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## MARRS MAKES TALK TO SCHOOL TRUSTEES

About 100 school trustees heard State Superintendent S. M. N. Marrs in an address here Thursday morning, and later a round-table talk brought out valuable information which will no doubt be helpful to the trustees in carrying on the public school work of this county. Mr. Marrs was introduced by County Judge Paul Trimauer, and the state superintendent spoke at length on questions of vital interest to the school life of the county.

After an interesting forenoon session the trustees were the guests of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon served on the court house lawn. The menu consisted of barbecue, prepared in different styles, pickles, fresh tomatoes, bread, tea, coffee, ice cream, etc. and ice cold watermelons. The melons were furnished by McCarver & Lynn. Weeks Drug Store passed the smokes following the luncheon. A dozen young ladies assisted in serving the luncheon.

The Chamber of Commerce made a happy hit with the splendid luncheon served to the 125 visitors, representing every school district in the county. Tables were arranged under the beautiful shade trees in the court house park, where delicious barbecue with all the extras was served. The Chamber of Commerce purchased the meats, prepared ready to serve from the Piggly Wiggly.

After the school trustees were seated at the table, E. E. King, president of the Chamber of Commerce, was introduced by Secretary J. D. Motley, and Mr. King in a brief talk welcomed the rural school representatives to Ballinger, assured them that the Ballinger commercial organization was ready to co-operate with them not only in school work, but in every undertaking for the advancement and progress of Runnels county's best interests. Rev. W. H. Doss offered the invocation.

A committee of nine young ladies, chosen by Mrs. Estes Lynn, president of the Parent-Teachers Association, at the request of the Chamber of Commerce, and consisting of Misses Frances Holman, Mae Garlington, Fay Clark, Mildred Butler, Mabel Brower, Margaret Cordill, Ruth Holliday, LaVerne Sims, Nettie Routh Sledge, assisted in serving the luncheon.

In his talk to the trustees Mr. Marrs reviewed how the rural schools were financed, and how the state department performed its duties in carrying on the public school work of the state. He stated that the free public school system of the state was organized for the purpose of giving every child, rich or poor, an opportunity to get an education. The superintendent stated that it was often said that all men were created equal, and he said that this was not true physically or mentally, but was true when applied to the management of the free schools of Texas. "The poorest man or the poorest child in the state has as much to say in the management of the public schools of Texas as the richest man or the richest child," said Mr. Marrs, and he stated that the man who paid the most tax had no more authority in how the school system was conducted than the man who paid the least tax. "All men are created equal under the law," said the educator, "and all have equal rights under the law," and he told the trustees that the great educational organization of Texas, of which they were a part, was contributing towards the opportunity for some boy or girl to get an education.

In a broader outline of the school system of the state, Mr. Marrs stated that there were four essentials for the success of the schools, and he named as the first, financial support. Here he illustrated how the public schools

were working for a broader vision of life, and not for selfish lives as are lived by some individuals. He referred to the fact that a few years ago the per capita apportionment from the state school fund amounted to \$3 per pupil, while today it is \$14, "and I think the time is coming when the minimum apportionment will be \$15 per capita," said the speaker.

Mr. Marrs called attention to the law governing the support of the public school system by the state, the constitution providing for a six months school, and free text books, and the legislature making provision from time to time for special tax making it possible for certain schools to have longer terms. The state must furnish a larger portion of the money as the common district property values in many instances are so low that it would be impossible for the local patrons to have a six months school from the local tax.

"There are four sources of revenue from which the schools are supported by the state," said Mr. Marrs, and he named them in the following order, pausing to comment on each source. First, \$1 of the poll tax goes to the public school fund. This comes back to the schools in the state apportionment, and Mr. Marrs said that he had a poor opinion of any school teacher, man or woman subject to poll tax, who did not pay it. Incidentally Mr. Marrs told the trustees that 50 cents of the poll tax went to the state general fund and the other two-bits to the general county fund.

The second source of revenue named by Mr. Marrs was one-fourth of the occupation tax. He said that direct tax was as high as the people could afford to pay, and the school fund was made up largely from the indirect sources. One-fourth of the one cent per gallon tax on gasoline goes to the public school fund. "This little item alone amounted to \$900,000 last year," said Mr. Marrs, and he stated that the total tax on gasoline paid by joy riders last year amounted to \$3,600,000. The school system of the state received one-fourth of the amount. Mr. Marrs favors a three-cent gas tax. He also favors a luxury tax, tax on cigars and cigarettes for support of the schools, and said that smokers of Texas spent \$40,000,000 for cigars and cigarettes last year. He said that a ten per cent tax on this luxury would bring to the schools \$4,000,000, or an amount equal to \$3 per capita for every school child in the state.

Mr. Marrs said that the permanent school fund of the state amounting to \$75,000,000, was a source of revenue for the public schools, the income from the permanent fund going out in state aid to help build school houses, take up school bonds, and lend money to the school districts at five per cent interest.

The last source of revenue named by the superintendent is the 35 cent direct school tax. All these items go in making up the total from which the apportionment is made.

Mr. Marrs answered the charge made against the increase in cost of maintaining schools by calling attention to the increase in cost of every other item which goes to make up the cost of living. "With the cost of living increasing from fifty to one hundred per cent you could not expect the school teachers to continue working for the old salary," said Mr. Marrs.

Mr. Marrs also referred to the fact that there were more children in school today than a few years ago, and stated that the state of Illinois recently announced that there were 3,000 more pupils enrolled in the high schools of that state now than were enrolled in the high schools of all the states of the Union 30

## LOW RATE FOR DROUTH AREA

AUSTIN, July 27.—Following the hearing of reports from the drouth stricken counties of Central Texas, the Texas Railroad Commission today appointed a committee of nine to formulate plans to carry out the emergency freight rates on food for livestock in the affected area. The commission was recently requested to make a low rate on feedstuff for livestock.

## MANY MASONS ATTEND MEETING

The largest gathering of Masons ever to meet with the local lodge attended the meeting Wednesday night to hear the program presented by the Masonic service and educational committee and to receive Grand Master Guinn Williams. Practically every lodge near Ballinger was represented at the meeting and the hall was filled to its capacity.

Moving pictures of the home for boys and girls at Ft. Worth were shown with a lecture by Wilbur Keith, executive secretary of the service committee, explaining the working of the home and the high standard it had attained.

Following the pictures one of the boys from the home spoke at length on the school work done and the home environment of the institution. The home is giving full high school courses and students can enter any college or university without taking an examination. It also gives courses in agriculture, domestic science, stenography, and other business courses so that students may obtain a trade.

Judge Hiram F. Lively addressed the meeting and talked with a great deal of force on the workings and just what the Grand Lodge of Texas is composed of. His talk was uplifting and educational to the Masons present.

Grand Master Guinn Williams was the last speaker on the program and was received with enthusiasm by the local lodge. His message was one that will long be remembered by those who heard him and better Masons are bound to be made by the powerful message he delivered.

Ice cream and cake was served by the members of the local lodge following the program.

## BATH HOUSE BURNS NEAR CHRISTOVAL

The Mineral Wells bath house, three miles Northeast of Christoval, and owned by Drs. O. C. and P. W. Boone, was completely destroyed by fire Wednesday night. The loss was estimated at \$7,000 with insurance amounting to \$2,000. The Drs. Boone recently purchased the property.

Mrs. J. A. Williams has returned home from a visit to relatives at Junction.

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"The state department equalizes the distribution, helps to distribute the opportunity for the pupils to get an education," declared Mr. Marrs, "and at the same time inspires the local districts to do more for themselves."

The trustees reassembled in session on the court house lawn in the afternoon, where there was further discussion of matters pertaining to the rural school work of the county, and where questions asked Mr. Marrs brought valuable information for the trustees.

Being brought in personal contact with the state superintendent the trustees gained suggestions that will be helpful to them in building for better schools in this county. The state superintendent was prepared to answer all questions and is familiar with every phase of school work.

## ARMY WORM MAY CUT COTTON CROP

TALLULAH, La., July 29.—An outbreak of the cotton leaf caterpillar, or what is commonly known as the army worm, throughout Louisiana was announced today at the government Delta laboratory here.

The report given out by the government laboratory authorities stated that there was a probability that the worm would spread into Mississippi and Arkansas.

## BRADY INVADED BY BALLINGER

BRADY, July 29.—This city was stormed by a large delegation from Ballinger early Wednesday morning. The Ballinger delegation invaded Brady with band playing and banners flying. The Ballinger boosters paraded through the city, and throughout the forenoon made themselves heard with their music and parades.

Ballinger is one of the towns after the 1926 convention of the Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, and is staging a strong campaign today. The 1926 meeting place will be chosen Thursday. Other applicants for the 1926 meeting are San Antonio, Del Rio, Eagle Pass and Fredericksburg. Under an agreement that Del Rio supported San Angelo for a previous convention of this association, San Angelo is pulling for Del Rio at this time.

It is estimated that 3,000 visitors were here for the opening session of the convention of the sheep and goat men and the attendance was much larger today. Brady presented the keys of the city to the convention delegates and the visitors received a royal welcome. The program opened with a parade, and after some routine matters the auction sale of sheep and goats featured the afternoon convention. Banquets, dances, etc., are being staged for the sheep and goat raisers.

A procession which extended almost from the Park Hotel to the corner of the First National Bank motored out of Ballinger for Brady about 6:00 o'clock Wednesday morning. It was one of the peppier delegations ever sent forth from this city on any mission, and the autos were loaded with people who went to Brady to stage a parade and spend the day at the sheep and goat raisers' convention, and present Ballinger's claims for the 1926 convention.

The boosters were accompanied by the Turkey in the Straw Band and two orchestras, besides several pep squads and novelty acts of a vaudeville nature. The autos were decorated with banners, and in addition large banners to be carried in the parade were arranged. Twelve different banners inviting the sheep and goat raisers to come to Ballinger will be carried in the parade. Hat bands, badges, etc., were also provided for the trip. Regardless of whether Ballinger gets the next convention or not, the big crowd at the convention will hear from Ballinger, and some good advertising for the Runnels County Fair will be put over.

C. R. Crews was reported to be resting better again Wednesday after a relapse. Mr. Crews is suffering with blood poison. He was thought to be improving for several days, but his condition became worse Sunday. His friends trust that he will continue to improve now.

Miss Rama Guin, bookkeeper for Harwell Motor Company, has just returned from Tyler, where she visited relatives and spent her vacation.

Roy Sharp is at home for a visit with his mother and sisters.

## HEAVY RAINS FALL OVER NORTH TEXAS

### USES PANTS FOR PILLOW; \$40 GONE

Burl Willis, a citizen of Coke county, appealed to the sheriff's department for aid in apprehending a robber who lifted him for forty bucks Wednesday night.

Mr. Willis came to town Wednesday afternoon and pitched camp in the Tourist Inn. He had forty dollars in his pocket which he expected to distribute among Ballinger merchants, and in retiring for the night he placed his pants under his head, using them for a pillow and also as a safe place to keep his cash. About 2:00 o'clock Thursday morning, Mr. Willis says that he awoke from his slumber and missed his trousers. The pants were found a few feet from his pallet, but the contents of his pockets were missing. Mr. Willis says that he had forty dollars in his jeans when he folded them and tucked them under his head. The case was reported to Sheriff McWilliams and the Coke county man was trying to bring the officer in touch with a man whom he had under suspicion.

### FALSE FIRE ALARM—NOBODY AT HOME

The fire company was called to the home of Judge Alfred Crager on Fourth Street early Thursday morning. Central reported that the alarm was turned in from the Crager home, but Judge Crager and family have been away from home for some time. The fire fighters failed to find any fire, or any signs of fire. One window to the house was found and the screen door to the sleeping porch unfastened.

### GETS TWO MEN AND BIG STILL

Sheriff Bob Miller was here from Conecho county Friday, looking after the rodeo boys and attending to business connected with his office. Mr. Miller reported that he captured a twelve gallon still operating in full blast, and placed two men in his county under arrest. They are out to await the action of the grand jury.

### HISTORY MAY REPEAT ITSELF

"I landed in Runnels county forty-three years ago today," said D. C. Underwood Wednesday morning, and he remarked that "it rained." Mr. Underwood took up citizenship at Runnels City, on July 29, 1882, four years before Ballinger was born. He says the first three men he met upon arriving at old Runnels were John Clappitt, Dave Baker and George Vaughn. The pioneer citizen says that it rained a flood the day he arrived here. He also recalls that it rained at this time in 1915 and saved the cotton crop. Maybe history will repeat itself.

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FT. WORTH, July 29.—Hard rains were falling in Northwest Texas again today, causing impairment to telegraph and railroad service.

Childress, Wichita Falls, Stamford and Slaton are among the first places reporting heavy rains this morning. Amarillo, Lubbock, Memphis, Floydada and other Panhandle and Plains points received good rains Tuesday.

Texarkana and North Texas points also received hard rains Tuesday, with the rains extending further South today.

### OPINIONS VARY ON CROP CONDITION

There is quite a difference of opinion among those who are watching the crop situation around Ballinger. Some of the close observers contend that the crop has already gone to the bow-wows, and take a most pessimistic view of the outlook for prosperity here this fall, while others declare that the crop is in better condition than it was at this period last year, and that a 100,000 bale crop is entirely possible, if the country gets a soaking within a few days. The best reports are all based on future conditions, and all admit that rain is essential.

### THE PANHANDLE

According to weather reports broadcast at 10:00 o'clock Tuesday morning rain was falling at that hour in the Panhandle. The report stated that rain had been falling at Amarillo since 7:00 o'clock Tuesday morning. Cloudy weather over North Texas and Oklahoma was reported.

A letter received by Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Walker from their daughter, Mrs. Lawrence Boynton, who lives at Tulsa, Oklahoma, stated that it had been raining for five days at Tulsa.

### HOME FORCE REVIVAL IS NOW GOING GOOD

The "home force" revival, a meeting being conducted entirely by the home talent of the Church of God in a tent in the 700 block between Eleventh and Twelfth streets, is going good, according to reports to The Ledger.

The meeting started last Sunday with Rev. Hancock, pastor of the church, doing the preaching. Rev. Hancock was ill for a couple of days first of the week, and Rev. J. Taylor was in charge, but Rev. Hancock has returned to the work.

The crowds are increasing at the tent and more seats have been added. Good interest and great rejoicing is reported from the tabernacle each night.

A. J. H. Borders, of the Maverick country, was looking after business in Ballinger Wednesday. Mr. Borders reported that his section received no rain Tuesday, but that a pretty good rain fell further West and in the Fort Chadbourne country. "Our crops are holding up well and looking better than they did ten days ago," said Mr. Borders.

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# BRYAN'S BODY TO REST IN ARLINGTON

WASHINGTON, July 27.—A spot high on the slope of Arlington Cemetery, overlooking the capitol and near the monument erected to the memory of those who died on the battleship Maine, was tentatively selected today as the burial place for William Jennings Bryan.

## Special Train to Take Body His Last Fight Was Defense of the Bible

WASHINGTON, July 27.—William Jennings Bryan's funeral in Arlington National Cemetery will be in accordance with the wishes expressed by him in his last visit to the capital more than a year ago. At that time Mr. Bryan went to the home of his intimate friend, Ben Davis, and requested Mr. Davis to do him the favor of arranging for his funeral in Arlington.

"It matters not where I may die," the Commoner said, "I want to be buried in Arlington, and will you remember this request?" Mr. Davis obtained permission today for interment in Arlington. The details as to the time of the funeral, selection of a site in the great cemetery, have not been completed.

DAYTON, Tenn., July 27.—The body of William Jennings Bryan will move on a special railroad car from Dayton to Washington Wednesday morning, Mrs. Bryan announced through her friends today, and the burial of the political and religious leader will be made in Arlington National Cemetery. The railroad will furnish a special car to carry the body of the prominent statesman to its last resting place at the national capital.

The date and hour for the funeral will be announced later, it was said. The funeral party, which will include the widow, and an escort of Dayton friends, is expected to reach Washington early Thursday.

DAYTON, Tenn., July 27.—The body of William Jennings Bryan will lie in state this afternoon between the hours of 2:00 and 4:00 o'clock, while the public will be invited to view the remains of the dead politician and religious leader.

Mrs. Bryan and a council of friends decided early today to give the public the privilege of paying this tribute to the prominent leader in politics and religion.

The place where the body will lie in state will be either at the home where Mr. Bryan died, or in the Rhea county court house where he fought his last great battle for the principles of Christianity as taught by the bible.

Constable S. W. Dunbar, of San Angelo, has been here for a couple of days doing some work in connection with law enforcement and conferring with local officers.

DAYTON, Tenn., July 27.—William Jennings Bryan, who many years ago as "boy orator of the Platte," with his "cross of gold" speech, won the Democratic presidential nomination, and a lasting place before the American public, is dead. The end came yesterday afternoon while the "Commoner" was sleeping in the home of Richard Rogers, which had been assigned to him during his stay here when he came for the Scopes trial. Dr. W. F. Thomason and Dr. A. C. Broyles, who examined the body, stated that death was caused by hemorrhage of the brain, resulting apoplexy.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed early today, but Mrs. Bryan indicated that the body would be interred in Arlington National Cemetery, as Mr. Bryan, who was a Colonel in the Spanish-American War, had several times expressed a desire to be buried in the national cemetery. The arrangements will not be completed for the funeral until William Jennings Bryan Jr., and his daughter, reach Dayton. Both were in California when their father died.

Mr. Bryan attended services at the Southern Methodist Church at 11:00 o'clock Sunday morning. He returned to the Rogers home, where he ate a hearty lunch and later went to his room for an afternoon nap in the best of spirits, having remarked that he was feeling fine. It was 1:30 when he retired to his room, and it was 4:30 when he was found dead in bed.

Mrs. Bryan was on the porch writing when Mr. Bryan died. She was preparing to leave within the next day or two to join her daughter on a visit in Idaho. Mr. Bryan had been filling some speaking engagements in Tennessee since the closing of the Scopes evolution trial, and he was due to leave Dayton within the next day or two, and after filling an engagement at Nashville, was going to Florida.

Virtually dominant in the democratic party for nearly sixteen years, William J. Bryan was three times nominated and defeated for the presidency. Known in his youth as "the silver-tongued boy orator of the Platte," it was Mr. Bryan's eloquence in his famous "cross of gold" speech at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago in 1896 that made him the choice of his party. He polled more than 6,500,000 votes in his first campaign.

The former Secretary of State was born in Salem, Illinois, March 19, 1860. His father was Silas Lillard Bryan, a native of Culpeper county, Virginia, a lawyer and judge. The son, after graduating from Illinois College in 1881 and Union College of Law, Chicago, in 1883 entered the law office of Lyman Trumbull, former United States senator. Subsequently he removed to Jacksonville, Ill., where he practiced law until 1887 when he settled in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Bryan was elected to congress from the First Nebraska District in 1891, serving until 1895. Two speeches in this period gave Mr. Bryan nationwide prominence, one against the policy of protection, delivered on March 16, 1892, and the other against the repeal of the silver purchase clause of the Sherman Act on August 16, 1893.

The first nomination of Mr. Bryan for the presidency at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago on July 10, 1896, has since been characterized as one of the "miracles" of American politics. The nominee, after serving in congress, had run for the United States senate and been



Discussing the Scopes Evolution Trial with William Jennings Bryan, who Took a Prominent Part

Photograph shows William Jennings Bryan discussing, in Atlanta, Georgia, with residents of Dayton, Tenn., the John Thomas Scopes trial for violation of the Butler Law of the State of Tennessee. The trial started July 10, in Dayton, Tenn. Photo shows, left to right: S. Hicks, J. G. McKenzie, William Jennings Bryan, H. E. Hicks, Harry Lawrence, Wallace E. Haggard—all of whom except William Jennings Bryan are residents of Dayton, Tenn., the home town and where Scopes violated the Butler Law by teaching the theories of evolution in the school.

defeated by Senator John M. Thurston of Nebraska. Although defeated for the presidency Mr. Bryan remained the leader of his party and, after the Spanish-American War in 1898, in which he commanded the 3rd Nebraska Volunteer Infantry as its colonel, he opposed the permanent retention of the Philippine Islands by the United States.

In 1900, when again nominated for the presidency, he made "anti imperialism" the paramount issue but refused to omit an explicit party declaration in favor of free coinage of silver in the party platform. This time he was defeated with a popular vote of 6,358,133 as against 7,207,923 for his opponent. He received 155 electoral votes to McKinley's 292.

Mr. Bryan returned to Lincoln, and started the publication of a weekly political journal called "The Commoner." Four years later, 1904, although not actively a candidate for the nomination, which eventually went to Judge Alton B. Parker, he vigorously opposed Democracy's "conservative" attitude.

In 1908 Bryan was again named as the Democratic standard bearer. The campaign was waged on the principal issue of opposition to "trusts" and for a third time the Democratic nominee suffered defeat, polling 6,409,104 votes to Taft's 7,678,908 and receiving 162 electoral votes to his opponent's 321.

For the next four years, or until the campaign of 1912 which resulted in the election of President Wilson, Mr. Bryan continued to edit his newspaper and to attend the councils of his party.

In his first campaign his home in Lincoln was a mecca for prominent Democrats, where Mrs. Bryan, a scholarly woman, formerly Miss Mary E. Baird, of Perry, Ill., was had greatly aided her husband in his political career, was a charming hostess. The Bryans had three children, one son and two daughters.

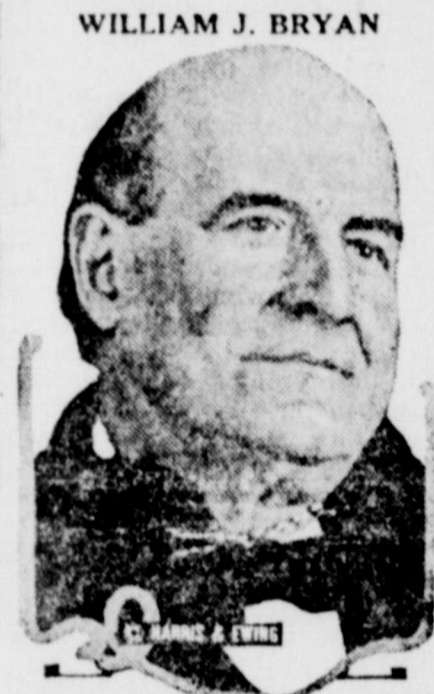
The two years Mr. Bryan occupied a place at the head of Mr. Wilson's cabinet were years of perplexity and stress. The Mexican embargo, the Japanese anti alien land controversy in California, and the correspondence with Germany and Austria-Hungary, antecedent to America's entrance into the World War, were problems that gave the Nebraska statesman many sleepless nights.

Mr. Bryan's resignation from

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the cabinet, which occurred on June 9, 1915, came as a thunder-clap out of a clear sky. It was known there had been disagreements between the President and his chief cabinet officer, but that the breach had gone beyond healing was not realized by the public mind.

When he entered the cabinet, Mr. Bryan astonished Washington by announcing that grape juice would be substituted for alcoholic beverages whenever the Secretary of State and Mrs. Bryan entertained the members of the diplomatic corps. Indeed, Mr. Bryan in his long advocacy of teetotalism was credited by many with having done more than any other American outside of the Prohibition Party, to force the adoption of the Eighteenth Amendment to the constitution making the United States a 'dry' nation.

In the 1924 Democratic National Convention Bryan took an active part. He successfully opposed the nomination of Gov. Alfred E. Smith of New York for the presidential nomination, but his support to the William Gibbs McAdoo contingent failed to put Mr. McAdoo in the running as the Democratic standard bearer.

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### DR. F. M. HALE RETURNS HOME

Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Hale returned home Sunday from Marlin, where Dr. Hale had been for several weeks and since leaving a hospital at Temple. Dr. Hale was stricken ill while at San Marcos on his vacation. He has been suffering with a rheumatic trouble which made it necessary to place one arm and one leg in casts. The cast has been removed from the arm, but his leg is still in the cast and it will be some time before he can be up and about.

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## HIGH LINE TO EXTEND SOUTH

Material has been purchased and as soon as it can be assembled work will be commenced on an extension of the West Texas Utilities Company high line from Ballinger South. The line will be built into Paint Rock, from that town to Eden and from Eden to Menard. These towns will be served with electric current direct from Ballinger.

Manager Morley stated that the line crew would be transferred to the Southern division as soon as the material could be had. This will continue to make Ballinger the center of building activities and extended improvements for the utilities company.

The county and town officials of the territory through which the extension will pass have granted franchises, right-of-way, etc., and the new field will be rapidly developed. The extension of the high line will prove a big boost for the smaller places which cannot now get adequate current for all purposes, and guarantees to the citizens of the country South of Ballinger new industries which will naturally follow in the wake of the utilities company. It will also add to the utilities company's properties about seventy-five miles of new high line.

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### RAIDS CASH DRAWER AND MAKES ESCAPE

While the employes of the Dodge Bros. garage near the Santa Fe passenger station had their backs turned, or were in some other part of the building early Saturday morning, a thief made a raid on the cash drawer and escaped with twelve or fifteen dollars in cash. A young man who was in the garage a few minutes before the money disappeared could not be found by the officers who immediately instituted a thorough search.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Boyd came in Saturday from San Antonio and will spend a few days visiting relatives.

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## BOOZE CAR IS BADLY TANGLED

(San Angelo Standard)  
When police at 4:00 o'clock Thursday morning caused a speeder, whose car lights were out, to abandon the machine in the 1200 block on Orient Street they found in it a box containing twenty-six pints of whiskey, two broken bottles and one empty. In the box also were a cloth knapsack containing a rubber tube presumably for siphoning, a paper sack filled with corks, labels bearing conspicuously the words, 'Old Taylor Whisky,' and paper seals marked 'Catelle en Mexico.' A .38 calibre Colt revolver and a flashlight were left on the front seat of the touring car, a 1924 model Ford.

James White, assistant police chief, and C. C. Hawley, night patrolman, first gave chase to the speeder on Chadbourne Street. They were gaining on him when he slackened speed, leaped from the car and escaped in the darkness. No arrest had been made at noon Thursday. The booze and the Ford were at the police station, where Police Chief Barbee remarked dryly that the owners might recover their property by calling for it.

The police chief reported receiving a telephone call Thursday morning from W. D. Lumpkin, theatre manager at Miles, to the effect that several days ago he loaned his Ford to Roy Nix and that Nix Thursday morning reported to him that the machine had been stolen in San Angelo overnight. The motor number which Mr. Lumpkin gave, 9,439,549, corresponded with that on the car in which the liquor was found, Mr. Barbee stated. Mr. Lumpkin said he had bought the auto only recently at Paint Rock and had not received a transfer and bill of sale.

Investigation by telephone revealed that highway license number 613,863, tallying with that borne on the front of the car, was issued at Ballinger to Otto Groll, employe in a grocery store at Rowena, Mr. Barbee said. The rear license plate number 696,032 was found to have been issued by the state and county tax collector's office here to Mrs. Guadalupe Hevare.

Police believe that the liquor is corn whisky distilled somewhere in this section. The stack of labels found bear the designation of "Cia. Destiladora Nacional, S. A., Destiladores," at Piedras Negras, Coahuila, Mexico.

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### BISHOP TO GO TO BEAUMONT THEATRE

J. H. Bishop, who has been with the Maeroy Theatre here for over two years, is leaving Sunday for Beaumont, where he has accepted the management of a motion picture house for the Jefferson Amusement Company. Mrs. Bishop will go to Gouldsburg in Coleman county, where she will visit relatives for several weeks before joining her husband in Beaumont.

The Jefferson Amusement Co. operates five theatres in Beaumont and five in Port Arthur, and is one of the largest theatrical concerns in Texas, being affiliated with several larger amusement houses in Dallas and Houston. Herman has made good here and in other theatres before coming to Ballinger and the promotion to the management of a large motion picture house is well deserved.

Oakley Clark has accepted the position of projection man at the Maeroy, and will take Mr. Bishop's place at the machines.

Judge A. K. Doss, of this city, and John Q. McAdams, of Winters, returned Tuesday at noon from a ten days stay on Corpus Christi Bay and intermediate points, where they mixed pleasure with a little business. No fish stories have been made public.

## CELEBRATES 57TH AN ECHO FROM WEDDING DAY TRUSTEE MEET WITH BIG FEAST

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Nichols, with about fifty of their sons, sons-in-law, daughters, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and great grandchildren, and a few friends, gathered on Elm Creek at the Runnels crossing Wednesday of this week, where they enjoyed a picnic in celebrating Mr. and Mrs. Nichols' fifty-seventh wedding anniversary.

It was a most interesting gathering in that four generations were brought together, and there are few couples in Runnels county who can boast of such a long married life, surrounded with such a large family of children, grandchildren and great grandchildren to meet with them on such an occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Davis, of Winters were also present at the celebration. The families of Mr. Nichols and Mr. Davis are related through marriage, the children from each family having married into the other in a way that make the two families one large family. Mr. and Mrs. Davis have also traveled down the path of life a long way together.

Notwithstanding that there were about fifty members of the family connection present, there were about thirty absent, being scattered to other parts of the country and not able to come here for the celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. Nichols were married in Alabama on July 22, 1868. They started for Texas in the fall of 1868, traveling in an ox wagon and landed on the Sabine River in Panola county, Texas, on Christmas day of 1868. They were on the road six weeks. Mr. Nichols says that when they pitched camp on the Sabine they had a few bed clothes, one change of wearing apparel and fifty cents in money. He got work and was soon "independent."

The trail blazers moved further West, driving the same ox team, and landed in Milam county in 1869, it requiring three weeks to drive thru to Milam. Mr. and Mrs. Nichols lived in Milam county until 1900. They came to Runnels county on Dec. 25, 1900, and Mr. Nichols has prospered since locating here, and is now "well fixed."

Of the eight children born to them Mr. and Mrs. Nichols have six children living, but with their children-in-law, grandchildren and great grandchildren, they have a large family to meet with them each year and celebrate with a wedding feast. There are 29 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

### NATIVE TEXAN MARRIED FIFTY YEARS AGO SUNDAY

"Uncle" Johnny Fox was in the city Monday and was looking as young and spry as ever, notwithstanding that he celebrated his fiftieth wedding anniversary Sunday with a family reunion. Several families, including the families of Mr. and Mrs. Fox's eight children, gathered at the Fox home on the Mapes ranch down the Colorado River Sunday, where they enjoyed a barbeque dinner and made the day a happy one for the pioneers.

The fatted calf was butchered Saturday, and Sunday the Fox family were at home to their neighbors and several visitors from a distance. Mr. and Mrs. Lou Mapes went down from Ballinger and spent the day. Mrs. E. J. Foster, of San Antonio, a sister of "Uncle" Johnny, and two of his nieces, Mrs. Olin King and Mrs. Elizabeth Nelson, of San Antonio, were here for the reunion. Others making up the party at the wedding anniversary were Fred King and family, Bennett King and family, Frank Kre and family, Ignatz Kre and family, Pryor Mapes and family, Mrs. Mary Lewis of Austin, J. M. Greenhill, Dr. C. W. Cheatham, Fred Mapes and family and several others.

Mr. and Mrs. Fox were married at Santa Marhreta in Nueces county, on July 26, 1875, and they have not only been married fifty years, but they have lived in Texas all this time, and "Uncle" Johnny is a native Texan. Mrs. Fox came to Texas from Missouri. They have eight children and eight grandchildren.

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

## AN ECHO FROM TRUSTEE MEET

In their closing session here Thursday the school trustees passed resolutions expressing their appreciation for the splendid hospitality accorded them during their stay in Ballinger. By a unanimous vote the trustees expressed their appreciation for the splendid luncheon spread for them by the Chamber of Commerce, and for the excellent service rendered by the young ladies of the Parent-Teachers Association in serving the luncheon.

The trustees also passed resolutions commending State Superintendent S. M. N. Marrs for the able and thorough discussion of the problems that confront the school officials in carrying on their school work and in carrying out the aims of the educational system of the state in maintaining the public schools.

The trustees held a lengthy session in the afternoon, and various questions coming up for discussion kept Mr. Marrs on his feet for several hours answering the questions which were asked by the various trustees present. By their questions the trustees showed that they were vitally interested in the schools under their care, and were eager to do everything possible to better the school conditions of the county.

Runnels county already has a good system of rural schools, but with such interest as was manifested here in the meeting Thursday with more than 125 trustees present, a still better day is in store for the children of this county. There are forty-three common school districts in the county and five independent districts with a total of 164 trustees.

**Thoughtful Mothers GIVE THEIR CHILDREN SCOTT'S EMULSION OF VITAMIN-RICH COD-LIVER OIL EVERY DAY**

### REV. E. W. WELLS JOINS BAPTISTS

The state papers carried a notice that will be of interest to Ballinger people concerning Rev. E. W. Wells, who was once pastor of the local Nazarene church, and later superintendent of this district for that religious body. Following is the news item: "Temple, July 20.—Believing that evangelism would be a larger field, the Rev. E. W. Wells, former pastor of the Church of the Nazarene at Temple, sprung a distinct surprise when he abandoned that position and joined the First Baptist Church of Temple. Temporarily his old flock is shepherdless. Wells had been fifteen years in the Nazarene ministry. He will be ordained as a Baptist minister."

### HERE TO OPEN ABSTRACT OFFICE

S. W. Hughes, who recently purchased the Security Title Co. abstract records, business, etc., from Q. V. Miller, is here from Brady looking after business and getting things in shape to open the business. Some changes are being made in the office in the rear of the Ballinger State Bank building where the abstract office is located, and Mr. Hughes stated that the office would open for business about August 1st.

Mr. Hughes will not move to Ballinger himself, and the office will be in charge of Mrs. E. B. Strickland.

## TOURIST PARK POPULAR PLACE

Eight travelling men spent the night in the new municipal tourist park at Ballinger Friday night, notwithstanding that the park is hardly complete and has not been advertised among the tourists throughout the country.

There were many cars parked in the grounds for the night, and among the lot were cars from the states of Ohio, Colorado, and Nebraska; Kingsville and Lubbock, Texas, and others which did not bear a town plate showing where they were from in Texas. It is safe to say that each tourist who spent the night here patronized one or more lines of business, and the accommodations afforded them will cause them to tell others about Ballinger.

**The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head**  
Because of its tonic and invigorating 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. 30c.

Miss Effie Parker left for Minnesota Friday, July 24th, where she will be examined by the famous Mayo Brothers. She was accompanied by Miss Annie Henson from Slaton as nurse, and her brother, Ross Parker, of New Mexico. They expect to be gone at least a month and probably longer.

Frank Holliday came down from Abilene Sunday and spent the day with home folks. The young man is with a drug store in Abilene.

Mrs. Francis Holliday returned to her home at Abilene Sunday afternoon, after spending a few days with her father, Dr. W. W. Fowler.

**Calomel Good but Next Dose may Salivate**  
It is Mercury, Quicksilver, Shocks Liver and Attacks Your Bones

Calomel salivation is horrible. It swells the tongue, loosens the teeth and starts rheumatism. There's no reason why a person should take sickening, salivating calomel when a few cents buys a large bottle of Dodoon's Liver Tonic—a perfect substitute for calomel. It is a pleasant vegetable liquid which will start your liver just as surely as calomel, but it doesn't make you sick and can not salivate. Calomel is a dangerous drug, besides it may make you feel weak, sick and nauseated tomorrow. Don't lose a day's work. Take a spoonful of Dodoon's Liver Tonic instead and you will wake up feeling great. No salts necessary. Your druggist says if you don't find Dodoon's Liver Tonic acts better than treacherous calomel your money is waiting for you.

### A FISH STORY

In time of need, something always happens to supply that want so says J. S. Neely, who had invited a large number of old time friends to take dinner with him on Wednesday. Early in the morning he was out at his lake, letting water out to irrigate his truck garden, and all at once the passage became stopped up, and upon investigation, it proved that a big ten-pound yellow catfish had decided to leave his home, and became caught in the outlet, therefore his hand was stayed from the chicken coop. He said the Lord surely provided in this instance.—Winters Enterprise.

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## The First National Bank

Of Ballinger  
SINCE 1886



HERE'S STYLE!  
HERE'S REAL COMFORT!

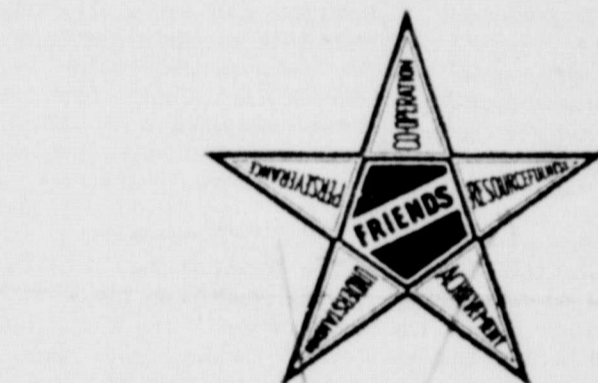
## Summer Shirts

It's a great combination—style and comfort—especially when the thermometer plays with the nineties. And here's a selection that invites every man and young man to this Store of Value.

CLEANING—PRESSING—REPAIRING

Thorp and Cohen, Tailor Shop

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## What is Thrift?

The true definition of Thrift is to spend a little less than you earn; to live simply, work diligently, spend judiciously; save consistently.

Thrift is merely common-sense applied to spending. It deprives no one of rightful pleasure or comfort, but is rather the answer to all things worth while.

Start a Thrift Account at this Bank.

**Ballinger State Bank**  
"Guaranty Fund Bank."

## NOBODY WOULD DO WITHOUT THE TELEPHONE NOW-A-DAYS

The telephone is one absolute necessity in modern business. It is necessary in modern society. No community can get along without telephone service.

So the telephone is a real vital public utility. It is so affected with a public interest that experience has shown that what is best for the community in the way of telephone service is best for the telephone company.

If the best service possible is not provided the community cannot get along as well as it might. If the community does not make such service possible the telephone company can not do as well as it deserves to do.

There is not and can not be any difference at all between the interests of this industry and the interests of the people who depend upon telephone service.

Whenever differences arise they are due to lack of understanding.

This company seeks the fullest cooperation of the community to the end that its service may be the best possible service.



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Watch the grafters. Hard times  
at other places are driving them  
West.

Times have changed. When the  
country experiences a crop fail-  
ure now, the auto industry will  
keep the world moving, if some-  
body will furnish the gas.

Win or lose in the race for the  
goat and sheep men's gathering,  
Ballinger is already receiving  
some good publicity out of the  
campaign.

One of the most substantial  
things about Ballinger is her sub-  
stantial growth. Booms some-  
times blow up, but substantial  
growth sticks.

Automobiles are thick on the  
highways, but they have not en-  
tirely replaced the horse. Three  
Mexicans are in jail at Robert  
Lee charged with horse theft.

The Dayton trial is over, but  
some men continue to make mon-  
keys of themselves by arguing  
over the evolution questions. The  
judge has ruled that monkey is  
not the daddy of man, and that  
should settle it.

Coleman and Big Lake both suf-  
fered a murder last week. Let us  
hope that Rannels county will not  
be similarly affected by the hot  
weather, either wine or women.  
Let's keep our new jail clean.

Ballinger is bidding for the  
1926 convention of goat and sheep  
raisers. We may not get the con-  
vention, but sheep and goat men  
are like most all other humans—  
subject to mistakes.

Beauty parlors in the United  
States have increased from 8,000  
to 20,000 in ten years, but we  
fail to see wherein beauty has in-  
creased in proportion. Cosmetic  
beauty is hardly skin deep.

Many Texas counties are re-  
ceiving their first bales. What  
we are more interested in is not  
when the first Rannels county  
bale will be ginned, or who  
brings it in, but in what the num-  
ber of the last bale will be.

Cotton growers received more  
than \$250,000,000 for their cotton  
seed last year. We remember  
when they were dumped into the  
river, burned and destroyed in  
other ways to get them out of the  
way.

A travelling man who comes  
this way in an auto every thirty  
days, was heard to say Tuesday  
that he would give twenty dollars  
for the chance of being pulled out  
of a mud-hole. Every line of  
business realizes that the volume  
of business depends on rain, and  
that soon.

The Brady Standard announces  
that it will issue a daily paper  
during the three days of the  
sheep and goat raisers' con-  
vention. Brady is not large enough  
to support a daily paper every  
day, but it shows enterprize on  
the part of the Standard to dress  
up on special occasions.

Vital statistics show the present  
death rate to be a little more than  
one per cent, or about twelve  
people to every 1,000 population.  
At this rate there will be 1,300,  
000 deaths in the United States  
within the next twelve months.  
However, the population of the  
country will continue to increase  
from the birth rate.

"This is the hottest summer I  
ever saw," is the most common  
expression heard on the streets.  
People can't remember from one  
season to another. This perhaps  
accounts for the hot weather  
claim. In the good old summer  
time not so many years ago we  
recall when she registered 114,  
government count.

The fellow who kicks because  
the paper does not print more  
personal locals about folks going  
and coming, is the same fellow  
who sneaks out on an auto trip  
before daylight and returns home  
after dark to keep his creditors  
from knowing that he is spending  
a little money frolicing around.

Texas holds first place in high-  
way mileage completed during  
the last fiscal year, but then it  
must be remembered that Texas  
is larger than half a dozen small  
states, and it requires about  
eleven hundred miles of road  
construction to build one high-  
way from border to border.

At the rate of one cent per  
gallon, motorists of Texas paid  
a tax amounting to \$3,600,000  
last year. If you want to know  
how many gallons of gas were  
consumed, get your pencil and  
figure it out; we haven't time to  
work the problem. However, the  
short rule of adding "00" will  
give you the answer.

A number of inquiries have been  
received in Ballinger from per-  
sons seeking openings for dry  
goods and clothing business. This  
is perhaps due to the fact that  
crop failures in other parts of the  
state make it necessary for some  
of the merchants to close up or  
move. There are no vacant  
houses in Ballinger, and this will  
prevent any line of business from  
being overdone here.

With central and a section of  
South Texas starved out on ac-  
count of the drouth, West Texas,  
or that section where the crops  
are good, will no doubt be over-  
run with people seeking work.  
This might bring about a trouble-  
some situation for the people of  
this part of the state to cope with,  
and a warning should be sent out  
to those who contemplate coming  
to investigate before they come,  
and not to come here expecting to  
find money growing on trees.

The Ledger stated that last  
week was the crisis for growing  
crops, and it was. No amount of  
rain now would make as large a  
yield as earlier rain would have  
brought, and every day without  
rain will continue to cut the  
production. Especially is this  
true of feed stuff. The farmers  
should conserve every blade of  
orange crop possible, because it  
will be worth real money next  
winter.

The Farm Bureau and Cotton  
Association News, the official  
organ of the Texas Farm Bureau,  
a paper which goes into the  
homes of the thousands of mem-  
bers of the association through-  
out Texas, is advertising the Bal-  
linger meeting which will be held  
on August 6th and 7th. The pro-  
gram will be featured on the  
front page of the Farm Bureau  
News. This is one of the most  
important conventions ever  
scheduled for this city and Bal-  
linger cannot overdo the thing in  
providing for its success.

The dog fanciers of Abilene are  
waging a campaign in an effort  
to get a law governing the canine  
tribe in that city repealed. There  
is not a law on the statute books  
which pleases everybody, and it is  
just for that very reason that we  
must have laws. The interest of  
the whole people is so varied and  
extensive that it is impossible to  
pass a law for the benefit of one  
man that does not infringe or  
conflict with the interests of  
some other individual. At least  
it appears that way when the  
individual wishes to put over  
some pet scheme, or follow some  
whimsical fancy. Therefore the  
whole public must be taken into  
consideration when laws are  
adopted. Dog laws are just as  
essential for the safety of the  
public as many other laws, and  
the public is the safest where  
such laws are the most rigidly en-  
forced.

THE PARKING PROBLEM

We have no remedy to offer,  
but that some remedy must be  
applied in solving the parking  
problem in this city goes without  
saying.

Not only for convenience's sake  
but for public safety something  
should be done to relieve the con-  
gested traffic conditions here on  
Saturday, and on other special  
occasions.

Automobiles were parked four  
deep, leaving hardly sufficient  
room for two cars to pass on  
Hutchings Avenue in the block  
between Seventh and Eighth  
streets Saturday afternoon, and  
conditions almost as bad pre-  
vailed in other blocks.

On a Saturday afternoon re-  
cently such congested condition  
prevailed when the fire alarm  
sounded, and it was only by the  
margin of a few inches that a  
crash was averted. A woman  
with several small children just  
barely did get in the clear when

the fire truck rushed by at a  
speed which would have left  
death and destruction in its wake  
had it not been for bystanders  
who assisted the woman in get-  
ting her car in the clear and she  
had to "squeeze" in between the  
congested autos to make the  
escape.

A little drastic precaution on  
the part of the powers that be  
might ruffle some fellow's feel-  
ings, but it would be better to  
make the streets safe for travel at  
the expense of making every  
motorist angry than to ignore all  
rules of safety and permit reck-  
less driving and reckless parking  
at the expense of human life.

It has also been suggested that  
a space for limited parking be  
marked off in front of the post-  
office. It would work a conveni-  
ence to patrons of the postoffice,  
and especially the ladies, if park-  
ing space for as many as two  
autos was restricted to ten min-  
utes, or less, and this would make  
it possible for those having let-  
ters to mail, or wishing to trans-  
act business at the postoffice, to  
leave their car while doing so,  
and then drive on and give room  
for someone else.

Under the present parking sys-  
tem parties are permitted to  
monopolize the streets every hour  
in the day and every day in the  
week. It is a case of first come  
first served, and as a result the  
streets are converted into a  
garage.

The Ledger recently suggested  
that the town folks might help  
the situation by parking their  
autos at some other point on  
Saturday, and leaving the streets  
free for the country folks to load  
their ears with purchases made  
here on Saturday. We did not  
expect this to be adopted as a  
popular idea, and to our expecta-  
tion one man said "my car has  
as much right on the streets as  
anybody's, and it's going to stay  
there." It is for such greed and  
selfish cases as this that drastic  
laws are made. Laws are not  
made to govern the man who  
knows right from wrong and  
wants to do right.

Signs You Can Believe In

If your breath is bad and you  
have spells of swimming in the  
head, poor appetite, constipation  
and a general no-account feeling,  
it is a sign your liver is torpid.  
The one really dependable remedy  
for all disorders in the liver, stom-  
ach and bowels is Ikerbine. It  
acts powerfully on the liver,  
strengthens digestion, purifies the  
bowels and restores a fine feeling  
of energy, vim and cheerfulness.  
Price 60c. Sold by  
John A. Weeks

CROPS

The farmers of Rannels county  
are pretty well prepared for a  
short crop, or least they could  
stand a jolt a great deal better  
than in 1918 when only 2,638  
bales of cotton were ginned in  
the county. However, we are not  
ready to concede that a short  
crop will be raised this year. It  
may rain.—Ballinger Ledger.

No doubt about it the cotton  
crop is going to be short every-  
where this year from reports.  
The entire crop of the United  
States is going to be smaller, the  
Department of Agriculture an-  
nounces, and Texas' crop is like-  
wise to be much shortened. Indi-  
cations are, however, that this  
part of the state will make a good  
cotton crop. A rain within the  
next few days would cause a  
bigger crop than last year to be  
made.—Abilene Reporter.

FLOWERS FOR THE  
LIVING

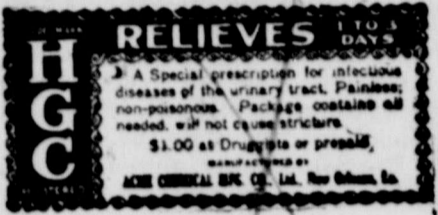
"America has lost one of her  
greatest men," said C. A. Doose  
Monday in commenting upon the  
life of William Jennings Bryan.  
"I did not wait until Mr. Bryan  
died before recognizing this,"  
said Mr. Doose, and as he talked  
he produced a copy of a telegram  
which he sent the great "Com-  
moner" more than a year ago,  
and when Mr. Bryan was battling  
for the common people and for  
the right in the last Democratic  
National Convention.

While the convention was in  
progress, and after reading the  
speech of Mr. Bryan, Mr. Doose  
went to the telegraph office and  
filed the following to Mr. Bryan  
at New York: "You are the pro-  
nounced standard bearer of the  
American people and the Demo-  
cratic Party today, notwithstand-  
ing Wall Street's attitude. Ap-  
parently you have been chosen  
from on high to lead the Amer-  
ican and European people out of  
their present chaotic condition.

May your efforts be crowned  
with success. Felicitations to  
your august body."

"I show you this just to show  
you that I believe in flowers for  
the living as well as flowers for  
the dead," said Mr. Doose, as  
he handed us the copy of the tele-  
gram from his files.

There are millions of others in  
America today who feel as Mr.  
Doose does, and who recognize a  
great loss to humanity in the  
death of Mr. Bryan. He was in-  
deed a martyr to a cause. He be-  
lieved in the principles of the  
bible and in the Christian reli-  
gion. It was no doubt the stren-  
uous work he had been doing in  
connection with the evolution  
trial that brought on his death at  
this time. Without any hope of  
financial compensation, he volun-  
teered to help uphold the state's  
right to prevent the teachings of  
what he considered an attempt to  
tear down the principles of the  
Christian religion, and in the  
midst of one of the hottest sum-  
mers this country has experi-  
enced in many years, he no doubt  
overexerted himself, and the end  
came.



GIESECKE BUILDS  
NEW RANCH HOUSE

H. Giesecke has just completed  
a new ranch house on the Russell  
Ranch which he purchased some  
time ago. Fred Bollier built the  
house and F. L. Duncan is doing  
some concrete work on the ranch  
for Mr. Giesecke, building dip-  
ping vats and a concrete tank.  
The improvements are modern  
and substantial.

FARM BARGAINS

102 acres adjoining the town of  
Miles, 72 acres in cultivation, bal-  
ance pasture, well improved;  
price \$95.00 per acre, good terms.  
120 acres 1 1/2 miles from town,  
good improvements, 100 acres in  
cultivation, price \$60.00 per acre,  
would throw in crop and give  
possession at \$65.00 per acre.  
Nice little 80 acre farm eight  
miles from town, good improve-  
ments, 65 acres in cultivation;  
price \$40.00 per acre.  
160 acres, seven miles from  
town, 75 acres in cultivation,  
small house and out buildings;  
price \$22.50 per acre.  
Also a few good irrigated farms  
on the Concho River.  
T. S. KIRBY,  
31-2tw\* Miles, Texas.



G. C. Atkins arrived Tuesday  
from California on a visit to his  
mother, Mrs. H. J. Atkins; sister,  
Miss Griffie Atkins; and brother,  
M. C. Atkins. It is the first visit  
of the California man to home  
folks in about eight years.

"Uncle" Johnny Fox, who was  
in the city Tuesday, declared that  
the cotton crop was looking bet-  
ter than it did ten days ago. He  
attributes this to the growth of  
the tap root.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Watson, of  
El Centro, Calif., left Monday to  
visit relatives at Dallas, Houston,  
Galveston and San Antonio after  
a pleasant visit with Mrs. Wat-  
son's sister, Mrs. H. S. Yeager.  
They are making the trip in their  
car.

Mrs. W. A. Bridwell and daugh-  
ter, Miss Williwood, left Sunday  
morning for Colorado, where they  
will spend the remainder of the  
summer. Both Mrs. Bridwell and  
Miss Williwood will do summer  
work in the University of Colo-  
rado.

County Agent C. W. Lehmborg  
and County Home Demonstrator  
Miss Eula Key, left Saturday af-  
ternoon for College Station,  
where they will spend a week in  
special work at the farmers short  
course. Several farmers from  
different points in the county  
contemplate attending the sum-  
mer session at College Station,  
where arrangements have been  
made to take care of a large  
crowd. Mr. Lehmborg and Miss  
Key will be gone about one week,  
and their offices will be closed  
until they return.

A. B. Burrell and family, for-  
merly of Ballinger, are here visit-  
ing Mrs. Burrell's brother, Sam  
Hutchinson and family. The Bur-  
rells were en route to their home  
at Denton from an auto trip to

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**PIGGLY WIGGLY**

the Pacific coast, and stopped  
here for a visit. Mr. Burrell says  
that they left Denton on May  
29th, had been to the Pacific  
coast and return without being in  
a sprinkle of rain. "It is so dry  
that there is not a thing in the  
way of vegetation growing be-  
tween Big Spring and San Diego  
except where it is being irri-  
gated," said Mr. Burrell. Mr.  
Burrell is engaged in the poultry  
business at Denton, operating a  
37,000-egg incubator.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Butler, of  
Texarkana, are here on a tour of  
the country and visiting friends.  
Mr. Butler formerly lived in  
Ballinger, spending his boyhood  
days here.

A. C. Homann, former Ballinger  
and Rowena banker, is here  
from San Antonio, spending a  
day or two on business and meet-  
ing old friends.

O. D. Spoons, of Fort Chad-  
bourne, accompanied the remains  
of his father, W. W. Spoons, to  
Temple for burial Friday. Joe  
Spoons, of Ballinger, went thru  
the country in an auto with sev-  
eral ladies to attend the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sorrells, of  
Colorado, Texas, arrived Satur-  
day morning on a visit to Mrs.  
Sorrell's mother, Mrs. G. B.  
Nixon. Mrs. Sorrells will be re-  
membered in Ballinger as Miss  
Jimmie Gilliam.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Keel and  
daughters returned home Satur-  
day from Oklahoma, Kansas, Mis-  
souri and Arkansas, where they  
enjoyed a visit. Mr. Keel re-  
ports a pleasant trip, and says  
that they drove in rain nearly all  
day last Wednesday through  
Arkansas, saw some good crops,  
but says it is sure fine to be back  
in Rannels county.

V. Weinberg says that he will  
open his tailor shop with a new  
assistant. A new baby boy, to be  
known as John A., arrived at the  
Weinberg home recently.

C. Black, of the Marie country,  
was here Friday. Mr. Black says  
that some crops are failing for  
the want of rain in his commu-  
nity while some are standing up  
pretty well. The old cotton is  
deteriorating much more than the  
young cotton, he said. Food will  
be much shorter than last year,  
according to Mr. Black.

Ira Sims, Edwin Day, R. B.  
Creasy and E. V. Bateman had  
business in Abilene Friday, mak-  
ing the trip in Mr. Sims' auto.

Mrs. H. H. Thomson was rest-  
ing as well as could be expected  
Thursday afternoon, following a  
serious operation Thursday morn-  
ing. She is in the Halley & Love  
sanitarium.

Kirk Gregory, who was criti-  
cally ill for ten days or two  
weeks, was reported to be im-  
proving nicely Thursday. One of  
the nurses who was on duty has  
been dismissed.

W. B. Cobb, former Ballinger  
citizen, was in the city from the  
Bronte country Thursday, and  
gave a good report of his section  
of the country.

Miss Blanche Yeager came in  
Wednesday from Dallas, and will  
spend three or four weeks visit-  
ing her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.  
S. Yeager. The young lady has  
been working in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Coulson,  
Mrs. Douglass Allen and daugh-  
ter, of Coleman; and Mrs. George  
Wilson and son, of Dallas; were  
here Friday motoring over from  
Coleman to spend the day with  
Mr. and Mrs. John A. Weeks, and  
other relatives.

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## DEATHS

**Mary Douglass Killingsworth**  
Mary Douglass, the eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Killingsworth, died at the home of her parents, near old Runnels, at 3:00 o'clock Wednesday morning. Death was due to meningitis.

The little girl was ill but a few days. She is survived by her parents, two brothers and two sisters, and other relatives, Mrs. R. E. McWilliams, of Ballinger, being a sister of the deceased's mother.

The funeral services were held at old Runnels cemetery at 5:00 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Rev. E. W. Bridges conducting the services.

King-Holt undertakers had charge of the funeral arrangements.

### R. M. Stephens

R. M. Stephens, age 75 years, 8 months and 8 days, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ira Hargis, on Strong Avenue, at 5:20 o'clock Wednesday morning, death being due to liver trouble and old age.

Mr. Stephens came to Ballinger from California last April, and had been making his home with his daughter since coming here. He was a war veteran and had been active in war work, and in old soldiers' organizations.

The remains were prepared for burial by King-Holt undertakers and shipped to Irving, Texas, Wednesday afternoon for burial. Several children survive to mourn the loss of their father.

### W. W. Spoons

W. W. Spoons, age 83 years, 1 month and 4 days, died at the home of his son at Fort Chadbourne at 8:00 o'clock Thursday evening. The remains were prepared for burial by the Higginbotham Bros. & Co. undertaking department and the body shipped to Temple for burial on the Santa Fe afternoon train Friday.

Mr. Spoons came to this country from Bell county many years ago, and had been making his home with his son at Fort Chadbourne. Joe Spoons of this city, is a son of the deceased, and accompanied the remains to Temple. Leonard Spoons, of Ballinger, is also a grandson of the deceased.

W. B. Currie says that we rushed him off to the Rocky Mountains a week too early. Mr. Currie and family are not due to leave for Colorado until next Monday.

## QUALITY COUNTS



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## YOUTH SLUGS CHECK RECEIVED MAN; TAKES CAR FOR FIRST DEATH

MELES, July 23.—Mrs. Jim Clark, who resides ten miles North of Miles, received a message this week stating that her brother, Arthur Toombs, age 42 years, of Cisco, was killed by a 16-year-old boy of that city.

Mr. Toombs was a service car operator and was preparing to go to his home Sunday night, according to information received by Mrs. Clark, when the boy requested the service car man to take him to some place near the city.

The service car man agreed to make the trip for the boy, and when only a few miles out of town Mr. Toombs was hit on the head with an iron pipe, and thrown out of his car. Upon seeing that Toombs was not dead the youth became frightened and did not try to get \$75 or \$100 which the driver had in his pocket before leaving, but escaped with Toombs' auto.

Persons appeared on the scene in a short time and carried Toombs to his home, but not thinking his condition serious Toombs refused to have a physician. After telling his family the circumstances of the attack and the name of his assailant, the man went to sleep, and never awoke. He is survived by his widow and five daughters.

The boy was later arrested in Fort Worth, where he had sold the car for \$10, according to a report of the tragedy to Mrs. Clark.

### GINNERS MEET IN ABILENE

About 200 gin men of West Texas met in convention at Abilene Friday. The gingers were welcomed to Abilene in an address by Mayor Coombes. Several gingers from Runnels county attended the convention. The gingers spent the day discussing gin troubles and plans for improving service.

### Hall's Catarrh Medicine

Those who are in a "run down" condition will notice that Catarrh bothers them much more than when they are in good health. This fact proves that while Catarrh is a local disease, it is greatly influenced by constitutional conditions. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE consists of an Ointment which quickly relieves by local application, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which assists in improving the General Health. Sold by druggists for over 40 Years. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

J. D. Smith and Jim Knight, of the Northern part of the county, were in the city Tuesday looking after a sick friend who is here in the Halley & Love sanitarium. Mr. Smith and family returned last Friday from a tour of the state, visiting Central Texas, and returning home made a trip to the Plains country, coming back via El Paso. Mr. Smith says that Central Texas is in hard shape, and that the Plains country crop is about half as good as the Runnels county prospects. "Never saw anything better than what we have," said Mr. Smith.

### Colds Coughs and Influenza

LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets remove the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 30c.

R. T. Williams and family left Tuesday for Glen Rose, where they will spend a couple of weeks recuperating. They will probably visit other places before returning home.

The first soldier's compensation check to be paid in this city was received by Agnes Davis this week when Miss Davis received a check from the government for \$1565, representing the amount of insurance granted on the life of her brother, Ulysses P. Davis, under the adjusted compensation act. Miss Davis is the daughter of J. A. Davis and sister of Mrs. R. P. Tunnell, with whom she makes her home in this city. In filing his application for the insurance under the adjusted compensation act, the former service man made his sister his beneficiary.

Ulysses P. Davis served overseas in the World War. He returned home in bad health, and after the adjusted compensation act was passed he filed his application for the insurance which the law provided for, eight days before he died. Death coming so soon after the application was made caused considerable delay in settlement.

The former soldier filed his application on July 6th. He died eight days later, July 14th, at the home of his brother-in-law, R. P. Tunnell, in Ballinger. The claim was paid on the 17th day of July this year. This is the first settlement made under the adjusted compensation law in Ballinger.

### PIREMAN DEFEAT HARWELL MOTOR CO.

The fire department team, making its first appearance on the diamond in the city league series, defeated the fast Harwell Motor Co. team who had won four straight games from the other teams of the city. The game, which was played Tuesday evening, was perhaps the best baseball seen in one of these games and with some of the best available material in town taking part the fans saw some real snappy baseball as well as the other kinds.

The Harwell team took the lead at the very beginning and it looked for a while like it would be a one-sided affair. George McMillan hit the ball far over the fence in the first inning, and his teammates succeeded in piling up seven runs in the first two innings off big Cal Douse, the husky portside-wheeler for the firemen. Earnshaw took up the mound work for the firemen in the third inning and we must say that Earnie had everything known to baseball and then some. His going to the hill finished the run getting by the mechanics and these men who have mastered the peculiar traits of the Ford car met something too deep to unravel when Earnie got to braking 'em over the plate and elsewhere.

All games must be featured somewhere and this one was no exception. Jack Whittaker, third sacker for the fire boys, took a fast grounder in the second frame with his meat hand and stepping on the bag retired the side, saving his team at least two runs. Going to bat in this same inning he hit the ball far and high into deep right garden. The ball came to earth on the only hard spot of ground in that garden, and to the bewilderment of the fielder who was waiting to pick it up, it bounced over the right field wall and gave the big boy from the shells station a home-

### BRYAN'S FUNERAL TO BE FRIDAY

DAYTON, Tenn., July 29.—Quitting forever the little Southern town where friends made his last days happy, the body of William Jennings Bryan early today began its long journey by train from Dayton to Washington where the nation will pay a final tribute to his memory before burial Friday in Arlington Cemetery.

A special Pullman attached to a regular Southern Railway train drew out of Dayton at 9:03 o'clock this morning. The car was stopped at Chattanooga where the public entered the car and viewed the placid face of the great "Commoner."

The funeral party, consisting of Mrs. Bryan with members of her household and escort of friends, occupied the forward end of the car, while the bronze casket lay on supports in the observation section of the rear end of the coach, the Pullman being a combination sleeper and observation coach.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., July 29.—The Bryan funeral party arrived here at 10:15. Central standard time this morning, and the public was admitted to the special Pullman, where in single file the people viewed the remains of the dead statesman. The crowd permitted to enter the car before the train pulled out was estimated at about 1,500, and the sorrowful friends in single file passed into the car where the casket lay, looked at the remains of the commoner and then left the coach at the other entrance.

Flowers, tributes from patriotic and civic organizations were brought and placed within the compartment where the body rested until room was lacking to hold them all.

Mrs. Bryan remained in her seat in the rear section of the coach. Her face showed the strain of the sorrowful burden which she has resolutely sustained in the sudden death of her husband.

DAYTON, July 28.—The funeral services for William Jennings Bryan will be held at Washington Friday afternoon, the exact hour to be announced later. Mrs. Bryan announced today that the services would be held in the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church. Mr. Bryan was an elder in the Presbyterian church, and had been prominent in the work of his church for many years.

DAYTON, Tenn., July 28.—Mrs. William Jennings Bryan went by automobile to Chattanooga today. She was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Ruth

### ANTI-EVOLUTION LOSES IN GEORGIA

ATLANTA, Ga., July 29.—An amendment to prohibit the teaching of evolution in the common schools of Georgia was voted down by an overwhelming vote in the state House of Representatives today.

ATLANTA, Ga., July 29.—The teaching of evolution in the public schools of Georgia, or in any school where public school money is appropriated, would be prohibited under the provisions of an amendment offered in the House of Representatives today. It is expected that the proponents of the law will make a strong effort to have it adopted.

WASHINGTON, July 28.—Hearing of Washington's evolution case set for today was postponed until Friday. On that day a motion of the government to dismiss the case will have preferred status as a question before the court.

The delay in the case was agreed to by Justice Biddons of the District of Columbia supreme court, when counsel for Loren Wittner, who brought the suit on the grounds that the pay of local school authorities should be stopped because they were teaching the science of evolution. Counsel for Wittner insisted that more time was needed to study the government's motion to dismiss. The government filed a counter motion yesterday asking that the case be dropped.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Teague and children spent Sunday with relatives in Brownwood. Cecil Parks left Tuesday morning for Miles City, Montana, where he will remain for the rest of the summer. Charlie Allen is the authority in saying that Cecil is to be married to a young lady in Montana, and may never come back to Ballinger.

### MOTHERS

Watch for symptoms of worms in your children. These parasites are the great destroyers of child life. If you have reason to think your child has worms, act quickly. Give the little one a dose or two of White's Cream Vermifuge. Worms cannot exist where this time-tried and successful remedy is used. It drives out the worms and restores the rosy hue of health to baby cheeks. Price 35c. Sold by John A. Weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Brown are arranging to spend a month in cool Colorado, making the trip in their auto and will leave Monday for the mountainous country.

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**GOLFERS TO STAGE  
HIGH DIVE STUNT**

As the result of a little wager on the golf links of the Ballinger Country Club, a high diving stunt is to be staged at the club lake upon a date to be selected by the winner, and at which time the high score man will be thrown from the top of the pump house by the winner of the exciting contest.

In one of the most thrilling games of golf ever played on the links of the country club, staged Tuesday afternoon, the Fourth of July medalist and champion player, J. Whit Patterson and A. J. Thorp, were easy victims of the direct and far distant drives and exact putting of Dr. W. B. Halley.

The trophy for the contest was a Silver King golf ball presented by W. A. Nance. Another feature of the contest, the high score man is to be thrown from the top of the pump house at the club lake into the lake by Dr. Halley and W. A. Nance on an afternoon to be selected by the high score man.

Following is the individual score card of the heated contest:

Dr. Halley 42  
Whit Patterson 45  
Leslie Baker 44  
Dr. Fowler 45  
Dick Thorp 47  
Golf score before breakfast July 28th:

E. E. Woodson 43  
Dr. Fowler 44  
Whit Patterson 45  
Asa Cordill 45  
W. A. Nance 49  
Dr. Halley 51

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M. J. Collins and wife, and Mrs. Collins' mother, Mrs. C. C. Cookrell, have returned to Ballinger from Post, Texas, and will again make their home in Ballinger. Mrs. Collins' friends will be glad to know that she is improving after a serious illness a few weeks ago.

Miss Hattie Rue Hartgrove had as her guests several school friends of Ballinger and Fort Worth and entertained them with a picnic on the river Wednesday evening.—Coneho (Paint Rock) Herald.

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**BAND TO HAVE  
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Madame Estelle

The Alamo Exposition Shows will arrive here Thursday to open under the auspices of the Turkey in the Straw Band. The show consists of five riding devices, the merry-go-round, ferris wheel, mix-ups baby swing, also seven shows. With them are Mr. and Mrs. McHugh, the latter being known from coast to coast and border to border as Madame Estelle, the "miracle girl" or "the girl with a thousand eyes," that married men are warned to keep their wives from seeing unless they have been a true loving husband; also the rodeo show, where they offer from \$25 to \$100 to anyone riding one of their horses and will also pay as high as \$50 for any outside horse brought to them that they fail to ride either forward or backward. Next comes the athletic show with Jack Fisher, the champion wrestler of Texas, who offers a dollar a minute for any man he cannot throw in ten minutes. Next comes the circus side show with its various attractions for both young and old. Also the motordrome, where they defy death by riding a straight up and down wall at the neck breaking speed of 60 miles an hour in trick and fancy riding; also other attractions. This show comes highly recommended both from auspices, county and city officials from every town they have shown in.

The local band is to share in the receipts of the show and will see that all attractions are run in a moral and up-to-date way. The proceeds received by the Turkey in the Straw Band will go toward paying the deficit on the uniform fund.

**BUG INFESTED POULTRY**

Feed the old reliable MARTIN'S POULTRY TONE, formerly called MARTIN'S BLUE BUG REMEDY to your chickens and paint your hen house with MARTIN'S ROOST PAINT to kill and keep away insects. Guaranteed by E. A. Jones at Economy Mills.

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C. C. Carter was in the city Monday from the Norton country. Mr. Carter and family returned home Saturday from an auto trip to Mississippi and Memphis, Tennessee. They traveled practically the same route The Ledger editor and family traveled, with the exception of a trip to the hospital while in Memphis. Mr. Carter guarded against such a hazard by discarding his appendix several years ago. In returning home Mr. Carter says he saw no good crops after leaving Dallas county until he got to the Norton country. "We saw some good crops in Arkansas," said Mr. Carter.

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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 combined with the soothing effect of Grove's O-Pen-Trade 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.

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Mrs. L. L. Williams and children and Mrs. W. E. Branch and daughter, Miss Edna May Lowry, and Mrs. Crockett and children of Norton, returned home Sunday from a week's stay at Christoval.

D.M. West, editor of the Bronte Enterprise, was a visitor to Ballinger Saturday.

**COUNTRY CLUB  
CREDIT TO CITY**

The club house at the Ballinger Country Club will be completed within the next few days and when finished the Ballinger organization will have one of the best pleasure resorts in West Texas.

It is hard to believe just what has been accomplished with a bought piece of ground within the short time unless one carefully drives over the club's property and sees for himself just what has been done.

The lake is the main and first feature of the club and is a body of water large enough for all kinds of recreation and as soon as the fish grow a little will add another amusement, which will interest the anglers and give them some real sport. Last year while the lake was low many loads of sand and gravel were hauled to that portion of the lake used for swimming, and a beach free from mud has been made that offers as good swimming as can be found. A bath house with twelve dressing rooms and a large verandah facing the beach is always a popular place in the late afternoons and for those who do not take to the water the verandah provides a vantage where the fun can be watched in comfort.

The golf course is getting better all the time and with all the fairways levelled and free from weeds, the greens are in excellent condition and the tees as good as can be found. Golfers are daily filling the course.

The club house will be the latest and biggest feature of the Country Club, and it is a house which the members can well be proud of. Situation on the high bluff overlooking the lake it will be the coolest place around Ballinger. In the center of the building is one large room that will accommodate practically the entire membership. This room is well ventilated and has a big fireplace in it that gives a cozy home-like appearance. A large ladies dressing room on the East side of the building is well arranged for the comfort of the ladies. An electrically equipped kitchen will also be very convenient for parties, fish fries or luncheons. The kitchen will be completely equipped and is more modern than many homes. On the West side of the building is a large smoking room for the men as well as a dressing room. A large screened porch extends all the way around the South and West sides of the house overlooking a part of the golf course and the lake and with plenty of porch seats will make a popular place to get away from the heat.

The cement basement is equipped with steel lockers and shower baths and this has added to the enthusiasm of the golf players.

A small water pump located on the edge of the lake with air pressure gives plenty of water to all parts of the clubhouse and elsewhere about the grounds where needed.

The West Texas Utilities Company has completed a line to the club property and electric lights and power is a big benefit to the

club. The club house, bath house and all the camps which belong to individuals are wired with lights, and a big spot light on the top of the bath house gives sufficient light over the beach for swimming after dark.

As soon as the club house is finished it will be furnished and will be ready for the pleasure of the members.

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Mrs. Jess Jones and daughter, Miss Nanell, Rollie Williams and family and Jim Dunnean and family are back from a trip to the Llano and San Saba, where they enjoyed a most pleasant outing.

**SLIGHT BLAZE  
IN MOVIE SHOW**

Fire broke out in the operating room of the Maeroy Theatre about 11:00 o'clock Monday night, and just as the third reel of the program was being shown and as the show was about to close down for the night. One reel of the feature picture was destroyed, the machine damaged and the electric wiring in the projection room burned. The loss was covered by insurance; and efforts were being made Tuesday to get the show in readiness to present the program Tuesday night.

There were only about one dozen people in the theatre at the time of the fire, the crowd

to attend the first show having left the building a few minutes before the fire broke out. Those in the building rushed out without a panic. More excitement would no doubt have occurred had the fire broken out earlier and while the theatre was crowded.

The fire company was on the scene in double quick time and the blaze was confined to the operating room and entrance.

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John Oakes, of Amarillo, who had been a guest in the home of W. C. Penn for several days, returned to his home Sunday morning.



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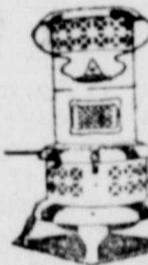
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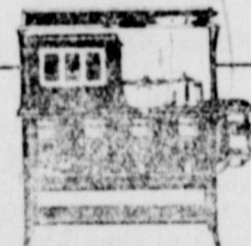
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**NEPHEW MET DEATH  
 IN TRAGIC MANNER**

Judge and Mrs. Alfred Crager are at home from Dallas, where they were called to attend the funeral of Mrs. Crager's nephew, Earl Kynard, who met death at College Station in a most tragic way a short time ago. Judge and Mrs. Crager were planning to go to Dallas on their vacation when they received notice of the death of Mrs. Crager's nephew, and they spent a couple of weeks at Dallas and other points while away from home.

Mr. Kynard was a student in the summer school at A. & M. College when he was killed. He and several other young men from the college went to Bryan, a short distance from College Station in an auto, and it seems that he did not want to stay as long as the other boys, and as was the custom of the boys, he and a companion caught a freight train to ride back to the college. The train did not stop when it reached College Station and the young man jumped off while the train was moving at a pretty good speed. In jumping from the train, Kynard's arm, or clothing caught in such a way that it jerked his arm off at the shoulder. The young man picked the arm up in the other hand and started in a run towards the college calling for help. The dean of the school seated on the porch of his home, heard someone crying for help and got in his car and met Kynard coming with the dismembered arm in his hand, and the young man remarked that he had "had hard luck, but picked it up and brought it along thinking the doctors might sew it back on." The young man was rushed to the hospital, but the loss of blood caused his death in a short time.

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**BADLY RUN-DOWN**

**Lady Was Very Depressed on Account of Poor Health.**

Mrs. H. S. Miller, of Spindale, N. C., says: "Five years ago I was very much run-down in health. I would give out with the least exertion. At times I would have to go to bed."  
 "I read of Cardui... My husband got me a bottle and encouraged me to take it. I was almost a skeleton, I was so thin. I was run-down and my general health was very poor. This was very depressing and I was in low spirits. My husband had to help me around. He did all he could for me and had me keep up Cardui."  
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**Find Many Interesting Indian Relics in Big Bend Country**

AUSTIN, July 25.—Along the Rio Grande in what is known as the Big Bend country, Indians have left record of some of their activities which were performed perhaps a hundred years ago.

Painted mostly in dark red, approaching maroon, on rocks about four feet from the ground, one of them seems to tell a connected story. Victor J. Smith writes in the second volume of the Texas Folklore Society's publication, "The group of pictures apparently recounts the story of a hunting expedition," wrote Mr. Smith. "The first drawings which illustrate the story are a totem which is intended to represent the chief in charge of the party, weapons, 12 dots which are believed to represent the number of warriors, and symbols which indicate provisions. These illustrate preparations for the hunt."

"The second chapter illustrated vividly the fight between the warriors and buffaloes. One shows the Indian with spear drawn back and the buffalo with head lowered and tail erect. Next comes a long line of 148 dots which might well represent the animals killed by the 12 warriors during the hunting season. "Trophies of the chase follow, including a pair of horns, measured with the extended arms of a man much the same as indicate the size of a fish caught; skins of animals, and hams."

"Next comes eight or nine feet of typical skyline which is interpreted to mean distance travelled, and the last drawing provides a suitable climax for the story. The central figure of this group evidently represents a woman with her arms raised in supplication. She is attacked by a man with a large club but another figure indicates a chief coming to her rescue."  
 Mr. Smith has made 46 successful trips to the Big Bend country in search of evidence of Indian occupation of that territory and has located 65 camp sites, shelter caves, fortifications, and graves. Inscriptions of some nature have been observed at 14 of these locations. The usual position of the drawings was about four feet from the ground on the walls of caves and on the faces of cliffs.

The colors vary from a dim, unintelligible smear to a deep color value and were drawn not less than 100 years ago, Mr. Smith estimates. The material which was used as a base for the colors apparently was cinchabar which is found in many places in West Texas mountains and which is mined today in Brewster county.

"A better index of the probable age of the pictographs is to be found in the internal evidence," Mr. Smith recites. "In all the crude pictures firearms are entirely absent. All the weapons illustrated are stones, clubs and spears. Guns could not have been in common use prior to 1800 and our date here is upheld. In fact, if one cared to argue greater antiquity, there is the distinct outline of a man in combat with a wild beast in which the only weapon appears to be a large rock. This drawing was found on the bottom of a large boulder which required considerable effort to overturn and clean. These drawings indicate weapons of a most primitive nature unless the artist failed to record more modern weapons in his desire to picture great personal achievement."

Aside from the story which Mr. Smith believes the Indian painter tried to tell, other individual pictures stand out at various other points in the Big Bend country. "There are life sized figures with arms raised as if supporting the sky; there is a sketch of a human being with the sun near his head and a monster elk nearby," he said.

"It is probable that the rock inscriptions were inspired by religious zeal, for much time and labor were required in their production."

"While I admit that such drawings as I have described will not yield information of great value, yet I think that careful records of such work are worthwhile because it represents a typical stage in the development of a

primitive people toward a higher culture."

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**FORMER COUNTY JUDGE IS VISITOR IN THE CITY**

Judge M. E. Kleberg, of Fort Worth, is in the city looking after business and meeting some of his old friends. Accompanied by C. A. Dooze, Judge Kleberg has just returned from Corpus Christi, where they went on business. They report that the South Texas country is in a deplorable condition. According to Mr. Dooze, cattle are starving to death, and crops are a failure, except in spots, and between San Antonio and Brady the country is burned to a crisp. The Ballinger man says that he was told that in some places in South Texas the railroads are refusing to accept cattle for shipment because they are already so poor they can hardly stand up and would probably die in transit. From one point in South Texas 10,000 head of cattle have been shipped across the border to Mexico.

Judge Kleberg was formerly county judge of Rannels county. He has been away from Ballinger about eight years and says he was surprised to find the old town had put on such improvements and rapid growth. Times were not quite so flourishing when he left here, there being quite a number of vacant business houses. The former county judge stated that the best crops he saw between Fort Worth in Ballinger were in Rannels county.

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**COTTON PICKERS WANT TO COME WEST**

A letter to the Rannels county tax collector's department from the tax collector at Seguin, Guadalupe county, makes inquiry about labor conditions here, and states that he can furnish cotton pickers, or hands for any kind of work on short notice. The letters say that crops are a complete failure in Guadalupe county, and people are trying to find employment to help them out. The South Texas man also inquires about range conditions here and wants to know if pasture can be had here for mules.

The letter is only one of many others which are being received here daily from different points in the drought stricken area. People should be careful in replying to the letters and not overdo the labor situation here. Laborers should not be encouraged to come here seeking help unless there is something for them to do. The chances are that the country will be overrun with laborers without the farmers placing orders, or writing to anyone to come.

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H. W. Lynn, of Winters, returned from a trip to Dallas and Houston, Saturday at noon, and stopped off here to look after business connected with the oil mill.

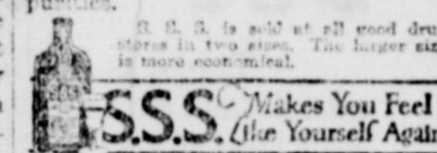
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**BALLINGER LADIES VISIT OLD MEXICO**

Mrs. Lennie Harris, Mrs. Odie Barrington, Misses Bess Corbett and Georgia Singletary are at home from a motor trip covering more than a thousand miles over some mighty rough roads and in which they toured West Texas to the border, crossed the border, explored old Mexico, and returned through San Antonio. The ladies made the trip alone, and while they experienced no difficulty in travelling, they had some experiences which will be valuable to them in future life.

The ladies went by the way of Alpine, crossing the Rio Grande at Del Rio. In the wilds of West Texas the tourists declare they travelled for miles through "uncivilized" territory and without seeing anyone. However, they declare that out of the seven or eight "flats" a man always appeared on the scene at the proper time. After spending last Sunday in Mexico, the ladies turned homeward, coming by the way of San Antonio where they were "pinched" for violating the traffic laws. All declare that it was the most pleasant ten days vacation they ever enjoyed, and say they cannot understand why anyone would want to leave Texas to find beautiful scenery, or stay at home because they haven't a man to do the driving.

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**NOT SO BLUE ON COTTON PROSPECT**

D. W. Turner was in the city from the Norton country Saturday. Mr. Turner has just returned from Hill county, and he says that his old home county is badly parched, and crops here are good compared to what he saw on the trip. Mr. Turner is not as pessimistic over the cotton crop outlook in Rannels county as some of his friends. He says that cotton is holding up well, and will stand for several days yet before going to the bad.

"What's the dead line, or the latest date we can go without rain and get by?" was a question put to Mr. Turner, and he said, "the middle of August." Of course Mr. Turner was talking about conditions in the Norton country where the crop is thriving at this time.

**WEDDING BELLS**

McCulley-Skinner

The wedding of Miss Malvina Skinner to Mr. George W. McCulley of Brownwood, was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Skinner, Thursday evening at seven-thirty o'clock, with the Revs. E. W. Bridges and W. H. Doss officiating, using the beautiful and impressive ring ceremony.

The altar placed in the living-room was a rich embankment of ferns and yellow and white zinnias in wicker baskets with tall caudalabra holding yellow tapers placed on either side.

Preceding the ceremony, Mrs. C. P. Shepherd, aunt of the bride, sang the pre-nuptial solo, "Beloved, It is Morn," accompanied by Miss Lola Bowden, of May, Daniel Baker classmate of both the bride and groom. She also played the Wedding March from Lohengrin as the bridal party entered and continued softly playing "Liebstraum" by Liszt while the marriage vows were being taken and used Mendelssohn's March as the recessional.

The bride, attired in a beautiful white georgette ensemble suit, carried a shower bouquet of sweetheart rose buds and was attended by her sister, Miss Ruth, as maid of honor, who wore a yellow crepe model made on straight lines with inserts of georgette. They were met at the altar by the groom who was escorted by Jesse S. Daniel, of Brownwood.

Mrs. McCulley is the elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Skinner and is one of Ballinger's most lovely young women and has a host of friends here where she has grown from infancy to young womanhood. She is a graduate of the Ballinger high school and of Daniel Baker College at Brownwood, both in literary and voice, and the wedding is the culmination of a romance that began while both the bride and groom were students there.

The groom is the son of Mr.

and Mrs. J. A. McCulley of Brownwood, and is also a graduate of Daniel Baker College.

Immediately following the ceremony, an informal reception was held honoring the bride and groom. Guests were asked to register in a pretty Bride's Book presided over by Miss Helen Brewer, Misses Ruth Skinner, Leila McCulley and Ellen Jones of Brownwood, and Evelyn Shepherd passed a refreshment plate containing yellow and white cake with yellow brick cream.

After the reception Mr. and Mrs. McCulley left in their car for San Antonio, Galveston and other points. After September first they will be at home at Telluride, Colorado, where Mr. McCulley has accepted a position as teacher in the high school.

Out-of-town guests at the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McCulley and Miss Leila, Mrs. William King, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Jones and Miss Ellen Jones, and Mr. Jesse Daniel, all of Brownwood; Mrs. Elbert Clappitt, of Cisco; Miss Lola Bowden, of May; and Misses Rena and Relda Freeman of Mercedes.

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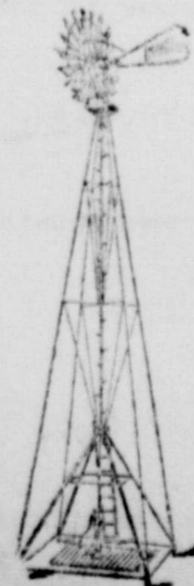
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**MILES NEWS EVENTS**

**MILES, July 25.**—The Rev. W. A. C. Mueller, D. D., age 67, pastor of the Lutheran Church of this town, was found dead in his home at 2:30 Friday afternoon by neighbors who became alarmed because of his non-appearance about the place and upon investigation found him kneeling by the side of his bed as if he had passed away while at prayer.

Dr. Herndon, who was passing by at the time was called, and stated that the preacher must have died during the night. Rev. Mueller was apparently in good health at a late hour Thursday night.

An inquest was held and the cause of his death ascribed to dilation of the heart.

Rev. Mueller was recently called to this place by the Lutherans from Baden, Canada, where he had been preaching for some time and was accompanied here by his sister, Mrs. Jennie Jatha, of Chicago, who had been keeping house for him, and who at the time of his death was visiting relatives in Chicago. Since coming to Miles Rev. Mueller has lost two brothers, one a major in the U. S. army, in much the same way as his passing. Besides his sister, Rev. Mueller leaves a son, C. S. Mueller, of Orlando, Fla.; two daughters, Mrs. Otto Reenstjerna and Mrs. Brown, both of Charleston, South Carolina.

Funeral services for Rev. Mueller were held Sunday at 2:00 p. m. at the Lutheran church; Rev. Kern of Vernon, preaching in the German language, and Rev. Mohr of Rowena, in English. The body was shipped on the 3:56 p. m. passenger train to Philadelphia, where he will be buried by the side of his wife.

Mr. and Mrs. John Chapman, of Gorman, visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eckert here on Wednesday.

Miss Ruth Chapman, of Ballinger, spent Tuesday and Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eckert.

Lloyd Eckert was in Ballinger Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. B. Eckert visited relatives in Ballinger Wednesday.

E. J. Nix, of San Angelo, was a visitor here Thursday evening.

W. C. Weatherly, L. B. Elam, and H. H. Frey, Miles school trustees, attended the county trustees meeting in Ballinger last Thursday and heard S. M. N. Marrs.

Mrs. Bertram Helweg and Mrs. Marcus Helweg, were visitors to Pony Creek Thursday.

Miss Lois Thomas returned Thursday from Temple, where she had been visiting friends.

Mrs. T. D. Richards, Mrs. E. H. Lumpkin and daughter, Ora Claire, and Miss Eva Walker, who had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Otho Loudamy, returned to their

home at Big Spring on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Burrell and son, Cecil, visited Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Gist in San Angelo Wednesday.

Bernice Burrell, who had been visiting his grandparents, returned home with his parents.

T. B. Dillingham, E. Burrell and sons, Bernice and Cecil, were visitors to Paint Rock Thursday.

Miss Orvin Proctor, a sister of Jason Proctor, of the Byrd community, and a Methodist missionary to China, was scheduled to give a lecture at the Byrd school house on Tuesday evening, July 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Parmer left Saturday evening for their home at Wichita Falls, after visiting Mr. Parmer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Parmer, of Miles.

Mrs. Leslie Clark, of Copperas Cove, came in Saturday to visit Mrs. Charlie Bell and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Parmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Aylor were in Ballinger Saturday.

The Temple All Stars arrived in this city Monday to play three games of baseball with the Miles Mixers on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

The local baseball boys were defeated Saturday by the score of 8 to 6, by a team from Eola.

Mrs. M. J. Mayo and daughter have returned to their home at Gorman after spending a few days with friends in Miles.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Curry have returned to their home at Snyder after visiting their children here.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Curry and daughter, Miss Katie, have returned to their home at Blanket after visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Coleman for a few days.

Frank Garlitz was a visitor here from Mereta Saturday.

Lum Bailey, city marshal, has returned from Dallas, where he attended the state Chiefs of Police and City Marshalls' Association convention.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Moore and daughters, Mae and Grace, are visiting in Lubbock, Lamesa, Idaho and other points.

Mrs. Iva Fairchild, of Lubbock, is visiting her brother, J. L. Williams here.

Don Forest, who had been visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Meadow, of this place, has returned to his home at Belton.

Mrs. Bullock and children have returned to their home at Bryan, after visiting the former's mother Mrs. Sarah Smith.

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Is a dull, nerve-racking backache wearing you out? Do you feel older and slower than you should? Are you tired, weak and nervous; find it impossible to be happy, or enjoy the good times around you? Then there's something wrong and likely it's your kidneys. Why not get at the cause? Use Doan's Pills—a stimulant diuretic to the kidneys. Your neighbors recommend Doan's. Read what this Ballinger resident says:

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T. S. Kirby was here from Miles Tuesday. Mr. Kirby says that if it rains within the next week or ten days the Miles country will make more cotton than that section produced last year. He declared that the crop was holding up well.

**POVERTY EPIDEMIC BREAKS OUT HERE**

According to members of the charity board of this city, Ballinger is experiencing an epidemic of poverty and the epidemic threatens to become more serious as fall and winter approach.

The charity board is being appealed to almost daily, and Wednesday morning a woman with three small children applied for help. The woman gave her name as Mrs. T. J. Wash, and came here, according to her story, to join her husband, who had written for her to come. The woman and children arrived in Ballinger on the midnight train Tuesday night, coming from Comanche. She told the charity board that her husband came here about three weeks ago, and that last Saturday she received a letter from him stating that he had obtained work here and for her to come. She had been unable to locate him, or find any one who knew him since arriving here, and she appealed to the charity board for help, stating that she was without money and means of support. The charity board was making an effort to locate the man late Wednesday and stated that in case they could not find him, transportation would

be furnished the woman and children back to Comanche. W. A. Bridwell, member of the board, stated that he was receiving numerous calls for help from people who had come here from the drought district seeking help, and failing to find work were falling back on charity. "The situation is getting serious," said Mr. Bridwell.

"We are going to have our hands full, and more than we can do," said Mrs. J. W. Blasdel, as she related how a family in distress camped near her home a few days ago.

Sheriff McWilliams called on the charity board to help a distressed family camped in the tourist park, and it is reported that others are living on the ragged edge of life in wagon yards and at camp grounds near the city.

Until the crop harvesting season opens there will be no work here for surplus laborers, and those drifting in here now, leaving the drought district on account of the crop failure, are in many instances broke when they reach here, and failing to get work they resort to begging.

The citizens should protect themselves by sending out a warning to the world that laborers are not needed here now,

and that the charity board has no funds. We have all we can do to take care of the local situation, and it will be impossible to feed, clothe and keep the "drifters" warm during the winter.

**FISHERMEN "BRING HOME THE BACON"**

Judge A. K. Doss, of this city, and John Q. McAdams, of Winters, who returned from Corpus Christi Tuesday at noon, report great success fishing in the Gulf and they "brought home the bacon" as proof of their prowess.

The gentlemen report a catch of 225 pounds of mackerel out five miles from Corpus Christi in one forenoon's fishing. Judge Doss declares that it was some thrill to land the big ones, and especially when a fellow had as many as five hooked at one time. Judge Doss and Mr. McAdams shipped 100 pounds of their big catch home, the fish coming in a barrel packed in ice. Some of their friends suggested that Mr. McAdams and Judge Doss probably used "silver bait," but we hardly think so, as both have the reputation of adhering to strict veracity in relating fish stories. The two gentlemen report a very pleasant week's outing, ideal

motoring over good roads, but declared that crop conditions and the general condition of the country through which they travelled is deplorable.



**NEW BAROMETER SHOWS LOW READING**

The Farmers & Merchants Bank have installed a new barometer, in order that their friends might keep posted on the weather changes. The new weather indicating machine was received and put in operation Tuesday, and proved true in the first try-out when a low reading was followed by the rain flurry here Tuesday afternoon. The reading continued low Wednesday, indicating a sharp change in the weather, and the indicator was pointing directly to "stormy." The barometer is in the front window of the bank building. Drop by and get its reading when you want to know what the weather man has in store for us.

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