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PROSPERITY WITH LOTS OF WORK, SAYS WILSON

WASHINGTON, June 11.—Bumper crops, revival of the iron trade with consequent stimulation of mining and associated industries and the continued activity of the textile business were promised today in a statement given by Secretary of Labor Wilson, promising prosperity with lots of work. Specific requests for more than 80,000 men to harvest crops have already reached the labor department according to the statement. Secretary Wilson is considering negotiating with the railroads for special excursions to the wheat belt of the United States from Eastern cities where labor might be obtained.

Dynamite Kills two Workmen

HOUSTON, June 11.—John Mc. Carthy and A. Hill, employes in dredging the ship channel near here disappeared yesterday. Their mangled bodies were found today where dynamite had been blasted under them.

Mrs. Tom Ward and three children, Miss Euphie, Addie and Burnie, left Wednesday morning for Roswell, New Mexico, where they will spend the summer.

4 KILLED WHEN TRAIN HITS AUTO

OMAH, Neb., June 11.—Two unidentified women, Osear Kerug and Carl Berh were killed by a Union Pacific passenger train today when the auto in which they were driving was struck by the moving train. Their automobile was carried several hundred yards before the train could be brought to a stop. The body of each of the party was badly mangled.

CONGRESSIONAL CONTEST INTERESTING.

Austin, Texas, June 11.—An extraordinary amount of interest is being taken in state Democratic political circles in the congressional contest in the Fourteenth District between Congressman James L. Slayden and Judge M. D. Slater of Llano. The fact that Judge Slater ran against Sladen in 1902 and came down to Bexar county here with a majority of 1100 makes Slater's friends confident, particularly in view of the reported disaffection of many of Sladen's former supporters in San Antonio.

LAST CEREMONY PERFORMED TODAY

MADRID, Spain, June 11.—With the cream of Spanish aristocracy and the officials of the government in attendance, Kermit Roosevelt and Miss Belle Wyatt Willard were married by the church ceremony in the British embassy chapel today. After a brief honeymoon on the continent, the couple plan to leave for Brazil to establish their home at San Pacilo, where young Roosevelt is in the railroad business.

A brilliant gathering comprising the elite of Spanish officialdom and aristocracy, together with practically all the members of the diplomatic corps and their ladies, witnessed the marriage today of Miss Belle Wyatt Willard. (Continued on last page.)

800 FEDERALS CUT TO PIECES

FRESNYLLO, Mexico, June 11.—General Natera has wired General Villa that his troops surrounded 800 federals at Calera, and cut them to pieces. The battle was raging when the dispatch was sent.

Fresnyllo, the second largest city in Zacatecas state, is now General Villa's headquarters. Federal prisoners are being captured daily, the rebel leaders say. The federal garrison at Zacatecas is being depleted by desertion of Huerta's men.

Mrs. Fannie Younger left Wednesday afternoon for Mineral Wells, where she will visit for a few weeks.

FEARS DAUGHTER IS IN WHITE SLAVERS' HANDS

ALEXANDRIA, Ind., June 11.—With frantic fear that her pretty fifteen-year-old daughter, Leona, has fallen a victim to the white slavers, Mrs. Jessie Davis has appealed to the police of all the larger cities over the country to help find her girl.

Leon left Imperial, California, May 22nd, when she completed her freshman year in the high school. She was en route home to visit her mother who lives in this city. Her trunk arrived without the girl's appearance and the mother's anxiety was aroused.

CARRIED TO PENITENTIARY FOR KILLING HIS WIFE

“Superintendent State Penitentiary, “Dear Sir:—In view of the fact that Geo. H. Brown has been sentenced from this county to the penitentiary for life and will shortly be delivered to you to begin his sentence, we, the undersigned officers and citizens of Runnels county desire to express our commendation of this prisoner and his unflinching honesty and obedience since he has been a prisoner in our jail, during which time there have been two jail deliveries, at the last one in which a negro ran over the jailor, knocked him down and escaped. This man could have escaped. In each instance he remained and gave the alarm to the officers, and has at other times warned officers of plots to break jail and injure the officers. Mr. Brown has been a model of obedience and cheerfulness, and we heartily commend him to your good graces, and trust that when he shall have proven this character to you, that you will see fit to reward his faithfulness and make his life as easy as possible for a life term.

until he is turned over to the officials at Huntsville. Brown declined to make any statement before leaving Ballinger. The only thing he would say in discussing the crime for which he was convicted is: “I am not guilty.” He professed religion some time ago, and the jail being close to the Nazarene church, he has received the attention of that church, and for more than a year he has been devoting much time to the study of the Bible. A well worn Bible could be seen on his couch any time you visited the jail. The petition above addressed to the superintendent of the penitentiary was almost unanimously signed when circulated on the streets of Ballinger Thursday morning, less than a half dozen men declining to sign it. Many in affixing their names to the petition, remarked as they did so that they thought Brown was guilty, but with a sympathetic expression felt sorry for the man, and seemed to be willing for him to receive kind treatment at the hands of the pen officials. Brown has been in the Ballinger jail more than two years, which is the longest period any one prisoner ever remained in the jail here in the history of the county. The crime for which he is now being punished was committed in Brown county in the summer of 1911, and the sentiment against him was so strong in Brown county the case was transferred to this county and tried at the April term of court in 1912. The state proved that he killed his wife with an iron club as she lay asleep on a bed on the porch of their country home five miles from Brownwood.

With the above petition in his pocket, accompanied by the officers and two brothers, George Brown left Ballinger at four-thirty this afternoon for Huntsville, where he will begin serving a life sentence for the murder of his wife. While, as is shown by the above petition, Brown has been a model prisoner and has not been the least bit of trouble since he was placed in the Ballinger jail, Sheriff Flynt left with the prisoner surrounded with precaution, and was not taking any chances Brown was handcuffed, and will be treated as any other prisoner

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FORT SMITH, Ark., June 10.—Charges of immoral conduct of missionaries in the Orient, by Laura G. Dean, of the College of Missions of Indianapolis, Ind., threw the Arkansas Christian Churches Convention which is in session here in an uproar today.

HUERTA MADE CONTRACTS DETRIMENTAL THINKS U. S.

BUD'S WIFE SERIOUSLY INJURED

NEW YORK, June 11.—Mrs. Bud Fisher, wife of the famous cartoonist who originated the series, “Mutt and Jeff” was severely injured in an auto accident last night. Mrs. Fisher was on a joy ride when her car struck another machine and overturned at a dark corner road. The wife of the cartoonist sustained a crushed chest and internal injuries.

Judge and Mrs. M. Kleberg returned from Austin and other points in South Texas, Thursday at noon. Judge Kleberg attended commencement at the University and met a number of his former school mates.

WASHINGTON, June 11.—The real reason for the United States stand that nothing be done at Niagara Falls which might give General Huerta a basis to claim recognition is not antipathy to Huerta, but the fact that he entered on uncertain agreements as provisional president, made concessions and contracts which the United States considers detrimental to the interests of the Mexican people.

It was stated here today that General Carranza would be allowed the privilege of vetoing any names suggested for the new provisional government.

It was rumored that an alliance of General Villa and Zapata for mutual benefit was being considered.

The administration, however, is confident that General Villa's actions have been in good faith and that he is the strongest friend the United States has in Mexico.

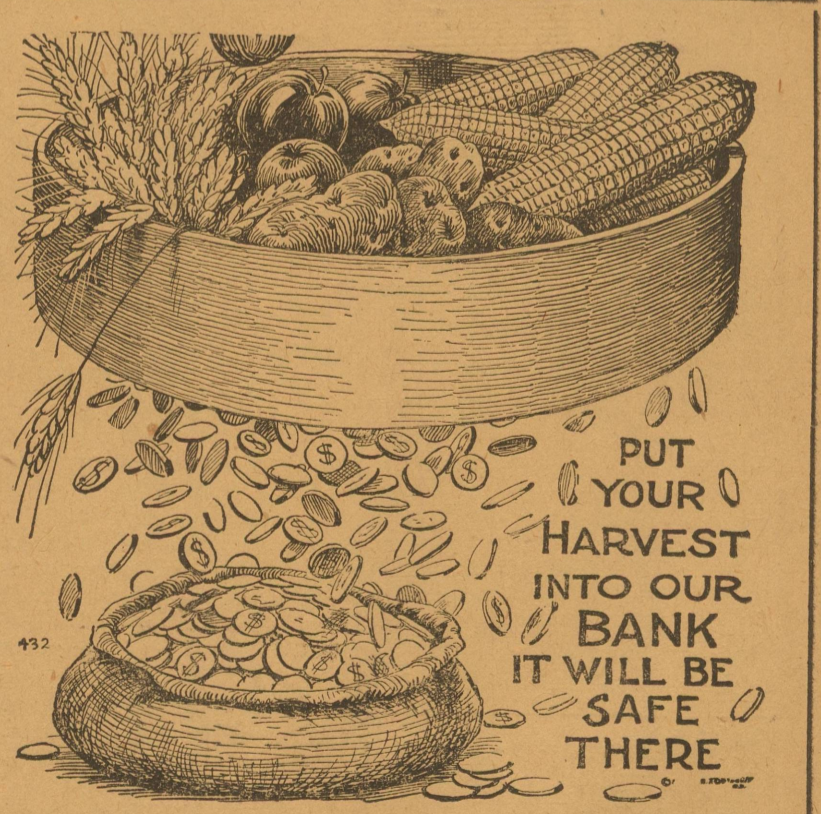
J. K. Hutton came in from Clifton Thursday and will spend a few days with home folks. Mr. Hutton is in the drug business at Clifton.



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Life In Pen For Brown

The Court of Criminal Appeals at Austin overruled a motion for a new hearing in the Geo. Brown murder case, and the news reached Ballinger, where Brown is confined in jail, Thursday. This ends the case, and it is now up to Brown to go to the penitentiary where he will spend the remaining days of his life.

A Ledger reporter called at the jail Friday morning and talked with Brown. He had not heard of the court's action, but stated that he was expecting a decision this week, as Judge Ramsey had written him that the case would come up for final hearing on Wednesday of this week. Mr. Brown did not seem to be surprised or affected in the least when we told him that the court had decided against him. He said that he had no statement to make and did not know what he would do until he heard from his attorney and talked with his brother, N. C. Brown, of San Saba, who is expected here within the next few days.

George Brown was convicted for the murder of his wife in the first trial of the case which was held here in April 1912. The crime for which he was convicted occurred in the summer of 1911 near Brownwood. The case is a familiar one to most of the people of this county as well as many people all over Texas, as it was one that attracted much attention on account of the prominence of the people and the manner in which Mrs. Brown was murdered while asleep on the porch. The woman's brains were battered out with an iron cudgel, and the story told by Brown was to the effect that some one slipped up to the porch and struck his wife while they both lay asleep. Brown's action following the murder created a suspicion against him and he was placed under arrest, and from that day to this he has been behind the bars. A strong circumstantial case was worked up against him and he was never allowed bail. On account of the case attracting so much attention in Brown county, where there was considerable feeling in the case, the court granted a change of venue, and the case was brought to Ballinger for trial. Over one hundred witnesses were brought here, and many friends and relatives of the defendant were here for more than a week attending the trial. The jury returned a verdict of guilty and fixed the punishment at life imprisonment. The trial court overruled a motion for a new hearing and it was appealed to the higher court, where the case was affirmed. A motion for a new hearing before the court of appeals was made, and the court this week overruled that motion, and it is very probable that Brown will be taken to the pen within a few days.

During his stay of more than two years in the Ballinger jail he has not given the officers the least bit of trouble. In fact he has aided the jailer and other officers a number of times in giving them information about prisoners confined in the jail, and warning the jailer of certain plans that the prisoners were laying. Those who have charge of the jail during the time that Brown has been confined here state that they never had charge of a man that made a better prisoner.

When the writer called at the jail Friday morning Brown had just taken a bath, and was looking the best of health. He stated that he was enjoying good health, and that he was in better health than when he was brought to Ballinger. If he lives the average life of man he will be compelled to spend about twenty-five years in the pen, unless something unforeseen happens that will give him his liberty.

At present there are only two other prisoners in jail. Both of these are negroes. Jim Scott, the negro who broke jail a few days ago by knocking the jailer down and jumping from a second story window, and a negro by the name of Steve March. When asked what he was in jail for Steve said, "nawthing." When asked what he was charged with the negro again replied "nawthing." Said he wanted to go to Bryan and the officers wouldn't let him and just locked him up. Jailer Sheffy says the negro is crazy.

HIGH COURT SUPPORTS SHIPPERS

WASHINGTON, June 8.—The supreme court decision today in the Shreveport rate case gave congress and the interstate commerce commission authority to require the state railway commission to change wholly the rates which affect incidentally the interstate rates.

The court supported the shippers of Shreveport in their fight before the commission to prevent the Texas commission from reducing the rates in Texas, discriminating in favor of Houston, Dallas and other Texas cities.

With the far-reaching railroad rate cases still to be decided, and expected by many in the decisions prepared for today, the United States Supreme Court, in recess since May 25, reconvened at noon.

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Are you run down—Nervous—Tired? Is everything you do an effort? You are not lazy—you are sick! Your Stomach, Liver and Kidneys, and whole system need a tonic. A Tonic and Health Builder to drive out the waste matter—build you up and renew your strength. Nothing better than Electric Bitters. Start today. Mrs. James Duncan, Haynesville, Me., writes: "Completely cured me after several doctors gave me up." 50c and \$1.00 at your Drug gist.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve for Cuts.

S. B. Baggett, who lives four miles East of Ballinger, was in the city Monday to meet his son Walter, who came in from the East Sunday night and will likely make Runnels county his home again.

VISIT TO CREWS AND TOKEN COUNTRY

The Banner-Ledger representative spent a few days the past week in the Crews and Token country, and found the farmers awful busy harvesting their splendid crops of small grain and working out the crops of all kinds and every available hand is pressed into service and some even work by moonlight to a late hour at night to save the crops.

The farmers are in fine spirits over the splendid prospects for a bumper crop in every line, and in many instances the oat crop will turn out 50 to 60 bushels to the acre and but few crops but that will turn out over 25 or 30 bushels to the acre.

Taken all in all the crop prospects have not been so bright for the past 6 or 8 years. At the homes of Sam Petty and M. C. Bright, we were surprised to find a fairly good crop of peaches, plums and apples, in fact enough for home consumption and some to spare. We were placed under obligations to many of the citizens along the route for favors shown in the way of subscriptions and other courtesies for which they have our sincere thanks. Our weekly subscription list is now growing at a rate that is equal if not surpassed by the expectation of the management and we are glad to learn that the people of the county appreciate the efforts of the company to give the an up-to-date paper in every respect and are not sparing in any way, time and means to give them local and cream of the latest news received by the United Press service.

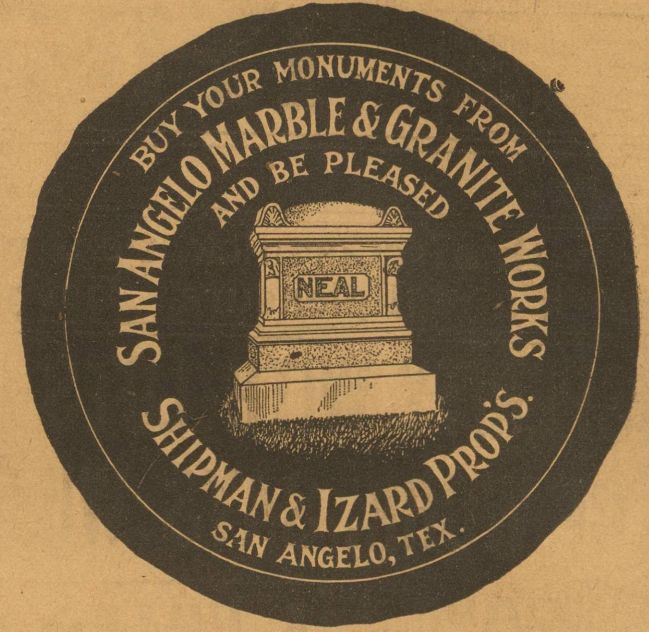
Col Morgan Jones, of Abilene, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

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Paschal Armstrong went to Temple on business Saturday afternoon.

R. P. Conn is driving a Ford car, which he recently purchased.



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THE DRY COUNTY OF TEXAS

STAMFORD, June 6.—Prohibition in Jones county carried today by a majority of three to one. The votes received tonight shows 1489 for local option and 449 against. The county has never had a licensed saloon, and the election was called on the petition of the antis. The campaign has been a very quiet one. The vote is surprisingly large, considering the busy time for the farmers. Only one box in the county gave an anti majority, it being a small one. Stamford, Hamlin and Anson, the three largest towns of the county gave large pro majorities.

Following is the vote by boxes:

For	Against
Anson (4 boxes).....487	88
Stamford (2 boxes).....341	112
Hamlin.....204	84
McCament.....14	17
Nugent.....46	15
Avoca.....94	15
Stith.....66	2
Lenders.....53	32
Truby.....34	9
Plainview.....30	3
Hawley.....49	32
Hodges.....25	11
Center Line.....21	6
Total	426

There are a few small boxes to hear from, but these are expected to give an increased pro majority.

Children that are afflicted by worms are pale and sickly and liable to contract some fatal disease. White's Cream Vermifuge expels worms promptly and puts the child on the road to health. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

Prof. J. M. Skinner left Sunday afternoon for Abilene where he is now of the faculty teachers in the Summer Normal in that city which began its session Monday morning, June 8th.

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MRS. CURRIE HURT IN BUGGY ACCIDENT

While out driving Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Currie had a narrow escape from serious injury, and Mrs. Currie was painfully injured when the buggy in which they were riding turned over.

The horse which Mr. and Mrs. Currie were driving for some cause began backing and cutting the buggy off of a little dump, turning it over against a wire fence. Mrs. Currie sustained a number of bruises and a sprained ankle, and wire cuts. Mr. Currie escaped. The buggy was damaged in the wreck, and it was fortunate that the occupants of the vehicle were not seriously injured.

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KNIGHTS OF GRIP THROUGH HOUSTON

HOUSTON, June 8.—Flags and bunting waved from nearly every building and street corner downtown today as Houston prepared to greet hundreds "knights of the grip" arriving for the annual convention of the Traveler's Protective Association of America. Post C., the local organization, conducted a "clean up and decorate" campaign for the past two weeks and today the city was neat to give the travelers the best impression.

A parade this forenoon was the first feature of the seven day convalesce. Business sessions were held this afternoon.

A dutch lunch and dansants are to be given tomorrow night at the Rice Hotel. Big placards will proclaim the fact that there is NO dance the tango.

R. L. Harwell, of the Harwell Auto Co., left Monday morning for Coleman to look after his branch house and other business interests a few days. Mr. Harwell reports the sale Saturday of a 5-passenger Ford car to P. C. Voss of the Wingate country.

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CITY DADS DISCUSS PHONES AND SANITATION

Pass Order Inviting Independent Line Into Ballinger—Employ New Street and Sanitary Man—Night Watchman Let Out—Will Fight Filth.

Several orders of great importance were passed at a meeting of the city council held Tuesday morning. Little time was lost in discussing small matters, and every alderman present talked business from the time the meeting was called to order until it adjourned, and demonstrated to an outsider by their remarks and their votes that they were interested in the welfare of Ballinger and her citizens. The first question to come before the council was the telephone rate question. Since the West Texas Telephone Co., had suspended the increase in rate, collecting the old rate for the present month, the council decided that there was nothing for them to do until the telephone company again made an effort to increase the rate. They decided not to take up the work of appointing an auditor to investigate the books of the telephone company until the rates were again raised.

The rural telephone question was discussed, and the council passed an order extending to the independent telephone company, "The Bool Weevil," an invitation to come into Ballinger with its system. The aldermen present were unanimous in voting for this motion.

The sanitary committee was instructed to employ Rad Brown to succeed John Todd, in taking care of the street cleaning and sanitary work, and that this work be turned over to Mr. Brown next Monday, Mr. Todd's time having expired.

In handling the sanitary work it was decided by the council that the scavenger have all closets cleaned twice a month through the summer months, May, June, July, August and September, and the collecting for same will hereafter be handled by the secretary and will be added to the water bills, the owner of the closet, instead of paying the scavenger, will pay the secretary when he pays his water bill. The rate through the summer will be 50 cents per month, and 25 cents per month through the other months in the year as heretofore. In making this change the aldermen feel that they are doing what they think is best for the sanitary condition of the town. The mayor was authorized to co-operate with the city attorney in having an ordinance drafted to cover this work.

A motion was passed rescinding the action of the city council in

appointing I. O. Wooden night watchman, and the city marshal was instructed to notify Mr. Wood en that he was no longer serving in that capacity.

A motion was passed taking Jack McKay off the street work and he is now serving the city only as city marshal.

A statement from the secretary showed that the city had 455 water users and that the total collection last month from water revenue was \$754, and less than \$100 is delinquent.

The mayor was authorized to insist that the people cut weeds around their premises, cleaning up the streets and alleys. In discussing the sanitary condition of the town it was brought out that it was very necessary that the people co-operate in cleaning up and working for those things that make a city healthy. For some reason flies are worse this year than usual, and the council stand ready to do what it can in making war on these pesky spreaders of deadly diseases. Those present were: Mayor Powell, Aldermen, Nicholson, Ellis, Weeks, and Wilingham, and Secretary Lusk.

Teething babies always have a hard time of it when this process occurs in hot weather. They not only have to contend with painful gums but the stomach is disordered, bowels loose and the body uncomfortable. The best help you can give the little sufferer is McGee's Baby Elixir. It corrects sour stomach, cools and quiets the bowels and helps digestion. Price 25c, and 50c per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Miller and baby left Saturday afternoon. Mr. Miller goes to Austin where he will take a summer course in the law department of the State University. Mrs. Miller and baby will visit relatives at Denton. Mr. Miller recently sold his racket store here to Andy Gustavus. They made many friends during their two years stay in Ballinger, and we regret to lose them as citizens.

G. W. Willis, of Sweetwater, cashier of the bank at that place who had been the guest of R. T. Williams and family the past day or two, returned home Monday afternoon.

J. M. Schneider left Saturday afternoon for Bellville in response to a telegram stating that his brother was very low and not expected to live.

H. Clemmens, who had been here looking after his farming interests, left Saturday afternoon for his home at New Braunfels, where he will spend a few days with his family.

R. B. Creasey left Monday afternoon for Dallas to look after his gin filer.

RUNNELS CO. MAN KILLED IN OKLAHOMA

J. R. McMillan, of the Benoit country, was here Friday and gave us the particulars of the accidental killing of his brother Luther, which occurred in Oklahoma last Wednesday. The young man was 24 years old and was at work in the oil field in Oklahoma. He was assisting in unloading a car of well casing when a piece of the casing fell on him, injuring him in such way that death occurred a few hours after the accident.

The remains were shipped to Ballinger, arriving here they were carried to the home of the young man's father, Robt. McMillan, east of town, and they were laid to rest in the Benoit cemetery. The news of the death reached Ballinger shortly after the accident, but the family did not know the particulars until the remains arrived, and we could not publish an accurate account of the said affair.

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by local applications, as they can not reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

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

MRS. WENDORF CONTINUES TO IMPROVE

Mrs. H. L. Wendorf who for several days was in a serious condition, suffering from blood poison, is improving slowly, but is still very sick and not considered out of danger.

C. B. Conn was carried to his home from the sanitarium Tuesday, after recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

John Greenhill of the Pony Creek country, was supplying in Ballinger Monday.

Cures Stubborn, Itchy Skin Troubles.

"I could scratch myself to pieces" is often heard from sufferers of Eczema, Tetter, Itch and similar Skin Eruptions. Don't Scratch—Stop the Itching at once with Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. Its first application starts healing; the Red Rough, Scaly Itching Skin is soothed by the Healing and Cooling Medicines. Mrs. C. A. Einfeldt, Rock Island, Ill., after using Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment, writes: "This is the first time in nine years I have been free from the dreadful ailment." Guaranteed. 50c at your Druggist.

Felix Jones, of Abilene, passed through Ballinger this week en route to Richland Springs. He came in from Abilene Monday and spent the night in Ballinger, leaving Tuesday morning over the Santa Fe.

Chas. S. Miller went to Austin Sunday, where he will attend commencement at the State University, and see his son Victor get his diploma in the law department of the university. Victor will return home with his father and will become actively interested with his father in business here.



JUDGE SMITH DEFENDS RECORD

Talking for about one hour and a half, addressing a small, but appreciative audience at the court house in Ballinger Thursday night, Judge W. R. Smith, congressman from this district, told of his twelve year's work at Washington, offered numerous reasons why he should be allowed to represent the district and resented the charges, which he branded as false, that his opponent Judge Blanton is making against him.

Judge Smith arrived in Ballinger on the four-thirty train, coming from Miles, where he spoke in the afternoon. He was met at the train by a few friends and escorted to the Central Hotel. When the hour arrived for the speaking Judge Jno. I. Guion called the meeting to order and in a ten minute talk eulogized Congressman Smith in a way that brought a hearty applause from the audience. Judge Guion stated that he was familiar with Congressman Smith's record from the day he took his seat in congress up to the last vote he cast on important question, and that he knew that he had always voted with the Democrats and voted right. In brief Judge Guion endorsed Congressman Smith's record in office in the strongest terms he could command. Judge Guion introduced Judge Smith, as the candidate for congress to succeed himself.

Judge Smith, after paying his respects to those who had come out to hear him, and stating that he fully realized the conditions that existed throughout this country, and that people were too busy to attend political speaking, briefly told of the splendid record that the Democratic party was making since it gained control of the affairs of this government. He said that Woodrow Wilson was the greatest man that had been in the White House in fifty years, and he paid a beautiful eulogy to William Jennings Bryan, and all of Mr. Wilson's cabinet. The speaker called attention to the passing of the tariff bill and the currency bill, two of the most important measures to the common people that had been enacted in many years. He showed how the Democratic congressmen and senators had fought hand in hand for these measures.

Judge Smith, in replying to the charges made by his opponent that he had accomplished nothing in his twelve years in work in congress, he briefly called attention to the development in irrigation work in the Western part of the state, and to the building of a number of federal buildings over the district. He also emphasized the difficulties under which he had worked most of the time in congress, the republicans being in the majority, and making it impossible for any democratic member to put through any constructive legislation. Mr. Smith stated that his twelve year's experience in congress equipped him for the work that could be done now with a democratic president and a democratic administration. He stated that it required a long time for a congressman to learn where the influence of the various powers could be reached, to become familiar with the different departments and to get in position to do anything for his country. All this he claimed that he was now in touch with and that his services in the future would naturally be worth more to the people than in the past.

In resenting the charges being made against him by his opponent, Judge Smith referred to them as little things, and as petty politics and denounced them as false, and stated that his opponent knew that many of them were false, but continued to go around over the district repeating them. He took up the charge of appointing postmasters against the will of the people, and denied certain charges that he had appointed republican postmasters and ignored the wishes of the people in this matter. He also denied that he was campaigning with garden seed and speeches printed by the government. He stated that it had been the policy of congressmen from as far back as he had any knowledge to send out free seed, and that the government adopted this policy because they thought it a good way to distribute seed and get them among the farmers quicker and cheaper than can be accomplished in any other way. He stated that he paid for the

COULD SCARCELY WALK ABOUT

And For Three Summers Mrs. Vincent Was Unable to Attend to Any of Her Housework.

Pleasant Hill, N. C.—"I suffered for three summers," writes Mrs. Walter Vincent, of this town, "and the third and last time, was my worst.

I had dreadful nervous headaches and prostration, and was scarcely able to walk about. Could not do any of my housework.

I also had dreadful pains in my back and sides and when one of those weak, sinking spells would come on me, I would have to give up and lie down, until it wore off.

I was certainly in a dreadful state of health, when I finally decided to try Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I firmly

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After I began taking Cardui, I was greatly helped, and all three bottles relieved me entirely.

I fattened up, and grew so much stronger in three months, I felt like another person altogether."

Cardui is purely vegetable and gentle-acting. Its ingredients have a mild, tonic effect, on the womanly constitution.

Cardui makes for increased strength, improves the appetite, tones up the nervous system, and helps to make pale, sallow cheeks, fresh and rosy.

Cardui has helped more than a million weak women, during the past 50 years. It will surely do for you, what it has done for them. Try Cardui today.

Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. J-48

printing of the speeches that his opponent was accusing him of sending out at the expense of the government and he produced a certificate to show that he paid for the printing of the speech out of his own pocket.

Judge Smith stated that it would require too long for him to take up all the charges his opponent was making against him, and said the false charges being made only showed the character of the man that was running against him.

There were about sixty people out to hear Judge Smith speak, and twelve or fifteen of these were ladies. The small number that are turning out to hear candidates set forth their claim for office at Ballinger shows conclusively that the people here are not interested in matters political, and that they have their minds made up as to how they expect to vote on July 25th.

THROW OUT THE LINE.

Give Them Help and Many Ballinger People Will Be Happier.

"Throw Out the Live Line"—Weak kidneys need help.

They're often overworked—they don't get the poison filtered out of the blood.

Will you help them? Doan's Kidney Pills have brought benefit to thousands of kidney sufferers.

Ballinger testimony proves their worth.

J. A. Maxwell, farmer, 100 Twelfth street, Ballinger, Texas says: "My back had been paining me for some time and as Doan's Kidney Pills were endorsed by people I knew, I decided to try them. I was greatly benefited after taking the first box and continued use removed the trouble. I am now in good health."

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

Judge and Mrs. Meeks, of Talpa, who had been visiting their daughter Mrs. I. A. Garrick and family of Winters, passed thru Ballinger Monday en route home.

Mrs. S. E. Butler, who had been visiting at San Angelo, came in from that point Sunday afternoon and remained over until Monday afternoon with friends in Ballinger and left for her home at Abilene. She was accompanied by Mrs. Sam Jones of San Angelo, who will visit in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Garrick, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Monday afternoon en route to Corpus Christi to spend a few weeks vacation.

OUR LIBRARY; WHAT IT IS DOING

What It Means To Our Citizens.

First and last a great deal has been said about the Carnegie Library. Nevertheless the board of managers have been going ahead with the scant means at their disposal until over three hundred well chosen books have been put in circulation. Last Saturday seventy-eight books were taken out, chiefly by the young people of the city. The work has grown until it requires two ladies to wait upon the crowd that gathers from four to six o'clock. Think of the good that will result to the young people of our city if they will only avail themselves of the opportunity to read the good literature suitable to their age. Except for the books on the one "rent shelf", those of the very latest publication, all others are free. After a book on the rent shelf has paid its cost price back in rent at ten cents per week, it is taken off and put on the free list; and with the rentals of this book a new volume is bought.

During the summer time is the chance for the school children to get at reading that ought to be put off during the main term. It is wholesome and profitable for them to create the reading habit while young. The books are watched and read by older heads, and as soon as a book is found that is unsatisfactory or unsuited to the reading public it is taken off the shelf and disposed of, as the board wishes to place only clean literature in the hands of the readers.

Since the only means of support is by popular subscription, and the few rentals from the auditorium, and since the expenses are considerable for insurance, etc., it may be well to call attention to the plan of giving to its support. A subscription list is in circulation. You may give any amount from twenty-five cents per month up to your limit of generosity. If every man and woman at the head of a home in Ballinger would give the above sum, soon we would have enough funds to fit up the main reading room and to equip it with choice books and magazines and would be able to keep it open to the general public. Will you help? Man or woman with moderate means, this is your opportunity. Young man and woman, the call is to you, that you may have abundant reading for your leisure hours. Again it may be reiterated that all who are working for the library are doing so absolutely free of any salary, but for the good they can do our city and its citizens.

Jack Wilson, one of the prosperous farmers of the Pony creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

RHEUMATISM ARRESTED

Many people suffer the tortures of lame muscles and stiffened joints because of impurities in the blood, and each succeeding attack seems more acute until rheumatism has invaded the whole system. To arrest rheumatism it is quite as important to improve your general health as to purify your blood, and the cod liver oil in Scott's Emulsion is nature's great blood-maker, while its medicinal nourishment strengthens the organs to expel the impurities and rebuild your strength. Scott's Emulsion is helping thousands every day who could not find other relief. Refuse the alcoholic substitutes.

Beef and Milk A-plenty

Cattle are kept for two purposes; for beef production and for milk production. To do either right they must be healthy. There is nothing better to keep them in continued good health, or to make them well quickly when sick, than a few doses of—

Bee Dee STOCK MEDICINE

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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When a candidate for a state office feels of the political pulse of Runnels county at this particular time, he no doubt feels like the world is against him.

Lampasas Leader says there is no town in Texas of its size that has fewer cement sidewalks than Lampasas. That is a name no town should feel proud of.

"Business seems to be pretty dull here," remarked a visitor to Ballinger this week. Yes, in the loafing line, but if you will take a spin through the county you will think Runnels county is the busiest spot on the map.

The man in town who owns an auto is of course able to keep somebody at the handles of the lawn mower, and the man who has no auto has nothing else to do when he leaves his business at six-thirty. At any rate Ballinger is growing more beautiful every day with its beautiful lawns and flower gardens. Show your pride, if you have any.

There are some people in Ballinger who say they are from Missouri who say they are from Missouri about the telephone business. They have been told that the phone business in Ballinger is not a paying proposition, and that the net earnings last year were just a little more than six per cent. They prefer to be shown and they insist that the court is the best authority on such matters.

An exchange tells of a negro who applied for license to wed. When the clerk asked him if he wanted county or state license, he scratched his head and after a little meditation, called for state license, saying he might want to leave home to pick cotton. That negro has no doubt heard about crop that Runnels county is going to make this year, and he wants to be prepared to come out and help pick it.

The Ledger tells of a Ballinger citizen who has a sweet potato that is perfectly petrified. For goodness' sake destroy the thing, and don't get such a crop started. The cost of living is high enough without having the sandy land of the Ballinger country devoted to raising of petrified potatoes. When they once get a start in a country they may be as hard to kill as Johnson grass.—Claude in Star-Telegram.

Every kind of advertising scheme that the mind of man could devise has been tried out, and lots of them discarded as worthless. The one that still brings results to the advertisers and the one that has made thousands of merchants prosper is the live newspaper. Had it ever occurred to you, Mr. Advertiser, that a paper with a thousand subscribers is read by 5000 people. This is the average. Show us, a paper without any advertising and we will show you a paper that there is little demand for.

The Brownwood Bulletin quotes a Brownwood farmer as saving the farmers of that county will be disappointed in the grain yield this year. The farmer says the yield will be from 12 to 15 bushels per acre. The grain in Runnels county is pening out good, but the complaint about loss in handling it is coming in from every section. One man stated that he estimated that his oats shattered out while harvesting them at least five bushels per acre. This is due to the fact that the grain matured before the ground was dry enough to get in

the field with a machine. This loss is greater in some localities than others.

The farmers are keeping one eye on the clouds and the other on his grain, and is begging for help. A farmer was here late Thursday afternoon looking for hands, and asked if it wasn't possible to find some boys around town that were big enough to shock oats. We couldn't answer the question. Not that we didn't know there were quite a number of boys in Ballinger big enough to shock oats, but we had some doubt about their fathers being big enough to get them to shock oats. It has been said that all play and no work makes Jack a dull bum. Unless the farmers can get help thousands of dollars will go to waste in the fields in Runnels county. The grain will spoil while the weeds grow.

HARVEST HANDS IN THE MIDDLE WEST.

The United States department of labor is sending notices broadcast over the country, calling for harvest hands in the middle west. Several letters from the department has been received at the Ballinger postoffice with instructions to Postmaster Eriwn to post in a conspicuous place and have the press call the public's attention to the same.

Runnels County might be classed in the middle west. It is one of the many counties of this section of the state that are in need of harvest hands at this particular time of the year. Farmers are working day and night, and in many cases with only one shift, that the grain crop might be harvested before it is too late. Truly, Runnels county needs all the help she can get.

FALSE PROPAGHY OF POLITICASTERS

Having learned from T. S. Johnson that Ball will carry Travis county, and from Gen. Hutchings that Ferguson will carry Travis county we are fully qualified to give political tips as to who will be elected governor.—Austin Statesman.

Friends of the two candidates in Ballinger have the final result figured out to a t-y-t-y. It is amusing to read the statements made by the politicaster on the results of the coming election. Texas is the largest political pasture in the United States and its voting strength is made up of a variety that makes election guesses a joke. There are few counties in the state where the people are strong enough on men or issues for a conservative man to estimate the outcome with any degree of accuracy. Yet men are traveling over Texas today and trying to make believe that Texas will go by a big majority for Ball, if he is a Ferguson man, he says Ferguson will carry the state by so many thousand. It is an easy matter to find men in Runnels county who will tell you that Runnels county will go for Ferguson and men who will tell you that the county will go for Ball.

No man can forecast the outcome and all statements are made with only one object, and that to catch the voter who generally votes with the crowd. The voter who does his own thinking, keeps himself posted by watching the game as it is played through the daily and weekly papers of Texas, is the voter who cast an intelligent ballot. Don't be misled by the false prophacy of the politicaster.

Follow the crowd and trade at Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co. 9-2td 1tw

WOOTEN IN RACE FOR SUPERINTENDENT

Prof. W. W. Wooten left Wednesday afternoon for Valley Mills on business. Prof. Wooten taught school at Valley Mills last term, and came home to spend the summer. He was re-elected at Valley Mills, but says his friends prevailed on him to get in the race for county superintendent of schools of Runnels county after he came home, and that he had decided to make the race. He went to Valley Mills to meet the board and tender his resignation. Before leaving he said: "I wish you would state in your paper that I am in the race for superintendent and that I will make my formal announcement next week, or as soon as I return from Valley Mills."

Mr. Wooten stated that he expected to return to Ballinger by Friday at noon.

N. J. Allen returned from a business trip to San Angelo, Tuesday afternoon.

LITTLE STORIES OF THE LONE STAR STATE

A little four-pounder cannon, mere toy in these days of powerful dreadnaughts, started the fuse which ended in Texas declaring its independence from Mexico.

Historians imagine that the good people of Gonzales, Texas, back in 1831, were slightly proud of this little cannon intended for defense against the Indians. It was highly prized. Santa Anna made the mistake of starting at Gonzales to disarm the people of Texas in accordance with the General's self-made changes in the Mexican constitution. Perhaps the only thing the people of Gonzales prized more highly than the cannon was their liberties under the old constitution. They decided to keep both liberties and cannon.

The news that Gonzales would dispute the demands of Santa Anna's dragons spread like wildfire through Texas. While the Gonzales volunteers parleyed for delay, reinforcements arrived. When, quietly under cover of a heavy fog, Col. John H. Moore led his volunteer forces across the river and on the morning of the second attacked the Mexican camp. The Mexicans retreated leaving their dead on the field of battle. The Texans met with no casualty.

Thus the cause of the independence of Texas was inaugurated. And the engagement was opened by a shot from the little four-pounder.

Ransom of American women held by Indians is recorded in Texas history for the first time in the pitiful story of a remnant of the J. C. Beales colony at Dolores, Texas, a settlement on Lee Noras Creek, twelve miles above its junction with the Rio Grande and perhaps thirty miles above the present town of Eagle Pass. The attempt at colonization was made in 1834.

Signs of early fair promise for the settlement were blasted by draught. Despondency seized many of the colonists and they sought homes and food in San Fernando, Santa Rosa, and other Mexican cities within a 100 mile radius. On the 10th of March, 1836, just two years after they arrived at Dolores, a group of the last colonists to leave the place endeavored to return to the coast and to England. More of the pioneers in the Beales party were English from New York.

The party making for home consisted of eleven men, of whom Mr. Horn had a wife and two little ones, and Mr. Harris, a wife and an infant. On the afternoon of April 2nd, while the men in camp were variously occupied or asleep, and none on guard, they were surprised and attacked by fifty or sixty mounted Comanches who killed the eleven men, made captives of the women and children, plundered the camp and returned to their main camp of 400 warriors. The Harris infant was killed next morning.

With the two white women captives in separate bands and Mrs. Horn separated from her two children, the Indians traveled leisurely for two months when they arrived among the principal Comanche camps in the regions of the upper Arkansas river. The fate of the two little sons of Mrs. Horn is unknown.

There then lived in Santa Fe a Missouri trader and merchant named William Boncho. Through his efforts and his purse, both Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Horn were ransomed and restored to the white race. Boncho also obtained by ransom the liberty of Mrs. Rachel Plummer, also a white captive of the Comanches. Mrs. Plummer and Mrs. Harris soon afterward died from the brutal treatment they were subjected to by the Indians. Mrs. Horn lived long enough to record in fifty-nine closely written pages a full and thrilling sketch of her life.

How much was paid for the liberty of the two women is not known.

True love stranger than fiction is to be found in the dawn of Texas history.

This is the story of Jugesau St. Denis, French soldier of fortune, who led an expedition into Texas in 1714 to plant colonies, establish intercourse with Mexico, and obtain an interest in her mines. When he reached San Juan Bautista, the Presidio of the Rio Grande, he improved the delay incident to awaiting an answer from the Spanish Governor of Coahuila, by falling in love with Maria, the beautiful daughter of Villeseas, commanding officer at the Presidio.

Unfortunately the governor

also was a suitor to her hand and had St. Denis imprisoned. After more than six months imprisonment in chains, Maria obtained his release through powerful influence in Mexico City. Having in the meantime repeatedly refused to marry the Governor, Maria and Sa. Denis were wed.

Mobile was then the starting point of all expeditions into Texas. St. Denis started from Mobile on a second expedition in 1727 and finding himself robbed of all his property at the Presidio made a trip to Mexico City to secure redress. His old enemy, the former Governor, again had St. Denis imprisoned and again his faithful wife obtained his liberty. Texas was then ruled from Mexico City, it must be remembered. St. Denis returned to Mobile and was given command of the fort at Natchitoches. The Natchez Indians feared St. Denis and particularly feared his vengeance for the massacre of French soldiers in Louisiana by that tribe in November 1739. Believing St. Denis would collect friendly Indians and exterminate the Natchez, these warriors sent 200 men to St. Denis' fort and entrapped him with a garrison of only 30 men.

A woman played a leading role in the Frenchman's life to the very last but was not Maria. The Natchez tried to lure St. Denis out of the fort by proposing to surrender to him a French woman whom they had long held a prisoner. After futile bickerings, the Indians, suspecting the real condition of the Frenchman's small force, erected in front of their tents a funeral pyre upon which they bound the woman.

St. Denis with twenty men at once made a furious onslaught on the Indians. At the first clash all of his men but eight were killed. St. Denis fell at last with three bullets in his head and two arrows in his breast. Two of his force survived.

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Every statement made in this catalogue is backed by a cash guaranty of \$100 to be true and correct. Parents who have children to educate should not decide upon the kind of an education or school to patronize until they have read our catalogue. If interested in educational matters, we will be glad to send you our catalogue upon request. We will appreciate it if, when writing for catalogue, you will send us the names of two or three young people likely to be interested in a commercial education.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Schneider returned home Wednesday at noon from Beeville, where they went to be at the bedside of Mr. Schneider's brother. We regret to report that Mr. Schneider's brother died. Death occurred about twelve o'clock Saturday night and Mr. Schneider did not reach Beeville until five o'clock Sunday morning.

Mrs. Harry Sharp came down from Abilene Monday and spent a few days with her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Starkey and other relatives.

We regret to report that the little baby of Mr. and Mrs. J. Rummann is quite sick at their home on Broadway.

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NORTON NOTES.

The farmers are taking advantage of the clear weather, cotton chopping, plowing and grain cutting being the order of the day.

Rev. White and wife, of Talpa, are visiting in our community this week. Rev. White filled the pulpit at the Baptist church Sunday morning and afternoon.

Miss Alpha Setser and Minnie Lee Morgan, of Ballinger, are visiting friends and relatives in Norton this week.

Mr. Thomas is the guest of his brother Rev. Jas. Thomas.

Mrs. Reuben Gentry, of Ballinger visited friends and relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

The children's day exercises at the Presbyterian church Sunday night was well attended and a very successful program was rendered by the children.

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AN ERROR.

An error appearing in the ad. of the Schawe Grocery Store makes the price of beans a little too high, and is calculated, to cause the customer to go some where else to buy his beans. Beans are quoted at ten pounds for \$1 when it should be 18 pounds for \$1. Look up the ad and in making out your bill for groceries figure the beans at nearly double the amount quoted and you will get it right.

EASTERN STAR INSTALLATION

Last evening at the Masonic Hall, officers for the ensuing year were installed. Many members were present to participate in the ceremony of placing in office the new officers for the year coming. Refreshments were served at a late hour and a general good time was enjoyed by those present.

Those installed last night were: Worthy Matron Miss Olga Schawe, Worthy Patron W. A. Tally, Asso. Matron, Mrs. Georgie Parker, Secretary Mrs. Emma Braden, Treasurer Whit Patterson, Conductress Miss Mary Phillips, Asso. Conductress Miss Zennett Willingham, Ada Miss Alpha Caperton, Ruth Mrs. Velma Halley, Esther Miss Azalee Julma, Martha Miss Georgie Singletery, Electa Mrs. Alice Wade, Warder Mrs. Molly Creasey, Sentinel Dr. W. B. Halley, Chaplain Mrs. Anna Tally, Marshall Mrs. Anna Pearce, Organist Mrs. Clara Ransom.

FARMERS UNION WAREHOUSE MEETING

There will be a meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers Union Warehouse Co., at Ballinger at ten o'clock Monday, July 6th. All stockholders will take notice and be on hand.

W. T. STOVALL, Chairman.

PREACHING AT JAMESON SCHOOL HOUSE.

I will preach at the Jameson school house Sunday, June 14, at 11 and three o'clock. Everybody is cordially invited.

G. W. NEWMAN.

Mrs. H. F. Turberville and baby left Saturday for their home at Gainesville, after a visit to Mrs. Turberville's parents, Judge and Mrs. M. C. Smith.

S. T. Williams was in town Tuesday, and shipped out a box of prairie dogs to relatives in Mississippi.

SPRING HILL NEWS.

We are sorry to report there is some sickness in our neighborhood this week. Mrs. Barley was operated upon last Friday at Halley & Love Sanitarium and she is getting along nicely. Mrs. Rodgers is in bed again. Dr. Mangum was called to see her Tuesday.

The small grain crop is being harvested as fast as the binders can run. Lots of them going to late in the night, fearing bad weather. Maize is beginning to head out. Cotton has improved since the sun has begun to shine and farmers are beginning to work. Most of the cotton will be chopped to a stand by the last part of next week. All in all crop conditions are promising.

Miss Eva Ingle is visiting her sister beyond town.

Mrs. Chiseo was visiting her parents near Jameson last week.

Mrs. Duncan of Valley creek was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Claude Compton last Sunday.

Mrs. W. S. Davis was to see her parents in Ballinger this week.

Miss Flora Compton was visiting her sister Mrs. Arthur Willingham the past week.

Hugo Voglesang was up to his grandfathers at Hatchel last week to help harvest his oat crop.

"KNOX."

PAINT NOW.

If you ought to have painted last year and waited, how much do you think you made? You'll buy an extra gallon this year. There's \$5 or \$6 for paint and labor. You think you won't, but you will; you can't stretch paint.

It is always so: the longer you wait, the more paint and wages. Besides what paint is for. What is it for? DEVOE Ballinger Lumber Co., Sell it.

Ford Billups returned to Tyler where he has a splendid position, after spending a few days with his father, J. T. Billups, of the Truitt country.

Dr. J. W. Blasdel returned to his home at Lockhart, Tuesday, after spending several days here looking after business and visiting friends.

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.

For Sheriff: JOHN D. PERKINS.

J. A. DEMOVILLE.

MARSHALL SIMPSON.

For Tax Assessor: MIKE C. BOYD.

WILL L. STUART.

C. C. SCHUCKRELL.

SAM H. McPHERSON.

JIM McWHIRTER.

R. L. (Bob) SHAFER.

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.

Miss MARY PHILLIPS.

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.

For Constable Precinct No. 1: B. F. ALLEN.

CHARLIE EISENHUTH.

For Congressman-at-Large: R. B. HUMPHREY.

(of Throckmorton, Texas.)

**YOU CAN'T EAT
APPETITE POOR**

Multitudes of people lose their appetite. Simply don't care for anything to eat. The dinner bell has no interest to them. They loathe their breakfast. They may nibble a little of this and a little of that, but they do not care for it.

Lunch has lost all of its charms, although they try to eat something. Dinner about the same.

There is something positively wrong, of course, but no disease that can be named. Just out of sorts. That is all.

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After using Peruna, interest in food is revived. Beginning with a teaspoonful of Peruna before each meal will generally quickly improve the appetite and help the digestion.

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

**NOTICE OF PREACH-
ING DATES**

I shall preach at the following places on the following dates:

Williams Springs school house, second Sunday in June; Mann school house, Tuesday 8:30 p. m. June 16th; Barnett school house, Wednesday 8:30 p. m. June 17th; Spring Hill school house, Thursday 8:30 p. m. June 18th; Red Bank school house, Friday 8:30 p. m. June 19th; Brookshire school house, Saturday 8:30 p. m. June 20th and Sunday 11:00 a. m. June 21st.

Everybody invited to attend.

Respectively,
J. W. ELLIOTT.

Card of Thanks.

We take this method of thanking our friends and neighbors for the many deeds of kindness shown us during the sickness of our beloved mother and may God's richest blessings fall on them all.

ELIC AND DORA HINSON
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Mrs. R. W. Smith, little girl and two sisters Misses Mary and Adell Horn, of Brownwood, came in Wednesday at noon and went out to the farm of her father A. B. Horn and father-in-law, P. N. Smith, of the Winters country, where they will visit for a few days.

The Country Trade

Receives our very best attention and we ask you to visit us when in town, and we guarantee to give you a good shave, a neat hair cut and courteous treatment.

City Barber Shop

H. O. Rhodes, Proprietor.

**TO OUR
COUNTRY FRIENDS**

When in town call and get a nice steak or roast for your Sunday dinner.

A Call Will Be Appreciated,
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**YOU'VE GOT TO EAT
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Then why not eat the best at the same price.

A short lunch or long lunch, you pay for what you eat and eat what you want.

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**HUERTA'S BROTHER
LIVES IN AUSTIN**

Austin Tribune:

Blind, helpless, poor, Severin Huerta, half brother of Victoriano Huerta, dictator of Mexico, is living in seclusion at 906 San Antonio street, Austin.

Struggling for the bare necessities of life, in Mexico a large fortune might be his did he dare to claim it.

Time and again President Huerta has sent emissaries here to induce his brother to come to Mexico and claim his property, but he fears his brother and distrusts him, and so will not go.

Two beautiful daughters, with more of the characteristics of the Japanese than the Aztec, are nurse maids in prominent homes in Austin to help eke out a subsistence for the family.

Denies His Brother.

Severin Huerta is a typical Aztec, and while not possessing the pronounced features of his brother, is much like him.

Senor Huerta is a motherly, kind-appearing woman, her face expressing affection and cheerfulness.

A Tribune reporter met Senora Huerta at the door of the humble residence next to the splendid home of Lynn Hunter and found that she could talk a little American. "Yes, her husband's name is Huerta. He has been long blind. He came to have Dr. Hiltgartner to treat his eyes. They were injured in an explosion."

Senor Huerta came to the door. His face was not unkindly, though it resembled his brother. He, too, could talk broken American.

"Yes, my name is Huerta. No, I am no relation of el presidente Huerta," and his face clouded. "No he has not asked me to come back to Mexico. I shall not go."

Many Emissaries Here.

This was at 1 o'clock, and there was little time to ask questions, and Senor Huerta evidently did not wish to talk.

It is said the emissaries of Huerta have been here almost constantly trying to induce his brother to come back. These emissaries have been liberally supplied with funds for themselves, but none for Huerta unless he will go back to Mexico. American friends have advised him not to go, but to request remittances to come to a bank here, but none has ever been sent.

The daughters say they would of course like to have money and the things they had in Mexico, but they do not want their father to leave them.

Senor Huerta is older than the Mexican president. His daughters give evidence of culture far beyond the usual Mexican girl, and there is something touchingly gentle about the mother.

**QUIETLY MARRIED
LAST NIGHT.**

In the presence of the members of the family, at the home of the bride's parents, Judge and Mrs. C. H. Willingham at eight-thirty Wednesday night, J. Whit Patterson and Miss Zanette Willingham were married. Rev. W. Bion Adkins performed the ceremony.

Mr. Patterson has just completed a new home on Fifth Street, and furnished it, and they are now at home to their many friends.

Mr. Patterson is a member of the First National Bank, where he has held the position of teller for a number of years. He has many friends to congratulate him upon his success. Miss Zanette is a Ballinger girl, having lived here all her life, and she has the best wishes of a host of friends.

J. M. Steele and wife arrived from California Thursday at noon and will spend a few weeks visiting Mr. Steele's brother, F. M. Steele of the Norton country. Mr. Steele was here from Norton to meet his brother. Another brother, J. L. Steele, of Mills county, is here on a visit.

Mrs. E. J. Riggs returned to her home in San Angelo Tuesday. She came down to attend the funeral of her sister, and spent a few days with her brother, E. J. Hinson.

Condy Wylie went to San Angelo Wednesday at noon to visit relatives and will go from there out to the ranch at Fort Chadbourne.

Get a Herrick refrigerator and you get the best. Higginbotham, Currie, William Co. 9-2td2tw

**M'GREGOR SPEAKS IN
BEHALF OF JIM FERGUSON**

Good Crowd Hears Austin Senator Expound the Platform of the Temple Candidate—Predictions that Ferguson Will Carry Runnels County.

While Jim Ferguson, himself, is touring the Panhandle, Senator T. H. McGregor, of Austin is sweeping Central West Texas advocating the candidacy of "Farmer Jim" of Temple.

To a crowd that was interested in what Mr. McGregor had to say, the Austin Senator carried the audience with him last night. The attendance was not too large; however, it was larger than was originally expected by the Ferguson men who arranged for Mr. McGregor's coming to Ballinger. Several farmers were noticed in the audience, although a majority of the crowd was composed of city people who were interested in the Temple man's candidacy. Many farmers, however, are busy in the fields and were unable to attend. The speaking was held at the Runnels county court house.

Senator McGregor was introduced by Judge T. T. Crosson of this city, who paid a high tribute to the Austin man, classing him "a gentleman whom I have known for some time, a citizen whose labors it has been my pleasure to notice, a patriot whose purpose has been always to serve his country in his own way and the best he knows."

Senator McGregor has been on the committee of the senate placing public institution and handling the repairs of the same for quite a length of time. It was he who was instrumental in the erection of the Carlsbad Sanatorium. On a number of occasions he has visited this part of the state. He is well known over Western Texas.

During the day Tuesday, Mr. McGregor greeted old friends and made new ones. He left Wednesday morning for Coleman where he will speak tonight, in behalf of the Temple man's candidacy.

"It is immaterial to me," said the Senator at the outset of his speech, "whether Jim Ferguson or Tom Ball is elected to the office of governor of Texas. And it should be immaterial to you of the audience. But I am here to tell you, that it is material to me whether the advocacies of Jim Ferguson are enacted into the laws of the State of Texas, and it is material that the fallacies of Tom Ball be not enacted into laws."

Mr. McGregor stated that he was not going to judge the two men who are running for governor, nor the qualifications as a man of each were sufficient to tide him through the office. He stated that what he had to say in his speech would concern the speech of Jim Ferguson when he opened his campaign for governor at Blum, Texas, and the speech of Tom Ball when he set forth his platform at Greenville and at Ft. Worth.

For a considerable length of time, Mr. McGregor reviewed the plank of the tow platforms, concerning the land question. He upheld in vigorous terms the tenant proposition of Jim Ferguson and stated that Jim Ferguson is the first man in the history of the state of Texas who has ever raised the land question. The Senator said that Mr. Ferguson's proposition not only concerned the tenant and the landlord but that it concerned every farmer in the great state of Texas and that it was for the benefit of each of the two that Ferguson studied out the proposition which has been submitted to them through his platform for governor. Mr. McGregor said that Tom Ball followed Mr. Ferguson and came out with another proposition on the rentals of land, and called it his "land plank." It was showed how it was necessary that something be done immediately looking towards the welfare of the farmer, especially the tenant who is renting at any price and often times at a sum that enables him to fall in debt heavily.

The tenant would be relieved from the extortion of the landlord by Mr. Ferguson's land proposition, the speaker declared that the landlord who owned land and rented it right would have nothing to fear from Mr. Ferguson if elected governor of Texas.

Mr. McGregor said that it was time that all liquor legislation, whether pro or anti, should be stopped before it reaches the statute

books of the state. He said that there was enough prohibition and enough anti-prohibition laws in Texas now and that more would be too many. Mr. Ferguson will veto all legislation that bears any semblance to liquor rulings, the speaker said.

When the name of Jim Ferguson was first mentioned by Mr. McGregor, a storm of applause broke out through the building, and for a minute or more the speaker's voice could not be heard above the voices. The Senator, finding his cue, knowing that it was clearly a Ferguson audience, started his address with renewed vigor in behalf of the Temple man.

Taking plank for plank, Mr. McGregor expounded the candidacy of Mr. Ferguson and told of the "falsity" of the propositions offered by Mr. Ball.

He discussed the penitentiary system, and advocated Mr. Ferguson's policy of placing convicts with business farmers.

Mr. McGregor also discussed the railroad question, stating that the railroads are a public necessity and must be maintained for the public good. He stated that the public would do the right thing by the railroads, if the roads would do the right thing by the people in little matters.

The need of a public warehouse is another plank in Ferguson's platform. The Temple candidate thinks that a special department in the office of the commissioner of agriculture should be established to give out information on the cotton consumption that would be helping to the producer.

After the speaking had been brought to a close a number of friend of Mr. McGregor greeted him and thanked him for his speech in behalf of Mr. Ferguson. It was predicted by some after the address that Ferguson would carry Runnels county by a heavy majority and the state of Texas by at least 50,000 majority.

Tom Ball and Jim Ferguson want your vote. We want your trade. Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co. 9-2td 1tw

**BALL SPEAKER FOR
FIRST MONDAY**

A letter from Ball headquarters at Dallas, state that they will send a man here to address the voters in the interest of Tom Ball on first Monday. At present they say the name of the speaker can not be given as the committee who has arranging speaking dates does not know who will be the best man to send here. A request had been sent in from Ballinger for Ball to be here on the above date, but on account of the demand for Col. Ball to speak at the larger towns in the state, the committee says it would be unwise to change their plans. There is quite a number of speakers on the stump for Col. Ball, including Cullen Thomas, Judge Ramsey, S. P. Brooks, Sam Sparks and beginning on July first the Ball campaign committee state they will start 100 speakers out to cover the state during the last few days of the campaign. Up to the present Mr. Ferguson has had the best of it on speaking dates, making twice as many speeches himself as Mr. Ball and his friends have been shelling the woods for him. On account of the farmers being so busy at this particular time both Ball and Ferguson speakers are not reaching many country people.

Uncle Joe Routh, after spending a few weeks visiting his children, Mrs. Emma Nash and Mrs. Lee Maddox, left for his home at Andrews Wednesday morning. His little grand son, Billie Nash, accompanied him home and will visit in the west for a few weeks.

Miss Russ, the telephone operator at Crews, was brought to Ballinger and placed in the Halley & Love sanitarium Tuesday and operated on for appendicitis. She is getting along nicely.

Rev. I. N. Lewis and wife went out to Hatchel Tuesday where they will spend a few days before going to their home at Tahoka, Texas.

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**DEMO. COMMITTEE
MEETS MONDAY**

The County Democratic Executive Committee will meet in Ballinger next Monday, June 15, to attend to matters required by law governing the holding of primary election. The secretary C. R. Crews has sent out notices to each precinct committeeman, notifying him to be present. There are 24 committeemen, besides the county chairman and secretary.

When committee meets the question of a majority or plurality nomination will be settled. The selection of places on the ticket will be made for the candidates. This is done by casting lots. The expenses of holding the election will be estimated and each candidate assessed to make up this money. Election managers will be appointed, and other matters required by law attended to.

**WOOL GROWERS
REJECT BIDS.**

San Angelo, June 10.—Eleven bids upon approximately 1,000,000 pounds of long wool Monday afternoon were rejected by the Wool Growers' central Storage Company and last night the wires were kept hot between San Angelo and Boston with inquiries from the buyers asking for instructions. The bids were all sealed and it required but a few minutes to decide upon its course of action.

The bids offered have not been made public, but it seems that the prevailing price for wool this season will be between 18 and 20 cents.

Dr. Boon, of Wingate, had business in Ballinger Tuesday and remained over Tuesday night and heard McGregor speak at the court house for Ferguson.

**200,000 POUNDS
WOOL TO SELL**

The Ballinger Wool Growers Association have selected Wednesday, June 17 as the day for receiving bids on about 200,000 lbs. of wool that will be concentrated here. At present there is 125,000 pounds of wool stored here, and other growers will bring their wool here for the sale. The sale of between 50,000 and 75,000 pounds of wool which was scheduled to take place at Talpa Wednesday of this week, was called off, and it is reported that the Talpa wool will be shipped here and will be sold at the sale next week. The sale at Talpa did not take place because some of the buyers failed to arrive, and those there were not willing to wait for the other buyers to come.

R. G. Erwin is looking after the plans for entertaining the wool growers and the buyers who come next week, and the usual good time is being arranged for.

Considerable wool was sold while en route to Ballinger, the W. O. Schultz clip, amounting to about 100,000 pounds having been sold. Other clips from Concho county that are usually brought here were sold at the pens.

W. O. W. UNVEILING.

The monument of Sovereign J. R. Holiday will be unveiled Sunday afternoon at three-thirty o'clock. All members of the Ballinger Camp will please take notice and govern themselves accordingly, and all neighboring camps are invited to participate in the ceremonies.

Mrs. S. M. Farmer, of Miles, came in Monday afternoon on a visit to her friends Mr. and Mrs. Robert Corum and Mrs. Kate Woodward for a few days.

**NOTICE To the Eating
Public.**

I have renovated and have in a sanitary condition the Globber Market. My specialties are Government Inspected Meats of the best quality and

Butter Nut Bread, the best what is.

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OLD FOLKS FIND NEW REMEDY RELIEVES ALL KIDNEY AND BLADDER MISERIES

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Sleep disturbing bladder weaknesses, backache, rheumatism, and the many other kindred ailments which so commonly come with declining years, need no longer be a source of dread and misery to those who are past the middle age of life.

from the blood and drive it out of the system. It matters not how old you are or how long you have suffered, Croxone is so prepared that it is practically impossible to take it into the human system without results.

MOONLIGHT WORK COMMON IN TEXAS

DALLAS, June 9.—Harvesting by moonlight is common in Texas, and Oklahoma, where the frenzied efforts are being put forth to make up time lost during the rainy season.

NEBRASKA OUTLOOK GOOD LINCOLN, Neb., June 9.—With a ten per cent acreage, the outlook in Nebraska for a bumper wheat crop is fine, according to Secretary Mellor of the state board of agriculture.

LABOR CONDITIONS IMPROVE MARKETS ST. PAUL, Minn., June 9.—Prospects for bumper crops are excellent in this state. Labor conditions have improved marketing conditions and have brought about optimism throughout the Dakotas, Minnesota and middle Canada.

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

WILL NOT QUIT FARM. Hugh Wilburn was in from his farm in South Ballinger Monday morning and stated to the Ledger reporter that he was making an effort to get some one to look after his photo studio and that he thought it would be open for business next week.

TRESPASS NOTICE You are hereby warned not to trespass 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 MASSEY, Concho county, Tex MERRY PARTY OFF FOR TEN DAYS CAMP

A party made up of Ballinger people left Tuesday for the shady banks of the Concho river, where they will spend ten days enjoying camp life, fishing and taking the sunshine cure. They went well prepared for living, their camping outfit containing everything for the comforts of outdoor life.

W. P. Herrell, of the Maverick country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

EAGLE EYE SALVE GOOD FOR THE EYES—AND EYES ONLY ARE YOUR EYES watery, watery, weak? Get a 25c. tube of EAGLE EYE SALVE. Use it and avoid granulated lids, growths, styes and other bad results that follow this sure sign of infected eyes. Eagle Eyes for everybody if they use EAGLE EYE Salve.

SOCIALISTS IN ITALY CAUSE MUCH TROUBLE

ROME, June 9.—Socialists in Italy have struck a protest against killing several of their number in Italian cities, including Rome.

Troops are patrolling the streets here. The cavalry today cleared a plaza where socialists gathered to hold a large meeting.

MEXICAN WOMAN IS VICTIM OF RATTLER San Angelo, June 6.—Bitten by a rattlesnake Wednesday afternoon while on the George Richardson ranch, a Mexican woman, the wife of Pedro Ortiz, died Friday morning while in a hack en route to this city for treatment.

Ortiz continued to the city with the body of his dead wife and the funeral was conducted yesterday afternoon.

MALE STENOGRAPHERS AND TYPEWRITERS IN DEMAND AT WASHINGTON

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that while it has no difficulty in securing sufficient female stenographers and typewriters to meet the needs of the departments at Washington, the supply of male eligibles has not been equal to the demand.

Miss Willie James left Sunday afternoon for Austin to attend commencement at the State University, where her sister graduates with honor.

Several Ballinger members of the Masonic lodge went out to Norton Saturday night to attend a special meeting of the lodge. Among those going from here were C. C. Schuhard, R. E. Long, J. P. Flynt.

Judge Jno. I. Guion left Sunday afternoon to attend the commencement exercises of the A. & M. College, and to attend a meeting of the board of regents.

LANDON HOTEL BRINGS \$120,000

SAN ANGELO, June 8.—The Landon Hotel, operated in San Angelo by James C. Landon for the past twenty-six years, has been sold to S. A. Naylor of Odell, Texas, and now "Jim" as he is known to his many friends throughout the state, is paying hotel rent for the first time in his life-time on a one-year lease of his former property.

The sale was practically an exchange and Mr. Landon received for his hotel, which he valued at \$120,000, approximately four leagues, or 17,712 acres of Sherman county school land, located in Cochran county, only 10 miles from the New Mexico-Texas line.

Get Rid of Your Rheumatism Now is the time to get rid of your rheumatism. You can do it if you apply Chamberlain's Liniment. W. A. Lockhard, Homer City, N. Y., writes, "Last spring I suffered from rheumatism with terrible pains in my arms and shoulders. I got a bottle of Chamberlain's Liniment and the first application relieved me. By using one bottle of it I was entirely cured." For sale by all dealers.

Miss Winnie Davis, of Sonora, who had been spending a few days with her aunt Mrs. J. A. DeMerville and family, left Monday at noon for her home.

Mrs. Oscar Clary and two children, of San Angelo, who had been visiting her parents Judge and Mrs. R. B. Truly the past several days left for her home. She was accompanied by her sisters Misses Myrtle and Genevieve Truly who will visit in that city some time.

Ed Lehr, one of the prominent grocery merchants of Rowens, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

Mrs. Frank LaMott and children left for Galveston Saturday afternoon, where they will make their future home. They had been living in Ballinger for the past two or three years, having moved here from Galveston before Mr. LaMott died. The best wishes of their friends here go with them.

CASH PRICES

- Green Velva Syrup55c
Red Velva Syrup50c
New South Syrup55c
25lbs. Granulated Sugar . \$1.29
7 bars Clariette Soap25c
7 bars C-W Soap25c
7 bars Cleaneasy Soap25c
Van Camps Sugar Corn8c
3lb cans Tomatoes11c
2lb cans Tomatoes7 1-2c
3lb cans Pea Peach8c
80c cans K. C. Baking Powder 65c
50c cans K. C. Baking Powder 40c
Extra High Patent Flour . \$1.39
High Patent Flour \$1.20
Meal75c
20lbs Mexican Beans \$1.00
10lbs. Pixk Beans \$1.00
25lb Sack Tablet Salt23c
100lb sack Stock Salt55c
25c buckets Axlegrease19c
10c cans Axle grease7c
BINDER TWINE, per Pound 10 1-2c
OAT SACKS 10 1-2c
Baling Wire, per roll95c

Schawe Grocery Co. Remember all our general merchandise goes at a cut price. Come look through.

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Ah! what relief. No more tired feet; no more burning feet, swollen, bad smelling, sweaty feet. No more pain in corns, callouses or bunions. No matter what ails your feet or what under the sun you've tried without getting relief. Just use "TIZ."



"TIZ" will cure your foot troubles so you'll never limp or draw up your face in pain. You shoes won't seem tight and your feet will never, never hurt or get sore swollen or tired.

SNAKE BITES YOUNG MAN FISHING

While fishing on the creek Monday afternoon, Joe Nash was bitten by a moccasin, and only thru careful insight was a serious accident averted. The snake's fangs penetrated the flesh near the wrist of the right arm.

MRS. M. E. HENSON DIED SATURDAY

Mrs. M. E. Hinson died at her home in Ballinger Saturday morning from a complication of diseases, and after being ill for some time. The remains were prepared for burial and carried to Crews Sunday and laid to rest in the Crews cemetery, with a number of grief stricken relatives and many friends present to pay their last tribute to the good woman.

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MAYOR TALKS WEED CUTTING

The City Council discussed with pride the efforts of many citizens of Ballinger meeting the weed proposition. The fine rains and excellent growing weather this spring is rushing the weed crop. Many citizens have caught the spirit of progress and fought down all unsightly growth in front of their homes and back in the alleys, thus making their homes shine with thrift.

MEETING AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH ON TENTH STREET

We have secured the services of Rev. John W. Marshall, who is a very successful evangelist, to hold a meeting beginning about the first of July. Every one is cordially invited to be with us in this meeting.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years

Always bears the Signature of J. O. Phelps, E. M. Burrow, and L. N. Graham, of Hatchel, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

MARTINDALE IS FIREMEN CHIEF

At a meeting of the Ballinger Volunteer Fire Department, J. P. Martindale was elected chief, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Ed Globber, who recently moved to New Mexico where he will make his home in the future. H. M. Leach was made assistant chief to fill Mr. Martindale's former position.

At a recent meeting of the city council the appointments were approved by that body and Mr. Martindale and Mr. Leach were instructed to begin on their duties. Ex-chief Globber was at the head of the Ballinger Volunteer Fire Department for a number of years. He was heading the fire department when nothing but hose carts were in use in Ballinger. Under his direction much effective work was accomplished in the way of improving the local fire department and thereby doing better service to the citizens of the city.

Mr. Martindale, the new chief, has been a member of the Ballinger fire department for a number of years. He acted as assistant chief and on a number of occasions, during Mr. Globber's absence took charge of fighting fire. At the present time he is acting also as city fire marshal.

Only One Entirely Satisfactory. I have tried various colic and diarrhoea remedies, but the only one that has given me entire satisfaction and cured me when I was afflicted is Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I recommend it to my friends at all times," writes S. N. Galloway, Steward, S. C. For sale by all dealers.

EWING TAYLOR WILL GO TO WEST POINT

Ewing Taylor received a telegram Monday stating that he had passed the physical examination, coming up to the standard required by West Point, and that he would be entered on the 15th of this month. He is getting ready to leave and will bid good bye to Ballinger Thursday, and leave to join Uncle Sam's forces. It will be remembered that Ewing received an appointment to West Point some time ago. After giving the matter careful consideration he passed all the examinations and has decided to accept the opportunities offered him. Under the rules governing such matters he will be compelled to spend four years in the service before he can retire. At the end of each two year he will be given a three month's vacation, and can visit home folks.

The work, aside from offering opportunities for ambitious young men, carries with it a very good salary, and increases. Ewing has many friends in Ballinger who predict that he will make good and as the years roll by good reports will come from him.

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SUMMER EXCURSION RATES May 1st and after TO THE NORTH, EAST AND WEST via THE TEXAS PACIFIC RAILWAY LOCAL EXCURSION RATES ONE FARE PLUS TEN CENTS EVERY SUNDAY ROUND TRIP MINERAL WELLS EVERY DAY For full particulars see T. & P. Ry. Agents, or write A. D. BELL GEO. D HUNTER Asst. Gen. Pass. Agt. Gen. Pass. Agt. DALLAS, TEXAS

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Doughnuts That will remain moist.

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

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

K C Potato Doughnuts

By Mrs. Nevada Briggs, of Baking School fame.

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



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

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

SICK CHILD'S "DAD" KILLS DOCTOR

ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 8.—Dr. D. Winton Dunn was shot six times and instantly killed here this morning by Jesse Joplin because Dunn refused to treat Joplin's child.

Dunn refused to answer the call when summoned to the Joplin home to see the child because Joplin had not paid a bill that he owed Dunn for other services. Joplin has been arrested.

A bilious, half-sick feeling, loss of energy, and constipated bowels can be relieved with surprising promptness by using Herbine. The first dose brings improvements, a few doses puts the system in fine, vigorous conditions. Price 50c. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

WOODEN SHUTS OUT HARD HITTING TEAM

The Fort Smith (Ark.) Times-Record, in reporting a ball game between Ft. Smith and Tulsa, Okla., has the following to say of Willard Wooden:

"He was in the box the closing innings of the 13 inning game on Tuesday and showed well, but that was not regarded as enough to qualify for the trimming of the hard hitting bunch from Tulsa—the sluggers of the league. Suffice to say that the kid won his spurs, if it is appropriate to say such a thing of a Texan, for all Texans are supposed to be born with their spurs on—and that the Tulsa bunch will lose its reputation as hitters if it has often to face the kind of twirling that Wooden did yesterday. He stood fire like a veteran and was given great support."

Wooden is playing with the Western Association, a six league composed of Arkansas and Oklahoma teams. In the game reported in making the above comment Wooden shut out the Tulsa team, which has the best batting record of the association, and it was the first time they had been shut out this season.

Mosley is another Runnels county boy that is playing in the Western Association, and is making good.

Refrigerators and ice cream freezers at Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co. 9-2td 2tw

Monroe Hartman has accepted a position with L. B. Stubbs, the grocer, and began upon his duties last Saturday.

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J. Y. PEARCE

Man Nearly Breaks Into Rooms of English Queen

LONDON, June 8.—All of England is amazed by the exploit of Harry Pike, a young Englishman, who broke into Buckingham palace and nearly invaded the Queen's private apartments just to show that it could be done.

When arranged in court Pike expressed regret and stated that it was merely result of bravery caus-

ed by drink. He was remanded to jail for one week.

Pike evaded civil military guards, scaled high brick wall topped with spikes, and forced opening in basement window and wandered about palace at will. Extreme care will be taken in future to prevent suffragettes from emulating Pike's example.

DRESS REFORM TO BE DISCUSSED

CHICAGO, June 9.—Dress reform will be discussed generally at the Federation of Women's Clubs convention which is in session here, next Tuesday.

The censorship of moving pictures and the improvement of popular music will be considered at the same time.

The woman suffrage resolution will come before the convention June 17th.

SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Dalls County, of the 2nd day of June 1914, by H. H. Williams, Clerk of said Court for the sum of two thousand and four hundred fifty nine and 7-100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment in favor of the Murray Gin Co., in a certain cause in said Court, No. 15072-C and styled The Murray Gin Co. vs. W. P. Hearrell and W. L. McCauley placed in my hands for service, I, J. P. Flynt as Sheriff of Runnels County, Texas, did, on the 5th day of June 1914, levy on certain real estate and personal property situated in Runnels County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

1, No. 10x15 Erie City Iron Works Class "E" engine, complete with steam and exhaust pipe and foundation Bolts. 1, No. 101-2x545x15 Erie City Iron Works standard tubular boiler, complete with 3-4 front, smoke stack and all fittings and fixtures. 1, No. 11-2, 4x2 1-2x4 Gardner duplex boiler feed pump. 1, No. 2 Murray open pannd feed water heater, complete with connection. 3, 70 Saw Murray single gins, 3, 70 saw Murray cleaning feeders, complete with all connection. 1, 210 saw Murray double drum condenser, complete with 2, 26 inch Dust flues, caps and bases, 1, 3 gin Murray iron lint flue. 3, 70 saw Murray iron Elevator sections, complete with all connection. 20, Feet 11 1-2 inch iron pipe, 2, 11-2 inch iron elbows, 1, valve trip and connection. 1, 11 1-2 inch Telescope elbow, 1, 11 1-2x6 inch Telescope with cord, weight and pulleys. 1, 35 inch ABC double fan with 35 inch fan connection. 3, 13 1-2 inch iron elbows, 10 feet 13 1-2 inch iron pipe. 23 feet, 6 inch conveyor boxed with drive end and seed plug. 1, 8 inch double seed elbow, 5, 8 inch wood elbows, 2 transitions 8x8 1-2 inches. 40 feet 8 inch wood pipe 20 feet 8 1-2 inch iron pipe, 1 8 1-2 inch iron elbow. 1 Murray double box friction screw press, complete with steam packer and all pipe fittings. Wood plit Pulleys: 1, 30x12 with key; 3, 26x6; 3, 28x4; 1, 40x8; 2, 30x6. Iron Pulleys: 1, 6x4; 1, 6x6; 1, 4x2 47 1-2 ft., 12 inch 5 ply rubber belt. 138 1-2 ft. 6 in. light double leather belt. 85 ft. 4 in. light double leather belt. 33 1-2 ft. 7 in. light double leather belt. 16 ft. 4 in. single leather belt. 32 ft. 6 in. single leather belt. 26 1-2 ft. 1 in. single leather belt. 10 ft. 3 in. single leather belt. 42 ft. 23-16 steel shaft coupled with one 23-16 flange face eplg. 7, 19 inch adjustable post brackets with 23-16 boxes. 2, 23-16 set collars.

Which said machinery was at the time of the execution of said mortgage, in the cars at Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, but is now located at Maverick in Runnels County, Texas.

Also: All that certain tract lot or parcel of land (together with all buildings and machinery thereon, and which may hereafter be placed thereon), is situated, lying and being in Runnels County, Texas, and is bounded and described as follows, viz:

Two or more acres of land at Maverick, Runnels County, Texas, known as the Glenn and McCauley Gin Lot, out of survey No. 312,

MEDIATION MAY END BIG STRIKE

PITTSBURG, Pa., June 9.—Mediation may end a strike of 12,500 men in three East Pittsburgh plants of the Westinghouse Electric Company.

A committee of business men will meet the officials in an effort to consider means of grievances.

Not a wheel is turning in the large plants today.

Cert. No. 2731-2832, Patented to Samuel A. Maverick, Assignee May 10th, 1856, patent No. 95, Vol. 13, beginning at a stake on East Bank of Oak Creek at a point where the established Ballinger and Robert Lee Public Road strikes said creek bank; thence N. 30 E. with the meanderings of said creek bank 150 varas to a stake for N. W. corner; Thence 50 varas to a stake for its N. E. corner; Thence W. 125 varas to the place of beginning. See Deed Vol. 35, Page 406, Deed Records, Runnels County for further description.

Levied upon as the property of W. P. Hearrell and W. L. McCauley and that on the first Tuesday in July 1914, the same being the 7th day of said month, at the Court House door, of Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, of cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said W. P. Hearrell and W. L. McCauley.

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

Witness my hand, this 5th day of June 1914.

J. P. FLYNT,
Sheriff Runnels County, Texas.

ROOSEVELT GUEST OF FRIENDS

MADRID, Spain, June 9.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt was the guest today of friends here. He took luncheon at a summer palace.

Quick Meal Oil tove, guaranteed the best. Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co. 9-2td 1w

SUFFRAGISTS HARRANGUE MAJESTIES

LONDON, June 8.—King George V and Queen Mary had taste of suffragette activity today when a suffragist arose near the royal box in an opera and started to harrange the king and queen. She was quickly hustled out by the officers who were on the scene.

Get a Herick refrigerator and you get the best. Higginbotham, Currie, William Co. 9-2td 2tw

Mrs. Nez Gustavus went to San Angelo Tuesday, where she will spend several days with relatives.

Mrs. T. J. Stocks Sr., left Monday at noon for Miles to visit her daughters, Mesdames J. P. Brooks and A. H. Lewin and families a few days.

Mrs. Sam Daugherty and Mrs. Geo. Kearney returned Tuesday from a visit to Brownwood and Comanche.

Willard Moser came in from his ranch Tuesday to join his family who is here on a visit to D. P. Moser and family.

It's a good idea to get it at Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co. 9-2td 2tw

CHILDREN

Who have worms, who are sickly, restless or irritable; those who eat too much sweet stuff, who suffer from colic or irregular bowel movements, will grow strong, rosy and cheerful under the cleansing and invigorating influence of

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As a corrective for disorders in the stomach or bowels, for clearing the complexion and promoting appetite, sound sleep and cheerful spirits, it is unequalled. Good for either sex and all ages from five years upwards.

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Sold by Druggists. Price \$1.00 per bottle.

WANAMAKER WILL PAY \$100,000

WASHINGTON, June 8.—A hundred thousand dollar settlement in the custom frauds case against John Wanamaker, will soon be accepted by the government, was the announcement of the treasury department today.

A similar settlement was accepted during the Taft regime. The case recently was before a grand jury, which refused to indict Wanamaker on the testimony introduced.

Indigestion and Constipation.

"About five years ago I began taking Chamberlain's Tablets after suffering from indigestion and constipation for years without finding anything to relieve me. Chamberlain's Tablets helped me at once and by using them for several weeks, I was cured of the complaint," writes Mrs. Mary E. McMullen, Phelps, N. Y. For sale by all dealers.

TRADES AUTO FOR HORSES

Chas. Ferguson, who recently purchased a Ford runabout, has traded his car to Dr. T. E. Mangum for a span of horses. Mr. Ferguson says the car was alright, and it was mighty nice riding, but everybody knows that he is a great admirer of good horses, and the doctor was in a hurry to get there, while the horses were fast enough for Mr. Ferguson, hence the trade. Mr. Ferguson left Monday for different points over the country to look after business and will be away from Ballinger several weeks.

BLOOD POISON

actually millions and millions of germs that grow from one or two that get under the skin and into the blood.

DR. BELL'S Antiseptic Salve

applied right away would have killed those few germs and kept those millions from being born. To have a 25c. box of this salve ready for emergencies, ask for Dr. Bell's Antiseptic Salve.

"Tell It By The Bell"

SATURDAY AT THE LIBRARY

Last Saturday was another pleasant and profitable day for those who visited the library. 21 new books were presented to the library by Mrs. J. W. Francis, making a total of about 400 new books now in the building. Mrs. Dan Moser acted as librarian last Saturday and Miss Cordelia Francis read to the children, entertaining them in a way that held their attention and the interest is increasing from week to week.

C. E. Pearson, of Abilene, who represents the Praetorian fraternal insurance of this district passed through Ballinger Monday en route to the east in the interest of his order.

Just try a Quick Meal Oil Stove. Nothing to equal it. Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co. 9-2d 1w.

E. J. Guin, the merchant and W. E. Weibush, the gin man, of Wingate were among the business visitors in Ballinger a few hours Monday.

To Prevent Blood Poisoning apply at once the wonderful old reliable DR. PORTER'S ANTISEPTIC HEALING OIL, a surgical dressing that relieves pain and heals at the same time. Not a counterfeit. 25c. 50c. 75c.

Profitable Crops for Texas Feeds and Hays Mature Fast

We beg to call the attention of our readers to an article in last Sunday's Dallas News, having been specially prepared for it by Dean Kyle of A. & M. College. In all probability there will be thousands of acres of oat and wheat stubble in this section on which our farmers will, by reason of the excellent season now prevailing, plant another crop and we believe it is worth while of those so contemplating, to read the article referred to, which we are reproducing in part below.

Cowpeas.
This crop may be sown either broadcast for hay or pasture, or planted in drills and cultivated for either seed or hay. When seeded in drills a peck of seed will easily plant an acre. The drills should be thirty inches apart with the plants from four to six inches apart in the drill.

Sorghum.
This is one of the most popular annual hay crops in Texas. Where moisture is abundant, sorghum should be sown broadcast at the rate of one and one-half bushels of seed per acre. In the more western sections of the state the better results will be obtained by seeding in drills and cultivating to conserve moisture. Good land should produce four tons of sorghum hay per acre. This makes an excellent feed for live stock or a profitable cash crop in the event no live stock is kept. Sorghum hay is now selling at \$18 per ton. Where three or four tons per acre are produced, the production of sorghum hay should not cost more than \$3 to \$4 per ton. There is no question but that a large percentage of Texas farmers can realize a larger profit per acre from sorghum sown after June 1 than is being realized from the average acre of cotton in this State. In fact, sorghum is often sown as late as July 1 with profit. It makes an excellent summer pasture, giving grazing within sixty days from seeding.

June Corn.
This crop may be planted any time from June 1 to July 15. On soils of medium productiveness yields of from thirty to thirty-five bushels of grain per acre are common on good land, even when planted as July 1. However, June planting is advisable. This corn produces a strong, robust growth and sends its roots deep into the soil, enabling it to resist drought and hot summer winds. It makes an excellent grade of silage, and there is absolutely no reason why live stock farmers who have erected silos should not provide an abundance of this most excellent of winter feeds from June corn planted during the month of June or even during the early part of July. From eight to ten tons of silage per acre can easily be produced in this way. This will beat what the average farmer is doing

with cotton, even in favorable seasons.

In conclusion, we wish to emphasize the suggestion that Texas farmers pay more attention to the production of feed for live stock. It would be interesting to know that exact sum that is expended by Texas farmers each year for imported feed, every pound of which can be produced in this State at a cost far less than what is paid for it. It is not yet too late to produce profitable cowpeas, soy beans, millet and peanuts.

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

Rev. A. E. Turney of Ft. Stockton, who is spending some time in the Winters county on business, passed thru Ballinger Monday at noon en route to Winters from a visit to Robert Lee.

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JAS. E. FERGUSON'S FORT WORTH SPEECH

After Mr. Ferguson had extended his compliments to the people of Fort Worth for the hearty reception accorded him, he entered into a discussion of the issues of the campaign.

He gave a short statement of his private life, showing that he was a native born Texan and raised amid humble surroundings. He gave an account of his early struggles as a laborer in vineyards of California, and tanager on the largest grain ranch in the world, and as a helper in the placer mines in the Rocky mountains, as a roustabout in a barb wire factory in San Francisco, and as a laborer in the quartz mines of Nevada and Colorado.

He also told of his service as a humble railroad man and paid a high tribute to the dignity of labor. He told of his experience as a country lawyer and as a country banker. He stated that he had been a farmer and stock raiser for the past ten years and that he had an ambition to be the biggest turkey raiser in Central Texas. He spoke along the lines of his Blum speech in reference to the question of education and called attention to the necessity for more efficient system of rural education. He said that we can never attain the ideal of "back to the farm" until we make country education equal to town education.

He discussed the penitentiary system, advocating the placing of the convict farms in the hands of business farmers. He said too much attention was being given to the reformation of prisoners and not enough attention being given to the law-abiding citizens. Quoting from Peter Radford, whom he styled the Farmer Philosopher of Texas, he said: "Let government assist those who plead for opportunity, rather than consume off our energies upon those who scorn the privileges of manhood. Let us turn our attention from the delinquents and incorrigibles to the worthy and ambitious citizen, struggling to feed and clothe his family and educate his children and own his home."

Mr. Ferguson also discussed the railroad question, stating that the railroads were a public necessity which must be maintained for the public good in a high degree of efficiency. He also said that the interests of the farmer and the interests of the public were identical and that if the railroads would pay attention to the small matters of convenience to the public, that the people would do the right thing about railroad rates. He stated that railroad rates should not be decreased until they were entitled to earn a fair return upon their investment, and further stated that a decrease of railroad rates would cause a decrease in the wages of the railroad men.

Mr. Ferguson declared that he was in favor of what is known as a fair full crew bill, and he stated that the safety of the traveling public, as well as the just demands of the trainmen of the state, required legislation along this line.

Mr. Ferguson also discussed the need of public warehouses and the establishment of a special department in the office of the commissioner of agriculture for the purpose of giving out reliable information as to cotton, and the need of cotton supply and cotton demand. In this connection he said the government can perform no greater service for the people than to provide a system whereby the cotton raiser may be enabled to store his cotton until the right time comes for him to sell, and provide him with authentic information so that he can when the right time comes. With this with some degree of intelligence tell system he stated that the farmers will no longer be at the mercy of the speculators who buy their cotton at less than its market value.

Mr. Ferguson entered into an extended discussion of the landlord and tenant plank in his platform. He said that he wanted the legislature to provide a law to prevent a land owner from collecting a rent of more than the one-third of the grain or the one-fourth of the cotton, except where the landlord furnished all the teams and tools to make the crop in which event a rent of one-half might be collected. He referred to history to show that the fall of all nations was attended with the concentration of ownership of land, and the collection of unfair rents. He stated that the government should have the right to regulate rents as it had to regulate interest. He stated that the tenant citizenship of Texas had really contributed to the making of high land values in Texas and that they ought now not to be required to pay rents which would impair their ability to feed and clothe their family and educate their children.

By way of explanation of his landlord and tenant plank, Mr. Ferguson explained to the people of Fort Worth that in substance his law for the protection of the tenant was one in which the people of the cities are interested as well as those who live in the country; that laws have been passed to prevent the man in the city from lending money at high rates of interest to the wage earners; that everybody in the city know just what is meant by the loan shark, and he stated that his landlord and tenant law was to relieve the tenant from the extortion of the land shark; that the land shark around the grand old Democratic flag and resent and repel the ruthless hands that are sought to be laid upon it. I call to arms the Democratic yeomanry of Texas to take your stand upon the water towers of usury, and against Democracy, and if needs be lay your political fortunes upon the altar of your country's good.

Let us scourge from the Democratic ranks in Texas those who would destroy our grand old party by raising issues which have no place in a Democratic home. Let us meet the issue and let it be understood that the party of Jefferson and Jackson, of Coke, Mills, Sil Ross and Jim Hogg still lives and will ever be the champion of the people's rights and liberties.

He did say one thing, however, that was meritorious. And that was: "It is safer to judge a man by what he has done than by what he proposes to do when making a platform to run on." By this statement and his public utterances and political actions, I shall try him before the bar of public opinion, and he can by these facts be condemned in the sight of all good citizenship.

He says the liquor dealers and breweries should forfeit their license if any agent, officer or employee should contribute to any candidate or campaign fund. Now, my friends, I find no fault with this statement. But the question with me is: When did Tom Ball reform?

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When Mr. Ball announced for governor of Texas I challenged him through the press for a joint discussion of the issues of the campaign. He declined, which of course he had a right to do, and I am not blaming him for his refusal. Shortly after that I opened my campaign, and I never mentioned his name once in my entire speech, but I discussed the merits of my own candidacy. After that, on the 21st day of April, Mr. Ball opened his campaign at Greenville, and before a vast audience he discussed me, both in a personal way and in a political way. His speech began with a criticism of my platform, and ended with an adroit attempt to avoid a fair discussion of the issues which I had raised. This being true, I think I am fully justified in discussing him, his campaign and the principles for which he stands.

Tom Ball will go down in history as the biggest political straddler that ever lived. His opening speech, like that novel garment which the ladies wear, the "Mother Hubbard," covers everything but touches nothing. Tell me why the Lord made the man on the fence, and I will tell you "How old is his ass."

Tom Ball, the railroad lawyer and the no-idea candidate, has had his say, and let me tell you about it. In the first place, his speech must be the greatest disappointment to the Simon pure prohibitionists that they have ever met. His sop to the anti-prohibitionists is an insult to their intelligence, and whatever respect they may have had for him as a man he has now lost by his offer to surrender his political views to get a few thousand anti votes.

If he is a Democrat, then W. P. Lane is not. If Tom Ball is a true prohibitionist then Morris Sheppard is a traitor to the Democratic party. I must acknowledge my gratitude to the Fort Worth convention for giving me such opposition in nominating a candidate who stands for nothing, and is nothing, politically.

If Tom Ball is a Democrat then the Fort Worth convention that nominated him was not a meeting of Democrats. If the Fort Worth convention was a meeting of Democrats, then he has betrayed the trust and has turned his back upon the only declaration of principles which they made. If the Fort Worth convention was not a meeting of Democrats, then Tom Ball is running on the wrong ticket.

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directly or indirectly, contribute money or anything of value to any political party or any campaign expense. The people of Texas will remember that it was none other than this same would-be white ribbon reformer, Tom Ball, now candidate for governor who opposed this amendment and inspired one of the bitterest political mobs that ever gathered at a Texas convention in their efforts to cry down one of the greatest governors Texas ever had.

Mr. Ball, in his Houston speech, published in the Dallas News of May 2, declared that there was no truth in my statement that he led and inspired one of the bitterest mobs that ever disgraced a political convention. He further stated that there was not a line in either the Galveston News or the Dallas News, which reported the proceedings of the Waco convention, that would bear out my statement that he led and inspired a political mob. Now my friends, I do not want to bother you with a question of veracity between Mr. Ball and myself, but I want to read you what Governor Hogg said about the crowd that Tom Ball was leading in the convention, and let you determine whether Tom Ball as the henchman of the corporations was not leading a mob in that convention. Tom Ball seems so anxious now to acknowledge his devotion to the lamented Hogg, I do not suppose he would question Governor Hogg's veracity. I read from the Dallas News of August 10, 1900, and I want you to hear what Governor Hogg said: Mr. Hogg again took the floor "I see a lot of low eared scoundrels here," he said, "who don't want to hear free speech. A man base enough," he shouted, "and wild enough," he shouted, "and base enough, who is base enough not to hear a speech, is not a Democrat, and is a fool besides." (Cheers and great confusion) "I will stay here until I can be heard." (Cheers) "I rise to tell you that you are misrepresenting. The issue ought to concern you who are hailing as the henchmen of corporations. (Cheers) I speak for your posterity, you cowardly scoundrels. (Cheers) I speak for you and here I want to test down their institutions by your villainy here tonight. (Cheers) I have faced a mob when the mob had the nerve to face me, and I never shrunk from death, and no lot of white-livered cowards can suppress my views in a Democratic convention."

That is what Governor Hogg said about the crowd that Tom Ball was leading as their duly elected and selected floor manager and speaker in the convention. And now he comes to further insult the memory of that great man by shedding tears before a convention when he tries to hide his action in that disgraceful gathering. And he tries to say that he was with Hogg in the convention.

It is wrong now to contribute to campaign funds why was it not wrong then for railroad corporations to do the same thing.

Well may we agree that it is safer to judge a man by what he has done than by what he proposes to do when writing a platform to run for office on. At the same convention Hogg urged also this amendment: "That corporations should not pay any lobby or lobbyist money for any purpose, as salary or otherwise, and should require every voucher, draft or payment of money to show on its face what it was given for." Tom Ball was against that, in his speech against it he said: There is an amendment there, and so the world is going to let the right hand be severed at the shoulder before I would ever vote to support it. Governor Hogg knows that Texas is the least ridden by corporations and fear of bossism than any other state in the Union.

And listen, he said further—I quote from the Dallas News of August 10, 1900: "What is this proposition? That if any corporation should send its agent or other person to Austin for the purpose of influencing or preventing the passage of any law, or for any other purpose, that it shall be fined." Talk about confiscation. That is a proposition that is an iniquitous as any ever presented to a Democratic convention."

Now Tom Ball had a right to oppose Governor Hogg, but what the people of Texas would not forget is that Tom Ball, just about the time he announces for governor, thinks it such a great crime for breweries to contribute to a campaign fund, and that their licenses should be forfeited so as to pay for the expense of his campaign. In 1900 for Governor Hogg to want to forfeit a railroad corporation's charter if they were guilty of the same thing which he now so violently condemns? Ah, my friends, the sucking calf knows its mammy, and the sheep knows its shepherd. Tom Ball, soon after this trade against the immortal Hogg in his fight for the people left a seat in Congress to serve the big railroad corporations of Texas.

Very verily, I say unto you, in the language of Ball: "It is safer to judge a man by what he has done than by what he proposes to do when making a platform to run for office on." Hogg also in that convention wanted to put all corporations under the supervision of the state, he wanted to prevent corporations from issuing fictitious stocks and bonds; he wanted to keep all corporations under the supervision of the state; yet the now great white ribbon apostle fought and vigorously opposed all these amendments, and soon thereafter went into the hired employ of the very corporations whom he had just sworn to keep under the supervision of the state, and he had resigned his connections with the corporations before he was respectably eligible to ever run for governor. I continue to run a country bank and farm without apology to anyone, though I am a candidate.

Tom Ball says: "Boys, I have been in bad company for about twenty years and I have been working for the corporations, but if you will elect me governor, I won't do so any more."

A man who has to apologize for the business he is in certainly has no right to have the high honor of governor. And yet he says that this is not a fight of the corporations against the people.

Never in the history of this great state was there a more deliberate design or iniquitous intention to sell the people into the hands of the big corporations like sheep to the slaughter. Tom Ball says I have changed my attitude toward the railroad corporations. I deny it. I said in my opening speech that I was willing to treat them right if they would treat the people right. I said so then. I said so now. But they must stay out of the people's business. I warn the big railroad officials of this state if they don't quit meddling with the right of the farmer, the business men and the laboring man to elect a governor of their own rank, and if they attempt to foist their candidate upon the people of this state, their troubles are just beginning, and the breach between

them and the people will never be closed.

Everybody in Texas now knows and believes that when the people know Tom Ball under next July, as they are sure to, he will land back with the railroads in twenty-four hours.

When he is defeated he will land back in their office. If by accident he should be elected, they will land in his office.

Everybody in Texas knows that this thing of paying Tom Ball \$20,000 a year by the railroad corporations for his services as a lawyer, is the biggest joke that was ever played on a trusting public. There is not a county seat in Texas but what has at least one lawyer, and some places have many more lawyers, that in every way excel him as a lawyer. The railroad corporations of Texas hired Congressman Ball, and not Lawyer Ball.

I say I am appealing to prejudice. I tell you I am appealing to the truth, and everybody knows it. Tom Ball says my law to regulate rents is unscientific, unsound and illegal. He told Hogg in 1900 that his proposed law was also illegal and would not stand in court. And yet Hogg's amendments are on the statute books today and the courts say they are good.

Now, I would like to know how he ever found out that it was scientific for a landlord to charge more rent than a third of the grain and a fourth of the cotton. And how did he ever find out that it was unscientific to keep the landlord from charging any more? When and how did he learn that it was unscientific to keep the landlord out of the country from collecting a pound of flesh?

Tom Ball and his friends are saying that if the government can restrict rents to a third and fourth then they can further restrict rents to one-sixth. I deny it, because this is too little, and I say to them that if the government does not have the right to restrict the rent or equitable proposition of a fourth of the cotton then the landlord would have the right to charge three-fourths of the cotton as rent or any higher rent which his selfishness might want.

Everybody knows that such a rent would produce a revolution in this country in three days. Tom Ball to say from any stump in Texas that it is right to charge more than the third and fourth rent I say that to charge more is wrong. Will he deny it?

The right of the government to restrict rents is as old as hills. Mr. Ball adroitly avoids a discussion of the right and wrong of the rent proposition, and seeks to hide behind a technical argument, which he even does not know how to make.

When he pleads for the children one who lives in the town and may never reform, I plead for the children of ten sober fathers and their children, who day by day labor in the fields in the sunshine and storm, picking the long rows of cotton and the long rows of corn, and who are today at the mercy of the selfish landlords.

It is for these that I plead. And I believe that I hear the faint whisper of a voice that, like the words of the Savior as He appeared to the disciples when they were in the night, saying: "Be ye of good cheer, it is I." I can see a vast throng of Democratic yeomenry of Texas marching like the warriors of old, shoulder to shoulder, and I want to know you what you will record a solemn judgment that one part of our people can never oppress the other.

But to you misinformed people who would vote for Ball because you have been told that I do not respect property rights, I can show you by his opening speech that if I am a Socialist he is an anarchist.

He says that: "Condemnation and purchase of private lands by the state for public use is not subject to the fundamental objection that confiscation would be." In other words, if the government wants to condemn your land and pay you a price which you do not want to accept, and sell your land to your neighbor, I want to know you what your great lawyer would render you one of his \$20,000 opinions, and say that it is not confiscation or subject to fundamental objection.

Now this is certainly going some. I merely contend that the government has a right to prevent oppression and extortion of the majority of the people, yet this great preserver of private rights says that the government can take the title to your land against your will and sell it to your neighbor.

But listen, I want to show you where the big lumber corporations got \$20,000 worth. Their candidate, Tom Ball, says there are millions of acres of land in East Texas, which the home owners cannot buy, and all it needs is for the big lumber companies of Texas to loaned to farmers; and they can all get a home in East Texas. He says the state could furnish a million a year for this purpose.

I do not object to these lumber companies wanting to sell their own lands and load the state with debt that the farmer could never work out if they put it over, but the people of Texas are not going to elect a governor to stand in with any such scheme.

duge either there or elsewhere. * * * "How distressing," he says, "it is to liquor people that I should belong to a club whose members play golf, and which sells liquor and neither play golf nor drink the liquor." And he says also that if elected governor he would keep Texas dry as a bone, and put every club out of business.

I am always glad to hear a man say he has quit drinking. But the question arises, if he don't play the game, and don't drink the liquor, which I learn is sold at the same price it is sold at in the saloons, why does he stay in the club? If he really is sincere about abolishing the clubs, why don't he set a good example by getting out of them?

This club which Mr. Ball belongs to and the Houston club of which he is also a member, both dispense liquor at the regular saloon price, before and after the closing hours for saloons and on Sundays, too, when you are not a conscientious prohibition member are at church.

As soon as I read Mr. Ball's admission before that great convention of high collars and Prince Albert coats which met in your city in pursuit of the political schemes of the four political Tom-cats which I have already mentioned, that he actually belonged to a club where they sold liquor, I opened my eyes and pinched myself and asked myself the question: Is it possible that this is true? I said to myself that great things have really come to pass in Texas when the Simon pure, conscientious, and God-fearing men and ministers of this state, who have years been fighting against what they call the iniquity of the sale of liquor and had been preaching to the people from the housetops that the destiny of the public depended upon whether or not the sale and traffic in liquor was prohibited in Texas, and yet these same people would go to a convention and unanimously agree to support a man for governor who flashed in their faces the fact that he was interested in a concern which actually sold liquor, the very thing which they have been fighting for years to destroy.

So, to Houston, and I will see just what the Houston club is. I thought that whilst I had never been very good nor very bad that it wouldn't hurt me to spend an hour in a place where Tom Ball had been for the past ten years. I said I would go there so that I could get at first hand information, and not depend upon hearsay for information upon which to discuss that question in this campaign. I went to Houston, and I found the Houston club in fact. Mr. Ball declared to his convention that he belonged to, situated on the tenth story of the Houston Chronicle building in the heart of the very city of Houston. Leaving the elevator and going into this big club room, I said to you what I found. The first thing that greeted my eyes was about three billiard tables and two pool tables. A little further along, I found about eight or ten drinking tables. A little further along I found about six or seven card tables, and at these tables I saw men playing cards and drinking liquor and paying the regular saloon price of fifteen cents per drink. I saw this taking place before and after the hours when saloons were closed and on Sunday mornings when the saloons were closed, I saw a man in the middle of this big club room was a big, fine finished saloon bar, presided over by two big negroes as bar tenders. That, my friends, is the institution to which your prohibition candidate for governor belongs.

Mr. Ball is, therefore, by his own public declaration, interested in and a party to the profit on the sale of liquor. It probably had not occurred to some of you good prohibitionists that you were really running a high-toned saloon man for governor.

Tom Ball declared at Greenville that the support of the ladies of Texas in this campaign was a great satisfaction to him, and that they would do much for him in his attempt to set up a great moral standard in Texas. A great satisfaction, a great consolation to thousands of Texas womanhood, who, realizing the evils of intemperance, have brought about a proper and efficient regulation of the saloon. Yet he, Tom Ball, a Democratic "Christian" governor, can go to his club on Sunday morning where they play games and sell liquor. The good ladies of Texas may do much for Tom Ball, but bless God, he can't do much for them.

My conduct in this campaign ought to satisfy any fair minded man that nobody owns or controls me. I have always been a sober man, and never reformed just about the time I thought I might get a big office. Nobody is contributing to my campaign, and I am making my own campaign with no help except the great Democratic masses of Texas.

In the minds of the big politicians of Texas I committed a great crime when I signified my willingness to let my business as a private citizen, and to give my service to the people of my state in bringing about a business administration of state affairs in Texas. These politicians are today resenting the right of a private citizen to hold a place of honor in the public service. They have feasted upon the bounty of the people so long that they now think that they own the offices of the people by right of occupancy, and therefore refuse to oblige me to my duty, announced for governor of Texas.

My own volition, resting my candidacy solely upon the merits of the issues which I have raised, these political tricksters immediately raised against me their voice of condemnation, and a great many of them have been satisfied with the honors which the people have already bestowed upon them in Texas again are conducting against me the most unfair campaign that ever took place. But I want to say in this presence that I am not asking for any favors and I defy and I denounce every one of these political grafters who are fighting me, and I tell them to take this fight to the people, and we are going to have the question settled as to whether the government is owned by the people or whether it is to be owned by the politicians.

The average Texas politician is not as honest as the average horse-trader in Texas. I would rather take the word of a professional horse-trader as to the age of a horse than to take the word of the average Texas politician as to what he was yesterday or what he will be tomorrow. They will turn their backs upon the people and their friends or will betray the trust of the people every time and everywhere it will suit their personal interests to do so.

Why, only this week I read in the paper the following, in big bold headlines: "Allison Mayfield, chairman of the railroad commission of Texas, stated Tuesday afternoon that he would support Thomas H. Ball for governor." Mr. Mayfield declared that while he was an anti he is a Roger C. Mills anti and not a white apron anti. Mr. Mayfield is opposed to submission of a paper states, "but he says that will not prevent his support of Mr. Ball's candidacy."

Now I do not deny his right to support Mr. Ball if he wants to, but I resent his insinuation that I am a white apron anti and that I have no ambition, and that of our glory and with but one thought, and that of our state, let us march to victory and reward.

holding office for years in Texas has been his standing with such anti as myself who are not now and have never been in any way through a club or otherwise, interested in the sale of liquor. He has always been glad to take his hat off to the white apron anti is an insult to his friends who have been honoring him in the past. I tell you, my friends, the time has come for you to stand up and take notice. When the chairman of the great railroad commission of Texas reads this kind of a story to you, and the principles which he has preached for twenty years, and takes up the support of one of the biggest railroad corporations in Texas for the high office of governor, it is time for you to think, and it is time for you to ask the question: What are you, and where do the people come in?

Now Tom Ball and his friends are eating in high glee and are parading the fact that they have a new man, Clarence Ousley and Rienzi Johnson are fighting me, and have now become the bosom friend and political advisers of Tom Ball in this campaign. I do not envy Tom Ball his support by these two noted politicians, and I tell you that the weight of every man they touch. They wanted me to become their political tool, and retire from the race for governor and run as a candidate for lieutenant governor upon a platform with Clarence Ousley as the candidate for governor.

I tell you, my friends, I have come to know these gentlemen better I would be ashamed to run for dog pelter upon a platform with either of them. If Ousley and Johnson really are sincere in their statement that I am a socialist, then let them explain to the people of Texas why they were willing to support me for lieutenant governor. Their proposition in Houston in the way I have mentioned only to thwart the will of the people and fix a combination that would control the office of governor in Texas for the next eight years, but that of United States senator for the next ten years as well. They could not make that deal with my friend and political adviser of Tom Ball in this campaign. I do not envy Tom Ball his support by these two noted politicians, and I tell you that the weight of every man they touch. They wanted me to become their political tool, and retire from the race for governor and run as a candidate for lieutenant governor upon a platform with Clarence Ousley as the candidate for governor.

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Tom Ball says he will get such men as Ramsey and Judge Gill to run the penitentiaries, and he would not put the penitentiaries in the hands of the farmers as I would do. Well, it will be the same old story. Just think of a supreme judge making a crop of bread should be as sensible as to elect Tom Ball governor.

Again, he says he will create five big new jobs, and restore the commission, composed of five men at big pay. Every time a politician gets in office, the first thing he wants to create is a new job, and he will create a job at the expense of the people.

I want to tell you that I can appeal to the really big men, the big farmers of Texas, and with their help and advice, which will be given freely without purchase and without any other consideration, I will reform in Texas without creating any big fat jobs at big salaries for anybody.

My friends, I have lived in the people's fight. For thirty years in Texas we lived under the rule of one-man power. So frequently was the voice of the people trampled under foot that the people rose up in their might and said that we will banish the political boss and the political grafter, and we will maintain the supremacy of the people on the throne of Texas. It is in passing a law whereby every man might go to the ballot box and cast his vote with the right to be counted as well as that of every other citizen in the state, whether he be high or low, or rich or poor, that we had prided ourselves that we were really making strides in the development of a government to be ruled by the people. Tom Ball, a Democratic election law was passed, providing for everybody to have a voice in the selection of our officers and in the legislation, no man would have dreamed that there would arise in this country a man or set of men who would ever trample under foot the voice of the people.

But it seems as if we are to be disappointed in the people and the politician has not yet been exterminated, nor has the packed convention been banished. Everybody knows that not exceeding two or three men planned and engineered the nomination of Tom Ball at Fort Worth and the actual figures show that the vast majority of the people of Texas had anything to do with the nomination. And not being satisfied with that flagrant usurpation of the prerogative of the people, I insult the public by permitting four men to meet and determine who shall control the government of Texas. I am satisfied with that they are further attempting to wrest from the people of Texas the right and are planning to determine who shall run for other offices in Texas. I ask you, my friends, whether you be prohibitionist or anti-prohibitionist, is it right for me to be drifting as a people, in the right direction? You people who are raising boys, the pride and ambition of the lives, what can you expect for them? Either you must raise them to be professional politicians, or the door of public honor will be closed to them. I say, whether we are drifting and what will be the result if this continues?

Again I say, it is time for the people to wake up, and let us appreciate the responsibility resting upon us to perpetuate the control of the people of the state. The material interests of our great state demand that political strife be stopped in Texas, and that we no longer adhere to the banish from Texas the agitator. Let us whip these political crooks into a submission to the people, and let us turn our attention to the upbuilding of our great state.

Our dear Texas can and should be made the greatest country over which the sun shines by day or the stars by night. From the golden strand of California to the orange groves and flowery fields of Florida, from the frozen climes of the icy North to the bracing breezes of the Southern gulf, Texas has not died with the blood of nobler heroes than our dear state. A country rich in natural resources, which, if we have the magic hand of a united people to smite the rock of her resources and behold! will spring forth peace and plenty.

Let us unite our hearts and forget the bickerings of the past. From strife let us turn to business. From agitation let us turn to development. From internal dissension let us turn to outside advertisement. Let us welcome the foreign investor and let us assure him that Texas needs him and that he needs Texas. Let us educate the masses into a knowledge of the responsibilities of citizenship. Let us build more schools and better schools. Let us build more churches and colleges. Let us build factories and railroads. Let us protect the weak against the strong. Let us give every man an open field and a square deal.

This united and thus resolved, let us raise the banner of the people high above this vast industrial army of Texas and with but one feeling, and that of love, and with but one ambition, and that of our glory and with but one thought, and that of our state, let us march to victory and reward.

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VISITING LADY PAINFULLY INJURED

Mrs. Arrie Edwards, of Atlanta, Texas, who is here visiting her sister, Mrs. R. T. Williams, came near losing her life about ten o'clock Friday night. The lady was seated on the upstairs porch with other members of the family at the Williams home when it was suggested that they retire. Mrs. Edwards walked into the hall, the lights had not been turned on, and having not become familiar with the general surroundings of the place, she stepped off the steps, leading from the hall and fell to the first floor of the home, seriously bruising her body and rendering her unconscious.

It was thought at first that the fall had killed Mrs. Edwards, and the shock to Mrs. Williams and other members of the family caused considerable excitement. Fortunately physicians were near and soon administered medical aid and the lady was revived and is getting along today as well as could be expected. The physicians report that no bones were broken and the injuries consist of bruises and the effect of the shock.

Mrs. Edwards and another sister, Mrs. S. B. Willis and children had just arrived that day on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Williams, and the family were looking forward with much pleasure for the time their visitors would be here, and had planned to entertain them in various ways.

If you have the itch, don't scratch. It does not cure the trouble and makes the skin bleed. Apply Ballard's Snow Liniment. Rub it in gently on the affected parts. It relieves itching instantly and a few applications removes the cause thus performing a permanent cure. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

YOUNG MAN

Jim Landers and Mrs. Landers returned to their home at Lampasas Friday. They had been visiting R. S. Bowden and family of the Maverick country, and Mr. Landers was casting an eye around with a view of becoming a citizen of this county. He said he was strongly tempted to sell what he had in Lampasas and Burnett counties and move out here. He thinks this a great country, and he never saw a town in all his travels that impressed him as favorably as Ballinger does for a place to live. Mr. Landers said that a lady in the Maverick country where they visited told him to be careful, that this county had on its Sunday clothes now. He is familiar with the ups and downs of the country, however, and he says the crops that Bob Bowden of the Maverick country, have been making since he came here compares with any man's country. We judge from the way Mr. Landers talks that he has a hankering to come out here where life is really worth while.

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Mrs. Pink Abernathy and children of Garden City, came in Monday at noon from Coleman and will visit Mrs. Ben Smith and family and other relatives in our city before going on home.

J. T. Morgan, of Waco and mother, returned to their home Sunday afternoon, after a pleasant visit with their brother and son, J. P. Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Francis, of Midland, came in Monday at noon en route home from Mineral Wells and will spend a few days with their son W. A. Francis and family before going on home.

Gus Noyes, who with his family is spending the summer on his ranch near Menard, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday and returned home Tuesday afternoon.

THREATENED WITH ANOTHER PHONE CO.

T. L. Huggins, a representative of the Boll Weevil Telephone Co., an independent line that covers the Winters-Wingate country, and which claims to have lines over other counties, and which caters to the rural phone service, was here from Wingate Friday taking in the telephone situation. He had got wind of the telephone war and was feeling of the pulse of the people in a quiet way to see if he could find out what would be the final outcome of the protest that had been registered against the West Texas Telephone Co., increase in rates. He armed himself with a copy of the petition of the subscribers that had agreed to cut lose from the West Texas Co., in case the West Texas Co., persisted in raising its rates.

It will be remembered that the Boll Weevil made an effort to get into Ballinger several years ago, and it was due to the lack of encouragement that they did not come. The people at that time felt like another phone system would be an extra expense, and declined to subscribe for the phones. The Boll Weevil made a very flattering offer with reference to rural service, and some of the citizens thought at the time that the town was making a mistake in not securing the service, for the benefit it would be in the way of placing the business man in touch with the thickly settled part of the county, and that too at a very small cost.

Whether the people will now encourage the independent line to come in remains to be seen. One citizen, who pays a big phone bill every month, and who has protested bitterly against the increase in rates, says, "We should invite the independent line and encourage them to come, regardless of what the West Texas people do. We need that business, that we are now losing because those people in the Winters-Wingate country can not talk to us without paying extra for it."

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Continued Coughs, colds and bronchial troubles are depressing and weaken the system. Loss of weight and appetite generally follow. Get a 50c bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery today. It will stop your cough. The first dose helps. The best medicine for Stubborn Coughs, Colds and all Throat and Lung Troubles. Mr. O. H. Brown, Muscatine, Ala., writes: "My wife was sick during the hot summer months and I honestly believe Dr. King's New Discovery saved her life." Good for children. 50c and \$1.00 at your Druggist.

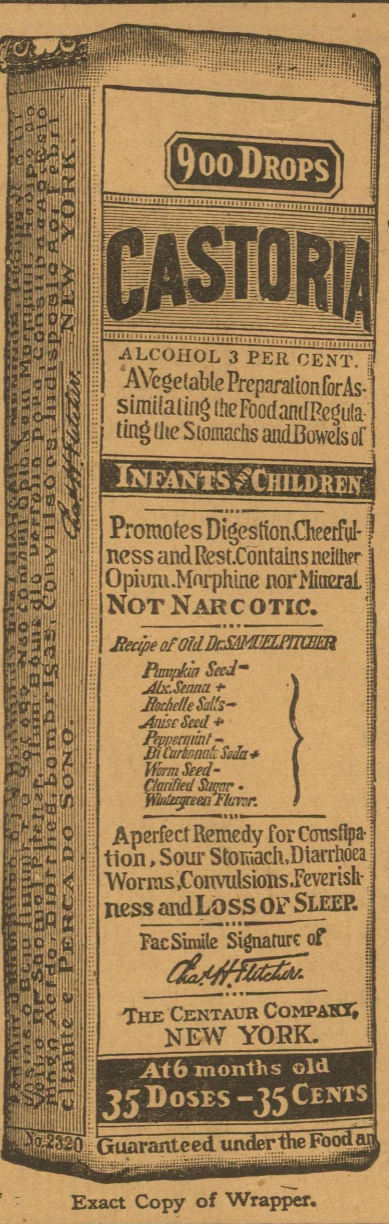
Prof. J. H. Head, who is here to have charge of the band through the summer, says it is probable that he will again make his home in Ballinger. On account of his little boy's health he has given up teaching in South Texas, and says unless he secures a good place in a higher altitude he will remain in Ballinger. He owns his home here and states that his family will arrive here next week, and that this will be home until he finds a suitable place in healthy West Texas. Mr. Head says his little boy has been suffering with asthma, and that he feels that he did wrong in remaining at Taylor as long as he has after the little fellow became sick.

A regular morning operation of the bowels puts you in fine shape for the day's work. If you miss it you feel uncomfortable and cannot put vim into your movements. For all bowel irregularities Herbine is the remedy. It puts them in fine, vigorous condition. Price 50c. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

Mrs. F. E. Norton and baby, of Garden City, are here visiting Mrs. Norton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Schooler.

Mrs. Orgain, the music teacher, left Monday afternoon for Cincinnati, Ohio, where she will attend the Conservatory of Music the next few months. Mrs. Orgain always keeps abreast of the time in her chosen life work and gives to her students the very best that her line affords.

S. J. Pierce, a prominent merchant, of Goree, Texas, passed thru Ballinger Monday en route to Lampasas on a short business trip.



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The slogan has been taken up everywhere; it has been boomed from the pulpit, intoned in chambers of commerce and constituted the sinew of home and business discussion.

The response has been truly astonishing. In many places the business men have closed their doors, leaving commercial walks wholly deserted to shoulder the hoe and press to the aid of the agriculturist.

Ministers have recognized the plight of the farmer delayed by sluicing weather. A number have "shucked" their cloth and donned the royal blue overalls—hoe men in the making. With them, in many instances, their congregation have pressed to the front.

Bumper crops mean bumper work. The farmer's success means full times, his distress commercial loss and financial stringency. The fact is recognized throughout the state and many hands, unused to the implements of agriculture, are pressing forward to relieve the burden.

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Misses Myrtle Whitaker and Bettie Miller left Sunday afternoon over the Abilene and Southern for Abilene where they will attend the Abilene Summer Normal for the next eight weeks.

ELECTED PRINCIPAL SAN ANTONIO SCHOOL

Prof. J. A. Starnes of San Antonio, who has been spending several days here attending to business matters, has received notification that he was elected principal of the Highland Park public school in San Antonio for the next school year. Prof. Starnes was the only new principal elected for the San Antonio schools. The Highland Park school is a new one, and will be housed in a modern building costing \$40,000, with a \$5,000 heating plant and all modern conveniences. The first eight grades will be taught in the school besides manual training and domestic science.—Brownwood Bulletin.

For an Impaired Appetite.

To improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion try a few doses of Chamberlain's Tablets. Mr. J. H. Seitz, of Detroit, Mich., says: "They restored my appetite when impaired, relieved me of a bloated feeling and caused a pleasant and satisfactory movement of the bowels." For sale by all dealers.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Goldsmith of Midland are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Francis this week. Mrs. Goldsmith was formerly Miss Helen Francis, sister of Mr. Francis of this city. She on several different occasions has visited here.

TRULY CHILD IS IMPROVING.

A letter from Miss Katie Bell Gregory who went to Milford to be with her sister, Mrs. R. E. Truly, during the serious illness of the latter's child, states that it is some better and that the physicians hold out some hope for its recovery.

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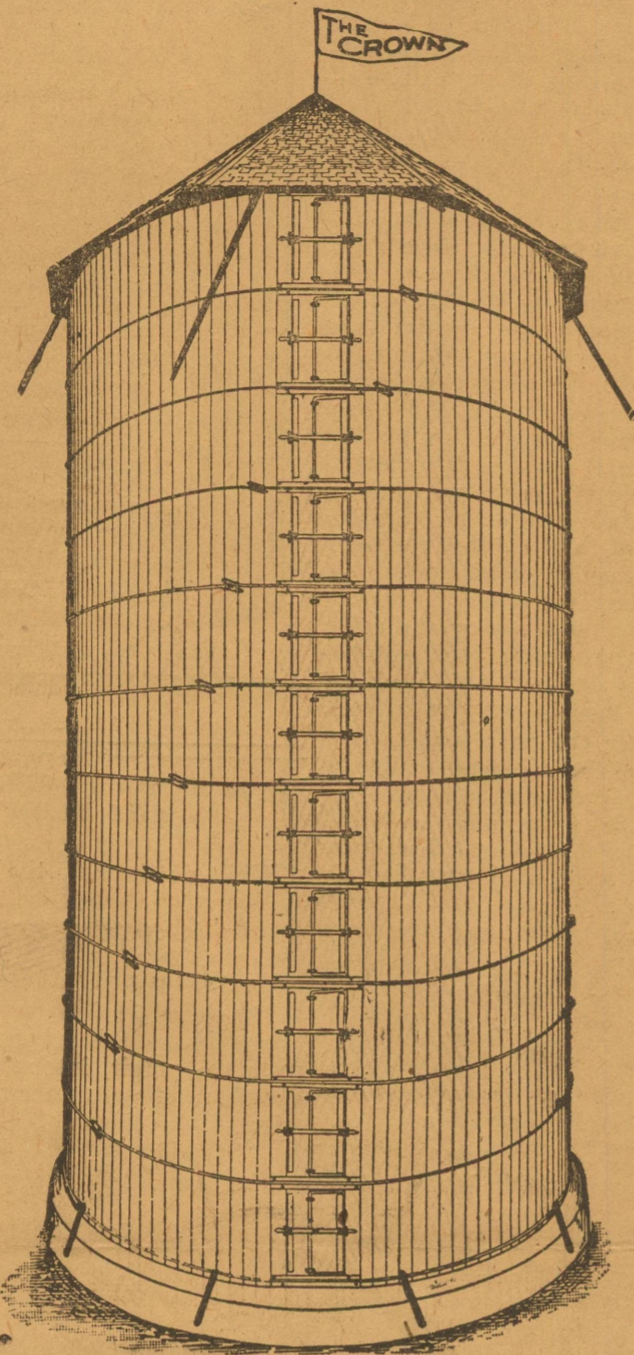
Takes Place of June Grass

Enid, Okla., Aug. 18, 1913.
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Gentlemen: Your telegram received. Under separate cover I am mailing you a picture of some of our 1912 prize winners to be used in your yearly catalog. They were fed all the ensilage they could eat. We are raising pure-bred Percherons, and can say that we have the best of success in feeding ensilage to our stallions, mares and colts. They like it better than alfalfa. It is the only thing I ever saw that would take the place of the June grass.

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Last Ceremony

Performed Today

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daughter of Joseph E. Willard, American Ambassador to Spain, and Kermit Roosevelt, son of Col. Theodore Roosevelt, ex-President of the United States. The bridegroom's father came over from New York to attend the wedding. The ceremony, which took place at noon in the British Embassy Chapel, was performed by the Rev. Dr. Watson, rector of the American Church in Paris, assisted by the Rev. Herbert Brown, chaplain of the British Embassy in Madrid. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Elizabeth Willard, as maid of honor, and by the following bridesmaids: Her Serene Highness the Princess Fella of Thurn and Taxis, daughter of Prince Ratibor, the German Ambassador in Madrid; Miss Katherine Page, daughter of the American Ambassador in London; Mlle. Gilone le Veneur de Tillieres, of Paris, and Miss Virginia Christain, of Richmond, Va. Following a brief honeymoon on the Continent, the young couple will leave for Brazil to establish their future home at San Paulo, where Kermit Roosevelt is engaged in the railroad business.

The bride, now 21, was one of the most attractive girls in the younger social set at Richmond, the family home of the Willards, where she made her debut two years ago. While en route with her mother and younger sister last February to join her father at his new post she was presented at the Court of St. James in London, and upon her arrival here she quickly became a general favorite in Spanish society. Kermit Roosevelt, 24 years old has seen considerably more of the world than usually falls to the lot of young men of his age. After returning from the big game hunt in Africa with his father in 1910 he went out West on a mountain sheep expedition. Following his graduation from Harvard in 1912 he made a visit in England and later took up railroading in South America. Last winter he accompanied Col. Roosevelt on his hunting, exploring and river-discovering trip in the Amazon country, coming direct from Brazil to this city, where he arrived three weeks ago. Kermit met his future wife through the good offices of his sister, Mrs. Richard Derby, then Miss Ethel Roosevelt, who had become a great chum of Miss Willard's during a sojourn at Hot Springs, Va. Ethel took her new friend to Oyster Bay, where Kermit speedily fell a victim to her charms.

Prof. J. N. Key left Wednesday afternoon for Austin on school business.

Carried to Penitentiary

for Killing His Wife

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Brown had considerable money. His brothers were well fixed. Able lawyers were employed to defend him. The case was carried to the limit in court. He must spend the remaining days of his life as a convict, convicted of killing his own wife, one whom he pledged before God and man to protect.

H. S. Paulus and wife, of Yoakum, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route to their home. They had been visiting Mrs. Paulus' brother, Johnnie Ward at Abilene. Mr. Paulus is the son of Senator Paulus of Hallettsville, and a booster for Tom Ball. He is chairman of the Ball club at Yoakum, and while here made it a point to get a line up on the gubernatorial situation in this county.

Miss Kathleen Fancher, who has been attending school in San Angelo was a guest of Mrs. Conda Wylie and Mrs. J. F. Currie, while en route to her home at Albany, Thursday.

PRESIDENT WILSON

NAMES MERRITT

WASHINGTON, June 8.—President Wilson has nominated Clarence Merritt of McKinney to be the United States attorney for the eastern district of Texas.

E. A. Jeanes left Wednesday morning for Coleman and Santa Anna where he will spend a few days looking after his produce and poultry business in those towns. Mr. Jeanes has just patented a chicken coop and is getting things in shape to manufacture the coops and get them ready for the coming fall poultry rush.

BOMB UNDER FAMOUS EDIFICE

By United Press:
LONDON, June 11.—Militant suffragettes exploded a bomb under the Historic Coronation Stone of the Westminster Abbey today. The stone was chipped by the force of the bomb but not seriously.

FOUND GUILTY FISHERMAN'S LUCK

The deputy game warden who recently visited Ballinger and undertook to round up a number of prominent citizens for what he called violating the game law, failed to make his bluff stick in at least one case. It will be remembered that several were charged with shooting doves out of season, and of course those so charged were guilty as far as the indictment read, and as far as the letter of the law reads, but they did not take the matter seriously, or feel the remorse of conscious for being classed as law violators, because there is not a man in Ballinger, who owns a gun and goes hunting occasionally that is not guilty of shooting doves out of season. The people here do not uphold this law. In fact they are as unite in thinking the law is unjust in that the season prescribed by law for shooting doves covers the period of time when all doves have left this country. They do not see any crime any shooting doves when they are through breeding and flock to this country by the millions, fattening on the farmer's grain.

However, its against the law, and when the deputy game warden called on a few of those who had been enjoying the sport, they admitted the coin and readily parted with their cash to adjust the matter, and clear themselves from further trouble.

Seining was another crime that several prominent citizens were accused of. They denied that they had violated any law, but the game warden, or deputy game warden, one who feels his impor-

tance in keeping the laws of the land intact, proceeded to file complaints in the county of Concho, where it was alleged the law was brazenly trampled under foot. Those charged with the awful crime employed an attorney, and answered ready when the case was called for trial on Wednesday of this week. The jury was empaneled and several witnesses introduced, when the judge announced that there was nothing to the charge and was in the act of throwing the case out of court, when the attorney for the defendants demanded that the trial proceed and that the defendants be given a fair trial. Without leaving the jury box, the jury wrote out a verdict, and handed it to the defendant, to read, an act within itself making the trial a burlesque—a regular kangaroo affair. The defendant read the verdict and it said, "Found guilty of a fisherman's luck."

Aside from putting the state to considerable expense, bringing a man all the way from Austin to represent the state in the prosecution of the case, taking the men charged away from their business for a day, no damage was done. After the kangaroo trial had ended the defendants and the man who came out from Austin to prosecute the case, (not the deputy game warden who filed the charges) spent the remainder of the day on the shady banks of the Concho fishing.

T. J. Webb was here from his ranch Thursday. He came in to bring his son J. S., to the train. Young Webb was en route to his Pecos county ranch. Mr. Webb says that things are looking mighty good up his way, and that the farmers are rapidly getting out of the weeds and all crops are growing fast.

PERKINS WILL NOT RETIRE

By United Press:
NEW YORK, June 11.—"I have not the slightest intention of retiring as chairman of the executive committee of the progressive national committee," said Geo. W. Perkins, in discussing the Pinchot attack of yesterday. "What Pinchot says can not drive me out of the progressive party." Perkins has not replied to Pinchot's letter.

By United Press:
NEW YORK, June 10.—Demanding that George B. Perkins withdraw immediately from the direction of the Progressive party affairs, Amos Pinchot made public a letter today insisting that Perkins retire for the good of the party.

The letter was sent to Senator Dixon and members of the national progressive committee and to Roosevelt and Perkins, May 23rd. Perkins has not as yet replied. The letter accuses Perkins of antagonism to labor unions, believing trusts are sacred institutions and of circulating his ideas as progressive party literature.

"On both these subjects, the progressive party has placed itself positively and emphatically on record in the opposition to Mr. Perkins," said the Pinchot letters.

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WILL CAMPAIGN FOR THE SENATE?

By United Press:
AUSTIN, Texas, June 11.—Governor Colquitt will make several speeches during the present state campaign, independent of the control or jurisdiction of the committee managing the campaign of James E. Ferguson for governor. This is understood to mean that Governor Colquitt will virtually campaign for his own election to the United States Senate.

He has advised friends that he wants to be free to talk on other subjects besides Mr. Ferguson's fitness for Governor. Colquitt may mean by this that he expects to deal largely with matters relating to his administration, or, in other words, to help his own Senatorial candidacy.

It is pretty generally understood that should Mr. Ferguson be elected Governor and there be created a vacancy in the United States senate from Texas, Mr. Colquitt would be given the appointment by Ferguson.

Miss Maryatte Smith left Ballinger Wednesday afternoon for Chicago, where she will spend the summer taking a special course in German and Spanish, Miss Smith has been re-elected to teach in the Ballinger schools again next term. The work she will take through the summer will be a great help to the Ballinger school in that she will be better equipped for teaching.

Dr. E. R. McKinney went to Talpa Thursday morning to perform an operation on a horse.

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