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BROWN CO. GIRL IN JAILTO ROME

Sensational Romance and Bitter Experience of a Beautiful Texas Ranch Girl.

The Fort Worth Record a few days ago published a sensational ac count of the trials of a former Brown county girl, who languishes in an Italian prison in the ancient city of Rome.

The girl was known as Olga Davis. Her father, Jim Davis, some years ago, was cut on the leg in a fight at Cross Cut and bled to death.

After Jim Davis' death the widow and her beautiful daughter, Olga, a child moved to Austin. Mrs. Davis afterwards married M. E. Swain, and moved to Fort Worth

But Olga, alas, she did not remain in Texas, more's the pity. The story goes that after clerking in a ore at Austin for several years, olga grew tired of a mere humdrum existence. She went to St. Louis, became an actress, and from there went to New York. From Nev York old destiny took her by the hand and led her across the water to Rome.

In the Eternal City she met a dashing suitor, Signor Moschini, who became wildly attracted by the girl's beauty and married her. They did not live happily ever after. Indeed, it was the old story. The dashing dago soon tired of the beau AT BEDSIDE OF SICK BROTHER, ing night and "swiped" a big ham, tiful "Texas ranch girl" deserted her.

tage. This information was prepar- expected home tomorrow.

ed by Major John Y. Rankin, of Brownwood, at the request of Mrs. M. E. Swain, mother of Olga, and when presented in the Italian court was held to be good, so the annullment petition was refused and a divorce granted with alimony of \$200 a month.

Moschini failed to pay the alimony and the Texas woman was forced to decide between the streets to support herself or suicide.

Her imprisonment is said to be due to her former husband's influence with the courts, and his efforts to drive her from Rome.

The Record's story states that Olga has written her mother in that city, "not to worry, that she is a match for any stingy old Italian nobleman that ever lived."

OIL MILL MAKING SECOND RUN.

The Ballinger cotton oil mill closed down their mill at San Angelo last week and moved the hands to Ballinger and started the Ballinger mill again Monday. There are several thousand head of cattle and sheep on feed near Ballinger and it required considerbale feed to keep them going and the mill had just about run out of feed. The manage says they have a pretty good supply of seed on hand at Winters, and will run at that place later if the water supply is replentished haps aid not have turkey for dinner sufficiently, but if Winters fails to get the water the seed will be shipped to the mill at Ballinger.

The Signor went so far as to at- linger State Bank, was called to missed. This makes about a half tempt to have the marriage annull- Denison last Monday to be at the dozen burglaries of this kind that ed. Olga opposed such a disposi- bedside of his brother who is re- have been committed during the tion of herself and sent to Texas ported to be seriously ill. He has last two or three months, and we for proofs of her birth and paren- been with him all the week, but is predict that the guilty party will

FRISCO BREAKMAN CRUSHED TO DEATH

Walter Andrews Meets Death in Some Mnner Unknoawn to His Fellow Workmen,

The regular north bound freight rain out of Menard yesterday was reach Brownwood until late in the night. Walter Andrews, running as an extra brakema, fell between the cars'at Winchell, and was instantstantly killed. Just how this accident happened no one knows, but it is believed that Andrews was trying to get from a box car to a coal car when in some manner he slipped and fell between the cars. Both legs were cut off and the back part of the head was badly crushed. He was dead when his fellow workmen got to him.

Walter Andrews formerly worked at the compress and has been running as extra brakeman for some weeks. He lived in the viciniy of the oil mill and is survived by a wife and child. The funeral will be held here some time tomorrow .-Brownwood Bulletin.

PETTY THIEVING CONTINUES.

Some party, or parties, who peron Thanksgiving, broke a window light out of the window in the rear of the Higginbotham-Currieand perhaps other goods. The ham E. D. Walker, cashier of the Bal was the only article that could be be run in before he quits, and the cost will more than offset the fun he is having at the other fellow's

CLOSED A BIG LAND DEAL.

W. H. Rodgers has just closed a land deal which means the loss of one and the gaining of two more citizens for Winters and the Winters country. A. Grewe sells his two section farm and ranch to Dr. W. C. Bell, of Silverton. The doctor will move to Winters in a few days where he will engage in the practice of medicine, and Mr. Tomlison will move out to the Grewe farm today and take charge there. Mr. Grewe goes 'o Silverton where he takes charge of a farm which | PLEASANT EVENING FOR K. OF he takes in on the deal. The total transaction amounts to about \$15,-000.—Winters Enterprise.

PROSPECTS GOOD FOR AN OIL GUSHER.

W. O. Shultz was here from his ranch near Millersview first of the wee. Mr Shultz has a drill at a depth of about 900 feet. He has of casing. He is very enthusiastic | cessful in their matrimonial career. over the outlook for oil in paying quantities. The drill has passed through stratas of oil rock, and considerable gas, and the signs are good. Mr. Shultz says he will quit the cattle business as soon as his gusher comes in.

you visit his store.

BROWN MURDER CASE COMES UP THIS MONTH

Will Come Up in Local Court 18th Of This Month,-Is Attracting Wide Interest.

District Attorney Early, was here last Saturday assisting Stone & Wade in preparing the brief in the Brown murder case, which is pending in the court of appeals. The case will come up for hearing on the 18th of this month. It will be remembered that Brown was convicted in the District Court at this place last fall fr the murder of his wife, which murder took place near Brownwood. The case was transfer red to the Runnels county docket from Brown county. Unless the higher court reverses the decision Brown will go to the pen for life.

MOVING TO BALLINGER.

Despite the fact that some would make you believe that the old town was about dead, and everybody is leaving, we are gradually growing, and the vacant houses filling up. City Secretary Lusk wass called on last Monday to turn on the water at four residences, that many fam- understands, first brought word of ilies moving in on one day.

MOTHER OF MRS. J. W. GODWIN DEAD

Williams Company on Thanksgis- home of her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Godwin last Friday night. Deceased was seventy years old and had been in feeble health for some time, and her death was expected.

The funeral services were held Saturday afternoon, Rev. W. H. Doss conducting the services at the residence and interment followed in the Ballinger cemetery.

friends of the family in sympathy. for the loss of their mother and grandmother.

SUSPENDS PUBLICATION.

C .W. Johnson was here Friday and Saturday looking after business and attended to business. Mr. Johnson has closed doown his paper at Baird, and is moving away from that place. He is prospecting for a location and does not know now where he will locate. Insufficient support is given as the reason for quitting business at

P'S AND LADIES.

The Ballinger K. of P. Lodge mem bers entertained their families with an oyster supper and special program last Monday night. Covers were laid for about one hundred and a menue consisting of oysters, pickles, olives, coffee and cake was served to the members of the lodge work on his place and has reached their wives, and the lady friends of some of those members who up to just completed putting in 800 feet this good hour have not been suc-

Prof. W. S. Fleming, acting as toastmaster, called the assemblage to order, and in a brief talk extolled the virtues of Pythianism, and expressed the pleasure it was to have the ladies present on this occasion. Miss McDearmon favored the lodge with a violin solo, accom-Christmas presents—the valuable panied on the piano by Miss Adkins kind and a big supply are being Judge M. Kleberg, Jr., was called, received at A. J. Zappe's. Dont you to the stage and in his eloquent spend your Christmas money until style, delivered speech that brought forth much laughter. Miss Adkins

sang a song in her sweet voice and he fact that she wass called back for the second number was evidence that this was a good number on the program. Miss Pickard read and was encored for a second number.

After the banquet, toasts from a number of the old timers made the evening one of a continual round of pieasure and those who were so fortunate as to be presen west to their that better Knight and better triends of Pythianisin.

The Ballinger lodge is in a thriving condition, new members are received at most every meeting, keeping the degree team at work. The growth of the lodge has been such for the past year that the lodge was entitled to send a delegate to the Supreme Lodge which met in the summer at Denver.

SHERWOOD BOY MEETS TRACIC DEATH TUESDAY.

Charles, the 18 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W Clibourne, was shot and instantly killed Thursday evening at 4 o'clock while hunting in W. E. Lindley's pasture about one-hale mile from Sherwood. From the meagre reports made to the Standard, it seems young Clibourne was a member of a party f young p ple who went hunting Thursday afternoon. Miss Kathleen Brown, one of the party, so the Standard the tragic occurence. Parties hasyoung Clibourne had been instantly killed, a load of shot having passed through his heart. Near the body was found his shot gun with Mrs. Mary Mullins died at the both barrels loaded. A young man is under arrest and refuses to make not want to talk about the vera statement, according to advices viet for publication, but that she received over the phnoe from Mertzon. The inquest was held Friday

STEERS BRING FIFTY-FIVE DOL-LARS.

D. E. Sims, of Paint Rock, was here lastSaturday and reported that he had just delivered to a San An-TheBanner-Leader joins the many gelo party 450 head of steers, for which he received \$55.00 per head. Mr. Sims bought these steers from Jinks Blocker about a month ago for \$43.50 per head.,

SNEED ACQUITTED FOR KILLING BOYCE

Attorneys Throw Hats Over Chandeliers and Are Fined.-Relatives Are Rejoiced.

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 3.-John Beal Sneed was this morning declared 'not guilty" of the murder of Captain Bryce in this city, The trial has been in progress for two weeks and has been attracting general attention throughout the country on account of prominence of the parties and the circumstances surrounding the case.

When the jury returned the verdict Sneed emitted a yell of joy and moment later Walter Scott and W. P. McLean, Jr., attorneys for the defense, were throwing their hats over the chandaliers in the court room. Both attorneys were fined, but Judge Swaine refused to fine Sneed, and did not censure him. Sneed insisted on talking to the jurors and promised each of them a picture of himself and his children. Mrs. Sneed received the news by telephone at the downtown hotel where she is stopping, her husband telephoning her the

When Leonora Sneed, aged eleven tened to the scene and found that met her father after the verdict, she rushed into his arms and kissing him fervently, said "I knew they'd do it, Daddy, I knew it." Mrs. Sneed's relatives said that she did was happy over the result of the trial and that she loves her husband and children. The only statement that Sneed would make was that he "expected the verdict that I got." Mrs. Sneed's relatives denied that she had been closely guarded since her arrival here.

Sneed sent scores of telegrams to friends all over the country.

W. A. Norman returned to Comanche Tuesday.

Many Successful Farmers

Owe their success to the aid given them by some bank. We are ready, able and willing to help others and you in particular. The first step is for you to call and see us. When you sell your cotton bring in your checks. We handle checks on other banks and lother placees, same as if on us. Now is the time to have a bank acct.

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Yes, do your Christmas Shopping early,

Will Ballinger keep clean if it is awarded the premium for being the cleanest town in Texas? Certainly our pride will be equal to the occasion, and we will stay the cleanest town in Texas.

Mr. Wilson was elected President elect by a vote of 6,155,748 votes. In 1908 Mr. Bryan received 6,395,-182. Thus it will be seen that Mr. Bryan received over a quarter of a million more votes than did Mi Wilson, but was not elected to the presidence. Is that fair?

Splendid rains are reported over the country, which means that the small grain crop will be an item in this country again next year. The farmer who had oats planted now has a crop growing.

Hon. Morris Sheppard has the privilege of endorsing a man for postmaster from his home town, Texarkana. He has notified the peo ple that they will be allowed to make the selection by holding a primary.

It should be gratifying to the parents and patrons of the school of this county to know that the schools are supplied with teachers from Runnels county familles, and that they are all making good and doing splendid work in training the young mids.

President Taft says that he will continue to take a great deal of interest in politics, but that no amour of pressure will ever induce him to accept the nomination again. Its different with T. R. No amount of pressure could keep him from being nominated in the last fight.

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Let us join in the fight against the White Plague. We can help by using Red Cross stamps They cost one cent and will make a big fund to be used in the fight against the disease that is claiming more lives than any other diseases. You can buy them at most of the drug stores.

With eggs selling at 35 cents per dozen and a demand for good chick ens and turkeys, and with the advantages offered for the poultry growers in Texas, this state promises to double in the production of poultry within the next two years., Ballinger is making an effort to get a poultry packing plant, and with a plant here the poultry industry would double within one year.

We have heard hard times preach on every corner for the past year yet we learn through the Charity Board that they have only had one application for help this fall. In fact we learn that there is only one family in Ballinger at present that 910,000, and in 1910 produced 3,072,is living off of charity, and the county is providing for them. There is a cause for this condition of affairs. We leave it for you to figure out.

A report compiled and made by the Department of Agriculture for the turkey market for one day, Oct 15, shows that the farmers received for live turkeys on that one day an average price of 13.6 cents per pound. The highest price paid was in New York, which was 17.7 cents, while the lowest was in Texas and was 10.5 cents. Texas is fast becoming the leading poultry state, having increased in poultry production from 1900 to 1910 34 per cent. In 1910 Texas had 13,699,645 fowls as shown by the National census.

D. C. Webb left first of the week for a visit and prospecting trip in South Texas.

THERE IS A HELL.

Russell, pastor of the Parson Brooklyn Tabernacle Congregation, started something when he undertook to eliminate "hell" as told of in the Bible. The man that gets the idea that there is no hell need only to look around him every day, and he can see a "hell" on earth, and therefore it s raesonable to suppose that there will be a hell in the next life. The Dallas News State Press editor, who perhaps knows as much about hell as the Brooklyn divine, hits the nail on the head in the following comment:

"Pastor Russell has no right to eilminate hell. Nobody has any such right. There may be a hell, and there may not be. Nobody-not ven Pastor Russell-knows for sure. But if there is incontrovertibly a place for the good to go after death it is logical to imagine another place designed for the bad to go to. Undoubtedly there are good and had men in this life, and it would seem reasonable to suppose that there are good and bad ones in the next life. If so, it is equally reasonable to assume that they will not live together in the world to come any more than they live together in this world. The place where the good people shall dwell will be heaven and the place where the bad people shall dwell will be hell. It is of no consequence what names we call those places by. The heaven principle and the hell principle will endure regardless of whether they have names or do not have them."

We would not undertake to dispute this question with the learned Brooklyn pulpiteer, but we do know both by experience and observation that the fellow who transgresses the law of nature and of nature's God, usually gets about what he deserves, and since we are convinced of the immortality of man, we have a well established opinion that whetever iis meted cut to him after landing upon the shores of the unknown world whether it be a reward for the good or a rebuke for the bad, will be but a carrying out of the general program of which he receives but a foretaste here. We cannot help but believe if there is not a hell for some folks that the devil will fall far short of his duty. In any event we have troubles enough at best without borrowing any from the future. If we do not mend our ways the devil will get the most of

MARKETING VS PRODUCTION

The recent report of the Federal Agricultural Department giving a comparison of the 1911 crop with that of 1910 teaches a very practical and comprehensive lesson in economics.

The Texas cotton crop in 1911 produced 4,297,248 bales valued at \$230. 932 bales valued at \$247,880,000, the 1911 crop showing an increase in bales of 1,224,316 and a decrease in value of \$16,970,000 over 1910. The Texas farmers paid a penalty of \$16,970,000 for increasing production 1,224,316 bales. The Texas situation is typical of that of the entire

Certainly the farmers of the coun try are not suffering through lack of inability to produce cotton; in fact excessive production is distroy ing him. He needs help in decreasing production and in such emerger cies drouth and the boll weavil appear to be his most reliable friends

The country is beginning to recognize the value of the work of the Farmers' Union in pleading for reduced acreage and better methods of marketing cotton. The Texas Farm Life Commission has a great work before it in studying these problems.

CHRISTMAS SWAPPING.

Mrs. August Belmont, Miss Annie Morgan and other leadingNewYork women have organized a "Society for the Prevention of Useless Giv-A. W. SLEDGE, Editor ing." They say Christmas has become a burden on working girls and others .

The write is personally acquainted with a woman whose regular practice it is to make about 150 individual gifts for Christmas ... She is wealthy and can probably afford it. But she has frail health, and her spare moments for a month are jammed by the selection of these presents.

After it was all over last year she said she awoke in the middle of the night with the reflection that she gave a volume of Browning's complex poetry to one friend who is quite domestic, and who one told her that it was with difficulty that she could understand the simple verses of Longfellow.

A woman wrote to a leading magazine in 1910 that she had just received her eighteenth penwiper. She did not dislike penwipers, but she felt it necessary t pass these on to some other friends. A complicated system of bookkeeping was needed to prevent returns. Furthermore, she felt it necssary to buy eighteen pocket handkerchiefs for the eighteen penwiprs given.

The real trouble with the modern Christmas lies with those who feel that an equivalent money return must thus be made. If the woman who receives a diamond, given out the abundance of a wealthy friend, would only feel comfortable in sending back a box of fudge, if that is all she can give, or even a Christmas card if she has money and time for nothing more, Christ mas would be a lovely expression of spontanious sentiment.

People in whom the swapping tra dition is ingrained need to reflect carefully before they establish a habit which is practically signing an agreement to pay a life annuity, towit, an agreemneet to trade one Christmas gift for another of equal value until death do us part.

Holiday Shopping.

The high tide of trade for the year is close upon us. Those who buy early get the cream of the traffic. The readers of this paper will do well to sit down today and figure out just what the need for holiday goods and buy as quickly as

The columns of the Mirror constitute the best directory for purchases, Therein you may find set forth suggestions of gifts for all kinds of people, provisions for the feast of the season, winter clothing, and house furnishings and all the things you need.

This is the time of year when a shopper should particultary study the advertising bargains. The season of mark-down sales is still six foreign matter and poisons that you will have to pay high prices.

But there are bargains every day in the year for those who watch out for them. If you avail yourself of these chances you can buy to good advantage even at this time of high prices, and have the goods when wanted, while they are at the height of style and seasonability.

A word should be said for the fine group of business men who advertise is these columns. They represent the cream of business ability. They have faith in the power of advertising because they have made goodfound that the public has faith in them and their enterprises. They are the men who have made good. In past years they have told their story to the public, the public have believed, it has come in and bought the goods, and the goods have given satisfaction.

Basing his faith and shaping his course upon this experience, the merchant, has faith to come again with his announcements. The fact over the affected partt, the relief that these statements are made un- will be prompt and satisfactory. der the bond of publicity is proof that the promises these men have before held out have proven true and that they have given dollar's worth for dollar.

When you buy these advertised goods you buy of men whose business methods have been tried, tested and proven.

HEALTH OF SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Favorite prescriptions of Chinese doctors are dried grasshoppers and powdered tigers bones-utterly useless. We scoff at them of course. But recent statistics presented by Dr. Thomas E. Wood in a recent bureau of education bulletin issued by the government, proves that me ical and hygienic ignorance is not confined to the Orient. The figures show that 75 per cent., or 15,-000,000 of the 20,000,000 school child ren in this country need attention today for physical defects which ar prejudicial to health and which are partially or completely remediable. From 11/2 to 2 per cent. have organic heart disease; 5 per cent. have now or have had tuberculosis disease of the lungs; 5 per cent. have spinal curvature or flat foot;95 per cent have defectice hearing:25 pe cent. have defective vision; 25 per cent, are suffering from malnutrition and 30 per cent., or 6,000,000. have enlarged tonsils, adenoids, or enlarged cervical glands, while 50 per cent., or 10,000,000, have defective teeth, which are interfering with health.

Commenting on Dr. Wood's report the Medical Review of Reviews makes the practical suggestion that would seem a wise prophetic measure to place a small manual, relating to the hygiene of children during the school period in the hands of parents. It is pointed out that the detection of an aabnormality by medical inspection, is not the only essential, but there must be adequa and efficient education of children and their parents as to the methods of overcoming physical de fects. There must be home and school co-operation to insure the most healthful conditions so that the education of the children will tend to develop them both mentally and physicially.

BABY NEEDS WATCHING IN SUMMER TIME.

Their Little Stomachs Get Out Of Order Easily in Hot Weather. Mothers should watch closely the condition of the children's bowels

babies especially. Keep the bowels regular and much of the illness to which children are most susceptible in summer can be prevented.

The most prevalent symptoms are constipation and diarrhoea. When waste from the stomach congests in the bowels and makes your little one feverish and fretful, with a feeling of heaviness. or languor, try giving it a spoonful of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin at bedtime. By morning this pleasant, mild laxative will act gently, yet positively, and restore normal conditions, This simple, natural remedy is also invaluable in checking summer diarrhoea. By thoroughly cleansing the bowels, the weeks waay. If you shop haphazard irritate and inflame the tissues are eliminated. Don't torture the child with harsh cathartic, purgative or astringentastringent remedies, that upset the whole system, and best only relieve temporarily. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, wihle posi tive in its effect, acts gently and withou griping or discomfort, restoring normal conditions.

In using Syrup Pepsin for children teh mother can feel perfectly safe, as it contains no opiates or narcotic drug, being a combination of simple laxative ehrbs with pepsin. By carrying off the dislodged tissues of mucous membrane that inflame the nasal passages it will quickly break the "summer cold" that is so annoying. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is sold by druggists for fifty cents a bottlethe larger family size, one dollar. A free trial bottle postpaid, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 406 Washington St. Monti- Also read our Cash Guaranty of cello, Illinois,

Lame back may come from overwork, cold settled in the muscles of the back, or from disease. In the former cases the right remedy is Ballard's Snow Liniment It should be rubbed in thoroughly Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per

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It is far better that our University turn out good cooks than that it turn out lawyers and doctors and then if we have good digestion, we don't need so many lawyers and doctors. Our State Uni versity can serve mankind no better than by giving us good digestion.

WILL CONTINUE RIGHT THRU THE HOLIDAYS.

Owing to our large attendance, many students from a great distance and that could not go home for the holidays, others anxious to finish their courses, that they may accept positions awaiting them, we will give no vacation except on Xmas day. New students may continue to enroll and take up work ot the very best advantage without being interrupted with a vacation.

For several months we have not been able to supply the demand for our graduates of Bookkeeping and Shorthand or Telegraphy, we are therefore anxious that new students enroll early. The more graduates we can place in good position the better opportunity we have to demonstrate to business men the proficiency of our students. Young people interested in a commercial education are finding that life is too short and time too valuable to spend from nine to twelve long months taking a course in a college teaching other systems when it is a positive fact that we can give a better course to them in half the time and at half the cost with he famous Byrne Simplified Shorthand and practical Bookkeeping and our practical methods of teaching Telegraphy. They are also finding that a graduate who has the training given by these practical modern systems obtains a better salary than one graduating from a school using old difficult, faulty sysems. We guarantee a bettre course in les time, at a less expense, and a better job with a better salary than any other school using other sys-

Fill in name, address and course interested in, and mail to Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas, and receive catalogue setting forth plainly why we can afford to make the above claims wth regards to our systems and the amount of time and money we can save you. \$100.00 in our catalogue.

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Gas in the stomach comes from food which has fermented. Get rid of this badly digested food as quick ly as possible if you would avoid a bilious attack; Herbine is the remedy you need. It celanses and bowels, and restores energy and strengthens the stomach, liver and cheerfulness. Price 50c. Sold by J. Y Pearce

DAY AT SAN ANGELO.

Brownwood friends have received invitations to the marriage of Same Baptist church at San Angelo on Thursday evening, Dec. 5, at which time he will wed Miss Annie Coopdaughter of Dr. Charles T. about run out of feed. The manager here, and has a host of friends who wish him the best of everything through life.-Brownwood Bulletin.

Battleships

Galveston

Dec. 6 to 10



Dec. 7th

Sell round triy tickets to Galveston at te extremely low fares shown

Round trip tickits will be on sale for trains arriving in Galveston evening of Saturday, Dec. 7, and morning of Sunday, Dec. 8. Tickets will be limited to Monday Dec. 9, 19I2, for final return.

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Rates from Ballinger " Rowena " Talpa

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Sprains, Bruise are relieved at once by an application of Sloan's Liniment. Don't rub, just lay on lightly.

"Sloan's Liniment has done more good than anything I have ever tried for stiff joints. I got my hand hurt so badly that I had to stop work right in the busiest time of the year. I thought at first that I would have to have my hand taken off, but I got a bottle of Sloan's Liniment and cured my hand." WILTON WHEELER, Morris, Ala.

Good for Broken Sinews G. G. JONES, Baldwin, L. I., writes:

"I used Sloan's Liniment for broken sinews above the knee cap caused by a fail and to my great satisfaction was able to resume work in less than three weeks after the accident."

MR. HENRY A. VOEHL, 84 Som St., Plainfield, N. J., writes:—"A friend sprained his ankle so badly that it went black. He laughed when I told him that I would have him out in a week. I applied Sloan's Liniment and in four days he was working and said Sloan's was a right good Liniment."



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MUD (+ NEK ITEMS.

Mr. Editor:-

Here I am once more, trying to give you the very latest news of ou community.

We have had a few light showers of rain in the past few days, and they have proven blessings to our

Everyone has practically finished gathering their crops and are now preparing for anothe.

Health in our community is very good, as far as I know.

Little Georgia Kerby was carried to the sanitarium last week to have an operation . . f. rmed for apo . o dicitis. We hope to see Georgia in school again soon.

Arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs.. U M Bristers, a fine girl.

Emmett Hinson returned home Saturday from Dickens county at I think Mud Creek is going to loose most of her people. Messrs Suggs and family, Leslie McShay and family, and Mr. Woods left last week for Wichita Falls, where they will make their future home.

Sylvester Kerby was visiting at Tokeen Friday night. The party at Mr. Morten's Friday night was enjoyed by a large and

happy crowd. Mrs. W. S. Allison and Mrs C W Schwartz were visiting at Mr. Brister's Saturday evening.

Alpha Schwarzt wes visiting Char Schwartz Saturday night.

Myrtle andB lanch Fuller were visiting at the Edwards home last Saturday night.

Miss Eva Edwards was the guest of the Misses Fu ier Sunday.

We had a nice rain Sunday morn The singing at Mr. Allcorn's last told me of your Hunt's Cure. I got

o Sunday night was attended by a very large crowd. Claud Sims was the guest of Miss

Susie Allcorn Sunday evening. Essye Sims and Elbert Brister were the guests of Ruby Schwartz

Sunday evening. Messrs Arthur Allcorn, Emmett Hinson, Walter and Emmett Schwartz and Bud Bradley made a flying trip to Ballinger Monday.

Mills, strongly commends the estab-

lishment of these mills throughout

evidence of what can be accom-

The Waxahachie mills began op-

eration in April, 1901, with a capi-

stock of \$100,000, since which

time they have steadily increased

their output until today they com-

pare favorably with mills in North

Carolina and other eastern and the

o northern states. Since the mill be

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o gan operation, the fires have never

spindles has increased from 5,000

to 10,000. The mill consumes an-

cost \$275,000. Little or no difficul-

ty has been experienced in procur-

the mill erects and owns its em-

ployes' dwellings. They are neat

and comfortably located on the

large grounds surrounding the mill.

Fine artisian wells supply the em-

ployes with water, and a good sys-

o ing and keeping mill operatives, and

plished in this line of industry.

PARROTT.

There is something about Hunt' TEXAS COTTON MILLS COMPARE Lightening Oil that no other oil FAVORABLY WITH THOSE Lightening Oil that no other possesses. Others may be good, but it OF OTHER STATES. is the best. It does all you recom-Waxahachie, Tex., Dec. 5,-In his mend it for, and more. For sprains recent report to the Texas Welfare cuts, bruises, burns, aches and Commission, Mr. O. E. Dunlap, of pains it has no equal on earth. It this city, chairman of the Commitstands head on my medicine shelf. tee on the Establishment of Cotton

Verytruly yours. T. J. Brownlow,

Livingston, Tex 25cand 50c bottles.

J N., Adams had business down the Santa Fe this week .

A C.. Homan and wife of Rowena attended the K. P. banquet here on Monday night.

NATURE'S WARNING.

Ballinger People Must Recognize and HeedIt.

Kidney ills come mysteriously. Notice the kidney secretions. See if the color is unhealthy-If there are settlings and sedi-

Its time to fear serious kidney

Doan's have done great work in this vicinity.

E. G. Smith, farmer, twelve miles south of Ballinger, Texas, says: "I had soreness in my back and

was troubled by my kidneys for two years. I had difficulty in passing the kidney secretions. I felt miserable in every way and my health was very much run down. the more honorable course is to Doan's Kidney Pills were recommended to me and I began using them. Soon after I had taken nually 5,000 bales of cotton, which, them I felt their beneficial effect at the present price of cotton, will and when I had finished the box, receinved a complete cure. have han no return symptons and can highly recommed Doan's Kidney Pills to anyone having kidney trouble.

> For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New Yory, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name- Doans and take no other.

3,120 SALOONS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS.

church has also bene erected by the Austin, Texas, Nov. 29.-Accordcompany for use of its employes. ing to figures given out by the Taken altogether, the mill is con-Comptroller, there are 3,120 sasidered a success in every respect, loons in Texas and the records show, according to a statement isand its operatives are prsperous sued by the Comptroller, that of the 249 counties is the state, liquor Mr. Dunlap thinks the success of is legally permitted to be sold in the Waxahachie mills can be duplionly 76.

tem of sewerage connects with the

city sewer. A neat and comfortable

NOTICE.

All persons are notified not to

No Calomet Necessary.

The injourious effect and unpleas-

antness of taking calomel is done

away with by Simmions' Liver

Purifier, the mildest known liver

medicine, yet the most thorough in

action. Put up in yellow tin boxes

only. Price 25c. Tried once, used

her on a visis to her parents, Mr

Miss Willie Stehens, of Miles,

Mrs I. N. Harris. It will be remem-

bered that Mrs. Stephens was ser-

iously injured by a horse a couple

of months ago. We are glad to re-

port that she has about recovered.

Itching Piles.

I want you to know how much

me. I had suffered with Itching

Piles fifteen years, and when I

Wednesday. Mr Bair is arrang-

ing to again become a citizen of

Ballinger. He has rented the Reeve.

Stands Ahead.

a 50c box and it cured me.

good your Hunt's Cure has done

JO HARDIN.

and happy.

cated elsewhere.

Of the liquor licenses now in effeet, 1797 are for spirituous, vinous and malt liquors, and only 1,323 for malt only.

Harris county has the largest number of licenses, heading the list buy or trade for one certain note with 399; Bexar county is second, dated Feb. 18th, 1912, for one hunwith 397, Dallas third with 302 dred, twenty five dollars, due one Tarrnat fourth, 183; Galveston fifth, 175; Travis, sixth, 108.

year after date, executed by Jo A list of liquor and malt permits Hardin, payable to J. L. McWhirter, issued in wet and partially wet because the consideration has failcounties in Texas for 1912 follows, first figures for each county are liquor licenses and second figures

Anderson, 14, 6; Aransas, 2, 1; Austin, 25, 27; Bastrop, 21, 9; Ball, 38 23; Bee, 8, 1; Bexar, 155, 242; Blanco, 2, 3; Brazos, 25, 6; Burleson, 19 17; Caldwell, 13, 5; Calhoun, 7, 5; Cameron, 17, 32; Chambers, 3., 0; Colorado 18, 13; Culberson, 2, 0, Comal, 17 20; Dallas, 193 109; DeWitt, 22, 28; Duval, 3, 6; Ee Paso, 93, 57; Falls, 3, 6; Fayette, 40, 39; Fort Bend, 21, 9; Freestone, 10, 1; Galveston, 95, 80; Gillispie, 6, 20; Goliad, 4, 9; Gonzales, 10, 5; Grimes 11, 0; Guadalupe 27, 17; Hardin 18, 2; Harris 142, 257; Hidalgo 6, 24; Jackson 3, 1; Jefferson 74, 7; Jim Wells, 0, 3; Karnes, 1, 8; Kendall 4, 9; Kerr, 4, 1; inKinney, 5, 2; LaSalle 5, 4; Lavaca, 21, 25; Lee 11, 8; LLiberty 7, 4; Mason, 3, 0; Maveriek 2, 5; Medine, 14, 6; Menard 3, 0; Milam, 25, 8; Montgomery 12, 2; McLennan 71, 18; Nueces 19, 13; Oldham 0, 1; Orange 7, 3; Palo Pinto 17, 2; Pecos 2, 2; Presidio 2 0; Refugio 2, 1; Robertvis 43, 65; Val Verde 7, 5; Vic-JOHN BRADLEY. toria 13, 22; Waller 10, 5; Wash-Caney, Kas ington 26, 30; Webb 9, 6; Wharton 20, 45; Wichita 23, 0; Williamson W. G. Bair, of Winters, was here 4, 12; Wilson 10, 12.

Heartburn is a sympton of indigestion. Take a dose of Herbine in such cases. The pain disappears house and accepted a position with instantly. The bowels operate att once and you feel fine, vigorous and cheerful. Price 50c. Sold by J. Y.

Wheezing in the lungs indicates that phlegem is obstructing the air passages. Ballard's Horehound Syrup loosens the phlegem so that itt can be coughed up and ejected. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle.

Sold by J. Y Pearce Sickly children need White's Cream Vermifuge. It not only destroys worms, if there be any, but it acts as a strengthening tonic in the stomach and bowels. Price 25c per bottle. Sole by J. Y. Pearce

LO, THE POOR YOUNG MAN.

Sweetwater Reporter: The young man starting out on life's journey is confronted with may things that are likely to trip him and cause hin to fall in a businses way, but a close observer of such problems and stumbling blocks has truthfully said that the most common and most fatal mistake made lies in the fac that too many endeavor to live too fast for their income. Too many feel that they should go the gaits and keep step with their many

wealthy friends and associates 'Tis true, 'tis pity. Family rivalry is the cause of a greatdeal of the financial worry and embarrassment so common in every commuity. Mr. Passages frequent, scanty, painful and Mrs. Ward Robe are able to entertain their clubs in lavish manner but Mr. and Mrs. Robe Ward, who It's ttime to use Doan's Kidney are unfrtunately are members of the same club, are cramped to pay the bills when they try to copein the matter of elegance with the wealthier neighbor. There is no doubt that this practice of keeping step in the social world is keeping many a poor man's account on he debitt side of the business ledger. It is not a dishonor to appear not wealthy or aristocratic, but rather keep the expenditures well within the family income. By following this course there may be some of the weaker minded so-called "upper set" who will look down with disdain, but the people whose respect is worth while will hold in esteem the person who combines common sense with his business an social affairs and lives within his

> H. C. Wylie and son-in-law, Ed Fancher, both former Ballinger citizens, were here from San Angelo ing. 25c and 50c bottles.

900 DROPS

ALCOHOL 3 PER CENT AVegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regula ting the Somachs and Bowels of INFANTS CHILDREN Promotes Digestion Cheeful ness and Rest. Contains neither Opium Morphine nor Mineral

NOT NARCOTIC. Recipe of Old Dr.S.METELITICIER Pemphin Seed -Alx. Seana + Rochelle Salls -Anise Seed +

Propergial -Aperfect Remedy for Constitut tion, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea Worms, Convulsions, Feverish

ness and Loss of SLEEP. Fac Simile Signature of Charlet Heteter. THE CENTAUR CO. AT. NEW YORK. At6 months old **?5 Doses - 35 Cent**

Exact Copy of Wrapper.

Guaranteed under the Fo

Always Bought Bears the Signature USB For Over Thirty Years

The Ballinger Lumber Co.

son 21, 3; San Patricio 6, 0; Starry has grown up with Ballinger, and has furnished Lumber and was traveling through Texas a man 1, 3; Sutton 3, 0; Tarrant 153, 30; Building Material for many a house in this section.

We Are At The Same Old Stand Yet

and ready to supply your wants in Lumber and every line of Building Material. Give us a chance to prove our claims.

The Ballinger Lumber Company,

SANTA FE TIME TABLE **CHANGES**

The following changes in schedule of Trains will become effective 12:01 a.m. August 18th.

North Bound Ballinger 9:34 a. m. Ballinger 4:40 p. m.

No. 70

No. 78

South Bound Ballinger No. 77 12:07 p. m. Ballinger No. 75 12:36 a. m.

A. H. WIGLE, **AGENT** SANTA FE RAILWAY

YOUR FIRE INSURANCE

Is an Important Item In Your Business

I represent six first class old line companies and can write you either Fire or Tornado Insurance to protect your property. THE UNEXPECTED is what happens and your property may go up in flames. Let me figure with you.

Miss Maggie Sharp

Office in old Fidelity Credit Co's old location.

Sprained Back.

Sprained back and sore muscles throw off their soreness when Hunt's Lightning Oil is applied. For relieving pain of any kid there is matism are loud in its praise. For wire cuts Hunt's Lightning Oil is especially fine as it takes away the

ANOTHER PREACHER FOR BAL-LINGER.

Rev. E. W. Wells recently from Hillsboro, with his family have loca nothing better, and those peple who ed in Ballinger. Rev. Wells is pasto have tried it for Neuralgia and Rhu of the Nazarine church. It will be remembered that the Nazarine congregation recently moved their church from Valley Creek to Balinflamation and causes rapid heal-

11 Big Days of Christmas Prices Will Save You Money Begins Dec. 12-For Cash Only-Gloses Dec. 24

Little Things Over the Store

Good Brass Pins	21/20
Pearl Button	2120
Featherstitch Braid 10c value at	3130
2 Doz. Safety Pins for	50
2 spools San Silk for	50
Big Can 25c Talcum Powder for	150
10c Hair Net for	
2 5c School Tablets for	5c
25c Box Silver Fleece Face Powder	for 15c
Solid and Fancy Hair Ribbon 25c	
Eider Down Wool	8 ¹ 3¢
Box 2-in-1 Shoe Polish	7½c
Boston Hose Supports	15c
6 doz. Rice Buttons	5c

at Xmas Prices

Ladies Ready-to-Wear Department

Full of Good Things at Xmas prices: 1 only \$50.00.3 piece Velvet Costume Xmas 1 Dress \$25.00 value, Brown Stripe Velour All \$25.00 Ladies Tailored Coat Suits go All \$16.50, \$17.50 and \$20.00 Suits go at All \$12.50 and \$15.00 Suits go at\$9.75 All \$22.50 Ladies Coats go at... \$15.75 All \$15.00 Ladies Coats go at ... \$9.75 All \$10.00 Coats. \$5.75 Christmas prices on Children's Coats. Ask to see them.

Christmas Offerings in Blankets and Comforts

	Warrand 99 50 Valuat Share
One Lot Cotton Blankets for 35c	Womens' \$3.50 Velvet Shoes Tan and Black, Xmas
One Lot Cotton Blankets at 69c	Price \$4.00 Packard Shoes
Other Cotton Blankets at 85c, \$1.50, and \$2.95	\$3.50 Packard Shoes One Lot Mens' \$8.00 Bootees
White Wool Blankets \$4.50 value at \$3.45	Go At
6.50 Wool Blankets at \$4.95	REMEMBER every pair of
9.00 Wool Blankets for \$6.75	in the house has an Xmas Price. Come in and ask fo
32.00 Comfort at \$1.45	the shoe you want-the pr
These are Hot Prices for Cold Weather.	low enough. This is certain good time to buy shoes.
These are Hot Prices for Cold Weather.	

We Are Not Leaving Ballinger---Just Inag

close up our Year's Big Business. We have tried hard to make this Store the most popular doubt that we have succeeded. For this we are very thankful and to show everyone that we known, in this BIG CHRISTMAS SALE. Just as sure as day follows night our Christmas r Remember the date, Thursday December 12 to Tuesday December 24 and that all Christmas

Xmas sale for men women and children

Great Stock of solid leather shoes for men women and children, to be thrown on sale at Xmas Prices.

READ THE LIST.

\$3.95

All \$5.50 and 6.00 Nettleton

All \$3.50 and 4.00 Ladies'

One lot Childrens' Shoes

Hamilton-Brown Shoes go

Shoes go at

Values u to \$1.50 go at .. 95¢ Mens \$6.00 Patent Leather and Tan Packard Shoes all go At \$3.95 \$2.50\$3.60 \$3.15 \$4.95**\$2.85** shoes s Sale or just rice is ainly a

Good Grade Mottled Outing, Solid colors 6 1-2¢ All 121/2 and 15 c ginghams .. 9¢ Extra Heavy 121/2c Grade Cotton Flannel for 8 1-3¢ All Prints as long as it lasts. We only have a few hundred Best Oil Cloth, per yard .. 10¢ Not more than 5 yrads to customer. 20 yds. Heavy L. L. Brown Domes

XMAS PRICES ON SUIT CASES. XMAS PRICES ARE FOR CASH ONLY.

tic, yard wide for \$1.00

DON'T COME TO BALLINGER ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11TH, WE WILL BE BUSY MARKING DOWN OUR BIG STOCK FOR THE BIG XMAS SALE.

NOW IS A GOOD TIME TO BUY FURNITURE. XMAS PRICES ARE PREVAILING.

XMAS PRICES ON TRUNKS, ASK TO SEE THEM.

IT'S A MONEY SAVING EVENT. \$110.00 Buggy, Xmas Sale,

COME TO OUR BIG XMAS SALE-

Price only \$88.00

Millinery at Xmas **Prices**

All \$5.00 Ladies' Hats go at \$1.95

All \$10.00 Ladies' Hats, Xmas Sale prices \$3.95

COME TO THE BIG XMAS SALE AND SEE THE HUNDREDS OF BIG BARGAINS NOT MENTIONED HERE.

ATTENTION, LADIES! YOU CAN AFFORD TO BUY A NEW HAT AT XMAS BARGAINS.

BUYING AT XMAS PRICES WILL MAKE YOU THINK OF GETTING MONEY "FROM HOME,"

COME TO THE XMAS SALE, WE EXPECT TO HAVE LOTS OF HELP AND WILL WAIT ON YOU VERY PROMPTLY.

REMEMBER XMAS PRICES ARE FOR CASH ONLY-DON'T ASK US TO CHARGE THEM.

HOW ABOUT A KITCHEN CABI-NET AT XMAS PRICES? THEY MAKE A GOOD XMAS GIFT.

LISTEN TO THE XMAS BELLS RINGING - COME TO THE BIG XMAS SALE.

How About a Heating Stove

At Christmas Pric

\$1.75 Heating Stove for. \$3.00 Heating Stove for. Take a look at our stoves values at 6.00 7.50 No. 35 Box Wood heater \$10. values X

Christmas Prices on Buggi

\$100. Columbus Buggy Xmas price. \$185.00 Columbus Cut-under Rubbe Runabout. \$150.00 Velie Wrought Iron Carrige Xn

Now is the time to get a goo Vehicle.

price.

This is the sale you have been waiting for these many years. It is here, and it behooves you have opportunity to pick up so many downright bargains; bargains in which you are really s that we are right' we can be more convincing in a face-to-face talk than in ad w

Don't Come to Balilnger on December 11th, we are going to be busy on that

BALLINGER. RUNNELLS COUNTY, TEXAS

HIGGINBOTHAM-CUR

"We Sell Ever

A Great Chance to Make Your Christmas dollar go A Long Ways Lowest Prices of 1912 Our Christmas

ating a Big Christmas Sale With Which to

ace to trade in this section of the state. The enormous trade we have had proves beyond a appreciate it and to make our store still more popular we are cutting prices lower than ever ces will save you money. Don't wait. Come today to the Biggest, the Best, the Last Sale of 1912. rices are for Cash only.

Christmas Prices on Furniture

for All

Our Furniture Stock is in good shape for particular buyers. Here are a few items that will give you an idea about the reductions we are making.

11		
1	\$2. Il Wire Bed Spring for	\$1.50
V	35c Best Double Cane Seat Chair	irs only 50c
-	-10.00 Dressers	\$8.75
	\$15.00 Dressers	\$11.75
1	\$2.50 Rocking Chairs	\$1.35
1	\$3.50 Rocking Chairs	\$2.65
	Iron Beds at \$1.95 and up.	
	9x12 Art Squares for	\$4.95

Get Our Prices-they will please you

\$125.00	Bugg	y, Xn	nas	Fr	ico	
only			••		••	\$58.00

THE MORE YOU SPEND, THE MORE YOU SAVE.

ONLY. WE DON'T DO THINGS BY HALVES-OUR XMAS SALE WILL

WAKE UP THE NATIVES.

XMAS PRICES ARE FOR CASH

11 BIG DAYS OF BUYING THAT WILL SAVE THE PEOPLE HUN-DREDS OF DOLLARS-BETTER

11 DAYS OF SELLING AT PRICES NEVER BEFORE HEARD OF -

GET YOUR PART.

DON'T MISS IT. A GOOD TIME TO BUY YOUR SUP PLIES FOR A WHOLE YEAR.

Heavy Reversible work coat worth \$5.00 Xmas sale price \$3.95

One Lot of Boys' Pants, Value Up to \$1.50, Xmas price .. 45¢ Boys Overcoats, Xmas Sale

PIG REDUCTION ON PANTS.

Price, \$1.45

\$6.00 Pants Values go at .. \$3.85 \$5.00 Pants Values go at \$3.45 \$4.00 Pants Values go at .. \$2.95 \$300 Pants Values go at .. \$1.95 \$2.00 Pants Values go at .. \$1.45

Christmas Clothing at Reduced Prices.

Nothing makes a more appropriate Amas present for yourself, Father, Brother or Friend than a good suit or overcoat.

XMAS PRICES HELP YOU BUY. All of our \$22.50, 25.00, 30.00, \$27.50, and 30.00 fancy Hart Schaffur & Marx Suits and Overcoats, Xmas sale price

All of our \$15.00, 17.00, 18.00 and 20.00 fancy S .M. & S and Style-Plus suits and overcoats Only \$12.95

Only \$16.95

Ail of our \$12.50, 13.50 and 15.00 fancy suits and overcoats go at \$9.95

Reduced prices on all Blue Serge Suits. Big !ot of \$3.00, 3.50, and 4.00

Corduroy Pants Xmas Price \$2.45 Mens' and Boys' Odd Vests, Only 25c each, 6 for \$1.00 Heavy Duck Coats, Blanket

Lined, only \$1.45 Heavy Corduroy coats, good quality Xmas price \$2.45

One lot of 25c and 35c Caps, to go at 19¢

Prices on Groceries

Will Make you hungry.

Solid car load of sugar & ribon cane	
just unloaded ½ Bbls. ribbon cane	
go at a gallon	45c
Wild Rose Syrup in buckets	40c
Royal Sorgum in buckets	40c
100 lbs. Best Standard Granulated	Sugar
go at	\$5.50
10 lbs. Arm & Hammer Soda	45с
5 lbs. Good Coffee for	\$1.10
\$1.00 bncket Coffee for	90c
10c box Axle Grease for	5с
8 bars silk Soap for	25c
32 bars silk soap	\$1.00
3 Cans Hominy for	25с
3 cans 3 lbs. "Happy Day" tomatoes	s25c
3 cans corn	25c
Guaranteed Flour	\$2.50
25c can of 25 ounce Baking Powder	15e

Hardware Department

Lots of Good Things at Xmas Prices.

Get the Habit of visiting this Hardware Store for:

Chinaware, Porcelain, Tin and Enameled Ware, Aluminum Goods, Table Cutlery. In fact Everything to be found in a first class Hardware Store.

Men and Boys Furn-50e Work Shirt, only 35¢ **Xmas Prices on**

Xmas prices on

Sweaters for men

and boys.

\$5.00 Values go at \$3.85

\$3.50 and \$4.00 Values go at \$2.95

\$3.00 Values go at \$2.25

\$250 Values go at \$1.95

\$1.50 Values go at 95¢

Choice 45¢

GET YOURS TODAY.

ishings

Xmas Sale Price \$1.95

At \$1.45

Only \$3.95

John B Stetson Hats \$500 Value

John B Stetson . Hats, \$7.50 Value

One Lot of Sweaters, your

Big lot \$3.00 and 3.50 Hats,

One Lot \$250. Hats, Special

Table Cutlery

Silverware—Just the Thing for Xmas Presents.

Xmas Price \$5.95	\$6.00 Knives and Forks \$4.45
Big lot Mens' Ties, regular 50c	40.00 Kinves and Polks
values for 33 1-3 c or 3 for Only \$1.00	\$4.00 Community Silver Table Spoons for only \$2.95
One lot 50c Suspenders for 35¢	\$2.00 Quadruple Plate Tea Spoons for
Big Lot Men's Dress Shirts	\$1.50
75c, \$1.00 up to \$1.50 values Xmas Sale Price 55¢	\$2.00 Set of 26 pieces Solid Silveroid guaranteed for \$1.50

o make the most of it. There are sales and sales, you know; but seldom do you or your children ining something beneficial to you and yours. Come in after the sale starts and let us show you ting, our goods do most of the talking then. Better not wait until the last minute.

farking down our big stock and getting ready for the rush that is bound to come.

E-WILLIAMS COMPANY

BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY TEXAS

g and Lumber"

CASTORIA The Kind You Have Always Bought

HOW CHRONIC COUGHS

Are Being Cured by Vinol. Did you ever cough for a month? Then just think how distressing it must be to have a cough hang on for three months.

Mrs. Maria Primrose, of 87 Newell Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., says: "I had a very heavy cold which settled into a chronic cough, which kept mo awake nights for fully three months, and felt tired all the time because my rest was broken so much. The effect of taking your cod liver and iron remedy, Vinol, is that my cough is gone. I can now get a good night's rest, and I feel much stronger in every way."

It is the combined action of the medicinal elements, cods' livers, aided the week from Fort Worth where by the blood-making and strengthcreating properties of tonic iron which makes Vinol so efficient in curing chronic coughs, colds and bronchitis -at the same time building up the weakened, run-down system.

Try a bottle of Vinol, with the understanding that your money will be returned if it does not help you. Walker Drug Company

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Even the Treatment we Hand You. Our highest aim is to Please you. We want you to o be an advertisement for us. o

Give us a trial.

BANK BARBER SHOP

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There is no need of suffering from PILES

WHEN YOU CAN GET EUREKA PILE CINTMENT

for 25c from Eureka Pile Omtment Company, 969 Windsor St., Cincinnati Ohio, in plain package. No matter what you have used or ried, get EUREKA and cure yourself at home. Money refunded if not satisfactory.

Sick headache is caused by a disordered stomach. Take Chamberlain's Tablets and correct that and the headaches will disappear. For sale by all dealers.

O HARRIS & HARRIS

-Attorneys-at-Lawo Corporation

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B. F. ALLEN! The House Moving Man

I am prepared with a new and up to date outfit to move your old house without dam- o Work promptly done. o Let me figure on the job. o

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THE best grade of Jersey o our customers Rich Milk.

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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 Tablets excellent. They are easy and pleasant to take, and mild and gentle in effect. For sale by

Items of Interest Concerning People of Here and Elsewhere

W. A. Norman returned to Comnche Tuesday.

W.HRodgers was a First Monday

Sam Jones was here from San Angelo Tuesday.

W. P. Hearrell returned last Friday from a visit to Milam county.

Ben S. Long is in Dallas and Fort Worth on business this week.

M. A. Taylor returned to St. Louis first of the week after a bus ness trip here and at Winters.

E. M. Eubanks returned first o he had been on business.

Mr. and Mrs. N. J Wardlow return ed Saturday from a visit to their sons at Sonora.

David Smith returned to his home at San Angelo Monday after a visit to the family of Wm. Doss.

W. J. Miller, of Austin, is here on business and visiting his brother C. S. Miller.

Miss Valentine, of Santa Anna, is visiting her cousin, Mrs.C.A. Doose, this week

R. M. and W. J Davis of the Winters country were among the

S. B. Caperton, of the Maverick country, was visiting his mother and sisert here first of the week.

H. Zdaril moved from the court house to Judge Crosson's office in the opera house building.

Rev. Bion W. Adkins left first of the week for a ten days business trip to his old home in Indianana.

Robt. Bailey, of San Angelo, was here first of the week visiting his daughter, Mrs. Scott H. Mack.

Mrs. Gee, of San Angelo, is here the guest of her sister, Mrs. Scott

Miss Mae Butler and little nepher Calrence Jones, are here from Abilene visiting reattives and friends.

Miss Elizabeth Alexander came o in from her school at Benoit Saturday and visited over Sunday.

Clay Wylie and Cecil Glenn, of San Angelo, were here Saturday visiting friends.

M. Speers, a newspaper man of Fort Stockton, was here a couple of days first of the week prospect-

L. F. Gressett is at home from a hunt in the Devil's river country. He reports a very pleasant outing with plenty of game.

Ivan Hamilton came down from Sweetwater and spent Thanksgiving with his mother and returned home Friday.

Walter Gentry, of Hermleigh, was here on business first of the week, and was the guest of his sister, in-law, Mrs. R. Gentry.

J. W. Carey, of Chicago, was here a couple of days this week Cows in the country are the o looking after the interest of the kind we milk and hive given o Cary-Lombard Lumber company.

> Rev. Arthur Jones, of Dallas, preached two splendid sermons at the Christian church last Sunday, and returned home Monday.

And still they come to Ballinger to live. W. F. Crockett, recently from Tennessee, is a new resident. Mr. Crockett had been prospecting over the state and selected Ballinger as the most desirable place to cast his lot.

S. P. Stone returned home last Friday from Fort Worth, where he had been with a shipment of fat

eattle. He sold at a good price.

Uncle Jimmie Kirby, of West End is enjoying a visit from his brother. J. P. Kirby, who arrived from California.

Mrs. Francis Pearce returned hom last Friday from a visit to friends at Fort Worth and other places in

R. L. Norris, of the New Home community, attended meeting of the San Saba presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Blanket this week.

Miss Ida Voekel came in from her school and spent Sunday with her perents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J Voekel, and returned to her school Sunday afternoon.

J. D. Smith, of the Valley Creek county was here last Saturday marketing pecans. Mr. Smith has realized a good revenue from his pecan crop this fall and he found a good market at Ballinger.

Mrs. C. J Green and baby are here from Abilene visiting Mrs. Green's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C Cockrell Mr Green came down with them and returned to his work on Monday.

Herbert O'Bannon came down from San Angelo Suday and accompanied his wife and baby home, after they had visited her parents, Judge and Mrs. C. O. Harris

Judge R. S. Griggs moved from th County Judge's office to an office over the Ballinger Loan Co. building. Judge says he is ready to hand le your case, and is at home to his friends.

J. L. Miller, C Kornegay, S. L. Alexander and D R Smith, prominent citizens of Winters, passed thru home. this week en route home from a business trip to Lometa.

Marshal McKay went to San Angelo Tuesday and cacompanied couple of our colored citizens back to Ballinger. The said colored citizens were out under bond pending the payment of fines. The fines were paid by the people who will hold them un. they work out the amount of fines.

Mr. and Mrs E. D. Hayden are at home from a vacation trip and a visit to relatives at Bonham. Mr Hayden is the expert Santa Fe gardener, and is back on the job again taking care of the flowers and the Santa Fe park.

Orland and D. E. Sims were over from Paint Rock last Saturday attending to business. Mr. Sims is an enthusiast over the irrigation project. He thinks his country could connect with our canal and rigate thousands of acres of land, if we furnish the water the engineer shows in his report.

H. Clements, of New Braunfels, arrived Saturday and will be here some time looking after his interests. Mr. Clements home town is one of our strong competitors for the cleanest town prize, but of course he will rejoice to see us eapture the prize as he is also interested here.

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State Treasurer, J.M . Edwards, was here a couple of days this weel looking after business and the gues of friends. Mr. Edwards has perhaps more friends in Runnels countl than any other city in Texas, and he calls this home. He took a day off and went on a little hunt while here.

MONEY TO LOAN,

If you owe money on your land let us figure on taking up and extending the debt and giving you more time. Get Jo Wilmeth to send us your application.

Austin, Texas. BROWN BROS.,

Prof. Leslie Fowler was in from Red Bank Saturday and Sunday, and returned to his school Sunday night. He ordered the Banner-Leader to keep in touch with Balilnger affairs.

When you have a bad cold you want to est medicine obtainable so as to cure it with s little delay as possible. Here is a drug gist's opinion: "I have sold Chamberlain' Cough Remedy for lifteen years," says Eno-ollar of Saratoga, Ind., "and consider it the "st on the market." For sale by all dealers

A mong the new citizens of this county is A. J. Edwards, of alpine. Mr Edwards arrived with his family last week, and will locate on the Colorado four miles south f Ballin-

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder trouble, removes gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularity of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two months treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for Texas testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive St., St. Louis'

J. H. Booth has rented his place south of flown to Preston Dunn, and Mr. Beeth is arrangig to move to Dallas. He is not selling out and will continue to call this his

The San Angelo Standard says that even Ballinger couldn't induce her own Roy Reeder and Ed Walker to spend Thanksgiving at home. They were registered at the

Alex McGregor came up from the city of Brownwood and spent Thanksgiving with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGregor and return ed to his school at Brownwood on Thursday afternoon.

Our young friend Ralph McShann, went to Brownwood first of the week where he entered Howard Payne college. Mr. McShann has been successful in farming in this county, but it will be remembered that he sustained injury some time ago which promises to make him a cripple for life, making it necessary that he enter some other line of work. We wish him success and predict he will make good.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters advertised, Nov. 29, 1912.

Barton, Mrs. Willie Backen, Charile Shamblin, Mrs. N. E.

Mexican Letters. Lopes, Francisco Maldonde, Manuel

Ortiz, Sr. Pedro Tigerina, Joso Marita

When calling for the above letters please say they are advertised and give the date of this list. After two weeks these letters will

HENRY A. CADY, P. M.

J. W. Copeland, of Dayton, Ohio, pur chased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for his boy who had a cold, and be fore the bottle was all used the boy's cold vas gone. Is that not better than to pay a we dollar doctor's bill? For sale by all

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If you have a job of hauling and want it done quick, remember that's my business. I am on the wagon myself and the work has my personal attention. Will appreciate everything from the 10 cent job up.

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e have tried to do. 'VES PRINTING CO., By W. C. Reever

TEXAS A WORLD SHOWGROUND.

or any bronchial affection.

Mrs. A. F. Mertz, of Glen Ellyn,

Ia., writes: "I had a hard, stubborn

cough that I had doctored for over

six weeks without my getting any

better. Our druggist finally recom-

bottle. After using two-thirds of it

my trouble eased down, and it was

not long till I was completely cured.

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serves all the praise it gets." Sold by

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Texas.

DESTROYING THE COTTON MARKET BY LAW

Dangerous Bills Offered by Those Whe Themselves Are Groping in the Dark, and Which, if Passed, Will Recoll with Diese. trous Results on the Cotton

Cotton and Cotton Oil News, Dallas, souri mill to be delivered next August.

spoke here this afternoon to a large The wheat is not yet planted. The mill-spinner. He discussed the functions of go down, but the miller is protected. the legitimate cotton exchanges showed Now what kind of a law would you call elearly that the country is at sea tecting himself, or further, what kind of regarding same, having confused the bucketshops with the legitimate exchanges and the planter is clamoring for or a loss? Either would be legitimate or a loss? Either would be legitimate something he really does not understand and is done every day. Cotton transactions are just the same. Future dealing is only a quick and convenient method at once when he gets it. He also explained and commended the plan of the paper contracts call for the cotton just Southern States Cotton Corporation for holding cotton for better prices. Mr. Blackwell said in part:

a large majority of our farmers, many bankers and merchants and some cotton an effort to limit competition in the traf-by rail now. We traveled by ox wagon then, by rail now. Who, then, would return fic in cotton, the chief agricultural pro- to the ex wagon?

It is a fact that cotton and grain are the only commodities in the world that finance themselves nearly or quite up to their full value. This is made possible by the advanced method of doing business rapidly and safely by telegraph and cable, and the absolute safety as collateral of both grain and cotton when her business.

The passage of such laws would limit the cotton traffic to a few men of great wealth, and a cotton trust would at once be formed to exploit the cotton farmer. Just take notice that no trusts have ever been formed in cotton and grain as in oil, steel, tobacco, sugar leather. eral of both grain and cotton when han-dled through banks and by cotton buy- If these laws are passed you will ers of known solvency and further pro-tected by the hedge. The moment a bale of cotton hits the ground in a cotton buyer's yard at Wills Point, or any othplace anywhere at any time in the ital to move it as is now required South, it draws money from Europe. The local bank, it is true, pays the money for it to the pisnter on the cotton buyfor it to the pisnter on the cotton buyer's check. This money is at once replaced with the bank by a draft on Dallas or the next nearest money center in
turn gets its money from its New York
turn gets its money from

system of cotton futures to be undertake to say that we used as a hedge until some better sysas the Beall bill, which has passed the house and is now pending in the senate, or the Smith bill, to become law it will stop the hedge prerogative. These bills are both similar in that they deny the constitutional right to transfer a con-tract, and both would destroy the hedge by making future trading illegal. No man could then buy or sell cotton on contract, and I submit that the proposition is without a parallel in commerce. Just think of cotton farmers forbidding men to trade in their commodity except with the handicap that they must actually own, build or rent warehouses and store the cotton before they can buy it on contract? Suppose you were to pass

back home or—as would most likely be the case, forced on the narrow market

ington for following your instructions, but I do blame them for not posting themselves and telling you the danger that lurks in these bills. It is a notorlous fact that the strongest lobbyist for the old Scott bill was one Lewis Parker, a North Carolina spinner, president of eight cotton mills, who said he wanted to see the Scott bill passed because speculation had put cotton two cents per pound too high; yet the great majority of you farmers have been made to be-lieve that the chief function of the American cotton exchanges has been to depress the price of cotton and get it away from the farmer as cheap as possible. Isn't it so? (Voices, "Yes, that's what we have been taught.") If the cotton exchanges put prices down, as claimed by the advocates of the Beall bill, is it not strange that the government is to-day prosecuting a few New York speculators prosecuting a few New York speculators of our the has produced cotton and sold it for less than the cost of production. He has produced cotton and sold it for less than the cost of production. He still lives, and many of them think cotton growers for putting prices down and by the attorney general of the United States for putting prices up. As a losing accommodation for the spinners and cutsing cotton as a losing accommodation for the spinners and cutsing out the bucket shops and the cotton gamblers for doing to fix grades, differences and arbitrate disputes, and to see that deliveries are rous impression is that about ten times as much cotton is sold as is raised. This is true in every commodity, but more so of cotton and grain, because the special cotton and grain, because the special cotton and grain, because the special cotton and sold it for less than the cost of production. He has merely been raising to the them think the still lives, and many of them think the still lives and many of them think the bucket shop is the cause of all his ill fortune. He has merely been raising connecting this place with Sterlinng. The line will connect the Pecos Val levy line with the Santa Fe's Colema cut off.

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The line will off miles the view levy levy levy line with the Santa Fe's Colema cut off. true in every commodity, but more of cotton and grain, because these

commodities enjoy the privilege and advantage of the most advanced systems of tracing. Certainly a cotton contract is sold and bought many times—sometimes for speculation and semetimes for a hedge, but every contract ever written on the New Orleans and New York cot-ton exchanges is finally liquidated by the production of the actual cotton. You, like others, have had the irresponsible and gambling bucket shop mixed up with the legitimate exchange. A million bales may be bought or sold on the bucket shop, but as their transactions are never recorded on the exchange they bever affect the price, and like all other gambling Wills Point, Tex., Nov. 16.—Hon. N. tween sambling and legitimate speculation. Suppose one of your merchants here buys a car load of flour from a Miscotton and Cotton Oil News, Dallas, souri mill to be delivered next August. the legitimate cotton exchanges, showed it that would prevent the miller from pro-

for mone at the bank. Clackwell said in part:

"It is amazing when we contemplate paper and not money? Think of the hardship the country would suffer by such an obsolete method.

the same as a solvent man's check calls

Some men say we never had the exbuyers who expect to profit by buying changes after the war. It is true, and blindfolded cotton, actually engaged in we never had such a vast commerce then

duct of the South, by the passage of My observation is that nobody is calllaws that will stop competitive buying ing for this legislation except the man to a large extent, reduce the bidding for who does not know what he is talking about, though I grant that a great many cotton to a few men who, backed by well-meaning, though mis-informed, men large capital, will be enabled to finance have the bucket shop confused with the their cotton, where very few are able legitimate exchange, and think the sole to do so now without the hedge, as at present furnished by the American cotbring relief.

If these laws are passed you will see

correspondent on a bill of lading on the spinner in Europe, the cotton being hedged through some reputable firm of brokers on the New York or New Orleans cotton exchanges.

Thus the absolute necessity of the the correspondent on a bill of lading on the spinner in Europe, the cotton being hedged through some reputable firm of brokers on the New York or New Orleans cotton exchanges.

Thus the absolute necessity of the the correspondent on a bill of lading on the cotton propose to kill the American bull when they cannot reach the European bear, and rob the South at the same time of the quickest method of turning the cotton propose to kill the American bull when they cannot reach the European bear, and rob the South at the same time of the quickest method of turning the cotton propose to kill the American bull when they cannot reach the European bear, and rob the South at the same time of the quickest method of turning the cotton propose to kill the American bull when they cannot reach the European bear, and rob the South at the same time of the quickest method of turning the cotton propose to kill the American bull when they cannot reach the European bear, and rob the South at the same time of the quickest method of turning time. Thus the absolute necessity of the its fleecy staple into golden coin? If we permit such bills the principal avenue by which to draw

I want to see our lawmakers and cross roads demagogues and politicians rebuked till they will let the cotton business alone and undertake some reforms of the tariff and public expenses that will really avail the country something and quit tinkering with what they know nothing about in an effort to fulfill their promises that they and other demagogues have harrangued the people into exact-ing, and which are not what cotton planters and the friends of cotton want.

Merely as a test of their sincerity, why have not some of them insisted on store the cotton before they can buy it on contract? Suppose you were to pass a law forbidding men to acquire real estate unless they paid every dollar of the purchase money and moved on it and lived on it? How many pieces of real estate would pass title except for actual homesteads? It does not take much of the specific to see that such a law would of the American cotton markets, which a financier to see that such a law would of the American cotton markets, which at once depreciate every piece of real the aforesaid bills would virtually ac-

that will all but outlaw cotton. In order to make myself plain I will illustrate the operation and effect of such a law.

At the present time there is ready sale for every bale of cotton of any spin-nable grade at every work roots roads in the name of work without offering or continuous after the continuous continuous continuous account of the able of minds after the continuous cont nable grade at every cross roads in the a century of work without offering or entire South? Why? Because the cot-creating any substitute? Why have not ton buyers buy all offered at the market some of our statesmen seen the wisdom price for the reason they can hedge every bale unsold every night and thus protect themselves. Let such laws pass and you will see only one cotton buyer to where you have ter now, and that buyer will out and send it to your congressman only have very cotton when he has a snemended Dr. King's New Discovery and my husband bought a dollar bottle. After using two-thirds of it orders. Thus, at this time when ten bales of cotton are offered where one is being spun, there would be only one bale bought in ten of the cotton offered, and the result would be that the other nine bales would have to be stored bought by the stored bought in the cotton offered, and the result would be that the other nine bales would have to be stored bought this dangerous legislation.

and at a sacrifice of course. The result cannot be doubtful. The margin to carry any cotton beyond that actually required by the spinner would be so great that it would amount to not less than \$10 per bale, and the farmer of course would have to pay it.

thing about the Southern States Cotton Corporation, and its method of holding cotton off the market at a distressed time like this. This organization is merely a large holding company entirely dependent upon the co-operation of the people for its success. Its plan is to hold off the market, the temporary surwould have to pay it.

I realize that my argument will be met with this contention: Why not hold your cotton on the farms till the spinner needs it and then he will pay the price? This is the only way to get what cotton is it and then he will pay the price? This is the only way to get what cotton is worth, but how can our people do this when 90 per cent of the cotton of the country is pledged for supplies before it is even planted?

Let me say here, and I hope it will not be forgotten, that whenever the scrip. The plan in full, when thoroughly organized, is to pay 11c cash and 4c in To do this the stock must be sold to give it a margin to begin with. For fifty years the farmers of the South have been trying to control the cotton require the unanimous co-operation in practice and moral support of the Southern people for it to become a success. All cotton needs is some system whereby a twelve-month supply of cotton can be sold in twelve months instead of four to five months, as at present.

I do not believe the world holds a parallel to the Southern farmer. For forty years, with the exception of about three pated in by all—the ecception speculator, the

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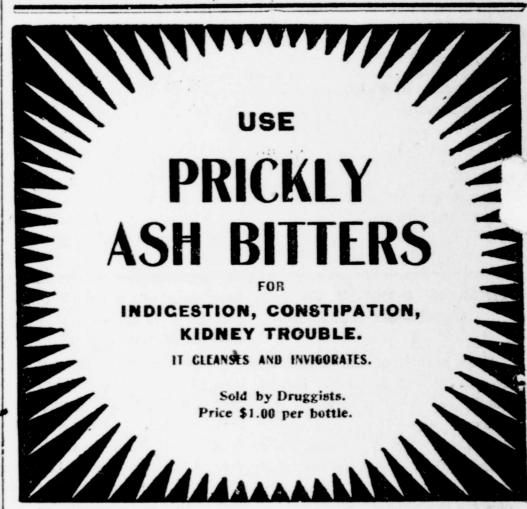
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OUR JOB DEPARTMENT.

ery to select from, and we are sure import 60,000,000 pounds of pork. we can please you.

SANTA FE WILLL BUILD TO PE-COS FROM STERLING.

A telegram from Pecos, Texas, to market before they could control the cotton. This is the only correct way I have seen, and as I said before, it will date of November 22, conveys the following information.

An offer of \$75,000 bonue which has been standing for some time, to any road which would build anothe line into this city, has been accept- their pelts this week, and are on ed by the Santa Fe, which is sur- the river again at work. They re-

d for such an emerall dealers.

Dentist. Dr. W. A. Gustavus,

PORK OR COTTON.

The story is being told in the made two bales of cotton to the Texas press of two Tennessee farmacre. Will take some trade and give ers who located in EastT exas sev-4t eral years ago, one of whom today is one of East Texas' wealthy citizens, while the other is barely ekeing out an existence, mortgaging The Banner-Leader received this his crop to tide him over from year week a new job press out of Dallas to year. The reason for the differof the latest type and equipped for ence in circumstances is obvious;; the very best work. Since we bought the one who has prospered engaged out the Reeves Printing Company, in the raising of hogs, an occupawe have had only one job press, tion that has been sadly neglected, and this has caused some delay, but and the result is a fat bank roll, now we will have another press and while the other engaged incotton ra can handle all work as ordered with ing, an industry that is already over done in Texas, and as a result We had intedned to make this pur- the wrong side of theledger for chase but were waiting to close our him. The story points a moral trade with the Reeves Prining Co. which every Texas farmer should We can handle your orders, large profit by and be guided accordingor small, as they come in and we ly. We ship out of Texas annually earry the very best line of station- 3,450,000 bales of cotton while we

SOME GOOD TRAPPING IN RIVER COUNTRY.

Does it pay to raise port or cot-

George Eskridge and G. W. Newman who have been trapping for the last two weeks up and down Colorado river, shipped out

per !

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 26th day of Nov. 1912, published in the Banner-Leader, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 6th day of Dec , 1912:

	Market Contract to the All Street Contract Contr	
Loans and Discounts, personal or		
Loans, real estate		none
Overdrafts Bonds and Stocks		30,450.37
Bonds and Stocks	······································	none
Real Estate banking house)		
Other Real Estate	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures		8,731.67
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LIAF	BILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in		100,000,0
Surplus Fund		2,000.0
Undivided Profits, net		
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject		
Individual Deposits, subject to chec		
Time Certificates of Deposit		
Demand Certificates of Deposit		none
Cashier's Checks		
Bills Payable and Rediscounts		
Certificates of Deposits, issued for		
Other Liabilities as follows: Dividen	ds Unpaid	
		\$360,197.21

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 5 day of Dec, A. D., 1912. Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid. C. P. Shepherd, Notary Public, Runnels County.

Correct Attest: M. D. Chastain, J. L. Chastain, T. S. Lankford Directors

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Loans and Discounts Real Estate Cash and in Banks		\$155,676.02 51,410.02
Bills Exchange		153,111.17
· · ·	ABILITIES:	\$ 360, 197.2I
Capital Stock	1	\$100,000.00 9,843.87
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		\$360,197.21

MISSIONARY WORKERS.

"The women of the Missionary the rescue of its victims, protests resented in the Protestant churches and propaganda against child labor, within its borders, the extent and give their work the credit of be- need of this home mission field may ing amongst the most advanced ef- be comprehended. forts put forth by the churches in The Cuban primary school at Key

dists know, was inaugurated by our age attendance of thirty-five. Woman's Home Mission Society and: Our immigrants home at Galveston is now being carried on by the reported for September: Woman's section of the Home De- Immigrants handled (incoming) 249

The Foreign Department of the Seamen in reading room, great many years maintained a larg ber school at Larado, Texas. In keeping with the policy of the church the Texas Conferenc \$558,33. of throwing all the work on the Board in the United States into the men by the workers in the home. Larado Seminary will pass into the Home Department of Woman's Work in June. It is flourshing under the direction of Miss Nannie Holding, who has been the missionary in charge evre since the

school was begun. Buddhist :

e ever heard the Word. the oil was id workers should gave you." among man, "I wanted

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE have assumed the responsibility of preaching. In some of these places we have the only organized church.

When we realize that every na-Society of the Methodist church tion, tongue and country has its re-South, have led the men for and presentatives in California, and away in social, civic, and indus- that 52 per cent. of the population trial application of religion. Their is of foreign birth or of the first social settlement bureaus for receiv generation from foreign born paring and guiding immigrants, agen- ents, and that less than 14 per cies for the prevention of vice and cent of this entire population is rep

any part of the country to lead or West, Fla., located down town in support movements for social pro- the factory districts is in a very flourishing condition. Sixty-three This work, as all Southern Metho- children are enrolled, with an aver-

partment of the Board of Missions. Immigrants handled (outgoing) 10. Woman's Mission Council has for a Total persons touched in Septem-

> It cost the Board of Missions and Employment was found for 35

PRESS REPORTER,

W. H. M. Society

A SERIOUS MISTAKE.

A young man went into a drug store and asked the proprietor if The census of 1910 shows that he could give a dose of castor oil there are in the United States 70,- so that the nauseous stuff would 944 Chinese, 1,400 Koreans, 71,752 not be tasted. "Certainly," was Japanese, 3,000 Hindus. The work of the reply, "take a seat, one of the the Woman's Missionary Society | men will prepare it for you in the of the Methodist Church South, is course of a few minutes." The located in California. There are 56,- proprietor then asked if he would 7660 Japanese in California. Four take a glass of soda water while thousand, six hundred and sixty- waiting, and he said yes and named three of this are gathered into 14 | the syrup. It was brought to him. ssions, ministered un- He drank it and felt much refreshto by 14 r ests; 2,514 are members ed. At last becoming impatient at of 48 Prot tant missions minister- the delay, he asked the proprietor preachers. 59, 583 are if the castor oil was read. "Why," erte i, and a large portion of replied the latter, "you've to " if

we I'm to be me

Fort Worth Texas, Dec. 5 .- J. Beal Sneed, accompanied by his wife and children, left last night tion of all these things. Its up to for Waco, where he will visit his uncle for a few days, after which pocket the high prices being paid he will go to Amarillo to look af- for same. ter his cattle interests, leaving his family there.

Marvin Sneed, a brother, and his wife, left on the same train for their home near Calvert. J. J. Barton, a cousin of Sneed's who has been acting as body guard for some time, accompanied the party but will return to his home at Bar-

The only member of either the Sneed or Boyce clans remaining in Fort Worth is Joe Sneed, of Amarillo, and he expects to leave to-

The hotel bill of Sneed and relatives was more that \$700. During the former trial the bill was exactly \$2,700, and was paid by a check by Sneed's father.

LARGE CROWD.

The Santa Fe demonstration were both arrested by Marshal Mctrain arrived here on schedule time Kay and placed in jail, and Thurs-Thursday and the cars were stop- day the woman was turned loose ped near the passenger station and and the negro man was fined for several hundred farmers and many aggravated assalt. of the town people visited the train and saw the splendid exhibit of poultry, hogs and dairy cows.

The Santa Fe colonization agent was in charge of the train and ex- R A Nicholson died Wednesday ever perienced men talked on the lines ing and was buried in he Batllinger represented. Mr. Johnson rep- cemetery Thursday afternoon at resented the poultry department; three o'clock. The family have Mr. Bainer, the dairy department the sympathy of their many friends and Mr. Singleton the hog depart- in their grief. ment. Many farmers manifested

an interest in the work bieng done. W. S. Mullen returned this week by the Santa Fe, and we predict from a trip to Waco and other htat much good will be accomplish- places. He attended the meeting ed by increasing interest in the pro of the Royal Arch Chapter of the duction of hogs, poultry and the Masonic Lodge while in Waco.

conducting of home daries. The deman, for products in all these lines continues to 1, ease, while the last censue shows that there has been a decrease in the producthe farmers to raise more meat and

NEGRO CUTTING SCRAPE WED-NESDAY NIGHT.

Alex Adams, better known as 'Ras," seriously cut Richard Green. another negro Wednesday night.

The difficulty took place at a servants house on Eighth street, and "Ras" used a pocket knife in inflicting wounds on Green's head, neck, arms and back. The physicians stitched up the wounds, and while Green is pretty badly cut, it is not necessarily fatal.

We failed to jearn the particular further than Green called on a negro woman to se e her about some money matters, and "Ras" was at the servant's house when Green arrived. The negro woman had re turned from San Angelo that day DEMONSTRATION TRAIN DRAWS and brought a supply of booze to her home here, and Ras and the woman had been drinking. They

BABY DIED.

The infant baby of Mr. and Mrs.



We have just ordered and have on hand at our lumber yard in Ballinger Six METZ AUTOMO-BILES—all fully equipped and ready for demonstration. In accepting the Agency for this Car, we made a careful investigation of its merits and am sure it is positively the best Auto on the market for the money.

Some of its good qualities are as follows; Four Cylinder, 22 Horse Power, Water Cooled and equipped with a Bosch Magneto.

Call at our place of business and let us demonstrate the car's good qualities.

in & Bateman's Lumber Yard, Ballinger.

Report of The Condition of

The FIRST NATIONAL BANK, at Ballinger in the State of Texas, at the close of business, Nov. 26th 1912:

RESOURCES

\$238 936 62

Loans and Discounts

TOTAL

Overdrafts, secured and unsecured U. S. Bonds to secure circulation U. S. Bonds to secure Postal Savings Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures Other Real Estate owned Due from National Banks (not reserve agents) Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies, and Savings Banks	9,238,936.62 9,230.69 100,000.00 1,000.00 25.000.00 4,709.33 16,775.56
Due from approved Reserve Agents Checks and other Cash Items Notes of other National Banks Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels, and Cents	45,750.76 3,963.11 5,950.00 78.15
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz: Specie \$24,39300 Legal-tender notes, 50000 Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation) Bills of Exchange (Cotton)	24,893.00 5,000.00 162,820.47
TOTAL	£650,633.97
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in Surplus fund Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid. National Bank Notes outstanding Due to other National Banks Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers Individual Deposits subject to check Time Certificates of Deposit Certified Checks Cashier's Checks outstanding Postal Savings Deposits Reserved for Taxes1912	200,000.00 21,250.00 18,084.40 100,000.00 13,558.58 7,829.10 259,633.55 28,609.79 NONE 50.00 618.55 1,000.00

State of Texas, County of Runnels, ss: I, R. G. Erwin, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemny 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 4th day of Dec. 1912. Annie Van Doren Notary Public.

Correct Attest: D. M. Baker, J. McGregor, Tom Ward, Directors.

RECAPITULATION

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$248,167.31
U. S. Bonds	101,000.00
Banking House, F. & F.	25,000.00
Other Real Estate	4,709.33
Due From U. S. Treas.	5,000.00
Bills of Exchange (Cotton)	162,820.47
Cash in Vault and with Banks	103,936.86
Total	\$650,633.97
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock (paid in)	\$200,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	39,334.40
Circulation	100,000.00
Borrowed Money	NONE
Reserved for Taxes 1912	1,000.00
Deposits	310, 299.57
Total	9650 699 07

The above statement is correct. R. G. Erwin, Cashier

GIVING,

Miss Alice Webb, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. C Webb, who live south of town on the Colorado river, was married to Joe S. Cotten last Thursday. The wedding took place at the Bethel church and Rev. Adair, of Paint Rock, performed the ceremony. After the wedding the happy bride and groom went to the home of Mr. Cotten's grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J Nichols, where in honor of the occasion a feast was spread and a host of friends spent the day making merry, and when the bride and groom were presented with many nice presents.

When a woman in Texas gets married she loses her head and can not be trusted, in general, to make contracts or enter into business BOARDING HOUSE HAS CHANGEL dealings any more. So says the law, For instance, a married wom an not long ago hired a nurse to J. A. Long traded the boarding these services, even though contrac in the deal. ed by her." The married woman of Texas are rightly dissatisfied with this low view of their capacity woman hires a nurse, and has mone to do so. In this respect the new matism are loud in its praise legislation recently requested by wire cuts Hunt's Lightning the State Federation of Women's inflamation and causes Clubs and the Texas Congress of ing. 25c and 50c bot

YOUNG PEOPLE MARRY THANKS- Mothers might be called a bill "to authorize any citizen, when talking with a married woman to be per-fectly polite and believe what she . says," If she says she will execute a contract, she will. It is a bill which does honor to the married women of Texas, among whom there are certainly very few who wish to protect thier property from their just debts.

> Mrs. A. B Legate received a message Wednesday stating that her mother was seriously ill at her home near Paris, Texas. Mrs. Legate left on the afternoon train of the same day to be with her moth-

> chest. The syrup relaxes the tightness and the plaster draws out the inflammation. It is an idel combina tion for curing colds settled in the lungs. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

HANDS.

look after her invalid husband. This house on EEighth street, formerly nurse sued for her money. The owned by M. J. Stacy, to A. J Ed-Supreme Court (at page 1034 of wards, recently of Alpine. Mr. Ed. the 77th volume of the Southwest- wards will take charge of the house ern Reports) (, held that she could and conduct and boarding house, not collect it and said: "The wife's as soon as he moves his family here seperate estate is not liable for Mr. Long gets a farm south of town

Sprained Back.

to give their word and to stick to Sprained back and sore muscles it. They think that if a married throw off their soreness when Hunt's Lightning Oil is applied. For relieving pain of any kid there is to pay her, she ought to pay her, nothing better, and those peple who An unmarried woman would have have tried it for Neuralgia and Rhu especially fine as it takes