Notes outstanding	99,800.00
Due to other National Banks	6,464.90
Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers	1,723.39
Individual Deposits subject to check	223,559.08
Time Certificates of Deposit	30,524.50
Certified Checks	442.50
Cashier's Checks outstanding	210.02
Postal Savings Deposits	219.00
TOTAL	\$600,596.59

State of Texas, County of Runnels, ss:
I, R. G. Erwin, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. G. Erwin, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of Apr., 1912. J. Whit Patterson, Notary Public.
Correct Attest: D. M. Baker, Tom Ward, J. McGregor, Directors.

RECAPITULATION

Loans and Discounts	\$325,871.31
U. S. Bonds	101,000.00
Banking House, F. & F.	25,900.00
Real Estate	3,484.92
Redemption Fund	5,000.00
Cash and Exchange	140,240.36
Total	\$600,596.59

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock (paid in)	\$200,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	37,653.20
Circulation	99,800.00
Reserves	NONE
Bills Payable	NONE
Deposits	263,143.39
Total	\$600,596.59

MORRIS SHEPHERD HERE FIRST MONDAY

Candidates for High Offices Include Ballinger in Line in First Speaking Dates.

It seems that Ballinger will not be short on speakers during the campaign just now warming up. Jake Wolters has come and gone. Judge Wm. Ramsey is billed to be here on May 2. Hon. Morris Sheppard comes next and wires that he will speak here on First Monday, May 6th. Gov. Colquitt is in line and is expected here at an early date.

Well might it be thus, as the voters of this section have afforded them an opportunity to hear each man and then select the one that suits him to fill the office for which the candidates are bidding.

A move is on foot to organize a Ramsey club here, and the Ramsey men are getting things in shape for Judge Ramsey's coming. This speaker has never been in Ballinger before. He is at the top of the column of the smart men of Texas and as an orator he will not disappoint those who come out to hear him.

It is said that Morris Sheppard comes next to Joe Bailey as an orator, and those who have heard him once are eager to hear him again. He has just returned from a two months rest at Battle Creek, Michigan, and the press reports say that he is in fine trim, and at his best.

Make arrangements to be here when the speakers are on the program, and then you can vote intelligently.

If you have young children you have perhaps noticed that disorders of the stomach are their most common ailment. To correct this you will find Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets excellent. They are easy and pleasant to take, and mild and gentle in effect. For sale by all dealers.

500 ACRES LAND \$30 PER ACRE

D. Deeder Sells 500 Acres Near Town to Henrietta Party For \$15,000. Takes Stock Good on Deal.

A deal was closed this week in which D. Deeder sells 500 acres of land west of Ballinger to a man at Henrietta for a total consideration of \$15,000. Mr. Deeder also takes in on the deal a stock of merchant dirt at Henrietta which is said to be a splendid stock of goods. Mr. Deeder will continue the business at Henrietta, but will divide the stock, shipping part of the goods to Ballinger and consolidating them with his Ballinger stock.

Prize contest lasts from April 29, to May 6 at The Fair.

W. Roberts, Sr., of Talpa was here Wednesday. He reports that his section of the country is getting all the rain they need. Last Friday the heaviest rain since 1910 fell in the Talpa country, and was the second good rain within less than ten days. Mr. Roberts made the Banner Leader a pleasant visit while here.

G. A. Cathey was here from Wingate this week, visiting his daughter, Mrs. T. S. Lankford, and son, Eb Cathey.

Wingate is pulling off a big picnic today and the candidates are in that country rounding up votes.

SEA'S PERILS EVER PRESENT

Maneuvers and Sham Battles Cannot Be Held Without the Element of Danger.

It is the great distinction of the sea that its peace maneuvers are never sham fights. To whatever branch or grade of the naval service a seaman may belong, when he is on active service he is always face to face with "the real thing." A mistake of any sort, a pardonable miscalculation, a momentary failure of nerve or attention, or even some small unavoidable accident, may involve the forfeit of many lives. Hence the magnificent training the sea imposes in manliness, resourcefulness and self-control. The submarine branch of the navy has undoubtedly risks and dangers of its own, as the sad tale of previous disasters plainly shows; and when a catastrophe unhappily occurs it is of a nature to make a profound impression upon the public. But in relation to the number of submarines in commission, and to the constant exercise they undergo, the picked officers and men who serve in them do not incur a risk out of all proportion greater than their comrades in other branches. Danger and risk are no peculiar prerogative of the submarine. Daily faced in the routine of duty and daily overcome, they form the very foundation of naval character, and are a pledge, in no small degree, of the security upon which as a nation we repose.

BRAVE EFFORT AT ENGLISH

Japanese Correspondent Knew What He Wanted, Though Meaning Was Rather Vague to Others.

For the genuine "English as she is spoke" we must go abroad among educated Orientals, who can spell and read English to perfection, and find it impossible to master the syntax of our language. A firm dealing in fishing tackle, having sent a circular to a merchant in Tokio, Japan, received the following communication:

"Dear Sir in Yours: We should present to your company the bamboo fishing rod, a net basket and reel, as we have just convenience; all those were very rough and simple to you laughing for your kind reply which you sent us the catalog of fishing tackle last, etc. Wishing we that now at Japan there is was not in prevailing fish gaining, but fishermen in scarcely there now, but we do not measure how the progression of the germ of the fishing game beforehand. Therefore, we may yield of feeling to restock in my store your company's fishing tackle, etc. Should you have the kindness to send a such further country's even in a few partake when we send the money in ordering of them, should you?"
"I am yours, yours truly"—Detroit Free Press.

Goethe's Birthday.

An amusing story, taken from Bode's book on Goethe, appears in a Paris contemporary. In August, 1818, Goethe went to Carlsbad for the cure, and placed himself under the care of Dr. Rehbain. One morning when he rose he requested Charles, his domestic, to place a bottle of red wine and a glass in each of the two windows in the room.

Then the poet walked round and round the apartment, stopping at each window to drink a glass of wine. When he had nearly emptied the bottles the doctor arrived. "Ah," said Goethe, "you are come. Do you know it is my birthday?" "No," said the doctor, "it is not your birthday. It falls tomorrow."

Only the production of the almanac could convince Goethe that he was a day out in his reckoning. When he discovered his mistake he gave vent to a strong expression which Scott puts in the mouth of Capt. Nanty Ewart, and, after a long pause, turning to the doctor, said: "Then I have got drunk for nothing."

The Lucky Number.

An amusing story concerning the Greek naval lottery appears in a Paris journal. It seems that the tickets were hawked about the Piraeus and were eagerly purchased from the combined motive of patriotism and the excitement attendant upon a gamble.

One day a hawker stopped outside a milk shop and, seeing an ass standing by laden with eggs, cheese and butter, to tantalize the animal took one of his tickets and gave it to the beast. The poor beast was struggling with it in the hope of extracting something eatable, when a grocer on the opposite side of the way who had seen what was happening, rushed across and rescued the ticket. "That ticket," he said to the hawker, "will win a prize, and I will buy it." He did so and the ticket drew a prize of thirty thousand francs.

Awkward.

"I am pleased to meet you again," he said.
"Thank you," replied the lady, who had once been his wife.
"How are the children?"
"What children?"
"Ours."
"We never had any."
"Oh, I beg your pardon. It was very stupid of me. I mistook you for some one else."

First Aid.

Edith—Who are you writing to, dear?
Ethel—Jack's written me that his girl has thrown him overboard, so I'm dropping him a line.

Democrats Take Notice.

The Democrats of Runnels County will assemble at the usual place in their respective election precinct on Saturday May 4, 1912, and will hold precinct conventions for the purpose of sending delegates to the County Convention to be held at the court house in Ballinger at 1:30 p. m. on Tuesday May 7, which will name the delegates of Runnels Co. to the State Convention to be held on the Fourth Tuesday in May, the State Convention in turn electing delegate to the National Convention; in Baltimore, which will nominate Democracy's candidate for President.

Precinct conventions will be called to order by regular precinct chairman, and must be held at some hour between 10 a. m. and 8 p. m. I suggest that they all be held at 3 p. m.

This is an important matter. All Democrats turn out, and see that none but Democrats participate.
B. B. Stone,
County Chairman.

LOST. between Ballinger and Wingate Hub Cap for Hubmobile Auto. Please notify Baner—Leader office.

The Coleman ball team will be here this afternoon to try for the local ball team's scalp.

At First Baptist Church.

Rev. J. D. Allen, of Brownwood will preach at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning and evening. Every member of the church is requested to be present and the public in general is invited.

Mrs. Billie Hoening was taken serious ill suddenly yesterday morning and as we go to press it is reported that she is in a dying condition. The physicians say that her illness is caused by locked bowels.

Latest News Notes By Wire.

The flood situation along the lower Mississippi is reported at a standstill with no change within the last twenty four hours.

300 firemen and greasers refused to set sail from Southampton on the Olympic, declaring that the life boats were not safe.

Americans arriving from Mexico every day declare the situation serious and that Americans can't get away and are being murdered.

Governor Harman, of Ohio, arrived in Texas Wednesday and is speaking at a number of places in the interest of his candidacy for president.

Molly King, daughter of Constable King, Pflugerville was found dead in an alley in Austin Tuesday night.

Robbers looted a bank at Mindand Ark., and made way with \$8,000 in cash. The robbers cut all telephone wires before going after the money.

Mrs. Ed. Sullivan and E. F. Mansfield are held without bond at Midland Texas, for the murder of Mrs. Sullivan's husband. Mansfield in a written statement declared that on the night of March 24, while he, Sullivan, Mrs. Sullivan and the two small Sullivan children were riding in a wagon 18 miles southwest of Upland, Mrs. Sullivan shot her husband dead, that they buried the body and, that he and Mrs. Sullivan then traveled as man and wife. His confession told where the body was buried. Following these directions, Sheriff Beverly last Thursday found the body of Sullivan on the spot described by Mansfield. At her examining trial Mrs. Sullivan asserted that Mansfield fired the fatal shot. Knowledge of Sullivan's fate developed somewhat accidentally. Mansfield had been placed under arrest charged with burglary and during his imprisonment wrote the confession. Mrs. Sullivan was then arrested.

Democrats and Socialist Mix Up at Leaday.

It is reported in Ballinger that the Democrats in the neighborhood of Leaday, in Coleman county, met last week and passed resolutions condemning the socialist of the same neighborhood in term that are as strong as they are generally made. We did not get full particulars of the meeting, but understood the resolutions have been submitted to the Coleman papers for publication.

IF YOU HAVE A SICKLY YOUNGSTER TRY THIS FREE

The family with young children that is without sickness in the house now and then is rare, and so it is important that the head of the household know what to do in the little emergencies that arise. A child with a serious ailment needs a doctor, it is true, but in the majority of instances, as any doctor knows, the child suffers from some intestinal trouble, usually constipation.

There is no sense in giving it a pill of a remedy containing an opiate, nor is flushing of the bowels to be always recommended. Rather give it a small dose of a mild, gentle laxative tonic like Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which, by cleaning out the bowels and

strengthening the little stomach muscles, will immediately correct the trouble.

This is not alone our opinion but that of Mrs. N. H. Mead of Freeport, Kan., whose granddaughter has been taking it successfully and of Mrs. J. R. Whiting of Lena, Wis., who gives it to her children and takes it herself. It is sold in fifty cent and one dollar bottles at every drug store, but if you want to test it in your family before you buy it send your address to Dr. Caldwell and he will forward a trial bottle free of charge.

Address him Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 402 Caldwell building, Monticello, Ill.

COTTON TO BE BETTER WRAPPED

English Spinners Take Radical Action Against American Baling Methods.

According to I. H. Kempner, commissioner of finance and revenue of the city of Galveston, also one of the largest cotton factors in Texas, method of baling cotton in Texas is due to undergo a marked change before the coming crop is harvested. Mr. Kempner, who was in Ft. Worth last week, says this change will be enforced by a recent decision in England.

The cause of this change is due to what is known in the cotton trade as "country damage." Since the cotton business basis there has constantly been more or less agitation on account of the shabby condition of the American bales.

A short while ago—relatively speaking—a company of English spinners brought suit in that country against a steamship company for damage to cotton received in bad order. This suit was won by the spinners in the trial court. Appeals were prosecuted by the steamship company to the court of last resort and the last word of the English law on the subject was that the steamship company was liable for damage to the cotton sustained.

It has been the practice heretofore for steamship companies to give receipts—bills of lading is the trade term—for cotton received at shipside stipulating that the cotton was received "in apparent good order and condition." Under the recent interpretation of the English courts, such receipts must be construed as being received without waste hole, or country damage.

Unless shippers of cotton can procure clear and clean receipts, it

will be impossible to pass drafts for exchange, with bills of lading attached through the regular banking channels. Hence in order to prevent a hiatus in the inflow of English gold for American cotton the staple must be put up in packages that will muster, at the hands of steamship officers authorized to give receipts for the cotton.

To bring about this change in the affair of handling cotton beginning with the coming season all cotton must have ample holes covered at time of compression, nor can the bales thus securely packed be again mutilated for the purposes of securing samples. The demands that come from the buyers across the water in part says that no bale that exposes the boggings mutilated has numerous other defects, all "blossomed." Broken banded or has numerous other defects, all admitted to be defects, that heretofore have caused the American bale to be the very worst package of cotton put up in the world, will be received, except after dual examination. This is but another way of saying that payment for such bales will not be made by draft, and unless payment is made by draft, interest will eat into the receipts of money for cotton quite deeply.

The Texas Cotton association with headquarters at Waco, is now engaged in a campaign to impress upon all cotton buyers the necessity of careful sampling and is also preaching more ethical methods of buying cotton. Indeed it is freely reported at cotton centers that the "sample crop" of Texas alone has reached a point where it runs into thousands and even tens of thousands of bales annually.

In order to get this new condition fairly and squarely before the American people the steamship men of this country are scheduled to hold a meeting in New Orleans in May. Unless present plans go awry all the details of the new order of

things which is already upon the cotton people will be carefully mapped out at this New Orleans meeting. No forecast of these details at this time could be other than in the nature of a hazardous guess, but it is believed that when the new rules are laid down there will be some wailing, sprinkled with a few gnashings of teeth by compress men and ginners to say nothing of the sorrow, keen and acute, that will fall like a pall upon those who in the past have made much profit out of their "sample crop."

It is generally believed, however that the cotton grower will find this rearrangement of affairs to inure to his profit. It is not an uncommon thing for a country damage loss to reach as high as \$5 a bale, and in fact country damage can quickly pull down the value of cotton a cent a pound. Numerous instances are on record where shipments of as high as a 1,000 bales, lots have been docketed on account of the unbusinesslike methods that have marked the packaging of American cotton. As in other cases of wastage, the cotton grower is the one who will reap the benefits that ought to follow a better method of getting the staple to the spinners.

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Do you know how—
To find quick relief from back-ache,
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NOTICE.

Special Examination for Teachers' Certificates.

A special examination for Teachers' State Certificates. It has been deemed wise and proper by the Department of Education to call a special examination at each of the County Seats in the State, on May 2nd, 3rd and 4th, 1912 for State Certificate only. This examination does not take the place of the June examination, which will be held on the 6th and 7th and 8th of June 1912.

The following order will be observed:

May 2nd: History of Education, Physics, Solid Geometry, English and American Literature, Psychology, Chemistry, Plane Trigonometry and Book-keeping.

May 3rd: Texas History, Physiology, Spelling, Reading, Methods, U. S. History, Geography and Agriculture.

May 4th: Arithmetic, Grammar, Physical Geography, Plane Geometry, Civil Government, Algebra, General History and Composition.
E. L. Hagan, Co. Supt.

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Sheriff's Sale.

The State of Texas, County of Runnels.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, on the 11th day of April 1912, by Mary Phillips, District clerk of said District Court of Runnels County, Texas, for the sum of Eight Hundred Eighty-Three & 76/100 (\$883.76) Dollars and costs of suit, under a Judgment in favor of J. Keidel in a certain cause in said Court, No 1335 and styled J. Keidel plaintiff vs. H. S. Avent et Als, placed in my hands for service, I, J. P. Flynt as Sheriff of Runnels Co., Texas did on the 11th day of April 1912, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Runnels County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

Being all of Block No. 41 of the California Fruit Land Addition to the town of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, save and except the following tract thus described by metes and bounds. Beginning at a stake at the S. E. Corner of Block No 11 and at the intersection of the northwest property line of the G. C. & S.F. Right of Way with the common boundary line of the J. P. Freeman and Fromm sur, Thence N. 41 degrees 37 minutes E. along said northwest property line and along the east line of Block No. 11, 871 feet to a stake for corner, thence North 60 degrees west 185 feet to a stake in the W. B. line of Block No. 11, thence S. 30 degrees west 851 feet to the S. W. Corner of Block No. 11 and in the common boundary line of said J. P. Freeman and Fromm's surveys, Thence S. 60 degrees east with the common boundary line of said surveys 9 feet to the place of beginning, containing one & 9/10 acre excepted out of this conveyance as same appears on the map of the plan of said addition to said town now on file in the office of the Clerk of the County Court of Runnels, County Texas, to which reference is had and the same is made a part hereof for description, and for more particular description of the land involved reference is had to Book 53 page 77 of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of A. Schawe and that on the first Tuesday in May 1912, the same being the 7th day of said month, at the Court House door, of Runnels County, in the City of Ballinger, Texas between the hours of 10 a. M. and 4 p. M., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash to the highest bidder, as the property of said A. Schawe.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Banner Leader a newspaper published in Ballinger Runnels County.

Witness my hand, this 11th day of April 1912.
J. P. Flynt, Sheriff Runnels Co.

State Press Pickings.

No filth, no flies, no flies, little typhoid.—Waco Times Herald.

If keeping in good humor is a matter of habit, it is certainly one of the good habits.—Galveston Tribune.

Sixteen to two is the ratio of candidates for congressmen-at-large in Texas. If all these stay in the race and no others are candidates, there will be just fourteen "also rans."—Texas Mesquiter.

Judging by newspaper accounts, the two warring factions over in Mexico very generously take it time about in winning battles and occasionally vary the monotony by both winning the same fight.—Skidmore Signal.

The Missouri legislature has passed a law forbidding the use of a public comb and brush in hotels. This should be followed by one requiring them to change the towels every two or three weeks.—Waxahachie Light.

The single young man who is taking care of a bank account would also make a good hand to take care of a wife. All marriageable young ladies should look into this phase of the proposition before going too far with her courtship.—Lufkin News.

This is the age of reason. Every public question should be discussed on its merits. The man who attempts to drag up prejudices of the past in order to gain support for any man of political party has no legitimate place among us.—Greenville Herald.

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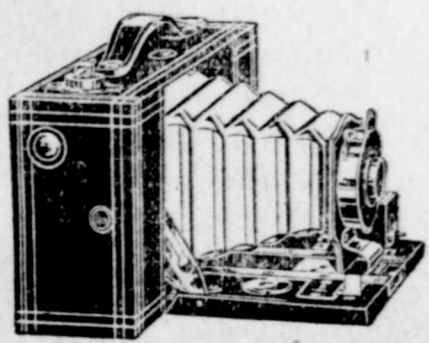
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Mexicans are Warned.

The warning given by the United States through the State Department to the people of Mexico that they will be held responsible for any mistreatment of Americans in that country in future has come somewhat late, but it has been made so clear that there can be no mistake regarding the position of the American Government in the matter and it is so positive it would seem to leave no doubt that it should be heeded by all Mexicans whether affiliated with the government or with the rebels, if they would escape responsibility for further barbarous acts.

The warning is couched in diplomatic language, of course, therefore no direct threat is made but no intelligent reader can escape the conclusion that atrocious assassinations similar to that of Fountain may be expected to bring swift punishment to the guilty persons. Orzo has been given notice that his bullying method will not be tolerated, nor will the fact that he ignores a duly accredited representative of the United States Government be passed over in silence. At the same time, the Mexican government is given a hint that any attempt by a certain federal general to retaliate against rebel officers by murdering Americans will be resented by this Government.

This warning is not subject to criticism unless it be said that it should have been issued several months ago and the effect should be to create a respect for the American Government, not only among Americans in this country and in Mexico, but among citizens of other foreign nations and among Mexico as well.

even if it may become necessary to enforce this respect from such of the latter as well not be influenced by the hint contained in the communication. It is a clear-out courageous, frank statement, as positive and as specific as could well be made with a due observance of the rules of diplomatic communication between one civilized government and the authorities and people of another government, and it will have the approval and the support of the people of the United States, irrespective of party affiliations or of political prejudices.

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Baldness is too Generally Considered a Sign of Advanced Age.

A bald-headed person does not have an equal chance with one blessed with a healthy head of hair, because baldness is too generally accepted as an indication of age. Many large corporations have established an age limit, and refuse to take men over 35 years of age as new employees.

Probably 65 per cent of bald-headed people may regain a good head of healthy hair if they will follow our advice and accept our offer. We have a remedy that we positively guarantee to grow hair on any head, unless the roots of the hair are entirely dead, their follicles closed, and the scalp has become glazed and shiny. We want people to try this remedy at our risk, with the distinct understanding that unless it does exactly what we claim it will and give satisfaction in every respect, we shall make no charge for the remedy used during the trial.

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We want every one in Ballinger who is suffering from any scalp or hair trouble, dandruff, falling hair or baldness to try our Rexall "33" Hair-Tonic. We want them to use it regularly—say until three bottles have been used—and if it does not eradicate dandruff, cleanse and refresh the scalp, tighten the hair in its roots, and grow new hair, we will return every cent paid us for the remedy for the mere asking. There is no formality expected, and we exact no obligation from the use whatever.

We are established right here in Ballinger and make this offer with a full understanding that our business success entirely depends upon the sort of treatment we accord our customers, and we would not dare make the above offer unless we were positively certain that we could substantiate it in every particular. Remember you can obtain Rexall Remedies in this community only at our store—The Rexall Store. The Walker Drug Co.

Paul Trimmer of Ballinger was in Hamilton first of the week on business with the school board in regard to the location of the new school building on East Hill. The Ballinger Loan Company's proposition having been accepted by them.

Mrs. John L. Spurlin and Miss Eleanor, who have been in Gayveston the past three months, returned home last Thursday. They were joined in Austin by John Spurlin Jr., who was also homeward bound. Col. Spurlin, who has been in South east Texas for several weeks joined his family here Saturday.—Hamilton Rustler.

Here is a woman who speaks from personal knowledge and long experience, viz: Mrs. P. H. Brown, of Wilson, Pa., who says: "I know from experience that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is far superior to any other. For a cough there is nothing that excels it." For sale by all dealers.

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BALLINGER INTERESTED IN OIL FIELD.

Messrs. H. N. Beckwith of Ballinger and J. W. Riley of San Angelo were here Wednesday to attend a meeting of the Holloway Mountain Gas and Oil Co., and returned to their homes the same night.

They were well pleased with what the directors in Coleman have done. The drill and equipment received at Santa Anna some time ago is now being moved to the fields and it is expected that operations will be under headway at the mountains some time next week.

Lee Lutckett received the contract for moving the outfit which weighs in the neighborhood of 50,000 pounds.

It is the intention of the board of directors to push the work from the beginning and with the most excellent equipment they have and one of the most experienced drillers in the state, Mr. Bentley, who drilled a deep well at Goldsboro last year, there is no doubt in the minds of those who know the field that great developments will be had in a short time.—Coleman News.

HENDERSON MEAL FED STUFF STUFF SELLS FOR 7 CENTS.

Concho land steers continue to demand good prices on the Fort Worth market. On Friday's market, J. E. Henderson, Jr., of Rudd, a breeder and feeder of fine steers, sold 9 cars averaging 923 pounds at 7 cents, and two cars averaging 923 pounds, at 6.75. This was a bunch of meal fed stuff, fed at the Ballinger oil mill. Mr. Henderson fed 350 head of cattle.—San Angelo Standard.

Mrs. John Rhumann and little son is here from Morgan on a visit to relatives. Mr. Rhumann was formerly with the Express company at this place. He is now agent for Wells Fargo at Morgan, and we are glad to report he is getting along nicely.

H. Giesecke a prominent real estate man and capitalist of Ballinger passed through Tuesday en route to Midland. He reports his town quite, but business in one branch of his line very busy, that of the abstract business.—Coleman News

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Rev. I. N. Lewis of Tahoka came in first of the week on a visit to relatives and friends.

Mrs. Myrtle Allen a nurse in the Halley & Love Sanitarium went to Hays County on a few weeks visit Saturday.

S. A. B. Hamilton was here from Sweetwater this week visiting his family.

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In our experience in the handling of drugs and medicines, we believe we have never had experience with any Remedy that gives such great satisfaction to our customers as do Rexall Orderlies. This Remedy is not like other laxatives or cathartics. It contains all the good features of other laxatives, but none of their faults.

Our own faith in Rexall Orderlies is so strong that we offer them to you with our own positive personal guarantee, that if they do not thoroughly satisfy you, you only need tell us and we will hand back to you every penny you paid us for them. Therefore in trying them upon our recommendation you take no risk whatever.

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Remember Rexall Remedies can be obtained in this community only at our store—The Rexall Store, The Walker Drug Co., Ballinger Texas.

Sheriff Jim Flynt and Judge R. B. Truly were here from Ballinger Monday, witnesses in criminal case that had been continued before they arrived. They returned that night.—Coleman News.

Judge T. T. Crosson formerly District Attorney of this District and well known by all the "old timers" was here Monday on legal business and returned home in Ballinger on the night train.—Coleman News.

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STRANGE LEGAL FIGHT TWO WIVES INVOLVED

First Wife Divides Judgment for Damages With C. N. Bailey. Very Remarkable Case.

The strangest case ever tried in the Seventeenth district court came to a culmination Saturday when a jury decided for Mrs. Mary Bailey against C. N. Bailey in the plaintiff's suit for divorce and partition of community-estate.

Two women both claiming to be the legal wife of Bailey appeared in court. The plaintiff was the first wife of the man. She claimed that she had never been divorced. Bailey averred that he had secured a divorce from her at Alexander, S. D., but that the courthouse was burned destroying the records and the judge and attorneys interested in the case were dead. No end of tangles was presented but the jury decided every contention in favor of the plaintiff.

Mrs. Mary Bailey in behalf of herself and daughter was suing for a half of a \$10,000 judgment awarded Bailey about a year ago against the Ft. Worth & Rio Grand Railroad company. Bailey was a conductor for the railroad company and was injured. He sued for damages for the injuries he received. He was awarded \$10,000. This less his attorneys' fees was \$5,468.60.

This amount was about to be paid over to him when wife No. 1 appeared on the scene and through Attorneys W. C. Prewitt and Webster Storer entered suit in behalf of herself and daughter for one-half of the amount. The attorneys applied for an injunction restraining the railroad company from paying the money over to the man. The injunction was granted.

The defendant retained Attorney Bradley to fight the case. Various witnesses had been heard all week long in the Seventeenth district court and the case was hard fought. Bailey's second wife who was formerly a Miss Agnes Gilmore of Fort Worth was one of the witness in the case. She said that she had been married to him in June 1907, believing that he was legally divorced.

Bailey in his behalf said that he had been married to his first wife who was a Miss Mary Anderson in 1883 and had been divorced in 1898 in Alexander, S. D. He said that the suit was duly granted and that his wife failed to appear and the decree was then granted. Since that time he averred the judge and attorneys had died and the courthouse had been burned. The jury returning the verdict decided that wife No. 1 was not divorced. They gave her half of the \$5,468.60 and granted her alimony of \$25 a month since the suit has been pending.

Bailey also averred that he had sold his judgement against the railroad company to Fred Gilmore. The jury held this illegal also. Every point was decided in favor of the woman.

The granting of divorce to wife No. 1 now brings into conflict the legality of the marriage to wife No. 2.—Fort Worth Record.

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting.

C. R. Crews, Administrator of the Estate of Jno. O'Neal, Deceased together with an application to be discharged from said Administration.

You are hereby Commanded, That by publication of this Writ for twenty days in a Newspaper regularly published in the County of Runnels you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate, to file their objections thereto, if any they have, on or before the 5th day of May 1912, of said County Court, commencing and to be holden at the Court House of said County, in the City of Ballinger on the 6th day of May 1912 when said Account and Application will be considered by said Court.

Witness O. L. Parish, Clerk of the County Court of Runnels County. Given Under My hand and seal of said Court, at my office, in the City of Ballinger this 11th day of May A. D. 1912.

O. L. Parish, Clerk C. C. Runnels Co.

J. P. Flynt, Sheriff Runnels Co.

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CAMPAIGN THROUGH OHIO SHOWS WILSON STRONG MAN.

Washington D. C. April 24.-- Hon. William Jennings Bryan has just concluded a campaign of Ohio, in which he spoke in most of the congressional districts in support of the candidacy of Gov. Woodrow Wilson, who is the choice of the progressive democrats of the state for the Democratic Presidential nomination against Gov. Judson Harmon.

Mr. Bryan, who was greeted by tremendous crowds, called upon democrats everywhere to rally to the standard of Gov. Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey. He declared that the New Jersey Executive is the only progressive for whom the friends of progress in Ohio could vote at the Presidential preference primary.

The distinguished Nebraskan, who was escorted over the state by Mayor Baker of Cleveland and

other Wilson supporters said at Akron, Ohio.

Gov. Wilson is a progressive Gov. Harmon is not. Harmon's candidacy today is the outgrowth of the suggestions and interests of men who are great criminals and who are seeking control of the Presidency in order to control the courts. You can't find a man prominently identified with the group of financiers the have exploited this county for a generation who is not in favor of the nominations of Gov. Harmon."

Success for the Wilson delegates in every congressional district in Ohio except those in Hamilton County was promised with every show of confidence at a meeting of district members of the Progressive Democratic League of Ohio which at the same time adopted resolution branding Gov. Harmon as "the candidate of Wall Street," and pledging the support of the League to Gov. Wilson.

Railroad Says Income Inadequate.

The Pecos Commercial Club has filled with Gov. Colquitt a letter received by W. B. Story Jr. Vice Pres. of the Santa Fe RY., in which Mr. Story States that the Santa Fe is not in a position to consider the construction of new road for the reason that the Co. is not of sufficient volume to pay this interest on the value of the road. The letter also states that this conditions is caused by low rates and conditions which have been required by the Texas Ry. Commission.

Dick Trail returned from Houston last Saturday. He has been in school at Houston during the past winter.

When you have a bad cold you want the best medicine obtainable so as to cure it with as little delay as possible. Here is a druggist's opinion: "I have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for fifteen years," says Enos Lollar of Saratoga, Ind., "and consider it the best on the market." Sold by all dealers.

MANIAC ATTACKS BROWN CO. MAN

Crazy Man Attacks Mr. Mosier and Frightens Children in Mukewater Community.

A crazy man is terrorizing the citizens of the Mukewater community several miles west of Bangs and near the Coleman county line, and organized posses of armed men have scoured that section in an effort to capture him. Wednesday Sheriff Denman visited the Mukewater neighborhood, but his efforts to locate and capture the fugitive proved futile.

Tuesday morning Homer Mosier a well known citizen of that section of Brown county, was painting his buggy near the carriage house when he was suddenly grabbed from behind and hurled to the ground. Over him stood a tall figure garbed in a white robe. The man's face showed a sickly sort of pallor, his hair was tangled in a mat on his head, a beard of several days growth on his features and he was wild eyed, with the look of a madman.

After kicking Mr. Mosier several times on the head and body the supposed maniac ran away. Track left in newly plowed and soft ground showed that he wore shoes with a heel at the toe as well as the back.

Several days prior to this apathy of little school children were badly frightened when they saw a ghostly appearing figure among a clump of trees.

Wednesday W. C. and E. J. RJordan of the Mukewater neighborhood visited Brownwood and brought the first details of the crazy man's actions to this city, although Sheriff Denman had earlier proceeded to the scene of the man's operations. That whole section of the county is wrought up over the occurrences and every effort is being made to capture the man, who is supposed to be a resident of Coleman county.—Brownwood News

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting.

H. R. Kimbler, administrator of the estate of Ila Kimbler, deceased, having filed in our county court his final account of the condition of the estate of said Ila Kimbler, deceased, together with an application to be discharged from said administration, you are hereby commanded that by publication of this writ for twenty days in a news paper regularly published in the county of Runnels you give due notice to all persons interested in the account for final settlement of said estate to file their objections thereto if any, they have on or before the May term 1912 of said county court, commencing and to be holden at the Court house of said county in the town of Ballinger, on the first Monday in May the same being the 6th day of May 1912, when said account and application will be considered by said court.

Witness O. L. Parrish, Clerk of the county Court of Runnels County Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at my office in the town of Ballinger this the 10th, day of April 1912.

O. L. Parrish, Clerk of the County Court, Runnels Co.

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