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WILL REMODEL BUSINESS HOUSE

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

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

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

TOOK OVERDOSE OF CHLOROFORM

Goldthwaite, Texas, Feb. 11.—The news was telephoned here of the accidental death of Will Kirkpatrick of Mullin. It appears that the young man retired Monday night suffering with toothache. He had been using chloroform in the tooth to ease the pain and took a bottle of it to bed with him to use through the night. By accident he dropped off to sleep while using the medicine and when the family arose this morning the young man was found dead.—Brownswood Bulletin.

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

ELOPING COUPLE CAUGHT IN BALLINGER

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

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

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

PLACING MORE LAND UNDER DITCH

Max Winkle of the Concho valley, was here Wednesday and loaded out a big engine and irrigation outfit which he will install on the Concho and farm in a profitable way. It is only a question of time until practically all the land that can be irrigated in this country will be under ditch and those who own land that can be irrigated will be enjoying prosperity rain or shine.

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

BOY ACCIDENTALLY KILLED AT BRADSHAW

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

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

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

Prentess Gregg, of Belton, with his family had been visiting in Ballinger, left Thursday afternoon for Roswell, N. M., where he intends locating.

Ed Glover, the market man, returned home Thursday at noon from Fort Worth where he had been to look after cattle shipments.

BABY IN BUGGY RUNS INTO RIVER

Following from San Angelo Standard:

All but succumbing to numbness and cramps before reaching a babe who was sinking for the third time, Charles Hull, a well-known resident of this city and over sixty years of age, rescued the eight-months-old babe of a nearby farmers at the seven-mile bridge yesterday in the presence of an agonized mother and a group of dazed spectators who expected momentarily to witness the end of both jeopardized lives.

Mr. Hull, is company with William Morton and J. A. Dekle of San Angelo, was fishing on one of the banks of the river when their attention was attracted to a happy family on the other side. A mother and two children, one about eight years old and the other a babe of about eight months, who was in a baby carriage, and all accompanied by a lady friend formed a fishing party on the opposite shore directly above a high bank by which the river flowed at a depth of fifteen feet. The distance to the fisherman was 75 yards across a swift and cold stream. The child became restless and the brother started to wheel it before the mother could expositulate. The buggy was too near the brink and the child was precipitated into the water before the gaze of the screaming parent who saw the danger when too late. The friend had difficulty in preventing the mother from rushing to certain death by jumping into the deep water hole. Morton sprang into the river but soon realized that he would not be able to combat the cold and swift current and returned to the bank hoping to cross a short distance

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above. Mr. Hull, however, with corduroy trousers, shoes, coat and three score years weighing him down, went unhesitatingly to the rescue. Midstream he was seized with cramps and forced to abandon his work temporarily but finally reached the child who had sunk twice and who was only kept above water by means of a fishing pole in the hands of the woman friend who, at the same time, was trying to keep the mother out of the water. The rescuer was almost exhausted upon reaching the child and it is doubtful if he could have scaled the bank but for the assistance of the woman who pulled the two in to the end of the fishing pole.

Mr. Dekle shouted from the opposite bank to stand the babe on its head and not to dry its face which had a good effect and the child was soon restored to consciousness.

We want your job work.

PRO PUBLICATION FOR SAN ANGELO

San Angelo, Texas, Feb. 10.—The preliminary steps are being taken here for the organization of a \$25,000 stock company for the purpose of publishing a daily prohibition paper. Many here of that belief have stated they would take stock in the concern should it be organized.

Weather Forecast

Tonight and Friday unsettled colder, probably freezing, cold wave.

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

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FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK
BALLINGER, TEXAS

THE DAILY LEDGER

Published every afternoon except Sunday by the Ballinger Printing Co.

The plan of working convict labor on public roads in Texas is to be given a trial. It is certainly to be hoped that the experiment will be under the management of men who know their business. Other states have adopted this plan of handling the convicts and it is proving very successful. The people get the benefit of the money that it cost the state to maintain its penal institutions and the convicts are put upon their honor, and the result is that men who have fallen are placed on their feet and reform and go out into the world again to make good citizens. It is indeed gratifying to know that many of the ancient methods of dealing with convicts are finding no place in the present generation and civilization is profiting by the abolishment of same.

There are a number of important matters that demand the attention right at this particular time of a real live commercial organization in Ballinger. We are losing opportunities by not having a real active Young Men's Booster Club. We published in yesterday's paper the progress that was being made on the Federal building bill that is pending in congress. Such matter should be pushed from the home base. What we need is a good coacher, and let him get in touch with our Congressman and show him that the whole team is with him and "rooting" to be the band. Just a little encouragement and any man works better.

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MRS. EDWIN DAY

If we show a "don't care disposition" in this as well as in other matters, they will drag, and the man that is representing is not going to work over time to help a constituency that will not help themselves. A hint to the wise is sufficient.

FAKE ADVERTISING
The Secretary of the Retail Merchants Association of Abilene has sent out a bulletin on fake advertising and in it some fine things are suggested. There is no sort of question but the retail merchant is called on to spend a considerable sum of money every year that ought to remain in his bank account. The way to stop it is to turn the matter over to the Commercial organizations for their approval.—Abilene Reporter.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Estes Lynn of San Angelo, came in Thursday morning on a visit to relatives and Ballinger friends a few days. Mrs. Clara Ransome, who had been visiting in San Angelo the past week, returned home on the morning train Thursday.

SUCCESSFUL EVERYWHERE
People everywhere are talking of the quick and fine results Foley Kidney Pills give in backache, rheumatism, kidney and bladder troubles. You can not take them into your system without good results. That is because Foley Kidney Pills give to the kidneys and bladder just what nature calls for to heal those weakened and inactive organs. J. D. Carroll, Sacramento, Cal., writes: "It is a pleasure to recommend Foley Kidney Pills, as they just worked wonders in my case." thurs.

We stated a day or two ago that Dr. Thos. Mangum had purchased the E. C. Moor two story rock house. We should have said that he purchased the Moor 5th street bungalow.

Have on hand quite a nice lot of cedar kindling. Artie Lee and Fuel Co., Phone 312. ttd

WHO'S GOT MY GOVERNMENT BULLETIN?

Daily Ledger:
Having noticed articles about alkali in your issue of yesterday I beg your pardon to ask that the man who borrowed from me the "Government Bulletin on Alkali Waters" please be kind enough to return it to me at once. It will require months for me to obtain a copy, if I can get another one at all. Be prompt, it is important.
C. H. WILLINGHAM.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Prentiss Gregg and baby of Belton, came in Tuesday night on a visit to her mother Mrs. Tom Ward and family and Ballinger friends for a few days before going on to Roswell, N. M. where they intend making home in the future.

S. B. Caperton, the Maverick stock farmer, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

A. J. Zappe returned home Wednesday at noon from a short business trip East.

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

J. R. Donnell, the creamery man of Belton, who had been looking after business for his company left Thursday morning for the East.

G. A. Davis, one of the prominent citizens of the Winters-Bradshaw country, was transacting business in Ballinger Thursday.

Tad Richards, of Blackwell, passed through Ballinger Wednesday at noon en route home from a business trip to Winters.

J. S. Blocker, the big ranchman up the Colorado, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

TYPEWRITER BARGAIN
Here's your chance to get a bargain in the best typewriter made. I have a good L. C. Smith, been in use only a short while, machine good as new, cost \$105. Two color ribbon, tabulator, and everything in first-class shape. I have two machines and only need one. If you want a bargain come and see me quick. Will give good terms.
dtf A. W. SLEDGE.

Joe Turner, of Winters, and Richard and White Turner, of the Norton country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger a few hours Wednesday.

E. Ballew, the South Ballinger truck farmer, was marketing sweet potatoes in Ballinger Wednesday and says his crop has kept well during the winter.

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

Electrical Conveniences

Don't cost much but add greatly to the convenience of the housewife and gives her many an hour of recreation. Don't put the matter off; but
See to it at once.

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Ballinger, Texas.

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

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CANDIDATES

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

For Sheriff:
JOHN D. PERKINS.
JO HARDIN.
J. A. DEMOVILLE

For Tax Assessor:
MIKE C. BOYD.
WILL L. STUART.
C. C. SCHUCHARD.
SAM H. McPHERSON.

For County Judge:
M. KLEBERG.

For County Treasurer:
W. L. BROWN.

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

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

For Tax Collector:
T. L. TODD.
M. D. CHASTAIN.

Broadway Jones

From the Play of
George M. Cohan

By
EDWARD MARSHALL

With Photographs from Scenes in the Play

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Continued from Yesterday.

For a second this extraordinary statement almost choked him. He had been with Broadway when that sum would have been regarded as a modest tip for a head-waiter.

"Oh, did he tell you about that night?" he asked, still carefully endeavoring to conceal the nature of his smiles at least.

And as he smiled it came upon him that for reasons which he did not understand as yet he should be sorry to have this particular girl learn details of some nights which he and Broadway Jones had passed together on the famous street they knew so well.

"Yes," she said, prettily admonishing, "and you mustn't waste it in that way any more."

She shook her finger at him playfully, but with a serious light of eyes behind the playfulness which seemed to



"They're Yelling for You, Broadway."

Indicate proprietary interest in him. It amused him—but he found it unmistakably pleasant, too.

The excited Sam came in. Sam always seemed to come at just those moments which without him would have been more interesting.

"He's—shaking—hands—with—everybody," he volunteered.

"Who? Mr. Jones?" asked Clara.

"Yes—Gosh!—He—was—afraid—to—make—a—speech!—I—bet—I—wouldn't—be—afraid!—If—ever—I—amount—to—anything—the—first—thing—I'm—going—to—do—is—to—make—a—speech—about—myself!"

Wallace laughed. "You've got the right idea, Sammy."

"You—bet—I've—got—the—right—idea!—I've—got—darned—good—ideas—if—I—ever—get—a—chance—to—use—'em!"

Clara was reproving. "Sammy, stop constant talking about yourself!"

"Stop—your—own—talking!—You

—don't—understand—me. I've

—got—brains—I—have!"

"No one can tell," said Wallace

"Maybe he has."

"I'll—surprise—you—all—some

—day!"

Clara smiled at Wallace. "Ain't it

funny. He really thinks he's going to

be a big man."

"Well, maybe he will," said Wallace

considering Sammy's bulk reflectively

"and then, again, he's liable to fall

away to almost nothing."

She laughed, delighted at his humor

"Oh, I see what you mean! You're

always joking, aren't you?"

"Aren't I the cut-up, though?" he

gently gaped her.

It was very silly, and he knew how

very silly it was, but, none the less

the city man enjoyed the persiflage

with this red-cheeked rural maiden. In

the extraordinary ebullition of his spir-

its he reached out his hand for hers

found it, and stood swaying it. She

blushed, he laughed. He was really

burlesquing a flirtation, but she did

not know it, nor was the impulse of his

foolery entirely burlesque. He was

very much confused when an amused

cough from behind him told that

Josie had come in.

He whirled. "Oh, good morning, Miss

Richards!"

"How do you do, Mr. Wallace?" She

smiled with definite satisfaction. "Mr.

Jones is causing quite a sensation in

the works."

"So I understand."

"Shall I tell him you are here?"

asked Clara.

"I wish you would, if it isn't too

much trouble, Miss Spotswood."

"Not at all. I'll be only too pleased."

She smiled at him. "Nobody ever calls

me anything but Clara."

Wallace felt that he was most em-

phatically in clover. "Oh, you Clara!"

He was a large young man, with a

large, smooth-shaven face, particularly

broad. It was one happy smile.

She was giggling as she hurried to-

ward the factory. "I'll tell him, right

away."

Wallace turned to Josie. "Has Mr.

Pembroke called?"

"No; Mr. Jones was saying he ex-

pected him at eleven o'clock."

"Well, it isn't quite eleven, yet."

"He told me of the advice you gave

him. We have a good deal to thank

you for. I'm sure of that."

"I don't see why," he protested.

"He's only doing what is right. Any

man with a conscience would do the

same. Of course my influence may

have had some bearing on his decision,

but, believe me, his mind was made

up when you got through with him last

night."

She was very earnest. "Oh, it means

so much to so many!"

"Any way, I think he'd be a fool to

sell."

"You do?"

"Certainly. A proposition which

showed the profit this did last year—

without any advertising! Why, it's

wonderful! I know what I'm talking

about. I'm with the biggest adver-

tising firm in New York city."

"But we couldn't afford to advertise,

except in a small way," she said in ex-

planation of what he evidently thought

their lack of enterprise, "and the big

firms wouldn't take a petty contract."

"Why didn't you try the Empire

Agency?"

She shook her head. "We did. They

refused to handle us at all. They do

most of the Consolidated's work, you

see. I guess that was the reason."

He was quick to deny this. He did

not wish anyone to think that the

great Empire Agency would favor

one concern to the extent of shutting

out another in fair competition.

"Oh, no," he confidently asserted.

"We don't make that sort of agree-

ments. No corporation can dictate to

us. The Empire's my firm. My Gov-

nor's its president."

"Oh, well, then, perhaps, you know

all about it." She evidently did not

care to be so firmly contradicted.

This daunted him. "You say they

refused to handle your work?"

"Absolutely."

For a moment he stood lost in

thought, then suddenly reached a res-

olution of importance. "May I use

your phone?" he asked.

"Certainly."

"Give me long distance," he deman-

ded of the operator; then, while he was

waiting, he turned back to Josie, say-

ing almost angrily: "That's a pretty

rotten trick, if it's so—to squeeze the

little fellow out like that. You're ab-

solutely sure it was the Empire?"

"Yes; we tried all the big advertis-

ing firms."

"There isn't any other big advertis-

ing firm," he valiantly declared. His

brought against his firm.

"I have all the correspondence, if

you'd like to see it."

"I'd like to very much."

"I'll have it here in a very few min-

utes. Excuse me."

Fortunately for his telephonic en-

deavors there had been a period of

quiet in the outer factory. But now,

as the crowd approached across the

vast workroom adjoining, from a visit

to the other portions of the plant, the

roar of cheering was renewed. He

went to the door and opened it, look-

ing into the workroom. Almost at the

door were the Judge and Mrs. Spots-

wood and, just behind them, Broad-

way. They were smiling happily and

proudly. He was somewhat wilted,

but elated. He rushed forward, grasp-

ing Wallace's hand, greatly to the

latter's surprise.

"I've shaken hands with everybody

in the world," said Broadway.

CHAPTER XII.

The celebration over, the mill once

more settled down to that industrial

peace which is accompanied by the

deafening roar of machinery, the

clamor of the busy hammer on the

anvil, sinking home in packing boxes,

the shouts of workmen and women

forced to thrust their words above the

strident medley which surrounds them.

There was new life in the old mill,

new confidence had taken place of

fear and fierce antagonism in the

hearts of hundreds, an esprit de corps

had been born suddenly such as had

not existed in that factory for many

years. In one happy sentence of his

bashful speech Broadway had struck a

keynote. He had said:

"And—er—now, you fellows, keep

your brains—er—busy with this situ-

ation. I have bucked the Trust. I've

bucked the Trust for you and the old

town. Now if you don't help me beat

it to the ropes, stagger it, blind it,

pulp it, put it down and out as the all-

powerful force in the gum-industry,

it's going to wipe me off the map, and

when I'm wiped you're wiped."

"I've fought for you, and lots of

folks will say I am a fool for doing it.

If you start in and fight for me; if

we both fight heart and soul and night

and day to win against the wildest

competition that was ever known in

chewing-gum, we WILL win. Anything

else means our sponge in the air and a

call for doctors and an ambulance, or

more likely, undertaker, for Jones'

Pepsin Gum, its owner and the men

who work for him."

These words had struck home. The

workmen had all understood their

truth; furthermore, they fully recog-

nized the justice of the burden Broad-

way laid upon them. Workmen are

fair; they are fairer in old, little towns

like Jonesville than they are in great

industrial centers, where the element

of personality has passed out of in-

dustry and the worker is a cog, while

the owner is an unseen and mysterious

power. The men had shouted wildly

that they all would help and meant it.

After he had left the shops they had

reiterated among themselves the

pledges of their fealty, and they meant

them then.

Sweethearts, that day in the Jones

plant, would have scornfully rejected

sweethearts who showed any sign of

treason to the young proprietor; fa-

thers would have thrashed a son who

sneered at Broadway; mothers would

have chided daughters (more likely

would have spanked them fiercely)

who offered slurs upon what had oc-

curred. The capacity of mixers, cook-

ers, drawers, molders, cutters, stack-

ers, wrappers, packers, boxes, ship-

pers increased as if by magic. For

their hearts were in their work; they

were hustling for the boss who had

declared his firm intention of hustling

for his workers.

Therefore in the works everything

buzzed and hummed and banged and

clattered with a pleasurable and con-

tagious enthusiasm. In the office there

was a warm glow of satisfaction, but

Broadway's smile, after the ladies had

departed, Clara and her mother to

make calls and pass the joyful news

about the town triumphantly, Josie to

attend to necessary details of her du-

ties, became somewhat weaker than

it had been.

He had gone into the fight, but was

he going to win the fight? It was fine

to fight, undoubtedly, but it would be

painful to get licked. His knowledge

of the business world was amply rep-

resented by the figure "0." The Trust's

MRS. WILLIAMS' LONG SICKNESS

Yields To Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Elkhart, Ind.:—"I suffered for four-teen years from organic inflammation, female weakness, pain and irregularities. The pains in my sides were increased by walking or standing on my feet and I had such awful bearing down feelings, was depressed in spirits and became thin and pale with dull, heavy eyes. I had six doctors from whom I received only temporary relief. I decided to give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a fair trial and also the Sanative Wash. I have now used the remedies for four months and cannot express my thanks for what they have done for me.



"If these lines will be of any benefit you have my permission to publish them."—Mrs. SADIE WILLIAMS, 455 James Street, Elkhart, Indiana.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from native roots and herbs, contains no narcotic or harmful drugs, and to-day holds the record of being the most successful remedy for female ills we know of, and thousands of voluntary testimonials on file in the Pinkham laboratory at Lynn, Mass., seem to prove this fact.

If you have the slightest doubt that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will help you, write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass., for advice. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman, and held in strict confidence.

TELLING THE TRUTH.

A very young reporter was sent out by his editor to report a wedding. He returned quickly and sat idly at his desk, smoking a cigarette. Presently his chief beckoned to him.

"Why don't you write your article?" asked the editor.

"Nothing to write," replied the cub. "The groom committed suicide and there ain't goin' to be no wedding."

Just about as near-sighted are a great many small town merchants who sit idly in their stores waiting for their townsmen to get tired of doing business with mail order houses and the larger stores in neighboring cities. And all the while opportunity looms big before these idle ones—if they will only use their imaginations and see it.

Last year one mail order house alone is reported to have done more than \$90,000,000 of business—an average of a dollar for each man, woman, and child in the United States. And the bulk of this business came from the small towns, for big city people read so much of "bargain" offers in the daily papers that mail order "bargains" of doubtful character have but little fascination for them.

In the large cities people are beginning to realize that sensationally inclined department stores could not exist indefinitely if all their goods were sold on the small margin of profit indicated by the newspaper advertisements. They are beginning to figure out that these stores are making money some way or other or they would have to go out of business. And they are inclined to resent the pol-

icy of some of these stores which offer branded and standard-priced goods at cost, relying upon the sale of unknown goods at excessive profit to make up the loss—with a fat profit besides. In some cases they have resented this manner of doing business so strongly that certain big department stores which relied chiefly upon "bargain" offers to draw trade have gone into bankruptcy.

Very large stores do not operate at a lower percentage of cost than small stores. In fact, the country merchant can generally sell his goods at an expense only one-half as great as that incurred by his city competitor. This is an actual fact, not a theory. Statistics show that the average operating expense of department stores in New York City for the past year was about 31 percent of sales. Many a country merchant has an expense of only 10 percent of sales.

That is why the unscrupulous large retailer and the sensationally inclined mail order magnate have frequently to resort to lies in their advertisements. If the small dealer would study these lies and publish the facts about them in his town paper it would bring him some of the dollars that are now going on the long journey to the mail order house and the windy big-city store of doubtful integrity and "clever" advertising methods.

If the small merchant will support his home paper and if the small town editor will speak plainly on the question of business honesty and fair trading, we shall have a combination of truth that will quickly induce certain heavily capitalized retail interests to tell the truth about their goods or close up shop. In either event the local merchant—and indirectly the town itself—will be the gainer.

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

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Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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

ECZEMA AND ITCHING

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

CHICHESTER'S PILLS
Ladies Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold wrapper. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS for 25 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

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GRAND AND PETIT JURY DISTRICT COURT

District court will convene in Ballinger, March 9th. The first week will be non-jury civil docket week, and will be taken up in trying non-jury civil cases. The grand jury will not be impaneled until Monday, March 16th, at 1:30 o'clock and jurors have been drawn for the second and third week of court. Following is the petit and grand jury list for the term:

Grand Jury.

To appear at 1:30, March 16th:

W. E. Ratliff,
J. A. Curry,
R. A. Dobbs,
W. H. Rogers,
H. A. Mitchell,
M. D. Chastain,
W. B. Ray,
Jake Stubblefield,
E. D. Walker,
G. W. Clayton,
J. W. Bigby,
Tom Puckett,
S. B. Caperton,
J. D. Smith,
Pink King,
W. L. Ellis.

Petit Jury Second Week

To appear at 1:30 March 16th:

Walter Bailey,
B. C. Kirk,
Nick Stallworth,
J. D. Smith,
J. W. Pruett,
J. L. Chastain,
W. D. Allen,
J. W. Borders,
J. R. Cook,
W. W. Wiggly,
S. H. Meek,
C. L. Kest, J. A. B. Walker,
J. T. Billups,
Willie Brown,
B. J. Clayton,
W. Boatwright,
R. L. Mesley,
Ed Gaston,
W. L. Bell,
Tom Carr,
John Curry,
E. M. Davis,
J. T. Cummins,
P. K. Laxton,
G. W. Briley,
W. R. Bruce,
W. B. Curry,
J. J. Bedford,
J. V. Davis.

Petit Jury Third Week.

To appear at 1:30 March 23rd.

H. L. Lindermann,
A. J. Young,
O. C. Clint,
P. M. Armstrong,
W. H. Mitchell,
Henry McDonald,
Tom Brandon,
G. C. Brock,
John Book,
Mitchell Moore,
L. J. Brian,
R. A. Bishop,
Luther Poe,
W. E. Middleton,
S. T. Proctor,
F. L. Harper,
H. L. Chapman,
R. S. Davis,
W. W. Cammins,
M. D. Oliver,
R. S. Bowden,
J. C. Jones, Jr.,
L. Baldwin,
J. M. Franklin,
Ed Hoffmann,
R. A. Grimes,
F. Roper,
S. P. Bates,
J. R. Brandham,
Walter Gardner,
M. B. Boykin,
U. G. Thomas,
W. A. Bridwell,
J. L. Loveless,
V. B. Jones,
T. M. Osteen.

Chronic Constipation Cured.

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

NATION FACING MEAT FAMINE

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

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

Best Cough Medicine for Children

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

PREPARING FOR BIG GAME

After going through a very strenuous week during which time they practiced each afternoon after school hours, the girl basketball club of the Ballinger High School is prepared to meet the San Angelo club Saturday. During the remaining days before the big day, the local club will continue to round into trim for the event.

The grounds on the high school campus have been put in excellent condition for the game Saturday. News comes from San Angelo that the high school five of that city is working hard each afternoon and are living under the illusion that they are going to get away with the heavy end of the score on the Ballinger grounds.

Superintendent W. S. Fleming of the Ballinger High School stated today that the game in all probability would be staged in the afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Seats will be arranged for the ladies who desire to see the match game. The San Angelo club will make the trip to Ballinger in automobiles and return after the game has been completed. Quite a number of rooters are expected to be present from San Angelo.

STOP THAT PAIN RIGHT NOW

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

Lige Woodward and George Dingus, of Comanche, who are traveling through the country in their auto, were interviewing our citizens Thursday. Mr. Woodward is a cousin of P. C. Straley, of the Ledger force.

LOOK OUT

You Tennis and Base Ball Players—just received a full line of Tennis and Base Ball shoes at A. J. Zappe's.

PRO CONVENTION INCREASING INTEREST

As the time draws near for the big Prohibition Elimination Convention interest all over the state increases, and the forces are lining up for a battle royal. The convention for Runnels county has been called for the coming Saturday at 12:30 o'clock, at which time delegates will be elected to the state convention which meets at Fort Worth on the following Saturday—Feb. 21. The hour set for the convention was selected to meet the convenience of those who live in the North part of the county, who might want to return on the afternoon train.

It is not known who the delegation from this county will be instructed to cast the vote of the county for, or whether the delegation will be instructed for any particular candidate. The sentiment here seems to be pretty well divided for Mayes and Lane, with a second choice for Tom Ball from the Lane faction. The Mayes supporters are active in his behalf judging from political remarks heard here and there they are not much inclined to compromise on either Lane or Ball.

According to the rules laid down by the political dictators in the prohibition camp down at Fort Worth each county represented in the big convention at Fort Worth will be allowed one vote for each ten votes cast for prohibition at the last state wide election. At this rate this county would be entitled to over 100 votes. No limit is fixed as to the number of delegates a county can send. Each county convention can send all the delegates they see fit.

Two questions have been raised that is causing some confusion among those who wish to participate in the convention next Saturday. It has been reported that the eliminators are getting in a good way to eliminate themselves from the Democratic party, and the question has been raised as to whether the State Democratic executive Committee will permit the names of candidates nominated at the Elimination Convention to go on the regular primary ticket to be voted upon at the regular primary on July 25th. The originator of this doubtful idea perhaps takes the position that the convention to be held at Fort Worth is contrary to the principles of Democracy and that the nominee of that convention could not be again nominated in the Democratic primary. This idea, however, is a little far fetched, and will cause another kick-up when it is put up to the state committee as that committee is made up of both pros and antis.

Another question that troubles those who desire to secure the endorsement of their pro candidate for governor is the fact that those who go into the elimination convention will be honor bound to support the nominees of the eliminators. It is possible that a man who does not meet the approval of the pros of the entire state will be put up to run against the anti candidate, and then in that event, the man who has lost out in the eliminator's scrap has a bitter pill to swallow.

The young ladies Sunday School Class of the Christian Church, as has been formally announced, will serve tea Saturday from 3 to 6 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Scott H. Mack, 504 Tenth Street. The funds will be used in helping to buy a sanitary carpet for the church building. Every one kindly invited. 2td 12

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