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Arrests are Expected in Country Dance Shooting

CROCKETT, Tex., Feb. 1.—Arrests are expected late today following an investigation of a free-for-all fight at a dance near Possum Walk, twenty miles Southeast of here Friday night. The fight was not reported to the officers until Sunday morning and ten men and one woman who were wounded have been located by the officers.

A fight between two boys at the dance is said to have revived an old feud of fifty years standing, resulting in a free-for-all row in which pistols, shot-guns and knives were used.

Cole James and Fate Hawthorn are the most seriously wounded, and they are not expected to recover.

Others wounded in the fighting are Walter James and Henry Hawthorn, Joe Franklin, Burney and Roy Parker, Leslie Lowery, O. B. and Burney McClain and their sister, Arnette McClain. O. B., Burney and Arnette McClain are children of Hugh McClain, and were in an automobile standing in front of the house where the fight took place when they were struck by buck-shot.

The wholesale fight started during a country dance at the home of Will Hawthorn, where about 100 residents of the Possum Walk community had gathered for a dance. While the shooting occurred about midnight Friday night the officers did not get a report of it until Sunday morning, and then trouble was experienced in getting the details, or facts upon which to base charges and make arrests.

TOM BLANTON'S BROTHER DIES AT WASHINGTON

Monday's papers carried an account of the death of William W. Blanton, brother of Congressman Thomas L. Blanton. Mr. Blanton died at Washington, where he had been living for seven years. He was secretary for Congressman Blanton. He is survived by his wife, one daughter, Rubelle, three sisters, Mrs. Frank W. Hill and Miss Annie Webb Blanton, of Austin; and Mrs. James Kilgore, of Dallas. The remains were buried in Washington.

Be wise and advertise.

FAIL AGREE ON MEXICAN OIL LAW

WASHINGTON, February 2.—The American reply to the note in which Mexico recently defended its new anti-alien and petroleum laws has been started on its way to the city of Mexico.

WASHINGTON, February 2.—Seasonal admission of laborers from Mexico to aid farmers in the border states was urged before the House immigration committee today. Members of congress from the border states advocated an open season for bringing Mexican workers into the United States from the southern republic.

Representative Garner, Democrat from Texas, opposed the Box bill which provides for placing Mexico under the quota restrictions, saying that this would result in further detrimental restrictions.

MEXICO, D. F., Feb. 2.—A committee of oil men which has been conferring with the Mexican secretary of commerce and industry concerning the details for a regular new petroleum law, have encountered difficulties.

The oil men asserted that they were not authorized to make an agreement upon which it was reported that the department of industry insisted they must secure in order to formulate the agreement.

NEGRO TRIED AND SENTENCED IN 16 MINUTES

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 2.—Ed Harris, a negro, plead guilty here today to an attack on Mrs. Clarence Bryant, whose husband and two children the negro had confessed that he murdered.

The trial of the negro today only consumed sixteen minutes, and he was sentenced to be hanged on March 15th in the Fayette county jail yard. It was one of the speediest trials in the history of the county.

The case against the negro for the murder of Bryant and two children was not called. The negro was brought here early today from the state reformatory at Frankfort guarded by National Guardsmen. The court room was crowded with people but there was no demonstration when the jury returned the verdict.

MORE EVIDENCE IN ROAD CASE

AUSTIN, Feb. 3.—F. G. Hoffman, vice-president of the Hoffman Construction Company, who is under indictments in Travis county on charges of swindling and false swearing, took the stand late this morning to testify for the defense in the Hoffman Construction Company highway suit.

AUSTIN, Feb. 3.—R. W. Baker, highway engineer for Division No. 18, testified in the trial against the Hoffman Construction Company today. He testified that he expected the Hoffman company to maintain the roads which it surfaced in his district until after the second asphaltic course had been properly cured. He stated that only ten of the 180 miles in his district had been double treated.

On cross examination Baker admitted that the road building company in the four months since it stopped surfacing work had spent less than \$1,000 in maintaining the 180 miles in his district.

NO FOREIGN STATIONS HEARD AT BALLINGER

While several local radio fans picked up stations with faint reception during the silent period of the international tests this week, the announcements were not clear enough to verify location, and it cannot be definitely claimed that Ballinger heard from the foreign countries over the radiophone.

The foreign tests closed on Thursday night, and for Friday and Saturday nights zone broadcasting will be carried on by the stations in making experiments. Friday night the stations operating on Eastern time will be in the air from 10:00 to 10:15. From 10:15 to 10:30 Central time stations will be given the air. From 10:30 to 10:45 Mountain time stations will broadcast, and the Pacific time stations will broadcast from 10:45 to 11:00 o'clock. The local listeners will use Central time for the above schedule.

TWO CLOSED CARS SOLD THURSDAY

The Ballinger Auto Company delivered two closed cars, new ones, Thursday. A late model Chevrolet coach went to Judge A. K. Doss, and a new Chevrolet sedan was delivered to R. P. Tunnell.

Cecil Parks was a visitor to San Angelo Sunday.

GIN RECEIPTS 70,651 BALES

The latest count on cotton ginnings in Runnels county gives the county credit for 70,651 bales of cotton, according to W. A. Esmond, cotton enumerator for the county. For the same date last year the ginnings totaled 53,010 bales.

The final count will not be made until March 1st, when the figures will probably show a thousand bale increase, exceeding last year's crop by nearly 20,000 bales, and setting a new high mark in cotton production for Runnels county by about 12,000 bales.

The crop of 1914 figured 58,184 bales which was the high mark until last year. The 1925 crop was produced on a total rainfall of 18.80 inches for the entire year, and with no rain in January, February and March.

The first rain of the year fell on April 12th, and the spring and summer, or the crop planting and growing season, received a total of 12.65 inches. In addition to the scanty rainfall the farmers had grasshoppers and leaf-worms to contend with. It is estimated by competent observers that the yield was cut at least twenty per cent on account of the various handicaps.

LOCAL CHURCH IS SEEKING PASTOR

Rev. Elvin Bost, of Coleman, is here conferring with the congregation of the Church of Christ with a view of becoming pastor of the local church. He will preach at the Eighth Street tabernacle tonight.

Typewriter Paper \$1.00 per ream. Ballinger Printing Co.

POULTRY RANCH NEAR BALLINGER

E. A. Jeanes and son, Paul, have acquired acreage on the Colorado River West of the city and are establishing a poultry ranch. The new enterprise will be located on the crest of the hill overlooking the Colorado at the foot of Pou Avenue.

Improvements are being made, and the ranch, which is to be known as the Rivercrest Poultry Ranch, will be stocked with 5,000 thoroughbred hens at once, and later this number will be increased to 10,000 layers.

Mr. Jeanes has just completed an experiment with poultry raising on small space of ground. He followed out scientific methods in feeding and met with remarkable success in egg production.

The location selected for poultry raising on a scientific basis is an ideal one and Mr. Jeanes' venture will be watched with much interest by poultry growers in this part of Texas.

R. R. Williams, who had been with Higginbotham Bros. & Co., has accepted a position with The Hub and has switched over to his new position.

Mrs. T. B. Pickett and little son, of Temple, came in Monday night to spend a day or two with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Gressett.

Burkett Passes the Buck to Lanham in Testifying

(By Associated Press)

AUSTIN, Feb. 2.—Joe Burkett, resigned member of the State Highway Commission, was on the state again today in the Hoffman Construction Company suit, continuing his testimony which was started late yesterday.

Burkett testified that he never read the contracts awarded to the American Road Company which called for the expenditure of ap-

FOUR HURT WHEN CAR TURNS OVER

Mrs. K. S. VanZandt and son, Ernest, and daughter, Mrs. Lester Buford, and Billie Neal, the little son of Mrs. Buford, of Eastland; and Clyde Culwell, son of Rev. and Mrs. S. L. Culwell, of this city, were all more or less injured and experienced a narrow escape from death when an automobile in which they were riding turned over four or five times Monday afternoon.

Mrs. VanZandt is the mother of Mrs. Culwell and Mrs. Buford is Mrs. Culwell's sister. With their children they arrived here last Friday on a visit, and the party was en route to San Angelo for a visit Monday when the accident which came near costing them their lives occurred.

Mrs. VanZandt suffered a broken collar bone; Mrs. Buford suffered an injured limb, and is unable to walk as a result of the accident. Billie Neal Buford and Clyde Culwell were both cut about the head and arms, while Ernest VanZandt, who was at the steering wheel, escaped unhurt.

The five parties were traveling in a Ford coupe, the property of Mrs. Buford, when for some unknown cause the steering wheel went wrong and the car turned over five times, scattering the occupants and wrecking the car.

The accident occurred about four miles West of Miles. First aid was rendered by a farmer living near Miles, who was en route to San Angelo and appeared on the scene of the wreck a few minutes after the smash. He brought the injured persons back to Ballinger where they received medical attention, and were reported to be getting along as well as could be expected late Tuesday.

FORGES CHECK ON PREACHER

A young man giving his name as C. D. Richard, is in the Runnels county jail here, and charges of forgery have been filed against him in the justice court. The young man had taken no steps to make bond up to a late hour Thursday, and he had not made any statement.

Richard passed himself off as "J. B. Smith," in presenting what has been declared is a forged check. He called at the Hyatt-Nichols Company store on Eighth Street last Saturday and purchased thirty-eight cents worth of merchandise. He presented a check for \$10.80, made payable to J. B. Smith and signed "Rev. A. Swindell." The man endorsed the check, signing the name "J. B. Smith" on the back of it. The clerk in the store gave him \$10.42 in real coin of the realm.

The check was declared a forgery when it reached the bank, and the young man was located and placed under arrest Wednesday. J. I. Nichols, of the Hyatt-Nichols Company, identified the man, and declared that he was the person who passed the bad check at his store.

Clarence Harter, of the Wingate country, was in the city Thursday.

One Seriously Hurt When Speeding Car Hits Another

TO SPEND MONTH IN PRISON FOR \$22,000 THEFT

DALLAS, Feb. 3.—Knox Ramsey, former teller of the American Exchange National Bank of this city, pleaded guilty to embezzlement when arraigned for trial in federal court here today. He was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment in the Dallas county jail, however, he will only be incarcerated one month under the sentence imposed by Judge Atwell, eleven months of the term being suspended.

Ramsey admitted to embezzling approximately \$22,000.

A party of 150 Canadians from Northwestern British America stopped at Dallas Tuesday night. They are making the trip in automobiles for the purpose of mapping out a route for tourists from the "pines to the gulf."

DISCOVERS PLOT FOR REVOLUTION

SAN ANTONIO, Feb. 2.—The uncovering of evidence showing a revolutionary junta in which Mexicans here are active in a conspiracy to overthrow the government of the republic of Mexico, was announced here today to the Associated Press correspondent by Gus Jones, charge of the San Antonio office of the department of justice.

Jones declared that his office had found and turned over to Federal District Attorney John Hartman evidence that this junta was planning to dynamite a passenger train Southbound from the border for the purpose of showing that a revolution against the Calles administration was in progress.

The evidence obtained by the department of justice will be placed before the federal grand jury which is due to convene here February 15th, and indictments charging violation of the neutrality laws will be sought against the leaders of the alleged revolutionary movement.

FORTY-TWO MORE DAYS OF WINTER WEATHER?

The fellow who gloated over the beautiful sunshine Tuesday and enjoyed the springtime weather, perhaps did not realize that he had six weeks of winter weather coming. The little ground-hog saw his shadow and scampered back to his den to remain until March 16th.

Some say the ground-hog is as unreliable as the man who "dopes" out the weather for West Texas, while others map out their fishing campaigns entirely by ground-hog signs.

Oscar Routh is confined to his home with a severe attack of sciatic rheumatism.

Ted Key, son of J. C. Key, of the Wingate country, is in the Halley & Love Sanitarium here with a fractured skull and other injuries, and a half dozen other young folks, all of the Wingate section, are more or less bruised up and cut as the result of an automobile crash about one mile East of Rowena on the Ballinger-Rowena road Saturday night.

The collision took place about 10:30 o'clock Saturday night when a Ford coupe going towards Rowena crashed into two autos standing in the road with the lights turned off. The report of the accident indicates that a Ford touring car and a Ford roadster were headed towards Ballinger and parked parallel with each other, and with the lights off, while some of the occupants of the two parked cars were out in the road and some were in the cars, when the Ford coupe going towards Rowena crashed into the other machines. The parties were going and coming from a dance at Rowena.

The Ford coupe was the property of A. J. James, of Wingate, and four young men, Dennis James, Ted Key, Red Gentry and Zeke Reese were in the car with Reese doing the driving. James and Gentry escaped with minor injuries, while Key was seriously injured and Reese also hurt, but not seriously.

Included in the parties who had stopped in the road were Claud Roland, John Cathey and a couple of young ladies of the Wingate community. One of the young ladies sustained a cut on one of her lower limbs, but all the motorists, except Key, were able to return to their home late Saturday night. Key was still in the hospital Monday and had partly regained consciousness. The Ford roadster belonged to Claud Roland and the touring car was the property of John Cathey. The sheriff's department was investigating the case Monday morning, and it was reported that charges would probably be filed as a result of the collision.

YEGGS GET \$200 IN POSTOFFICE

WACO, Feb. 2.—The postoffice at Eddy, twenty miles South of here, was robbed this morning.

Cash to the amount of \$200 and a package of blank money order blanks were taken from the safe.

SAN ANTONIANS BUY BIG TRACT OF LAND

RAYMONDVILLE, Tex., Jan. 29.—A tract of 5,000 acres lying East of the railroad and in about the center of the county in the rich dry farming section of Willey county has been bought by a syndicate of San Antonians headed by Kenneth Wimer. The deal was for cash and involved \$150,000.

The tract, which lies in one of the most rapidly developing sections of the lower Rio Grande Valley outside the irrigated district, will be cut into small farms and sold.

Take Stock of Yourself

If your progress toward a comfortable financial condition seems to drag—take an inventory of yourself.

It's not the occasional extravagant purchases that hold one back—it's the combination of a number of expenditures, each one of which runs too high.

A real "stock-taking" of yourself will show many "leaks."

There's no better time for such a review than now.

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Clean Child's Bowels with "California Fig Syrup"



Even if cross, feverish, bilious, constipated or full of cold, children love the pleasant taste of "California Fig Syrup." A teaspoonful never fails to clean the liver and bowels.

Ask your druggist for genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother! You must say "California" or you may get an imitation fig syrup.

WALTER EARLY PROVES A GOOD AUCTIONEER

The official Stone Mountain Memorial Coin assigned to Brownwood was auctioned last night at the Southern Hotel, Judge Walter U. Early acting as auctioneer and bringing out the fact that he probably should have taken up this business as a profession, for he is certainly a past master. He handled the subject like a veteran, interspersing his discourse with just enough funny sayings to keep everybody in a good humor.

Jim Mann Bevans was the lucky bidder, his bid being \$100.

The previous highest bid was \$75 and was the bid of Miss Estelle Duren.

The next highest was that of Postmaster Turner which was \$50, and the first bid was \$25 by Dr. C. A. Johnson, of the First Christian Church.

There were quite a number of all men present last night and the bidding was of a very lively nature.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Habitual Constipation Cured in 14 to 21 Days

"LAX-FOS WITH PEPIN" is a specially prepared Syrup Tonic-Laxative for Habitual Constipation. It relieves promptly but should be taken regularly for 14 to 21 days to induce regular action. It Stimulates and Regulates. Very Pleasant to Take. 90c per bottle.

BALLINGER GIRLS ON HONOR ROLL

H. T. Benedict, dean of the college of arts and science of the University of Texas, has just made public a list of 196 students out of the 3,105 registered in the college of arts and sciences deserving to be classed on the honor roll for exceptional scholastic averages during the fall term of the present session.

In the list of students placed on the honor roll appear the names of Misses Louise Kirk and Mae Garlington, of Ballinger.

Roy Gaither, of the Cameron Lumber Company, was here this week conferring with Owen O'Neill, local manager for the Cameron company, and looking after the Cameron interests generally.

CHANGE OF LIFE

Virginia Lady Improved After She Took Cardui.

"I had been going through the change of life and it seemed to me that everything got wrong," says Mrs. Deala Hawks, of Bristol, Va. "I suffered from shortness of breath and I could not go up the steps without stopping to rest several times."
"When I would try to hoe in my garden I would soon give out. I could scarcely hoe two rows before my breath was coming in gasps."
"My sister-in-law had taken Cardui and she thought it might do me good, so she told me to try it. I got a bottle of Cardui and began to take it by the directions and I began to improve after a few doses. My general condition was so much better after the first bottle that I got another, and another, until I had taken six. Now I am a well woman."

"Cardui is a great medicine. Since I took it I feel like a new woman. I had had female trouble for years. I am glad to recommend to other women a medicine which has helped me."

At all drug stores. **CARDUI** The Woman's Tonic

CANNON MARK BATTLE FIELD

GOLIAD, Tex., Jan. 28.—The quaint old cannon, which long remained half hidden in the grass of Fannin Park here, have been mounted on cement blocks with inscriptions telling their part in the tragic drama of which Goliad was once the stage.

Proclaims the larger: "Used by Colonel Fannin and his men on Fannin battleground in Goliad county in 1836." The smaller, which probably was abandoned by Fannin as he retreated from Goliad, bears this inscription: "Found on the streets of Goliad in 1836."

Companion to these sacred instruments of Texas liberty, is a Mexican bean pot mounted as a receptacle for the cannon balls used to ammunition the cannon. The pot also was found in 1836—some say on San Jacinto battlefield and used thru the Mexican War.

The custodian of Fannin Park, Mrs. W. A. Jackson, has an ancestry no less intimately connected with the battle of Goliad than the cannon themselves. Her mother's family lived near the battleground. When notified the Mexicans were coming, they started to make their escape to Galveston Island. In the hurry of departure, however, they forgot a coop of chickens and Mrs. Jackson's mother, then a little girl, was sent to fetch them. When she reached the house, the Mexicans already were there, but they allowed her to take the coop and did not molest her.

Mrs. Jackson's father, Robert Willoby, fought in the battle of Goliad and was fortunate enough to draw a white bean in the death lottery following the battle. He told her a story in connection with that tragic affair which she says has never been recounted in a history.

Two brothers, one married, the other single, stood side by side as that momentous choice was forced upon them. The man with a bride at home drew a black bean—death; his brother drew life. The unmarried brother, by strategy, argument or other persuasion induced his brother to exchange beans with him, and this gallant, unnamed soldier went to his death as the reprieved one returned to his bride.

A tie of loyalty and love ever bound those men who passed thru that fatal lottery and came out alive, Mrs. Jackson said. Her father often related how the survivors traveled long distances to visit each other whenever occasion permitted.

After Texas had gained her independence, Mr. Willoby resided in Victoria county and operated the first ferry across the Guadalupe River. He fought in the Civil War and died in a federal prison at New Orleans.

Colds Cause Grip and Influenza

LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets remove the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 25c.

MILES WILL VOTE ON PAVING BOND ISSUE

The city council of Miles has issued a call for a street paving bond issue. The election is to be held on the first day of March, and if the proposition is approved by the citizens the main street and two side streets in Miles will be paved. Bonds in the sum of \$29,000 are being asked for in the election.

Sufferers of Skin Diseases

Hooper's Tetter-Rem is guaranteed for all skin diseases or troubles makes no difference of how long standing. If you are troubled with Eczema, Tetter, Itch, (any form) Ringworm, Pimples, Salt-Rheum, Dandruff, Cracked Hands, Poison Ivy, Old Sores, Erysipelas, or any other skin disease or trouble, secure a bottle of Hooper's Tetter-Rem on our positive guarantee to give you entire satisfaction or your money back. A liquid. Will not stain. A guarantee. Two sizes, 75c and \$1.50. Mfgd. by Kuraline Medicine Co., Dallas, Texas. Sold and guaranteed by

J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

Gus Riehl, with the Ballinger Tin and Plumbing Works, was here the middle of the week on account of the illness of his daughters, Misses Novita and Gussie Riehl; his son-in-law, Jim Cox; and his sister-in-law, Mrs. Ernest Riehl. The Misses Riehl and Mr. Cox are recovering from influenza. Mrs. Ernest Riehl is at St. John's Sanitarium, following an operation.—San Angelo Standard.

How Doctors Treat Colds and the Flu

To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of grippe, influenza, sore throat or tonsillitis, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotabs, the purified and refined calomel compound tablet that gives you the effects of calomel and salts combined, without the unpleasant effects of either.

One or two Calotabs at bed-time with a swallow of water,—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating, work or pleasure. Next morning your cold has vanished, your system is thoroughly purified and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. But what you please,—no danger.

Get a family package, containing full directions, only 35 cents. At any drug store. (adv)

DEATH CLAIMS PIONEER LADY

Mrs. Henry Seipp died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Fowler, six miles North of Ballinger at 5:00 o'clock Friday afternoon. She had been in feeble health for several months.

The remains of this pioneer woman were carried to Bronte Saturday afternoon and laid to rest by the side of her husband, who died about two years ago. The funeral arrangements were in charge of undertakers of the King-Holt company.

Mrs. Seipp was one of the pioneer women of Texas, as well as a pioneer of Runnels county. She was born and reared on the frontier of Texas, and probably there was no citizen of Runnels county who suffered the early day hardships that this good woman suffered.

When only fourteen years of age, Mrs. Seipp witnessed the slaying of both her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kensing, by Comanche Indians, in Gillespie county. That was more than sixty-one years ago. Her parents were returning home when they were overtaken by a band of Indians and put to death.

Mrs. Seipp located in the Maverick country twenty-two years ago, and with eight children she and her husband resided in that part of the county until Mr. Seipp died about two years ago. She had been making her home with her children since the death of Mr. Seipp.

Deceased was seventy-five years, ten months and six days of age. She is survived by eight children, most of whom were present at the funeral. The surviving children are August, Emil and Walter, of Maverick; Mrs. Anna Sessions, Mrs. Emma Vanece, of Austin; Mrs. Hulda Olson, of Rocky Ford, Colorado; Mrs. Rosa Bullock, of San Angelo; and Mrs. Lenora Fowler, of six miles North of Ballinger.

Several friends from Ballinger accompanied the remains to Bronte where Rev. Rosser, of Bronte, conducted the funeral services.

STOP CATARRH! OPEN NOSTRILS AND HEAD

Says Cream Applied in Nostrils Relieves Head-Colds at Once.

If your nostrils are clogged and your head is stuffer and you can't breathe freely because of a cold or catarrh, just get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm at any drug store. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic cream into your nostrils and let it penetrate through every air passage of your head, soothing and healing the inflamed, swollen mucous membrane and you get instant relief.

Ah! how good it feels. Your nostrils are open your head is clear, no more hawking, snuffling, blowing; no more headache, dizziness or struggling for breath. Ely's Cream Balm is just what sufferers from head colds and catarrh need. It's a delight.

George Dankworth, who has been with the Cameron lumber yard for the last two years, has accepted a position with the Sikes-Overland Company. Mr. Dankworth will be with the sales department of the Overland garage, and will take as much pleasure in demonstrating automobiles as he did in loading lumber wagons.

Bring us your chickens, eggs and hides. Potter Produce Company, Seventh Street. 1d-1w

HomeBuilders are Moving to Plains

DALLAS, Feb. 1.—The covered wagon again is trekking across the Western plains. This time it is hauled, in some instances, by an automobile engine, and it carries, not the gold seeker, but those who come for the hard earned wealth of the soil.

Across the vast plains of West Texas the long lines of home builders are now moving by horse drawn wagon, by automobile, and by train. Last year 40,000 families moved into the section, and this figure is expected to be far exceeded this year, according to officials of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

The breaking up of many huge ranches, some of which contained over 100,000 acres, is making this settlement possible. Along a new branch of the Santa Fe Railroad, West of Lubbock, to the Texas-New Mexico border, a dozen towns have sprung up in the last few months. Everywhere are the signs of new life. The plow is being put to virgin soil. The cattleman and the cowboy are passing. The overall is taking the place of the chaparajos.

West Texas itself is larger than any state in the union except the state of which it is a part, having a slightly greater area than California, the union's second largest state.

The country is so level that the wind supplies excellent motive power and windmills are to be seen everywhere. It is one of the few sections in the United States where railroads are still competing with each other for territory, a half dozen roads recently having applied to the Interstate Commerce Commission for right to build.

Some of the counties in which this development is taking place have had only 50 or 75 inhabitants, constituting virtually the cowboys on the ranches. The county seats of some of them have grown so rapidly that many of the court houses still are of frame construction.

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ANNOUNCES FOR COTTON WEIGHER

Roy Higginbotham hands in his announcement for the office of public weigher, and says that he is in the race to win. The voters will pass on his name at the Democratic primary in July.

Mr. Higginbotham has been farming, and knows the cotton game pretty well. He is qualified to give those having business with the office of public weigher good service, all of which he promises to do if elected.

While politics should cut no ice in the office of public weigher, Mr. Higginbotham is a Democrat, and submits his name subject to the action of the Democratic primary. He solicits the vote and support of the voters participating in the primary.

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Dandruff is a germ disease and known as a scalp form of Tetter or Eczema. This microbe lives on the oily substance of the skin and robs the hair of its proper nourishment, causing it to fall out and the head to become bald. Get rid of dandruff before it is too late. Wash the scalp well with hot water and soap. Dry with a soft towel and apply Hooper's Tetter-Rem (Don't Scratch), rubbing it in well. Then steam the head with hot towels. Ask your barber for Hooper's Tetter-Rem scalp treatment. Hooper's Tetter-Rem is positively guaranteed for all scalp and skin diseases. Two sizes 75c and \$1.50. Sold and guaranteed by

Weeks Drug Store

WINTERS TALKS VARIED CROPS

Through the efforts of the Chamber of Commerce at Winters a meeting of the farmers of the North end of the county was called Saturday, and a campaign for diversification launched. County Agent C. W. Lehmburg, and Secretary J. D. Motley of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, were given places on the program.

Those taking the lead in the diversification movement are not preaching cotton acreage reduction, but are preaching the production of something else on the farm besides cotton. It is being argued that it is suicide for the farmers to plant all cotton, but it is all right for the farmers to grow all the cotton they can so long as they raise something else on the farm.

Runnels county is a good cotton country, and the cotton crop is the big money crop, but Runnels county is also a good country for diversified farming, and the raising of products which will keep the wolf from the door re-

gardless of the price of cotton. Recently a shipment of dairy cows was distributed in this county, and it is very important that something be raised with which to feed cows. More hogs, more chickens and more dairy cows are being featured as a solution to the cheap cotton problem in the meeting at Winters.

No Worms in a Healthy Child

All children troubled with Worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will cleanse the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off or dispel the worms, and the child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. 90c per bottle.

PAINT ROCK COURT HAS SHORT TERM

District court at Paint Rock only operated a little more than one day. The court convened Monday afternoon and adjourned Tuesday afternoon. The grand jury returned a couple of indictments of a misdemeanor nature, and the court disposed of two cases, continuing the only criminal case on the docket.

W. E. Martin, of Route 2, Talpa, was trading in Ballinger Friday. He reported his section of the country in good shape as a result of the snow.

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Stop boils with S. S. S. It's the way. Get it at any druggist. The larger bottle is more economical.



Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Miller are rejoicing over the arrival of a ten pounds baby girl. The young lady was born Tuesday, February 2nd.

Ira Turner was in the city Monday from the Norton country, and reported the arrival of a nine-pound boy at his home on January 22nd. Marcus Rudolph is the name of the new arrival.

DAVENPORT CASE SET FOR FEB. 22

On motion of the state, the Gratton Davenport case called for trial at San Angelo Monday, was continued until February 22. The trial was postponed on account of the absence of material state's witnesses.

Davenport is charged with the murder of Sam Rodgers, a Runnels county boy, at Mertzon, on February 3rd, 1925. Davenport was tried for the murder last May but the jury failed to agree on a verdict.

A venire of 200 men were summoned from which to make up the jury, and Judge J. F. Sutton, before whom the case was called, assessed a fine of \$50 against the absent witnesses and issued attachments for them.

Cedar Posts

We have a large stock, at low prices, considering the price advances on posts.

Ballinger Lumber Co. 5-1tw

DECREASE IN TEXAS' VOTING STRENGTH

Incomplete returns from poll tax payments in the state indicate quite a falling off from last year's total voting strength. Last year was an off year while this year is voting, or election campaign year, when a greater percent of the citizens subject to poll tax payments pay their taxes.

Runnels county will be among the counties showing a slight increase. It will be several days before the official figures on the total payments in Runnels county are available, but the payments are expected to be in excess of 6,100, while a little more than 5,900 were paid last year.

The decrease in poll tax payments in the state is probably due to the drought which covered a wide area in Central Texas. A report by counties will soon be available and will show where the shortage comes in.

SEEK AID FOR STATE TEACHERS COLLEGES

AUSTIN, Feb. 2.—A deficiency of approximately \$80,000 will be requested to be authorized by the governor today for the state teachers colleges by Henry Paulas, of Yoakum, a member of the board of regents.

A number of the teachers colleges were represented here today, and Dean W. Wisely, represented the Southeast Texas State Teachers College of Nacogdoches.

MEXICAN PASSES A FORGED CHECK

J. M. Jennings, Ben Curry and E. E. McGee, of the Norton country, were in the city Tuesday, coming in to bring a Mexican who is alleged to have forged Mr. McGee's name to a \$26 check. The county attorney's department was making an investigation Tuesday afternoon with a view of filing charges against the Mexican for forgery.

Store WANT ADS READ wanted

ONE DEAD; NEGRO DOOMED TO DIE FOR KILLING OF SHERIFF IN STORM

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Feb. 3.—One child was killed and 300 persons made homeless, and property damaged to the estimated amount of \$750,000 by a hurricane which swept Green Acres, two miles West of Lake Worth today. Scores of persons were injured in the storm.

The city of Lake Worth is organizing to carry on relief work, and physicians from that place have been sent to the scene of the hurricane to render first aid.

LEHMBERG REFUSES A BETTER OFFER

County Agent C. W. Lehmburg has declined an offer to return to Cuero, DeWitt county, at higher pay than he is receiving in Runnels county. He recently received an offer to return to the county agent's work in DeWitt county, but after considering the matter he decided that he would remain in Runnels county.

Mr. Lehmburg has been successful with his work since coming to Runnels county, has made friends of the cause which he represents, among some of whom who have heretofore opposed the county agent's work. He stated that he liked Runnels county people, had mapped out a campaign of work here which was unfinished and he could not afford to pull up and leave it even for a few hundred dollars more money than the position pays here.

Will Chastain is at home for a week-end visit off the road. His friends will be glad to know that he is recovering from the bad health he had been suffering for more than a year. He is gaining weight rapidly and is now able to take on a square meal of anything to his liking. Mr. Chastain recently had the experience of spending the night in his Ford coupe when he lost his way, got on the wrong road and in trying to turn around slipped off in a ditch, after dark and about ten miles from Richland Springs. He was off the main highway and no one came along to give him a lift. He discovered at daylight the next morning that he was about a mile from a ranch house, and he soon found help in pulling out of trouble and declares that he did not feel any the worse for the experience.

BALLINGER BOY WINS IN FITTEST FAMILY CONTEST

W. A. Schawe, or better known as Arno in Ballinger, carried off one of the medals awarded in the individual class in the "Fittest Family Contest" put on by the Cotton Palace at Waco last fall, and Mr. Schawe and his wife won the cup and blue ribbon in the couples class, having been declared the fittest couple out of a large number who entered the contest. Three were twenty-five awards in the individual class and Mr. Schawe was twelfth in this class.

Decisions in the contest had been delayed on account of the large number of entries, and according to the Waco Times-Herald, the awards were not made until January 25th when the directors of the Cotton Palace met and completed the work.

We are in receipt of a letter from Joe Hopewell, one of the pioneers of this country, who went West to seek a new field more than a year ago. Mr. Hopewell is now living in Ontario, California, and he wants The Ledger to come to him so he can hear from the old home.

We are glad to note that E. R. Kilpatrick, meat cutter for Piggly Wiggly, is getting along nicely in the hospital at Temple, and it is now believed that he will recover. Mr. Kilpatrick underwent a serious operation for gall bladder trouble about ten days ago.

Mrs. J. G. Douglass returned home Sunday from South Texas, where she had been visiting Eastern Star chapters in the Rio Grande Valley, carrying on her work as deputy grand matron of the Order of Eastern Star.

ENGINE CREW IS KILLED IN WRECK

GALESBURG, Ill., Feb. 3.—Engineer Gallagher, of Burlington, Illinois, was killed, and Fireman William Hunger, of Galesburg, was probably fatally injured when a fast mail train, No. 7, West bound from Chicago to Denver on the Burlington railroad, jumped the track near here this morning.

The engine and three mail cars left the track, the engine going in the ditch.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 3.—A heavy fog at Trumbull Switch, near Carmi, Illinois, is blamed for a head-on collision of the Louisville & Nashville Railway passenger trains Nos. 55 and 44, this morning.

Dispatches received here state that no one was injured in the wreck.

Kaiser's Attaches Join German Salvation Army

BERLIN, Jan. 30.—Scores of attaches of the old Hohenzollern regime, down and out though their former masters are well taken care of, are joining the Salvation Army, "Heilsarmee" of Germany.

Forty of the 87 cadets in the training school in Berlin were former courtiers in the Royal palaces.

Mrs. S. B. Whittlesey, formerly of this city, but who is now engaged in the grocery and dry goods business at Muskogee, Oklahoma, is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. G. Evans, and will also visit her mother, Mrs. M. L. Stroud, at San Angelo.

Mrs. J. M. Pyburn, Mrs. Hart, and Mrs. H. W. Lyon, of Winters, were visitors to Ballinger Friday.

AUSTIN, Feb. 2.—The death penalty of John Smith, negro, convicted at Brownwood for the slaying of Dick Pauley, sheriff of Coleman county, was affirmed today by the Court of Criminal Appeals.

The negro is alleged to have killed the Coleman sheriff at Coleman while the sheriff was in the act of arresting the negro and taking him from a freight train. The case was transferred to Brownwood for trial.

Smith's execution date will not be fixed and he will be transferred to the state penitentiary awaiting electrocution.

WAREHOUSE PROPERTY SELLS AND RE-SELLS

E. J. Carroll, who recently bought the warehouse and corner lot on Tenth Street, just across the track South of the Santa Fe freight depot, from M. B. Wardlaw, has sold the property to Homer Daniels. Mr. Carroll purchased the property for his own use, but decided on other plans and sold it to Mr. Daniels. Mr. Daniels buys it for an investment.

Englishman Tells Mothers to Let Boys be Boys

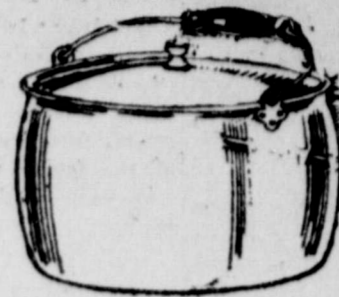
LONDON, Feb. 1.—Beware of the boy of eight whose mother describes him as a perfect "little gentleman," is the warning sounded by Dr. Crichton-Miller.

The boy of eight who has soiled hands and refuses to let his mother scrub him up and keep him immaculate is merely showing his independence which is necessary for the proper development of a man who will shoulder responsibilities and not shirk his life duties, Dr. Crichton-Miller said.

It is a good psychological sign when a boy cuts loose from his mother's apron-strings and insists on doing things for himself and doing them his own way, even if it is a pretty poor way, in the opinion of the specialist, who urges women not to regard carelessness in a youngster as a sin.

Miss Hattie Tannehill will arrive Thursday morning to visit her sister, Mrs. R. B. Rogers. Miss Tannehill is on a year's furlough from her missionary duties in Korea where she is a missionary from the Southern Presbyterian Church.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Dr. C. A. Watson left Saturday with his wife for New Orleans, where Mrs. Watson will be under special treatment. If Mrs. Watson gets along all right Dr. Watson will take a post-graduate course in Tulane University. He expects to be gone two or three months.



Special for Saturday

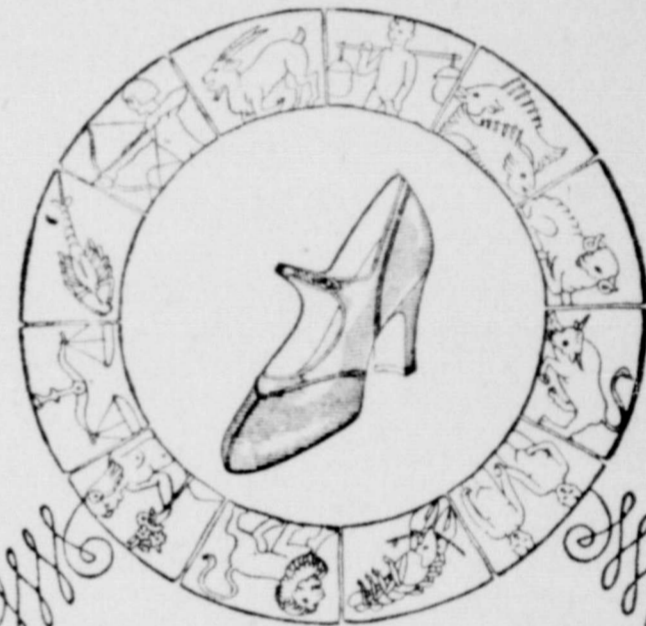
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Mrs. Lee J. Roundtree, editor of the Bryan Eagle, has been elected president of the Bryan Chamber of Commerce. Women seem determined to prove men's equal in every walk of life.

We heard a man say that snow puts something in the ground that rain does not. A drive over the streets of Ballinger will convince you that the gentleman is correct.

The San Angelo Standard is featuring oil news, and it should do so, because many people are interested in oil development, and the oil game has put pep into San Angelo which causing junior sky-scrapers to spring up in that city.

A landowner over at Brady has offered a cash prize of \$100 to the renter on his place who grows the best garden. The average renter does not raise anything for his table.

A half dozen murderers have been sentenced to the electric chair in Texas within the last three months, and a man was fined \$1,000 for killing a man with his auto. Who said the country was not getting better?

Probably Ferguson thinks to call Moody a Klansman was about the meanest thing he could say about the attorney general. If Dan is as brilliant as he has been credited with being he will not pay any attention to the governor's husband.

If the postoffice department transports mail between Ballinger and Abilene by auto, the department will no doubt exact a better highway over which to operate the line. An auto mail route paralleling the railroad will be a little unusual.

A comparative statement of livestock receipts in the city of Fort Worth, published in the recent issues of a Fort Worth newspaper, show that more hogs were marketed in that city twenty years ago than last year. The receipts for 1906 were 336,661, and for 1925 they were 312,919. No wonder a poor man can't eat hogs.

Secretary Mellon found where he was entitled to a rebate of \$450,000 in income taxes. Congress passed a bill which reduced Mr. Mellon's income taxes more than one million dollars a year. In commenting on the year the secretary said that it had been a very prosperous one. We agree with him.

It is said that a fight in the Senate over the tax bill may tie up the measure until next next paying day on March 15th and we will have to pay at the old rate on our income. That will be a victory for the opponents of the new bill.

It will be worth a dollar and six-bits to vote in the school trustee election. And then there will be the first primary, followed by the run-off, and there is no telling what will develop before the general free-for-all next November. Better get your poll tax receipt.

A Dallas druggist shot and killed a young man whom he caught trying to break into his drug store. The grand jury failed to indict the druggist for the killing, indicating that a man has as much right to protect his property as he has to protect his life.

Of course a reporter is not expected to believe everything that comes to his ear, and especially when the other fellow is boosting the oil game, but our prediction is that oil development in this county will be revived within the near future.

The highway case has not been turned over to the jury for its consideration, but the case has progressed far enough for those who have been keeping up with it to form the opinion that some of the witnesses placed on the stand are not very closely related to George Washington.

T. B. Raines, a Waco traveling salesman, slowed up to offer two men a ride while motoring between Carlbad and San Angelo. The men accepted the ride and also relieved Mr. Raines of \$12.50 in cash, his watch and chain and finger rings. It pays to be accommodating when motoring along the highway alone.

A special edition of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram was issued Saturday celebrating the twentieth anniversary of that paper. D. C. McCaleb, a former Ballinger man now deceased, was one of the founders of the Star-Telegram, and was managing editor of the paper when the first issue was published on February 1, 1906.

Meetings are being held around over the country for the purpose of urging the farmers to plant less cotton. The scheme may bring results, but it strikes us that farmers should know better than anyone else what is best, and how much for them to plant. However, they should not forget that cotton makes a poor food for the family.

There will be two classes of citizens mixing and mingling at political gatherings next summer. One will be the voting class and the other only bystanders. It requires the possession of a poll tax to be in the voting class. You may not agree with the law, but that is the way it is written.

An expert witness on the subject testified in the Snow murder trial that Snow had the mind of a nine-year-old child. We don't believe a 9-year-old child would murder three people and dispose of the bodies like Snow did. Manufactured testimony should have no place in a murder trial.

The Cemetery Association offers employment to those who had rather work out the amount of their cemetery dues than to put up the cash. If you think it is unjust to call on you for money with which to help keep up the cemetery, surely you will not object to lending a helping hand towards beautifying the city of the dead.

It seems that every line of business has its bootleggers. It developed during the international radio test that outlaw broadcast stations were on the air and played practical jokes on the listeners by making them believe they had tuned in on European stations.

With pork prices almost prohibitive for the average consumer, and with ham occupying a place on the luxury list, it does look like the farmers would take a tumble and plant a few more hogs. An East Texas farmer butchered a hog which brought him almost two hundred dollars, and he is not howling about the low price of cotton.

Brown county employs a health nurse to work among the school children, teaching them proper care of the teeth, etc. Visit most any dental parlor and see the patients in line waiting their turn, and then listen to the M. D.'s charge had teeth with almost every disease the human body is heir to, and you will realize the importance of the health nurse work.

The Dallas News carried a story given out by Ben Flood of Dallas, in which Flood said Ferguson would be a candidate for governor, and Flood would be his campaign manager. Ferguson charges the News with an attempt to discredit the Ferguson administration, and declared that he had not seen Ben Flood in seven or eight months. It seems that the Houston Chronicle is the only one of the larger papers which is remaining loyal to the Fergusons.

Joe Bailey has declared his intention of going to the bottom of the Texas highway scandal, learn the facts and then go before the citizens in the coming campaign and tell the voters of his findings. Bailey was the object of an investigation himself once upon a time, and his experience should be valuable to him in bringing out the facts in the highway muddle.

HIGHWAY GUILT

One highway contractor has been indicted for perjury—false swearing, and for fraud, in connection with the highway hold-

up. The fact that a man has been indicted does not carry with it his conviction, and it can not always be said that he is guilty. However, the contractor may experience considerable trouble in proving to a jury that he is innocent of the charges when there is such a wide discrepancy in the figures involved.

The highway contractor under indictment is alleged to have filed an account with the highway commission for 230,000 gallons of asphalt when he only used 20,000. Of course the difference of 210,000 gallons is a small matter when profits figured in the highway deals are taken into consideration.

Another thing that is somewhat puzzling to the tax payers of the state, is how one man could put over such a transaction without someone else connected with the highway commission getting wise.

If the public will be patient perhaps the inside workings of the road building machinery of Texas will be brought to light. The court has ordered that the investigation continue, indicating that somebody is not satisfied with the present status of the probe.

DARING JIM TO RUN

Jim hasn't a chance. Neither has Ma. The twain could not poll enough votes in Texas this year to get a look at the state house after Jan. 1, 1927. This year will mark the end of Jim Ferguson as a political factor in Texas—San Angelo Standard.

There are at least two classes of anti-Ferguson voters in Texas. One class is daring Jim to run so they can have the privilege of scratching his name, while the other class would like to see the Fergusons retire without a fight.

There are also at least two classes of Ferguson supporters. One class would like to keep the Fergusons in power while the other class wants Jim to retire with his good name, but would vote for him against the field, should he run.

The latter class is "soft-soaping" Jim, and trying to keep his enemies from rubbing the fur the wrong way, with the hope that he will retire to private life without another scrap. There are certain political leaders who believe the Fergusons will retire if their enemies will lay off and quit antagonizing them, but are fearful that Jim will go before the people with his case if he is charged with wrong doing in con-

nection with his wife's administration.

G. P. Teague returned from Brownwood Monday night, where he was called to be with his niece who underwent an operation in a Brownwood hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Denny, of Brownwood, were here Sunday visiting their son, Ben Denny, and family.

Notice to Debtors

All those indebted to the old Currie Mercantile Company are hereby notified that Ed O'Reilly has been authorized to collect all accounts due. Any settlement made by him will be satisfactory. W. R. CURRIE WILLIE STEVENS 12-6td-4tw

QUEEN Theatre

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Friday and Saturday
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Admission: Matinee 10c and 30c; Night 10c and 40c

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Price are at home from Houston, Rosebud and other points, where they spent several months visiting their children. Mr. Price says that he has been assisting Mr. Ferguson in looking after the highway work, and does not regret casting his vote for Jim's wife.

J. C. Key and A. J. James, of the Wingate country, were here Monday investigating the auto accident between Ballinger and Rowena in which their sons were hurt.

ESTHONIAN SPIES TO BE TRIED BY THE SOVIET

LENINGRAD, Feb. 2.—Forty-eight alleged Esthonian spies, including the former consul at Narva, were placed on trial here today in the provincial court.

All of the defendants are accused of plotting against the Soviet state, and are charged with planning to blow up the Russian munition plants, bridges, airdomes and other structures.

O. A. Dannelly, of Miles, was a business visitor to Ballinger Thursday.

Used Furniture READ WANT ADS

Elzie Brown was here Sunday visiting his father, T. P. Brown, and other relatives. Elzie is field superintendent for the J. K. Hughes Oil Company, and was recently given the territory in West Texas, working from Brownwood West, and making headquarters at San Angelo.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- For County Clerk: W. A. FORGEY MRS. OSCAR HOLLIDAY
- For County Treasurer: MRS. JENNIE KIRK
- For Sheriff: R. E. McWILLIAMS
- For Tax Assessor: W. L. BROWN G. W. DUNLAP
- For County Judge: PAUL TRIMMIE
- For District Clerk: GEORGIA SINGLETARY
- For County Attorney: C. P. SHEPHERD
- For Tax Assessor: MIKE C. BOYD
- For County Superintendent: R. E. WHITE
- For Commissioner Prect. No. 1: R. J. DEENS
- For Public Weigher, Prect. No. 1: ROY HIGGINBOTHAM TOBE LITTLE W. T. NICHOLS

Saturday -AT- DICKINSON'S

No. 2 Can TOMATOES Per Case \$1.95

No. 2 Can CORN Per Doz \$1.40

CREAM MEAL 25 lb sack 85c

3 lb. Box Crackers 45c

Three Loaves BREAD The Kind You Use 25c

We Have All Aladdin Supplies

Bring Us Your Eggs---Cash

J. G. DICKINSON GROCERIES

Plenty of Room to Park Your Car

New Telephone Directory

Our new telephone directory will go to press within the next few days. If you haven't telephone connection and contemplate having a telephone put in your place of business or your residence, or if you desire any change in your present listing, see our local manager.

As an advertising medium the telephone directory is unsurpassed. This directory goes into the homes of over one thousand families and is consulted hundreds of times a day. You can reach more people by an advertisement in the telephone directory than any other way.

Make your telephone work for you by advertising in this directory. Call our local manager for space and advertising rates.



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"M" SYSTEM STORE TO OPEN HERE SATURDAY

Sam Behringer, manager of the new "M" System store, announced today that everything is in readiness for the grand opening of the grocery store at 9:00 o'clock, Saturday morning, February 6th. The store will swing its doors open at exactly 9:00 a. m., and will remain open until 9:00 p. m.

Many novel features have been planned for this opening and one of the largest crowds that ever visited a store opening in Ballinger is expected to inspect the new cash-and-carry establishment on the first day of its existence. An orchestra has been engaged and will assist in entertaining the visitors all day and many special demonstrators will be on hand to show and sample their wares, which will be sold by the "M" store. Among the special demonstrations to be conducted will be that of Armour & Company with Star brand products; Folger & Company will serve Golden Gate coffee; J. E. Young & Company will serve Paramount products; W. K. Kellogg & Company will give a bear with every purchase of two packages of their goods; and the "M" store itself will have a wonderful offer of the E. J. Brach & Son candies. The store will also have plenty of souvenirs for the children who come to the opening.

One of the big features of the day will be the giving away absolutely free of seven \$5.00 bills of groceries. When you visit the store this plan will be explained to you and you will have the same chance to win as anyone else and no one will be obligated to buy anything in order to share in this distribution.

A special sale of bananas will be offered that will attract many and a special salesman from the Abilene Fruit & Vegetable Company will be in charge of the sale. An elaborate display of other fruits and vegetables from this firm will be in the water-sprayed rack for inspection.

At 9:00 o'clock Saturday morning the first fifteen women entering the store when the doors swing open will be given five pounds of pure cane sugar free.



Jeanes Company

76 YEARS OLD;
SEEKS FIRST OFFICE

To the Voters of Cotton Weighers Precinct No. 1:

I am a candidate for Public Weigher of Precinct No. 1, and my name will be on the Democratic ticket at the July primary election.

I am seventy-six years of age and have never asked for any public office before. I have been a citizen of Rannels county for twenty-four years, residing in this precinct, engaged in farming, ginning and other lines of work.

I feel that my experience in the gin business, and in handling cotton for many years gives me the right to say that I am qualified to give you good service should you see fit to elect me as your public weigher.

I may not see you and solicit your vote in person, but I want to assure you that I will appreciate your support.

W. T. NICHOLS.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roy Vaughn and son, of Brownwood, were here Sunday visiting friends.

IF STOMACH IS
TROUBLING YOU

Instantly! End Indigestion
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"Pape's Diapepsin"

As soon as you eat a tablet or two of "Pape's Diapepsin" your indigestion is gone! Heavy pain, heartburn, flatulence, gases, palpitation, or any misery from a sour, acid stomach ends. Correct your stomach and digestion for a few cents. Each package guaranteed by druggist.

NEW STORE IS ALMOST READY

Workmen are speeding up on the work of remodeling the building formerly occupied by the Currie Mercantile Company, and the fixtures have been set in the new store preparatory to opening the "M" System store this week.

The building has undergone changes which make it entirely new and modern. A modern front, with the interior thoroughly refurnished gives the building the appearance of a new business house.

Sam Behringer is busy checking in goods and will make his formal opening announcement in due time. The store is due to open at 9:00 o'clock next Saturday morning, when there will be a program of music and other attractions, as well as a distribution of prizes, etc.

RUNNELS COUNTY IS IN EIGHTH PLACE

There are nine counties in Texas which produced more than 70,000 bales of cotton last year. Rannels county holds eighth place in the list and will occupy the seventh place when the final count has been made. Following are the banner cotton counties; the returns also showing the 1924 ginnings:

	1925	1924
Collin	91,339	97,794
Ellis	78,986	120,220
Fannin	76,484	76,167
Navarro	75,014	83,120
Hunt	74,885	65,094
Lamar	73,253	67,365
Kaufman	70,699	65,346
Rannels	70,651	53,010
Jones	70,346	56,344

The above figures covered ginlings up to January 16th. The final report will be made on March 1st.

D. L. Brevard was in the city Wednesday from the Mud Creek country.

evening speaker of the Dallas News radio station.

With the temperature below freezing James Maxwell, a school boy at Brady, skidded over a 20-foot embankment into the icy waters of Brayd Creek, and was almost drowned when rescued. Two other boys got off the sled before it plunged over the bank.

Three youths giving their names as Frank Stell, Ernest Campbell, and Cecil Collins, were arrested at Sweetwater Monday on advice from the chief of police at Hugo, Oklahoma, who wired that he was coming after the boys.

The Old Gray Mare Band at Brownwood has been reorganized. George McCulley, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Skinner, of Ballinger, was elected president of the band.

Ground has been broken at Sweetwater for a \$110,000 ice and cold storage plant.

The war department has accepted a landing field for the U. S. aviation service at Abilene, and Abilene is putting the field in shape for immediate use.

Dr. William Anderson, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Dallas, is holding a series of meetings at Sweetwater. Dr. Anderson is a regular Sunday

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Since 1886

"M" SYSTEM IS DECLARED TO BE 'STORE BEAUTIFUL'

The new "M" System Store will be one of the handsomest stores in Ballinger and the attractive furniture and cleanliness will no doubt attract many people to the establishment to purchase groceries and meat. All the fixtures in this new store are snow white trimmed in black, giving it a neat and attractive appearance.

The "M" store is operated on a cash and carry basis. The customer enters through the turnstiles that revolve both ways, looks through the stock and selects his own goods and passes out by the cashier's desk where he pays and gets his goods wrapped. Every item is marked in plain figures so that one can keep account of his bill as he goes on. The store derives its name from the design of the interior, being built in the shape of an "M," which is a convenient way to display goods and is also easy of access to the customer in shopping.

To the left of the front entrance is the meat market, where an experienced meat cutter will always be ready to wait on the trade. This is convenient in that the customer is not required to go through the rest of the store in order to purchase a piece of meat or any other article from the market. The market, as well as the large refrigerator in this store, is kept cool by electric refrigeration, using no ice whatever. This system is said to maintain a more even degree of temperature.

Another feature of the new store is a patented vegetable rack. The rack is connected to the city water mains and so arranged that a fine mist is continuously sprayed over the vegetables, keeping them fresh at all times. Opposite the market at the front of the store are the large candy and cigar cases.

Sam Behringer, proprietor of

the "M" Store, is very anxious that everyone visit the new store on opening day to see the wonderful arrangement of the stock he has placed on display for the grocery buyers. The management urges that everyone come through the turnstiles whether they buy or not for many special articles have been purchased in order that the store would look its best on formal opening date. Competent and courteous clerks will be on hand to assist the customer in any way and special demon-

strators will be ready to serve visitors with their products.

Potter Produce Company is paying the highest prices for poultry, eggs and hides. 1d-1w

Burns Holt, who had been with the Weeks drug store for the last year or two, is now associated with his brother, Jack Holt, in the wholesale oil business, operating the Independent Oil Co. station. Burns severed his connection with the drug store Saturday night.

Congratulations

To

"M" System Store

We Welcome You

As a Competitor

and

Wish You Well



Congratulation

To Mr. Sam Behringer

on the opening of the



Do not overlook their Candy display, most all of which is fresh from our kettles.

E. J. Brach & Sons

The World's Largest Candy Manufacturers

Chicago :: :: :: :: Illinois

THE "M" SYSTEM STORE



OPENS

Saturday, Feb. 6th

9:00 a. m. to 9:00 p. m.

Music

Demonstrations

Souvenirs



We cordially invite you to visit us next Saturday—we will welcome you whether you buy or not—we will show you one of the prettiest stores you ever saw. Everything is brand new, our new building is as pretty as money and workmanship could build, our fixtures are white and new, our stock is new, fresh merchandise, our prices are low, and our clerks courteous and anxious to serve and save you money. Our market is conveniently located in the front of the store, all equipment is new, our boxes are equipped with Frigidaire, giving you cleaner, fresher and sweeter meats than where they are kept by ice.

Ever mindful of our customers' health, we shall endeavor at all times to keep the "M" Store spotless, and the merchandise clean and fresh.

Again we invite you to visit us Saturday—it will pay you to do so.

FREE! There will Be Seven Large Bills of Groceries Given Away at 9:00 p. m. **FREE!**
Saturday---Visit Our Opening and Learn How to Get the Groceries Free.

<p>Lettuce Nice and Fresh Per Head 8c</p>	<p>BILL NO. 1 1 can No. 2 1-2 Gold Bar Peaches; 3 cans No. 2 Tomatoes; 1-2 gallon Country Maid Syrup; 1lb Sunset Coffee; 1 large bottle Heinz Ketchup; 1 jar Beachnut Jelly; 5 bars Crystal White Soap; 2 cakes Creme Oil Soap; 12lb sack Gold Medal Flour; 3 packages American Beauty Macaroni; 4lb pail Mrs. Tucker's Shortening; 1 package Saltine Crackers. Your Choice Fresh Meat 75c</p>	<p>BILL NO. 2 12lb sack Gold Medal Flour; 1lb can Breakfast Delight Coffee; 1 can No. 5 Country Maid Syrup; 5 bars Crystal White Soap; 4lb pail Mrs. Tucker's Shortening; 3 packages American Beauty Macaroni; 1 package Saltine Flakes; 1 large bottle Heinz Ketchup; 1 pound Brach's Chocolate Candy; 1 jar Paramount Salad Dressing. Your Choice Fresh Meat 75c</p>	<p>BILL NO. 3 12lb sack Gold Medal Flour; 4lb pail Mrs. Tucker's Shortening; 1lb Sunset Coffee; 1 can Gold Bar Melba Halves Peaches; 1 bottle Heinz Ketchup; 5 bars Crystal White Soap; 3 packages American Beauty Macaroni; 1 package Saltine Flakes; 1 bottle Paramount Salad Dressing; 1 pound Brach's Chocolate Candy. Your Choice Fresh Meat 75c</p>	<p>Apples Winesaps Per Doz. 19c</p>
<p>BILL NO. 4 1lb Breakfast Delight Coffee; 4lb pail Mrs. Tucker's Shortening; 12lb sack Gold Medal Flour; 1 bottle Heinz Ketchup; 5 bars Crystal White Soap; 3 packages American Beauty Macaroni; 1 package Saltine Flakes; 1 bottle Paramount Salad Dressing; can No. 5 Country Maid Syrup; 1 pound Brach's Chocolate Candy. Your Choice Fresh Meat 75c</p>	<p>BILL NO. 5 4lb pail Mrs. Tucker's Shortening; 12lb sack Gold Medal Flour; 1lb can Sunset Coffee; 1 bottle Heinz Ketchup; 5 bars Crystal White Soap; 3 packages American Beauty Macaroni; 1 package Saltine Flakes; 1 bottle Paramount Salad Dressing; 1 can Gold Bar Melba Halves Peaches; 1 pound Brach's Chocolate Candy; 5lb can Honey. Your Choice Fresh Meat 75c</p>	<p>BILL NO. 6 1lb Breakfast Delight Coffee; 12lb sack Gold Medal Flour; 4lb pail Mrs. Tucker's Shortening; 1 bottle Heinz Ketchup; 5 bars Crystal White Soap; 1 pound Brach's Chocolate Candy; 3 packages American Beauty Macaroni; 1 bottle Paramount Salad Dressing; can No. 5 Country Maid Syrup; 1 package Saltine Flakes. Your Choice Fresh Meat 75c</p>	<p>BILL NO. 7 12lb sack Gold Medal Flour; 1lb can Sunset Coffee; 4lb pail Mrs. Tucker's Shortening; 5 bars Crystal White Soap; 3 packages American Beauty Macaroni; 1 pound Brach's Chocolate Candy; 1 package Saltine Flakes; 1 bottle Paramount Salad Dressing; 1 bottle Heinz Ketchup; 2 cans Gold Bar Melba Halves Peaches. Your Choice Fresh Meat 75c</p>	

Free Drinks and Good Things to Eat Served to You

Let Mr. Taylor serve you with a cup of really fine Coffee made from Folger's Golden Gate. Glad to serve you.

Let Mr. Young serve you a splendid sandwich made from goodies in the Paramount line—no better relishes bottled.

Armour's salesman will offer you the greatest value on their products ever offered in Ballinger.

E. J. Brach's "Candy Kid," Mr. Christian, will sell you more fresh, high-grade Candy for 40c than you ever received in your life.

Mr. Cenner, salesman for the Abilene Fruit & Vegetable Company, the largest produce house in this part of the world, will wield the wicked knife on Bananas all day.

Mr. Smith, with Kellogg Cereal Company, will be glad to give you a bear with one package each of Kellogg's Corn Flakes and Oatmeal, specially priced.

Kiddies

There will be souvenirs for you. Come and bring your little friends. We want the children to feel at home at the "M" Store—this could stand for "Mother's Store."

There will be samples of merchandise given out to grown folks throughout the day—don't fail to be here to get yours.

If you enjoy music you will like to hear our Orchestra—it will be on the job all the time.

Candy

This is a knock out

1 lb. High Grade CHOCOLATE 40c

1 lb. Fudge Free with each pound of chocolate

Breakfast Bacon, Armours 37c

Banquet, per lb.

Specials for Saturday

SKINNED HAMS, Armours Star 27c per pound

1 pkg. Kellogg's Corn Flakes; 1 large pkg. Oats, 1 Bear or Golden Locks 40c

8 lb. SHORTENING, Bird Brand Fresh from Armstrong's Kettles \$1.24

FOLGER'S COFFEE, Golden Gate, vacuum packed, 2 lb can \$1.14

PARAMOUNT OFFER
1 bottle each of Salad Dressing, Onaise Relish, Thousand Island Dressing and Pickles, Regular price \$1.30 Opening day price \$1.00

Bananas

Green Tip Golden Fruits; All you want Per Dozen

23c

In Our Meat Market

Grown Meat
Roast 12½c
Steak 15c

Mixed Sausage
Per Pound
20c

Young Meat
Roast 12½c
Steak 20c

'M' System Store

—is one of the fastest growing chain stores in the nation. It is conveniently arranged so you might serve yourself, using as much or as little time as you like. The "M" Store is operated on a cash-and-carry plan. Everything is plainly priced. There are plenty of empty baskets handy as you pass through the left turnstile, help yourself, pay the checker, and take your purchases with you as you go. We eliminate extra clerk hire, bookkeeper, loss in accounts and expense of a delivery car. All this saving is passed on to you by reduced prices. Come pay us a visit Saturday, February 6th. We believe you will realize that it will pay you to come again.

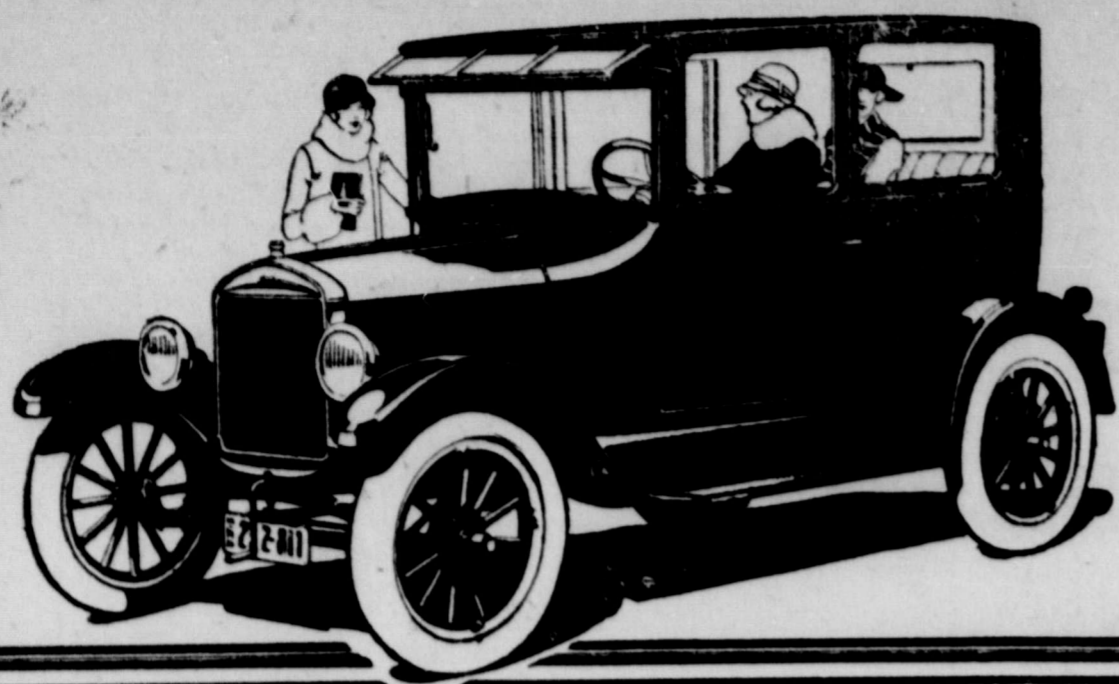
Given Away

to the first fifteen (15) ladies to pass thru our left turnstile—a five (5) pound sack of Pure Cane Sugar.

Star Sliced Bacon in boxes per pound 48c

"M" SYSTEM STORE

BALLINGER, TEXAS,



For Every Member of the Family to Enjoy

TUDOR SEDAN
\$580
 F. O. B. Detroit

Runabout \$260
 Touring - - 290
 Coupe - - 520
 Fordor Sedan 660

All prices f. o. b. Detroit
 Closed cars in color.
 Demountable
 tires and starter extra
 on open cars.

Here is a cosy, five-passenger closed car built to the highest Sedan standards. The whole family will enjoy the Ford Tudor Sedan in all weather.

Examine such features as the strong all-steel body, durable finish, large, well-built seats and attractive upholstery.

Ask the nearest Authorized Ford Dealer to show you the Tudor Sedan and explain the easy terms on which it may be purchased.

Ford Motor Company
 Detroit, Mich.



BETTER ROADS MOVEMENT NOW WELL UNDERWAY

SAN ANTONIO, Jan. 30.—It was a difficult path that good road enthusiasts trod 16 years ago, according to D. E. Colp, head of the State Parks Board, who had a leading part in starting public sentiment in favor of getting Texas out of the mud.

Not only apathy but real antagonism blocked the efforts of the good roads crusaders in that not-so-distant day, Mr. Colp said. But in time the opposition "came over," and the persons who had to be convinced of the value of graveled and paved highways helped make possible the network of hard roads that has put this section of the state in the lead in making motor travel easier.

Mr. Colp told of the first meeting held to persuade residents of the territory outside of San Antonio, 16 years ago. Some 15 believers in better roads arranged for a meeting at Devine. South of here, but when they arrived at the hall the only persons in attendance were the president of the chamber of commerce and another official, a banker and the newspaper editor.

The spirits of the San Antonians were considerably dampened at the lack of interest exhibited, and it was suggested that the meeting be abandoned and the group return home and cease their attempts until such time as the people would be ready to boost good roads. But the backers of the movement were determined to carry on, and so the speeches were delivered as planned, but to an audience of only four Devine citizens.

"We said to each other, 'If we give up now, the good roads movement is blocked for some time, but if we go through with our meeting, the news of it will spread from person to person—everybody will be curious to know about it—and that will be the start,'" Mr. Colp related. And that was what happened.

Further meetings in nearby towns followed, and each increased public interest. A San Antonio photographer offered his services and pictures of the meetings were taken and given space in newspapers. Gradually the people were convinced of the benefits of good roads.

Notice to Debtors

All those indebted to the old Currie Mercantile Company are hereby notified that Ed O'Kelly has been authorized to collect all accounts due. Any settlement made by him will be satisfactory.

W. R. CURRIE
 WILLIE STEVENS
 12-6td-4tw

FEBRUARY FIRST IS ALSO FIRST MONDAY

With bill collectors stepping around lively, and with quite a crowd here to trade automobiles and horses, February began with a brisk business Monday. It was not only the first day of the month but it was First Monday—a trades day established here twenty years ago which is still being observed by many farmers and some of the business firms.

Strong Avenue between Seventh and Eighth Street was crowded with horse traders throughout the day Monday, and there were some sales, public and private, and also some swapping, even and toboot.

TOBE LITTLE FOR PUBLIC WEIGHER

After solicitation of my friends for several days I have decided to make the race for Public Cotton Weigher in Precinct No. 1, and take this method of announcing my candidacy for the place as I feel that I am qualified to fill the place and give satisfaction to all concerned.

I have had experience in handling cotton yards and if elected will put all energy and efforts to discharge the duty as weigher and in handling the cotton; and ask every voter in the precinct for his and her vote at the Democratic primary in July.

Yours to win,
 TOBE LITTLE.
 d&w

Be wise and advertise

MARVEL MUSIC IN PANATROPE

Quite a number of ladies visited the King-Holt furniture display rooms Friday afternoon to hear the "Panatrop," the new Brunswick which is the talk of the music world today. P. P. Pyle, Brunswick representative, is here demonstrating the wonderful music reproducer.

This machine did not go on the market until January 1st, and the King-Holt company received one of the first of these phonographs shipped to the Brunswick dealers. The machine is the latest word in music reproducing. It operates entirely by electricity and embodies every principle which makes it the remarkable musical instrument of the age.

Heretofore the makers of talking machines have had the tone problem to contend with. Engineers of the Radio Corporation of America, the General Electric Company, the Westinghouse Electric Company, and the Brunswick Company have worked for five years in perfecting the Panatrop and overcoming the tone reproduction problem.

The loud speaker feature and the vibration effects of the new machine have been worked out through a process of experiments, and a magnetic pick-up has been invented which takes the vibration off the record, and at the same time the mechanical sound has been eliminated.

Worked out on a basis of musical vibration reproduction has been made possible in the highest audible tone of 10,000 vibrations per second.

The Panatrop plays any record, and bringing out the most beautiful tones which are recorded in most records but which due to the sensitive vibrations could not be reproduced until the radio tubes were adopted in the amplifying system.

The King-Holt company has one of the new machines on exhibition and will be glad to demonstrate to all interested.

CHARITY BOARD IN NEED OF CLOTHING

A. B. Legate reports that the United Charities Board could place to a good advantage clothing for boys between the ages of six to nine.

If you can furnish the clothing get in touch with the charity committee by phoning Mr. Legate and he will tell you where to deliver the clothing.

CAR HITS BOY; FAILS TO STOP

Ernest, fourteen-year-old son of W. A. Nance, was run down and seriously injured by an auto in front of the Nance home on Eighth Street about 7:30 o'clock Saturday night. He was picked up and hurried to a sanitarium where an investigation disclosed a badly fractured ankle and minor hurts. A report from the hospital Monday stated that Ernest was getting along nicely, and would be able to return to his home in a short time, but it was feared that he would be permanently crippled as a result of the injury.

The motorist who ran over the boy was driving a Ford touring car, and when he struck the youth the driver stepped on the gas and made his get-away, without stopping to offer aid to the injured lad. Ernest got up and attempted to make his way to the house when he fell prostrate in the street. Persons traveling in the opposite direction saw Ernest fall and stopped and picked him up and carried him in his home.

Ernest had been playing with some other children across the street and was walking across the street when the car struck him.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
 (See LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets) It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 50c.

THE FAIR DEAL FALLS THROUGH

The deal in which LeRoy McAuley was selling The Fair, an Eighth Street variety store, to A. G. Bramman, has been called off, according to Mr. McAuley, who states that he will continue to operate The Fair.

It was not stated what brought about the hitch in the deal, but Mr. McAuley announces that he is not retiring from the racket store business at this time. Mr. Bramman is here from Dallas, and stated that he would engage in the racket store business in this city if he could get a location.

RED PEPPERS END RHEUMATIC PAIN IN FEW MINUTES

When you are suffering with rheumatism so you can hardly get around just try Red Pepper Rub and you will have the quickest relief known.

Nothing has such concentrated, penetrating heat as red peppers. Instant relief. Just as soon as you apply Red Pepper Rub you feel the tingling heat. In three minutes it warms the sore spot through and through. Frees the blood circulation, breaks up the congestion—and the old rheumatism torture is gone.

Rowles Red Pepper Rub, made from red peppers, costs little at any drug store. Get a jar at once. Use it for lumbago, backache, neuritis, stiff neck, sore muscles, colds in chest. Almost instant relief awaits you. Be sure to get the genuine, with the name Rowles on each package.

For Free Sample Mail This Advertisement to
 Whitehall Pharmaceutical Co., Inc.
 508 Madison Ave. New York, N.Y.

W. Roberts Sr., of Talpa, was a visitor to Ballinger Friday, and a pleasant caller at The Ledger office. Mr. Roberts says that the snow was the best treat this country has received in a long time. Farmers were planting grain in the Talpa country when the bad weather stopped them, and the good season will encourage further planting, according to Mr. Roberts.

COLDS

Break a Cold Right Up with "Pape's Cold Compound"



Take two tablets every three hours until three doses are taken. The first dose always gives relief. The second and third doses completely break up the cold. Pleasant and safe to take. Contains no quinine or opiates. Millions use "Pape's Cold Compound." Price, thirty-five cents. Druggists guarantee it.



DR. W. B. CALDWELL AT THE AGE OF 93

While Dr. W. B. Caldwell, of Monticello, Ill., a practicing physician for 47 years, knew that constipation was the curse of advancing age, he did not believe that a "purge" or "physic" every little while was necessary.

To him, it seemed cruel that so many constipated old people had to be kept constantly "stirred up" and half sick by taking cathartic pills, tablets, salts, calomel and nasty oils.

In Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin he discovered a laxative which helps to "regulate" the bowels of old folks. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin not only causes a gentle, easy bowel movement but each dose helps to strengthen the bowel muscles, shortly establishing natural "regularity." It never gripes, sickens, or upsets the system. Besides, it is absolutely harmless and pleasant to take.

"Purges" and "Physics" Bad for Old Folks

Dr. Caldwell's SYRUP PEPSIN

If past fifty, buy a large 60-cent bottle at any store that sells medicine and just see for yourself.

TWO OIL TESTS SHULTZ RANCH

(San Angelo Standard)

Two deep tests for oil, instead of one, will be spudded within a few days in Concho county, both on the ranch of W. O. Shultz.

Kemper Kimberlin, independent operator, making headquarters in San Angelo, is moving tools to a location in the Northeast corner of T. & P. Ry. Co., survey No. 139. His well will be about two miles Southwest of that by Bob Flaisig and C. R. Dutton, both of Ranger, which now is rigging up. The Flaisig-Dutton test is in the center of T. & P. Ry. Co. survey 127.

Mr. Kimberlin has leased approximately 2,000 acres out of the Shultz Ranch and has contracted with J. P. Williams of San Angelo to drill the well. Mr. Williams' father, P. H. Williams, of San Angelo, is preparing to start a deep test in Irion county.

The two wells on the Shultz Ranch are expected to be the first of a number that will be drilled in Concho county this year. In each of three tests previously drilled on the Shultz Ranch, oil of 43 gravity was struck around 1,400 feet, and in one a second showing was obtained at 3,100 feet.

ESTIMATES 6000 POLL PAYMENTS

Five thousand four hundred and forty-four poll tax receipts had been issued in this county up to the close of business Friday night. Two hundred and fifty-four were issued from the tax collector's office Friday, and many orders came in the mail which Tax Collector W. L. Brown estimated would run the total poll tax payments for season which closes at midnight tonight (Saturday) up to around 6,000.

Tax payers were coming in slowly during the early hours of the last day of the rush, but a good day was in prospect and the collector's crew expected to hand out in the neighborhood of 300 receipts for the last day.

Six thousand polls will be a high mark for Runnels county. In round numbers 5,600 were issued last year, and for the year previous—which was election year, something like 5,900 were issued. Approximately 7,000 polls were assessed in the county, and with the overs and unders the county could roll up a voting strength of about 7,500, if all the citizens otherwise qualified to vote had obtained a poll tax receipt.

A TONIC

Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic restores Energy and Vitality by Purifying and Enriching the Blood. When you feel its strengthening, invigorating effect, see how it brings color to the cheeks and how it improves the appetite, you will then appreciate its true tonic value.

Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is simply Iron and Quinine suspended in syrup. So pleasant even children like it. The blood needs QUININE to Purify it and IRON to Enrich it - Destroys Malarial germs and Grip germs by its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. 60c.

PRODUCE HOUSE CHANGES HANDS

The Western Produce Company of Abilene, have purchased the business of the Potter Produce Company of this city, and are now operating the business with J. C. ("Bud") Cline as local manager. C. W. McKinney, who had been in charge of the local business for the Potter company, has moved to Coleman, where he will be associated with his brother in the produce and poultry business.

Mr. Cline stated that the name Potter Produce Company would be maintained here for some time, and the business will continue in the old stand on Seventh Street opposite the court house square. The Western Produce Company maintains branch stores in a number of towns in this part of the state, buying poultry, eggs, hides, etc.

REMAINS RECEIVED HERE FROM FT. WORTH

King-Holt undertakers received a telegram Saturday morning to meet the noon Santa Fe train and receive the remains of Carroll Rosford, who died in Ft. Worth. The message was from Ft. Worth undertakers.

Carroll Rosford is a grandson of C. W. Schwartz, of the Crews country, and the Rosford family resides in the Oxien section. The boy, it was said, had been in poor health for some time, and was carried to Ft. Worth for treatment.



THOUSANDS of mothers for over three generations have praised Mother's Friend for relieving them of unnecessary pains during expectancy. How important it is that the Mother-to-be should pass this period with calm nerves. The sweetest story ever told is the soul-whispering of mother to her unborn child! Mother love and expectancy—be prepared to make this dream a reality.

"Everyone was surprised how well I got along." Writes Mrs. Alfred E. Ammon, Muncie, Ind. "My pains disappeared after using Mother's Friend and I was sick only an hour and a half at baby's birth."

Mother's Friend is the formula of an eminent physician. It aids the muscles and tissues to expand more easily during the constant readjustment of expectancy, month after month, right up to childbirth. Plain oils only penetrate the skin. Mother's Friend penetrates deeper and soothes the broad muscles of the abdomen, back and hips; making them soft and pliable—thus really aiding Nature to do her part.

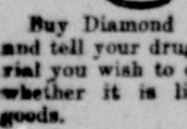
Mother! Insist on Mother's Friend—the same as used by our mothers and grandmothers—don't wait—start using tonight—and meanwhile write Bradford Regulator Co., Dept. 33, Atlanta, Ga., for free valuable booklet "Motherhood and the Coming Baby" (sent in plain envelope). It tells how Mother's Friend can help you during expectancy and at childbirth. This booklet also tells you many other things you want to know. "Mother's Friend" is sold by all druggists—everywhere.

"DIAMOND DYE" ANY GARMENT, DRAPERY

Just Dip to Tint or Boil to Dye

Each 15-cent package contains directions so simple any woman can tint soft, delicate shades or dye rich, permanent colors in lingerie, silks, ribbons, skirts, waists, dresses, coats, stockings, sweaters, draperies, coverings, hangings—everything!

Buy Diamond Dye—no other kind—and tell your druggist whether the material you wish to color is wool or silk, or whether it is linen, cotton or mixed goods.



PLAN EXPANSION FOR AIR MAIL

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, February 2.—The air mail service, pioneer in commercial aviation in the United States and world trail blazer in the art of night flying, is on the eve of an expansion which will benefit a large portion of the country.

Within the next few months air mail service will be provided for two score more cities with indirect benefit to other places in a wide expanse of territory. This progressive step has been taken under the law passed last year permitting the Postmaster General to contract with commercial aviation enterprise for the carrying of the mails through the air.

Contracts have let or have been advertised for a dozen routes. The first to begin service will be the Chicago-Detroit and the Cleveland-Detroit routes on February 15, and by April a majority of these routes are expected to be in operation.

Postmaster General New and Second Assistant Postmaster General W. Irving Glover, who has direct supervision of the air mail service, are enthusiastic over the prospects of the new air mail routes.

The first air mail service was initiated in 1918 between New York and Washington. A through service between New York and San Francisco was begun July 1, 1924, and an overnight service between New York and Chicago has been in operation since July 1, 1925.

Air mail pilots have flown more than 10,000,000 miles since establishment of the service. During last year 2,501,555 miles were flown. With the new air mail contract routes now proposed, mail pilots, it is estimated, will fly a total of 4,015,804 miles yearly.

The new services, with the yearly mileage include contract routes between:

Boston and New York via Hartford, 117,504 miles. Chicago and

St. Paul-Minneapolis via Milwaukee and La Crosse, 230,724 miles. Chicago and Dallas-Ft. Worth via Moline, St. Joseph, Kansas City, Wichita and Oklahoma City, 604,044. Chicago and St. Louis via Peoria and Springfield, Ill., 170,136. Elko, Nev., and Paseo, Wash., via Boise, Idaho, 286,220. Salt Lake City and Los Angeles via Las Vegas, Nev., 367,200. Seattle and Los Angeles via Portland, Medford, Sacramento, San Francisco, Fresno and Bakersfield, 686,052. Detroit and Chicago, 145,044. Detroit and Cleveland, 55,692. Chicago and Birmingham, Ala., via Indianapolis, Louisville, and Nashville, 378,828. Chicago and New Orleans via St. Louis, Memphis and Jackson, Miss., 532,440. Atlanta and Miami, via Jacksonville and Tampa, 406,368. Seattle and Victoria, B. C., 20,832. New Orleans and Pilotown, La., 14,720.

Other services of the air mail, under operation by the government, are between:

New York and San Francisco via Bellefonte, Cleveland, Bryan, Chicago, Iowa City, Des Moines, Omaha, North Platte, Cheyenne, Rawlins, Rock Springs, Salt Lake City, Elko, Reno and Sacramento, transcontinental service, 1,945,450 miles yearly.

New York and Chicago, via Bellefonte, Cleveland and Bryan, over-night service; 358,644 miles yearly.

Owing to the different laws establishing the various air mail services there are several rates of postage. On the transcontinental route the rate of 8 cents an ounce for each of the three zones, the zones ending at Chicago and Cheyenne. On the over-night service between New York and Chicago the rate is 10 cents an ounce.

On each contract route the rate is fixed at 10 cents an ounce for 1,000 miles or less; 15 cents for 1,000 to 1,500 miles and 20 cents for over 1,500 miles.

Air mail originating on contract routes and destined for points along the transcontinental route will be carried over the latter route at 5 cents an ounce for each zone in addition to the contract air mail postage.

Ledger advertising pays.

Associated Press News Bulletins

BERLIN, Feb. 3.—The foreign relations committee of the German reichstag today approved Germany's unconditional entry into the League of Nations. The vote was 18 to 8 in favor of the proposition.

WASHINGTON, February 3.—Abolition of the federal tariff commission and a congressional inquiry into its record up to the present time, is urged in a resolution unanimously passed today by the board of directors of the National Board of Farm Organizations.

LISBON, Portugal, Feb. 3.—An attempted revolution has been suppressed by the government. Rebels were threatened with bombardment and surrounded by the government troops.

The government authorities declare that the rebels were few in number and the movement was unimportant, although martial law has been declared.

WASHINGTON, February 3.—The Senate agriculture committee today approved by a vote of eleven to five the House resolution to create a joint congressional committee to negotiate bids for the disposal of the Muscogee Shoals properties.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Feb. 1.—Fire in the business district here today destroyed nine retail establishments, causing a loss estimated at \$3,000,000.

While the downtown fire was burning a blaze destroyed the Standard Oil Company office building in the Southwest section of the city with a loss of \$300,000.

PAWTUCKETT, Rhode Island, Feb. 1.—Four masked armed men today robbed the central post-office of this city of eleven sacks of mail, after binding two men who were on duty in the office and after burning through a steel

vault with an acetylene torch. A check is being made to determine if any of the pouches contained valuable mail.

OKMULGEE, Okla., Feb. 1.—The long expected increase in the price of crude oil reached the mid-continent area today when the Sinclair Company's crude oil purchasing department announced a raise of twenty-five cents per barrel for mid-continent crude.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Eastern railroads today received demands for an increase in pay for trainmen and conductors, and the railway companies were given until March 2nd to make their answer to the demand for a raise.

The trainmen's union are asking for an increase of about one dollar a day.

AUSTIN, Feb. 1.—Former Governor James E. Ferguson today issued a statement denying the reports that he would be a candidate for governor at the next election. Mr. Ferguson stated that if he decided to run for governor he would give out his announcement and make known his platform.

The report had gained circulation that the governor's husband was to announce for the office.

AUSTIN, Feb. 1.—The Travis county grand jury was instructed today to make further investigation into the state highway department. In his charge to the grand jury Judge James Hamilton told the investigators to carry on the work which other grand juries had commenced.

Judge Hamilton instructed the body to seek testimony bearing upon fraud or corruption, if any existed, in letting contracts for highway work by the highway commissioners. The grand jury which adjourned last week returned indictments against F. G. Hoffman, of the Hoffman Construction Company, charging perjury. Judge Hamilton said that investigation by the two preceding grand juries showed that enormous and unreasonable sums of money had been spent by the highway commission.

Santa to Decide on Toys for Next Christmas at Fair

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—The playthings which Santa Claus will leave on his visit next Christmas will be decided upon at the annual Toy Fair of the United States, opening here today.

Mr. Kringle, with the hundreds of buyers from this and other countries, has to select the favorite toys early in the year so that the manufacturers may know what to make.

"In the selection of toys local color plays an important role," said H. D. Clark, secretary of the Toy Fair Chamber of Commerce. "Although many of them enjoy general popularity the country over, the play spirit of some sections finds an outlet very different from that in other parts."

For example, the toy buyers from Boston, New York, Philadelphia and other large cities of the East stock up heavily on fire

engines, automobiles and similar apparatus. Plaything buyers from Omaha and other points in the West make big purchases of horses and wagons, stuffed animals and the like. Even in dolls one finds variations in popularity. Bob-haired dolls find special favor in Chicago. In the Far West, however, the old-fashioned doll, with hood and gingham dress, still holds its own.

The fair will last until March 6th and during that time the buyers will place orders for approximately half of the toys needed for the holiday seasons ten months away.

Poultry Wire and Garden Fence—we have a large assortment in stock. Ballinger Lumber Co. 5-1w

W. B. Davis, of Route No. 1, Wingate, was looking after business in Ballinger Friday.

THE FUNCTION

that the funeral director performs is a delicate one—a service hard to render, yet absolutely necessary. He must be thoughtful and considerate, systematic and thorough—a silent but competent manager. We offer reasonable rates, and are able to render the best service that modern equipment and professional experience can furnish. We make an especial feature of service to clubs, churches, and similar institutions.

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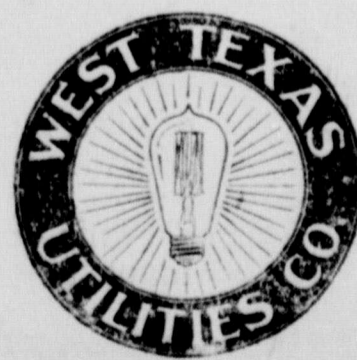




The Electric Refrigeration in the "M" System Store was Installed By

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We Congratulate Mr. Behringer On Opening the "M" System Store in Ballinger



MAN SHOT IN THE LEGS BY OFFICER

"Dot" Scoggins, well known in baseball fandom of West Texas, was shot in both lower limbs following a fight with officers at Winters shortly after noon Thursday. Scoggins went to a hospital for attention, and J. S. Crockett, deputy night watchman of Winters, came to Ballinger and surrendered and was placed under \$500 bond to await the action of the grand jury.

Crockett is alleged to have shot at Scoggins while the latter was making his get-away from the scene of trouble between Scoggins, Horace Donham and Crockett and Deputy Sheriff P. J. Stark, on the streets near the First National Bank in Winters.

It is alleged that Scoggins resisted arrest and attempted to interfere when the officers were trying to arrest him and Donham on charges of being drunk. The regular night watchman, it is reported, was sick, and Crockett had been deputized to handle the work. Before attempting to place Scoggins and Donham under arrest Crockett phoned the deputy sheriff, P. J. Stark, to assist him, and the trouble resulted when the officers undertook to take Scoggins and Donham off the streets.

According to a statement of the officers, Donham expressed a willingness to go with the officers, telling them to take him wherever they pleased. Scoggins is alleged to have interfered, according to the officers, and a fight followed, after which Scoggins ran off. Crockett is alleged to have fired three shots at Scoggins as he ran away and after the fleeing man had refused to halt when commanded to do so. One bullet from the officer's gun took effect in each of the young man's legs, inflicting a flesh wound.

The shooting created considerable excitement on the streets of Winters.

ARE YOU SICK?

Do you have stomach trouble, loss of weight, loss of sleep, nervousness, frequent headaches, dizziness, nervousness and loss of energy? If so, I have a FREE message for you. Write W. C. Goussier, M. D., Texas, 22, Texas.

SAVE YOUR CAMELS AND BUY YOU A WIFE

MOSCOW, Jan. 29.—There is an acute scarcity of women in the new Turcoman Soviet Socialist republic. The men outnumber the women nearly two to one, and in consequence, the price of women and girls taken in marriage has increased from \$300 to \$1,000.

Where real currency is not available, the parents of a girl of marriageable age accept camels. Girls ranging from ten to sixteen years old cost from five to fifty camels, depending upon the means of the prospective bridegroom and his family.

In this primitive, backward country, camels form the principal medium of currency. A Turcoman with 1,000 camels is considered wealthy, while one with 5,000 is looked upon as a millionaire.

We have Poultry Wire in all meshes and heights. Ballinger Lumber Co. Itw

WILL BRING NEGRO FORGER HERE

Louis Johnson, negro, is in jail at Wichita Falls, and will be brought to Ballinger to answer to charges of forgery. So far three checks which the negro forged have been turned over to the officers, and there are probably others out.

Sheriff R. E. McWilliams will go to Wichita Falls and get Johnson as soon as the roads recover from the recent snow storm.

Claud Stone had business in San Angelo Tuesday, going over with James Wear, who was calling on his customers.

H. F. Freeman was in the city Wednesday from the Wilmett community, and called to have The Ledger continue going to his daughter, Mrs. G. A. Andrews, in Limestone county.

MRS. CAPERTON DIES AT AUSTIN

Mrs. M. M. Caperton, a former pioneer West Texas woman, died at her home in Austin Wednesday night, according to a telegram received by her step-daughter, Mrs. W. L. McAuley of this city. The message stated the funeral would be held at Austin Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Caperton was 85 years of age, and she had been at the point of death for more than two months. Mrs. McAuley recently returned from Austin, where she spent a week at her mother's bedside. The pioneer woman had been unconscious for a major part of the last ten weeks, and death came as a relief to her.

Bedford Caperton, her only son, of this city, was at her bedside when death came, as was also her daughter, Miss Alpha. Mr. and Mrs. Bedford Caperton had been at Austin most of the time since Grandma Caperton became seriously ill.

Mrs. Caperton and her daughter, Miss Alpha, moved to Austin about eight years ago, where Miss Alpha was a teacher in the city schools of the state capital. Miss Alpha was a teacher in the Ballinger schools for a number of years, and during that time she and her mother made their home in Ballinger.

The deceased was a pioneer citizen of Runnels county, having lived here many years. She had many friends among the early settlers, who will be grieved to hear of her death.

The Pötter Produce Company pays the highest market price for poultry, eggs and hides. See us before you sell. 1d-1w

SELLS INTEREST IN BARBER SHOP

R. E. Lane is now sole proprietor of the Ideal Barber Shop, having purchased the interest of Ed Meaders. Mr. Meaders will remain with the shop, holding down his old chair.

Mr. Lane sold a half interest in the shop to Mr. Meaders more than two years ago, and the business had been very prosperous under the partnership firm.

MUST PAY LEAGUE FEE BY FEBRUARY 15

For the first time in the history of the Interscholastic League there is a closing date before the county meet for the payment of membership fees. The dead-line date set for this year by the constitution and rules this year is February 15th, as provided in the note to Article III, Section 1. All schools in this county wishing to enter the county meet should mail at once to the Interscholastic League the membership fee; rural schools of less than 100 enrollment last year are due \$1; rural schools with 100 or more enrollment last year are due \$2. Do not let the dead-line pass, February 15th. Do it now while you think of it.

W. A. CAIN, Director General

CEMETERY ASSN. BUYS GROUND

The board of directors of the Ballinger Cemetery Association started the work this week of beautifying the new ground recently added to Evergreen Cemetery. They met this week, surveyed out the ground, and launched an improvement program.

The fence will be moved back to include the new addition, and the remnant of an old orchard which occupies the land just taken in will be grubbed out. Within a short time the streets will be laid out, lots surveyed and water mains extended to the new addition, trees planted, etc.

The board of directors proposes to give employment to those who are due a cemetery tax and wish to work instead of putting up the cash. Those wishing to work out their tax should report to J. McGregor at once, bringing shovel and axe with which to do the labor.

HERE'S CHEERING NEWS FROM HIS OLD HOME

Georgetown, Tex., Feb. 1, 1926. Gentlemen:

Attached hereto my check for \$1.50, for The Ledger this year. I did not intend for my subscription to lapse, but in the rush it did and we have missed the paper for all of January.

Now, friend Sledge, don't let that happen again for we cannot get along without the paper. It's like a letter from home. And don't be afraid to tell us when you have a sand storm for sometimes when we are up to our knees in black mud, as now, a little news of that kind would be cheering to a fellow who had spent 20 years in West Texas.

With best wishes to all our old friends and neighbors, I am,

Very truly,
F. T. RUSHING.

While Central Texas was parching under an eighteen months drought with complete crop failures last year, no doubt the reports of good rains and splendid crops in West Texas, which were carried from week to week by The Ledger, were cheering to our friends who deserted this country and settled knee deep in black mud. In the case of our old friend, Mr. Rushing, we cannot understand how a man who lived off sand storms here for twenty years, manages to stay away. Surely he did not burn his bridges behind him.—Editor.

LOCAL NIMRODS BAG LIMIT ON LAST DAY

Alex Saunders and Victor Miller, two local hunters, came in Sunday, the last day of the duck season, with the limit bag in big green-head mallard ducks. Messrs. Saunders and Miller report a very pleasant outing and announce that none of their ducks had leg-bands to identify them, but state that they enjoyed a nice dinner with plenty of fish and duck.

Says Pecan Growing Possibilities Rank First in the Southwest

(By Associated Press)

HOUSTON, Feb. 2.—Of all the money-making possibilities in the South and Southwest, pecan growing ranks first, John W. Wilkinson, agricultural publicity agent of the Missouri Pacific Railroad lines, said. He quoted R. O. Barkmans, regarded as an international authority on horticulture and nut growing as saying:

"There is no other enterprise that you can follow with such great profit and safety."

In course of an outline on the possibilities of the industry, Mr. Wilkinson has found that the value of an acre of five-year-old trees is \$20; sixth year, \$36; seventh year, \$64; eighth year, \$88; ninth year, \$168; tenth year, \$346; fifteenth year, \$1,000; and the twentieth year, \$1,800.

"When we consider that the pecan orchard is merely entering upon its most productive period at 20 years, and that the average annual yield of a tree during the second 20 years is estimated to be four times as great as the yearly average during the entire bearing period preceding the twentieth year, we realize why Mr. Barkmans says:

"You can leave no better inheritance to your family than a good pecan grove. Whoever plants pecans, plants not for himself alone but for generations to come."

The pecan does best, Mr. Wilkinson has found, with dry head and wet "feet." Fertile land underlaid with a soft subsoil with regular moisture in the surface soil are some of the requisites for the best yields of high grade pecans. Much of the overflow lands along streams can be utilized for planting pecan trees.

"Interest in growing paper-shell pecans is increasing and the production of this valuable nut crop has become one of the leading industries of our country today, especially in the South and Southwest. This interest in Texas has found expression in the organization of the Texas Pecan Growers' Association, which has more than 500 active members. Texas also has the largest pecan nurseries in the country."

and plenty of pure water, the pecan orchard can be made a veritable gold mine, especially along streams and in irrigated districts."



Sim Cottelle is at home from the Panhandle of Texas and part of Oklahoma, where he had been buying cotton during the late season.

PIGGLY WIGGLY

SATURDAY SPECIALS

4lbs. Seedless Raisins 50c

Market Day Brand

No. 10 Miss Lou Syrup 79c

100% Pure Ribbon Cane

2 lb. Fruit Cake \$1.00

4 Pkgs. Theme Paper 25c

King Kotton Brand—Loose Leaf—150 Sheets

5 lb. Pure Honey 83c

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Price 50¢ and \$1.20

Scott & Bowden, Bloomfield, N. J. 25-34

PLAN NEW MAIL LINE TO ABILENE

E. J. Eastham, superintendent of railway mail service, with headquarters at Fort Worth, was here Thursday conferring with Postmaster J. A. Reese concerning better mail facilities for this city and points on the A. & S. between Ballinger and Abilene.

Mr. Eastham was checking up on the volume of mail handled between Ballinger and Abilene with a view of establishing a new mail service to take the place of the motor car service recently suspended on the Abilene & Southern Railway.

On account of the irregular schedule maintained by the mixed train on the A. & S. which makes one trip a day and is the only mail service maintained at this time, the citizens of Winters recently appealed to the postoffice department to inaugurate an automobile mail route between Ballinger and Abilene.

The representative of the post-office department who was here looking over the situation Thursday could not give out anything definitely, but he talked very favorably of the proposition, and stated that probably arrangements would be made to use an automobile on the route, but he did not think more than one trip each way would be made daily.

If inaugurated the new mail route will be operated on the same basis as a train schedule. No star route subscribers will be served, and the automobile will only carry mail from station to station the same as a railway mail service.

While no schedule has been fixed, Mr. Eastham said the mail car would connect with the West and East mail of the Texas & Pacific Railroad at Abilene, and mail from the North would reach Ballinger every morning between 9:00 and 10:00 o'clock, and would return in the afternoon in time to connect with East bound T. & P. trains.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect the Head
Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets) can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 38c.

BEGGARS COME TO TOWN IN DROVES

Friday was a busy day in Ballinger for the begging profession. A blind man, led around by a woman, solicited from place to place, selling pencils and handing out little slips of paper with a poem printed on it.

A blind man also established himself on the prominent street corners with his organ and made music while a tin cup played the accompaniment as the charitably inclined dropped in coins.

The three beggars probably were all members of the same firm. There is no doubt but that many beggars are impostors and grafters on the public, but we are willing for them to get all they can pick up, and even at that the life is a hard one.

Takes the Place of "Drastic" Calomel

Never take another dose of the old style "raw" calomel. There is a newer and more improved kind known as Peppinated Calomel. It does not tear through your system like a streak of lightning. People who are ill or suffering with biliousness, constipation, indigestion, and especially with backache, headache and torpid liver can secure immediate and complete relief with this new mild Calomel. Hereafter when you buy calomel, always demand the "peppinated" kind. It is better for you, for it is purer, milder and more beneficial to your entire system. In 25c and 50c packages. For sale by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

MORE FEED; MORE ACRES

Lynn Stokes returned home Thursday morning from Dallas where he had been to attend a meeting of the Texas Farm Bureau executive board. He stated that the Farm Bureau Cotton Association had ordered the mailing of checks covering the first distribution made on the pooled cotton. Heretofore the first distribution has been made a little earlier, but the Bureau advanced from \$60 to \$70 per bale on the cotton and the market has not been as good this year as in former years.

Mr. Stokes stated that he was surprised to find winter weather still prevailing here upon his return. He declared that it was warm and pretty in Dallas, and that the snow there all disappeared early in the week. He stated that he did not strike cold weather until he reached Abilene.

Instead of carrying on a campaign to cut the cotton acreage, the Farm Bureau is advocating more feed on more acres, according to the Ballinger man, who attended the annual convention at Dallas last week and who had been attending the executive board meeting this week. If the farmers will produce their own feed, and raise more to eat at home, the cotton acreage will take care of itself, and if they raise too much cotton it will not have to be placed on the market at a sacrifice to get money with which to buy feed, was the idea put forth.

PNEUMONIA
Call a physician. Then begin "emergency" treatment with **VICKS VAPORUB**
Over 17 Million Jars Used Yearly

FIFTEEN YEAR SNOW RECORD

Ballinger was in the center of the big snow which recently blanketed this part of the state. Judging from press reports the snow was as heavy here as any place in the state and much heavier than most places.

The good snow caused much comment and speculation in comparing with former snows, and for the benefit of those who are interested in weather records, we publish the following snow record covering a period of fifteen years:

- Snow, Dec. 17, 1909
 - Snow, March 19, 1914
 - Snow, Dec. 16, 1914
 - Snow, Jan. 17, 1915
 - Snow, Jan. 23, 1915
 - Snow, March 8, 1915
 - Snow, March 19, 1915
 - Snow, Jan. 14, 1917
 - Snow, March 23, 1917
 - Snow, Jan. 3, 1918
 - Snow, Jan. 21, 1918
 - Snow, Nov. 22, 1918
 - Snow, Nov. 26, 1918
 - Snow and sleet, Nov. 29, 1918
 - Snow, Jan. 15 and 16, 1919
 - Sleet, Feb. 28, 1922
 - Snow, Feb. 4 and 5, 1923
 - Snow, Feb. 25, 1924.
- In January 1918, the snow remained on the ground about ten days or two weeks.

On Feb. 6, 1923, the temperature dropped to three degrees above zero.

On some of the above dates the snow was light, while in most cases the fall was sufficient to make a good season.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days
Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure itching, blind, bleeding or protruding Piles. Instantly relieves itching Piles, and you can get restful sleep after first application. 60c.

EXCHANGE PLANS NEW TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

M. C. Atkins, manager of the West Texas Telephone Company, is compiling data for a new telephone directory which will be issued within the near future.

The last directory came off the press last April, and since that time the local exchange has experienced considerable growth, and numerous changes demand a revised list of subscribers at this time.

Arthur Giesecke and Bernie Ward went to Dallas Thursday. They will be accompanied home by Mrs. Tom Ward the first of next week.

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A Tonic which Dr. Pierce prescribed when in active practice 60 years ago. In Liquid or Tablets, at your Dealers. Send 10c. to Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., for trial pkg. Tablets.

PREDICTS LARGE GRAIN ACREAGE

There is considerable small grain growing in Runnels county, and the farmers are planning to put in a much larger acreage as soon as the grain drills can get in the fields, is the opinion of C. A. Doose.

"I believe the farmers are going to plant grain as soon as the weather is favorable," declared Mr. Doose Thursday morning, in rejoicing over the good season which the country has just been blessed with.

There is a general tendency throughout the cotton belt to reduce the cotton acreage, and this is the first step towards putting the rule into effect in Runnels county. Those advocating grain sowing declare that in case the grain fails farmers will still have plenty of time to utilize the acreage for other crops, and will only be out their labor and seed.

However, despite the grain planting campaign which will be carried on during the early spring, it is believed that the 1926 cotton acreage in this county will be large, and probably not far short of that of last year when the banner cotton crop of the county was picked.

To Stop a Cough Quick
take HAYES' HEALING HONEY, a cough medicine which stops the cough by healing the inflamed and irritated tissues. A box of GROVE'S O-PEN-TRATE SALVE for Chest Colds, Head Colds and Croup is enclosed with every bottle of HAYES' HEALING HONEY. The salve should be rubbed on the chest and throat of children suffering from a Cold or Croup. The healing effect of Hayes' Healing Honey inside the throat with the healing effect of Grove's O-Pen-Trate Salve through the pores of the skin soon stops a cough. Both remedies are packed in one carton and the cost of the combined treatment is 50c. Just ask your druggist for HAYES' HEALING HONEY.

STUDENTS HEAR TELEPHONE TALK

Fred W. Greber, general manager of the West Texas Telephone Company, today gave an instructive talk and interesting demonstration before the students of Daniel Baker College at the chapel hour, when he explained many of the details of telephone operation.

With a miniature switchboard, Mr. Greber showed how "calls" are handled, and connections made for the thousands of telephone patrons each day. The lecture proved to be very interesting to the college students. Mr. Greber is a trustee of the institution.—Brownwood Bulletin.

ACHING LIMBS

And Many Other Common Ills Relieved by Black-Draught.

Mrs. John Skaggs, residing near Lanes Prairie, Mo., on the Ozark Trail, says: "I have taken Black-Draught for a number of years, about fifteen, and it is about the only purgative medicine I ever take. It is the only kind that I've found that doesn't hurt me."

"I take Black-Draught for indigestion, for colds and headaches. I take it for aching in my limbs and shoulders. It helps this trouble. I take it for sour stomach."

"We think Black-Draught is splendid and never are without it in the house. I suffered with gas on my stomach that affected my breathing, and Black-Draught helped this trouble. For such common complaints, I think Black-Draught is the best medicine a person can use."

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HERE TO REVIVE OIL DEVELOPM'NT

"I am going to Houston Sunday and when I return in a few days I expect to close a drilling contract," said Col. E. C. Ryan, Friday.

Col. Ryan arrived in the city this week from Kansas City, after spending some time in New York, and he says that he is here to revive the oil game in this county. "I know that this county is sitting over an oil field," said Col. Ryan, "and it is up to somebody to drill into it."

A thousand acre block in the Russell field will be the scene of operation when Col. Ryan gets the driller on the job, which he declares that he will do as early as the plans can be made. Col. Ryan thinks this is the best bet for the present. He is the first man to lease on the wholesale scale in this county. He came here in 1917 and acquired 35,000 acres in the county and started the ball rolling. Being in touch with the bigger scouts of the country he expects to revive development here, and during the year this county may become the center of development.

Geologists are working in and out of Ballinger. Several are making headquarters here, while others are working out of San Angelo and Brownwood. They represent some of the largest promoters and development companies in the country, and just what they are reporting to their companies is not available for publication.

RUB CHEST COLDS AWAY; STOP PAINS

Pain and congestion is gone. Quickly—yes. Almost instant relief from chest colds, sore throat, backache, lumbago follows a gentle rubbing with St. Jacobs Oil.

Rub this soothing, penetrating oil right on your chest and like magic relief comes. St. Jacobs Oil is a harmless liniment which quickly breaks chest colds, soothes the inflammation of sore throat and breaks up congestion that causes pain. It never disappoints and does not burn the skin.

Get a 35 cent bottle of St. Jacobs Oil at any drug store. It has been recommended for 65 years.

FARM BOARD IS NAMED FOR '26

At the recent meeting of the Runnels County Farm Bureau held in Ballinger the following officers and directors were elected:

Lynn Stokes, president; F. L. Harper, vice-president; B. M. Batts, secretary; August Vogel-sang, director from precinct No. 1; J. P. Wessels, precinct No. 2; B. R. King, precinct No. 3; and B. F. Curry, precinct No. 4.

The Runnels county association now holds the attendance banner which they won at the district convention held in Ballinger last August, this county having the largest attendance at the convention. L. R. Campbell, secretary of the Farm Bureau Federation, was here and presented the banner to the Runnels County Farm Bureau. F. L. Harper responded on behalf of the local federation, accepting the banner.

At the county meeting, E. D. Walker, of the Ballinger State Bank, addressed the farmers and pledged them the support of his bank. He endorsed the contract and urged all those who had not signed the contract to do so.

Runnels county sent a strong delegation to the state meeting at Dallas last week. Twenty-six delegates from Runnels county attended the state meeting, and all returned home jubilant over the work which the Farm Bureau is carrying on in behalf of the farmers.

The state convention was in session two days with more than 100 counties represented, and a thousand delegates and visitors attending the various sessions. The principal speeches made at the convention and the banquet were broadcast over the radio.

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Colds Headache Neuralgia Lumbago
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DOES NOT AFFECT THE HEART
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Aspirin is the trade mark of Bayer Manufacture of Monocrotic Acid of Salicylic Acid

HEAVY SNOW MELTS RUNNELS HIGHWAYS

Commissioner R. J. Deens reports that the snow played havoc with his roads, but declared that the drags would be at work as soon as the roads are ripe for dragging.

Highways under the care of the state also will demand immediate attention as the result of the wet spell, and freezing weather. Commissioner Deens stated that the Ballinger-Bronte road had received no attention since the state took it over, but he is in of South Ballinger

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Why Not Bring Your Hens and Eggs to City Grocery

We will pay you in cash the highest market price.

Also have a complete line of fresh Groceries to make your selections from.

Make our store your stopping place, we appreciate your coming to see us.

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Be wise and advertise.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

LOST—One red and white spotted Dog. Sear on one hind leg. And also one black and tan Dog, small sear on left ear. Both dogs bobbed tail. Phone 4402, Nath Crockett. 3-2d-1w*

FOR SALE—About 4,000 bundles good bright maize and feterrita, with some grain, four cents per bundle. One good mule about six years old, fifteen hands high, \$90. One second-hand Sanders double disc plow, \$30. Wm. Goetz, ten miles South of Ballinger, Route A, Box 77. 2-2d-2tw

FOR SALE—1924 Ford Truck, a bargain. Has been given very light service and is in first class condition. Wm. Cameron Co. 2-2d-1tw

FOR SALE—I have some good work horses to sell, or will trade for cattle. B. J. Clayton. 5-2w*

FOR SALE—Cord wood for sale at \$2.50 per cord or delivered at Ballinger at \$3.50 per cord. Roy Morgan, Norton. 5-3tw*

FOR SALE—At a bargain—one Studebaker 5 passenger Touring Car, duplex top, 1926 model, never been driven, can be inspected at my home in Hatchel. Will take small second hand car as part payment, and balance can be paid in monthly installments to suit purchaser. A. D. Palmer, Hatchel, Texas. 5-2d-1tw*

FOR SALE—Good cow, fresh in milk. Also English White Leghorn eggs and hens. J. C. Reese, South Ballinger, Texas. 26-2d-2tw*

FOR SALE—Mesquite wood, \$3.50 per cord. Mrs. Pink King, Crews. 29-1tw*

FOR SALE—Darling Range in good condition. Phone 1307. 22-3tw

FOR SALE—Good cord wood, \$3.50 per cord. P. R. Dietz, Crews. 22-4tw

WANTED—To grade your cotton seed. Have a brand new grader. Satisfaction guaranteed. Anyone wanting their seed graded see me or write J. W. Edwards, Guion, Texas. 31-3d-1tw

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News received from J. D. Smith Monday stated that Mr. Smith was slightly better and some hope for his recovery is held out. Mr. Smith is suffering with blood poison at his home in the Wingate country. His son, who was very low with pneumonia, is said to be out of danger, a trained nurse who had been with the young man having been dismissed from the case.

Get today's news today—read The Daily Ledger.

SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Brown, of San Angelo, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives here, returning home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. T. P. Brown went to Abilene Sunday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Jack Cook, returning home Tuesday.

The little granddaughter of I. F. Watson, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Booth, of near Blanton, had the misfortune to get badly scalded several weeks ago, and suffered a relapse Saturday and was removed to a Ballinger sanitarium. We are glad to report the child was better Tuesday when she was carried to the home of I. F. Watson for a few days before returning home.

Sid Davis motored to Abilene Sunday when he and Miss May Boyer were married. They will be at home a few miles from town. The couple has the best wishes of their friends.

Miss Eula Key, home demonstration agent, met with the clubs Friday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Horace Murphy, where half a beef was canned. Forty-five cans were filled. Ten cans of chili, five cans of soup, roast and steak were also filled. After the canning good home-made chili was served. Those present were: Mmes. Horace Murphy and mother; Elmer Batts, B. M. Batts, V. McShan, J. C. Reese, T. P. Brown, V. B. Jones, W. H. Greer, W. S. Davis, Hulda Mullens, Lush Woods, Joe Simmons, George Vaughn, C. R. Stephens, Williams; Misses Fannie Wilmett, Bessie Brown, Cordelia and Louise Batts.

The club met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. B. M. Batts, and canned chickens.

Part of this community is on the move this week. Mrs. W. E. Branch has moved to town; W. S. Davis moved to Mrs. Branch's place; N. S. McMillan moved to the place vacated by Mr. Davis; and Melvin Evans will move to the place vacated by Mr. McMillan.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Watson, of Rule, came down to visit Mr. Watson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Watson, last week. They returned home Sunday.

We are sorry to report Bill Boyer is sick and has been absent from school for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Smith spent Sunday with their son, Albert Smith, and family.

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BETHEL NEWS

The fine snow which fell recently was a great benefit to the land and farmers are rejoicing over the fine prospect for a bumper crop.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crockett and family of Winters, visited Mrs. Crockett's mother, Mrs. Davenport.

Mr. and Mrs. Nath Crockett and children visited relatives at Winters Saturday night and Sunday.

Herbert Cotten and family visited his brother, Ora Cotten and family Sunday.

Mrs. Wood and children visited Mrs. Wood's brother, Will Berry, and family, of Crews, from Friday till Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Wood visited relatives at Crews Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Richardson, of Ballinger, visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Richardson Sunday.

Calvin Roberson was on the sick list a few days last week but is able to be about again.

Bob Richardson is at home from the Halley & Love Sanitarium, where he recently underwent an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Richardson is rapidly improving.

The little four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee White, who had been seriously ill with catarrhal

fever was reported to be improving Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Davenport received word Monday night of the illness of the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crockett, of Winters. Mrs. Davenport left for Winters Tuesday morning to be with them.

"REPORTER."

DEATHS

Ben Geistmann

After an illness of several days with acute nephritis, Ben Geistmann died at the local sanitarium at 9:30 o'clock Tuesday morning. The body was prepared for burial by Higginbotham Bros. undertakers and returned to the home Southwest of Ballinger, and the funeral was held and the remains laid to rest at Rowena at 3:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Geistmann was forty-nine years, six months and twenty-three days of age. He is survived by his wife and one son.

Mr. Geistmann had been living in the Rowena country for quite a number of years. He was the victim of the storm which swept through a strip of country North of Rowena in April, 1921, when his home and contents were destroyed and his family experienced a narrow escape.

Cope Baby

The infant boy of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cope was buried at Norton Tuesday afternoon. The baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Cope at their home near Norton Monday, and only lived a few hours after birth.

WILL GIN SATURDAY

The weather being favorable, the Day Gin will operate Saturday of this week, February 6th. Make your plans accordingly. EDWIN DAY. 3-1d-1tw

HEAVY DOCKET FOR GRAND JURY

District court will convene in Ballinger next Monday. The grand jury and a petit jury panel have been subpoenaed to appear at 1:30 p. m.

County Attorney Shepherd's report, which is being prepared, will submit to the grand jury for investigation about twenty-eight cases, all felonies. These cases have been filed in the justice court, and the defendants are either in jail or out on bond.

A. J. Thorp and Alex Metregor will leave Thursday for Marlin, where they will spend a few days recuperating and under the treatment of rheumatism doctors.

Ledger want ads pay.

GOOD WISHES FROM DALLAS

Judge Alfred Crager, who was recently elected president of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, is in receipt of a letter from the Dallas Chamber of Commerce, congratulating Judge Crager and wishing the organization success. The Dallas commercial body also sent a message of congratulations on the occasion of the annual banquet here and the message was read at the banquet. The letter just received says in part: "We note in the Dallas Times Herald that you have been elected president of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce and we take this opportunity to congratulate you and to wish your organization every success under your administration. The Dallas Chamber of Commerce will welcome opportunity to co-operate with the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce and we want you to feel free to call on us when we can be of any help."

"You are fortunate in having one of the best secretaries in the state in Mr. Motley and, with the support of the citizenry of Ballinger, your organization should continue to accomplish many splendid things. It might interest you to know that the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce is generally looked upon as one of the most progressive organizations of its kind in our state. The splendid progress of your city and surrounding country is ample evidence that some powerful organization has been at work for some time."

Baseball Becoming More Popular Among Frenchmen

PARIS, Jan. 30.—Baseball, as a result of the visit of the New York Giants and Chicago White Sox to Paris in 1924, made more progress in France in 1925 than at any time since the game was played here by the A. E. F. boys.

The French Baseball Federation, organized under the honorary presidencies of John J. McGraw and Charles Comiskey while they were here in November, 1924, held its second annual meeting recently. Its president, M. Frantz-Reichel, former general secretary of the French Olympic Committee, announced that twelve clubs were fully organized in the Paris region alone and had played 141 games during the past summer.

Several clubs also exist in Bordeaux, Marseilles and Tours but their activities were sporadic. The high cost of equipment is the principal handicap to the rapid spread of the game.

French ball players, as seen around Paris during the summer, are fast on the paths, good base stealers, fairly accurate throwers,

field fly balls with grace and speed, but they cannot hit and stop most of the ground balls with their chests.

J. D. Smith continues to improve, according to news received from his home Northwest of Winters Tuesday, and hopes are now entertained for his recovery. J. D. Jr., who was very low

with pneumonia, was said to be improving rapidly.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Boynton, of San Angelo, were here Sunday visiting Mrs. Boynton's parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Walker. Mr. Boynton is in the oil lease business at San Angelo.

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