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## HOLDS UP TRAIN TO LYNCH NEGRO

Hernando, Miss. Feb. 16.—Stopping an Illinois Central passenger train at Love Station, Mississippi late today, a mob of about fifty masked men held passengers and members of the train crew at bay under cover of revolver while they forced Sheriff E. F. Nichols of Desoto county to turn over to them Johnson McGuirk and Bill Phillips, negroes, accused of wounding J. K. Ingram, a wealthy mill owner, near Byhalia, Mississippi, several weeks ago. McGuirk was hanged from a railroad trestle and Phillips restored to the custody of the sheriff.

When the sheriff and his two prisoners disembarked the mob permitted the train to proceed while they marched the handcuffed negroes to the trestle. Preparations were being made to lynch both but the pleadings of the sheriff in behalf of Phillips against whom it is stated the evidence is slight, was effective and he was returned to Nichols. With little ceremony a rope was placed around McGuirk's neck and he was forced to leap from the bridge. The mob then dispersed and Nichols came to Hernando aboard a later train with his prisoner. The two negroes were being brought to Hernando from Batesville, where they had been taken at the time of their arrest, to escape mob violence for preliminary hearing tomorrow. At Love station the mob surrounded the train and while four of the men took charge of the engine crew others marched through the train terrifying the passengers, brandishing revolvers and shotguns.

Nichols declares his first information that a mob had taken possession was when two pistols and a shotgun were pressed against his face with orders to deliver the negroes.

Realizing, he explained, that resistance would have been futile he devoted himself toward saving Phillips. Against McGuirk, it is declared, considerable evidence had been secured tending to establish his guilt.

So far as can be ascertained none of the members of the mob have been identified.

Ingram was shot from ambush three weeks ago. He was taken to a Memphis hospital, where he still is reported to be in a precarious condition.

At the time of the shooting several hundred men scoured the woods about Byhalia for 48 hours in search of McGuirk who was captured in an adjoining county by a sheriff's posse and taken to Batesville before the news of his arrest became generally known.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Roots, of Winters, came over Monday morning in Mr. Root's auto to spend the day with relatives and Ballinger friends.

## BOY ACCIDENTALLY KILLED AT BRADSHAW

Tom Gordon, aged about 14 years, was accidentally shot by his little friend and associate, Young Herrington, five miles southwest of Bradshaw Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, according to information which reached this city today.

According to information received, the two boys had gone behind the barn hunting birds which were accustomed to light about the place, and had just shot one bird. They had a shotgun between them, and in some inexplicable manner the gun went off without warning and the entire load of shot from a chamber of the gun went into the stomach and bowels of young Gordon. As soon as possible physicians came from Bradshaw and elsewhere and performed an operation and removed as could be found. In terrible agony the lad died at two o'clock Monday morning.

The remains were interred in the Buff Creek cemetery. The two families lived about one mile south of Drasco, in the extreme south part of the county.

## ANGELO'S COMMENT ON THE GAME

The San Angelo High School basketball team suffered its first defeat of the season Saturday afternoon when it fell before the onslaught of the Ballinger girls in one of the fastest games of the year. The score was 25 to 12, the game being staged in the Runnels county capital. The local girls, accompanied by Coach E. L. Nunnally and a number of others, went down Saturday morning in autos, returning in the afternoon following the contest.

Although Angelo exhibited superior team-work throughout the game, the Ballinger sextet proved to be the quickest in executing passes, while their play was said to be more spectacular than that of the locals. The Angelo line-up was as follows: Vera Casey and Kate Cochran, goal throwers; Hazel McDonald and Gertrude Heitzler, centers; Margaret Clark and Eva Davis, guards; Ila Newton, Dewey McGill and Sophie Alberthal, substitutes.

A return game will be played in this city on March 2nd, Texas Independence Day.—San Angelo Standard.

## YOUTH ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

Snyder, Tex., Feb. 16.—A young man named Norrell, aged 18, was accidentally shot to death at Lone Wolf Saturday evening while hunting. His father was killed in an automobile accident at Hermleigh, Texas, a week ago.

W. O. Schultz, the big sheep and cattleman of Concho county, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

## COUNTY COURT PASSING ON CASES

County court convened Monday afternoon at one-thirty. The civil docket was read and all cases called dismissed or continued, and the criminal docket taken up.

The first case on the criminal docket was the Dr. Rogers case. The attorneys for the defense made a motion to quash the indictment and the court sustained the motion, and the case was thrown out of court. The prosecuting attorney immediately filed a new indictment and Dr. Rogers was again arrested and it is probable the case will come up again Thursday.

Dr. Henry Rodgers was indicted by the grand jury for practicing medicine without having first registered his certificate, the complaint alleging among other things that he had practiced for certain parties and accepted pay for same.

It is alleged Dr. Rodgers is a magnetic healer, and is not a licensed physician under the laws of Texas.

The regular jury was excused until Wednesday at one o'clock.

Mrs. Francis Holliday, of Winters, is here visiting her father, Dr. W. W. Fowler.

## 2000 BUSHEL OATS AND BARN BURN

J. L. Elkins, who lives about eight miles north of Ballinger on the Crews road, lost his barn and its contents by fire Saturday day night. A phone message was received at Ballinger Sunday morning telling of the fire.

Mr. Elkins fortunately had \$1,500 insurance, and his loss will not be felt so keenly. The barn contained about 2000 bushels of oats besides other feed stuff, harness and things as are usually kept around a barn. It is not known how the fire started.

It is hard to estimate the exact loss, but it will go beyond the \$2,000 mark. All of the oats are not destroyed, but those that did not burn up are badly damaged.

## JURY ACQUITS FELIX JONES

Gatesville, Tex., Feb. 16.—Deliberating since last Friday at noon, Felix Jones, charged with the murder of Frank J. Battle, was acquitted by the jury which heard the evidence in the case. The verdict was returned at 7 o'clock this morning and the panel discharged. Jones was not in the court room when the jury reported.

As soon as it became known that an agreement had been reached, and the verdict rendered, the decision of the jury was generally discussed. It seemed to be almost universally understood that a mistrial would result, by reason of the fact that the jury had the case under consideration two and a half days. The widow of the dead man was not present in the court room at any time during the trial of the case. Saturday night it was understood that the jury was evenly divided, six for conviction and six for acquittal.

Mrs. S. P. Stone left Tuesday morning for Tyler, where she will make home for the present. Mr. Stone accompanied her as far as Winters, returning to Ballinger in the afternoon. He will leave for Tyler in a few weeks.

## PRACTICE GAME FOR HIGH SCHOOL

The high school baseball club has secured a game with a local team to be played Friday afternoon at Wooden's park. The game was arranged for practicing purposes for the high boys, and for recreation for the town boys.

The high school club is working out each afternoon at the park. A game will probably be matched for the early part of March. Each member of the club is getting in shape for the first matched game. No admission price will be charged to see the practice game Friday afternoon. Neither side's line-up has been announced.

F. G. Hoelscher, the Olfin merchant, was supplying in Ballinger

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## WILL REMODEL BUSINESS HOUSE

According to plans now under way the building now occupied by the John Phillips confectionery is to give place to a modern house. Contractors are on the ground today taking measurements and making figures for the owner of the property, and bids will be submitted for the erection of a new and up-to-date building.

This is the property of Mrs. Irene Clark, of San Saba. Mrs. Clark is represented here by H. Giesecke, and Mr. Giesecke stated today that the new building would go up, and that at an early date. The new building will be a one story structure and will extend back the full length of the lot, while the building now on this lot is a two story building and only covers about one-half of the lot.

When asked if he had a tenant for the building, Mr. Giesecke stated that would be an easy matter, and that such a building as he contemplated building would be in demand, especially one so centrally located. The adjoining lot where the building recently burned is to be covered by a new building but the owner, Jno. F. Currie, has not given out a statement as to what kind of a building he would erect. All this work will be put under way at an early date, however, and when completed that section of town will present quite a more attractive appearance.

## DON'T FORGET

The rabbit hunt Saturday, Feb. 28th beginning at Robert Herrington's and going down the river and John H. Webb who asked us to announce the event, was here again Monday and says don't forget the day and date. Mr. Webb says quite a number attended the rabbit hunt in the Lon Mapes section last Saturday and reports a great many rabbits were killed during the day and a general good time was had all round. Come to the hunt above mentioned on Saturday, Feb. 28th. Bring your guns and well filled baskets and the dinner will be spread in the Feb McWilliams Pecan Mott on the river opposite the Dunn and Booth places.

## DEDRICK SHEFFEY THROWN FROM MOTOR.

Dedrick Sheffey was thrown from his motorcycle and painfully hurt Saturday afternoon while burning the breeze between Cole and Brownwood. His motor was also badly crippled and he returned home on the train and had his motor shipped in by express. He is able to be up, but is carrying a few bruises.

E. B. Walker, of the Hatchel country and Perry Boswell, of the Jamison neighborhood, were among the visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

## ELOPING COUPLE CAUGHT IN BALLINGER

A man by the name of L. C. Hurd was arrested here Wednesday afternoon and is being held in the Ballinger jail on an adultery charge. Hurd came to Ballinger with a woman first of the week, and they were waiting here to receive money which Hurd claims was being sent to him by his father from Virginia. In some way the news reached the sheriff's department that the woman was not Hurd's wife, and when the officers called on the man and put the question to him he freely admitted that he was married to another woman, and the story told later verified the suspicion of the officers that the couple were eloping.

Hurd carries with him an honorable discharge from the United States Army which was issued to him several months ago. He claims that he has been doing service for Uncle Sam in the Philippine Islands, and since returning to Texas he married a former Ballinger girl. He deserted her and was eloping with the woman he was with when apprehended here. The woman also formerly lived in this county and was married six years ago at Miles. She had left her husband and was eloping with Hurd.

When Hurd was placed in jail the woman was allowed to go free as she had two little children, two boys, two and four years old, and she was without money. Hurd will have to answer to the court for the law he has violated, and it is not known what penalty will be assessed. He claims that his home is in Virginia and that his father will help him. He is making an effort to get money from his father.

## ANOTHER RABBIT HUNT

The residents of Runnels County are determined to have sport this spring at the expense of the bunnies which are inhabiting this section of the state. A third rabbit hunt for the year 1914 is being arranged for the eastern part of the county, to be held on Saturday, March 7th. The hunt will commence on the J. S. Reese place and run east towards Pecan Springs. Dinner will be served on the prairie. Everybody is invited to attend the sporting event. Rabbits are said to be plentiful in this section of the county, and it ought to be a very successful day for the hunters.

## A NEW CITIZEN.

G. Harris, of Kaufman, Texas, came in Sunday and will have charge of the shoe repairing department at T. S. Lankford's and after seeing Mr. Harris manipulate the big sewing machine and shoe soling, we feel sure he thoroughly understands his business and is an expert in his line. The machine does perfect work in all lines and we are glad to welcome him to our city.

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"I enjoy reading your paper. I think it is a credit to Ballinger and Runnels County."—Walter J. Gardner, Winters, Texas.

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### A REAL RAT RANCH IN THE HEART OF BALLINGER

In passing down Hutchings Ave if you will pause in front of the ruins of the building where the fire recently destroyed the building occupied by the Green Front Restaurant, you will see a real rat den, and see the rats too. The ruins of the burned building make an ideal habitat for the rats, and it seems that all the rats in town have come together at this place for a rat convention. Constant passing along this street has caused the rats to become rather bold and they can be seen playing hide and seek any hour in the day, and at night they put on a regular barn storm dance. Rats are not only enemies to property, but they are dangerous to the health of a community, and of course these rats will not be allowed to remain in Ballinger. Ballinger cannot be a clean town and entertain Mr. Rat and his family, and a war will be waged that will exterminate the whole breed.

Rev. Mitchell, the district Evangelist of the Christian church, came in Wednesday and will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Mack while en route to San Angelo and points west in the interest of his church work.

Pat Williams came in from San Angelo Monday to visit home folks and Ballinger friends a few days.

V. Rosenwasser returned to Ballinger Wednesday morning from a short business trip to Sweetwater.

C. W. Barrett of the Norton country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess McAdams and little son Joe, and Mrs. Lindley and Messrs. Noble and Turner, representing the Texas Oil Co., left Tuesday afternoon for Brownwood to attend a meeting of the agents of that company which convenes in Brownwood today.

### RUN EXCURSION TO PROHIBITION POW-WOW.

A special train will leave Brownwood over the Frisco at four o'clock Saturday morning, for Fort Worth, for the benefit of those who wish to attend the prohibition elimination meeting which will convene in the Panther city on that date. A rate of \$2 for the round trip has been made and accommodation for three hundred passengers will be provided. The train will return Saturday night. Judging from present indications the old political pot will boil over in Fort Worth Saturday, and the never-to-be-forgotten Hog and Clark convention will be a small affair compared with the show the eliminators will pull off.

R. P. Taylor one of the pioneer and prominent citizens of the Norton country, was here Wednesday in attendance as a juror in the County Court and ordered the Banner-Ledger to his address for the ensuing year and complimented the paper in high terms for its splendid news features and says it is now one of the best county seat papers we have ever published.

P. J. Baron, one of the big merchants and real estate men of Rowena, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger a few hours Tuesday afternoon.

W. T. Scott, who farms on the Willingham place across the river, left Wednesday morning for Brownwood on a short business trip.

J. C. Paxton, one of the prominent stock farmers of the Maverick country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

W. E. Barbee, cashier of the Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co. left Wednesday at noon for San Angelo to attend the bankers' convention which convenes in that city Thursday.

### BUILDING GOOD ROAD TO PAINT ROCK.

Feb. McWilliams, commissioner from this precinct, is devoting his attention to the Ballinger and Paint Rock road, and we understand will build a good road to the county line of Concho county. There is considerable travel over this road, and it is to be hoped that Concho county will get busy and connect with the Ballinger road and extend the road on into Paint Rock. At present the Colorado to the Gulf Air Line Highway has only been surveyed to Paint Rock, and the citizens along the line from Wichita Falls to Paint Rock are busy putting the road in shape and getting ready for the spring and summer travel. It is indeed unfortunate the county can not cover the splendid road bed that is being made with a coat of gravel and crushed rock, and in this way make it a permanent road. The work being done will be of great benefit, but of course will not hold a plike a good road covered with rock or gravel, and in time will all have to be done over again.

Editor E. S. Kubela of Rowena, was interviewing the business men of Ballinger Tuesday afternoon in the interest of his paper.

Mr. Lott one of the pioneer citizens of Miles, had business in Ballinger between trains Wednesday.

Max Zechang, one of the prosperous stock farmers a few miles east of Ballinger left Wednesday afternoon for Seguin, Texas, where he goes to look after business affairs a week or two.

The Santa Fe Ry., Co., have just installed some pretty new signs in the depot at this place and is a conspicuous warning to the public along sanitary lines and the signs are nice large ones in full view of the traveling public and if heeded will add greatly to the comfort of the traveling public.

### LETTERS ASK FOR LITERATURE

The organization of a Young Men's Booster Club was attempted here a few weeks ago. Some men of the city who are eligible for membership of such an organization, either knocked the proposition are were indifferent as to whether the movement gained tangible form. Either is enough to cause a movement to die in infancy.

The city of Ballinger needs nothing worse than it does a booster club of some kind, wether it be composed of young or old men. The town is not getting the publicity it should. There are opportunities daily for a club to help put this city on the map. Letters come into Ballinger every day from interested persons over the country, each one bearing the request that literature of Ballinger and its territory be sent. In the absence of a commercial organization, no matter can be dispatched to the interested persons.

Here is a sample:  
"Houston, Texas, Feb. 15th 1914. Secretary Ballinger Commercial Club, Ballinger, Texas. Dear Sir:—As I am interested in your section of the state, will kindly ask you to send me literature of your city and surrounding country. Thanking you in advance for the same, I remain Yours very truly, C. E. Johnson, 441 1/2 Welsh St., Houston, Texas."

Had Ballinger a Young Men's Booster Club matter pertaining to this county and town would be sent to this gentleman. He would probably hand it to some of his friends, after he had digested the matter. In return for the postage and trouble in sending out the literature, Ballinger would have at least two prospective residents. As it is at present, there is little chance of this gentleman or any of his friends being pros-

pective citizens of Ballinger or Ballinger's territory.

Ballinger citizens should wake up. If the city is ever to make anything of itself, now is the opportunity. There are hundreds of excellent opportunities offered each and every day of the year for a commercial body to assist in the betterment and upbuilding of Runnels County. Towns nearby where active commercial bodies have been organized are reaping the benefits of Ballinger's opportunities. It's up to somebody to get busy. Otherwise Ballinger will be left behind in the dust kicked by those ahead.

Will Stuart, one of the candidates for tax assessor, was looking after his candidacy at Miles between trains Wednesday.

V. Rosenwasser and Max Newsome, who had been here the past few weeks with the firm of Rosenwasser & Levy, left Wednesday afternoon for Fredricksburg, where they will make home for the present.

Kelsy Wylie, of San Angelo was greeting Ballinger friends and looking after business affairs in Ballinger Wednesday.

Misses Lena Bell and Louise Doss left Wednesday afternoon to visit friends at Santa Anna a few days and to attend the dedication of the new M. E. church in that city Sunday.

H. Ditmore, of San Angelo, came in Wednesday afternoon to look after business affairs in Ballinger a day or so.

R. D. Caldwell, of the Moro mountain country, was transacting business in Ballinger Thursday.

Luther Williams, one of the popular young business men with T. J. McCaughn, the Norton merchant, was among the number in Ballinger Thursday attending county court.

Aug. Herring, of Talpa, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

Mrs. W. H. Gross, of Mineral Wells, who had been spending a short while with her sons at their ranch home up the river, left Wednesday afternoon for her home.

Elgin Davidson, of the Wilmeth country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

Will Francis, manager of the Walker-Smith Wholesale Co., of our city, was exhibiting to his trade Thursday some beautiful peanut butter made by his firm at Brownwood, and the beauty of it is this article is made from the home grown peanuts. Walker-Smith are now shipping shelled peanuts to all parts of the country, so says Mr. Francis.

N. M. Gustavus and family are new comfortably domiciled in the Alexander place on 9th street, which is much more convenient to Mr. Gustavus from a business standpoint.

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30x3	7.80	1.95	2.20	1.40	35x4	17.25	3.75	4.20	2.70
30x3 1-2	10.80	2.80	3.10	1.90	36x4	17.85	3.90	4.25	2.80
31x3 1-2	11.00	2.90	3.20	1.95	34x4 I-2	18.00	4.80	5.10	3.40
32x3 1-2	11.90	2.95	3.25	2.00	35x4 I-2	18.75	4.85	5.20	3.45
34x3 1-2	12.40	3.00	3.30	2.05	36x4 I-2	19.45	4.90	5.30	3.60
30x4	13.10	3.10	3.40	2.30	37x4 1-2	21.50	5.10	5.40	3.70
31x4	13.45	3.20	3.60	2.35	36x5	23.00	5.80	6.20	4.00
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### TOO MANY TUBERCULARS.

San Angelo, Tex., Feb. 12.—In the past month more than ten persons suffering with tuberculosis in the last stages have come here hoping to secure benefit from the climate. These people have no funds and become public charges. Citizens here wish to warn people everywhere that so many charity

patients come here that it is impossible to take care of all of them.

### TEMPORARY LOCATED.

In the restaurant next to the City Meat Market on 8th Street and will appreciate my old customers and the public generally to call and see me. L. L. Stroble, formerly at Green Front Restaurant  
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## NEW PROPRIETOR FOR CENTRAL HOTEL

A deal was closed today (Friday) in which N. F. Norris retires from the Central Hotel as proprietor of that popular hostelry and H. L. Mobly becomes its proprietor. In the deal Mr. Mobly buys the lease on the building and the furnishings of the hotel from Mr. Norris. The deal was made today and the hotel will be turned over to Mr. Mobly Sunday morning.

Mr. Mobly recently came to Ballinger from Cisco, and located. He is an experienced hotel man and has the reputation of standing high with the traveling men where he has conducted hotels heretofore. The owner of the Central Hotel, G. G. Odom will be prevailed upon to make some improvements in the building in the way of steam heat and other modern conveniences, and when this is done Ballinger will have one of the best hotels in West Texas, or any other part of the state for that matter. The new proprietor is optimistic and thinks Ballinger will come back into its own much quicker than the short crop knocked it out of the ring. We are glad that he is located in Ballinger and Ballinger people welcome him and his splendid family to our city.

When the news reached the Ledger office that the deal between Mr. Mobly and Mr. Norris had been closed a phone call was sent in for Mr. Norris, and the question put up to him as to his plans for the future. He replied that he did not know just yet what he would do, but that he would remain in Ballinger for awhile. He will remain at the hotel for a week or more and assist the new proprietor in getting started, and said he and Mrs. Norris would rest up for awhile.

"Daddy and Mammy" Norris have made many friends since they came to Ballinger, and they will read with regret that they have retired from the hotel and will probably leave Ballinger. They own some property here, and it is possible that they will see fit to make their home in Ballinger, as their property includes a nice home on Broadway. Mr. Norris said the Ballinger people had been mighty good to them, and that he wishes to bespeak for his successor the same kind treatment "I had planned a big turkey dinner for Sunday," said Mr. Norris "and I want the people to come and eat dinner with the new man I have provided the turkey and it will be served just the same."

Mr. Mobly and family have been occupying the Bennett place on Broadway since moving to Ballinger. They will move to the hotel tomorrow afternoon.

CHILDREN HATE OIL, CALOMEL AND PILLS

"California Syrup of Figs" best for tender stomach, liver bowels—tastes delicious

Look back at your childhood days. Remember the "dose" mother insisted on—castor oil, calomel, cathartics. How you hated them, how you fought against taking them.

With our children it's different. Mothers who cling to the old form of physic simply don't realize what they do. The children's revolt is well-founded. Their tender little "insides" are injured by them.

If your child's stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing, give only delicious "California Syrup of Figs." Its action is positive, but gentle. Millions of mothers keep this harmless "fruit laxative" handy; they know children love to take it; that it never fails to clean the liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach, and that a teaspoonful given today saves a sick child tomorrow.

Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on each bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. See that it is made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

W. C. Wright of the Wood & Wright ranch near Crews, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday and remembered the Ledger with a renewal of the Daily.

## COMMISSIONERS COURT REFUNDS TAX MONEY

The Commissioners Court passed an order, at its session Friday, repudiating the contract made more than a year ago with a party of tax adjusters, in which the court contracted with the adjusters to locate unrendered property and collect back taxes on same.

It will be remembered that the court of civil appeals recently held that the commissioners court had no authority to make any such contract, and that it was the duty of the tax assessor to locate and assess all property.

It will also be remembered that the tax adjusters spent a month or more here in examining the records and in their work they located several thousands dollars worth of vendor lien notes that had not been rendered for taxes. It seems that they confined their work to this class of property. As soon as they located unrendered notes they sent out notices to the holders of such notes and asked them to come in and pay before suits were filed, etc. By this method several thousand dollars in tax money was collected, and of the amount collected the adjusters secured one-third for their work. When the question as to the legality of such procedure was raised the tax collector was instructed to hold what money that had been turned over to him until the court passed on the question. By the action of the court Friday in repudiating the contract made with the adjusters, those who walked up to the lick log and parted with their cash when the adjusters called on them will receive two-thirds of the money paid in. The other one-third went to the adjusters and the county will not be held for it.

### Makes One Feel Better

A purely vegetable liver medicine is Simmons Liver Purifier. It is the one liver medicine which energises the liver and brings back its natural function strong and young again. Its action is different from other medicines. It cleanses the organ of all impurities without injury, harmless, but with all speed. Nothing like it Sold in Yellow Tin Boxes only. All druggists sell it for 25c per box, or sent by mail. A. C. Simmons, Jr. Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

Walter Bailey sold 85 head high grade Durham cattle to S. J. Blocker of Ballinger, at private terms. These are the Bauman and Benga cattle which Mr. Bailey bought last fall and had pastured them on oats for the past two months, which had put them in fine shape.—Miles Messenger.

### The King of All Laxatives

For constipation, use Dr. King's New Life Pills. Paul Mathulka, of Buffalo, N. Y., says they are the "king of all laxatives. They are a blessing to all my family and I always keep a box at home." Get a box and get well again. Price 25c. At Druggists or by mail. H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis.

### NO MORE PAIN

Pain cannot exist where Hunt's Lightning Oil is applied, says one user. No other liniment acts so quickly. You simply rub it on and the pain is gone almost instantly. Those who suffer from rheumatism, neuralgia, headaches and similar troubles should get a bottle at once. For cuts and bruises, burns and sprains and abrasions of the skin it acts as a healing oil, soothing and quieting the pain, and preventing soreness and irritation. We have never known it to fail to relieve chilblains. For sale in 25c and 50c bottles by druggists. A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman Tex.

W. W. Farmer, the irrigation farmer down the Colorado six miles, left Wednesday afternoon for Galveston on a short business trip. Mr. Farmer is holding about 150 bales of his cotton crop in Galveston and is going to look over the situation with the view of selling this lot of cotton.

## Children Cry for Fletcher's CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

### What is CASTORIA

Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. It destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. For more than thirty years it has been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency, Wind Colic, all Teething Troubles and Diarrhoea. It regulates the Stomach and Bowels, assimilates the Food, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

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THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

### THE STREET COMMITTEE

The committee favors no special part of the city but the work has to be begun at some point and ended at another and all we ask is that you rest easy and be assured your part of the city will be attended in good shape before a great while. The Street Committee and the street man appreciate your approval and advice at all times but do not be too hasty to criticise until we finish the work.

While the subject of the city water is up before the people, and as said before the city has the best water and the best water works system in Texas and the Water Committee are always on to their job and ready and quick to remedy any defects in the system, the Street Committee wishes to beg the indulgence of the citizens of the city with reference to the street improvements being done. Rest assured that all the bad places in the city will be reached in due season but bear with the Street Committee as they can not reach all places at once but in due time will be at your place and remedy the defects in your street.

Very respectfully  
W. L. ELLIS  
R. A. NICHOLSON  
C. C. COCKRELL  
Committee

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Lime, Cement, Post, Moulding, Fire Brick, Common Brick and Mill-Work always kept in stock.

When in need of anything in the building line don't fail to figure with us for we can save you money.

## DELICATE APPETITES

need a variety to tempt them. This Store has, for many years, always lead in this respect.

Fresh vegetables, good butter, fruit and the very highest class of Groceries are always to be found in our store.

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Hardware, Implements and Vehicles  
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We carry a full line of Building Material at all times.  
**OAK for Coupling Poles, Tongues etc.**  
Let us save you some money on your Bill.

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**NOTICE**

Now is the time to make your application for land loans. I loan money on land in Runnels County at 8 per cent. interest and extend Vendors Lien Notes bearing 8 per cent. interest, and charge no commission for placing your loans. For further information write or call on

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Mrs. B. W. Pileher and sister, Mrs. Bluett, left Sunday afternoon for Llano to be at the bedside of their father, who is seriously ill at his home at that place.

S. D. Williams, of Hatchel, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday and reports that Mrs. M. L. Parker, has a child dangerously ill at her home near Hatchel.

U. P. Melton, of the firm of Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co., left Sunday afternoon for St. Louis and other points in the East to purchase spring and summer goods for his firm.

Will Street, the horse and mule buyer, returned home Monday at noon from Teague where he had been the past week to sell out a car load of stock and says he was very successful on his trip.

**SUCCESSFUL PROBLEM BY BOY SCOUTS**

Running through the lines of the patrol supposed to at enemy with the one designated to deliver the important message from a prominent citizen of Ballinger to the mayor of Ballinger, the boy scouts of Ballinger completed a most successful military problem this morning before noon.

At nine o'clock the boy scouts assembled at the Ledger office, where they were given a very important document. The master of one of the patrols accepted the letter which was to be delivered to Mayor Powell.

The letter offered a suggestion to Mayor Powell to relieve the water situation in Ballinger. It was that a keg of beer be kept on tap at some convenient point in the city that those suffering from stomach trouble might be made well immediately after drinking of the beverage.

The message was successfully delivered through the lines of the enemy patrol, to Mayor Powell. He wrote a reply to the man who wrote the suggestions. It was as follows:

Dear Sir—Your suggestion is timely and to the point. I will have one ordered at once and would like your expert opinion of its quality before offering it to the public.

Respectfully,  
J. W. POWELL, Mayor.

**Feel Miserable?**

Out of sorts, depressed, pain in the back—Electric Bitters renews your health and strength. A guaranteed Liver and Kidney remedy. Money back if not satisfied. It completely cured Robert Madsen, of West Burlington, Iowa, who suffered from virulent liver trouble for eight months. After four doctors gave him up, he took Electric Bitters and is now a well man. Get a bottle today; it will do the same for you. Keep in the house for all liver and kidney complaints. Perfectly safe and dependable. Its results will surprise you. 50c. and \$1.00. H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis.

**ABILENE AND SOUTHERN EXTEND MAIN TRACK**

Two forces of men were put to work this morning on an extension of the main track of the Abilene and Southern railroad from the passenger station to the court house. The spur cuts diagonally across the vacant lot, partly occupied by an old gin. The track has been laid to the Pecan street intersection, but all of the rail connections have not yet been made. The track should be completed by Saturday or Monday.—Abilene Reporter.

**Stop That Pain Right Now.**

If your head aches just rub a little Hunt's Lightning Oil on. This wonderful liniment has a peculiar effect on pain. It drives it away at once. Rheumatic pain quickly yields to the touch of this liniment. Neuralgia is quickly gone after Hunt's Lightning Oil is applied. For cuts, bruises, abrasions of the skin and sprains, it acts as a healing oil, soothing and quieting the pain and preventing soreness and irritation. Sold by all reputable druggists in 25c and 50c bottles. A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman Texas.

C. C. Cockrell, an editor on the staff of the Ballinger Ledger, is a candidate for county clerk in Runnels county. Mr. Cockrell at one time lived in Brownwood and has many friends here who will wish him success in his undertaking.—Brownwood Bulletin.

H. W. Henniger, of the Winters country, was in the city Monday as a juror in the county court.

Mrs. Dedy Lewis who recently moved to our city from Comanche, has just bought the Freeze Second Hand Store on 7th Street, and will continue the business at the same stand, the H. A. Cady building. Her cousin S. F. Knight will assist her in conducting the business.

**CASTORIA**  
For Infants and Children  
In Use For Over 30 Years  
Always bears the Signature of *Wm. D. Little*

**TALKING PICTURES COMING TO BALLINGER**

A contract has been closed by Manager Reeder of the Princess Theatre with Harry Laviet, agent for the Edison Kinetophone Company, owners of the Edison talking moving pictures for an engagement here—February 28th. The pictures will be shown at the Princess. This attraction should prove of much interest to the motion picture loving public of the city, as this will be the first time anything of the kind has ever been shown here, and it is brought here under heavy expense.

Mr. Reeder announces that the program will be Al in every particular. Among the features will be John J. McGraw, the great baseball manager, on a vaudeville monologue, which alone will be worth seeing and hearing—for you'll even hear "John J.'s" voice in this picture." Baseball fans should not miss this picture by any means. Also there will be Dempsey, Seymour and Dempsey in a vaudeville act, "The Chimes of Normandy." The Edison Minstrels, and many other features too numerous to mention.

**\$100 REWARD, \$100**

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio.  
Sold by all Druggists, 75c.  
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

**STUDENT HELD UNDER \$750 BOND**

Stamford, Texas, Feb. 13.—J. N. Hendrix, a student at Stamford College, charged with shooting Robert Pace, another student, has been released under \$750 bonds. Pace is recovering from the wound.

Hendrix stated Pace and other students were attempting to haze him, when he fired through a closed door to frighten them away.

The shooting occurred Saturday, February 7th.

**CHICHESTER'S PILLS**  
THE DIAMOND BRAND.  
Largest Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best. Always reliable. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH MAKING IMPROVEMENTS.**

The congregation of the Christian church is making improvements in the church building that will add considerably to both the interior and exterior of that building. A new entrance will be arranged, and the building repapered and painted and Sunday school rooms arranged. New carpets will be put down, and the rooms fitted up for both convenience and comfort. At present the church is without a pastor, but as soon as the improvements are made the congregation will be supplied with a preacher.

**SOUVENIR JEWELRY CASE.**

W. A. Ogle, the irrigation man down the Colorado river four miles, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday and brought with him a souvenir jewelry case he made with his own hands. It contains 9 different kinds of wood and over 6,000 small pieces compose the cabinet, some of the wood coming from South America and Africa and the case is inlaid with mahogany, and is an ornament any family might feel proud to possess.

Thos. Lilly, the South Ballinger fruit and truck farmer, had business at Miles, Monday between trains.

**DEAD BODY FOUND IN COLONY STANDPIPE**

The dead body of John Whitcomb (Buster) Shipley was taken from the Epileptic Colony stand pipe at twelve o'clock noon Saturday, revealing the mystery of the missing epileptic youth clad in his night clothes which occurred Monday, Feb. 2.

The body was found only after a diligent search had been made of the entire surrounding country near the colony. John Shipley and known at the colony as (Buster), escaped from his domicile on a Sunday night. A search was instituted as soon as his presence was missed. This was conducted over the entire country and local officers, as well as officers in other towns, were communicated with and told to be on the lookout for the youth. He left without any clothing save what he slept in. A day or two following one of the coldest northers of the winter swooped down upon Abilene and it was feared that exposure to the almost zero weather would kill him. In the meantime a continual search was made, but fears were that he had wandered to some hole of water and jumped in.

The father of the boy, Paul Shipley, arrived a few days after his disappearance but the attempt was futile. He was assured that every effort would be made to find him and that he might return home until he should receive word. As time went on and nothing developed, Mr. Shipley returned to Abilene. However, before doing so he became afraid that it might have been his boy who was killed near Eastland and went to see Poul Rothel at Hamlin. However, he found that the boy killed at Eastland was not his son and that his boy had escaped subsequently to the death of the boy at Eastland.

The father came to Abilene. He arrived here Thursday afternoon and went to the colony the following day, with a number of others at the colony he instituted a thorough search which continued over Friday and part of Saturday. They went to a number of water holes and every other available place where the boy would likely have gone. The dead boy was very feeble and it was sure that he could not have wandered far. The father was almost convinced that the boy was dead somewhere but he wanted to find the body.

At the instigation, according to Mr. Shipley, one of the doctors of the colony, Saturday morning the big stand pipe was drained of its contents. This structure is about 12 feet in diameter and 90 feet tall. When the water was released the body of the boy was found in a very preserved state. It is supposed the boy climbed the ladder leading to the summit and jumped into the water.—Abilene Reporter.

J. B. Porterfield and John Greenhill, two of the representative citizens of the Pony creek country, were shaking hands and transacting business in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

**To Cure a Cold in One Day**  
Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine. It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 25c.

**Doughnuts**  
That will remain moist.

Every housewife who bakes her own bread knows that if a little potato is added to the sponge, the bread will not dry out as quickly. In this recipe potato is utilized to make doughnuts that will remain moist and fresh for several days.

K C will be found to have distinct advantages over any other Baking Powder for doughnuts. K C is a double acting baking powder with which a large batch of doughnuts may be mixed and fried a few at a time. The last will be as light and nice as the first.

**K C Potato Doughnuts**

By Mrs. Nevada Briggs, of Baking School fame.

$\frac{3}{4}$  cups flour; 2 eggs; 1 cup sugar;  $\frac{1}{4}$  level teaspoonfuls K C Baking Powder;  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoonful salt;  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoonful mace; 1 cup cold mashed potato;  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup milk, or more if needed.



Sift three times, the flour, salt, spice and baking powder. Beat eggs with rotary beater, then still using rotary beater, gradually add sugar, then work in the mashed potato with a spoon and alternately add milk and flour mixture. Make a soft dough, roll into a sheet, cut into rounds, pinch a hole in the center with the finger and fry in deep fat.

Fat for frying should not be hot enough to brown the doughnut until it has risen. When the doughnut is dropped into the fat it sinks to the bottom. As soon as it comes up it should be turned and turned a number of times while cooking. This recipe is excellent as they do not take the fat in frying and will stay moist for days.

**HARRY SCOTT SELLS HOTEL.**

The large rooming house, formerly the Snyder Hotel and lately known as the Scott Flats, located on the northeast corner of East Beauregard avenue and South Magdalen street, has been purchased from Harry Scott of this city by H. W. Reiley, the East Angelo ranchman of 1688 Spaulding street. The consideration was \$12,000. The structure is a two-story building containing 24 rooms, including baths, a kitchen and dining room.

It has been rented from its new owner by Mrs. J. F. Brown, who will continue its operation.—San Angelo Standard.

**A TEXAS WONDER**


The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism, 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 month's treatment, and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Texas testimonials with each bottle. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo Sold by druggists.

W. L. Golden closed the deal Saturday for a splendid improved farm near Ardmore, Okla., at \$30 per acre.

**For Sale.**

Genuine vineless yellow yam seed potatoes, a potato that has stood the test here for 12 or 15 years. A good yielder and the best keeper. Phone or write P. D. Rushing, Route 1, Ballinger, Texas. 13-2tw

C. M. Doyle, of the Valley creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

  
**Ford**  
THE UNIVERSAL CAR

If you were all mind from your toes up, you couldn't remember half the good things you've heard of the Ford. It's the most talked of car of the day. And sterling merit has made it popular the world over.

Five hundred dollars is the new price of the Ford runabout; the touring car is five fifty; the town car seven fifty—all f. o. b. Detroit, complete with equipment. Get catalog and particulars from

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# Good Cheer Aids Digestion of Food

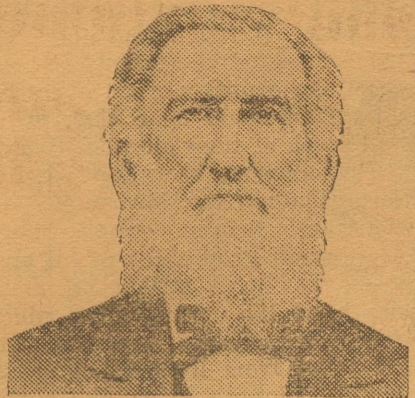
Dyspeptics Can Make the Rest of the Family Happy by Using a Laxative-tonic.

The temper of the family and the good cheer around the table depend so much on the good digestion of each individual present that the experiences of some former dyspeptics who overcame their trouble should be of interest to those now suffering in this way.

The best advice one can give—but it is advice that is seldom heeded—is to eat slowly and masticate each mouthful carefully. However, if slow eating and careful mastication fail the next aid is one close to nature, Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. This remedy is an excellent digestant, and in addition to helping in the digestion of food, acts gently on the liver and bowels, ridding them of the accumulation of waste that should long ago have been passed off. It is safe, reliable, pleasant-tasting, and results are guaranteed.

Maj. S. Martin, of Joplin, Mo., now 77, thinks Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin has helped him to a longer and happier life. He has not felt so good in years as he has since taking this excellent medicine, and in spite of his 77 years he says he feels like a boy.

It is the ideal remedy for indigestion, no matter how severe; constipation, no matter how chronic; biliousness, headaches, gas on



MAJ. S. MARTIN

the stomach, drowsiness after eating and similar annoyances.

You can obtain Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin at any drug store for fifty cents or one dollar, the latter size being bought by heads of families already familiar with its merits. Results are always guaranteed or money will be refunded.

When you use Syrup Pepsin you will see the fallacy of chewing mints and tablets or of taking cathartics, salts, pills and similar drastic medicines. Unlike these, Syrup Pepsin does not lose its good effect, and by automatically training the stomach and bowel muscles to do their work, soon restores these organs to normal.

Families wishing to try a free sample bottle can obtain it post-paid by addressing Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 419 Washington St., Monticello, Ill. A postal card with your name and address on it will do.

## THE ONE-HORSE FARMER.

Henry Seipp, of the Maverick country, who calls himself the one horse farmer, was in Ballinger Monday on business and placed an ad in this paper about his fine Mebane and Rowden planting cotton seed and says he sold to all this section last year and also to many adjoining counties an could not near supply the demand at \$1.00 per bushel. Mr. Seipp has been very careful in selecting his seed and they are of the very purest grades. Mr. Seipp always has the best of everything in the farm line and always supplies his home and something to sell the year around.

While here he gave us the rainfall for the year 1913, as he keeps an accurate account of each year's precipitation, and says we had 25 5-8 inches of rain in 1913 as follows: January, 1913, 5-8 inches, February none, March none, April 1 1-2 inches, May 4 inches, June 5-8 inch, July 1-2 inch, Aug. 3-4 inch, September 5 3-8 inches, October 2 1-2 inches, November 7 3-4 inches and December 1 3-4 inches. He says it has been just two months since the last rain, which was Dec. 16th, 1913.

Mr. Seipp is a very entertaining talker and always has some news for the reporter everytime he comes to town.

15.00 suits made to order at the GLOBE. 173d1w

E. F. Krc, one of the successful young farmers of the Pony creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger a few hours Wednesday.

## LEGAL BLANKS ARE A NECESSITY

In all lines of business at some time or another. In order that there might not be any litigation between your party and yourself, it is best that you have only the best and right kind of blanks. The Ballinger Printing Co., is able to give any kind of blanks desired. Some of the many kinds we handle, are:  
Deeds,  
Bills of Sale,  
Notes of all kind,  
Mortgages of all kind,  
Warranty deed, ruled and typewriter.  
The prices are the lowest. The forms are the best.  
The Ballinger Printing Co.

Royal Tailors \$20 suits for sale by R. P. CONN. 173d1w

Ernst Wagner, one of the pioneer and progressive citizens of the Rowena country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday and while here had us send him the Banner-Ledger and Dallas News for the coming twelve months.

## BUILDING NEW HOME.

T. P. Cole, the local weather prognosicator and hatter, will shortly occupy a new home, as he is now having a two-story residence erected on the corner of North Irving and Tenth streets, North Angelo. A portion of the structure will be utilized for Mr. Cole's hattery, while the remainder will be occupied as his home. The building is to cost approximately \$1,200.—San Angelo Standard.

## LIBRARY TO GIVE ENTERTAINMENT.

The Library will be thrown open to the public on Tuesday night, Feb. 24, at which time the public will be invited to come and inspect the new books, and participate in the election of new officers for the ensuing year. A program is being arranged for the occasion and a real treat is in store for those who attend.

## BALLINGER PRINTING CO. HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING.

The stockholders of the Ballinger Printing Co., met Wednesday afternoon and elected a new board of directors for the ensuing year, as follows: C. P. Shepherd, O. L. Parish, Paul Trimmier, J. Y. Pearce, Troy Simpson and A. W. Sledge. After the adjournment of the stockholders meeting the board of directors met and elected the following officers: O. L. Parish, president; Paul Trimmier, vice president; C. P. Shepherd, secretary and treasurer.

## AT THE NAZERENE CHURCH

The meeting now in progress at the Nazarene church will continue throughout the week and the services held each day and night are well attended and considerable zeal and enthusiasm is manifest at each service. You are cordially welcomed to all the services.

## FEW REALTY DEALS RECORDED THIS WEEK

W. L. Golden to Daniel Lewis all that certain lot or tract of land being a part of the west one-half of block 60 West End addition to Ballinger, consideration \$1,000.  
L. F. Gressett and wife to Henry Miller, being one-half undivided interest in lot No. 8, block 31 town of Ballinger, consideration \$750.  
J. V. Mauldin to E. F. Polston being the south one-half of lot 1 block 7, Boykins' second addition consideration \$1,227.  
J. H. Wilke and N. S. Wilke to Mrs. E. G. Newsome, a tract of land being the south 160 acres of the state school section No. 48 consideration \$6,400.  
Marriage License.  
W. R. Pearce to Nannie Morris.

# BALLINGER MERCHANT TALKS IN ST. LOUIS

Among the scores of merchants and buyers now in St. Louis is a group which will buy about \$100,000 worth of dry goods for the Higginbotham Bros. of Texas, millionaire operators of general stores, lumber yards, ranches, mines, banks and wholesale establishments.

These young Texans now at Hotel Jefferson, are: G. P. Herndon, Dublin; Paul Higginbotham, Stephenville; J. F. Carter, DeLeon; George Northcut, Gorman; G. E. Hooker, Grand Saline; E. V. Pollan, Comanche; R. T. Williams, Ballinger; A. P. Conway, Rising Star; and John Whitten Plano.

R. T. Williams, nephew of the millionaire brothers, acted as spokesman for the party last night. He stated that the party expected R. W. Higginbotham to join them at Hotel Jefferson, Wednesday.

Mr. Higginbotham has just put up a \$600,000 wholesale grocery in Dallas, and by January 1, 1915, expects to complete a \$600,000 wholesale dry goods establishment in the same city, according to Mr. Williams.

In speaking of the local markets, Mr. Williams said: "We come here to buy dry goods. That's your strong point for us. We like your markets and your merchants."

"We are all pulling for St. Louis as a reserve center if Dallas cannot have a reserve bank under the new currency legislation. El Paso is pulling for San Francisco, though, I understand."

Asked about conditions in Texas, Mr. Williams said: "The ground there is in fine shape and we anticipate an enormous oat crop this year. On the whole, 1914 looks decidedly prosperous to us, as compared with 1913."—The St. Louis Republic.

## BE MORE, DO MORE AND HAVE MORE

Continue what you are and where you are and you are what and where you will always be. The world of wage-earners is a world of hoppers, wishers, and hesitators, held down by foolish doubts and empty fears. Endless thousands of bright, fine fellows whose wish-bone is where their back-bone ought to be, are excruciatingly afraid, halting, timid, clinging with the drowning man, grasp at their slender salaries, because they think business is a mystery and they can never learn to transact it.

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# GUS NOYES TALKS ABOUT IRRIGATION

We recently made mention of the visit of Mr. Gus Noyes to the proposed dam site of the big irrigation project. This was Mr. Noyes first visit to the dam site, and after looking over the ground and learning more of the real importance of the proposition, Mr. Noyes returned to Ballinger very enthusiastic, and being the most successful irrigation farmer in all of Central West Texas, the people will be glad to hear what he has to say about irrigation, and we are pleased to publish below a brief interview from Mr. Noyes.

As above stated, since returning from his visit to the dam site Mr. Noyes has had a great deal to say about the big project, and he is enthusiastic over the outlook, and among other things he says: "When the dam is constructed there will be a reservoir twenty miles long, covering eight thousand acres of land, sufficient to hold water at a depth of seventy-seven feet at the dam. The great canal fifty miles long with numerous branches and countless laterals piercing the country from west to east through the territory lying adjacent to Bronte, Maverick, Miles, Rowena and Ballinger; sufficient to irrigate one hundred thousand acres of land."

"When the work is completed there is but one step from imagination to realization. The land under this irrigation system will be more productive than the land in the Northeast that is selling for from one hundred and fifty to two hundred dollars per acre. Stop and think, what will one hundred thousand acres of land under irrigation mean to this country? The benefit will not be alone to the above mentioned towns, but will increase the wealth of the great state of Texas."

"Farmers and land owners, if you do as well under irrigation as we did at Menard your future will be prosperous. We raised two bales of cotton to the acre, one hundred bushels of oats, seventy-five bushels of corn and the sorghum crop was too large to estimate. We did not have any failures."

"With a constant flow of water with the sunshine and the soil, shade trees will be planted, the violet and rose will bloom at every cottage. The grape vine arbor will hang with fruit. The shade trees will break the icy winds of winter and temper the summer's heat. The preachers will then tell us that we have a heaven on earth. Then the people will say, 'thou good and faithful servant, (Mr. Stanley) you have done well.'"

"With this great opportunity before us, why do we delay? Is progression not the making of civilization? We have grown immorally gray sitting on the back porch. Some hoping and praying, others wishing and cursing for rain. I do not see where there has ever been any benefit received from either."

"We are now on the verge of an oat failure, as we usually are. But that is the way it generally is—we get the failures but not the oats. Go and look at oats that have been irrigated and see what irrigation means. It means more schools and churches, better living; the farmers will be riding in autos and the merchants will not be leaving to seek a more congenial country to collect accounts in."

"GUS NOYES."

## FORD CARS BY THE CAR LOAD.

R. L. Harwell, the Ford man, has just unloaded a car of Ford automobiles, making the second car since opening his business in Ballinger. The car just received brought eight touring cars and three runabouts, and Mr. Harwell is putting them together and putting them on display in the sales room.

## FIVE TO ONE FOR GOOD ROADS

Kyle, Tex., Feb. 18.—All boxes have been heard from in the Kyle special road district and the issue carried by an overwhelming majority. Where one voter opposed the proposition, five cast their ballots in its favor. The amount of the issue was \$50,000 and it will be expended in macadamizing the highways.

# MONDAY AND TUESDAY

## FEB. 23 AND 24

### E. A. JEANES & CO.

Will have a poultry car on the track in Ballinger to be loaded out direct for New York. This is your opportunity to clean up your surplus poultry at a fancy price.

Hens per pound . . .	10c
Small Springs per pound	12c
Turkeys per pound . . .	12c
Old Roosters, each . . .	15c

## Remember the Date

## VIOLENT LUNACY CASE.

Sheriff Flynt was called to Winters Wednesday morning to get an insane woman and returned on the noon train with Mrs. Pearl Jennings, wife of D. G. Jennings. The woman is violently insane and was hard for the officers to handle. She was placed in the jail and at two o'clock a commission was appointed to pass on the case and the woman was adjudged insane and will be placed in the asylum as soon as she can be carried to such place.

This is one of the arguments that bob up in Texas some where every day in favor of a county hospital. The poor woman had not committed any crime and did not deserve to be thrown in prison, but under the present laws of Texas, insane persons are placed in jail until they can be conveyed to the asylum.

## UNFORTUNATE LADY CARRIED TO ASYLUM.

Mrs. Pearl Jennings, who was brought here from the north end of the county and adjudged insane Wednesday, was carried to Austin by Sheriff Flynt Thursday where she will be placed in the asylum. Mrs. Jennings was in a pitiful condition and was the most violent case of insanity the local authorities have had to deal with in some time. The family have only been in Runnels county a short time, having moved here about a month ago from Tarrant county.

M. A. Traylor, of the East St. Louis Stock Yards National Bank, stopped off in Ballinger Tuesday night to spend a day with Ballinger friends before going on to attend the bankers' convention at San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Roots, of Winters, came in at noon Wednesday and Mrs. Roots was joined here by Mrs. E. L. Hagan and went on to visit friends at Miles a day or two. Mr. Roots will leave tonight for San Angelo to attend the bankers' convention which convenes in that city Thursday.

Judge and Mrs. J. P. Cogdill and Attorney Tom Patterson and Walter Murray of Winters, were

among the visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

R. W. Steele, of West End, left Wednesday at noon to visit friends and look after business affairs at Mertzon a few weeks.

A. Levy, who for a number of years had been in our city with the firm of Rosenwasser & Levy, left Wednesday at noon for Sweetwater, where he will make home for the present. Mr. Levy is a splendid citizen and made many friends in Ballinger, who regret to see him leave our city, but wish him unbounded success in his new location.

F. Voelker and son of the Winters country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

George Predecker, the popular tinner with Schuhmann and Co. of Rowena, and Henry Goetz, one of the prosperous young farmers of that section, were transacting business and shaking hands with Ballinger friends Wednesday a few hours.

W. H. Preston, a former citizen of our city, now with a prominent insurance firm of Galveston, came in Wednesday to visit Ballinger friends and look after business for his company a few days.

R. T. Williams, who had been to the Eastern markets to purchase spring and summer goods for his firm, the Higginbotham, Currie Williams Co., returned home Wednesday at noon.

L. S. Evans one of the successful truck and diversified farmers of South Ballinger, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

Raymond Norris, who had been visiting his parents and Ballinger friends the past few days, left for the East Wednesday morning in the interest of his grocery firm.

Mrs. Daugherty of Bartlett, Texas, who had been visiting her daughter Mrs. Will McCarver and family the past few weeks, left Wednesday morning for her home.

# SLOAN'S LINIMENT

relieves rheumatism quickly. It stimulates the circulation—instantly relieves stiffness and soreness of muscles and joints. Don't rub—it penetrates.

**Rheumatism Never Returned**  
 "I am a travelling man and about one year ago I was laid up with rheumatism and could not walk. A friend recommended Sloan's Liniment and the morning after I used it my knee was all O.K. and it has never bothered me since. I always keep your liniment in the house and carry it with me on the road."—*Mr. Thomas S. Harter, West Philadelphia, Pa.*

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**Stiffness Vanished**  
 "I suffered with an awful stiffness in my legs. That night I gave my legs a good rubbing with Sloan's Liniment and believe me, next morning I could jump out of bed. I have been supplied with a bottle ever since."—*Mr. A. Moore of Manchester, N. H.*

**Sprained Ankle Relieved**  
 "I was ill for a long time with a severely sprained ankle. I got a bottle of Sloan's Liniment and now I am able to be about and can walk a great deal. I write this because I think you deserve a lot of credit for putting such a fine Liniment on the market and I shall always take time to recommend Dr. Sloan's Liniment."—*Mrs. Charles Koss of Baltimore, Md.*

Sloan's Liniment gives a grateful sensation of comfort. Good for sprains, neuralgia, sore throat and toothache. Use it now.

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### FORMER BALLINGER GIRL MARRIES.

The Van Horn News gives the following account of the marriage of Miss Clara Malone. Miss Malone is a niece of Jo Wilmeth, and for several years she made her home in Ballinger.

The Presbyterian church of Van Horn was the scene of a beautiful wedding on Wednesday evening at 8:30 o'clock, January 28th, when Mr. James Edward Bean and Miss Clara Jane Malone were united in the holy bonds of matrimony.

Before the appointed hour the wedding guests were ushered into the church, which was artistically decorated for the occasion, a color scheme of white and green being very effectively carried out. A wide lattice work of white, outlined with green foliage extending across the front of the church with arches at either side, served as a background, and immediately in front of the center section a beautiful floral covered altar had been erected, and pretty white wedding bells, festooned together with white ribbons, were suspended at intervals along the aisle which led to the altar.

When the guests had been seated Mrs. Guy Bounds sang very impressively "All For You" after which the choir began Lohengrin's Bridal Chorus, to which the wedding party entered the church. Dr. Abbott, of El Paso, entered first from the arch in front, taking his place before the altar as the ushers marched up the aisle in pairs. Closely following them came the four bride's maids singing the chorus. They were beautifully gowned in white crepe meteor on train, carrying violet muffs and wearing violet bands and gold butterflyes in their hair. The party formed a semicircle about the altar as the bride came up the aisle leaning upon the arm of her sister, Miss Florence Malone, and gowned in handsome brocaded charmense with court train and veil, with real lace trimmings and pearl embellishments, carrying a beautiful shower bouquet of brides roses and lilies of the valley and wearing as an only ornament an exquisite diamond La Valliere, the gift of the groom.

The groom came from the right arch escorted by the best man, Mr. R. H. Espy, and met the bride before the altar, where the minister, using the ring ceremony, spoke the impressive words that

made them man and wife. Handel's "Largo" was played softly by Mrs. Shepp throughout the ceremony, after which the party marched out, led by the bridal pair, to Mendelschohn's Wedding March.

They were the recipients of many beautiful gifts and telegrams of congratulations are still being received from friends throughout the state.

The bride, the beautiful, educated and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Malone, has only been in Van Horn two years but is one of her most popular young ladies, both in society and business circles.

The groom, one of the Culbertson county's most prosperous young ranchmen, is well known throughout the west as a business man of sterling character. He has just completed a palatial residence in the northwest part of the city where they are already at home to their friends.

They have a host of friends throughout the state who join in wishing for them all the happiness that may be in store for them.

The ushers and bridesmaids were as follows: Messrs. W. P. Thaxton, and Thos. E. Neill, Van Horn; Mr. Preece Love, Sierra Blanca; Mr. L. Evans, Valentine; Misses Neva Yarbro, Garland, Breeding and Velma Garren, Van Horn, and Miss Carrie Reaves, of Bangs, Texas.

**Chamberlain's Cough Remedy**  
 This remedy has no superior for coughs and colds. It is pleasant to take. It contains no opium or other narcotic. It always cures. For sale by all dealers.

**Notice of Assignee's Sale.**  
 I will sell at public auction, between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock p. m. on Friday, February 27th 1914, the O. H. Dahlgren stock of merchandise amount to approximately \$2150.00 also fixtures amounting to \$120.00. Same being in the same building in which the post office is located at Hatchel, Texas.

JNO. HOPKINSON,  
 Assignee.

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W. M. Forbus, of the Norton country, came in Tuesday to be with his son, Albert, who was operated upon for appendicitis at the sanitarium, and we are glad to learn that the young man is convalescing nicely and will be taken home in a day or two.

**All Growing Children**  
 are dependent on nourishment for growth. Their health as men and women is largely established in childhood.

If your child is languid, bloodless, tired when rising, without ambition or rosy cheeks, Scott's Emulsion is a wonderful help. It possesses nature's grandest body building fats so delicately predigested that the blood absorbs its strength and carries it to every organ and tissue and fibre.

First it increases their appetite, then it adds flesh—strengthens the bones—makes them sturdy, active and healthy.

No alcohol or narcotic in Scott's Emulsion, just purity and strength.

### BALLINGER TRIMS

#### ANGELO; SCORE 25-12

The Ballinger High School defeated the San Angelo High School this afternoon in a basket ball game on the high school grounds by a score of 25 to 12. The game was featured by excellent plays on the part of the locals in both halves.

The Ballinger club followed off with a goal and was quickly followed by another. At the end of first half the Ballinger High stood two points ahead of the visiting delegation.

Gertrude Martin, playing guard for the local five, was the sensation of the afternoon, participating in many fine plays. Grace Burrell, also of the local five, was in excellent form for the fray. Miss Martin made over half of the goals made by Ballinger.

Mr. W. S. Fleming, superintendent of the Ballinger High acted as umpire while a San Angelo man officiated as referee.

The San Angelo club was accompanied on the trip by several enthusiastic rooters who helped the visitors in making what few goals they did. Several teachers also were present from the San Angelo High.

The Rooters Club of the Ballinger High assisted wonderfully in the winning of the home talent. Yell-Leader Luther Mangum had his girls and boys trained almost to perfection and the manner in which they rooted for the Ballinger High was a pleasing sensation to even those who honored the opposing side with their yells. The yells were new and tuned to the situation.

The Ballinger High will probably make a visit to San Angelo within the near future, to play a return game. The visitors made the trip to Ballinger in automobiles and returned after the game.

### Best Cough Medicine for Children

"I am very glad to say a few words in praise of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy" writes Mrs. Lida Dewey, Milwaukee, Wis. "I have used it for years both for my children and myself and it never fails to relieve and cure a cough or cold. No family with children should be without it as it gives almost immediate relief in cases of croup." Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is pleasant and safe to take, which is of great importance when a medicine must be given to young children. For sale by all dealers.

Ed O'Kelley and Abe Mulky shipped out Tuesday a carload of fat cows and hogs to the Fort Worth market. Mr. Mulky accompanied the stock to their destination and before returning home will buy some fine sows to place on his farm southwest of the city.

G. W. Brister, of the Oxeen country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

### GREAT MASS OF PROOF

**Reports of 30,000 Cases of Kidney Trouble, Some of Them Ballinger Cases.**

Each of some 6,000 newspapers of the United States is publishing from week to week, names of people in its particular neighborhood, who have used and recommended Doan's Kidney Pills for kidney backache, weak kidneys, bladder troubles and urinary disorders. This mass of proof includes over 30,000 recommendations. Ballinger is no exception. Here is one of the cases.

Mrs. T. W. Morris, Eleventh St., Ballinger, Texas, says: "For years I was subject to attacks of kidney trouble and my back became very weak. The kidney secretions were unnatural and I felt all out of sorts. Doan's Kidney Pills were so highly recommended that I decided to try them. I got relief after the first few doses. Others of my family have taken Doan's Kidney Pills with benefit."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same the Mrs. Morris had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

M. C. Taylor, the Norton hotel man, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday afternoon and spent the night with Ballinger friends.

### HIGH SCHOOL

#### ARRANGING GAMES

Manager Jno. Weeks of the Ballinger High School Baseball club is endeavoring to arrange a playing schedule for this spring for his team. He has written several of the nearby towns, asking for games with them and expects to hear from some of the clubs within the next few days. He has asked for two games with Coleman and San Angelo in each of the months of March, April and May, three to be played on the home lot and three away from home. In the event the clubs to whom he has written fail to accept two games for each of the months asked, then he will try out several other nearby towns, including Winters, Miles and Abilene. The schedule will be so arranged that boys will not be absent from school any more than is absolutely necessary and in all these cases it will be on Friday afternoon.

The boys of the club are rapidly rounding into form. Each afternoon the team works out at Wooden Park.

### His Stomach Troubles Over.

Mr. Dyspeptic would you not like to feel that your stomach troubles were over, that you could eat any kind of food you desired without injury? That may seem so unlikely to you that you do not even hope for an ending of your trouble, but permit us to assure you that it is not altogether impossible. If others can be cured permanently, and thousands have been, why not you? John R. Barker, of Battle Creek, Mich., is one of them. He says, "I was troubled with heartburn, indigestion, and liver complaint until I used Chamberlain's Tablets, then my trouble was over." Sold by all dealers.

### ANNOUNCEMENT.

To the Voters of Runnels County:

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Attorney of Runnels County to succeed myself, for a second term.

I have only been in office about fourteen months and during that time I have tried to do my duty as I saw it, and I trust that I have been able to accomplish some good.

My idea of a public officer is to attend to business and not "play" politics, and I have tried to meet this idea during the time I have been in office.

I am fully aware that in public life, men are criticized, and I am sure that I have received my share, but when I have done my duty, I leave the matter with the public.

It is my purpose to see the voters during the summer along with the other "boys" who are in "trouble" like myself.

C. P. SHEPHERD.

### Chronic Constipation Cured.

"Five years ago I had the worst case of chronic constipation I ever knew of, and Chamberlain's Tablets cured me," writes S. F. Fish, Brooklyn, Mich. For sale by all dealers.

Judge Henry Crozier, of Paint Rock, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Tuesday.

Harold Walker came in from the ranch near Garden City Monday afternoon to visit home folks and Ballinger friends a few days.

J. E. Salmon, of the New Home community, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday afternoon.

Mrs. M. C. Boyd and little daughter returned home Monday afternoon from a few days visit with friends at San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Heins, of New York, who had been visiting Madams, Paul Trimmier and George Kearney and families the past several weeks, left for their home Monday afternoon. Mrs. Heins is an aunt of Madames Kearney and Trimmier and will visit a few weeks with relatives at Dallas before going on home.

Rev. A. C. Flemister, of Brownwood, who preached last Sunday at the Bethel church southwest of Ballinger passed through Ballinger Monday afternoon en route home.

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 25 OUNCES  
 ONE SPOON  
 BAKING POWDER

Or anything else that is generally difficult to bake with economy and success—you'll find one heaping teaspoonful of **HEALTH CLUB** more efficient, purer and easier to use than any other Baking Powder obtainable at any price.

Only One Cent an Ounce

In 10¢, 15¢ & 25¢ Cans  
 At all Good Grocers

M. L. Apfel, the general buyer and salesman for the Walker-Smith Wholesale Grocery Co. was looking after business for his company in our city Monday afternoon.

E. A. Grunson, one of the successful young farmers of the Dry Ridge neighborhood, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

J. J. Henkhaus, of the Spring Hill neighborhood, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday and he informed us that he had a fine fat young year-old bull, black and gray stripe down his back, that has been in his oat field for some time and the owner can get him by calling on Mr. Henkhaus.

J. A. Street, of the Wingate country, looking after business affairs in Ballinger a few hours Monday.

J. N. Mason, one of the prominent citizens of the Valley creek country, was supplying in Ballinger Monday afternoon.

A. L. Roberts of Winters, passed through Ballinger Monday afternoon in his auto en route home from a short business trip to Paint Rock.

### "CASCARETS" CLEANSE LIVER AND BOWELS

**Cure Sick Headache, Constipation, Biliousness, Sour Stomach, Bad Breath—Candy Cathartic.**

Get a 10-cent box now. Are you keeping your liver, stomach and bowels clean, pure and fresh with Cascarets—or merely forcing a passageway every few days with salts, cathartic pills, or castor oil? This is important.

Cascarets immediately cleanse the stomach, remove the sour, undigested and fermenting food and foul gases; take the excess bile from the liver and carry out of the system the constipated waste matter and poison in the bowels.

No odds how sick, headachy, bilious and constipated you feel, a Cascaret tonight will straighten you out by morning. They work while you sleep. A 10-cent box from your druggist will keep your head clear, stomach sweet, and your liver and bowels regular for months. Don't forget the children—their little insides need a gentle cleansing, too.

I. Kasburg, of the Spring Hill community, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

G. and B. Henry, the noted athletics, of Edon, were in Ballinger Monday afternoon. G. Henry went on the Brownwood and B. Henry to Abilene, after having spent the past week or so with relatives at their old home.

J. Sam Hall, of the Norton country, was here at the bedside of his brother, John Hall, who is seriously ill in our city and there is little hopes of his recovery.

S. F. Eoff, of Winters, was among the number in Ballinger this week attending county court as a juror.

J. E. McAdam, one of the successful farmers southwest of Ballinger, was transacting business in the city Monday.

Judge W. D. Jennings, of Miles came in Monday morning to look after legal business in the county seat.

George Gibson, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Tuesday afternoon from an extended business trip West.

C. B. McKinney, left Tuesday morning for Talpa, Valera and other points east in the interest of his oil company.

R. F. Smith, who lives southwest of the city, while transacting business in Ballinger ordered the Banner-Ledger to his address for the ensuing year.

**You Need a Tonic**

There are times in every woman's life when she needs a tonic to help her over the hard places. When that time comes to you, you know what tonic to take—Cardui, the woman's tonic. Cardui is composed of purely vegetable ingredients, which act gently, yet surely, on the weakened womanly organs, and helps build them back to strength and health. It has benefited thousands and thousands of weak, ailing women in its past half century of wonderful success, and it will do the same for you.

You can't make a mistake in taking

## GARDUI

**The Woman's Tonic**

Miss Amelia Wilson, R. F. D. No. 4, Alma, Ark., says: "I think Cardui is the greatest medicine on earth, for women. Before I began to take Cardui, I was so weak and nervous, and had such awful dizzy spells and a poor appetite. Now I feel as well and as strong as I ever did, and can eat most anything." Begin taking Cardui today. Sold by all dealers.

**Has Helped Thousands.**

## RATS DANGEROUS SWAT 'EM HARD

"The rat" is severely condemned as a disease breeder by R. H. Creel, passed assistant surgeon of the United States public health service in a public health report issued by the service. "Of all the parasites that have their being in and around the habitation of man the rat has less to justify its existence than any other," reads the report.

In nearly every city the number of rats is something in excess of the human population, while in the rural district the number of rats will easily figure three or four times the number of people. It is easy to calculate from these figures the millions of dollars of damage done to property by the rats of this country in any one year. A good husky well built rat is undoubtedly able to gnaw and destroy anywhere from \$5.00 upward depending upon whether his tastes are for packing boxes or expensive wood work.

The Ohio State Board of Health in a recent report makes many valuable suggestions for public health. And one of the most interesting chapters is on that sneaky and omnivorous pest, the rat. It is useful sometimes to know just what diseases are spread by this nocturnal prowler and the amount of damage he does. The state's report gives some interesting facts along these lines. And perhaps the slothful housekeeper, after reading them will go after the rats with more than usual vim. Turning over in bed and swearing at rats heard prying off the lid of the garbage can under the kitchen window will be found to be a most unprofitable pastime. Rat poison is urged as a much more effective method.

It is asserted in the state's report that the cost of maintaining each rat in the United States is about one half cent per day, or \$1.85 per head per year. There are many dozens of millions of rats in this country. The total damage done by them is easily computed. But monetary damage is not the only result of their existence. They are distributors of disease, and this is the greatest menace. The rat has no right to live. He is the one thing we can all hunt without stepping on the toes of some sentimentalist.

Remember that the Ohio State Board of Health recommends rat poison as an effective method of exterminating rats. It is not expensive in this way to get rid of the rats. Go to your dealer and buy a 25 cent box of any reliable rat exterminator that he sells and one night's use should show a visible decrease in the rat population in your neighborhood and lessening of the chances for the rats to destroy your property or bring disease into your home.

## NATION FACING MEAT FAMINE

Fort Worth, Feb. 12. — Economic experts of the Federal Government are giving the high cost of living problem their paramount attention and are investigating the high cost of meat. The Department of Agriculture has just completed a census of the meat producing animals of the United States and finds that there has been a decline of 4,183,000 head and an increase of \$176,530,000 in value during the past year. On January 1, 1914, the herd numbered 144,507,000, compared with 148,690,000 head a year ago.

The bulk of the nation's decreased meat supply is in the swine herd. Compared with last year the number of hogs in the United States has diminished 2,185,000 head, cattle 175,000 and sheep 1,763,000 head. The major portion of the increased values is credited to the beef animals. The value of all cattle, excluding milk cows, when compared with last year, shows an increase of \$166,688,000; swine have gained \$9,842,000 in value, while sheep have depreciated \$1,476,000.

T. Jones Webb, the big stockman of the Tennyson country, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

R. P. Taylor and Dr. Mitchell of Norton were among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

J. L. Humphreys, the Crews merchant, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

## THIRD ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY BODY

Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 16.—Another effort to identify the body of the 16-year-old boy killed at Eastland January 29 and buried at Granbury failed yesterday. James Davidson of Erath county, had the body disinterred, thinking it was that of his missing son, but one glimpse of the face revealed his mistake. The Granbury sheriff, however, will keep the body thirty days awaiting other fathers and mothers.

The body was claimed originally by James C. Watts, of Dallas and taken to Dallas for burial. On the eve of the funeral, he discovered his mistake and the body was returned to Granbury, where H. C. Bothel buried it as his missing son. Then Carl Bothel, the supposed dead boy, appeared at home and again the body went unnamed.

Show carnival have suggested it was that of a missing carnival employe of a carnival company that appeared recently at Sweetwater.

## FIVE MINUTE CURE IF STOMACH IS BAD

When "Pape's Diapepsin" reaches stomach all Indigestion, Gas and Sourness disappears.

You don't want a slow remedy when your stomach is bad—or an uncertain one—or a harmful one—your stomach is too valuable; you mustn't injure it with drastic drugs.

Pape's Diapepsin is noted for its speed in giving relief; its harmlessness; its certain unflinching action in regulating sick, sour, gassy stomachs. Its millions of cures in indigestion, dyspepsia, gastritis and other stomach trouble has made it famous the world over.

Keep this perfect stomach doctor in your home—keep it handy—get a large fifty-cent case from any drug store and then if anyone should eat something which doesn't agree with them; if what they eat lays like lead, ferments and sours and forms gas; causes headache, dizziness, and nausea; eructations of acid and undigested food—remember as soon as Pape's Diapepsin comes in contact with the stomach all such distress vanishes. Its promptness, certainty, and ease in overcoming the worst stomach disorders is a revelation to those who try it.

## WEATHER PROGNOSTICATOR MAKES STATEMENT.

Ballinger Ledger:

A good lot of your readers are after me for not sending in a report on the coming year. Tell them to break their land good and plant between the 12 and 20 of March. There will be plenty rain in April, May and June with good showers in July and August that will make a crop. We will also have plenty rain in September, October, November and December will be pretty months and it will be warm enough to go in your shirt sleeves next Christmas day. There is going to be a change for the better. This is the first year in forty that we have not had 13 moons in one year.

TOM COLE

## A WINTER COUGH

A stubborn, annoying, depressing cough hangs on, racks the body, weakens the lungs, and often leads to serious results. The first dose of Dr. King's New Discovery gives relief. Henry D. Sanders, of Cavendish, Vt., was threatened with consumption, after having pneumonia. He writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery ought to be in every family; it is certainly the best of all medicines for coughs, colds or lung trouble." Good for children's coughs. Money back if not satisfied. Price 50c. and \$1.00. At all Druggists H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis.

J. Doerr and J. A. Tyler, of Miles, came over in their auto Tuesday to look after business affairs in Ballinger a few hours Tuesday. Mr. Doerr says everything is progressing right along with their irrigation proposition.

King Jordan, one of the Winters prominent real estate men, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

## BALLINGER'S GREATEST

# MUSLIN UNDERWEAR AND WHITE SALE

CONTINUES

THE one Underwear and White Sale that draws its crowds regardless of the weather. One argument that makes the greatest of its kind—makes eager women elbow their way to its bargain counters to lay in their whole year's supply. They are the best values ever offered by this firm and that's saying a great deal. Make your arrangements to come the coming week.

## SPECIALS

Children's muslin drawers, ages 2 to 12, extra values at . . . 8c  
10-4 Bleached Pepperell Sheeting, extra special a yard . . . 25c  
1000 yards Shadow Lace, 2 to 6 in. wide, values up to 20c a yd. 9c  
1500 yards Thread or Underwear Lace, real value 10c a yard 5c  
20 bolts Persian Lawn, real values at 20c special a yard . . . 11c



## New, Beautiful and Perfectly finished Muslin and Crepe Underwear

Our present showing of handsome, dainty underwear is superb. High quality muslins, soft, sheer, dainty nainsook and serviceable cambrics, beautiful Swiss and American embroideries and French, German and American laces, have been made up into undergarments of rare beauty. You will want to buy your whole year's supply when you see what exquisite underwear you can buy at such small cost during this WHITE SALE.

## ENTICING OFFERINGS OF UNDERWEAR

**GOWNS** 49c. 10 dozen Muslin Gowns open and slip over effects, full cut, actually worth 75c, priced at . . . 49c

**GOWNS** 98c. 15 dozen Muslin Gowns, slip over and open effects, trimmed in lace and embroidery, priced at . . . 98c

**GOWNS** \$1.25. Unusually large assortment at the price, in Muslin and Crepe material open and slip over effects, every wanted style and size, each . . . \$1.25

**Drawers** 25c. 10 dozen Muslin Drawers open and closed kind, neatly trimmed in linen lace and tucked, extra values at . . . 25c

**Drawers** 50c. Real values in fine cambric Drawers, open and closed, embroidery and laced trimmed . . . 50c

**Drawers** 98c. Womens Muslin Drawers of fine quality, beautifully trimmed in lace and embroidery, each . . . 98c

**CHEMISE** 98c. Hand embroidered Chemise made of finest quality muslin, at the garment only . . . 98c

**Princess Slips** 98c. Real values in this garment, finished with embroidery and lace edged at only . . . 98c

**Princess Slips** A large assortment of Princess Slips, all neatly trimmed in laces and embroidery, prices range from 98c to . . . \$2.50

**SKIRTS** 49c. 10 dozen snowy white skirts. Full cut finish, button hole stitch. Easily worth 75c. At only a garment . . . 49c

**SKIRTS** 98c. Skirts made of good quality muslin, neatly trimmed in pin tucks and openwork embroidery. Extra values, at a garment . . . 98c

**BRASSIERE** Every wanted size in Brassiere beautifully made and neatly trimmed in embroidery, special prices at . . . 35c

## White Goods, Laces and Embroideries

The best and most complete showing of white goods we have ever offered the ladies of Ballinger and surrounding country. Immense stocks of all classes at the lowest prices in years. Buy your white goods now.

## REAL CLEAN UP VALUES IN WINTER GOODS

Choice of any Lady's Hat in the house values up to \$7.50 at . . . 95c

All Wool Knit Undershirts for women values up to \$1.25 at . . . 39c

Every Lady's Sweater in the house at . . . Half Price

All Men's Clothing reduced 25 percent during this sale.

All Ladies' Winter Suits, Cloaks and Dresses at just . . . Half Price

You will make no mistake if you come to HIGDON-MELTON-JACKSON Co., during this sale. Wonderful values throughout the entire store.

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