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New and More Astounding Values Add Much Interest

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Most all wanted materials and styles of silk and wool.

$12.00 to $13.50 Dresses at - **$7.50**
$18.50 to $27.50 Dresses at - **$13.50**
$32.50 to $40.00 Dresses at - **$19.50**

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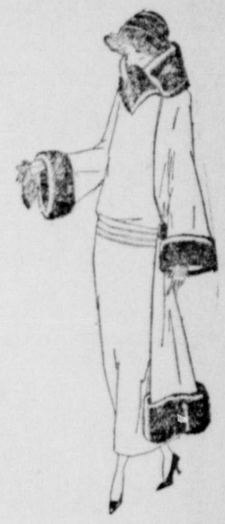
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Lovely new materials and styles, including extra sizes.

$13.50 Coats at - **$7.50**
$21.50 Coats at - **$11.50**
$24.00 Coats at - **$16.50**
$30.00 Coats at - **$21.50**
$45.00 Coats at - **$24.50**



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Here are high grade Suits and Overcoats from manufacturers such as Schloss Bros., Kincaid & Kimball and other best known manufacturers of high grade clothing, at prices greatly under inferior grades. Our personal guarantee is behind every garment.

Three-Piece All-Wool Suits

$18.00 to $20.00 Suits - $13.00
$25.00 Suits - $15.00
$27.00 to $30.00 Suits - $17.00
$35.00 Suits - $23.00
$37.00 to $40.00 Suits - $24.00
$40.00 to $50.00 Suits - $28.00

Men's and Boy's Overcoats

$7.00 Overcoats - $4.00
$11.00 Overcoats - $6.00
$14.00 Overcoats - $8.00
$15.00 Overcoats - $9.00
$20.00 Overcoats - $14.00
$25.00 Overcoats - $17.00
$32.00 Overcoats - $19.00

Boy's Long Trouser Suits

$15.00 grades, sizes 32 to 34, sale price - $9.00
$17.00 to $22.00 grades, sizes 30 to 34, sale price - $11.00

Boy's Knicker Suits
With Two Pair Trousers

This group includes all wanted sizes in durable wool materials, values to $9.00, more than 200 at this one price, only - $6.00

Hi-Lo Sun Fast Felt Hats

These include both staple and new novelty shapes in plain, scratch felts and velours. Hi-Lo Hats can only be had at this store and both ourselves and the manufacturer give you an absolute guarantee of fast color and satisfactory wear.

$4.50 grade Hats, sale price - $3.75
$6.00 to $7.00 grade Hats, sale price - $4.75
7.00 staple shapes - $4.85
Novelty scratch felts - $1.25
Silk lined scratch felts, regularly $5.00, sale price - $3.25
Group Hats and Caps, all grades, choice - 50c

Extra special prices on Campus and Sure-Fit Caps.

Belted Rubberized Raincoats
For Boys $2.45 For Men $3.45

Exceptional values in tight woven, belted models, made of rubberized cloth, extremely serviceable.



Silk Hosiery Acceptable Gifts

Such well known brands as Onyx, Cadet, Wunderhose and others, in all new shades.

Cadet silks in individual Xmas boxes, chiffon and meduim weights, the pair - **$2.25**
Onyx "Pointex," in all new colors, two weights, the pair during Christmas and Pre-Inventory Sale, at - **$2.10**
Dependon full fashioned silks in all colors, regularly $2.25, the pair - **$1.85**
Lady Betty fashioned silks, brown and black only, the pair - **89c**
Lenox fibre silks in gray, brown and black, the pair, during this sale - **45c**

Clearance On All Women's Shoes

Our large and complete stock is yet unbroken and most all wanted styles are included, such as suedes in all wanted colors; lovely new effects in satin; and serviceable oxfords in kid or calf, such well known brands as Queen Quality, Cahill, Beacon and others.

Large group carried over styles, all grades, the pair, during sale - **89c**
Large selection of high grade Pumps, Straps and Oxfords, every one a this season style, worth more than double, the pair, now - **$2.95**
Newest Queen Quality novelties, values to $9.00, the pair, during Christmas Sale, only - **$5.95**
Cahill oxfords in black or brown, regularly $7.50 to $9.00, the pair - **$3.95**
Newest shades suede straps and sport oxfords, all new, the pair, only - **$3.85**

Beautiful Furs!

Handsome Scarfs and Chokers in Stone Marteen, Fox, Wolf, Mink, Lynx and others, enormously reduced. Wise shoppers, don't miss these:

$6.00 Furs reduced to - $3.45
$10.00 Furs reduced to - $5.85
$11.00 to $12.00 Furs reduced to - $8.45
$15.00 Furs reduced to - $9.85
$21.00 Furs reduced to - $12.85
$25.00 Furs reduced to - $16.85
$27.00 to $28.00 Furs reduced to - $17.85
$32.50 Furs reduced to - $19.45

Woolen, Silk and Cotton Goods

Fancy Woolens, regularly $3.00 and $3.25 - $2.49
All Wool Serge, regularly $2.50, yard - $1.49
Poiret Twill, 48 inches wide, regularly $3.50 and $3.00, the yard, during sale - $2.49
Wool Crepe, 40 inches wide, regularly $2.75, yard - $1.98
Wool Shepherds Checks, 42 inches wide, regularly $2.25 the yard, during this sale at - $1.69
Wool Serge, wanted colors, regularly $1.50 to $1.25 the yard, during sale - 79c
Messaline, regularly $2.00, the yrad - $1.29
Taffeta, wanted shades, regularly $2.25 to $2.75, yard - $1.19
Crepe de Chine, and light weight cantons, regularly to $2.50, the yard - $1.49
Satin Back Canton, best quality, regularly to $4.50, yard $2.69
Lingerie Cloth, beautifully figured, wanted shades, yard - 49c
Kimono Fleece, wanted figured colors, regularly 40c, yard 24c
Outing Flannel, heavy weight, 27 inchwidth, yard - 15c
Outing Flannel, extra heavy, 27 inch width, yard - 18c
Outing Flannel extra heavy, 38 inches wide, yard - 22c
Eden Romper Flannel, extra quality, regularly 30c, yard - 19c
Gingham, 27 and 32 inch widths, excellent quality, yard - 14c

Men's and Boy's Shoes

Solid leather scout Work Shoes for men, pair - $1.75
Boys' dress Shoes in three wanted lasts, regularly sell for $4.00, sale price - $2.95
Men's solid leather vici kid comfort Shoes, plain and cap toe, extra value, pair - $2.95
Men's Goodyear welts, including Officers' dress Shoes, many new styles, pair - $3.50
High grade dress Shoes, regularly to $6.00, all wanted styles, the pair - $4.75
Highest grade dress Shoes to $9.00 regularly, newest styles, most wanted lasts and leathers, pair - $5.95

Men's All-Wool Flannel Shirts

A special purchase of Men's high-grade all-wool flannel Shirts, shown for the first time this week, including desirable checks and solid colors, positively the greatest value ever offered, more than five dozen, priced regularly at $6.00 to $7.00, choice of lot during sale at - $2.95

Men's Wool Trousers

Regular $4.50 grades, sale price - $3.25
Regular $6.50 grades, sale price - $4.50



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A delicious cup of coffee raises a meal from the level of the commonplace to the eminence of distinction. Serve White Swan Coffee to your friends and you will soon have a reputation for delightful refreshments.

Ask your grocer for it today — one and three pound *full weight* cans — whole or ground.

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TEXAS

White Swan COFFEE

20,000 BALES TEXAS COTTON ON ONE BOAT

DALLAS, Dec. 10.—The largest single water shipment of cotton ever made by any one shipper from Texas to Liverpool or other foreign consuming markets will leave Houston December 22, according to T. M. Edwards, general sales manager of the Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association, when approximately 20,000 bales of co-operative members' cotton will be shipped.

"This cargo is valued at approximately $4,000,000," Mr. Edwards said, "and the entire cargo will be cotton of the Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association. A particular outstanding and important fact in connection with this shipment is that the approximate 20,000 bales represents sales made from our members direct to the consuming markets," he said.

"These sales were consummated during the ten days when the market was at its peak," Mr. Edwards said, "and represents a big profit to the members of the cotton association."

The Abercos, a ship of 6,076 gross tonnage has been furnished by the U. S. Shipping Board, and will dock at Houston December 17th. Five days have been allowed for loading, and arrival of cargo in Liverpool will be about 21 days later. Plans have been made for officials of the association to accompany the boat from Houston to Galveston.

It was also announced that Texas would be widely advertised thru this shipment, steps being taken to extensively mark the boat so that "the world will know 'It's from Texas.'"

"The association has made previous shipments to Liverpool and other foreign markets this year," Mr. Edwards said, "but this is the largest shipment that has been made to date and according to the best information we have, is the largest single water shipment of Texas cotton by any one shipper from Texas."

Shaky Nerves

Jangling nerves and quivering muscles are quickly calmed by FORCE Tonic. It quiets and soothes nerve racked bodies by restoring lost energy and strength.

Force TONIC
"It Makes For Strength"

FROM NEIGHBORING CITIES

The grand jury at Brady adjourned after finding four felony bills and one misdemeanor.

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Brownwood is receiving bids for the erection of a soldiers and sailors memorial hall.

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The Christian College at Abilene has started work on a $15,000 gym building for the college.

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There are only two prisoners in the Taylor county jail, while during the recent crime wave in Abilene it is said there were as many as 63 men in the jail at one time.

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Coleman county's annual chicken show opened Thursday morning with 57 exhibitors and 400 birds assembled from many points.

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The Gray well in Coleman county is making 35 barrels of 44 gravity oil at a depth of 2482 feet.

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A complaint charging maiming was filed against Jim Brook in Coleman county this week, and Brook released on $500 bond. The man is charged in the complaint with biting off the ear of a young man by the name of Hosch while in a fight.

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A crew of men are digging for gold near Coleman, in the territory of what is believed to be an old Spanish mine, where large sums of gold are said to have been buried by the Spaniards.

STOP THAT ITCHING

If you suffer from any form of skin diseases, such as Eczema, Itch, Tetter, Cracked Hands, Poison Oak, Ringworm, Old Sores and Sores on Children, Sore Blistered Feet or any other skin diseases, we will sell you a jar of Blue Star Remedy on a guarantee will not stain your clothing and has a pleasant odor.

Sold by Weeks Drug Store.

COURT RULES ON TWO CASES INCOMPETENCY

R. T. Landers, of the Wilmeth country, was adjudged insane Thursday and will be placed in an asylum as soon as a place can be obtained for him. Mr. Landers is seventy-odd years of age, and is in feeble health.

The court appointed a guardian for Oscar Humphrey, of Winters, Thursday, naming the young man's mother as his guardian to look after her son's property interest and transact business for him.

Mrs. Laura M. Hoyt Recommends Chamberlain's Tablets

"I have frequently used Chamberlain's Tablets, during the past three years, and have found them splendid for headache and bilious attacks. I am only too pleased, at any time, to speak a word in praise of them," writes Mrs. Laura M. Hoyt, Rockport, N. Y.

CHANGE IN WINTERS STATE BANK FORCE

R. L. Grimes, who has been with the Winters State Bank for nine years, has resigned his position as active vice president of that institution to accept the cashiership of the Farmers State Bank of Merkel, and he is now on the job in his new location. Mr. Grimes' family will follow in a few days.

Thus Winters loses a citizen who is in every way one of the best. He has labored faithfully with the Winters State Bank, working up to his high position from bookkeeper and he has the full confidence and esteem of everyone who has had any dealings with him.

Carl Henslee has stepped up to the position vacated by Mr. Grimes, and H. W. Robinson Jr., in turn takes the former position of Mr. Henslee. Thus the responsible positions readily found men to fill them who will conduct their respective duties in a manner becoming this, the leading bank in Runnels county.—Winters Enterprise.

TEXAS CROP IS BEST IN SOUTH

DALLAS, Dec. 10.—Texas is the only state in the South that is producing better than an average cotton crop, according to L. F. McKay, director of information of the American Cotton Growers Exchange, who has just returned from a trip thru the 12 states which have state associations affiliated with the exchange.

The cotton crop in Texas this year is 4,000,000 bales, Mr. McKay said, which is an increase of about 500,000 bales over the 10 year average for the state which is 3,500,000 bales.

This increase of a half million bales over the average crop, he pointed out, is almost equal to Georgia's production. Georgia's 10 year average is 1,750,000 bales but on account of the damage by the boll weevil the crop this year will not make more than 600,000 bales.

Most of the cotton in Texas has been picked, according to Mr. McKay. The damage to the crop by the boll weevil and adverse weather conditions, has not been as great as in other states. On his trip, Mr. McKay visited Georgia, North and South Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Arkansas, Louisiana and Oklahoma.

"Cascarets" 10c Best Laxative for Bowels

"They Work While You Sleep."
If you feel sick, dizzy, upset, if your head is dull or aching, or your stomach is sour or gassy, just take one or two pleasant "Cascarets" to relieve constipation and biliousness. No griping—nice cathartic-laxative on earth for Women and Children. 10c boxes, 25 and 50c sizes—any drug store.

The Carolinas are produ a larger crop this year th ast, he said, but the crop i actically all of the other s except Oklahoma and s has been damaged by and the boll weevil.

Chamberlain's gh Remedy the Moth Favorite

The soothi d healing properties of berlain's Cough Remedy, easant taste and prompt ffectual cures have made it a avorite with people everywhere. It is especially prized by mothers of young children for colds, croup and whooping cough, as it always affords quick relief and is free from opium and other harmful drugs.

Two vacation worries are where to go and how to get home.

COOLIDGE SENDS SPECIAL MESSAGE ON BONUS BILL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—President Coolidge specifically recommended to congress today a reduction of more than $300,000,000 in the national tax bill and at the same time presented views in opposition to a soldiers' bonus.

The executive, in a message transmitting the annual budget, said frankly that "any program of new expenditure on a large scale would make tax reduction impossible for years to come." He added that tax reduction "would certainly tend to align the whole people in support of economical administration of government" which he declared is becoming "every day more and more necessary."

"I recommend a revision of tax laws," Mr. Coolidge said, "along lines which will effect a reduction of income taxes by taxing earned income more lightly than income from business or from investments; by reducing the percentages of the normal tax, and by reducing the surtax rates, with commence of their application at $10,000 instead of $6,000. I also recommend repeal of the tax on telegrams, telephones and leased wires, and of the tax on admissions, and revision of the miscellaneous taxes which are a source of inconvenience to taxpayers, and difficult to collect. On the other hand, amendments which would cause some increase of revenue should also be made to existing income tax laws relative to deductions of capital losses; deductions from gross income for interest paid and non-business losses sustained, wherein income from tax-exempt securities is involved; and the manner of taxing community incomes. These changes would reduce taxes by more than $300,000,000, which is safely within the probable surplus.

"In stating that a reduction in taxation carries with it an obligation not to embark upon an extraordinary expenditure program, I am not unmindful of the demand for adjusted compensation for soldiers of the World War, which would include among its beneficiaries the able-bodied of our veterans as well as the disabled. I question if there is any sound reason for such a measure. The country is prosperous and remunerative employment is available for the able bodied veterans as well as for other citizens.

"For the disabled veterans of the war and the dependents of those who fell the country can not do too much. It has already spent nearly two billions of dollars and is now spending nearly half a billion dollars yearly in their behalf.

"But the fit and able-bodied are offered the opportunity open to every other citizen. The government has no money to distribute to any class of its citizens that it does not take from the pockets of the people and the payment of a bonus to millions of our former soldiers could only be accomplished at a cost to the whole community, including the veterans themselves, far outweighing the benefits intended to be conferred. If I felt that a soldiers' bonus represented a great need and a proper obligation which should be fulfilled by this nation, I certainly would not make a recommendation which would be adverse thereto.

"We have now reached a point in our financial program where we can lighten the tax burden of the people, which is an added reason for taking a firm stand against any and all programs of spending that would tend to absorb the expected margin between receipts and expenditures."

Colds Cause Grip and Influenza

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

SAYS KIDNEYS CLOG AND NEED FLUSHING

Drink Water Freely and Often, Also Take Salts if Back Hurts.

When your kidneys hurt and your back feels sore, don't get scared and proceed to load your stomach with a lot of drugs that excite the kidneys and irritate the entire urinary tract. Keep your kidneys clean like you keep your bowels clean, by flushing them with a mild, harmless salts which helps to remove the body's urinous waste and stimulate them to their normal activity.

The function of the kidneys is to filter the blood. In 24 hours they strain from it 500 grain of acid and waste, so we can readily understand the vital importance of keeping the kidneys active.

Drink lots of good water—you can't drink too much; also get from any pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts. Take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast each morning for a few days and your kidneys may then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help clean and stimulate clogged kidneys; also to neutralize the acids in the system so they are no longer a source of irritation, thus often relieving bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive; cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which everyone should take now and then to help keep their kidneys clean and active. Try this; also keep up the water drinking, and no doubt you will wonder what became of your kidney trouble and backache. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year.

Mrs. Dave Cohen and daughter returned to their home at Houston Wednesday afternoon. They were called here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Cohen's neice, Miss Margaret Trail, and remained for a few days visit with Mrs. Cohen's sister, Mrs. E. A. Trail.

Rev M. A. Quindlen, of Winters, the missionary of Runnels County Baptist Association, spent several hours in the city today on his way to visit the Union Baptist church at Bethel.

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Beware of Imitations!

BAYER Demand

Unless you see the "Bayer Cross" on package or on tablets you are not getting the genuine Bayer Aspirin proved safe by millions and prescribed by physicians over twenty-three years for

Colds	Headache
Toothache	Lumbago
Neuritis	Rheumatism
Neuralgia	Pain, Pain

Accept "Bayer Tablets of Aspirin" only. Each unbroken package contains proven directions. Handy boxes of twelve tablets cost few cents. Druggists also sell bottles of 24 and 100. Aspirin is the trade mark of Bayer Manufacture of Monoaceticacidester of Salicylicacid.

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If you plant cotton why not PLANT THE BEST

Buy your planting seed from

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The cotton that is known by test as the best on the maket.

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Buy a Farm in South Plains Country

We represent the Halsell Farms in Lamb County. We can sell you a good farm on 15 years time and low rate of interest. Quit paying rent and get a start in the world. This is your opportunity.

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Exide Batteries, Seiberling Casings and Tubes.

Let us do your vulcanizing and battery charging.
If you get down, telephone 116.

Mr. Tenant Farmer

Why not begin to get ready to buy that home you have been promising yourself and family. If you need some financial help or other kind of assistance in making your deal come in and let's discuss it. We also have anything from a small truck farm to the largest ranch for sale. Write or see us in person. Always glad to talk with you.

McCarver & Lynn

ABSTRACTS, LAND LOANS, GENERAL INSURANCE

Ballinger, Texas.

NICE INCREASE IN STATE AID

County Superintendent John J. Bugg has received notice that the amount of rural school aid allotted to Runnels county is $13,565. This is about one-third more than the county received last year, and is this county's part of the $1,500,000 rural aid appropriation passed by the last legislature.

According to the provisions of the new law this money can be used for four distinct and separate purposes only: First, to enable the trustees of rural schools to lengthen the term of the small, weak, short-term schools to a minimum of six months, and if possible to a maximum of eight months; second, to provide for tuition of high school children residing in a one teacher school district; third, to provide equipment for the proper teaching of agriculture, farm mechanics and domestic arts in rural schools; fourth, to provide a grant of $1,000 for all legally effected consolidations, when voted by the citizens, which results in a school of not less than four teachers and not over 500 scholastics.

In addition to the rural aid received by the schools of this county, the per capita apportionment from the regular state school fund figures $12 per capita per annum, and this will bring to the county between $60,000 and $65,000. A one dollar distribution of this amount will be made on the 10th of this month, the county depository for the schools receiving about $5500 to be prorated out to the various schools of the county.

A TALK WITH A BALLINGER MAN

Mr. L. F. Gressett, of Eighth Street, Tells His Experience

There is nothing like a talk with one of our own citizens for giving hope and encouragement to the anxious sufferer from the dread kidney disease. We therefore, give here an interview with a Ballinger man:

"I am bending a lot and this weakened my back," says Mr. Gressett. "It was hard for me to straighten and when I did, the pains across the small of my back were severe. The action of my kidneys was so bad I had no control over the passages of the secretions. I heard of Doan's Pills and bought a box at Weeks' Drug Store. Doan's brought me great relief and regulated the kidney action and strengthened my back."

Pice 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Pills—the same that Mr. Gressett had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

Special prices on Fancy Brooches at Asa Cordill's.
12-1td-1tw

Closing out our stock of Shot Gun Shells at reduced prices. E. A. Jeanes & Co. 13-5d-2w

GIN REPORTS PUTS SKID UNDER COTTON PRICE

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The local cotton market today broke from one hundred to one hundred and two points below the close of Saturday, the bulls losing in the day's trading by $5.00 a bale.

The break is attributed to weak Liverpool cables and a readjustment of ideas as to the next crop estimate. The liquidation today carried January quotations down to 32.78; March, 33.20.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Cotton broke four dollars per bale in the local market today upon the publication of the government's ginning report. January fell to 33.78; March, 34.15; which brings the market down to a new low level for the preesnt reacationary movement, and represents a decline of from $15 to $16 per bale from the season's high point of ten days ago.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Cotton ginned prior to December 1st amounted to 9,243,917 running bales, including 228,967 round bales which are counted as half bales.

Up to the same date last year the total ginnings amounted to 9,319,601 running bales, including 157,768 round bales. The Census Bureau made public the government ginners' report this morning.

The total ginnings in Texas amounted to 3,919,458 bales.

YOUNG COUPLE EARN $10,000 A YEAR

ABILENE, Texas.—A young man and his wife, sweethearts in Draughon's College a few years ago, now have combined incomes of nearly ten thousand dollars a year as a result of the world-famous Draughon Training. Many similar instances could be given, it is stated. The College guarantees good beginning positions, and its thorough training insures rapid promotion to ambitious young men and women. Its free catalog No. 10 will be an inspiration to you. Write for it and Guarantee Contract today, addressing J. D. Miracle, Supt., Box 38, Abilene, Texas, or Box 1593, Wichita Falls, Texas. 14-1tw-*

W. B. Ray, of Waco, was here for a few hours on business Wednesday. Mr. Ray had been in South Texas on business and was en route home for the holidays.

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Tax Collector Will Brown is working in the Western part of the county this week. He is collecting taxes at Rowena and Miles.

N. F. Smithson, of the Wingate country, was among those who were here Thursday to carry out a Delco light plant.

SCHOOLS GET 2 WEEKS HOLIDAY

The schools of Runnels county will recess Friday afternoon for a two weeks' period. The first week of the recess will be occupied by the teachers in the annual Concho-Colorado Institute which convenes in Ballinger next Monday. The other week will be Christmas week, and the schools will reconvene on Monday, Dec. 31st.

Eight or ten other counties will join the Runnels county teachers in the annual institute here, and between 400 and 500 teachers are due to enroll in the institute. Those in charge of the program are busy this week preparing for the opening of the institute.

The Parent-Teacher Association will be hostess to the teachers at a reception which is being planned by special committees. The reception will be held at the American Legion club rooms on some night to be announced later.

The joint institute will bring together not only a large number of teachers to discuss and study better teaching methods, but prominent educators are on the program and the teachers will be privileged to hear addresses from some of the best speakers in the state during the week.

Since the plan of holding a joint institute was adopted the meetings have been alternating between San Angelo and Ballinger. The institute was held at San Angelo last year. It is up to Ballinger to go San Angelo one better in its program of entertainment, and every citizen should consider him or her self a committee of one to see that the teachers are made to feel at home during their stay in our city.

See the New Railroad Watch at Asa Cordill's. 21 Jewel B. W. Raymond. It's a Beauty.
12-1td-1tw

Mrs. Rosa Scott returned to her home at Abilene Monday morning. She had been here looking after some property she owned in this city.

Blizzard is Still Raging Over West

EL PASO, Dec. 11.—El Paso is in the grip of the worst blizzard in twenty years, according to the statistics of the weather bureau.

Snow has fallen steadily here fore more than twelve hours, and a steady gale has caused damage to homes, farms and other property throughout the Rio Grande valley.

DALLAS, Dec. 11.—Sleet, snow and rain over the Panhandle and portions of West Texas yesterday and last night, with steady cold rains in North Texas, and a sharp drop in the temperature throughout the state, probably brought the coldest weather of the season, and still colder weather is predicted for Dallas and North Texas tonight. Cold rain continued to fall here today.

The rainfall in Ballinger for Monday and up to Tuesday at noon amounted to an even half inch. A slow rain fell intermittently Monday afternoon, Monday night and continued Tuesday morning.

The ground is so wet that it is soggy, and so soggy that water is oozing out of the rocks.

The last quarter of 1923 promises to set another rain record for Runnels county. With two-thirds of December remaining on the calendar, the rainfall for October, November and the present month almost equals eleven inches, which is seeond to the greatest precipitation in a 30-year weather record of the county.

To be exact, the rainfall at Ballinger for October, November, and up to date for the present month, amounts to 10.85 inches. Only one other year in the last thirty shows as much rain for the last three months in the year. In 1913, 13.95 niches of rain fell in October, November and December, and it was the following year—1914 that Runnels county harvested the largest cotton crop in its history, 58,184 bales.

In 1907 the three last months in the year brought 9.89 inches of rain, and 1908 brought 52,700 bales of cotton. In 1918 we got 9.70 inches of rain in the last quarter of the year and in 1919 we picked 47,245 bales of cotton.

Thus it can be seen, if rain records are the forerunners of what the crop yield for the following year will be, Runnels county is promised another bumper cotton crop. All signs fail, especially in dealing with weather in West Texas, and there are exceptions to all rules, but the dry weather pessimist has lost his job in this section for the time being.

Judge Overton Parish of Ballinger bought this week of Mrs. Cora M. Hartgrove 320 acres of land out of the South Amos pasture on Duck Creek, at $17.50 per acre. This is good land but is unimproved.—Concho (Paint Rock) Herald.

DATES SET FOR '24 STATE FAIR

DALLAS, Dec. 11.—October 11 to October 26, inclusive, are the 1924 dates for the State Fair of Texas at Dallas.

These, with dates for several other fairs on the Mid West circuit, were arranged and announced at the annual meeting of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions at Chicago, December 7th. Dates for the Mid West circuit have been assigned with apparent full cooperation and to best advantage for all the expositions concerned. Especially does the arrangement permit of shipment and exhibition of show cattle at all the fairs with least interference.

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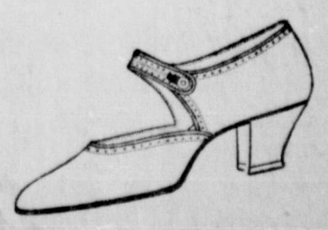
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Men who make their mark in the world do not have to advertise it.

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It seems that the Mexicans can not elect a president without first staging a revolt.

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The rain maker, it seems, has his wires crossed and has West Texas mixed up with Arkansas.

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An Iowa woman, single handed, held up a bank and got away with $1300. Woman is rapidly taking the place of man.

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The charity drive will be commenced Tuesday. Your Christmas will be a better Christmas if you remember the poor.

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To say the least of it Coolidge is consistent on his tax reduction and bonus opposition. Cutting the tax would not pay the bonus, and paying the bonus would not cut the tax.

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Burglars have been busy in Brownwood for the past few days. It seems that there is no such thing as a burglar-proof town.

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The state fair cleared $76,249.-85. That is a little more money than the Runnels County Fair made, but citizens here got just as much for their money in proportion to the amount spent.

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There are several new residences going up in Ballinger, but at the present rate it will take a long time to supply homes for the people who want to come to Ballinger.

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After a three years' investigation at an expense of $40,000, the investigators have decided that coffee is not injurious as a beverage.

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Buying rain insurance in West Texas is a new and novel way of gambling in this country. We can recall when buying dust storm insurance would have been a better bet.

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Ewing Thomason, of El Paso, a former candidate for governor of this state, says he will not be in the running next year. Mr. Thomason says that the candidate who makes the Klan issue a hobby to ride into office should not be elected. Amen.

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After the cotton market climbed to almost two hundred dollars a bale, the bears got busy and are now predicting thirty cent cotton before a let-up. What we can't understand is why a bale of cotton was worth twenty dollars more a week ago than it is today.

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Women who have been participating in elections without the payment of city poll tax receipts, can do so no longer. The law has been amended and woman is now on equal footing with man. The same rule applies for both sexes at the ballot boxes.

Women are filling men's place in the world more and more every day. A Los Angeles judge has ruled in a case before his court that a woman must pay $5 per week from her monthly salary of $140 per month to her sick husband, pending final disposition of the ease.

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A hundred farmers, representing every section of Brown county, met with the Commissioners' Court of that county and talked good roads this week. One farmer stated in his talk to the court that he broke one spring on his car while coming to the meeting. Wonder when Runnels county farmers will wake up?

The dry leaders of the country see in the Ford-for-president boom a scheme to capture wet delegates to the national convention, and thereby slip a wet plank in the platform. Such a plank will prove as only so much material in the coffin of the party that uses it.

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The American who attempted to kidnap the millionaire slacker Grover Bergdoll in Germany and bring him back to America, may have violated a German law, but it goes against the American sentiment to see that boy have to serve eighteen months in a German prison. If the German government wishes to court American friendship the best thing she can do will be to pardon Lieut. Griffis and send him home and send Bergdoll along with him.

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The tax reduction plank will be used by all politicians in building their platforms for the next campaign. The voter who is not in favor of some form of tax reduction will be a curiosity around the polls at the next election, and the candidates have their finger on the pulse of the people. The war is over, and while it is true we have hardly started paying the bill, it does not take a statesman to see where some effective hedging could be done, and wasteful leaks in the treasury of both the state and national governments "chinked" up.

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The Farm Bureau's co-operative marketing method has no doubt made it possible for its members to realize more for cotton than sales made on the open market, but there is still something lacking in making the cotton market stable and what it should be. The Farm Bureau members and everybody else could have sold cotton for about $25 per bale more ten days ago than they can today. It is possible that the loss will be regained, but it is hardly probable, and if the market does not come back, it must be admitted that the Farm Bureau made a bad guess in not selling. Controlling the production will have a great deal more to do with the price received for cotton than trying to control the market after the stuff has been produced. You can't beat the cotton gambler when the cotton is in sight.

TURKEY CHEAPER THAN BEEF ROAST

Turkeys are quoted at 12 cents per pounds on foot, and we are told that a turkey will dress out so that turkey meat is a great deal cheaper than beef.

With this condition prevailing no one should go to the market and buy a beef roast for Christmas and put up the poverty plea that they are not able to eat turkey.

We recall that once upon a time a "buy-a-bale" movement was put on foot throughout the South to boost the cotton market, and many homes were decorated with a bale of cotton conspicuously displayed on the front porch.

Why not launch a buy-a-turkey move, and start a gobble in every backyard throughout the country. If there are more turkeys in the country than the demand can handle, the proper thing to do is to create the demand.

Save money on your ammunition at reduced prices. E. A. Jeanes & Co. 13-5d-2w

Harvey Hayes, with the Ideal Barber Shop, had an operation Monday morning at the Halley & Love sanitarium, to remove his tonsils. He was doing fine this afternoon.

REBELS TO MAKE TAMPICO ATTACK

CHIHUAHUA CITY, Dec. 11.—Governor Enriquez of the state of Chihuahua, has been captured near Torreon by the de la Huerta forces, and is being held a prisoner, according to word received by the legislators here today.

Gov. Enriquez was returning to the state capital from Mexico City where he had been in an effort to prevent a rupture between Gen. Calles and de la Huerta.

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 11.—The gunboat Zaragosa is prepared to sail for Tampico to assist in the attack on that city which is to be undertaken in the rebel operations against that city and which is being directed by General de la Huerta.

Advices received here today say that Celaya, in the state of Guan Juato, North of Mexico City, has fallen into the hands of the rebels.

Radio messages from the headquarters of General Estrado, commander of the Western forces, says that the advance on Mexico City is continuing satisfactorily.

NOGALES, Ariz., Dec. 12.—The revolutionary movement on the West coast of Mexico has attained great proportions, according to advices reaching here today. The revolt has spread to Mazatlan and Sinaloa, where it is said a garrison has been divided, some of the troops joining the revolutionists.

The report that several revolutionary generals were executed following the skirmish in Sinaloa is being investigated here.

The 27th regiment at Mazatlan revolted and disarmed the 17th regiment, according to reports.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 12.—Large bodies of armed men from all sections of the state of Vera Cruz are joining General Sanchez in his march on Mexico City, according to private advices received here from Vera Cruz.

The opening attack on Mexico City is expected to be launched Saturday, according to the information received here.

Before going hunting supply with ammunition at Jeanes & Co., at reduced prices. 13-5td-2tw

Mrs. Cora M. Hartgrove sold this week to Mr. Caswell of Norton, 160 acres of land on Duck Creek for $22.50 per acre. This has a hundred acre farm. Mr. Caswell will move on to this farm and improve it still more.—Concho (Paint Rock) Herald.

P. H. Martin, of the Winters section, was in Ballinger Saturday, looking after business.



New Idea In Gifts

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The more you remember the more you will be remembered.

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SAN SABA TELEPHONE GIRL GETS VAIL AWARD

SAN SABA, Tex., Dec. 7.—Because of her devotion to duty, initiative and courage in dealing with an emergency during a flood, Mrs. Doris Howard, night telephone operator at San Saba, has been awarded one of the Theodore N. Vail medals for "noteworthy public service."

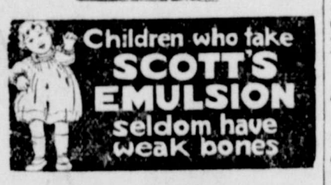
San Saba is near the San Saba River, a number of farms and residents served by its telephone lightning. The river was swollen central office being in the river valley. On April 26, 1922, a severe storm struck the district, accompanied by high winds and by the sudden downpour. Realizing the danger in this situation, Mrs. Howard, upon learning that the river was rising rapidly, decided to call the telephone subscribers in the lowlands, inform them of the impending danger and warn them to get to higher ground as quickly as possible.

She called every subscriber and warned all who answered. While she was doing this, a thunder storm was in progress and the electrical discharges were so heavy that Mrs. Howard was obliged to abandon the switchboard temporarily but in each case she returned and continued her work.

Her devotion to duty was the more striking because of the fact that during all the time she was engaged in giving the flood warning, she knew that only a few blocks away, her own home was being flooded and that her husband was vainly trying to drag their valuables to a place of safety on higher ground.

She remained on duty during the entire night, giving whatever assistance she could to telephone subscribers. The flood waters slowly mounted until the river edge, normally a half mile from the telephone central office, was within a block of it.

The flood was the most serious recorded in the San Saba district since 1900 and over 200 people were rendered homeless.



T. J. Weathersbee, of the Norton section, has underway the construction of a bungalow on the lot in front of the Victor Miller residence and near the Catholic church on Sixth Street, and adjoining the Caudle home which is nearing completion. Mr. Weathersbee will move in and occupy the house, becoming a citizen of Ballinger, as soon as the house is ready for occupancy.

Mr. and Mrs. M. McGregor left for San Antonio Wednesday afternoon, where they are moving. Mr. McGregor will spend a few days in San Antonio getting his family located in their new home, and he will return to Ballinger to wind up business and arrange to return to San Antonio about Christmas.

GIRLS! HAIR GROWS THICK AND BEAUTIFUL

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Falling hair, itching scalp and the dandruff is corrected immediately. Thin, dry, wispy or fading hair is quickly invigorated, taking on new strength, color and youthful beauty. "Danderine" is delightful on the hair; a refreshing, stimulating tonic—not sticky or greasy! Any drugstore.

FARMERS FEAST; HEAR ADDRESS

Two dozen farmers, from different sections of the county, gathered here Thursday to receive Delco light plants which they purchased through John W. Young, district representative, and the farmers were guests of Mr. Young at a luncheon given at the Rho-Mac Cafe at noon.

The forenoon was spent in checking out and unloading the carload of Delcos, and Mr. Young invited the purchasers of plants to accompany him to the cafe at noon where, after the lunch had been served, D. Anderson, from the Fort Worth Delco distributing plant, addressed the men, and gave instructions as to how to operate and take care of the plants. The work of unloading and sending out the plants continued throughout the afternoon, each farmer taking his plant home, and a representative from the company will go out and install the plants. It will require about ten days to get all the plants in operation.

The carload of plants received in Ballinger and unloaded Thursday contained forty-two Delco units, and fixtures for that many plants, including three washing machines. Twenty-four of the plants will be installed in this county, and the others go to neighboring counties, having been sold by Mr. Young.

This means that twenty-four more rural homes in this county are to be equipped with modern conveniences — electric lights, electric current for power, such as washing, ironing, churning, fans, operating feed mills, etc.

Included at the luncheon Thursday were several farmers who already own Delco plants, and have been operating them for some time, and there were sixteen Delco purchasers who get plants from the car being unloaded here, who were not present at the luncheon, coming in later, or who live at other points where the electrical units will be delivered.

Among those who were here Thursday to receive Delco plants were: J. B. Parks, of Winters; Edgar Jayroe, Crews; J. L. Miller, Wingate; J. D. Smith, Winters; Frank Schwertner and son, Miles; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Pfeffer, Winters; N. F. Smithson, Wingate; G. W. Blackwell, Wingate; H. B. Halfmann, Rowena; E. S. McWilliams, Norton; H. S. Morgan, Norton; W. C. Wood, Winters; Bert Fletcher, Maverick; Joseph Droll, Rowena; Frank Berryman, Wingate; J. D. Good, Norton; Adolph Klosel, Rowena.

A Good Thing—DON'T MISS IT.

Send your name and address plainly written together with 5 cents (and this slip) to Chamberlain Medicine Co., Des Moines, Iowa, and receive in return a trial package containing Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs, colds, croup, bronchial "flu" and whooping coughs, and tickling throat; Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for stomach troubles, indigestion, gassy pains that crowd the heart, biliousness and constipation; Chamberlain's Salve, needed in every family for burns, scalds, wounds, piles, and skin affections; these valued family medicines for only 5 cents. Don't miss it.

FOUR FAMILIES ARE ON THE MOVE THIS WEEK

Mrs. Rosa Scott, who has been here from Abilene for several days looking after her home place on Tenth Street, sold the place to Claude Stone Saturday, and returned to her home at Abilene Monday morning.

The purchase of the Scott place by Mr. Stone starts a move in which four families will take part this week: Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Harwell will move into their new home on Eighth Street; A. B. Stobaugh and family, who have been occupying the Scott place, will move to the house now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Harwell, and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar C. Williams will move into their home which has been occupied for some time by Mr. and Mrs. Stone. Mr. and Mrs. Williams have been making home with Mrs. Williams' mother, Mrs. R. A. Nicholson. They had notified Mr. and Mrs. Stone to vacate, and Mr. and Mrs. Stone had planned to move into the house now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Harwell, but decided to quit paying rent and purchased a home.

NEW AUTO SEAL HAVE ARRIVED

The Ledger carried a story a short time ago to the effect that the 1924 auto seals were ready to be delivered to those who pay taxes on cars, and this caused quite a number to call for seals, when as a matter of fact the seals had not arrived. The Ledger's statement was based on a notice from the State Highway Department to Tax Collector W. L. Brown stating that the seals were ready and that a portion of the Runnels county supply was being shipped. However, the seals are here now, and you can get yours by paying the necessary license fee.

"I am in receipt of about 1,000 seals for registering cars for 1924," said Collector Brown Thursday morning, and Mr. Brown directs the automobile owner how to go about getting his new seal.

"A new car, if registered now," said the collector, "must be registered for the last quarter of 1923, as the 1924 license does not begin until January 1, 1924." In other words, if a man buys a new car now and undertakes to equip it with the 1924 seal, which is available, and not also pay the last quarter's license fee for 1923, he is only flirting with the traffic officer and when apprehended will have to pay a great deal more than the quarter's license fee would amount to.

In directing the auto owner how to proceed about filling out his application for the 1924 license, Mr. Brown says: "If the application is sent in by mail be sure and enclose the 1923 license receipt, and see that the receipt gives the year, model and states whether it is for a touring car, roadster, coupe, or sedan.

"If it is a Ford it must also state whether or not it is equipped with a starter and whether it has clincher or demountable rims."

The seals are ready for delivery and the tax is due not later than January 1st. There are over 3,000 automobiles to be paid on in the county, and those who wait until the last minute will find themselves waiting in line, while now they can call before the rush, save time and be prepared to drive on the highways after January first without being subject to a penalty for driving without a 1924 license.

APPLY SULPHUR TO HEAL UP YOUR SKIN

Broken Out Skin and Itching Eczema Helped Over Night

For unsightly skin eruptions, rash or blotches on face, neck, arms or body, you do not have to wait for relief from torture or embarrassment, declares a noted skin specialist. Apply a little Mentho-Sulphur and improvement shows next day.

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Get a small jar of Rowles' Mentho-Sulphur from any good druggist and use it like cold cream.

SENATE BLOCKED IN ORGANIZING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Senator Earle B. Mayfield, of Texas, has been appointed as a member of the interstate commerce committee by the Senate in naming the various committees.

The organization work of the Senate was blocked today by Senator Wheeler, democrat, of Montana, who objected when Senator Lodge, republican leader, offered the usual resolution embodying that committee selections be made by majority vote. The minority organization's measure went over until tomorrow under the rules, when it will be acted upon.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect the Head

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Germany seems to be strong for the philosophy of can't.

Trying to Control Hog Cholera in This State

FORT WORTH, Dec. 6.—Though hog cholera in Texas has been under practical control thru efforts of the Livestock Sanitary Commission of Texas and the U. S. Bureau of Animal Industry, the losses in Texas have been great enough to cause close attention to its eradication and control, according to Dr. Harry Grafke, inspector in charge of Texas for the bureau.

Of the 2,326,000 head of hogs in Texas valued at $8.80 per head or a total value of $20,469,000, the loss for the last year according to statistics gathered by the bureau has amounted to 55,824 head of hogs valued at $491,251. It is estimated by the bureau that 80 per cent of all losses were due to cholera.

The report of the bureau shows Texas in ninth place in the entire country in the production of hogs, Iowa standing first with 9,615 head valued at $12.50 each, or $123,072,000, suffered a loss of 566,900 head valued at $7,256,320.

In the figures complied by the bureau the Maine hog production, which was only 68,000 head was valued at $18.30 per head while the Iowa hog was valued at $12.80 and the Texas hog averaged $8.80. In Maine only 1,088 hogs valued at $19,920 were lost through cholera. The Arkansas crop, according to the report was 1,114,000 head at the low price of all states—$6.90 per head—and the loss due to cholera was 48,125 head valued at $322,063.

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"LAX-FOS WITH PEPSIN" is a specially prepared Syrup Tonic-Laxative for Habitual Constipation. It relieves promptly but should be taken regularly for 14 to 21 days to induce regular action. It Stimulates and Regulates. Very Pleasant to Take. 60c per bottle.

ROCK WORK

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MERCHANTS WIN IN BET ON RAIN

Several Ballinger merchants are not taking any chances on being rained out of the profits in increased holiday shopping, and are winners in the first round with the insurance companies.

Having a "hunch" that it would rain again, several of the Ballinger merchants took out rain insurance covering every business day during the remainder of the holiday trading rush, and according to the weather record keeper, they will be able to collect on their policies as a result of the rain Monday.

The contracts provide for the payment of a stipulated sum, according to amount of premium paid, for every day on which as much as one-tenth of an inch of rain falls between certain hours—say from ten a. m. to five p. m. It began raining in Ballinger about noon Monday, and .15 of an inch had fallen up to 1:30 and it was still raining.

According to a letter received by The Ledger, G. T. Beddo, of this county, is attending the Sweeny Automobile and Tractor School at Kansas City, where he is taking a full and complete course in preparing himself as an automobile mechanic.

TELEPHONE SERVICE

The telephone company has nothing to sell but service. It can not make more money than enough to pay its operating expenses, keep its plant in good condition and pay the wages of the money it invests.

The amount of money invested in this company is high compared to its revenues. Between three and four dollars of capital is put permanently into the company's property for every dollar of annual gross income.

The average mercantile establishment turns its capital from two to ten times a year. The telephone company's turn-over averages once in every three years.

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You can save many dollars by coming here to do all your shopping. We want you to come and look for we know you will be pleased with our display and our prices.

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THE CHRISTMAS STORE

BETHEL NEWS

Jim Shelburne has moved onto the Fowler place. George Blankenship has moved to the other side of town.

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The Killam children were agreeably surprised to find their parents at home when they returned from services Sunday night. They were delayed a day on the road.

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The Baptist district home missionary, Rev. M. A. Quindlen, preached at Bethel Sunday. The pastor was visiting the church at Bronte, and expects to be at Bethel on the 4th Sunday.

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Mrs. Emmett Richardson is going to San Antonio Thursday to visit relatives.

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The Bethel high school will debate the subject: "Resolved that the United States should enter the League of Nations," Friday night, Dec. 21, at the school house.

The Bethel school is planning to have a Christmas tree on Christmas eve.

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W. A. McShann is in the sanitarium at Ballinger, suffering with cancer of the stomach.

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The lesson for the mission study class next Friday night is chapter 5 of "Japan on the Upward Trail," entitled "Blazing New Trails." Everybody is urged to come.

"BETHELINE"

A remedy that will penetrate is necessary in the treatment of rheumatism. Ballard's Snow Liniment goes right through the flesh to the bone and relieves promptly. Three sizes, 30c, 60c, and $1.20 per bottle. Sold by John A. Weeks.

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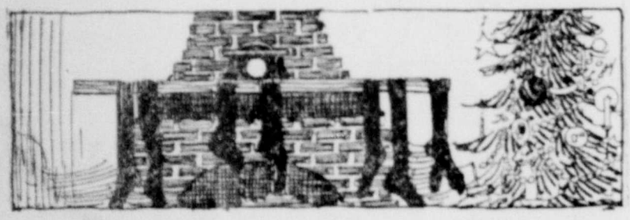
Good Things To Eat

The one big event of the day is the Christmas Dinner, so you want it to be as near perfect as possible. One of the first things to do then, is to come here to choose your Groceries.

Jubilee Flour
Chase & Sanborn Coffee
Tea Garden Preserves
Nuts, Candies, and Fruits.

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Ballinger Auto Company

CASH COMING IN THRU TAX PAYING

The tax payer's office holds the center of attraction in the county capitol, and aside from this there is little doing in county administration affairs. The various departments of the county are grinding along with the general routine work.

The commissioners' court was in session a couple of days first of the week, transacting routine business, and handling just such work as comes before the monthly meeting.

Litigation is badly on the drag, and the records show no new cases filed. A couple of divorce suits filed since the September term of court constitutes the sum total of new business for the district court.

November closed with a new record for 1923 weddings. More marriage licenses were issued by the county clerk during November than for any other month this year. Forty-five couples were granted a permit to unite in matrimony. December starts off with a promise of a good month for Dan Cupid. The following parties have been granted licenses since December 1st.:

Luther Forgay and Cordelia Smith
Bill Fisher and Bessie Lewis
Ray Lee and Elsie Hudgens
Frederick Jaquez and Guadaloupe Zanarifie
James Drake and Thelma Weeks
Preston Wheat and Fannie Duffy.

The tax collector's office is doing a good business. Collections are better than usual for the preholiday season, and poll tax payments indicate preparations for the 1924 campaign.

Up to Wednesday noon 1046 poll tax receipts had been issued, and tax payers were waiting in line to get the trouble off their minds. The voting strength of the county will be larger than ever before in its history. At least 5,000 men and women will be qualified to participate in the 1924 elections, and it is possible to give the county 6,000 voters.

The rule of waiting until January to pay an auto license tax has been side-tracked by many, and up to noon Wednesday the collector had issued 179 automobile seals for 1924. The records show that 3537 autos and 51 trucks have been registered this year, with the remainder of the month to go on. This is 901 more motor vehicles than were registered last year

The early payment of taxes reflects to some extent the financial condition of the country. The tax payers have the money and do not have to borrow it this year to square up with the government, and they are paying early and avoiding the rush.

LADIES! LOOK YOUNG, DARKEN GRAY HAIR

Use the Old-time Sage Tea and Sulphur and Nobody Will Know.

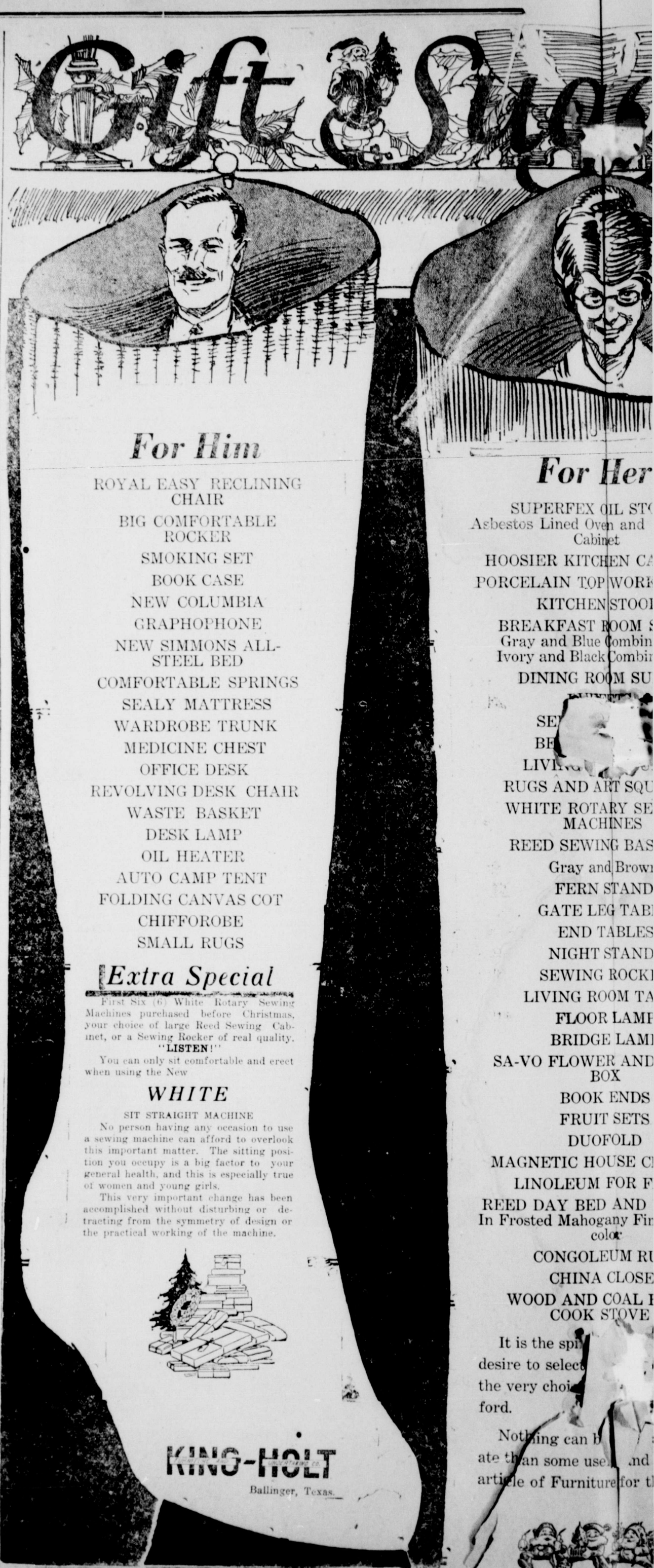
Gray hair, however handsome denotes advancing age. We all know the advantages of a youthful appearance. Your hair is your charm. It makes or mars the face. When it fades, turns gray and looks streaked, just a few applications of Sage Tea and Sulphur enhances its appearance a hundred-fold.

Don't stay gray! Look young! Either prepare the recipe at home or get from any drug store a bottle of "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," which is merely the old-time recipe improved by the addition of other ingredients. Thousands of folks recommend this ready-to-use preparation, because it darkens the hair beautifully, besides, no one can possibly tell, as it darkens so naturally and evenly. You moisten a sponge or soft brush with it, drawing this through the hair, taking one small strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears; after another application or two, its natural color is restored and it becomes thick, glossy and lustrous, and you appear years younger.

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See Evans Bros. for that Good Gul Gas. Also repair work, tires, accessories, etc. Next door to Bud Cline's Grocery. "Service" is our motto.
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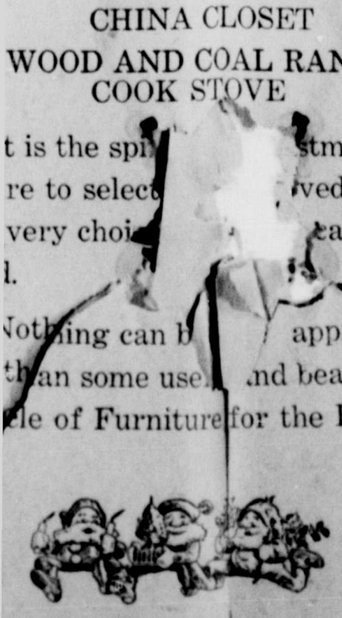


For Her

SUPERFEX OIL STOVE
...os Lined Oven and Porcelain Cabinet
...OSIER KITCHEN CABINET
...CELAIN TOP WORK TABLE
KITCHEN STOOL
...REAKFAST ROOM SUITE
...ray and Blue Combinations
...ory and Black Combinations
DINING ROOM SUITE
SE...
BE...
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...UGS AND ART SQUARES
WHITE ROTARY SEWING MACHINES
REED SEWING BASKETS
Gray and Brown
FERN STAND
GATE LEG TABLE
END TABLES
NIGHT STANDS
SEWING ROCKER
LIVING ROOM TABLE
FLOOR LAMP
BRIDGE LAMP
...A-VO FLOWER AND PLANT BOX
BOOK ENDS
FRUIT SETS
DUOFOLD
...AGNETIC HOUSE CLEANER
LINOLEUM FOR FLOOR
...ED DAY BED AND ROCKERS
...rosted Mahogany Finish—a new color
CONGOLEUM RUGS
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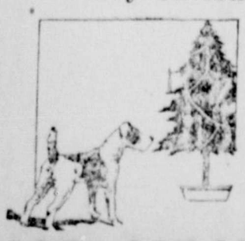
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For Them

PIANO LAMP
PIANO BENCH
CEDAR CHEST
POLYCHROME MIRROR
ROCKING CHAIRS
TELEPHONE STAND
COSTUMERS
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NEW COLUMBIA PROCESS RECORDS
Limited number of regular 75¢ Records for only 25¢. Christmas numbers are here.
VANITY DRESSER
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PHOTOGRAPH FRAMES
Assortment of Sizes, Polychrome Colors
BABY BUGGY
NEW KOZY-KAR
CHILD'S BED
CHILD'S ROCKER
COMPLETE DINING ROOM SUITE FOR KIDDIES
TABLE, SERVING TABLE, 4 CHAIRS
FLIVVERS FOR BOYS
DOLL BUGGIES
CHILD'S HIGH CHAIR
CLOTHES BASKET
PICTURES
WALKERS
JUMPERS
SULKIES

We will gladly tag and set aside any Gift left for you; and make delivery Christmas.



KING-HOLT
FURNITURE AND UNDERTAKING CO.
Ballinger Texas

NEWS FLASHES

Bronte claims to have the youngest business man in West Texas. Holiday Haley, age 17, is a member of the drug firm of Haley & Johnson. The young man will graduate from the Bronte high school this year. He made his money with which to engage in business by selling newspapers, peanuts and popcorn during vacation and after school hours.

Mrs. Ida Chitwood, home demonstration agent for Tom Green county, has resigned and will take charge of the cooking schools for the Texas Daily Press League, of which The Ledger is a member.

The wintry weather which brought low temperatures and rain to the central portion of West Texas, covered the Northern part of West Texas with snow.

The jubilee singers of a negro high school at Cleburne will broadcast over station WBAP tonight. The singing will be given in the First Methodist Church of Fort Worth.

Lubbock recently voted $500,000 municipal bonds for street paving, light extensions and building a city hall. Brownwood recently voted $50,000 for a city hall, and citizens are now asking that the amount be increased to $80,000.

Bert Fry, a young stockman, was seriously injured when his horse stepped in a hole and fell on him on a ranch near San Angelo Sunday. The man was operated on at San Angelo Monday.

A resident of Denmark has invented a device to prevent serious damage to an automobile or injury to its occupants should a front axle or wheel break while running.

I have for sale at a bargain, a well improved farm, 200 acres, 75 in cultivation, well improved. Plenty of water. Will sell at a bargain. Close to Byrds oil field. This land is not leased. It lies 3 1-2 miles Northwest of Grosvenor, Brown county. R. M. Gabbest, Norton, Texas.
13-1td-tfw

DEATHS

C. E. Eubank

C. E. Eubank passed away at the home of his son, E. M. Eubank, 905 Sixth Street, Tuesday morning, December 11th, at 7:30 o'clock, death being attributed to old age.

"Grandpa" Eubank, as he was known by many of his friends, had been confined to his bed for several weeks. Prior to that time he was able to be up and about and came to town almost daily, enjoying fairly good health for one of his age. It had been known for some time that he was nearing the end of a long journey of usefulness in this world.

Deceased was born in Kentucky on December 9th, 1844, and passed his 83rd birthday last Sunday. For the greater part of the time for several years he had made his home with his son in this city, spending part of the time with another son, who died recently at his home near Winters. He is survived by two other sons, one living at El Paso, and one at San Benito.

According to funeral arrangements the remains will be laid to rest in Evergreen Cemetery Wednesday morning. The remains will leave the residence on Sixth Street at 10:00 o'clock and the funeral will be held at the cemetery.

No Worms in a Healthy Child

All children troubled with Worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS chill TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off or dispel the worms, and the Child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. 60c per bottle.

Big ten pound stick of candy given away by Cline Grocery. Ask about it. 6-2d-1w

Elgin, Waltham, Hamilton, and Howard Watches at Special prices. Asa Cordill. 12-1d-1w

Have several buyers for good Farms well located and priced right. Also a nice residence in Rowena, clear to trade for good Johnson grass farm well located. Answer now E. S. Kubela, Rowena, Texas. 10-1d-1w

MONEY SPENT FREELY ON TURPIN COMEDY, SAYS MACK SENNETT

When patrons of the Fo-to-sho Theatre see Mack Sennett's new Pathe comedy, "Where is My Wandering Boy This Evening?" in which cock-eyed Ben Turpin is featured, they will witness the unrolling of the costliest two-reel production ever made by Sennett.

Time and money involved in the completion of this picture equal the expense usually attendant with the screening of a five or six reel feature. The type of story of this comedy being of a unique turn and calling for a series of costly interior settings as well as for the discovery of unusual exterior locations ran this item of production into large sums.

Then there are several double and triple exposure scenes, filmed under the personal supervision of F. Richard Jones, supervising director for all Mack Sennett productions. These scenes took over a week and the technical staffs of the Sennett studios were in constant action during the making of them.

Equipment taken on location necessitated the use of several large trucks and an electric generator. Every scene taken for this comedy was built new and at no time did Director C. R. Wallace appropriate any of the various semi-exteriors which stand on the Sennett stages.

Read Ledger "wants" column

POULTRY MASS MEETING HERE DECEMBER 15TH

There will be a mass meeting of the poultry growers of Runnels County at the court house in Ballinger at 2:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon, December 15th.

This is one of the most important meetings ever called by this association, and every poultry producer should be present. Dor W. Brown, county agent of Tom Green county, and poultry expert, will discuss the Farm Bureau method of handling poultry, and a move will be put on foot to organize a poultry unit in Runnels county.

LYNN STOKES,
President Farm Bureau.
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To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets.) It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 30c.

COTTON MAKES A $7.50 BALE GAIN

The cotton market regained more than 150 points of the loss sustained during the last ten days, Wednesday, and January quotations closed 153 points higher than the Tuesday's close. The net gain in the January quotations amounted to more than $7.50 per bale.

J. D. Smith, of the Wingate section, was among the farmers who were here Thursday to receive a Delco light plant from the carload shipment received here.

Safety Deposit Boxes for Rent at a Nominal Cost

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Your instructions will be carefully carried out in every detail, and YOU WILL LIKE BANKING BY MAIL.

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Secure your money by depositing in some State Bank.

Special Holiday Fares

Santa Fe — All the way

Between Points in Texas and Louisiana

Tickets on sale December 20-21-22-23 24, limited to reach original starting point by midnight January 7, 1924.

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JEWELRY CHRISTMAS SALE

A very complete stock to select from and nothing more appropriate or more appreciated than a "GIFT THAT WILL LAST."



EVERY ARTICLE REDUCED IN PRICE



Gifts to please all the family such as Watches, all makes, Diamond Rings, Alvin Silver, Sterling and Plate, Compacts, Cuff Links, Bar Pins, Pearl Necks, Onyx Rings, De Molay, Rings, Pins, Links and Belt Buckles, Leather Bill Folds, Leather Bags, Ivory Sets in all fancy colors. Pens and Pencils, many other useful gifts.

Be Sure to See Us Before You Buy. Jewelry Christmas Sale.

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INDIGESTION, GAS, UPSET STOMACH

Instantly! "Pape's Diapepsin" Corrects Stomach so Meals Digest

The moment you eat a tablet of "Pape's Diapepsin" your indigestion is gone. No more distress from a sour, acid, upset stomach. No flatulence, heartburn, palpitation, or misery-making gases. Correct your digestion for a few cents. Each package guaranteed by druggist to overcome stomach trouble.

DUNN SELLS THE ALCOVE TO MRS. JACK CARROLL

A deal was closed this week in which A. L. Dunn sells The Alcove to Mrs. Jack Carroll. Mrs. Carroll will take over the business by December 15th and continue to operate it in the present stand. Mr. and Mrs. Dunn established this business last summer, handling a line of refreshments which has proven very popular and they have built up a good business. Mrs. Carroll will no doubt maintain the business with the same satisfactory service.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunn contemplate moving to New Mexico, where Mr. Dunn will probably engage in the oil business, becoming associated with an oil company in the operation of a filling station. Their friends will regret to see them leave Ballinger—but then, they may come back.

A cough is a warning that you need SCOTT'S EMULSION

Allie Straley, after a visit to his brother, P. C. Straley, left Friday afternoon for Comanche, where he will visit for a few days before returning to New York. Mr. Straley has served twelve years in the U. S. Navy and likes the service so well he may return to some branch soon. For the last several years he has been with the Asiatic fleet on the coasts of China and Japan.

Mrs. LeRoy Nicholson and daughter left Friday afternoon for Temple, where they will visit Mrs. Nicholson's sister.



GEN. CALLES LEADS FEDERALS AGAINST REBELS

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 8.—General Calles' renunciation of his presidential candidacy and support of the Obregon government against the rebellion, will not halt the rebellion against the federal authority, it was stated at the headquarters of the rebels today.

The news of Calles' withdrawal from the presidential campaign, however, caused much rejoicing. When the announcement of his withdrawal was received chimes on church towers were sounded and the battleships in the harbor blew their whistles.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 8.—Gen. Calles has renounced his candidacy for the presidency of Mexico and has offered his services to President Obregon against the insurgent forces in Vera Cruz and Jalisco. President Obregon immediately accepted the offer and named Calles as head of the federal troops which are lined up to put down the de la Huerta-Sanchez rebellion.

Federal troops to the number of 28,000, it is said, are converging upon the Vera Cruz revolutionary zone and Presidnet Obregon has issued a manifesto calling on the citizens for their support against the military tactics of the rebels. Obregon, in his manifesto brands the rebellious movement as a conspiracy against the common people on the part of the reactionary conservatives.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 10.—President Obregon, accompanied by his staff, left Mexico City Sunday for Irapuato for the purpose of reviewing the division of troops under which General Amaro is preparing to begin an advance upon the rebellious forces in Jalisco under the command of General Estrada, former secretary of war.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 10.—The capture of Jalapa, capital of the state of Vera Cruz, Saturday morning by the rebel forces, was officially confirmed here today.

With this single success, it was declared in official quarters that the revolt headed by General Sanchez, who favors the presidential candidacy of de la Huerta, had reached the maximum development possible, with the nucleus of the outbreak centered at the city of Vera Cruz, and in the states of Guadalajara and Jalisco.

The defenders of Jalapa are a portion of the federal garrison which refused to join the revolt. They retired to the nearby village of Oriental, together with two thousand volunteers who are poorly equipped. At Oriental this badly organized force will await reinforcements.

A modern discoverey for the rapid healing of flesh wounds, cuts, burns, bruises, sores and scalds is Liquid Borozene. It is a clear, colorless liquid possessing marvelous healing power. Price, 30c, 60c, and $1.20. Sold by Jno. A. Weeks.

Communistic red does not shade into true blue.

School Notes

Seniors Prove Grid Supremacy; Compromise on Weiner Roast

Early this week the Seniors and Juniors of the local high school agreed to play a football game for the championship of the school, and it was also agreed that the losers should buy the "weiners" for a weiner roast. Accordingly, on Thursday the teams tied up with the freshmen aiding the Juniors and the Sophomores helping the Seniors.

The game was scoreless for three quarters and near the end of the final period it was apparently a tie. With two minutes to go, Oscar Schott, Senior, raced forty yards to within 8 yards of a touchdown. The Seniors bucked the ball across but the Juniors claimed a foul. The referee ruled in favor of the Seniors but upon looking up the rule it was discovered that the score should not have been allowed.

A row started that threatened the welfare of the school like the Great War threatened the welfare of the world. Finally members of the faculty intervened and the two classes signed an armistice. Both classes bought weiners; they went to the upper dam Friday afternoon to eat roasted weiners and, incidentally, to bury the hatchet.

School Inspector Visits Local Schools

Miss Susan Miles, representing the State Department of Education, was a visitor to the Ballinger schools this week, inspecting the high school and the ward schools of the city.

Miss Miles commended the schools for some work being done and pointed out certain improvements which should be made. About the only criticism the inspector made of the schools was for a lack of equipment and high school facilities. The schools are meeting the requirements for affiliation, but the high school needs better equipment.

When You are Constipated

To insure a healthy action of the bowels and correct disorders of the liver, take two of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper. They will not only cause a gentle movement of the bowels, without unpleasant effects, but banish that dull, stupid feeling, that often accompanies constipation.

NORTON MAN WANTS ROAD TO BRONTE

R. M. Gabbard, of Norton, was in Bronte the other day, having some parts adjusted to his brand new car he bought the other day from the Home Motor Co.

Mr. Gabbard said he was over here also in the interest of a better road from here to Norton. Mr. Gabbard said that by every logical reason Bronte should be Norton's railroad point, and would be, if only we had roads such as they should be from here to that place. Here's our best hand, Mr. Gabbard. We are with you on the road proposition.—Bronte Enterprise.

Frank Schwertner, of Miles, had business in Ballinger Thursday.

T.B. SEALS SELL FAST IN CITY



Get your Christmas seals and get them quick, if you want to have a hand in the work of stamping out t. b. and assist in carrying on an educational campaign throughout the country for better health.

The local health association has its sales forces organized and the little Christmas stickers are going like hot cakes. 50,000 seals were allotted to this county, and the committee predicts that every seal will be sold.

The committees at Winters, Miles and Rowena are on the job, and the rural districts are calling for seals. The local territory has been divided up and each block assigned to committees to canvass, and some of the districts have already been supplied with seals.

The local schools have put out many seals, the school children taking an interest in selling them to their parents and friends. The children have profited by the sale of seals last Christmas thru the work of the health nurse being done in the schools here at this time, and they now realize the important mission of the Christmas seals, and everyone wants a seal on their letters or Christmas parcels.

Mrs. A. B. Legate, chairman of the Runnels County Health Association, is directing the work, and perhaps no better leader could have been selected. She has her sales forces well organized, and is devoting her time to disposing of every seal on hand. It is a work which deserves the liberal support of everyone.

THIS HEALING CREAM WILL STOP CATARRH

Clogged Air Passages Open at Once—Nose and Throat Clear

If your nostrils are clogged and your head stuffed because of catarrh or a cold, get Ely's Cream Balm at any drug store. Apply at little of this pure, antiseptic, germ destroying cream into your nostrils and let it penetrate thru every air passage of your head and membranes. Instant relief.

How good it feels. Your head is clear. Your nostrils are open. You breathe freely. No more hawking or snuffling. Head colds and catarrh yield like magic. Don't stay stuffed up, choked up and miserable. Relief is sure.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Wilson have moved into the house on Sixth Street which they recently purchased from Mr. and Mrs. M. McGregor. They moved in Thursday.

RAIN AND COLD WEATHER HERE

The temperature registered 38 degrees above zero at one-thirty Monday afternoon, with a stiff gale from the North driving a fairly good rainfall.

The first strong wind of the season from the North swept down upon Ballinger early Monday morning, pushing the temperature down rapidly following two of the prettiest days of weather the country has experienced in many moons. Saturday and Sunday were ideal Spring days, and many Christmas shoppers thronged the streets Saturday, taking advantage of the warm weather to place orders with Santa Claus.

To relieve rheumatism, sprains, lame back, lumbago or pleurisy, Ballard's Snow Liniment is a remedy of proven merit. It is very powerful and penetrating. Three sizes, 30c, 60c, and $1.20 per bottle. Sold by John A. Weeks.

CREAM

Bring us all your cream. Until further notice we will pay

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The Christmas Book

The best Book you can give yourself or your family for Christmas is a Bank Book.

Added pleasure comes from reading it day by day the balance grows, because you realize how it is making you more and more independent.

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"Strong and Well"

'I WISH you could know how much I am improved since taking the Cardui," writes Mrs. Nannie Brown, of Black Rock, Ark. "You wouldn't know me for the same weak invalid I was before I took it. At my . . . I had to keep off my feet or I would fall. I couldn't do my housework, and just got where I'd most as lief be dead as living. Some one told my husband of Cardui. He got it for me and I took three bottles before I stopped—then off and on for the last three years just as a tonic. I saw a decided improvement after my first bottle. I used the three, and was able to do my work with ease, and now I sew for my family and for others. I am feeling fine, and strong and well."

Take Cardui! It may be just the medicine you need.

CARDUI
The Woman's Tonic

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WINTERS NEWS ITEMS

WINTERS, Dec. 8.—After the bustle and rush of the cotton season, the old town seems quiet indeed. Santa Claus is in many windows and another rush of business is expected soon.

Yesterday afternoon Winters was favored by a visit from several of Ballinger's illustrious citizens: Messrs. E. Shepperd and J. D. Motley, the latter accompanied by his family, and all of them bringing Miss Emma Ara Bacon, a nurse of the Texas Public Health Association. She is here in the interest of the sale of the famous tuberculosis stamps. Miss Bacon is to return Monday morning to present the work before the school.

Mrs. Jewel Wehring, of Lott, Texas, is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. W. Smith.

Work on the new block on Main Street is progressing rapidly. The new store rooms are to be occupied early in the year by Geo. Rosson, jeweler; and Adolph Krouse, dry goods.

The new rooming house on Postoffice and Divide streets, has its walls practically completed. This is to be occupied by the Jones Rooming House.

The new filling station on Main and Wood streets opens for business this morning.

Postmaster B. F. Huntsman spent 13 days at the Grand Lodge at Waco, doing chapter work. He received a three-year certificate. This makes him one of the strongest men in Masonry in our county.

The box social held by the Rebeccas at the tabernacle for the Orphan's Home netted the neat sum of $91.25. They report a great time.

Messrs. A. P. and C. E. Jordan have just returned from the "Foot of the Plains." They report the country in fine shape, roads very rough, and much cotton to gather. They had some property at Stanton that they sold at a good profit.

Judge A. O. Strother paid a legal visit to San Angelo, yesterday. He also reports a fine new boy at his home. Mother and kiddie are doing well.

Under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association, a company of entertainers from the Abilene Christian College gave a recital in the High School auditorium. A good crowd met them and the entertainment was very fine. The singing of the male quartet was especially enjoyable.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting

Notice is hereby given to all Stockholders of "The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.," of Ballinger, Texas, that a meeting of said stockholders will be held in the Directors' Room of said bank in Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, at ten (10) o'clock a. m., on the second Thursday in January, A. D. 1924, the same being the 10th day of said month, for the purpose of determining whether or not the capital stock of $60,000.00 and surplus of $4,000.00 of said bank shall be reduced to $40,000.00 capital stock; and to determine whether or not the Trust feature of said bank shall be discontinued; and to determine whether or not the name of said bank shall be changed from "The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.," to "The Ballinger State Bank."

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HGC REGISTERED — RELIEVES IN 3 DAYS
A Special prescription for infectious diseases of the urinary tract. Painless; non-poisonous. Package contains all needed, will not cause stricture. $1.00 at Druggists or prepaid. MANUFACTURED BY ACME CHEMICAL MFG. CO., Ltd., New Orleans, La.

NATIVE PECAN TREE PRODUCES 640 POUNDS; OWNER GETS OVER $100

C. W. Runkels, residing one mile North of Christoval, this year gathered 640 pounds of pecans from a native tree on his place, he reported while in The Standard office Friday morning. He says he realized more than $100 for the tree's crop.

Has anyone else got a tree that beats this? If so, the Standard and the rest of West Texas wants to know about it.—San Angelo Standard.

Irregularity in the bowel movements makes you feel uncomfortable and leads to a constipated habit which is bad. Herbine is the remedy you need. It restores healthy regularity. Price, 60c. Sold by John A. Weeks.

ORPHANS TO BE REMEMBERED

The Eighth Street Presbyterian Sunday school will send the entire offering for tomorrow to the Presbyterian Orphanage located at Albany, Texas. The superintendent, S. P. Hathaway, stated that he expected an unusually large offering as everyone would want to have a part in this very worthy cause, and help to spread the Christmas cheer to the children in the home.

Thomas C. Hall returned to Temple Wednesday after spending several days here looking after his farming interests in this county. Mr. Hall says Temple has been getting its share of the rain.

NEW OIL TEST FOR TOM GREEN

SAN ANGELO, Dec. 8.—Fred J. Quinn, Wyoming operator, has signed a contract to drill a test for oil to 1,000 feet on the E. P. Green ranch in Tom Green county, about 16 miles Southeast of San Angelo, it was announced here Friday by Cal Huffman, who made the deal.

A lease on Mr. Green's ranch of fifteen sections is included in the transaction, which provides that spudding in must take place within ninety days from Tuesday, December 4. The ranch lies East of and borders the road leading to Fort McKavett and is known as the old McKinley ranch. It is on Lipan Flat.

Monroe W. Hooper of Coleman, made the geological survey of the property, which is highly favorable to the striking of oil in paying quantities at a comparative shallow depth, Mr. Huffman stated. The drilling contract is only the forerunner of a number of the kind that are in prospect for early in 1924, it is understood. Mr. Quinn is already here and will at once being assembling his equipment for drilling.

RED PEPPER HEAT ENDS RHEUMATISM

Red Pepper Rub takes the "ouch" from sore, stiff, aching joints. It cannot hurt you, and it certainly stops that old rheumatism torture at once.

When you are suffering so you can hardly get around, just try Red Pepper Rub and you will have the quickest relief known. Nothing has such concentrated, penetrating heat as red peppers. Just as soon as you apply Red Pepper Rub you will feel the tingling heat. In three minutes it warms the sore spot through and through. Pain and soreness are gone.

Ask any good druggist for a jar of Rowles Red Pepper Rub. Be sure to get the genuine, with the name Rowles on each package.

CHARITY BOARD ASKS FOR $500

The United Charity Board composed of C. J. Lynn, Rev. E. D. Messer and Mrs. R. A. Nicholson, met at the home of Mrs. Nicholson on Broadway Thursday night and discussed plans for raising the annual charity budget, and handling the charity work for the holidays.

The committee announced Friday that it would ask the citizens of Ballinger to put up $500 at once, which it is hoped will be enough to take care of all cases brought to the attention of the board during the next year.

The committee decided to appropriate $200, or as much as is necessary, not exceeding $200 for the work done heretofore by the Goodfellows Club. The Goodfellows Club is not functioning this year, leaving all the charity work in the hands of the United Charity Board. The board will name a special committee to play Santa Claus for needy children, handling this part of the work on the same plan as handled for several years in the past by the Goodfellows.

A city wide drive will be made next week for the $500, and that is a small amount for a year's charity work, and the people should respond promptly and liberally. The drive will start Tuesday morning, a personal canvass of the city being planned. However, the better way, it is pointed out, is not to wait for the committee to call on you and make the appeal, but start the work by a liberal voluntary contribution at once. See any member of the committee, or phone your charity offering to The Ledger.

A TONIC

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

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

MOTHER!

Clean Child's Bowels with "California Fig Syrup"



Hurry Mother! Even constipated, bilious, feverish, or sick, colic Babies and Children love to take genuine "California Fig Syrup." No other laxative regulates the tender little bowels so nicely. It sweetens the stomach and starts the liver and bowels without griping. Contains no narcotics or soothing drugs. Say "California" to your druggist and avoid counterfeits. Insist upon genuine "California Fig Syrup" which contains directions.

MUST KEEP BOOKS FOR INCOME TAX

Correct records and not estimates must be produced in making up income tax reports hereafter, according to W. M. Boynton, deputy internal revenue collector, who was here this week checking up some discrepancies in the reports of local citizens.

In other words individuals, as well as business concerns, must keep books on their income and outgo, and instead of an individual making an estimate of his income and expense, he must show the figures from a correctly maintained account. This can be done by a simple method of keeping books on what is received and paid out, and from what sources received and for what purpose paid out.

According to the collector many persons make up their income reports by making estimates in round numbers, and the supervisor of the internal revenue department has instructed the deputy collectors to exact of tax payers accurate reports instead of permitting them to turn in reports based on estimates, and this rule will apply on the 1924 reports.

"The income tax law has been working for about seven years," said Mr. Boynton, "and the department feels that there has been sufficient time for the people to become familiar with its workings and submit accurate reports instead of reports made up merely on rough estimates."

The collector stated that not only would the department exact proper accounting in making reports, but penalty would be enforced for failure to make out reports according to law. The reports call for statements made up from the tax payer's income and expense accounts and not from guess work, according to the collector, and this is what the government is going to demand in the future.

The enforcement of this rule will require every man who makes an income tax report to set down in black and white all the money he earns, from what source he earns it, and to keep an accounting of all the money he spends and what for. Such a method will no doubt prove helpful to the individual as well as meeting the requirements of the internal revenue department.

CATARRH

Catarrh is a Local disease greatly influenced by Constitutional conditions.

HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE consists of an Ointment which gives Quick Relief by local application, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces and assists in ridding your System of Catarrh.

Sold by druggists for over 40 Years.
F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

J. F. McMillan, Dr. S. B. Raby, E. E. Woodson and A. J. Thorp are at home from a week's stay in the game wilds of Southwest Texas. A report on the amount of game bagged has not been made public, but friends of the hunters believe that some of the boys exceeded the limit, and thus "mum" is the word. The trip going to and coming from the hunting grounds was made in good time, and motoring on the good roads added to the pleasure of the trip.

Mrs. T. J. McCaughn and Mrs. Roy Roper, of Norton, were shopping in Ballinger Thursday.

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"Tuberculosis, throughout the United States, has been reduced during the past nineteen years over 50 per cent. This means that every man, woman and child, living today, will live two and one-half years longer than he would had tuberculosis continued as it was in 1904 when the death rate was 202 per 100,000. In 1921 the tuberculosis death rate was 99 per 100,000.

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To Stop a Cough Quick

take HAYES' HEALING HONEY, a cough medicine which stops the cough by healing the inflamed and irritated tissues.

A box of GROVE'S O-PEN-TRATE SALVE for Chest Colds, Head Colds and Croup is enclosed with every bottle of HAYES' HEALING HONEY. The salve should be rubbed on the chest and throat of children suffering from a Cold or Croup.

The healing effect of Hayes' Healing Honey inside the throat combined with the healing effect of Grove's O-Pen-Trate Salve through the pores of the skin soon stops a cough.

Both remedies are packed in one carton and the cost of the combined treatment is 35c.

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"Two doctors said I had Bright's disease and it would be necessary to remove one of my kidneys. I was sick for over five years and was often unable to even turn over in bed. I started taking FERRASAL when I wasn't able to walk across the street. I showed marked improvement from the second box and have never had a doctor since. FERRASAL saved my life and today I am in wonderful health. I am only too glad to tell people what FERRASAL has done for me."

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Excess acid is the primary cause of many dread diseases, such as kidney trouble, cancer, chronic indigestion, rheumatism, etc. FERRASAL gets at the source of the trouble by neutralizing the excess acid in the stomach and eliminating it from the system. Don't allow your condition to become chronic. TAKE FERRASAL NOW. 50c per box. It will benefit you or your druggist will refund your money.

Jno. A. Weeks, Druggist.

Ferrasal
THE ACID NEUTRALIZER
STOPS INDIGESTION NOW!

"REAL" AUTOMOBILE ARRIVES IN THE CITY

A "real automobile," in the language of the owner, "it's the prettiest thing in town," is being shown in a Lincoln coupe which R. L. Harwell and his mechanic, Bud Gray, brought back with them from Dallas Thursday afternoon. Fully equipped, the new car represents an outlay of about $5500. Mr. Harwell says it is in stock for sale to the man who wants a real automobile, but if he does not have a call for it, he will not object to keeping it for his own use. High powered, high speed, highly finished and fully equipped the Lincoln is about the last word in autos of the $5000 class with every convenience that it seems could be attached to an automobile.

Distress after eating is due to bad digestion. Herbine helps the digestive process, clears the system of impurities and restores a feeling of vigor and buoyancy of spirits. Price, 60c. Sold by John A. Weeks.



Banner-Ledger Want Ads

WANTED—To sell four good Mares; some Cows; one thorough bred Jersey Male, subject to registration; pure Mebane Cotton Seed; Maize; and Plow Implements. Phone 4604, Chester Owen. 12-2td-2tw

WANTED—To rent Farm 125 or 150 acres. D. H. Owen, Phone 4604. 10-4d-2w-*

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FOR SALE—Seven room house, with all modern conveniences. Cash or part terms. Phone 549. D. F. Eaton. 17-d&w-tf

FOR SALE—Full blood Buff Orpington Cockerels. Mrs. D. Oliver, Ballinger, Texas, Route B. 15-4tw

FOR SALE—A few Bourbon Toms. See or phone Mrs. E. D. Nerman, Phone 5303. 1-4td-4tw-*

FOR SALE—Span Mares, young Mule, three Milch Cows, Wagon, Implements. Must go at bargain. Phone 2502. W. M. Wiley. 7-2tw-*

FOR SALE—I will sell for $850 cash, the following items: Three good young mares, two horses, seven sets harness, two wagons, three cultivators, three planters, one go-devil, one section harrow, one disc harrow and seeder, one heavy drag, one middlebuster with truck, one grain drill, one grain binder, one steel hay press, one mower, two rakes, one feed grinder, one engine, and other small tools, such as Georgia stock, hoes, etc. Some of this stuff is new, just used one year, and is real bargain. See me at the Rho-Mac Cafe.—R. E. McWilliams. 9-8tw-*

FOR SALE—One half interest in 69 acres of land, irrigated land—a bargain. S. T. Lindly, Phone 5105. 23-4tw-*

Owner of ranch Southeast of Stanton, Texas, is offering to sell good red sandy loam direct to buyers, no commission to any one. Ideal climate, good water, perfect for cotton. Reasonable cash payment down, good terms on balance. J. D. Oxsheer, Big Spring, Texas. 7-2w-*

For sale—Ranch in the boll weevil line, Lamesa, Texas; fine cotton and agricultural land. Easy terms. Free excursions from Fort Worth every two weeks. Expenses paid. For particulars, write Mary Phillips, Brownwood, Texas. 12-1mo d&w

A cough is a warning that you need SCOTT'S EMULSION

Allie Straley, after a visit to his brother, P. C. Straley, left Friday afternoon for Comanche, where he will visit for a few days before returning to New York. Mr. Straley has served twelve years in the U. S. Navy and likes the service so well he may return to some branch soon. For the last several years he has been with the Asiatic fleet on the coasts of China and Japan.

Mrs. LeRoy Nicholson and daughter left Friday afternoon for Temple, where they will visit Mrs. Nicholson's sister.

NR To-NIGHT
Tomorrow Alright
NR A vegetable aperient, adds tone and vigor to the digestive and eliminative system, improves the appetite, relieves Sick Headache and Biliousness, corrects Constipation.
Used for over 30 years
Get a 25c Box
Nature's Remedy
NATURE'S REMEDY (NR) TABLETS
Chips off the Old Block
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ROOST ROBBERS LOSE CHICKENS

Roost robbers made a raid on poultry pens in the Western part of the city and on Eighth, Ninth streets and Broadway, Sunday night, getting away with an unknown number of chickens.

A. B. Legate, mail carrier on Routes A. and B., found two sacks of the stolen fowls as he went out on his deliveries Monday morning. Mr. Legate found the chickens in the road a short distance from town, as he was going out on his first mail run West of the city. He brought the chickens home and through inquiry some of the stolen fowls have been identified and returned to their owners. Mr. Legate still holds several chickens which have not been claimed.

Some of the chickens stolen have not been found, indicating that the thieves go taway with part of their haul. It is presumed that the two sacks of chickens found by Mr. Legate were lost by the thieves in their haste in leaving the city, and being found on the road leading out of the city indicates that the thieves live in the country, or in some other town.

Among those who suffered loss in the roost raid are: Mrs. R. A. Nicholson, Mrs. E. C. Baskin, W. R. Smith, and Mrs. P. C. Straley. The thief or thieves got away with the Christmas turkey at the Straley home. On the same night, the rear seat of M. B. Wardlaw's sedan disappeared.

OUCH! MY BACK! RUB LUMBAGO PAIN AWAY

St. Jacob's Oil stops any pain, so when your back is sore and lame, or lumbago, sciatica or rheumatism has you stiffened up, don't suffer! Get a small trial bottle of old, honest St. Jacob's Oil at any drug store, pour a little in your hand, and rub it right on your aching back; and by the time you count fifty the soreness and lameness is gone.

Don't stay crippled! This soothing, penetrating oil needs to be used only once. It takes the pain right out and ends the misery. It is magical, yet absolutely harmless, and doesn't burn the skin.

Nothing else stops lumbago, sciatica, backache or rheumatism so promptly. It never disappoints.

PASTORS ENDORSE HEALTH CAMPAIGN

The Pastors Association was in session for some time Monday morning, convening at 10:30 o'clock at the First Christian church. Revs. E. W. Bridges, E. W. McLaurin, Homer Davis, R. B. Twitty and Alvin Swindell were present.

The pastors endorsed the campaign [illegible] movement as a conspiracy against the common people on the part of the reactionary conservatives.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 10.—President Obregon, accompanied by his staff, left Mexico City Sunday for Irapuato for the purpose of reviewing the division of troops under which General Amaro is preparing to begin an advance upon the rebellious forces in Jalisco under the command of General Estrada, former secretary of war.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 10.—The capture of Jalapa, capital of the state of Vera Cruz, Saturday morning by the rebel forces, was officially confirmed here today.

With this single success, it was declared in official quarters that the revolt headed by General Sanchez, who favors the presidential candidacy of de la Huerta, had reached the maximum development possible, with the nucleus of the outbreak centered at the city of Vera Cruz, and in the states of Guadalajara and Jalisco.

The defenders of Jalapa are a portion of the federal garrison which refused to join the revolt. They retired to the nearby village of Oriental, together with two thousand volunteers who are poorly equipped. At Oriental this badly organized force will await reinforcements.

A modern discoverey for the rapid healing of flesh wounds, cuts, burns, bruises, sores and scalds is Liquid Borozone. It is a clear, colorless liquid possessing marvelous healing power. Price, 30c, 60c, and $1.20. Sold by Jno. A. Weeks.

Communistic red does not shade into true blue.

REESE APPOINTED AS POSTMASTER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—President Coolidge today nominated Joel A. Reese for appointment as postmaster at Ballinger, Texas.

According to the nomination made Monday by Presdient Coolidge it is expected that congress will ratify the appointment of J. A. Reese as postmaster at Ballinger.

Mr. Reese has been serving as postmaster since last June, succeeding C. S. Guin, and he has given good service, and so far as The Ledger knows the patrons of the office are well pleased with his administration of the postal affairs of the local office.

It was naturally to be expected that his nomination as regular postmaster would be forthcoming with the convening of congress, his being named as acting postmaster serving in fact as a vacation appointment pending the regular appointment when congress convened, and his opponents dropped their claim when he went in as acting postmaster.

LAND FOR SALE

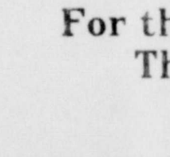
1631 acres, 12 miles South of Ballinger, on Paint Rock-Ballinger road. Good water. 1,000 acres tillable. Improve. Price $16 per acre.

745 acres 10 miles South of Ballinger. On Pony Creek. Price $17 per acre.

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All Ladies' Wrist Watches at Special Bargains. Asa Cordill. 12-1td-1tw

Get your fruit cake ingredients from Cline Grocery. They are fresh. 6-2d-1w


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All Leather and well made. For men and women, at prices that will interest you
Stamped Art Pieces
Many beautiful patterns to select from. The price we are asking for them is low.
THE GLOBE
A. S. Love, Prop.
Old Santa Claus will be at our store every Saturday afternoon from now until Christmas.

GOOD PROGRAM FOR INSTITUTE

The program arranged for the Concho-Colorado Valley Teachers Institute which convenes here next Monday includes features which will be of interest to the general public as well as the teachers attending the institute.

Some of the most prominent educators in the state will visit the sessions and address the teachers, and the meetings will be open to the public to hear these addresses.

The institute will convene at 9:00 o'clock Monday morning, and the teachers will be welcomed to the city by Scott H. Mack, president of the Young Men's Business League. All sessions of the institute will be held in the Baptist church. The public is invited especially to attend the opening exercises Monday morning.

Among the lecturers who will appear before the institute will be: Roy Bedichek, of the Extension Department of the University of Texas; H. W. Morelock, president of Sul Ross Normal; J. A. Hill, president of Canyon Normal; J. W. Hunt, president of McMurry College; G. T. Bladworth, assistant State Superintendent of Public Instruction; and Dwight E. Breed, executive secretary of the Texas Public Health Association.

Prof. E. L. Allison, of the Cherokee school, in San Saba county, will have charge of the rural school section. Miss Emma Blanchard, art director of the San Angelo schools, will have charge of the primary section; and the high school section will be under the direction of the various superintendents of schools in the institute district.

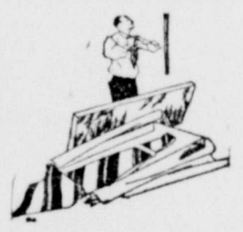
The district is composed of ten counties, and there are more than 400 teachers in the ten counties, and it is expected that at least 400 will be enrolled in the institute.

The reception to be tendered the teachers by the Parent-Teacher Association of Ballinger will be given Tuesday night in the American Legion club room.

Save money on your ammunition at reduced prices. E. A. Jeanes & Co. 13-5d-2w

R. L. Wylie sends The Banner-Ledger for one year to J. A. McCormick, at St. Veriene, New Mexico. The paper makes a dandy Christmas present, and is something which the friend will at least not forget for a year.

Fred Wellhausen was called to Belton Friday to be at the bedside of his mother, who was reported to be seriously ill.


That Christmas Gift for Him
We Would Suggest
SHIRTS
SILK UNDERWEAR
PAJAMAS
SCARFS
INITIAL BELT SETS
GLOVES
ALL WOOL HOSIERY
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ANYTHING IN ALL SILK HOSIERY.
We are showing the largest and most up to date line of Neckwear in Ballinger. If it is Neckwear we have it.
Give Him something to wear.
HARDIN AND CARR
Men's Wear That Men Wear
Cleaning and Pressing.
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Plenty of Holly Wrapping Paper and Boxes.


In Finance, When a Man Says "Now or Never" --- Tell Him "NEVER"
It doesn't pay to hurry when parting with your money. You can easily lose in a minute the savings of a whole year.
Once in a while you may lose a real opportunity for investment by waiting until tomorrow, but in the long run you will have more money and fewer regrets.
We will gladly share with you our experience in investment matters.
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Closing Out AT COST
I am closing out my entire line of groceries and fixtures.

Pure Ribbon Cane Syrup, per gallon	80c
3lb can Maxwell House Coffee	$1.12
5lb bucket Peanut Butter	$1.00
10lb bucket Dixie Jelly	75c
Primrose Corn, per dozen cans	$1.75
Country Club Corn, per dozen cans	$1.25
No. 2 Tomatoes, per dozen cans	$1.25
Vegetable and Tomato Soup, dozen cans	$1.25
2 1-2 gallon keg of Pickles	$1.50
Barrel Pickles, per gallon	60c
Pure apple Vinegar, per gallon	40c
Large Hydro Pura	25c
Small Hydro Pura	10c
19 bars Crystal White Soap	$1.00
Brass Wash Board	55c
Silver Wash Board	45c
1 quart Grape Juice	55c
1 pint Grape Juice	30c
35c can Calumet Baking Powder	25c
50c can K. C. Baking Powder	40c
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Everything in our store goes at big reductions.
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Seats Now on Sale at Strain-Pyburn Drug Co.
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