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OUT OF THE RACE FOR GOVERNOR

Fort Worth, Tex., March 17.—In my withdrawal from the race for Governor I respectfully direct the attention of all candidates for Governor and the legislature to the helpless and voiceless inmates in our State institutions. While looking in that direction it might be well for you to take a peep into the jails where hundreds of demented souls are classed as criminals where they cannot get the proper attention, but where their physical sufferings are augmented, their already sad mental afflictions made more deplorable, their maladies accentuated and made more grievous.

In your conquest for supremacy it may be appropriate to pause for a moment now and then at the fountain of humanity and drink from the cup of human kindness, brotherly love, which would cool your ambitious zeal and perhaps cause sober reflection that would bring to mind the price that has been paid, the fearful neglect running rant and the merciless inhuman system now in vogue in the wards of this great State. Is there no relief? "Is there no balm in Gilead: is there no physician there?"

We would not experience much trouble correcting crime and insanity if the legislators would direct their energies and intellectual vision to humanity instead of property interests. Much has been done to protect property, but practically nothing to improve the human race to correct evils that have long existed. The criminal insane have but two places to go—to the penitentiary where all are bad or to the mad house where all are mad. Neither place offers a hope of relief. Under the present system science does not enter into the care of those confined in the penal or insane institutions. We need legislation on this line more than any other at this time.

In our anxiety for better things we have a vision of more perfect conditions. We see the dawning of the day when altruistic principles will prompt each and every motive when altruistic principles will prompt each and every motive and will be the corner stone underlying each investment; and that legislation will be instituted for the sole purpose of serving humanity's best interests; and that humanitarians will mount the forum and form the throne of government, usher upon us the effulgent dawn of a righteous—scientific age.

"In Hoc Signo Vinces."
R. O. BRASWELL.

SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT AT HACHEL

There will be a free entertainment at the Hatchel school house Friday night, March 20. Debates, songs and instrumental music will make up the program and every one is most cordially invited to come. No charges.

500 RABBITS KILLED; SPRING HILL NEWS

Health in our community is good, but there are a few people with bad colds. Quite a number of farmers are planting corn and maize. There is yet a good underground season, but the top of the ground is beginning to get dry. The small grain crop is needing rain. Nearly all the irrigation plants along the river are now running, or will be running in a few days.

There was a box supper given last Friday night at Spring Hill for the benefit of the new organ fund. A nice program was rendered for the occasion, prepared by our teacher, Miss Stella Hix, assisted by Miss Flora Compton. The house was well filled and Mr. Ingle was auctioneer, and he is quite a salesman. A nice sum was realized and every one was glad they came and met their neighbor and discussed crops and then asked when it would rain.

The east side of our community joined South Ballinger in a rabbit hunt last Tuesday.

Hunters from south, east, west and north and adjoining communities, also Ballinger, furnished her quota of nimrods consisting of representative business men and their employes took active part. A large territory was covered and estimated about five hundred rabbits were killed, which will help some in truck season as their depredations are very destructive to truck growers. There was some good shooting and some extraordinary, as for instance, Mr. Wheelis killed four coming along the road sitting on top of a grub box, about four feet square. Mr. Schuehard killed one and crippled another. Mr. Chastain also Mr. Mack shot at several. Mr. Corum killed eight cotton tails standing in one place. Several killed twenty or more. Whit Patterson had the highest score, which was thirty. Dinner was ready at the noon hour, which was in Mr. White's pasture, and it was a great feast that eighty hungry hunters sat down to besides their wives and children and sweethearts. They did ample justice to a plentiful supply of barbecue beef, chicken ham and all other delicious viands that are not put down in any epicuring book. After everybody eat all they could there was seadoodles of good things left and it was announced that supper would be served on the banks of the river near Mr. Taylor's and Blair's. The afternoon was put in as the morning routing out the hare family, and perforating their carcasses with leaden pellets. Supper was served as announced and everybody that came was glad to meet neighbors and friends and the day was closed with much merriment.

"KNOX."

FOURTEEN MEMBERS GRADUATING CLASS

The Senior Class of the Ballinger High School is composed of fourteen members, nine young ladies and five young men. The entire class of splendid young men and ladies are "buckling down" to business and putting the finishing touch to their high school education.

To say that the Ballinger school is turning out fourteen graduates this year will cause the pride to bubble up in the hearts of the patrons of our splendid schools, and it is no doubt the happiest days in the lives of those who so honorably represent the student body of the high school.

Arrangements are well under way for the commencement exercises. While there will be no great array of talent and fine linen, the entire class will see that everything is done right, and the same time let simplicity be the controlling factor in the carrying out of the program. The orders have been placed for the invitations, and at the proper time the graduates will send out notices in order that their friends may rejoice with them.

Those who will receive diplomas at the close of the present term are: Misses Hattie Miller, Ella Garlington, Myrtle Whitaker, Mary Sue Spill, Edith Miller, Geneva Currie, Margaret Futch, Ona Hartman, Mary Eagan Messers, Harry Lynn, Delbert Vancil, Walton Rayburn, Edward Futch, Elmer Allison.

BOOSTING SILO BUILDING

W. A. Gray, and family and mother, of Coleman, were here a short time Tuesday. They were en route to their home from San Angelo. Mr. Gray is interested in silo building, and while here he placed an ad. in the Banner-Ledger in which he is pushing a metal silo. He stated that he expected to return here in the near future and demonstrate his silo.

Mrs. M. A. Woodward of Coleman, who had been visiting here sister, Mrs. Kate Woodward and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Corum the past few days, left Wednesday at noon for San Angelo to visit relatives before returning home.

PROBABLY TWO GAMES SATURDAY

The Ballinger High School basketball and base ball clubs are contemplating making a trip to Santa Anna Saturday, March 21 for the purpose of playing the respective clubs of that city. The games have not been definitely arranged but there is a possibility of the plans materializing within the next day or two.

The girl basket ball club of the local high school has been negotiating with the team at Santa Anna for the past day or two. No decision has been reached as yet whether the trip will be made. The girls are anxious to make the trip down the Santa Fe.

The base ball club has an open date next Saturday and Manager Jno. A. Weeks of the Ballinger High School is endeavoring to arrange a game with the Santa Anna fighters. A letter has been written the manager of the nine and a reply is expected Tuesday night, stating whether the base ball crowd will take on the victorious team here.

In the event both games are arranged, a good crowd will probably accompany the two teams. One of the games, probably the basketball, will be started early in the afternoon that ample time might be had for the base ball game. The clubs will leave Saturday morning on the early train and return that night. A number of the fans of both sports have announced their intentions of accompanying the teams down the road, if the games are arranged.

FURNITURE COMPANY SELLS UNDERTAKING

A deal was closed this week between the Ostertag Furniture Co. and the Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co., in which the latter firm buys the stock of undertaking goods and the undertaking business of the Ostertag Co. The Ostertag stock has been invoiced and is being moved to the Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co. building, and the two undertaking businesses consolidated, and Ballinger now only has one undertaking house.

In the deal the buyers get all the undertaking goods in the stock of the Ostertag Furniture Co., except the hearse. This has not been sold, but it is probable that it will be sold to an undertaker in another town. The Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co. own a nice hearse and the town is too small for two.

The undertaking business will continue to be conducted in the newly equipped undertaking parlors of the Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co. The Ostertag Furniture Co. retire from the undertaking business, but will continue in the furniture business.

ONE MORE WEEK DISTRICT COURT

Court news published in this paper Tuesday stated that district court was over with for the term when it should have said it was over with for the week. Next week the civil jury docket will be called, and disposed of. Those having business in district court will please remember that the third week of the present term will convene at one-thirty next Monday afternoon.

ORDERS PAPER FOR NEIGHBOR.

J. W. Bell, of the Winters country, was here attending court as a petit juror first of this week, and while in town he made the Banner-Ledger office a pleasant call. J. W. Jones, of route No. 2 out of Winters, will read the Banner-Ledger through the kindness of Mr. Bell.

HOW IS THIS FOR QUICK WORK

Hello, is that the Ledger office? Yes sir.

Well, I wish you would take that little ad about my incubator for sale out of your paper. I instructed you to run it four times, but the incubator is sold and the ad did the work. That's get 'em quick aint it

All right, thank you, we will cut the ad out.

The above is a little talk that took place between Walter Parker and a man in our office. It is just a sample of what printers ink will do. If you have anything the people want, all that is necessary is to let them know that you have it and that you want to sell it. Printer's ink will find the buyer.

There are merchants in Ballinger who do not spend five cents in a year for printer's ink, and they are bringing up the rear end of the procession in the march of progress and enterprise. The best stores in every town are the ones that keep their patrons posted through the columns of the local papers. There's a reason—they get the business.

W. L. Hambricht, E. G. Bowden and W. K. Lilley, of the Norton country, were in the city on business Wednesday and report quite a lot of the volunteer oats in their section being plowed under as considerable damage has been done to them by the cut worms.

COLQUITT WILL NOT CALL LEGISLATURE

Governor Colquitt dispelled any hopes of a special session last night when he issued a statement to the effect that he had "concluded it unwise to call one now."

However, the Governor leaves the gate down and implies that later in the year there may be a special session called for amendment of the penitentiary laws, for a land credit union law and a warehouse law.

"Most members of the Legislature have expressed themselves favorable to warehouse and land credit union laws and penitentiary legislation. If conditions seem to warrant and justify a session for that purpose after the primary elections, one may be called."

LONG ON BUTTER; SHORT ON EGGS.

New York, March 17.—The report from 46 associated warehouses show a total of 19,005,000 pounds of butter in storage, compared to 7,467,000 pounds of same date last year, which is an increase of 11,538,000 pounds for 1914 over last year.

The report from the same number of warehouses for same date show a total of 4,200 cases of eggs in storage, compared to 58,000 on same date last year, showing a decrease of 53,800.

Nashville, Tenn., March 17.—Although pretty weather has prevailed throughout this section during the last week, receipts of eggs have only been sufficient to supply current requirements. Prices have held steady at 23 and 24 cents. However, the general belief is that lower prices will soon come.

NEW FLOOR FOR ELM CREEK BRIDGE.

The work of laying a new floor on the steel span of the Elm Creek bridge is about completed. The floor covering the approaches leading to the steel part of the bridge is in fairly good shape and will not be replaced at present. George Hull is doing the work.

SEWERAGE COMPANY EXTENDING MAINS

The Sanitary Sewerage Company have extended their mains to the northern part of the residence district, connecting with the Halley & Love Sanitarium and a number of residences in that section of the town. The improvement is one that has been needed for some time, but on account of the cost in laying the mains and making the connections the patronage did not justify the expense and the sewerage company delayed the matter.

There is nothing that adds to the sanitary condition of a town more than a good sewerage company, and there are few towns in Texas in the same size class with Ballinger that can boast of a good sewerage company. The convenience is worth the cost, to say nothing of the benefit from a sanitary standpoint, and we trust the day is not far distant when every residence in Ballinger with in reach of the sewerage system will be using the service, thereby eliminating the fly breeding places and making Ballinger a cleaner and healthier town.

With the new improvements made at the sanitarium Ballinger now has one of the most modern hospitals in Texas. It is an institution that is worth a great deal to Ballinger and one in which every citizen of this town and county should feel proud of. It affords relief for hundreds of people each year at a big saving in dollars and cents. If we did not have the sanitarium it would cost patients a great deal more and besides it brings many people here from towns where there is no such accommodations. The surgeons are remarkably successful in their work, and we doubt if there is another such institution in Texas where the mortality list is as low, compared with the number of patients treated.

It is an institution that reserves the loyal encouragement of our people, and we trust that the city will get busy and see that the streets leading to the sanitarium are put in good shape. In their present condition they do not speak well for the city.

Condensed Report of Condition of The First National Bank of Ballinger on March 4th, 1914.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$283,414.63
U. S. Bonds	101,500.00
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	25,000.00
Real Estate	8,358.74
Stock and Bonds	1,523.65
Bills of Exchange	96,736.47
Cash in Vault and with Banks	103,411.34
TOTAL	\$619,939.83
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock (Paid In)	\$200,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	41,764.78
Circulation	97,600.00
Bills Payable	55,000.00
Deposits	225,575.05
TOTAL	\$619,939.83

We desire to thank our many friends and customers for their continued patronage, making it possible for us to render this most satisfactory statement. We appreciate your business.

The
First National Bank
ESTABLISHED 1886



DEPOSITED with this Bank is absolutely secured against loss by the new Depositors' Act of this State, which applies only to State Banks. Besides this, when you select this Bank as your depository, you have the privilege of availing yourself of our experience in business matters. It is a pleasure for us to assist

our patrons in every way possible as we appreciate the success of this institution depends upon their success. We have every facility for the safe and expeditious handling of all banking matters. We respectfully solicit your account and can assure you of courteous treatment.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

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GALVESTON EXPORT STATISTICS FOR YEAR 1913

Galveston, Tex., March 13.—According to a report just issued here, the value of all exports from this place during the year of 1913 amounted to \$254,877,912, compared with the 1912 exports this is a decrease in value of more than \$31,000,000. The decrease is attributed to the shorter crop of cotton, delays of movement by recent floods and the lower price of the staple. Cotton was practically the only commodity which showed a decrease, and during 1913 exports of this product totalled 3,209,778 bales, valued at \$221,735,475, compared with 4,294,290 bales valued at \$264,493,809 in 1912. Wheat showed a gain and during last year 13,320,387 bushels of this grain was shipped to foreign ports, which had a value of \$12,614,053, while in 1912 8,409,194 bushels of wheat was exported with a value of \$8,075,275. Exports of cotton seed meal and oil during last year showed an increase of about 15,000 tons and a value of nearly \$300,000 over the 1912 shipments. During this year 29 different countries received merchandise from this port and Great Britain holds first place with takings amounting to \$97,000,000. Germany comes second with \$78,000,000 and France third with \$25,000,000.

Best Family Laxative

Beware of constipation. Use Dr. King's New Life Pills and keep well. Mrs. Charles J. Smith, of West Franklin, Me., calls them "Our family laxative." Nothing better for adults or aged. Get them today, 25c. All Druggists or by mail, H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis.

Tax Assessor Mike C. Boyd, who is making his tax rounds in the Miles and Rowena country, spent Sunday with his family and returned to his duties near Rowena Monday.

T. H. Wright, the Byers gin man, J. T. Billups, of Truitt, W. A. Pace and J. D. Smith, of the Wingate country, were among the crowd in the city attending court Monday.

H. L. WENDORF, THE SADDLE AND HARNESS MAN

Everything in the leather goods line. All kinds of repairing done neatly and promptly. Shoe shop in connection. Hutchings Ave. Ballinger, Texas

NOTICE

Now is the time to make your application for land loans. I loan money on land in Runnels County at 8 percent 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

H. Giesecke Ballinger, Texas.

WORK ON GAS PIPE LINE COMMENCED.

Sante Anna, Tex., March 14.—Work was started today on the laying of a pipe line from the Kingsbury well seven miles south of here to this city. All material for this work has arrived and according to the promoters of this enterprise, the line will be completed within sixty days and natural gas turned into the mains. A minimum rate will be granted to all heavy users of this product and manufacturing industries.

Chronic Stomach Trouble Cured.

There is nothing more discouraging than a chronic disorder of the stomach. It is not surprising that many suffer for years with such an ailment when a permanent cure is within their reach and may be had for a trifle? "About one year ago," says P. H. Beck, of Wakelee, Mich., "I bought a package of Chamberlain's Tablets, and since using them I have felt perfectly well. I had previously used any number of different medicines, but none of them were of any lasting benefit." For sale by all dealers.

Judge Chas. Ragan, of Austin, came in Tuesday at noon to look after his ranch interests in our county for a few days.

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.

MORE PRIZES FOR CLEAN-UP BOYS

Enthusiasm over the splendid work being done by the boys in the clean up campaign, and in view of the fact that the boys have worked so faithfully, and the race is so close for first prize the Ballinger State Bank came to the front with a ten dollar flag, a duplicate of the one being given by the Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co., as first prize. The flag given by the Ballinger State Bank has been ordered, and will be here in a few days, and it will go to the squad of boys that does not get the other flag. This will give both the boy scouts and the boys brigade a handsome flag, and they can march with much pride, and without being disappointed in the contest.

With this arrangement both squads of the faithful workers will come out with flying colors, and as the size of the two mountains of trash is so near the same size it will require experts at such matters to determine who has largest pile. The judges will do their work this afternoon, and if the awards are made the result will be published elsewhere in this paper, or will be announced as soon as determined.

Another suggestion has been made and is being worked out that will encourage the boys in the work planned for the coming week. It will be remembered that the two squads of boys have agreed to go in together and during the coming week build a big pile of inflammable trash, and on next Saturday night this will be touched off and the boys allowed to enjoy a big bon-fire. To encourage the boys in the coming week's work a handsome purse will be made up and this will be presented to the boys prated out among them for their individual use and for them to spend in having a good time or use in any way they wish. A list will be circulated and you are requested to show your appreciation of a good town by "kicking in."

Stubborn Annoying Coughs Cured

"My husband had a cough for fifteen years and my son for eight years. Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured them, for which I am most thankful," writes Mrs. David Moore, of Saginaw, Ala. What Dr. King's New Discovery did for these men, it will do for you. Dr. King's New Discovery should be in every home. Stops hacking coughs, relieves la grippe and all throat and lung ailments. Money back if it fails. All druggists. Price 50c and \$1.00. H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis.

RETIRING MEMBERS OF SCHOOL BOARD AGREE TO SERVE AGAIN

Yielding to the urgent solicitations of the friends, and patrons of the Ballinger High School Messrs. R. T. Williams, C. R. Stephens, R. W. Bruce and Jo Wilmet, have agreed to again serve the people as trustees. Their record in the past is an all sufficient guarantee that in the future the affairs of the school will be conducted along lines that make for the very highest efficiency in school work. And the high place our school holds among the very best schools of the state is due in large measure to the wise counsel, and constructive ability of the present board.

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.

Joe Theile, one of the prosperous pioneer citizen of Miles, had business in Ballinger a few hours Monday.

Pat Williams has accepted a position with A. J. Zappe's store and began upon his duties Monday. Pat is a splendid, energetic and deserving young man and we wish and predict success for him in the business world.

NEGRO ATTACKS FT. WORTH WOMAN

Fort Worth, March 13.—Enough presence of mind by Miss Zoe Weatherly, 20, 2912 Avenue A, Polytechnic, to feign death when she was attacked by the same negro intruder who struck her with a cup on Jan. 22 after she had dashed a kettle of hot water in his face, probably saved her life early Friday.

The negro slipped up behind and clasped one hand over her mouth and began cutting at her with a long knife while she struggled. The knife was dull and made one long mark across her neck and scratched her arms severely.

"I told you I would get you," the negro said to Miss Weatherly who had not recognized her assailant up to this time. She says positively it was the same negro. He is disguised now with a bushy beard to hide the marks left by the burns.

When Miss Weatherly saw her struggles were in vain she allowed her body to stiffen and rolled her eyes. She feigned death successfully too, because the negro ran and she fell to the ground.

A few minutes later Mrs. R. L. Riggins, with whom Miss Weatherly lives, found her lying at the foot of the back steps and thought she was unconscious, but Miss Weatherly says she was breathless on account of the blows and the fall.

"I could not be mistaken about it being the same negro although I didn't recognize him at first on account of his beard, but when I bent over, I saw his eyes and I never forget them from the first time he came into the kitchen," Miss Weatherly said.

The girl said she even remembers the negro saying as she fell, "Now we are even," or words to that effect.

The knife the negro used was found near where Miss Weatherly fell. It was dull and evidently had been carried for some time.

TRESSPASS NOTICE

You are hereby warned not to trasspass on my ranch on the Concho in wise contrary to law, in the way of fishing, hunting, cutting wood, or gathering pecans, etc. You will take due notice or will be prosecuted as the law directs.

GODFREY MASSSEY, wtf Concho county, Tex

WESTINGHOUSE DIES.

New York, March 13.—George Westinghouse died here late yesterday.

Mr. Westinghouse was 68 years old and perhaps best known as the inventor of the airbrake which bears his name and which revolutionized railroading in this country.

He was born at Central Bridge N. Y., and received his early education in the common schools. He served in the Civil War. At his death he was the president of nearly thirty corporations.

The air brake which he invented world and in almost every part of the globe are great plants which he founded.

Badly Burned

Nothing relieves a scald or burn more quickly than Hunt's Lightning Oil. This wonderful liniment is very healing For cuts sprains, bruises, etc. it is fine. Sold by all druggists in 25c and 50c bottles.

F. G. Young, of San Angelo, who represents the Cherokee Life Insurance Co., came in Monday and will spend a few days in our city in the interest of his company. He is a clever, accomplished gentleman and stands in high esteem in his home city.

District Attorney Walter Early of Brownwood, came in Sunday night to be at his post of duty in the District court in our city this regular March term.

Tobe Edwards, of Haskell, one of the former valued citizens of the Token country, was among the number in Ballinger Monday to attend District court. Tip Edwards, his son, of the Ovalo country was also here Monday on business.

Cures Old Sores, Other Remedies Won't Cure. The worst cases, no matter of how long standing, are cured by the wonderful, old reliable Dr. Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil. It relieves pain and Heals at the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00



DELICATE APPETITES

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

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Just take your shoes off and then put those weary, shoe-crinkled, aching, burning, corn-pestered, bunion-tortured feet of yours in a "TIZ" bath. Your toes will wriggle with joy; they'll look up at you and almost talk and then they'll take another dive in that "TIZ" bath.

When your feet feel all tired out—just try "Tiz". It's grand—Your feet will dance with joy; no more pain in corns, callouses and bunions. There's nothing like "TIZ". It's the only remedy that draws out all the poisonous exudations which puff up your feet and cause foot torture.

Get a 25 cent box of "TIZ" at any drug or department store—don't wait. Ah! how glad your feet get; how comfortable your shoes feel. You can wear shoes a size smaller if you desire.

LOSES LIFE TO SAVE TRINKETS

Waxahachie, Tex., March 18.—Supposedly crazed by the thought of losing a number of trinkets that had been in his family for more than a century, D. B. Davis, 64, after having been twice led from the door of his room while it was filled with flames, plunged through a crowd into it early Wednesday and was burned to death.

Davis was living here at the home of his son-in-law, James Hamm, and while the family was at breakfast this morning a stove left burning in the aged man's room, is supposed to have set the room on fire. The smell of smoke warned the family and the old man, closely followed by Hamm ran to his room. When the door was opened the interior was a sheet of flame.

In the face of the almost certain death, Davis tried to elude the grasp of his son-in-law and enter the room. He was led away from the house, and Hamm returned to help those who were trying to save some of the contents. A few moments later he saw Davis again rushing toward his room and caught him just in time. Again Hamm took him away from the house, and cautioned others to keep watch over him. Then Hamm started to the house of a neighbor with his wife to place her in care of someone during the excitement.

While he was away Davis made his third dash for his room and breaking through a knot of firemen who tried to restrain him disappeared in the flames and smoke.

His body was recovered only after the house was a complete ruin and the flames had died down.

According to Hamm there was nothing of great value in the room except from a sentimental standpoint.

J. B. Porterfield and daughter, of the Pony creek country, were among the shoppers in Ballinger Wednesday afternoon.

B. Poreh, one of the pioneer and successful farmers of the Token country, was attending District Court in our city and returned home Thursday.

W. B. Lewis of the Miles country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday afternoon and returned home on the night train.

W. E. Allen the West End stock man left Wednesday afternoon for Granbury, Texas, on a short business trip.

Ashby Tillery of Concho county, was supplying in Ballinger Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Jack Howe and two children of Bisby, Arizona, came in Wednesday afternoon on a visit to her cousin Mrs. C. P. Shepherd and family and other relatives in our city for a while.

We want your job work.



The WOMAN

A Novel by Albert Payson Terhune

Founded on William C. de Mille's Play
Illustrated with Photos from the Play and Drawings by V. L. Barnes

CHAPTER I.

Five Years Before.

The Woman looked up from her task of fitting the trunk tray into exact position. Standish noted vaguely that the effort of packing had not made her red or frowsy. Even as she sat there on the floor beside the nearly-full trunk, with a litter of garments about her, her pose was not ungraceful. Yet her face was oddly tense, and her clenched hands spoke of self-control hard to maintain.

"No," she said patiently, as though trying to teach a lesson to some rather stupid child, "that isn't what I mean, at all. I mean, it's—over. Can't you understand?"

"Why, yes," answered Standish, "of course I understand. Why shouldn't I? It's over. You will be safe at your aunt's house by six o'clock this evening, and you will start for Europe tomorrow, just as you arranged. And our wonder-week is ended. And for the next three months I'll be counting every—"

"Oh!" interrupted the Woman, her hard-worn patience going to pieces. "Won't you understand? I said it was over. Over! Not for three months or for any other time. But for always. Why do you make me put it this way? I tried to say it more—"

"You don't mean"—he began thickly, his throat sanded and sore.

The Woman nodded.

"But," he protested lamely, "it—it can't be. Why, girl, you love me!"

"I thought I did. Oh, I was so sure I did! But little by little, for days, I've begun to understand. Don't look at me like that! Do you suppose I enjoy talking so? It has to be said. And you're not making it a bit easy for me."

"Forgive me," he answered, a bitter note creeping into his heavy voice. "You are wrecking me. You are smashing all I hold dear. You are making my future as barren as a rainy sea. Forgive me for not making the process a bit easy for you."

"You have no right to say such things!" she flared. "It is cowardly. It is ungenerous."

"Why? Because you are a woman? A woman may flay a man. She may break his life to pieces for her own amusement. If he dares to protest, he is cowardly and ungenerous. Because she is a woman. A man's hands are tied behind him by that asinine old tradition. How about the woman who pommels a man when she knows his hands are so tied? Isn't she as 'cowardly' and 'ungenerous' as I would be if I thrashed a cripple? And yet women clamor for their 'rights'—Rights! With one-tenth of the 'rights' that silly chivalry showers upon women, I could conquer the whole world!"

"But you could not conquer one woman. If I begged you to avoid a scene it was as much for your own sake as for mine. Since you will have one, let's get it over with as quickly as we can. Here is the situation in a handful of words: I met you. You weren't like any other man I'd ever known. You didn't fall down and worship me at sight—or pretend to, which comes to the same thing. It didn't seem to interest you that I had money and that other men made fools of themselves over me. And then your Quixotic ideas about politics and government and all that sort of thing, appealed to me. These and other reasons of the same kind made me think I was in love with you."

"You didn't think. You were! And—"

"Perhaps. Perhaps not. Does it matter—now? Isn't that also an effort to save the anchor after the wreck? But never mind. I thought I loved you. With your impractical high-souled ideas about political reform and the people's wrongs you seemed to me a modern Galahad; instead of just a—Don Quixote."

"Ah!"

"I'm sorry it makes you wince. But it's the truth. And the truth is generally painful. When you wanted to marry me, I felt as though a demigod had stooped to earth. That isn't the way to feel when one marries. I didn't know it then. I do, now. And perhaps the knowledge that I would not be allowed to marry you just yet, or even acknowledge our engagement, helped strengthen the infatuation. Then when I found I must go to Europe so soon, and you begged me to give you just this one 'perfect week,' it all seemed so natural—so right—so beautiful—"

"I was wrong!" he cried. "I was insane. I had no right to suggest it. I had no right to let you consent."

But, womanlike, she would not let him blame himself.

"It was not your fault," she cried. "Or if there were fault at all it was mine as much as yours. I say you 'begged' me to come here. You did not. At your first hint I was as eager as you. Perhaps," she added with a return of her forced hardness, "it was not quite the way one would expect a Galahad or a Quixote to spend a week. But the blame is as much mine as yours. So don't let's talk of that. Can't we both forget it?"

"Forget it? Why, girl, it's my whole life."

"It is an episode whose memory can be sweet or bitter as we choose to make it. We were clever enough to leave no trace when we went away. I'm supposed to be on a visit and your worthy constituents were told that their congressional representative was going away to recuperate, somewhere in the mountains. You will return from your vacation much benefited—if a little vague as to its details. And I will go back to my aunt's tonight, prepared to start happily on my European trip tomorrow morning. That is all."

"Oh, girl, I love you! You are mad—insane—to talk this way—to plan what you are planning. Can't you see it? Won't you give me

a chance to get back your love? I had it once—I can get it again if you will give me the chance. I know I can make you happy."

A smile that savored of the rack twisted her set lips—and died before it reached her eyes.

"No, dear," she contradicted gently, "you can't make me happy. I doubt if you can make any woman happy. A woman—one who didn't know the un-Galahad side of you as I do—might respect or even reverence you. But you couldn't hold her love. No woman ever really loved a man because he was good; or because he fought against political evils or slew dragons. She might admire him for it. But admiration and reverence are petty poor everyday fare. When your wife wanted you to say crazy adoring things to her, you would be thinking out a new insurgent plan by which you could block the machine in congress. When she hoped you'd buy her some candy or a few flowers on your way home from the Capitol, you'd be too busy framing your next speech to think of such trifles. Those same trifles and his wild extravagance of praise and the quick noticing of anything she puts on to please him, are the cords that lash a woman's heart to a man's. Not her pride in the way he is fighting his country's political battles."

"Listen!" pleaded Standish. "I'll give it all up: my seat in congress, my fight for the people, my political hopes—everything! I'll give it all up—all if you will marry me and give me a chance to make you love me again."

"It's no use," she returned. "For the moment you almost carried me off my feet. I can understand now why your speeches that read so stupidly, can sway people. But it's only an impulse. Inside of an hour you would question it. Inside of a day you would regret it."

"No! No!"

"And inside of a week you would be secretly reading every scrap of congressional news and cursing your lot at being out of the fight. It would be like all sacrifices. In time one gets to hating the person one made them for. Oh, it would be misery for us both! It would be even worse than this week."

"Today there seems much I don't understand," he retorted. "But one thing is very clear to me: the course you've chosen is an impossible one for you. You must marry me. If not for love, then because it is the right thing to do. I do not ask you to care for me or even to live in the same house with me. But for your own sake you must—"

"It is for my own sake that I must do nothing of the sort. You get your ideas of life from books. Too many people do that. I am not going to let this one mistake ruin every bit of my future. I won't let one moment of folly blot all my life. Men don't. Why should women? There is still much in the world for me. And for you, too, if you'll look at it sanely. Oh, I know my kind of sanity shocks you. But it is sanity. You are held back by centuries of traditions. Your father began life as a millionaire's son. Mine began it in an Irish orphanage. Your grandfather was a supreme court judge. I don't know who mine was. There must be something, after all, in this talk of heredity. For instance, I don't suppose there's a girl in all your sisters' set who would have con-

nted to a moon-like ours, is there? Your sisters wouldn't have done such a thing, would they?"

"No!" he exclaimed in involuntary disgust.

At his word and tone a faint red showed across the Woman's face as if he had struck her lightly with his open hand. But at once she recovered herself.

"Let's say goodbye and part as friends," she suggested. "No irremediable harm is done. Except for myself, you are the only person hurt. You'll have to stand that as part of the price of—"

"You are mistaken," he broke in. "Others, besides myself, are affected."

"Who?"

"I don't know. But this I do know: No one can live to himself or herself. No one can say: 'My fault or folly lets me alone in the world.' In the world of ours, we are all tangled up in one another's destinies. And when one tears loose the cord that binds him, the vibration of that wrench will soon or late reach and affect people whom he perhaps does not even know."



"The cord you speak of," she mocked, "is that holy bond known as Conventionality, isn't it? The bugbear that the weak and the prim have raised to scare the strong and the courageous."

"No. The beaten path that ten billion failures and tragedies since the birth of Time have shown to be the only safe one. Conventionality's path may seem to the near-sighted to be twisted foolishly, and unnecessarily long. But each of those twists represents the place where the Man in Front wisely stepped aside to avoid the pitfall into which the man ahead of him had tumbled. And the short cuts in the long tortuous road are white with the bones of failures."

"I'm going to walk over those same whitened bones in my short cut from one point of Conventionality's twisted path to another. I'm going to walk back from a union that would mean misery to me—back to the pleasant home life and social life I love and don't mean to lose. Don't worry. No whitened bones will turn under me and bring me a fall. I can defy the boggy, Conventionality, and still live happy."

"Others have defied the boggy. You are not the first nor the millionth. To most of them it seemed as safe as it seems to you."

"Yes? I should like to meet them and compare notes."

"You will not meet them," he answered grimly, "but you will tread on their bones—in the short cut. Even as some future challenger of Conventionality shall one day tread on yours."

CHAPTER II.

The Girl and the Boy.

The Hotel Keswick telephone girl was a character. Even the politicians who made the big Washington caravansary their headquarters recognized that. Some of them had sought to unbend from their labors at law-building and law-sapping long enough to try to improve their casual acquaintance with her. But they had one and all abandoned the effort.

Not that Miss Wanda Kelly was in the very least shy. No, she had a responsive word for everybody. Only, sometimes that word had a queer way of searing instead of flattering.

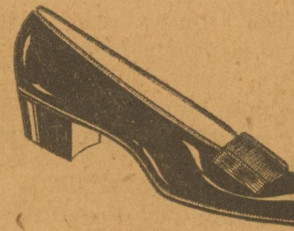
"If Joan of Arc had been brought up in the alleys," once observed the Honorable Tim Neligan, "and if she's been nursed on iron tonic and learned her alphabet from George Ade's fables, she'd have been a dead ringer for Wanda Kelly."

To which the more or less Honorable Jim Blake had made reply: "Maybe that hello girl was all Wanda when she started out. But a Keswick switchboard course has made her all Kelly. I don't know why no reports her for being fresh. Except, maybe, that he'd have to tell what he said to her to bring out the fresh come-back."

In any case, no one did report Wanda Kelly. There, in an alcove under the great garish stairway, she sat day after day manipulating her racks of switches. To her left were the telephone booths; to her right the corridor where all the political world passed her in review. Behind her—and, when voices chanced to be raised in eagerness or dispute, in easy ear-shot—was a spot where far more history was made than in the Capitol itself.

This historic place was a deep niche known to local fame as "the amen corner." It was off the beaten track of the corridor, yet a vantage-point whence everything was visible. Here Jim Blake—long, lean, saturnine master of the machine—had a way of sitting, his eternal cigar in one corner of his mouth, his slouch hat aslant on his head or under his chair. And here, like filings to the magnet, the men who gleaned in Jim's wake, and whose political life hung on his curt nod, would cluster.

One evening as the dinner crowd was drifting along the corridor toward the huge dining-rooms, Wanda noted that the amen corner held but two men. Both of them she knew, and both were very evidently awaiting Jim Blake's return from the Capitol. More



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than one passer-by along the corridor nudged his companions and pointed out the elder of the corner's two occupants.

The object of these surreptitious glances was a fine-looking, rather portly man of early middle age—the Honorable Mark Robertson, former governor of New York, present representative in congress from the same state and—equally important—Jim Blake's son-in-law. More—he was the man whom the machine, at its master's orders, had slated as next speaker of the house. Yes, and perhaps if all one heard were true, for a far higher office later on.

Wanda Kelly knew this. And, thanks to overheard scraps of amen-corner talk, she knew much more. She had often seen Robertson. Now and then she had received a careless nod from him or from his stately young wife, Blake's only daughter, who so often while congress was in session ran down from the Robertson house in New York for a sojourn of a day or two with her husband and father at the capital.

Yet Wanda wasted fewer thoughts just now on the celebrity than on the much younger man with whom he was talking. And perhaps her thoughts had telepathic power. For, as Robertson strolled out into the foyer, his

companion crossed directly to the switchboard rail and stood looking down at the girl.

Wanda did not see him. Or, if she did, it was not with her eyes. And before he could speak, the telephone buzzer rasped out.

"Wanda!" said the young man who was leaning over the rail.

It was the third time he had broken in. But, busy rattling the switch pegs, she did not hear.

"Wanda Kelly!" he exclaimed, exasperated.

She looked up with a suddenness that startled him.

"Well?" she asked sharply.

"Will—you marry me?" he blurted, her unexpected word and look driving the speech from his lips as though he had been struck between the shoulders.

"What?" she queried in polite surprise.

"I asked," he said, trying to cover up his impetuosity with a weak show of irony, "I asked if you were going to marry me or not."

"No," she answered, unruffled. "I am not. That's the answer. Same as when you asked me before. And the time before that. And so on back to the beginning. And then some—until you can learn to take 'No' for an answer."

"I can't take it," he returned glumly, "and I won't take it. Maybe you think I get a lot of fun being thrown down like this. It means more to me than you've got patience to hear. I'm going—"



No Woman Ever Really Loved a Man Because He Was Good.

all to smash. Oh, you needn't laugh. It isn't so funny to me."

"I'm sorry," she said. "I didn't know it meant so much to you."

"Do you suppose I enjoy perching up on this rail like a google-eyed Polli-parrot and squeaking 'Wanda, will you marry me?' and getting a lemon each time instead of a cracker?"

To turn the talk away from its old trend, she broke in, almost at random.

"You don't realize the power of a phone girl's job. No outsider does. People from a thousand different points call up people at a thousand other points. Every pair of people thinks they are talking unheeded by the world at large and that just they two can hear each other. Each of those thousands thinks that. But the telephone girl hears them all. I read in an old book once about a demon named Asmodeus who used to sit about by night and lift the roofs off of houses to see what people were doing. If he were living now he could save a lot of time and work and bother by getting a job at central. We—"

Buzz!

"Ho!" droned Wanda. "No. Mr. Blake hasn't come in yet. Any message? A't."

"Yes," she went on in her own voice; "what the telephone girl doesn't hear isn't worth the hearing."

"The whole world under your two little, little hands!" he said softly, reaching for one of them as he spoke. But the buzzer rushed to the rescue of its high priestess with a sudden, noisy purr.

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Mexico seems determined to have hell, according to Sherman's definition of the word.

If you own a piece of ground large enough to build a silo on, you should build the silo.

If society gossip coming from Washington is true, Miss Nona McAdoo, daughter of Secretary McAdoo, will be given a chance to say mama to Miss Eleanor Wilson, the daughter of President Wilson. Miss Nona is 23 years old and her step-mother-to-be has only seen 24 springs.

Coleman and San Angelo both have creameries in operation and are working up a business that brings a steady stream of cash into the country and is distributed out daily to the farmers and the man with a few head of good milk cows. Ballinger and Runnels county could profit in a like manner.

"The oats are gone," says one man. "The oats are doing fine," says another. "The fruit is wiped out," remarks a fruit grower. "My fruit does not seem to be hurt much," says another. "The country is in fine shape," says the optimist with a broad smile. "Its not going to rain and the country has gone to—1," says Mr. So-and-so. So there you are, take your choice.

Uncle Sam is feeding about 5,000 Mexicans down at Fort Bliss, and it is said that he is charging the Mexican government \$1000 per day board. The Mexican government has employed a lawyer to go before the federal court and effect their release if possible. Uncle Sam does not think it best to turn the Mexicans over to Huerta, because that old man would no doubt find a cheaper way of getting rid of them than paying \$1000 per day board bill, and no land lord wants to lose a good boarder.

We know from personal observation, and from a thorough investigation, that the grain crop of this county is standing up well where the land was prepared and the oats planted at a sufficient depth to give the roots a hold in the ground. The volunteer oats where plowed in are in good shape but the volunteer oats that came up without being turned under and are sticking right on the top of the ground, are a thing of the past. The recent cold has injured the oats more than the dry weather. There is time yet to make a big oat crop, and in case the crop is a complete failure the people who grazed their oats have been well paid for the planting.

The last four years has demonstrated to the minds of every thinking farmer that his future prosperity, if he expects to remain a citizen of this healthy and beautiful county, depends upon something besides raising cotton. Dry land farmers must adapt him self to the natural advantages of this country. The irrigation farmer can make the land yield anything almost that he desires to plant. The dry land of this county will not make a cotton crop every year, but by the proper methods of cultivation there is not one year in twenty when a feed crop can not be grown, and with this converted into cash through the silo route the farmer need not fear a calamity. The world is clamoring for more food, and it has long since been proven that this county alone can feed thousands of people by raising feed, beef and poultry, and good

horses grow as quick and at as little cost as in any country in the great Southwest. Plant feed and build a silo and the banks will loan you money to buy stock to feed.

THE COWMAN'S CONVENTION

Last week the cattle raisers of Texas, met in their thirty-eighth annual convention at Fort Worth and for three days the spirit of the range, held sway in the Panther City. It is the rule that one generation shall push another off the stage, and under this natural order of things, the cowman has had to give way, to a large measure, to the civilizing influence of the plowman. But even at this, he has held his own and Texas still boasts the largest ranches and more head of livestock than any other state in the Nation. The Texas cattlemen are the kings of the earth, and their pasture is as large as the German Empire and three times as large as Japan.

TAKE REGULAR REST.

M. M. Carrtek, M. D.

Ten minutes' rest in the midst of a hard morning's work is good sense.

Eight hours' sleep at night increases the average output of the worker.

Recuperation is one of the most important methods by which health is conserved and life protracted.

The real meaning of rest is too often misunderstood. Idleness is not necessarily rest. Rest must be taken where the air is pure and plentiful. Rest must be mental as well as physical.

There is little recuperative benefit in resting the muscles and worrying the brain. And there is small wisdom in relaxing the mind and muscles and overtaxing the stomach.

Each day's work has its wear and tear on the human frame. The same man or woman realizes this fundamental truth of Nature and offsets the regular tire with regular rest.

If this method be faithfully followed the sum total of tire will very slightly overbalance the sum total of rest.

The result should be efficiency of mind and body and a proper rejuvenation of energies for each day's labor.

THE CREED OF THE COUNTRY.

Rural life is coming into its own and country life is beginning to be appreciated again after several decades of disfavor and neglect. The following creed which is being adopted as the slogan of various boys and girls clubs throughout the rural sections of Texas and other states show that the thought of life of the country is being directed into its natural channels.

"I believe that the country which God made is more beautiful than the city which man made that life out of doors and in touch with the earth is the natural life of man. I believe that work is work wherever I find it, but that work with nature is more inspiring than work with the most intricate machinery. I believe that the dignity of labor depends not only upon what you do, but on how you do it; that opportunity comes to a boy on the farm as often as to a boy in the city; that life is larger and freer and happier on the farm than in the town; that my success depends not upon my location, but upon myself—not only upon my dreams, but upon what I actually do, not upon luck, but upon pluck. I believe in working when you are playing when you play and in giving and demanding a square deal in every act of life."

MANY TOWNS NOT DEAD—ONLY SICK.

We refer, of course, to live, prosperous towns—not places that are dead and ready for the last sad rites. Of course, there are many towns which are not dead—only sick. They need a tonic to quicken their pulse; they need general treatment by a community specialist. Or, better, they should consult their pride and their conscience and awaken to a full realization of their position and condition.

The wise farmer is looking for the best market possible for his products. He will naturally find it in a live town where there are not only making good markets for the farmer, but are vitally interested in the welfare of the entire town and surrounding country.

They see beyond the results of one day's trade, and realize that there is something more in life than mere money-making. They

are actively interested in bettering community conditions from an educational, social, moral, as well as financial standpoint.

Effort in this line is not confined to the town, alone, as the magnificent benefits extend beyond the corporation limits. The town is made a community and trade center for farmers as well as for townspeople, where there is a lively co-operation which makes for universal good.

It was a beautiful truth which our forefathers symbolized when in the old market towns they erected a market-cross, as if to teach both buyers and sellers to rule their actions and sanctify their gains by the remembrance of the yoked.

WE WANT LEGISLATIVE REST.

It is not the policy of this paper to make political speeches in public, but at this particular stage of the game we cannot refrain from expressing our views on what now seems to be the inevitable with the law making body of Texas.

It is probable that before this is in print the wires leading out of Austin will have flashed the sound for the coming together of the Texas Legislature, and one of the principle planks in Gov. Colquitt's platform—legislative rest, will be smashed to smithereens.

Who is responsible for this seemingly demand for a special last session of the legislature if it legislation to be enacted will be of far greater benefit to the pros than the antis. It is a measure that would have been passed at session of the Legislature if it had not been for the threat of Gov. Colquitt to use the veto axe. A majority of the members of the legislature are pros, and a majority have expressed themselves as being in favor of the special session. But does the "ailment" justify the cost of applying the remedy?

It will cost the state of Texas at least \$50,000 and probably as much as \$75,000 for this piece of work, all of which is for no other purpose than to satisfy the whims and put through the schemes of a few politicians. Is the question of requiring a majority vote to nominate candidates for offices in Texas of so great importance as to justify the expenditure of \$50,000? "Oh!" but says the governor and the law makers who have expressed themselves as favoring the special session, "there are other emergencies," they refer to the "busted" condition of the penitentiary system, and the educational institutions. If we remember correctly Gov. Colquitt wielded the veto axe on the appropriation bills for these institutions unmercifully. There is no question but what these institutions need the attention of a sane legislature and a business administration, but will the spending of \$50,000 or \$75,000 give relief? Would there not be just as much economy in creating a deficiency for the next legislature to take care of as there would be in paying for a special session?

The voters of Texas have elected three of four governors and other officers from governor to constable under the Terrell election law, and it is remarkably strange that we should become so anxious for a majority vote that a special session of the legislature be called to amend the law accordingly. The amendment is a good one. It is a democratic principle, and we say hasten the day when the officers of Texas, from the lowest to the highest, will be selected by a majority of the voters, but it is a question that will keep, and should be passed up to the next session of law makers, and the treasurer of Texas not be drawn on for the measly sum of so much per diem and mileage and other "incidentals."

We say, give us legislative rest and by so doing help our governor to live up to his platform during the last days of his administration.

HELP WANTED—girl or woman, to help do house work, three in family. W. C. McCarver, phone 522 or 467. d2t w1t

Henry Mapes, of the Pony creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday a few hours.

Grover Mukley returned home Tuesday from Collin County, where he had been spending the past several months on a business trip.

J. L. Humphreys, the Crews, merchant, was transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday.

FOREST NOTES

Connecticut has one and a half million acres of timberland, mainly in farmer's woodlots.

India is developing an important turpentine industry, though it does not yet supply the home market.

Only one wood, Spanish cedar, (Cedrela odorata) is commonly used for cigar boxes. Sometimes a cheaper wood may form the basis of the box, with paper-thin veneers of the tropical cedar over it.

It has been suggested that certain kinds of timber on the national forests be reserved for the needs of the navy. This recalls the fact that the first forest reservations in this country were made for naval material.

The department of agriculture is trying to eliminate the danger to cattle from poisonous plants on the national forest ranges. Of these plants, larkspur loco weed, death camas, and water hemlock are the most poisonous. Larkspur does the most harm, because it is so widely distributed and is particularly bad for cattle. Ordinarily, horses will not eat larkspur, and sheep can eat it without apparent injury.

MOTHER! THE CHILD IS COSTIVE, BILIOUS

Don't hesitate! A laxative is necessary if tongue is coated, breath bad or stomach sour.

Give "California Syrup of Figs" at once—a teaspoonful today often saves a sick child tomorrow.

If your little one is out-of-sorts, half-sick, isn't resting, eating and acting naturally—look, Mother! see if tongue is coated. This is a sure sign that it's little stomach, liver and bowels are clogged with waste. When cross, irritable, feverish, stomach sour, breath bad or has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, sore throat, full of cold give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated poison, indigestion and sour bile gently moves out of its little bowels without griping, and you have a well, playful child again.

Mothers can rest easy after giving this harmless "fruit laxative," because it never fails to cleanse the little one's liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach and they dearly love its pleasant taste. Full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown ups printed on each bottle.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs;" then see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company." Don't be fooled!

J. J. Fox, one of the pioneer and substantial citizens of the Pony neighborhood, was shaking hands with friends in Ballinger Tuesday.

The Best of everything to eat and to wear. Service to correspond. You can have both at A. J. Zappe's. 18-2d2tv

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Snyder, who live northwest of the city, up the river, were among the visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

F. G. Behringer to G. S. Ballard, all that certain lot or parcel of land situated in Runnels County being all of lot No. 2 of the Central addition to the town of Winters, consideration \$12,000.

S. Sipp and wife to B. Porch, being 76 feet off the east end of lot No. 6 in block 1, Murray's addition to the town of Winters, consideration \$450.

W. A. Bonner to Jeff Still and George Becker, being 213 1-3 acres of land out of the Geo. Ross survey, consideration \$2,366.55.

First State Bank of Rowent to Joseph Hoelscher, being 140 acres of land out of T. & N. O. Ry., Co., survey No. 527, consideration \$1,000.

E. R. Goodson to Nettie May-Goodson, being a part of the east one-half of survey No. 72, consideration \$1,000.

R. F. Golden to J. D. Coulter, being all of Golden's two-thirds interest in and to lot No 11, in block A, and all of lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16 in Fairview addition to Ballinger, consideration \$100.

Marriage License.

O. C. Davis to Mrs. Anna Lee Billings.

F. T. Farmer to Miss Ada James.

J. W. James to Miss Myrtle White.

BOB SHAFFER MAY RUN FOR TAX ASSESSOR

We learn upon good authority that R. L. Shaffer of Winters will be in the race for tax assessor. Parties returning from Winters first of the week state that considerable pressure is being brought to bear upon Mr. Shaffer by his friends and that it is probable that he will announce within the next few days.

Mr. Shaffer recently disposed of his saddle and harness business at Winters, and will turn over the business to the new proprietors about the first of April, and if he enters the race he will devote his time to the campaign. Bob Shaffer is one of the most popular men in Runnels county, and his name added to the already long list of candidates for tax assessor will add more interest to the campaign.

Mrs. H. H. Thomson and two little sons returned home Tuesday at noon from a visit to friends at Fort Worth and Dallas and heard the Grand Opera singers while in the latter city.

S. B. Caperton, the Maverick stock man, was serving his county as a juror at District court this week.

Deputy Sheriff R. B. Allison, of the Tennyson country, was looking after official business in Ballinger Tuesday.

W. W. Wigle and E. B. Walker of the Habel country, were among the visitors in Ballinger Monday.

R. M. Davis, one of the highly esteemed and pioneer citizens of the Crews country, was transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday.

C. J. Doerr, of Miles, came in Wednesday morning to look after business affairs a day or two.

CANDIDATES

This paper is authorized to announce the following candidates for the offices named, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary to be held in July:

For County Superintendent: E. L. HAGAN, J. N. KEY, S. C. HARRIS.

For Sheriff: JOHN D. PERKINS, J. A. DEMOVILLE

For Tax Assessor: MIKE C. BOYD, WIL L STUART, C. C. SCHUCHARD, SAM H. McPHERSON, JIM McWHIRTER.

For County Judge: M. KLEBERG.

For County Treasurer: W. L. BROWN.

For County Clerk: O. L. PARISH, C. C. COCKRELL

For District Clerk: JOHN THOMASON, GEO. M. STOKES.

For Tax Collector: T. L. TODD, M. D. CHASTAIN, EDWIN DAY, W. T. PADGETT.

For Commissioner Precinct No. 4: E. M. SETSER.

For County Attorney: C. P. SHEPHERD.

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1: FEB McWILLIAMS.

F. D. McInlyre of Waco, who had been looking after land interests in Runnels county the past few days, left Wednesday afternoon for his home.

H. W. Hasse of the Winters country, passed thru Ballinger Wednesday en route to Colorado county and other points in South Texas to visit relatives and friends for a few weeks.

T. H. Mallett of Burnett county, passed through Ballinger Wednesday afternoon en route home from a visit and business trip to the Abilene country.

Mrs. Butler of Comanche, who had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Nance and family, left for her home Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Wardlow, of Concho, were here Thursday and Friday looking after business and visiting relatives. Mr. Wardlow says things are in good shape down on the Concho, but the people are ready and willing for a good rain.

Extra Specials

- 25c and 20c Buggy whips, choice 15c
- 50c Buggy whips, choice 35c
- 15c Buggy whips, choice 10c
- 10c buggy whips, choice 08c
- 1lb. can Nodame Talcum 15c
- 600 school tablest, choice 04c
- 17 oz. high grade goblets, the set 65c.
- All popular sheet music 15c

The Fair

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PONY CREEK RABBIT HUNT.

The Pony creek citizens are proverbial for their open hearted hospitality and their splendid dinners and at the rabbit drive in that neighborhood last Saturday they maintained their well established reputation and all who were fortunate enough to be present report one of the largest crowds and the best all time had during the series of hunts that has been pulled off in the country. Those present from Ballinger on this occasion were: Drs. Love, Mangum, and Fowler, Pete McGregor, John Morgan, J. A. De Moville, Ralph Erwin, J. F. McMillian, S. H. McPherson, R. W. Bruce, Hamil Ward, C. C. Schuchard, Edwin Day, John Perkins Will Stuart, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Ward, Erney Ward, Father J. B. Lavoie, M. D. Chastain, Jap Adams, Will Francis, R. L. Harwell, B. C. Kirk, Bob McGregor, J. R. Deens, W. B. Wood, Mrs. Jas. McWhirter, Mrs. Edwin Day and Misses Rutherford, also Dr. Scott, of Temple.

There were about 90 hunters with guns and after the day's sport was over it was estimated that about 500 of the long eared pests were killed during the drive.

Those who made it possible for this pleasant occasion were: Messrs. J. J. Fox, J. M. Greenhill, John Simmons, Lon Mapes, Theo Krc, J. W. Bigby, J. W. Bishop, John Justice, E. W. Gray, Pat Fox, B. Porterfield, P. M. Cordill and others of the neighborhood, assisted by the good ladies. Not a thing was said or done during the day to mar the occasion and all the visitors left feeling that the hospitality of these splendid citizens was greatly enjoyed and a held by all present.

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ANOTHER BIG HUNT.

We are requested to announce another rabbit hunt on Thursday, March 26th, to begin at the forks of the Paint Rock and Brady road near the home of Mrs. Flynt, known as the Jim Hubbard old ranch, and the dinner will be served at the Bethel school house at noon. Meet at 9 o'clock at the above place and wait for orders.

The Forty Year Test

An article must have exceptional merit to survive for a period of forty years. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy was first offered to the public in 1872. From a small beginning it has grown in favor and popularity until it has attained a world wide reputation. You will find nothing better for a cough or cold. Try it and you will understand why it is a favorite after a period of more than forty years. It not only gives relief—it cures. For sale by all dealers.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

The city council met in called session Tuesday to consider bids from different firms to sell to the city a new pump for the water works system and after due consideration and investigation, the contract was closed with the Epping Carpenter Company for a Duplex pump of 1000 gallons capacity per minute.

The pump will be modern and up-to-date in every particular and will be rushed out from the factory and it is thought will be here and installed within the next six weeks.

A letter was received by the mayor and read to the council from the Holland's Magazine stating that the drinking fountains had been shipped out, freight prepaid and would soon arrive in our city and be installed by a man sent for that purpose by Holland's Magazine. It will be remembered these are the prizes awarded Ballinger in the recent clean up contest.

BAND MAY GO TO SAN ANTONIO

In the event the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce decides to offer a prize to the best amateur band in the state of Texas, it is very probable that the Ballinger Band will compete for the awards. This is the statement of practically every member of the Ballinger Band. The occasion for the offering of the prize is San Jacinto Day or the Battle of Flowers in San Antonio, that date being celebrated elaborately in the southern city.

Last year the local band received an invitation to visit San Antonio and compete for the prize which was awarded, but several obstacles prevented the boys from participating in the event. This year, however, it is believed by the home talent that sufficient material can be furnished the band to put up a good representation before judges.

One of the boys in an interview today, stated that the band would probably call upon the merchants of the city to subscribe a modest amount towards defraying the expenses of a leader and incidentals caused by the event, should they receive an invitation to enter the contest. A leader, according to this young musician, would be necessary before the band could attend the big event, since the boys could do little good without the aid and coaching of one better versed in music than they are.

Until the letter from the proper authorities is received by the boys nothing of a definite nature will be done.

Spring Blood and System Cleanser.

During the winter months impurities accumulate, your blood becomes impure and thick, your kidneys, liver and bowels fail to work, causing so-called "Spring Fever." You feel tired, weak and lazy. Electric Bitters—the spring tonic and system cleanser—is what you need; they stimulate the kidneys, liver and bowels to healthy action, expel blood impurities and restore your health, strength and ambition. Electric Bitters makes you feel like new. Start a four week's treatment—it will put you in fine shape for your spring work. Guaranteed. All druggists. 50c and \$1.00. H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis.

ANGELO TO HAVE NEW HOTEL

The Chamber of Commerce is soliciting a \$50,000 bonus with which to accept a proposition made to that city to build a \$250,000 hotel. The work is well in hand and if the bonus is put up the hotel will be a go.

Chamberlain's Tablets for Constipation.

For constipation, Chamberlain's Tablets are excellent. Easy to take, mild and gentle in effect. Give them a trial. For sale by all dealers.

PARCEL POST TO TAKE SEEDS, ROOTS, PLANTS

Washington, March 14.—Postmaster General Burleson today announced the extension of the parcel post service to seeds, cuttings, bulbs, roots, scions and various kinds of plants.

Rheumatism and Neuralgia
People will be glad to know that Hunt's Lightning Oil stops the pain almost instantly. No other liniment acts so promptly and with such gratifying results. Those who suffer should not fail to try it. Sold by all druggists in 25c and 50c bottles.

SAYS FRUIT CROP IS BADLY DAMAGED

Rev. J. W. Raby, of the Valley creek country, says most of the fruit has been destroyed by the recent freeze. The peach crop has suffered the worst, and it is thought that there will be very few peaches, and the plums are also cut short.

For Weakness and Loss of Appetite
The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELSS CHILI TONIC, drives out Malaria and builds up the system. A true tonic and sure Appetizer. For adults and children. 50c.

Dr. R. A. Dickinson, a Ballinger dentist, a visitor in the city Saturday, returned home on the afternoon train.—San Angelo Standard.

BODY CARRIED TO WIFE'S FORMER HOME

The body of William Hoenig, who died here early Wednesday night at his home on Eleventh St from the effects of paralysis sustained several years ago when he fell from a horse, was shipped to Pueblo, Colo., this afternoon. The remains went over the Santa Fe railway.

Mr. Ike Hoenig, who had been living with the deceased, accompanied the remains to Colorado. He will be gone about two weeks.

Funeral services were held this afternoon at Mr. Hoenig's former home, Rev. W. H. Doss officiating. Scores of friends and admirers of the deceased were present to witness the ceremony as a last tribute to his memory.

Mr. Hoenig was well known over this section of the state, having come here many years ago, when quite a young man. He took up land in what was known as Western Texas and here he remained the greater portion of his life. He owned at the time of his death valuable tracts of land in Schleicher County.

Mr. Hoenig's wife died over a year ago. The husband never fully recovered from the shock which accompanied the untimely death. She was carried to Pueblo, her former home, and there buried. The body of Mr. Hoenig will be placed beside the last resting place of his wife.

Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank my friends and the friends of my deceased brother for their kindness during the illness and death of my brother. It is impossible for me to see and thank each one in person, and through this method I most sincerely thank every one who was so kind to us. Especially do I thank those who waited upon my brother and watched over him during his last hours in life. Itd 1tw

A GREAT SUCCESS.

Young men and women desiring to achieve a great success should not waste their summer vacation. One vacation spent properly will protect them against poverty and enable them to earn an honest living and live a respectable citizen. There is no use idling away the summer months. Business men and farmers alike work during the summer. Ambitious boys and girls would rather spend their vacation with a large and enthusiastic student body, mastering a course of bookkeeping and shorthand or telegraphy that they may work their way thru some college or accept a good paying position in a business office. He who cares more for success than heat, goes a long way ahead of him who waits until cool weather to study. Many a young boy or girl who at the close of school last year, entered the Tyler Commercial College of Tyler, Texas, to spend their vacation, are either in one of our large universities, earning their own way, or holding a splendid salaried position or in business for themselves. Where there's a will there's a way. Cowardice sits and whines "I can't." Courage forces success. If you desire to obtain a knowledge for which the business world readily pay cash, write for large illustrated catalogue of the Tyler Commercial College, read the advantages of their splendid courses of instructions and what those who have graduated and are now holding good positions, say of the institution; and what the employers of these graduates say of their efficient training. Read how some worked their way thru school, how others borrowed the money and made it pay them big dividends, how others quit jobs at small salaries, completed their courses and went back to the same firm at two and three times their previous salary. Get a salary raising education. It is yours if you are willing to make the effort. Write today for catalogue and make arrangements to enter as soon as your school closes. The U. S. Government has held two examinations here in Tyler this Spring enabling our graduates to go into nice civil service positions at entrance salary of from \$900 to \$1020.

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NOTICE OF HEARING TO Appropriate Public Waters.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that W. E. Blair, whose postoffice address is Ballinger, Texas, did on the 11th day of March, A. D., 1914, file an application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, in which he applies for a permit to appropriate—acre-feet of water per annum, or 6-10 cubic feet of water per second of time for the period of—days in each year, for the purpose of irrigating certain lands, hereinafter described from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas, to be diverted from the Colorado River by means of a pumping plant, located on the C. D. Fromm survey No. 421, on the south bank of the Colorado River, one mile west of the City of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas.

You are hereby further notified that the lands proposed to be irrigated consist of 30 acres of the C. D. Fromm survey No. 421 and situated one mile west of the City of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas.

A hearing on the said application of the said W. E. Blair will be held by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at its office, in the City of Austin County of Travis, said State, on Saturday, the 18th day of April, A. D., 1914, beginning at 10 o'clock, A. M. at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under, and by virtue of, an order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas at the office of said Board, in Austin, Texas, this the 12th day of March, A. D. 1914.

J. C. NAGLE,
JOHN WILSON,
Board.
(Seal) Attest: W. T. POTTER,
Secretary.
20-27-ap13-10.

DR. TODD'S CANDIDACY ENDORSED.

We the undersigned citizens of Maverick community do hereby endorse the candidacy of Dr. T. L. Todd for the office of tax collector of Runnels County and commend him to the voters of the county as a worthy and capable man for the office.

W. L. McAulay, J. V. Borders, W. R. Little, J. M. Slaughter, J. D. Reynolds, H. E. Petty, J. E. Fowler, Ed Faulks, A. F. Schumm, E. A. Brookshire, Burt Fletcher, F. L. Webb, Jesse Landers, J. D. Carlton, J. B. Carlton, W. E. Seipp, Henry Seipp, W. R. Murphy, J. W. Faulks, A. F. Lee, T. A. Baker, J. L. Lee, R. S. Bowden, W. L. Malone, J. E. McAuley, Claud Lee, E. C. Clinger, J. G. Caperton, H. A. Grimes, W. T. Baker, W. T. Little, J. W. Mackey, L. B. Bright, Lee Little, T. J. Webb, T. E. Reynolds, J. P. Huffaker, G. W. Ray, S. B. Caperton, S. W. Emert, J. J. Pape, J. W. Borders, Walter Schum, E. J. Handley, C. E. Trammel, J. H. Athey, R. A. Martin, J. T. Ford, Marvin Mackey, F. Roper, M. Roper, Robt. T. Lee, Ernest Marshall, A. W. Teague, B. F. Fogart, L. W. Little, J. H. Beard, C. R. Roberson, E. P. Hall, G. W. Darl, E. C. James, Y. C. Wilson, J. D. Whitley, A. J. H. Borders, W. R. James, V. B. Bailey, E. C. Pettigrew, G. D. Gore, W. A. Cummings.

W. L. Bell one of the substantial citizens of the Winters country, came in Monday and will serve as a juror in the District Court now in session in Ballinger.

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"Some time ago I wrote you about my little boy, Clarence, five years of age. He was troubled with his ears. They were very sensitive to the touch, and he was quite deaf at times. He seemed to be worse after catching cold. I had taken him to doctors, but they did not seem to be able to relieve him, and I was very much afraid he would lose his hearing entirely. He was getting more deaf every day. I wrote to you for advice, and you prescribed Peruna. I began giving it to him, and can now say that he is entirely cured. He is now well and hearty and can hear perfectly."

Catarrh Causes Many Diseases.

Many diseases are caused by taking cold. A cold is very likely to settle in the nose, causing nasal catarrh. It may settle in the upper part of the throat, called the nasal pharyngeal space. In this space are two little tubes called eustachian tubes, that lead to the middle ear.

If the catarrh settles in the pharyngeal space it may follow the mucous membrane through the eustachian tubes into the middle ear. If it does it will cause noises in the ear, and later on be sure to cause deafness.

Catarrh of the throat may follow the eustachian tubes up into the middle ear without causing much concern on the part of the patient. The par-

tial loss of hearing is apt to be overlooked. A person may lose half his hearing before he knows it.

For instance, suppose a man can hear his watch four feet from the ear. If he loses his hearing to the extent that he can only hear the tick of his watch two feet from the ear he may not suspect it at all. His hearing is good enough for ordinary purposes. He goes on without the slightest suspicion that he is losing his hearing. He may have ringing in the ear, or cracking and snapping sounds in the ear, or a feeling of pressure in the ear, but he is not aware that he is losing his hearing.

Testing the Hearing.

It is a good thing to test your hearing with a watch. First hold the watch against your ear, then move it gradually away from the ear and see how far away from the watch you can actually hear it tick. Try it on the other side and see if both ears are alike. If you find that you are unable to hear the watch on both sides alike and at a distance of four feet from the ear, you may know that deafness has already begun. You should begin taking Peruna at once. Gargle the throat with cold, strong salt water, as directed in the "Ils of Life," sent free by Peruna Co., Columbus, Ohio. Persist in this treatment until a cure is effected.

The Best Way to Gargle.

Sometimes catarrh of the nasal pharyngeal space will cause an accumulation of secretions in the throat, that completely fill the space. Unless these secretions are promptly removed by frequent gargling polypi may be formed. Once formed the polypi or adenoids, as they are sometimes called, will require a long time with the gargling to remove. Gargling according to the proper method will sometimes remove polypi or adenoids, and no surgical operation is required.

In order to understand exactly what is meant by proper gargling send for a free copy of the "Ils of Life." During the whole course of gargling Peruna must be taken according to directions on the bottle.

People who object to liquid medicines can now obtain Peruna Tablets.

PREACHING AT MILLAR SCHOOL HOUSE

We are requested to announce that Rev. E. W. Wells, pastor of the Nazarene church of our city, will preach next Sunday afternoon at the Millar school house east of the city, at three thirty o'clock. Everybody cordially invited to attend the service.

Notice.

TO THE PUBLIC:
Owing to the fact that this is election year, you will find me away from the office and the town of Ballinger, as much as the duties of the office of county judge may permit, making a campaign and canvass for re-election to the office of county judge. Thus you may know the cause and reason of my absence from the office should you call. M. KLEBERG. 17-d1t w2t

Wiss Wilson, the Winters blacksmith had business in Ballinger a few hours Tuesday.

HOWARD COUNTY REMAINS IN THE DRY COLUMN

A phone message received at the Ledger office this afternoon states that Howard county remained dry in Monday's election by a majority of 90 votes. The county went dry six years ago by a majority of 328. Big Springs is the county site of Howard county, and is a railroad town, and the railroad men took much interest in the campaign. The campaign was one of the most strenuous ones ever held in Texas, and the best talent in Howard county counties were called in by both and able speakers form outside factions.

Johnnie Norman of Dallas, who had been visiting relatives and friends at Ballinger and Paint Rock the past week, left Tuesday for his home.

Walter Murray, of Winters, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

RUNNELS PHYSICIANS MEET IN WINTERS

The Runnels County Medical Society met in regular monthly session Thursday evening in Winters. Several Ballinger physicians were present and participated in the meeting of the doctors who had gathered from every point in Runnels County.

The meeting was called to order at 8 o'clock in the offices of Drs. Alfred and Saunders. The Winters physicians had prepared a most wholesome supper at one of the hotels for all who attended the meeting. After the supper the society was called to order and an interesting and instructive program was carried out. The discussions were participated in by all present and showed that the Runnels County doctors were abreast of the times.

Dr. S. C. Parsons of San Angelo, the counselor of the district, was present and made an excellent talk along lines of organized medicine. The visitor's talk was well received and appreciated by all.

At the close of the meeting a vote of thanks was extended the physicians of Winters for the hospitable entertainment extended the doctors.

Several Ballinger physicians motored over to the town to the north late in the afternoon and participated in the meeting. Plans for the entertainment of the district meeting which will be held here in November were outlined at the gathering last night. The district convention of physicians will be held in Ballinger.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss,

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

(Seal) A. W. Gleason, Notary Public. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

THE IDEAL IRRIGATION CO.

The reporter in company with W. J. Miller, Sam Baker and Jno. Hopkinson, visited the Chas. S. Miller irrigation plant near the city and found the water flowing down the ditches at a rate of 15,000 gallons per minute, and W. A. Taylor was just about to turn the water upon his alfalfa field when the tank gave way at the bottom and all the water ran out. In about 20 or 30 minutes the break was filled and the water started the second time when the bottom of the tank again gave way on account of the heavy pressure of water.

The trouble will be remedied in a substantial way at once, and Mr. H. M. Linseum thinks everything will move along all right from now on. Mr. Linseum is manager of the Ideal Irrigation Co. and is thoroughly familiar with irrigation work and has the plant and the farm in tip-top shape.

Under the efficient management of Mr. Linseum this irrigation plant is an ideal one in fact as the name indicates.

While at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Linseum, Mrs. Linseum showed us a brooder full of fine Rhode Island Red chickens just taken from the incubator which were fine and thrifty. She has two incubators of 160 egg capacity each, and was just filling the incubators the second time and will engage extensively in raising fine poultry.

Editor E. S. Kulela, wife and babes, of Rowena, were among the visitors in Ballinger Monday afternoon.

J. R. Connley, the Winters Livery Stable man, passed thru the city Monday afternoon en route to Bangs on a short business trip.

Max Zieschang, the prominent stockfarmer East of the city, was in Ballinger Monday and informed us that he would have another shipment of registered Berkshire pigs sent to him in a few days to place on his ranch.

GRAND JURY COURT WEEK

Gran jury: G. W. Clayton, Benoit, foreman; E. D. Walter, W. B. Ray, W. L. Ellis, of Ballinger; J. D. Smith Wingate; W. H. Rodgers, W. C. F. King, Crews; S. B. Caperton, Maverick, H. A. Mitchell, Winters; I. A. Currie, Miles; J. W. Bigby, Pony creek; Tom Puckett, Wilmeth.

Baliffs: D. P. Moser Sr., door-keeper; John Henry Lewis, Will Stuart, Lynn Stokes, Cap Cidwell, riding bailiffs; W. A. Breed love, walking bailiff.

The second week of district court for the March term, 1914, convened at one-thirty o'clock Monday afternoon, and the judge immediately impaneled the grand jury and put that inquisitive body to work. No particular violation of law had been reported to the judge and his charge was of the usual instruction with no special charge. It is not thought that much business will come before the investigators and unless something develops it is probable that the usual one week will be all that is required to look into all matters that come before them.

After giving the grand jury its task of the term the judge qualified the petit jury for the week, and one unusual and remarkable feature of the present term is that out of the list summoned for this week there was not a single juror that asked to be excused from service, and all those who answered to roll call qualified as jurors for the week.

The criminal docket was opened and less than thirty minutes consumed in disposing of that docket for the evening. The first case was that against H. S. Fowler for swindling. Fowler is now in the pen serving a term for perjury, and the case was continued by operation of law. The second case was the Trammel murder case, in which young Trammel is charged with killing a Mexican in the Crews neighborhood about two years ago. The States witnesses in this case have left the country, are all Mexicans and it is probable the case will be dismissed before the present term of court adjourns. The third case called was against a young man by the name of Griggs, charged with attempt to rape. This case was passed for the present and the criminal docket closed and the civil docket taken up and a few jury cases on that docket will be disposed of.

What is Good for Headache?

One lady says, after suffering dreadfully for about seven years, she tried Hunt's Lightning Oil, which almost instantly relieved her, and has been entirely free from those dreadful headaches since. Ask your druggist.

BABY WAS SNATCHED FROM MOTHER'S SIDE BY ROPE.

Austin, March 16.—One of the most tragic accidents conceivable occurred here today when Pasco Martinez, thirteen months old, was killed. While seated at the side of the road, close to its mother, the rope fastening a horse to a post broke, flew back from the tension exerted by the frightened animal and coiled around the child's neck. Frightened by a passing automobile the horse dashed down the road dragging the child behind it while the panic stricken mother ran futilely after the animal.

Attracted by the cries of the mother, Willie Von Rosenberg, son of County Judge Von Rosenberg stepped into the road and stopped the animal. A doctor was called immediately, but the child was dead.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Davis and little daughter of the Bethel neighborhood, returned home Monday at noon from Santa Anna where they had been on a visit to her brother, J. M. Nichols and family and we are glad to report Mr. Nichols and family all well and doing nicely in their new home.

Deputy Sheriff Evans and a Mr. Ross, of Goldthwaite, who had been in our county and city the past day of two left Monday afternoon for their home. They are old friends of J. M. Garlington of our city.

Uncle John Spain, one of the pioneer citizens of the Crews country, was shaking hands with his many friends in the city Tuesday.

CLEARING GROUND FOR NEW BUILDING

The work of removing the remains of the two story stone building that was recently destroyed by fire just across the street from The Ledger office, is under way, and the burned timbers and old stone will be hauled away, and the lot made ready for the building, of a modern house on this lot.

The owner of this property, J. F. Currie, has not adopted plans for the new building, but has the matter under consideration, and it is probable that the adjoining property, which is owned by Mrs. Clark, of San Saba, will be remodeled and a new building to cover the entire length of the lot erected.

The owners of the property are figuring with the contractors and in the near future we hope to be able to give out some interesting news in this matter.

Election Notice

By the authority vested in me, as Mayor of the city of Ballinger, I give this notice that an election will be held in the City Hall, Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, on April 7th, 1914, for the election of three Aldermen and a City Attorney for said city, and hereby appoint J. F. Lusk presiding officer of said election.

J. W. POWELL, Mayor of the City of Ballinger. 41td 5tw.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

to Appropriate Public Waters

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that A. F. Aycock, whose postoffice address is Ballinger, Texas, did on the 10th day of March, A. D. 1914, file an application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, in which he applies for a permit to appropriate—acres of water per annum or 2 3-4 cubic feet of water per second of time for the period of — days in each year, for the purpose of irrigating certain lands, hereinafter described from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas, to be diverted from the Colorado River by means of a pumping plant, located on the Francis Helmer Survey No. 417, on the south bank of the Colorado River, five miles west of the city of Ballinger.

You are hereby further notified that the land to be irrigated consists of 40 acres out of the northeast corner of the Francis Helmer survey No. 417, and 60 acres out of the northeast part of the August Kleinecke survey No. 418, aggregating 100 acres, all in said Runnels County, Texas, about five miles west of the City of Ballinger.

A hearing on the said application of the said A. F. Aycock will be held by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at its office, in the City of Austin County of Travis, said State, on Saturday, the 18th day of April, A. D. 1914, beginning at 10 o'clock, A. M. at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under, and by virtue of, an order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas at the office of said Board, in Austin, Texas, this 11th day of March, A. D. 1914.

J. C. NAGLE, JOHN WILSON, Board. Attest: W. T. POTTER, Secretary. 20-27-ap13-10.

I. O. O. F. CONVENTION

The following citizens of this city and other points in the county left Sunday afternoon to attend the state meeting of the Odd Fellows Lodge at Fort Worth: Mrs. J. A. Ostertag, Joe Hadden, of Ballinger; T. J. McCaugn, of Norton; J. A. Smith, of the Winters country and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Midgely, of Paint Rock.

We are glad to report Charlie Furgason able to be on the streets again Tuesday since a recent operation for appendicitis and is regaining his usual good health very nicely at the present.



T. A. Puckett, one of the prosperous stock farmers of the Wilmeth country was among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

M. KLEBERG JR. Attorney-at-Law. Office at Courthouse.

J. E. Wade A. K. Doss WADE & DOSS. Lawyers. Office over Ballinger Loan Co. Ballinger, Texas.

HARRIS & HARRIS Attorneys-at-Law Corporation Collections and Land Litigation Specialties Office over Ballinger State Bank and Trust Co.

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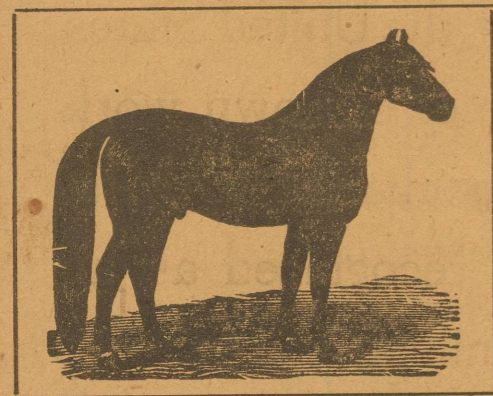
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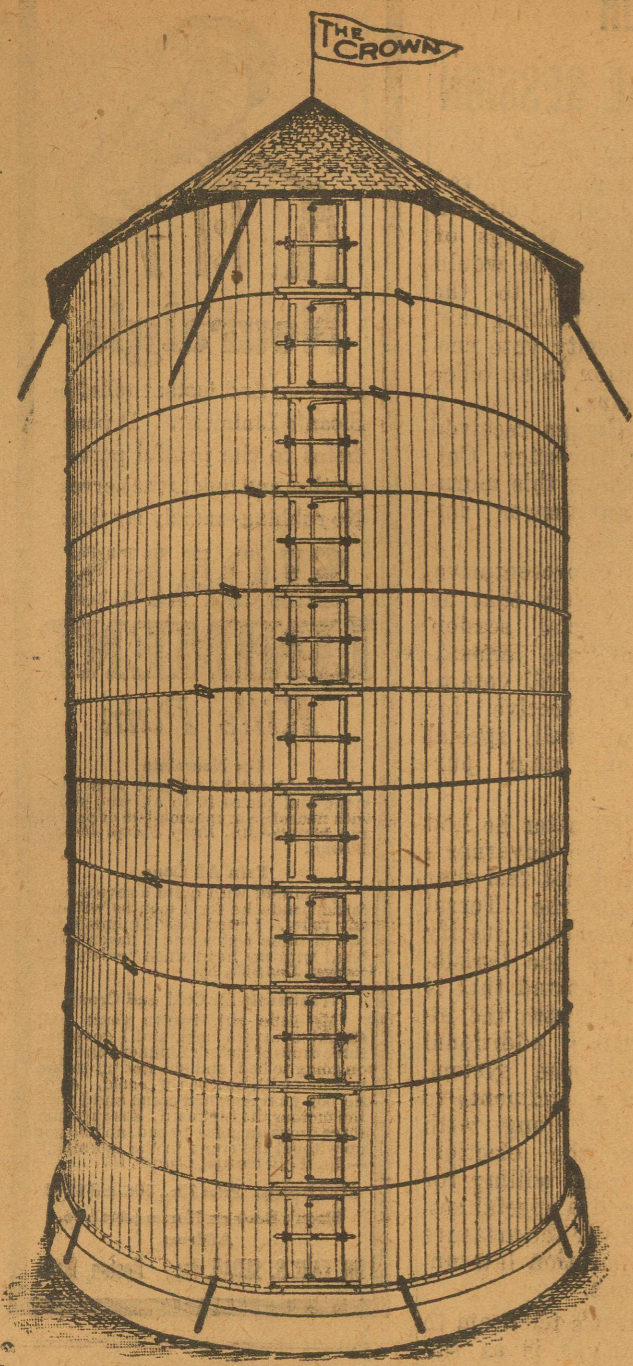


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I am today giving them an order for three, 200 ton Silos, which I will erect on my farms.

One of my main reasons for buying the Crown Silo is that it is absolutely guaranteed not to blow down, nor collapse, by Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co.

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GOING AND COMING IN WINTERS.

Winters, March 16.—Judge J. P. Cogdell had business in Ballinger Thursday and Friday.

Mr. J. Y. Pearce of Ballinger, who has been here in the interest of his drug business, returned home Thursday.

Mrs. Wm. Smiley returned Saturday with her little son, Dale, who was operated on in Temple. He stood the trip home nicely and is improving as well as could be expected.

Mr. Trace Gillespie had business in Ballinger Thursday.

James Huffhines was a business visitor to Ballinger between trains Saturday.

Rev. J. C. Boyd, pastor of the Winters Baptist church, had business in Ballinger the first of the week, and returned in his new four-passenger Ford automobile, which he recently purchased at that place.

Dr. E. B. Middleton left Tuesday morning for New Orleans,

La., where he will attend medical school for several weeks.

Mrs. Alec Orr and son, Boyd, arrived in Winters Thursday afternoon. Boyd has been in bad health for some time and we trust his visit will prove a beneficial one. We are glad to welcome them back to their old home, as they moved from here to Dallas two years ago.

The teachers and pupils of the Winters High School gave a very pleasing and entertaining program at the Opera House Saturday night. It was indeed well attended and enjoyed by all. The proceeds which were large, will go to paying off a payment on the library books.

Mrs. Jas. F. Holliday spent several days the last week with her father and friends in Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mitchell and children left Wednesday afternoon for Belton where Mr. Mitchell will farm near that place the ensuing year.

STILL ANOTHER RABBIT HUNT.

We are requested to state that there will be a rabbit drive held Thursday, April, 2nd to begin at the home of E. Werner east of Ballinger near the Ballinger and Coleman public road, eight miles from Ballinger. The hunt will be made in the Max Zieschang and J. S. Reese neighborhood. A basket dinner and everybody cordially invited to attend.

J. E. McAden, one of the successful farmers on the Dr. Fowler place southwest of the city left from this point Tuesday afternoon to visit his daughter Mrs. A. M. Estes and family of Dallas a few days. We are sorry to report Mr. Estes quite ill.

Bert Fletcher, one of the substantial citizens of the Maverick country, passed thru Ballinger Wednesday afternoon en route to Mullin, Texas, on a short business trip.

B. F. Parker and Roy Bates of the Token and Moro Mountain country, and Clarence T. Harter of the Wilmeth country, were among the number who attended District Court in Ballinger Wednesday.

C. C. Robison, one of the substantial citizens of the Bercoit country, was attending District court in Ballinger Tuesday.

Joe Sommers and F. Schroeder, two of the prominent citizens of the Rowena country, were transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

SPECIAL SESSION PROSPECTS SLIGHT

Austin, March 15.—Possibilities of an extra session of the legislature became more dim tonight when Governor Colquitt stated that from one hundred and thirty one replies received from members of the legislature, only 45 members had voted in favor of a special session. There are only thirty eight members yet to be heard from the senate and 20 members of the house.

Governor Colquitt stated that from twenty-one senators that had answered eleven expressed the opinion that a change in the election laws would not justify the calling of a special session. Five believed that a special session should be called for this purpose while five more were non-committal.

One hundred and ten members of the house have answered, thirty-four of whom favored the calling of a special session for changing the election laws and forty-two voted against such a call. The remaining 34 were non-committal. Members numbering seventy-eight of the 109 that have answered stated that they would vote to put the change into immediate effect should the amendment be submitted.

There are six vacancies in the house and one in the senate. There has seemed to be an overwhelming majority of the answers in favor of a special session for the passage of a warehouse bill, a land credits system and amendment to the penitentiary laws. Many however, believe that should a special session be called that the members would merely waste the time.

LEGISLATIVE REST ALMOST ASSURED

Austin, March 16.—Even the most ardent supporters of a special session see little chance of Governor Colquitt calling any session to amend the Terrell election law to make a majority election rule prevail in the coming primaries.

At this time, 136 members of both houses have responded to governor's query. There are outstanding at this time thirty-one responses from twenty-three members of the house and eight members of the senate.

The poll at this time shows that 114 members of the house have answered. Fifty members advise against a special session, thirty-seven members are in favor of a session and 27 members are non-committal.

Of thirty members of the senate, 22 members have responded. Only six of this number favor a special session while eleven advise against such an action and five members are non-committal.

The total shows that forty-three members of both houses favor a session, sixty-one members oppose and 32 are non-committal. A large majority favor the amendment of the penitentiary laws, a warehouse law and land credits law.

Should all of the members of both houses who have not answered at this time respond in favor of a special session the total of those in favor of a special session would be only 74 members, while to have an even division it would take eighty-three members in the affirmative.

The governor will scarcely call a special session without at least 50 per cent in favor of such an act.

R. C. Tillery of Concho, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday and says while he has bought property in another county he still expects to make this section his home as there is no country equal to this part of the state.

Jake Stubberfield, one of the prosperous ranchmen of the Norton country, was serving his county this week as a juror.

F. M. Murphy, one of the highly esteemed and pioneer citizens of the Norton country, was shaking hands and looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

J. W. F. Bishop, one of the successful farmers 10 miles down the river, was supplying in Ballinger Monday.

GRIGGS FAVORS MAJORITY VOTE LAW

In view of the fact that Gov. Colquitt has volunteered to call the legislature together for the purpose of amending the Terrell election law so as to require a majority of all votes polled to nominate a candidate for any office, a reporter for this paper called on Representative Griggs to-day with the question: "Judge Griggs, are you in favor of amending the Terrell Election Law so that it will require a majority vote to elect?" "I am certainly in favor of the proposed amendment." "Well, are you in favor of a special session of the legislature for that purpose?" "I am not in favor of a special session of the legislature for that purpose alone, but I am in favor of a special session for the purpose of amending the election law and passing bills taking care of the University and A. & M. Colleges, and a number of other measures that Go. Colquitt recently mentioned in a statement he gave out."

In speaking of the conditions of the educational and eleemosinary institutions Judge Griggs says he thinks they should be attended to before the state tax board fixes the tax rate, and that the appropriations should be made and deficiencies not allowed to accumulate at the whims of the governor.

Representative Kennedy of Kerrville, has sent a message to each member of the legislature and asked his views on the proposed amendments, and 82 representatives and 20 senators have expressed themselves as favoring the amendment, and it is very probably that the special session of the law makers will be held, as considerable pressure is being brought to bear upon the governor to get him to carry out his threat made at the Dallas convention last Saturday.

ENTERTAINS S. S. CLASS

Miss Ione Cockrell entertained her Sunday School Class Wednesday night from 7:30 to 10 o'clock and all present report a very pleasant evening. After partaking of nice refreshments consisting of fresh strawberries and cream and cake the evening's entertainment closed. Those present were: Misses Juliett Miller, Stella Bateman, Nelle Lankford, Clara Steele, Ruth Davis, Ida Ray Cockrell, and Rev. A. C. Smith, pastor of the Eighth St. Presbyterian Church.

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Just one application doubles the beauty of your hair, besides it immediately dissolves every particle of dandruff; you cannot have nice, healthy hair if you have dandruff. This destructive scurf rots the hair of its lustre, its strength and its very life, and if not overcome it produces a feverishness and itching of the scalp; the hair roots famish, loosen and die; then the hair falls out fast.

If your hair has been neglected and is thin, faded, dry, scraggy, or too oily, get a 25 cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine at any drug store or toilet counter; apply a little as directed and ten minutes after you will say this was the best investment you ever made.

We sincerely believe, regardless of everything else advertised, that if you desire soft, lustrous, beautiful hair and lots of it—no dandruff—no itching scalp and no more falling hair—you must use Knowlton's Danderine. If eventually—why not now?

German Coffee Cake

Made Without Yeast

By Mrs. Janet McKenzie Hill, Editor of the Boston Cooking School Magazine. There is no warm bread quite as appropriate for Sunday morning breakfast as German Coffee Cake, yet it is seldom made by housewives who do not bake their own bread. If K C double raise Baking Powder is used it will be just as good as if raised with yeast and it will have the further advantage of being fresh and warm. Save this recipe and try it next Sunday.

K C German Coffee Cake

Two and one-fourth cups sifted flour; 3 level teaspoonfuls K C Baking Powder; 1 level teaspoonful salt; 2 tablespoonfuls melted butter; 2 tablespoonfuls sugar; 1 egg; milk.



Sift dry ingredients together, beat the egg, add milk and butter to the egg to make one and one-quarter cups; stir all together with inverted spoon to a stiff batter. Turn into biscuit pan and spread even. Brush top lightly with melted butter. Sprinkle sugar and ground cinnamon over the top. Bake in moderate oven.

Dutch Apple Cake or Prune Kuchen can be made with this same batter by covering the top with pared and sliced apples, or cooked prunes with the pits removed, skin sides down. Dredge with sugar and cinnamon the same as for Coffee Cake.

"The Cook's Book" contains 90 just such delicious recipes. You can secure a copy free by sending the colored certificate packed in 25-cent cans of K C Baking Powder to the Jaques Mfg. Co., Chicago, being sure to write your name and address plainly.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bloek Sr., of the Olfin country, are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine girl baby, born to them Wednesday, March 11th.

THIS STOMACH REMEDY HELPS YOUR FRIENDS

Almost every day some grateful person comes into our store and tells us of benefits received from the use of Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets. Knowing how much good they have done others and knowing what they are made of, we feel sure they will help you. So great is our faith in them that we urge you to try them entirely at our risk, with our personal promise that if they don't do all you expect them to do and make your stomach comfortable and healthy and your digestion easy, we'll hand back your money.

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THREE ROW STALK CUTTER

L. S. Evans, one of the successful farmers of the South Ballinger country, left Thursday for Dallas where he goes to arrange to have manufactured his new patented Three Row Stalk Cutter. This is one of Mr. Evans' own inventions and is a model of common sense and practical in every particular, and Jack McGregor of the Hall Hardware Co., who has seen the machine in operation says it does the work nicely and not only clears the land of the stalks but cuts them up in a shape to be put back on the land as humus. Another splendid feature of this stalk cutter is that it can be made and sold for about half the price of other single row stalk cutters now on the market. We congratulate our countryman Evans on his successful invention and the perfection of the same through the patent office at Washington.

My Horse McKinley

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Ballinger, Texas

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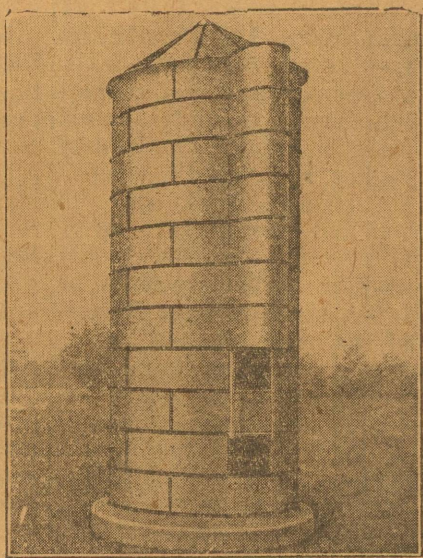
Stirs up the liver—Drives disease poisons away.

Any time any of my cattle get anything wrong with them I give them a few doses of Bee Dee STOCK MEDICINE. They soon get well. John S. Carroll, Moorhead, Miss.

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W. A. GRAY
COLEMAN, TEXAS

A. F. ADAMS, WINTERS DIED THURSDAY

It was sad news to the old timers and the many friends of A. F. Adams when it was announced here early Thursday morning that Mr. Adams was dead. While deceased had not been in good health for several months, it was not thought that he was dangerously ill, and the news of his death came as a surprise to those who had not been previously notified of his condition.

Alec Adams has been a citizen of this county almost since the beginning of the development of the county. He came here in the early days and no man has lived in the county that stood higher with his neighbors and friends. He has raised a family of six boys and three girls and they were all near their father when the end came. He is also survived by a wife, who has been in bad health for the last eight or ten years. On account of his devotion to his devotion to his wife Mr. Adams wife Mr. Adams has remained close at home, giving her every attention possible, and doing all that medical skill could do to restore her to good health, and he has been to Ballinger but few times, and for this reason his friends have not enjoyed his company as much as in former days.

Deceased came to this country a poor man. He was among the first men in the county to break land and till the soil. He put in to cultivation the land known as the Joe Johnson place just across the creek from Ballinger, and he used ox teams in breaking other land and giving this county a start in the agricultural world that makes it to-day rank with the best counties in Texas. By his honesty and industry Mr. Adams prospered and accumulated considerable property and at the time of his death he was in comfortable circumstances. For many years he has been living on his farm near Antelope, up until a few months ago when he moved to Winters to be near the physicians on account of his wife's health and also on account of his own health having failed. Bright's disease was the cause of the death that took from this county this good man, and he was about sixty years old.

Among the children who survive him is Mrs. Bennett, and two other daughters, whose names the writer cannot give, and the sons are John, Luther, Cleveland, Roger, Archie and a son whose name we can not give.

Arrangements have been made for the funeral and the remains will be laid to rest in the Winters cemetery, Friday morning at 11 o'clock, and quite a number of friends in Ballinger will go out to pay their last respects to this good man.

NORTON NOTES.

Bro. Rosser filled his regular pulpit Saturday and Sunday. He was accompanied by Miss Lon Wilkins of Bronte, a great Sunday school organizer.

Mr. Inman and little boys visited relatives in Winters Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. T. J. McCaughn left Sunday for Fort Worth to attend the convention of the Odd Fellows.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucky Allen, from near Miles, visited Mrs. Allen's family Saturday and Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Athey Friday the 14th a fine girl, Ollie Taylor who is attending school in Ballinger visited home folks Sunday.

Mrs. Tannar Pollock of Bradshaw is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Arrant this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Smith and children visited relatives at Hatchel and Ballinger Friday and Saturday returning home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Mitchell came in from Ft. Worth Tuesday, where they have been making their home for some time and will probably make this their home in the future.

Mr. and Mrs. Farris of Ballinger spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Morgan last week returning home Sunday.

Lee Morgan visited friends and relatives in Norton Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Janie Kevil of Marie, is visiting Mrs. T. J. McCaughn this week.

"Queen of the Prairie"

FOR SALE—Duroe Jersey red pigs, apply to Lon Muncy, phone connection Ballinger. 20-5twpd

WOULD FAVOR SPECIAL SESSION

In reply to a telegram received from Governor O. B. Colquitt, Representative R. S. Griggs of this district stated that he would vote for an amendment to the Terrell Election Law making that statute force a majority vote necessary for an election to an office in the State of Texas.

Representative Griggs received the message from Governor Colquitt at an early hour this morning. He wired an answer immediately afterwards.

In the reply, Representative Griggs states explicitly that he does not favor a special session for the passing of the amendment solely, but adds "will vote to make amendment effective for next primary if you call special session for this and other purposes."

Mr. Griggs stated after he had made his reply to the Governor's message that he did not feel that the amendment to the Terrell election law alone would justify a special session of the legislature. However, he stated that if the session is called with the intention of submitting additional legislation on warehouse system, rural credits, and amendments to the penitentiary law, along with the amendment to the election law he would be very willing for the governor to call a special session. He would favor the measure of amending the election law under those conditions.

Governor Colquitt's telegram to Representative Griggs is as follows:

The telegram to members follows:

Austin, Texas, March 13, 1914.

In a speech at Dallas Saturday in substance I made the statement if prohibition and anti-prohibition elements in the Democratic party would ask me to do so I would call a special session of the Legislature to amend the Terrell election law to provide majority vote for party nominations to save Democratic party from division. Do you advise extra session for this purpose and would you favor making amendment effective for the coming primary? If session is called, expect to submit in addition legislation on warehouse system, rural credits and amendments to penitentiary law? Am sending this inquiry to prohibition and anti-prohibition members and solicit their frank expression of opinion and friendly advice. Answer collect.

O. B. COLQUITT,
Gov. O. B. Colquitt,
Austin, Texas.

I favor amendment providing majority vote for party nominations, but do not advise special session for this purpose solely. Will vote to make amendment effective for next primary, if you call special session for this and other purposes. R. S. GRIGGS.

J. W. Tippett, one of the substantial citizens of the Crews country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.

Ed Globber returned home Wednesday at noon from the East, where he had been on stock business the past few days.

Thos. Lilley, of South Ballinger, returned home at noon Wednesday from a short business trip East.

Gus Glass, one of the prominent business men of Rowent had business in Ballinger between trains Wednesday.

I. C. Browder, one of the substantial citizens of the Miles country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

Judge Jno. W. Goodwin visited friends at Miles between trains Wednesday.

Aged People

sometimes forget that poor teeth and improper mastication prevent sufficient nourishment from ordinary food and burden the digestive organs, but if every man or woman past fifty would fully realize the bountiful, sustaining nourishment in Scott's Emulsion they would take it after every meal.

Scott's Emulsion contains the renowned body-building fats of pure cod liver oil, so medically predigested that it distributes energy, power and strength all thru the body and simplifies the stomach's work.

To people in declining years we say with unmistakable earnestness—Scott's Emulsion will add years to your life and life to your years.

AVOID ALCOHOLIC SUBSTITUTES

GONE TO ATTEND HIS SISTER'S FUNERAL

Judge M. Kleberg received a phone message at two o'clock Thursday morning telling him of the death of his sister at Galveston. Judge Kleberg left on the Thursday afternoon train for Galveston to attend the funeral, and his office will be closed for a few days. Just one year ago his father died. He has the sympathy of his friends in his sorrow.

Notice To Runnels County Democratic Executive Committee.

As Democratic Chairman of Precinct No. 1 of Runnels County Texas, I have taken the initiative to call a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee of Runnels County. I earnestly and urgently request and insist that all of the duly elected chairmen of the various voting precincts of this county, to-wit: 24 voting precincts, meet and be sure to meet with me Monday, April 6th 1914 at 2 o'clock p. m. in the court room of the court house for the purpose of appointing a county chairman of Democratic Executive Committee of this county our duly elected chairman having left the county, and to fill such other vacancies as may occur and to transact such other business as may be deemed necessary at this time.

C. R. CREWS,

Chairman Precinct No. 1 and committee man of Democratic Executive Committee of Runnels County, Texas. 19-1td2tw

LOST—Circular shaped watch charm. Small chipped diamond in center. Two small photos inside. Initials C. A. D. engraved on back. Finder return and receive reward. C. A. DOOSE. 3dlw

FOR SALE—One ear of full-blood and high-grade young Jersey cows, two and three years old at \$35.00. M. D. CARSON, Menard, Texas. 20-4td 1tw

The Witherspoon Brothers of the Tennyson country, were supplying in Ballinger Tuesday.

JIM McWHIRTER FOR TAX ASSESSOR.

To the Voters of Runnels Co.:

After due consideration based upon consulting friends throughout the county I have decided to make the race for tax assessor of Runnels County subject to the approval of the voters at the Democratic primary election in July. I feel that I am no stronger to the most of you, having lived in Runnels County for the past sixteen years. I am 36 years old was born in Lampasas County and resided there up till the time I came here and during my residence in Runnels County I have at all times been found in the ranks of those who were battling for the upbuilding and prosperity of our entire citizenship and have always tried to conduct myself in a way to gain and hold the esteem of every one in the county regardless of their station in life.

If you see fit to elect me to this important office I do hereby declare at the end of four years, according to true Democratic principles I will retire to the private ranks, and in this I truly mean what I say. Your kind and careful consideration of my aspiration will duly be appreciated and if elected will serve you to the very best of my ability without fear or favor as I see my duty in office. Your vote and influence will be appreciated.

Very respectfully,
JIM McWHIRTER

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My Mamma Says - It's Safe for Children

CONTAINS NO OPIATES

FOLEY'S HONEY and TAR
For Coughs and Colds

ALMOST 57 VARIETIES OF WEATHER IN 24 HOURS

It is just another one of those tricks the weather man plays in March, and the people are guessing what the weather will do next. Wednesday was a spring day, and the fishing fever got in its work on a number of the descendants of Isaac Walton. The pretty warm day was followed by a night of high wind and dust with a big tumble in the temperature, accompanied by rain, which was soon followed by sleet and just for a change about thirty minutes of snow fall during which time the big flakes fell fast and thick. On account of the ground being warm the snow was converted into water almost by the time it hit the ground. The rain gauge registered about two-tenths of an inch fall of water, and we are informed that it was about the same at different points in the county.

WATKINS REMEDIES—Can be had at the Kelly Cottage, North depot.—D. B. Horn Salesman. 20-3tw pd

John Gressett of the Benoit country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

THIS NEW MEDICINE SAVES YOU MONEY

We are druggists right here in your town and make a living out of the drug business, but it is because people have to have drugs and not because we like to see people suffer—we don't. Our duty is to render the best service we can, and when someone is ailing, we are interested in seeing them take the best medicine there is for their particular trouble. We don't recommend "cure-alls," as we don't believe there are such things. We don't want you to spend more than you have to. Some of you get small wages, and when you're sick, none at all, and you should get the most you can for your money.

We recently came across a new remedy for increasing strength, and building up people who are run-down and emaciated. We know that a slight trouble sometimes grows into a serious one, and to stop it in the beginning, will save you money in the end. This new compound is called Rexall Olive Oil Emulsion. It is the best remedy when you are run-down, tired-out, nervous—no matter what the cause. It doesn't merely stimulate you and make you feel good for a few hours, but takes hold of the weakness and builds you up to a healthy, normal condition. It is real nerve food tonic and builder of good blood, strong muscle, good digestion. It contains Hypophosphites, which tone the nerves, and pure Olive Oil, which nourishes the nerves, the blood and the entire system. Pleasant to take. Contains no alcohol or habit forming drugs. We promise that if you are not perfectly satisfied with it, we'll give back your money as soon as you tell us. Sold only at the 7,000 Rexall Stores, and in this town only by us. \$1.00.—The Walker Drug Co., Ballinger, Texas.

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IT CLEANSES AND INVIGORATES.

Sold by Druggists.
Price \$1.00 per bottle.

**\$1600 CASH PRIZES
FOR FETERITA CLUB**

Dallas, March 13, 1914.
Mr. A. W. Sladge,
Editor Banner-Ledger,
Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Sir:
We note that a boys' Feterita club has been formed in Runnels County, and as we are offering \$1600 in prizes for the best yield cost of production considered, on either kaffir, milo or feterita, grown with or without irrigation on one acre, we would be glad to have you call the attention of the members of this club to our contest.

The first prize is \$300, the second prize \$200 and the third \$100. In addition, \$1,000 will be divided equally among all other contestants whose yield is greater and whose cost of production is less than the average yield and average cost of production of all contestants entered in this class. These prizes, of course, are free and those who enter the contest can accept and follow the advice and suggestions as to the method of cultivation, etc., wherever they desire.

We shall be glad to have these boys enroll with us and will thank you to bring this matter to their attention.

We remain with regards and best wishes.

Very truly yours,
Texas Industrial Congress,
W. C. Barrickman, Secretary.

Eczema, Ring Worm, Itching, and Tetter.

Sold under a positive guarantee to refund the purchase price if it does not cure itch, ringworm, tetter and all other skin diseases. Ask any druggist and read the positive guarantee that goes with each package. Price 50c. A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

UNCLE SAM AND THE FLY

Uncle Sam is waging a relentless war on the deadly house-fly and in the late bulletins prepared by the Department of Agriculture, valuable information is given on the best methods of combating this deadly pest. The most effective way of exterminating the fly, according to the bulletin, is to eradicate his breeding places. The breeding season of the fly in Texas begins early in March and continues throughout the spring and summer months. All dirt should be removed from the premises, stables cleaned and decaying vegetables destroyed.

The fly has rightly been called the undertaker's traveling salesman, and in addition to its regular line of "typhoid bugs," he carries a side line of tuberculosis, Asiatic Cholera and other disease germs. Now is the time to "swat" the fly.

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, Safest, Always Reliable. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

THE MAVERICK RABBIT HUNT

All the men from Ballinger who attended the rabbit hunt in the Maverick country Thursday report a most enjoyable occasion, and a large number of the long ears made to bite the dust during the day. Three large coyote wolves were rounded up during the drive and a right exciting time reported in chasing them.

At the noon hour a splendid dinner was served and the usual hospitality of the citizens of the Maverick country was in evidence on every hand.

Frank Hoffman and his sister, of the Pony creek country, were shopping in Ballinger Monday and we are sorry to report that Frank had the misfortune to get one of his fingers cut off in a cutting machine a few days ago but he is doing all right at present.

W. J. Smith, of Mineral Wells, who had been in our country, left Monday for his home.

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In Use For Over 30 Years
Always bears the Signature of *Wm. D. Galt*

**NEW HELLO BOARD
ARRIVED MONDAY**

The new switch board for the West Texas Telephone Co., arrived Monday and a large force of hands were busy all day unloading the new board and placing it in the new quarters in the front of the second story of the First National Bank building.

When the talking service for Ballinger is cut in on this new board there will not be a town in Texas, that is any where near the same size town of Ballinger, that can boast of a better equipped phone system. The new board is the very latest and contains every modern electrical convenience and perfect service giving advantage that a telephone switch board has been provided with up to this good hour. It has connections for one thousand phones and 800 of these will be connected up and it is so constructed that it can be increased to 2600 capacity as the town grows. The new equipment also furnishes three toll positions, and the long distance service will be improved in the same modern way that the local exchange service will give.

The new board is equipped with the flash light service, and there will be no more ringing for central. To remove the receiver from the rack will flash a light on the board and central will answer your call. There will be no more falling of drops, or no more falling of drops to fall. The service will be automatic and the entire service controlled in the most modern way.

The company has 500 new wall phones and 100 desk phones stored in their local ware houses, and these will take the place of the new phones now in use as soon as the work of installing the other equipment is completed, and when this supply of phones is exhausted others will be ordered.

NOTICE OF HEARING

To. Appropriate. Public. Waters

THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that Mrs. Emilie Pape whose postoffice address is Ballinger, Texas, did on the 31st day of January, A. D. 1914, file an application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, in which she applies for a permit to appropriate one-half cubic feet of water per second of time for the period of days in each year, for the purpose of irrigation from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas, to be diverted from Elm Creek, a tributary of the Colorado River in Runnels County, Texas, by means of a pumping plant.

You are hereby further notified that the said pumping plant is to be located 2 miles north of Ballinger on said Elm Creek, and on the Alexander Lassassier survey No. 174, and the land to be irrigated is a part of the said survey consisting of twenty acres.

A hearing on the said application of the said Mrs. Emilie Pape will be held by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at the county court house, in the City of San Angelo, County of Tom Green, said State, on Thursday, the 9th day of April, A. D. 1914, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M., at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under, and by virtue of an order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at the office of said Board in Austin, Texas, this 4th day of March, A. D. 1914.

JOHN WILSON,
E. N. GORE.
(Seal)
Attest: W. T. POTTER,
Secretary.

John Henry Leis, of the Crews country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

Rev. A. C. Flemister, of Brown wood, who preached at the Bethel church southwest of Ballinger Saturday night and Sunday, passed through Ballinger Monday en route home.

J. R. McMillian was here Monday at noon from a visit to relatives and friends at Goldthwaite.

**SELLING STOCK IN
IRRIGATION COMPANY**

Chas. M. Stanley, the dam and irrigation promoter, has been in Bronte some days and is pushing a second and help proposition to the main project. If we understand the latest proposition aright, Mr. Stanley needs money to push the irrigation scheme and is asking business men, merchants, farmers and others to take stock in the Chas. M. Stanley Land Co., and also in the Irrigation Company, at the rate of four shares for each \$100. Stock payments are to be made one-fourth cash, balance in one two and three years, and stock in the land company is to be non-assessable.

Farmers having land under the ditch and take any of this additional stock, will be allowed a rebate of 50 cents an acre on their charge to the amount of this stock taken. This will be much the same as a loan by them to the Stanley Land Co.

This proposition was discussed in a meeting of citizens Tuesday night, and it appeared the consensus of opinion that it is reasonable and that Bronte should get in for the amount asked, \$12,500. Nearly half of this was subscribed at the meeting and a committee was appointed to canvass the matter until Friday evening, when another meeting will be held. This committee is composed of J. B. Reilly, W. H. Maxwell, L. D. Terry, A. J. Nelson, and John Hutchinson, and one or more of these gentlemen will see you.—Bronte Enterprise.

The Mother's Favorite.
A cough medicine for children should be harmless. It should be pleasant to take. It should be effectual. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is all of this and is the mothers' favorite everywhere. For sale by all dealers.

MOVED INTO NEW OFFICE.

The Ray-Penn cotton firm has moved into its new "cotton palace." The change-up took place yesterday and today the firm is comfortably domiciled in its new building.

The firm recently purchased several lots in the southwestern portion of the city, on Hutchings Avenue, and on these a handsome building three rooms and substantially built, was constructed. The office is convenient to the cotton compress and enables the employees to reach the compress quickly, saving lots of valuable time.

Kickapoo Worm Killer Expels Worms

The cause of your child's ill—the foul fetid, offensive breath—the starting up with terror and grinding of teeth while asleep—the sallow complexion—the dark circles under the eyes—Are all indication of worms. Kickapoo Worm Killer is what your child needs; it expels the worms, the cause of the child's unhealthy condition. For the removal of seat, stomach and pin worms, Kickapoo Worm Killer gives sure relief. Its laxative effect adds tone to the general system. Supplied as a candy confection—children like it. Safe and sure relief. Guaranteed. Buy a box to-day. Price 25c. All Druggists or by mail. Kickapoo Indian Medicine Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Harris left Monday morning for Dublin, where they will make their home.

Zack Snell, who is grading the public roads for Commissioner Edgar Jayroe in his precinct spent Sunday with his family and Ballinger friends.

**Better
Biscuits
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You never tasted daintier, lighter, fluffier biscuits than those baked with Calumet. They're always good—delicious. For Calumet insures perfect baking.

RECEIVED HIGHEST AWARDS
World's Pure Food Exposition, Chicago, Illinois.
Paris Exposition, France, March, 1912.



STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION MARCH 24-27

Great preparations are being made for the 40th Annual State Sunday School Convention which will convene in the City Auditorium at Fort Worth on March 24, and hold for three days. Arrangements are being made to take care of three thousand delegates from all parts of Texas and many prominent World Sunday School workers. The program is said to be the best ever arranged, and covers subject that mean a great boom for the various Sunday Schools of Texas. People who have spent their life studying the Sunday School question, and the most prominent laymen and preachers in the United States, and some from foreign countries are on the program. It will be a great day for those who have the privilege of attending this convention.

J. A. Currie, C. C. Cidwell and Clarence West of Miles, came in Monday morning to look after District court business a few days.

**LIVESTOCK RECEIPTS
SHOW BIG INCREASE**

Ft. Worth, Tex., March 13.—A report just compiled by the Fort Worth Stock Yards Company shows that 175,666 head of livestock were received on the local yards during February. Compared with the same month of last year, this is an increase of 55,348 head. The largest gain was shown in the cattle receipts. The report shows 78,728 head of cattle were received during last month of this year, compared with 52,729 head for February 1913. Hogs also showed a substantial gain, and during the month 55,364 porkers were unloaded on the Fort Worth market, while only 34,360 head were recorded during the same time of last year. The calf receipts for February of this year fell short of the February receipts of last year by about one thousand head. This decrease is attributed principally to the majority of the stockmen holding their young stuff for further maturity. Sheep, goats, horses, mules also showed a substantial increase over the February receipts of 1913. The receipts of all livestock received at this market during the two months of this year total 364,245 head, compared with 252,248 head for the same period of 1913.

**Registered Glenmore Shorthorns
For Sale Cheap.**

20 splendid yearling heifers, 16 bulls. Best for calves, beef, milk, for crossing on to and improving other cattle. Also Tamworth swine.
CHARLES B. METCALFE,
San Angelo, Tom Green County, Texas.
12-3td 3tw pd

**GOVERNOR BELIEVES
IN RANGERS**

Governor O. B. Colquitt, according to news dispatches made the statement late last night, that he could do more good with Texas rangers than the United States could do with troops. He made the statement without casting any reflection upon the United States government or its methods of handling the border situation. He would station 100 rangers on the border.

Governor Colquitt believes that his rangers are better able to serve the government in the Mexican situation than are the troops along the Rio Grande, because a ranger can make an arrest where a soldier would not dare to do so. Many suspects would be arrested, according to the governor, and thereby relieve the present conditions prevailing.

Incubator For Sale.

Old Trusty incubator, 165 egg capacity, used only twice. Good as new. Now is the time to hatch chickens. Reason for selling, it is too large for the room I have. Price \$10. Including book of instructions for operating see Walter Parker at flour mill. 13-2tv

Max Winkler, the Conecho county stock farmer, had business in Ballinger, a few hours Saturday.

Nick Stallworth, of the Dry Ridge country, was among the number attending District court in the city Monday.

O. Voglesang and Fred Prusser, of the Hatchel country, were marketing cotton in Ballinger Monday.

**TIRES! TIRES! TIRES!
Buy Your Tires Direct and Save Money.**

By buying and contracting direct from the factories for tires in large quantities for spot cash, we are able to offer them at a great money saving price direct to the consumer. A saving of from 35 to 60 per cent. When you buy tires from us you get full value, you don't have to pay the dealer's profit, the distributor's profit, salesman's commission and other high selling and overhead expenses. We sell tires direct to consumer at jobbers prices and You Get Big Values And Exactly What You Pay For.

Shrewd auto owners compose our customers, among them are bankers, merchants, lawyers, doctors, planters and men in all lines who know values and realize the advantages of buying direct. During the past dull winter automobile months we secured some excellent deals from the factories and now offer our purchases at the following prices:

Among our tires are Diamond, Goodyear, Quaker, Nassau, Empire, Fisk and others of equal quality.
All Tires Guaranteed Fully. Note These Prices Carefully.

Tubes				Tubes					
Size	Tire	Grey	Red	Retliner	Size	Tire	Grey	Red	Retliner
28x3	\$ 7.20	\$1.65	\$1.90	\$1.35	34x4	\$16.80	\$3.60	\$4.00	\$2.60
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 1-2	18.00	4.80	5.10	3.40
32x3 1-2	11.90	2.95	3.25	2.00	35x4 1-2	18.75	4.85	5.20	3.45
34x3 1-2	12.40	3.00	3.30	2.05	36x4 1-2	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
32x4	13.70	3.35	3.80	2.40	37x5	24.40	5.90	6.35	4.20
33x4	14.80	3.50	3.90	2.45					

We Can Furnish All Other Sizes—Non Skid 10 Percent Higher.
Our supply of these tires is limited, so we advise early ordering. Remember, they are new, clean, fresh, fully guaranteed goods. All high grade goods that will give best service.
TERMS—5 percent discount if full amount accompanies order. C. O. D. upon receipt of 10 receipt of cost. Prompt shipments. Money returned if unable to fill order. Send us trial order now.

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Dayton, Ohio.

OUR AFTER OPENING DISPLAY STARTS SATURDAY

With All That Is Charming In Millinery, Dresses, Suits, Skirts and New Fabrics
For Spring 1914

Every section of this store is in readiness with brand new merchandise. The Garment and Millinery sections are brilliant with the charming New Styles for the New Season. In the Silk, Wash Goods, Neckwear, Gloves, Ribbon, Hosiery, Shoes, and Staple Sections you will find selections that seldom are found in towns many times the size of Ballinger. We cordially invite you to visit this store and see the effort put forth as well as the thousands of dollars put into Spring Merchandise to make this the ideal trading center of this portion of Texas.

The Display of Spring Millinery Is At Its Height of Splendiness

Trimmed hats, untrimmed hats, tailored hats, dress hats and children's hats with a profusion of flowers, foliage and feathers. The styles are those which are recognized as authentic, and carry with them that refinement of tone and exclusiveness which appeals to the well dress woman, making our millinery shop more and more sought for for its cleverness. We are showing over one thousand hats, including a wonderful assortment and shapes at from 98c to \$19.50.



Charming New Skirts and Dresses

In justice to your own interest you should come and see the really remarkable values we are offering in apparel. You'll need a spring skirt, a new dress or coatsuit. Every item offers a splendid chance to save and the combined savings on all your spring apparel will mean much to even the smallest purchaser. You must come and see this beautiful display. Skirts from \$1.98 to \$10. Dresses from \$1.98 to \$29.50.

NEW SKIRTS FOR SPRING.

Separate skirts in the latest correct fashions, embracing the colors fabrics that are most in demand here in profusion. There are one, two and three tiered models, in a variety of colorings and plaid effects at \$2.50 to \$10.00.



Important Specials for the Economical Housewife All the Week Beginning Monday

<p>98c We have grouped together 5 dozen Gowns best selling at \$1.25 and \$1.50, crepe and muslin on sale Monday and all week 98c</p>	<p>SCHOOL DRESSES 59c 100 Children's Gingham School Dresses in a variety of colors, well made, only 59c</p>	<p>CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR 7c 25 dozen children cambric pants real value at 10c 7c ages 2 to 10.</p>	<p>APRON GINGHAMS. 50 Bolts Apron Check Gingham, real values at 7 1-2c, unusual offer 5c</p>	<p>WHITE QUILTS. 40 extra size white Quilts, cut corner and fringe, real values at \$1.75 and \$2.00, while they last, each \$1.49</p>
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Magnificent Showing Of Spring SLIPPERS

If you want assured style in spring shoes, for men, women and children, buy here. If you want absolute comfort from first wearing, let us fit you in a pair of our shoes. \$10,000 invested in this department. Ladies' pumps, newest lasts at \$1.98, \$2.50, \$3.00 and up to \$5.00. Mrs. Kings' slippers for Misses and girls and babies. 32 styles in Men's spring oxfords at \$2.50 to \$5.00.



New Wash Goods for Spring

TEMPT YOU WITH DAINTY COLORS.

Cotton and linen fabrics, makers seem to strive to produce prettier fabrics each season until you no longer look among what we used to call wash goods for only the ordinary fabrics but our summer girl finds her most fascinating gowns in the cotton wash goods department. A world of pretty wash fabrics here, in crepes, moires, plisse, rice clothes and ratine. You will be enthusiastic over the wonderful selection, at the yard 15c, 19c, 25c, 35c, 49c and on.

We devote our whole and undivided time to the buying and selling of dry goods and everything to wear. Hence it will be profitable for you to trade here.

HIGDON-MELTON-JACKSON CO.

BALLINGER

LAMPASAS

TEAGUE

This Season we are offering you the greatest line of seasonable merchandise ever shown in Ballinger. A visit to the store will be appreciated.

FIFTEEN CONVERTS NAZERENE CHURCH

Sunday was a splendid day for the Nazarene church in Ballinger. There were 125 present at Sunday school, and the singing by the children was unusually good and enjoyed by the older members of the Sunday school. The pastor, Rev. Wells, preached in the morning and evening to a large crowd. At the evening services the house was filled to overflowing, many being unable to get in the house, and were turned away. At the evening service a collection was taken for making some improvements in the way of adding more seats, and three hundred chairs will be bought and placed in the church, and other improvements made.

At the two services at this church Sunday there were fifteen conversions and eleven received into the church. This sounds like a revival service, but there is no revival in progress at this church. It is just a showing of the splendid work being done by this church. Less than one year ago this church had an average attendance at Sunday school of about fifty, now they report over one hundred, and the church has doubled in membership during the time. When Rev. Wells came to Ballinger the church was struggling for existence and today it is prosperous spiritually and financially.

R. L. Bates, of the Novice country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.

W. T. PADGETT FOR TAX COLLECTOR

To The Voters and My Friends of Runnels County:

After discussing with many of my friends the advisability of submitting my name to the voters for their support and approval of my past record as tax collector, and after giving the matter thorough consideration, I have decided to come before you and ask you to permit me to continue to serve you in the capacity in which I feel that I have made good.

My race for reelection will be based upon my record in office, and if you feel that I have not served you in a faithful and economical way, I will not expect you vote for me. The records in my office speak for my work, and without the least bit of egotism, I wish to say to you—the taxpayers of this county, that I am proud of my work, and I trust you will rejoice with me, and show your appreciation by giving me a splendid majority on July 25th. I feel that my experience in handling the tax collections of this county, one of the best counties in Texas, is worth something to every voter in the county. As collector and deputy I have been connected with the tax collector's office for a number of years, perhaps longer than any other man in the county. I am familiar with every detail of the office, and during the time for which I have been responsible for the thousands of dollars that have been handled through this department, I have never made an error that cost the county one cent, and my reports to the commissioner's

court are open for your inspection, and it would afford me pleasure for you to see them.

It is with my experience that I come before you and respectfully solicit you to re-elect me. I am truly grateful for your loyal support in the past, and feel that I have never given any one cause to regret having cast his vote for me. If I have it was a mistake of the head and not of the heart, for I have always tried to do what I thought best in every question that I have to deal with.

If elected I will continue to do my work as near perfect as I can possibly make it, and as in the past, I will devote all my time to the duties of my office, and not neglect my office to engage in some other line of business. It has never been my policy to carry a side line, and the same rule will be observed as long as I am tax collector.

Assuring every one of my sincere appreciation, and kindly asking you to support me with your vote and thanking you for anything you do in my behalf during the present campaign, I am

Your tax collector,
W. T. PADGETT.

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Mrs. R. B. Truly, left Wednesday at noon to visit her daughter Mrs. Oscar Clary and family at San Angelo a few days.

Mrs. L. A. Mahan, of Big Springs, was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. A. T. Campbell and family Tuesday night and left Wednesday morning for Bangs to visit her mother and friends a few days.

Col. J. R. Taylor, of the North country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

T. J. Bryan, while in the city Tuesday had his figures set up a year on the Banner-Ledger.

BEST LAXATIVE FOR BOWELS—“CASCARETS”

They Clean Liver, sweeten Stomach, and Sick Headache, Bad Breath, Indigestion, Constipation.

Get a 10-cent box.

Are you keeping your bowels, liver, and stomach clean, pure, and fresh with Cascarets, or merely forcing a passageway every few days with Salts, Cathartic Pills, Castor Oil or Purgative Waters? Stop having a bowel wash-day. Let Cascarets thoroughly cleanse and regulate the stomach, remove the sour and fermenting food and foul gases, take the excess bile from the liver and carry out of the system all the constipated waste matter and poisons in the bowels.

A Cascaret to-night will make you feel great by morning. They work while you sleep—never gripe, sicken or cause any inconvenience, and cost only 10 cents a box from your druggist. Millions of men and women take a Cascaret now and then and never have Headache, Bilioussness, Coated Tongue, Indigestion, Sour Stomach or Constipated Bowels. Cascarets belong in every household. Children just love to take them.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Rosenwasser returned home Wednesday at noon from a short visit to relatives at Seguin and to attend the marriage of one of their granddaughters at that place one day last week.

REACHING THE SPOT

It has Been Done, So Scores of Ballinger Citizens Say.

To get rid of an aching back. The sharp twinges. The tired out feelings. You must reach the spot—get at the cause.

In many cases 'tis the kidneys. Doan's Kidney Pills for weak kidneys.

Ballinger citizens testify. Mrs. R. F. Smith, Ballinger Texas, says: "Last year I had two attacks of fever which left my kidneys very weak. I had such intense backaches that I could hardly get about and at times the kidney secretions were scanty then again profuse. Seeing Doan's Kidney Pills advertised, I got a box and I soon found that they were helping me. After using them a few days, the backache left and I was able to rest much better."

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

Ed O'Kelley and Barlow Mulkey returned to Ballinger Tuesday night from Fort Worth where they had been on stock business the past several days.

DISTRICT COURT WINDS UP TERM

After trying one case, in which the judge instructed a verdict of not guilty, district court came to an end just after noon Tuesday, and unless some other case on the civil docket is called by agreement, there will be no more court-rooms for the present term.

The grand jury is still in session and the judge will remain over to receive the report of that body and discharge them, and the district attorney will be here assisting the inquisitors. It is rumored that the grand jury will not be in session but a short time.

The case tried Tuesday morning was the only one tried on the criminal docket. It was the State of Texas vs. A. H. Schneider. Schneider was charged with cutting down a telephone wire. It developed in the trial that the telephone wire in question was a party line and that Schneider was one of the leasees of the line. There were six or seven parties on the line, and another party connected with the line without consent of Schneider and this brought about the trouble in which the line was disconnected. After hearing the evidence in the case the judge instructed the jury to bring in a verdict of not guilty.

Father J. B. Lavoie left Wednesday morning for Coleman to look after church work a few days but will return in time to hold his regular services in Ballinger Sunday.