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BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1901

NO 48

Large Shipment of Fall

Goods beginning to arrive. Our stock will soon be complete and ready for your inspection. Our buyer a man of vast experience in the Dry Goods business has spent the past six weeks in New York purchasing our Fall and Winter Stock. The latest styles the best goods and the largest assortment to select from, makes trading with us easy and profitable. "One price to all and that price the lowest" is Our Motto. Reliable goods and courteous treatment always to be had when trading with us. We are general outfitters for man, woman and child. Complete stock of Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Furnishing Goods, Capes, Jackets, Blankets, Comforts, Trunks, etc. always on hand. We want your trade. Call and inspect our stock. No trouble to show goods. Yours for business.

STORE CLOSED SATURDAY SEPT. 14 ON ACCOUNT OF HOLIDAY.

BRINS,

8th Street.

Ballinger's One Price Cash Dry Goods House.

A Special Sale of Silks.

A special purchase of fine up-to-date fancy Silks enables me to offer you extraordinary bargains in Silk Waist Patterns of 3 1/2 and 4 yards each. No two alike. Its a chance to buy fine Silks cheap which does not come often. So come early and make your selection while the line is complete.

Lot 1 35 Silk Waist Patterns of 3 1/2 and 4 yds each. Worth regularly 85c and 1.00 yd. Take your choice at **59c yd**

Lot 2 28 Silk Waist Patterns 3 1/2 and 4 yds. each. Each different. Silks which sell regularly at \$1.25 and \$1.50 per yd. Your choice now only **95c yd**

5 doz Boys Knee Pants Extra Good Materials and well made, worth 65c and 75c. Your choice at only **50c pr**

Our line of Fall and Winter Goods are arriving and will soon be showing one of the most complete stock in Ballinger.

Yours Respectfully,

H. Winkler,

Order Declaring Prohibition.

The State of Texas, }
County of Runnels. } Be it remembered that there was begun and held a special term of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Runnels County, Texas at the court house of said county in the town of Ballinger, on the 17th day of Aug. 1901, said term of the court having been called for the purpose of counting the votes and announcing the result of a Local Option election held in Election Precinct No. 11, said county and state on the 3rd day of Aug. 1901, and for the purpose of passing an order in accordance with said result. Present and presiding, T. T. Crosson, Co. Judge; B. B. Stone, Co. Attorney; R. P. Kirk, Sheriff; W. L. Towner, Co. Clerk; and J. E. Smith, Commissioner of Precinct No. 1; A. D. Tally, Commissioner of Precinct No. 2; C. J. Horton, Commissioner of Precinct No. 3; and J. A. Grimes, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

ORDER NO. 1.

Whereas, heretofore, to-wit: on June 22nd 1901, at a special session of this court, there was filed herein the petition of J. S. Moore and over fifty other qualified voters of election Precinct No. 11, Runnels County Texas, praying for an order of this court for the holding of a Local Option election to be held in said Precinct for the purpose of determining whether or not the sale of intoxicating liquors should be prohibited therein, which said petition was granted by the court and an order duly and legally passed, together with said petition, entered upon the minutes of said court in vol. 3, pp 352 et, seq., calling for and ordering a Local Option election to be held in said election Precinct No. 11; said election to be held at Wingate the regular polling places in said Precinct, on the 3rd day of Aug. 1901, said order naming and appointing J. W. Gannaway presiding officer of said election at Wingate And,

Whereas, it appearing to the court

to its satisfaction that the required notices of the holding of election were duly posted in different public places in said Precinct at least twelve days prior to the holding thereof, according to law, and from an inspection of the Tally list and Polling list and the certificates of the said Presiding officer (J. W. Gannaway) and the Judges and Clerks of said election thereto attached that an election was on said last named date duly and in conformity with law and said order and notices held at Wingate in said Precinct for the purposes set forth above, that everything necessary to be done in the premises to make said election valid and legal was done, and that a majority of all the votes cast at said Local Option election was "For Prohibition."

Now, therefore it is ordered and decreed by the court, on this 17th day of Aug. 1901, at a special session hereof called on this day, that in accordance with the result of said election, as announced and set forth above, the sale of intoxicating liquors is absolutely prohibited, except for the purposes and under the regulations prescribed by law (art. 3385 Revised Statutes of Texas, 1895) in said election precinct No. 11, Runnels County, Texas. Said district being described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning on the North boundary line of Runnels county at the Northeast corner of election precinct No. 3. Thence due south with east boundary line of election precinct No. 3 to the northeast corner of the Hiram Friley league; thence southeast with east boundary line of election precinct No. 3 to the southeast corner of the J.A. Croft survey, the same being the southeast corner of election precinct No. 3. Thence due east to the northeast corner of C. T. R. R. survey No. 71, continuing on the same corner with north boundary line of C. T. R. R. surveys 71, 72, 73, 74, and 75 to the northeast corner of said 75, the same being on the west boundary line of elec-

tion precinct No. 6. Thence due north with west boundary line of election prec. No. 6 to the north boundary line of Runnels county. Thence due west with the north boundary line of Runnels County to the place of beginning, and designated, as election precinct No. 11.

And the County Judge of this, Runnels County, Texas, is hereby instructed and ordered to have the above order of this court declaring the result of said election, prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in the territory described, published for four consecutive weeks in some newspaper published in said Runnels County, Texas.

The State of Texas, }
County of Runnels. } I, W. L. Towner, Clerk of the County Court in and for Runnels County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears on record in the minutes of the Com. Court of Runnels County, Texas, Vol. No. 3 pp 352, et. seq.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, Aug. 22, 1901.

(SEAL) W. L. TOWNER, Clerk Co. Court & Ex-Officio Clerk, Commissioners' Court of Runnels County, Texas.

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Stray Notice.

State of Texas, }
County of Runnels. } Taken up by J. M. Shelburne and strayed before J. E. Smith, J. P. prec. No. 1, Runnels county, on August 20th: 1 blue mare and suckling colt. Mare branded J E W on left shoulder; 14 hands high, 10 or 12 years old.

Also 1 light bay horse, 14 1/2 hands high, 3 or 4 years old, branded T F on left shoulder.

Owners of said property requested to prove same, to pay charges and take away or they will be dealt with as the law directs.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this the 22nd day of August 1901.

W. L. TOWNER,
Co. Clerk Runnels Co.

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Land For Sale.

We are now offering to sell 768 acres of land out of the extreme Northwest corner of the Robert Clever survey, in parcels of 160 acres and upwards, being located two miles Southwest of Winters, every foot of which is good, deep, black, rich, choice farming land the title to which is absolutely straight. Remember, "he who comes first, is first served." The price is reasonable and we will give from six to seven payments on the land. For further particulars, apply to

LANGE & DOOSE,
Ballinger, Texas.

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To The Ladies.

My line of Fall Millinery awaits your inspection. It will pay you to see my goods before buying elsewhere. Street hats are especially attractive this year and my stock is complete. Will be glad to show you through whether you buy or not.

MRS. STELLA FORBES,
At Currie's.

Our 'Phone No. is 27.

They Are Here.

My fall millinery has arrived and is ready for inspection. I'd be pleased to have the ladies call and look through my stock, which I believe is superior to any brought to Ballinger heretofore. Thanking you for past patronage and solicit a continuation of same.

Respectfully,

MRS. ALICE GREEN.

Mixed.

Our neighbor, the Press at San Angelo, is a careless reader. He mistakes precinct No. 11 for precinct No. 1 and then gets off the following which lacks much of being true especially since there are five saloons in town and not one crying "dull times." The Press says:

"The sale of intoxicating liquors has been voted upon and our neighbor is said to be a dry town for a while.

Ofcourse people can vote as they please, but it has been proven time and again that you can not legislate people good, and the blind tiger will flourish and its best friends will be the ones who voted out Johnbarleycorn.

It will simply ruin the town as a business market for the trader never likes to be hampered at all, as to what he shall or shall not buy.

We sincerely hope that Ballinger will realize all of their expectations, but if they do, it will be the first on record, as one where prosperity reigned after prohibition went into effect.

Of course what is one's loss is another's gain to the surrounding towns who will enjoy prosperity at Ballinger's expense."

Dr. Broiles

Will take a needed rest for the next 4 or 5 weeks. He has had many patients during his stay here so far for the last 5 months most of whom are cured, and 90 per cent of the remainder will get well. All are well pleased with his work.

If any need more medicine during his absence they can get their former prescriptions filled at J. Y. Pearce's drug store.

Letters addressed to Brownwood will be forwarded to him wherever he goes.

—See Van Pelt & Kirk's Buggies and Saddles before buying.

Dental Notice.

If needing dental work wait for me. I will be in Ballinger Sept. 23rd. J. F. RIGGS.

—A new car of Wagon and Buggy material at Van Pelt & Kirk's.

Messrs. Sam Farmer and W. D. Currier, of Miles, were Ballinger visitors Tuesday.

A Mr. Alvis is building a handsome cottage in Woodward's addition to Ballinger.

Will Weikel left for San Antonio Tuesday and it is quite probable that city will be his future home.

Mr. Dan Moser, accompanied Misses Verna Moser and Ethel Truly, on a visit to the town of Miles Tuesday.

W. R. Headley has resigned his position with Hartung and left Tuesday, via Abilene, for Arizona where he will likely locate.

Quinn Moore has shaken Ballinger's dust off his feet and hereafter he will claim San Antonio as his home, leaving our city Tuesday.

W. J. Bowden, the second hand store man, with his family, is visiting relatives in Brownwood this week, leaving for that point Tuesday.

J. J. Erwin, of the Miller Mercantile Co., is at home from a trip of recreation to Lampasas and Austin. He found other places in worse shape than his home town, Ballinger.

C. S. Miller reports that the section of country above Crews, in this county was visited by a heavy rain Monday night, making the ditches run and and filling up the big holes in the creeks.

Gus Noyes returned from Ballinger Thursday evening, where he has been looking after his business interests. Mr. Noyes is now one of the largest property owners in Ballinger. Menardville Enterprise.

B. B. Stone has purchased of Asa Cordill for \$250 the two lots adjoining Will Vaughn's residence and has begun the erection of a handsome residence thereon. Will Dunlap is the contractor, and this guarantees a good job.

The date is fixed for the holding of the Fitzgerald-Seagle revival in Ballinger. Recent letters received from the evangelist by Rev. Fitzhugh announces that he will be here and begin his meeting Sept. 22nd. Mr. Seagle, his singer, will also be here then and will bring a bride with him, since he is to be married on the 17th in Chattanooga, Tenn., to a Miss DeWees. Shortly after the ceremony the bride and groom will take the train for Ballinger.

—My line of watches and jewelry is complete. Call and see. Asa Cordill.

W. M. Wright visited his old friends last week. Moore, of Florence, is in town visiting her sister, Mrs. S. Love.

Mrs. Grant, of Winters, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Scoggin, this week.

W. R. Browne and W. M. Smiley, two influential Winters citizens, were in town Monday.

J. A. Coggin came in from his Eden ranch Friday evening and took the train here for Brownwood, his former home.

Cotton is king once more and the man who brings a bale to town has the attention of all the people who have wares to sell.

R. A. Hall went to Brownwood Friday night to meet Mrs. Hall, who was returning home from an eight weeks trip to Colorado.

Miss Ida Miles visited home folks a few days last week. She has a fine class in music at Santa Anna which occupies the greater part of her time. The Banner-Leader is pleased to know she is meeting with success.

Miss Blocker departed for her home in Houston Friday after an agreeable visit with her sister, Mrs. T. H. Shaw. She made many friends in Ballinger who trust she may favor our town with another visit in the near future.

Col. D. P. Gay and family returned last week from a visit to their Pecos ranch. Col. Gay says his ranch is well supplied with water and grass and that his cattle are all in fine shape. The Banner-Leader is pleased to hear this good report.

C. P. Shepherd, as administrator or trustee of the J. D. Ratliff stock of goods at Miles, sold the entire stock last week to J. W. Lumpkin, formerly of Mullin, for 75 cents on the dollar. This is considered a good sale by those posted on such things.

B. W. Pursell, Kintersville, Pa., says he suffered 25 years with piles and could obtain no relief until DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve effected a permanent cure. Counterfeits are worthless. E. D. Walker.

W. S. Rogers, whose card has been in the Banner-Leader advertising for a lost horse, says, "Take out my card—horse is found." The right kind of advertising rarely fails to bring results when placed in the right medium—the Banner-Leader.

Don't wait until you become chronically constipated but take DeWitt's Little Early Risers now and then. They will keep your liver and bowels in good order. Easy to take. Safe pills. E. D. Walker.

Ballinger should provide protection to farmers, who come to town, against the ravages of loose horses and cows. Stock, by the dozens, roam the streets at their own sweet will and woe unto the farmer who thoughtlessly leaves a sack of bran, or flour, or meal or anything in his wagon unguarded. Dollars to doughnuts, when he returns he will find his wagon surrounded by town cows or horses, and you may be sure they are there for no good. If you must turn out your horse or cow put them in a shape so that they can't get their heads into a wagon bed.

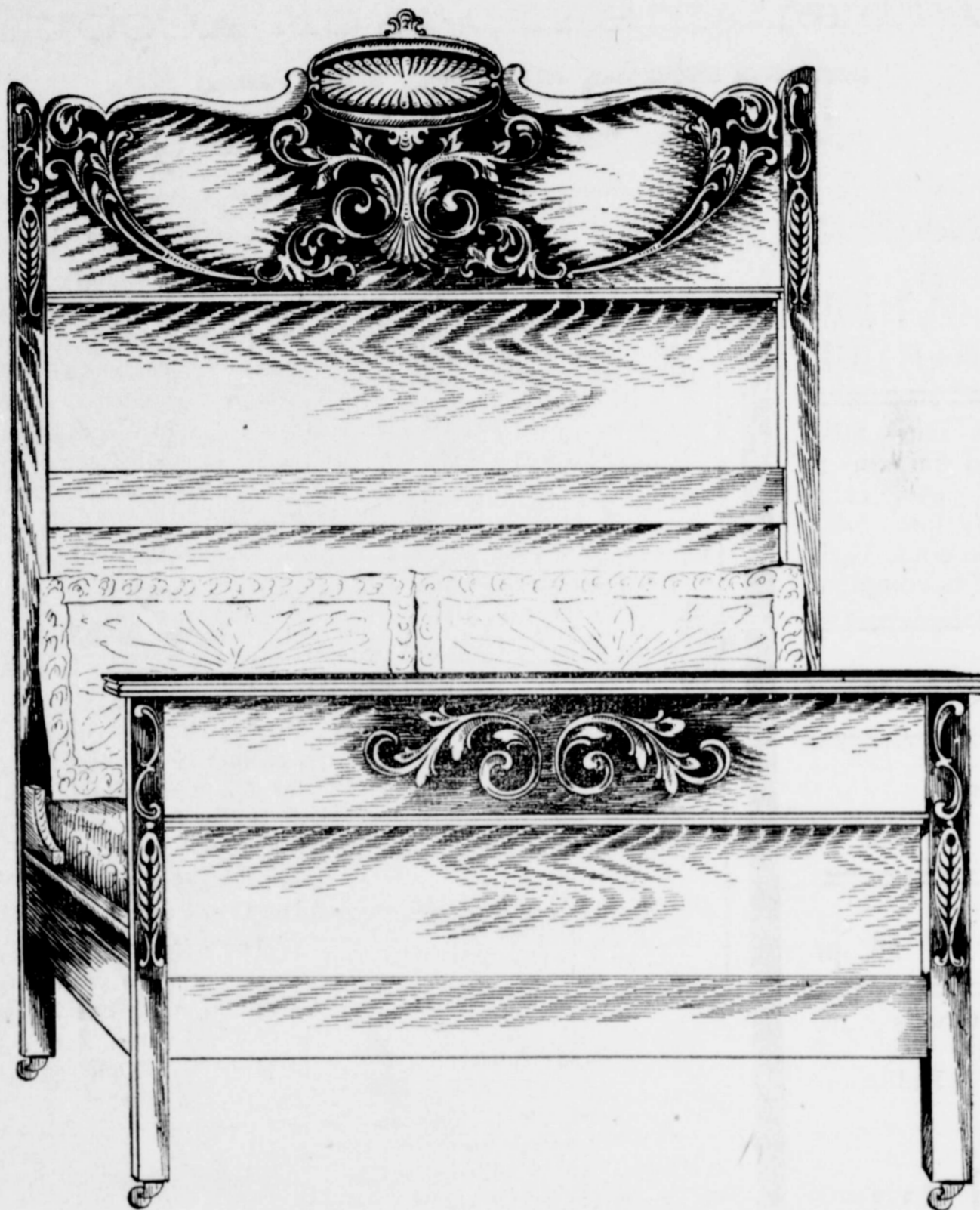
A GENEROUS OFFER!

THE MOST LIBERAL PROPOSITION EVER MADE BY A RUNNELS COUNTY PAPER.

An Elegant Suit Of Furniture Free.

On Christmas day, 1901, the BANNER-LEADER will give away without cost to the most popular lady, in Runnels or adjoining counties, a handsome suit of bedroom furniture. Suit is of Golden Oak and consists of three pieces: A Dresser, Washstand and Bedstead. Suit is valued at \$45 by the dealers and is up-to-date in every particular. This furniture will ornament any home.

Who Gets It?



For every 5 cents paid on subscription to the Ballinger Banner-Leader a coupon will be issued entitling the holder to one vote for the most popular lady, married or single, living in Runnels or an adjoining county. These coupons will be given on old or new subscriptions, on request, but will not be sold, and will only be issued on subscription money paid to this office.

We make this offer to our readers for this reason: We are anxious to double our subscription list by the end of the year and have adopted this plan as the best available, counting on friends to help us. The furniture we offer is worth working for and a little effort may secure it. Get into the contest early and ask your friends to work for you. Your chances for success are as good as those of any other person. Start early.

Remittances may be made by mail direct to this office, or coupons will be issued at office on payment of subscription. \$1.00 on subscription entitles you to 20 votes.

ALL COUPONS MUST BE VOTED WITHIN TWO WEEKS OF DATE OF ISSUANCE.

In remitting by mail use this Coupon

BANNER-LEADER:
Enclosed find \$..... to be applied on subscription of..... postoffice.....
Kindly place..... votes to credit of.....
..... on Furniture Contest.
Dated..... Signed.....

FURNITURE CAN BE SEEN AT CREWS & MCGREGOR'S FURNITURE STORE IN BALLINGER.

Nothing remains to be said save that this is a fair proposition, made for the purpose of benefitting our subscribers. Some lady will get this suit, why shouldn't the fortunate lady be one of your friends. When renewing your subscription ask for coupons and vote them. A few votes will very likely get the prize.

Remember \$1.00 on subscription entitles you to 20 votes.

The Banner-Leader,

HERVEY F. MAYES, Proprietor. - - - - - BALLINGER, TEXAS.

Runnels County Tax Roll.

In looking over the tax roll of this county as published exclusively in the Banner-Leader two weeks ago, some interesting facts are noted.

On the resident roll this year there was an increase of about 50,000 acres over 1900, valued at nearly \$300,000. In the non-resident roll there was a decrease this year of 20,000 acres, but an increase in value of \$20,000. Likewise, the unrendered roll decreased in acres 15,000 and in value \$30,000.

City property increased in value \$65,000 in both resident and non-resident rolls, but decreased \$10,000 in value in unrendered roll. These items of city and county property show that lands and houses have changed hands at a lively rate the past year and that the people who live in the country are becoming land owners.

Horses have increased slightly in number but nearly \$10 per head in value.

The valuation of cattle remains about the same, though there are about 3000 head less in the county than in 1900.

There is an increase in the number and valuation of Jacks and Jennets (most of these are Mexican burros), sheep and hogs, but a decided falling off in the number of goats, there being only 110 in the county.

Strange to say, in 1900, there were only 6 dogs in the county whose owners would claim them when questioned by the assessor, and in 1901 only 4. As the editor looks out on the street there are a dozen or more in sight.

There are twice the number of vehicles in the county this year as compared with last, showing our people are in good circumstances.

The valuation of merchandise has doubled; implements and machinery trebled; steam engines and boilers five times greater value; amount of money on hand doubled.

The report is encouraging since it shows we are on the up grade and are quite a distance removed from the tail end of the procession of west Texas counties.



Ft. Worth & Rio Grande Railway.

The Great Southwestern outlet for Ft. Worth trade. The Ideal Live Stock Route, to cattle markets and the Indian Territory. Time and expense saved shippers over this route. The shortest and most direct route from points in the San Angelo country to all points

NORTH, EAST AND WEST.

Via Brownwood and Ft. Worth, Ft. W. R. G. train No. 4 leaving Brownwood at 10 o'clock p. m. has a Pullman Buffet Sleeper Car and is an ideal train for the public, as it arrives in Ft. Worth before departure of any of the early morning trains on other lines.

For further information regarding rates, etc. apply to or address any agent of the company or to L. B. Comer, G. P. & T. Ft. Worth, Texas.

D. F. Johnson, Agent, Brownwood, Texas.

FOR SALE. All my watches and jewelry. Now is the time to buy. JAS. E. BREWER.

M. C. SMITH,
Attorney-At-Law,
Office up stairs in the Ostertag
Building.
BALLINGER TEXAS.

C. P. SHEPHERD,
Attorney-At-Law
BALLINGER TEXAS.

OFFICE WITH C. H. WILLINGHAM,
Over the Ostertag Building.

CHAS. S. MILLER,
(Business Established in 1879.)
BALLINGER, TEXAS.
Real Estate Agent, Abstractor
and Conveyancer.
Owner of Complete Abstracts of
Title to Lands in Runnels and
Concho Counties

G. W. Wilson,
Blacksmith & Woodworker
Every Job Guaranteed.
Experts in Horseshoeing;
Prices Very Reasonable;
Your Patronage Solicited.

BALLINGER -:- MILLING -:- CO.
Full Roller Process Flour and Bolted
Corn Meal.
COTTON GIN IN CONNECTION
BALLINGER, TEXAS.

You lose more than we do
if you don't
advertise in the Banner-Leader.

Drs. Halley & Love,
General Medicine and Surgery.
(Office up Stairs Walker Building)
- BALLINGER. -

THOS. A. RAPE, M. D.,
OFFICE AT
J. Y. PEARCE'S DRUG STORE.
BALLINGER, TEXAS.

Try the Ballinger
Steam Laundry. It
is the nearest, best
and healthiest....
A. H. Friemel & Co.

YOU SHOULD KNOW
Lots of Things.

But what I am mostly
concerned about is that
you know I am in the
LIVERY BUSINESS
in Ballinger, having
bought out Reed & Earl.
My word for it, you'll
be treated right when
you patronize me. I'll
furnish you good rigs
and my prices are not
too high. I solicit your
patronage on a business
basis.

JOHN H. WEBB.
H. MURPHY
Oak wood and coal always on
hand, prompt delivery. Will
appreciate a part of your busi-
ness. Next to Star Wagon Yard
BALLINGER, TEXAS.

Wall Paper
J. Y. PEARCE.

Office of D. H. Hardy,
Sec. of State,
Austin, Tex., Nov. 21, 1900.
I have found Dr. Moffett's
TEETHINA a splendid remedy
and aid for my teething children.
When my oldest boy was a
teething child, every succeeding
day warned us that we would
inevitably lose him. I happened
upon **TEETHINA**, and began at
once administering it to him, and
his improvement was marked in
24 hours, and from that date on
he recuperated. I have const-
antly kept it and used it since
with my children, and have tak-
en great pleasure in sounding its
praises to all mothers of young
children. I have found it inval-
uable even after the teething
period was passed.
MRS. D. H. HARDY.

Conda Wylie's horse ran away
with his buggy one night last
week, running from town to his
home in West End. The buggy
was wrecked beyond repair.

Tabler's Buckeye Pile Oint-
ment relieves the intense itch-
ing. It soothes, heals and cures
chronic cases where surgeons
fail. It is no experiment; its
sales increase through its cures.
Every bottle guaranteed. Price,
50 cts. in bottles, tubes 75 cts.
At E. D. Walker's drug store.

Our correspondents have our
thanks for valued assistance in
gathering the news of the coun-
ty. In the estimation of the ed-
itor, this is the most valuable de-
partment of the Banner-Leader.
Our correspondents have been a
great help in making the Ban-
ner-Leader popular with the people.

Geo. W. Lane, Pewamo, Mich.,
writes: "Your Kodol Dyspepsia
Cure is the best remedy for in-
digestion and stomach trouble
that I ever used. For years I
suffered from dyspepsia, at times
compelling me to stay in bed and
causing untold agony. I am
completely cured by Kodol
Dyspepsia Cure. In recommend-
ing it to friends who suffer from
indigestion I always offer to pay
for it if it fails. Thus far I have
never paid." E. D. Walker.

W. N. Gentry went to Taylor
Monday to visit his former asso-
ciates and friends. His stay will
be indefinite.

White Cream Vermifuge is
perfectly harmless, and will re-
move every worm. It is also a
tonic, and by its strengthening
properties will restore to pale
cheeks the rosy hue of health.
Price 25 cts. At E. D. Walker's
drug store.

Misses Lizzie Bowden and At-
tie Grant, of Winters, went to
Bangs, Brown county, Monday
to visit at the home of Rev. J. W.
Bowden.

Many physicians are now pre-
scribing Kodol Dyspepsia Cure
regularly having found that it is
the best prescription they can
write because it is the one pre-
paration which contains the ele-
ments necessary to digest not
only some kinds of food but
all kinds and it therefore cures
indigestion and dyspepsia no
matter what its cause. E. D.
Walker.

Mr. Ed Dickinson went to
Brownwood Monday to place his
eldest son, Arthur, in Daniel Ba-
ker college.

**A Good Thing,
Push It Along.**

We have a good stock of Staple and Fancy Groceries
as good as can be found in Ballinger Our prices are
low enough. Our salesmen are polite and accomo-
dating. Our delivery of goods prompt. We are en-
joying a splendid trade but can handle more. Can't
we serve you during 1901.

Yours, for groceries
MILLER MERCANTILE COMPANY

—DR. W. A. GUSTAVUS, DENTIST,
Over Walker's Drug Store.

Dirty linen? Leave it at
Dancer's. He will send it to the
best steam Laundry for you.

Lem Creswell went to Cole-
man Sunday. He has work there
which will occupy his attention
several weeks.

Again let us call to your mind
the fact that school will open
Monday. Be sure to have your
children on hand at the opening
hour.

Miss Adele Miller is visiting
in Austin this week and before
her return to Ballinger will
spend some time in Bellville,
her former home.

Dan Moser returned Sunday
from an extended stay on the
Moser ranch on the Pecos. His
friends scarcely recognized him
for the whiskers he had grown.

Miss Stella Couch has return-
ed to resume her duties in the
Ballinger school. For the pres-
ent she is stopping with Mrs.
Kirk but later will board with
Mrs. T. E. Butler.

Ballinger citizens should have
more respect for the feelings of
their fellow men than to turn
loose a lot of horses on the street
to feed from every wagon that
comes to town. Don't you think
so, too?

All parties are cautioned
against leaving teams in the
streets with traces hitched. It
is a dangerous practice, as any
will admit who think about it.
Drop your traces and avoid the
possibility of a runaway.

Miss Nora Griffin, who for
several months has filled the po-
sition of "Central" quite accept-
ably in Ballinger, has severed
her connection with the phone
system, and on Tuesday depart-
ed for Waco, her former home.

R. I. Rushing has completed
the Cusenbary residence at
Talpa and is at home. This is
one of the finest, most complete,
most modern homes in Runnels
county and is a credit to the
skill of Mr. Rushing. In point
of location, looks and conven-
iences few residences excel Mr.
Cusenbary's.

It is thoughtlessness, largely,
which causes people to leave
their teams on the streets with
traces hitched. The gentlest old
team on the face of the earth is
likely to get frightened and run
away. Unhitch your traces and
be on the safe side, always.

The most delicate constitution
can safely use Ballard's Hore-
hound Syrup. It is a sure and
pleasant remedy for coughs,
loss of voice, and all throat and
lung troubles. Price 25 and 50c.
At E. D. Walker's drug store.

For fresh vegetables of all kind
go to Miller Mercantile Co.

J. A. OSTERTAG & CO.
Furniture and House Furnishing Goods.
Undertaking a Specialty.
BALLINGER, TEXAS.

SAFER AND BETTER.

Never send money by mail. A bank draft is al-
ways safer; it is also better in other ways. We sell the
draft; they are good throughout the United States and
Canada. Our charges are very low. Will allow interest
on time deposits. * * * *

The W. C. PARKS BANKING COMPANY.

CITY BEER.

The famous San Antonio City Beer x x x Pearl in Keg and Texas
Pride in Bottles is sold here by P. J. Baron, J. J. Hubbard, H. Scott,
A. Martinez, Bolf City, B. Arrington, Eden, Texas.

S. J. CARPENTER, Agt.
BALLINGER, TEX.

You can get a fine Photo But-
ton with each dozen Platino Man-
tello Photos at Hartung's Photo
Studio. 2t.

Mrs. J. F. Drew and the chil-
dren left Sunday for Lampasas,
to visit friends.

Mrs. Gantt, wife of the pro-
prietor of the City Hotel, is out
of town, on a visit to relatives at
Athens.

L. W. St. Clair, of Galveston,
is the new photographer, suc-
ceeding W. R. Headley. He is a
single man.

Hodges Crowder, of Winters,
took the train at this point Mon-
day for Waco where he will en-
ter Baylor college.

Ed Brookshire, of Norwood,
will attend Howard Payne col-
lege at Brownwood, this year.
He went down Monday.

Miss Minnie Guion Francis re-
turned Saturday from San An-
gelo where she had been spend-
ing a month very pleasantly.

District court will meet in
Ballinger the last Monday in
September instead of the first
Monday in October as hereto-
fore.

Mr. L. W. St. Clair arrived in
the city Saturday night to take
charge of Hartung's Photo Stu-
dio. Mr. St. Clair is a photo-
grapher of ability, being a grad-
uate of the St. Louis college of
Photography.



**SAN ANTONIO
INTERNATIONAL FAIR**
OPENS OCTOBER 19,
Closes October 30, 1901.

You lose more than we
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Winters News.

Dr. J. H. Grant was visiting in San Angelo last week.

Mr. Asa Cordill, of Ballinger, appeared in the Winters choir at church the 29th ult.

Miss M. Dickerson, of Runnels, was visiting in our burg a few days last week.

The Methodist meeting closed last Sunday. A good number joined the church during the meeting.

Mr. S. Pratt and family returned recently from their visit in Delta. Mr. Pratt says that crops up there are better than here.

Rev. O. M. Fitzhugh preached for us Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sad were we when he informed us that he would not be with us any more for several montas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Spain, of Crews, were visiting here last week.

Hodge Crowder left the 2nd inst. for Waco where he will enter school.

Mr. A. J. Roper and daughter, Miss Fannie, boarded the train at Abilene Tuesday morning for Mineral Wells, Texas, where they will visit Mr. Roper's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Cicero Smith, for several months.

Mr. Marion Blackwood and family have moved to near Abilene, Texas. A better citizen the community had not.

Mr. C. Bishop will leave soon for Waco, where he will again enter Baylor University.

Messrs. M. F. Cornelius, Joe Vancil and J. W. Vancil, were in the capitol the 5th.

Last Tuesday evening the residence of Mr. Van S. Lewis was burned together with contents, with the exception of a few articles. A defective flue was the cause.

Associate was mistaken as to what sister accompanied Mrs. C. E. Woodrow to Content recently. Mrs. Miler Presslar, of Florence, Williamson county, was the lady. As to Winters style we have seen nothing peculiar about it. It is urbanity in the fullest sense of the word, however.

Mr. C. P. Crews is all smiles now. A tolerably good rain fell at his place on the 3rd.

Mesdames Bullard and Fannin were visiting in the Crews country the 4th and 5th.

Baird & Bullard have sold their racket goods to Eoff & Dale. J. J. Knight and S. P. Burnett are running a restaurant in the building vacated by B. & B.

Another wedding in our community ere long is our forecast.

Messrs. Whitt, Willingham and Gressett, Ballinger carpenters, with the assistance of Messrs. Mullen and Sherrell, of the "city," have the Patterson residence about completed.

Springfield Bros. have the Chumley house under rapid construction.

Messrs. R. S. Kelley and P. D. Meeks were among the number that attended the Sid Williams meeting in Ballinger, from Winters.

What young man is wanting to secure the promise of a good horse for Sunday week?

NEMO.

Mrs. W. T. Melton, of Brownwood, spent a few days in Ballinger this week, returning home Thursday. She was the guest of her daughter and granddaughter, Mrs. Will Vaughn and baby.

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Content News.

Content was visited by a good shower Monday and the farming belts were covered with rains. Although too late to be any advantage to crops we feel sure it will prevent a great deal of sickness.

We are pleased to note Mr. E. P. Carr, late of Young county, as a citizen of Content. He is a brother-in-law of A. A. Goats of this place.

Earnest Myers spent first Monday in Abilene, and reports that horses sold in that town for 25 cents each.

A jolly fishing party from Content spent two days on Jim Ned creek last of last week and all report a fine time and plenty of fish. The ladies took a "hay-ride" home and left the "heroes" on the creek. Those composing the party were, E. D. Smith, J. N. S. Webb, Paul Hamon, Earnest Myers, and Mesdames Effie Smith, Lucy Webb, Thalia Smith and their eight children. The way the "runaway party" got home will always be a silent mystery.

Mr. Editor, we think your premium offer a splendid one, and we are anxious to see the contest open up.

Mr. S. T. Carroll has sold his place at Content and will leave in about two weeks for Mound, Texas. We regret very much to learn of their departure, but feel sure they will get home sick and come back to Runnels.

If there is any debating society in the county that wishes an interesting subject for discussion, address the Content club. A letter to the secretary, Mrs. Webb, the Misses Bright or Miss Carroll will be promptly answered.

ASSOCIATE.

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J. A. Pankey, of Miles, passed through Ballinger Thursday going to his old home in Lee county to visit.

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PRESIDENT ASSASSINATED.

President McKinley Shot Twice, WAS AT BUFFALO.

The news came by wire that President McKinley was shot twice today while attending the Pan American Exposition. The tragedy occurred about 4 o'clock. No particulars and rumor not confirmed. Dispatch failed to state whether or not President was dead.

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James Younger, one of the bandits who was recently paroled, has announced his intention of being married, at his earliest opportunity, to Miss Alex Miller, a dashing young St. Paul woman. The acquaintance began while Younger was yet in the Stillwater prison. The young woman accompanying her uncle to that place during his service in the legislature, met her future "lord," enlisted her sympathies with him and became a frequent visitor at the prison. Upon his release Younger sought her out and soon she will become his wife. The date of the marriage has not been announced.

F. L. Carroll, of Waco, has presented \$60,000 to the Baylor university for the erection of a chapel and library building. He is the father of Geo. Carroll who lately made a liberal donation to the same institution.

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Mrs. KATE BROWDER.

For advice and literature, address, giving symptoms, "The Ladies' Advisory Department", The Chattanooga Medicine Company, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on the ranches and lands owned or controlled by the undersigned in Coke or Runnels counties, for the purpose of hunting, fishing, cutting wood, gathering pecans, working stock or hunting hogs will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

G. G. ODOM,
 Ft. Chadbourne, Tex.

Bad For the Business.

"Yes, I had to let him go," replied the boss barber to the regular customer when the latter asked an explanation of the absence of his pet barber.

"Why?"

"Well, he insisted on raising whiskers."

"Raising whiskers? Great Scott! Isn't this a free country, where a man may raise whiskers if he so chooses?"

"Yes, this is a free country, and a man can do pretty much as he likes, but there's one thing he can't do and work for me, and that's it."

"Why do you object?"

"For three reasons. The first is that he was a rather cross looking fellow anyway. Whiskers would make him look crosser. In the second place, to raise whiskers it would be necessary for him to look like a Weary Willie for two or three weeks. In the third place—and this is reason enough, even if there were no other—if he should succeed in raising a good looking beard, he would set an example that might be followed by some customers. The result would be that instead of getting shaved three or four times a week, or even every day, they would content themselves with getting their whiskers trimmed once a fortnight or once a week. Such a move would seriously affect the cash box and for that reason is not to be tolerated."

"How many barbers have you seen wearing beards? Every barber realizes the force of my objection. Oh, yes, every man has constitutional rights that all should observe. So have I."—St. Louis Star.

Thomas Jefferson as a Letter Writer.

Mr. Jefferson probably wrote more letters with his own hand than any other public man that ever lived. The extent of his correspondence may be inferred from the fact that 26,000 letters neatly folded and briefed were preserved by him and found carefully filed away at the time of his death, with copies of the replies sent to more than 16,000. These, however, were only a small portion of his correspondence, as he retained only those he considered of future usefulness or importance.

Stenography was not invented at that time. Every one of his letters was written with his own hand and with great care, although after breaking his wrist while minister to France it became a great labor to him. His penmanship was small, plain and legible, every letter being perfectly formed, and his account books are kept in so small a hand that many of the pages cannot be read without a magnifying glass.

Jefferson was ambidextrous. He could write equally well with either hand. When his wrist was broken, he learned to write with his left hand, which became as skillful as the other. It would have been impossible for him to have carried on his extensive correspondence without being able to relieve his right hand at intervals.—Chicago Record.

Divided the Remedy.

The Philadelphia Record tells a story of a physician of that city who was called to see an old Irishman and his wife, down with colds. He advised quinine and whisky as an antidote. "You must both take it," he said. "Take it every three hours—two grains of quinine and a swallow of whisky." The next day he called again. The man was up and about, but his wife was in bed. "Did you follow my instructions?" asked the doctor. "To the letter," replied the husband.

"How much quinine have you left?" was the next question. "Sure, Oi t'ink she have taken th' whole av it," said the man. "And didn't you take it, too?" asked the doctor.

"Divil th' bit," was the reply. "Begorra, it kept me busy takin th' whisky every toime she took a pill, an sure she's in bed an Oi'm up."

The Humorous Primate.

There is a story told of a candidate for the pulpit who was preaching an ex tempore trial sermon before the late Archbishop Tait and Dean Stanley.

In his extreme nervousness he began in a stammering way, "I will divide my congregation into two—the converted and the unconverted."

This proved too much for the primate's sense of humor, and he exclaimed, "I think, sir, as there are only two of us, you had better say which is which."—London Standard.

Easy Going Japs.

Japanese business methods are in the less important places of a very go as you please description. At Nagasaki the other day a foreigner calling at the branch of one of the chief shipping companies found the whole place deserted. It appeared that, the day being fine, the manager and staff had gone out on a mushroom hunting expedition. Mushroom hunting is a pursuit that appeals to every true Japanese.

Missed the Name.

Guest of the Doctor's (late home from the theater)—Hurry up, old chap, and let me in.

Absentminded Doctor (who has forgotten all about his visitor)—Who are you?

Guest—Mr. Trane.
Doctor—Missed a train, have you well, catch the next.—London Fun.

Fear of the Dead.

Fear of the dead is instinctive in man. There is no doubt about that. I do not profess to be able to enter into the exact reasons for that fear; whether it be that man instinctively recoils from contemplation of the fallen temple alone or what not, it is sufficient that the fear exists.

Neither is this instinctive fear of the dead confined to man. I owned a horse once that could never be driven past a dead horse. The animal exhibited all the signs of true fear.

Fear coupled with shock can produce insanity. I do not think that the reason of a normal man would be unseated if he were locked up alone with a corpse for many hours, though a person with weak nerves certainly might be so affected. If a man discovered that his sweetheart had died suddenly while alone with him, the shock might render him insane.

Even to those most familiar with death and dead bodies there is something awe inspiring about a corpse, and no man's nerves are proof against a fright. I remember once, when I was alone in the dissecting room at night, the hand of the subject upon which I was engaged became loosened. I did not notice what had happened. Suddenly the arm of the subject swung around, and the hand struck the side of my face. Years of training in immunity from superstition vanished in the jump that I gave.—Dr. John D. Quackenbos in New York World.

Watches That They Lend.

"They are all alike," remarked a man coming out of a Woodward avenue watchmaker's, accompanied by a lady. "Who?" inquired his wife.

"Watchmakers."

"How?"

"I thought other cities maybe weren't quite like our small town in the wild and wicked west, but they are and more so. I take my watch, which, as you know, is a fine gold one, full jeweled, costing \$300, in to have a few repairs, much or little, as may be, and the boss timekeeper gives me an old battered tin watch to carry in its place that makes me ashamed to look into the face of a reputable watch for weeks. In addition it excites suspicion in the minds of my nearest friends when they see me take it out, and if I should die with that watch on my person in a strange country the newspapers would say, 'Judging from the watch found on the deceased, he must have come from New Jersey.' Now, what I want to know is why don't jewelers have 'substitute watches' to match their customers'? That is to say, let the customer's watch left for repairs determine the kind of watch he is to carry until he gets his own again."

But his wife couldn't tell him to save her life.—Detroit Free Press.

Didn't See the Joke.

"It isn't safe to be funny these days unless one labels one's jokes," said a woman who went abroad recently. "You know, I've always rather fancied myself as a wit, and on the steamer coming home I really let myself out. Everybody was a bit sensick, and I—Well, even I had times when I thought I'd rather own an automobile than any kind of a yacht. One day we all foregathered on deck and talked about what we'd gone through—you know how people do on shipboard. I was talking in my cleverest vein with an English family.

"I'm like a famous lady," I chortled gayly. "I'll be extremely glad to set foot on terra cotta again."

"That evening the mother of the English family took me aside.

"My dear," she said, "I'm so much older than you that I am sure I may make so bold as to tell you something, and I want you to take it in the spirit in which it is meant. You said this morning you'd be glad to set foot on terra cotta again. I thought I'd just call your attention to the thing so you won't make the same mistake again. It isn't terra cotta, it's terra firma."—Washington Post.

Surface Indications.

From "A Book on Dartmoor," written by the Rev. S. Baring-Gould, comes a story which might have come from a less trustworthy source:

The wild and romantic country of Dartmoor consists of a tableland with rugged peaks or tors and all but impassable marshes. After a dry summer it is easy to pick one's way across parts of it which at other times are full of pitfalls. At one of the latter periods a man was cautiously treading his way across one of the treacherous marshes when he saw a hat lying brim downward on the sedge. He gave it a gentle, good humored kick in passing and almost jumped out of his skin when a choked voice called out from beneath:

"What be you a-doin to my 'at?"

"Be there now a chap under'n?" exclaimed the traveler.

"Ees, I reckon, and a boss under me likewise."

It Came Off.

Mother—Willie, your face is very clean, but how did you get such dirty hands?

Willie—Washin me face.—Tit-Bits.

The first photographic portrait taken was of a Mrs. Dorothy Draper in 1839 by her brother, Dr. John Draper.

The Sid Williams meeting closed Thursday. He labored with zeal and earnestness, but little results followed. 15 conversions and 11 accessions was the visible result. Thursday afternoon 7 girls and 2 boys were baptized in the river by Rev. West, the pastor. That afternoon Rev. Williams, his wife and babies and Mr. Brown left for San Antonio. Something near \$250 was raised and donated to the evangelist for his work. The meeting throughout was largely attended.

The shortage of Ballinger's water supply has created considerable talk about an artesian well. Clearly, an ample supply of water is needed and in the mind of this writer there is no better way of securing it than to bore an artesian well. True, they are expensive and then we might not strike water but the chances are in our favor; as for the expense, if one-third of the amount required is raised by subscription a certain well-to-do citizen will probably furnish the remainder, provided, of course, he is allowed free use of water, if found. Much more might be said; this is written only to show what the town might do if the proper effort was made.

Five men held up a Cotton Belt passenger train near Eylau, Tex., and secured a very large amount of booty. From the manner in which they handled the engine and proceeded with their work it is almost certain that the robbers were experienced railroaders. Although the amount secured is withheld by the railroad, it is known that a very large shipment was made on this particular night and it is evident the robbers were in possession of this fact as well as acquainted with the schedule, etc. The scheme was successful in every respect. They escaped on the engine, detaching it from the cars and going south at full speed.

L. Markowitz has returned from the northern markets where he purchased extensively of everything needed to make a complete fall and winter stock. These are arriving now and if the reader desires yet to buy summer apparel now is a pretty good time to visit Markowitz as he is in a trading humor, ready to sell at most any price. Price, and if you do not care to buy, no harm is done. In this connection he desires to say that while away he secured the services of one of the most expert dressmakers of the north, at a big salary for the season. She personally selected a fine line of trimmings and dress goods, something ahead of anything brought to Ballinger before this. Miss Bertha Endries, the lady above mentioned, has arrived and it would afford Mr. Markowitz pleasure if the ladies will call and consult her with reference to their dresses and trimmings for this fall's wear.

It was Horace Greeley who said; "it is strange how close men read the papers. We don't say anything a man doesn't like but what we soon hear of it. We may pay some men a hundred compliments and give them a dozen puffs and he takes it as a tribute to his greatness—never thinks that it does him and good, but if we happen to say anything this man does not like or something he imagines reflects on his character, see how quickly he flares up and gets excited about it. Then our evils are charged to us, but we never apparently get credit for the good we do."

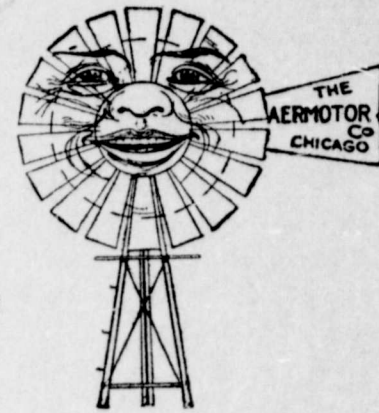
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"It is easy enough to be pleasant
When life flows by like a song,
But the man worth while,
Is the man with the smile
When everything goes dead wrong.

Jeff Davis county bemoans her fate of a remarkably lean year. The drouth has blighted all crops and everything is drying up. No grass will be made for hay and while a large acreage has been planted in beans it is feared this crop will also be a failure, in which case it will work a terrible hardship upon those who have invested in this way.

The wreck on the Great Northern in Montana is said to have been one of the most terrible in the annals of American railroading. Thirty-four lives were lost, twenty persons being cremated. Ten others were injured. The wreck was caused by a runaway freight train dashing down a heavy grade and crashing into a passenger train. Fire broke out from the oil lamps of a wrecked caboose and before the dead and dying could be rescued from the debris the flames swept upon the rescuers and the work had to be given up. Superintendent P. T. Downs and his son were among the unfortunate, their private car being smashed into kindling wood and then burned.

A never failing cure for cuts, burns, scalds, ulcers, wounds and sores is DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A most soothing and healing remedy for all skin affections. Accept only the genuine. E. D. Walker.

Within the last few weeks a number of persons have been run down and killed in St. Louis by the Transit company's electric cars and a few days ago the indignation of the people was aroused to its highest point when a two year old child met its death in this same manner. An attempt was made to lynch the motorman but he was rescued by a policeman at the point of a revolver. Such carelessness should have its reward.

Sid Darling, 1012 Howard St. Port Huron, Mich., writes: "I have tried many pills and laxatives but Dewitt's Little Early Risers are far the best pills I have ever used." They never gripe. E. D. Walker.

JAS. E. BREWER'S new line of watches is immense. See them and get his prices.

Truth.

"As the partridge sitteth on eggs and hatcheth them not, so he that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave them in the midst of his days and at his end shall be a fool." See Jeremiah 17:11. "And he was sad at that saying and went away grieved, for he had great possessions."—Mark 10:22.

Mr. Editor, just after a great meeting of the Baptists, and deaths by disease and by a bolt of lightning, things are going the same old road. This seems strange to me, for things that men and women admire they discuss after all those things have just happened. I can't tell any difference in humanity.

This writer was at Wingate and heard men discussing dry weather, stock, land, cotton and many other things, but I did hear them say any thing about the Lord Jesus Christ.

You say and do not. "Not every one that sayeth Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom, but he that doeth." It seems to me if men and women were really interested in sinners they would go to their homes and not wait until the great revival season. "Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men."—Acts 20:26. "For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God." I, the fault finder! And I am guilty myself. They accused the Lord of many things.

"John, the Baptist, came neither eating bread nor drinking wine, and you say he hath a devil." "The son of man is come eating and drinking, and you say behold a glutinous man and a wine bibber, a friend of publicans and sinners."—Luke 7:33 34. SAUL.

GASTRITIS.

Caused by Some Irritant Acting on Mucous Membrane of the Stomach.

Inflammation of the stomach, gastric catarrh or gastritis, as this unpleasant affliction is variously called, may, like most inflammatory diseases, be acute or chronic in its course. The symptoms of gastritis are more or less fever, weak pulse, loss of appetite, coated tongue, foul breath, bad taste in the mouth, the head aches dully. There is sensation of weight or distress in the stomach. Gastritis is caused by some irritant acting on the mucous membrane of the stomach, the irritant is often formed in the stomach by the fermentation of indigestible food. Gastritis will never develop if you take regularly Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, the guaranteed cure for indigestion, constipation and all diseases arising from stomach troubles. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is an all the year round medicine. Good for the whole family from the smallest infant up. It is the best life insurance. Sold by E. D. Walker, 50c and \$1.00 bottles.

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- Bowen, Mrs. J. B.
- Hold, Mrs. S.
- Moore, Mrs. B. W.
- Dickinson, D. R.
- Dockery, R. R.
- Hill, F. B.
- Kyle, G. W.
- Plaster, J. F.
- Thomas, U. G.
- Walden, J. A.
- Wilson, E.

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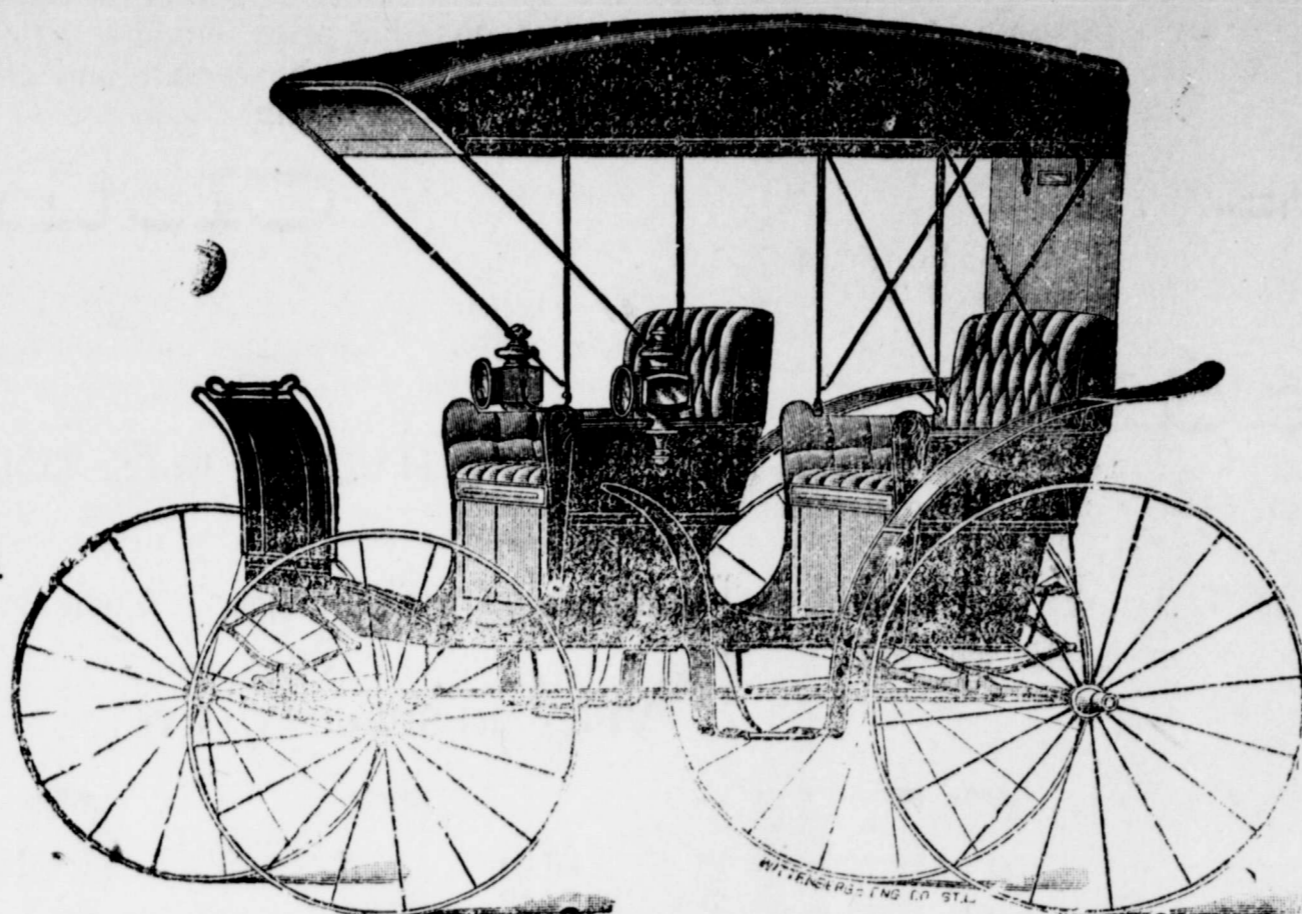
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Is Half
Avert-
ed."

If you are in business and don't
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This is a warning.

See your mistake in time
and avert it.

A poor publisher, the pro-
prietor of a struggling magazine,
sent a half inch advertisement
to the New York Herald. The
ad man made it a half page.
The bill was bigger than the
publisher's entire possessions.
He thought he was ruined.

It was the turning point. The
magazine sold. It was good
and people liked it. Other
half page ads followed.
Result: fortune, fame, honor.

Advertising is just as potent a
lever now as it was then.

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Prepared only by E. C. DEWITT & Co., Chicago
The \$1. bottle contains 2 1/2 times the 50c. size.

The city of Cleveland, Ohio, has
been visited by a remarkable
disaster in the shape of a cloud-
burst and flood. No lives are re-
ported lost but the damage done
is estimated at over a million
dollars. The storm is said to
have been the heaviest that has
visited the city for more than
forty years. The surging waters
spread over about eight miles of
the city and the row boats prov-
ing altogether inadequate for the
work of rescue, it was necessary
to call out the life saving crew
which was stationed several
miles up the river. The tor-
rents came with such force that
scores of graves were unearthed
at the cemetery and the dead
bodies tossed upon the waters
and were lodged in gutters.
Many thrilling experiences are
told by those who barely escap-
ed and the remarkable thing is
that no one was lost.

Labor day was observed in
nearly every city in the State.
Business was suspended and
elaborate programs carried out,
consisting of parades, picnics,
excursions, etc.

Maverick

Dr. McBeth and Messrs S. B.
Caperton and Allbritton, went to
Ballinger Friday, Mr. Caperton
having bought land of the Dr.,
and Mr. Allbritton's home place,
and will move his mother and
sister back into our neighbor-
hood.

Mr. and Mrs. John Burnett
have a fine girl at their home.

Mr. Ward Sandlin has moved
into Mr. Morgan's house just
east of Maverick, and Charlie
Bogart moved into the house
just vacated by him.

Some time ago Elmer Mar-
shall had the misfortune to run
into a barb wire fence and cut
both himself and horse real bad.

Rev. Bullock and family, of
Robert Lee, visited relatives
here last week.

Mr. Foster and little son re-
turned to their home at Whites-
boro Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Boozier, of
Olga, Nolan county, spent the
night with Mr. and Mrs. Odom
Friday.

Rev. Wallace Caperton, of Al-
bany, Texas, passed through
Maverick last week on his way
to Bronte.

Quite a crowd from Maverick
went to Bronte Sunday, and oh!
wasn't that shower of dust fine.
However a small sprinkle fell
after the dust subsided.

We are sorry to hear that Bed-
ford Caperton is quite sick at
Ballinger.

Mr. W. A. Snyder spent Satur-
day and Sunday out here with
his family.

The gin men are camped just
across the creek from the gin.

Mr. Beaty and family, of Val-
ley creek, visited in Maverick
last week.

Messrs. W. E. Allen and Jap
Adams spent the night in Mav-
erick Thursday, and were joined
here by Reubin Gentry. They
are hunting pasture for their
stock.

Mr. Joe Roark sold several
loads of country produce in Mav-
erick last week. (Mostly mes-
quite wood.) IKE.

Maria Josephine Eastwick, of
Philadelphia, is charged in Lon-
don with having forged a rail-
road certificate of the value of
\$100,000. She is a woman of
charming personality and high
social standing and her friends
are much surprised at the story
of her trouble.

A big jewelry robbery occur-
red at La Grange on the first,
and a reward is offered for two
men suspected of having done
the work, although officers are
working on several clues.
Watches, jewelry and money to
the amount of about \$2150 were
taken.

No man ever prospered in the
world without the co-operation
of his wife. If she unites in
mutual endeavors, or rewards
his labor with an endearing smile,
with what confidence he will resort
to his occupation, meet difficulty
and encounter danger if he knows
that he is not spending his
strength in vain; but that his labor
will be rewarded by the sweets of
home! Solicitude and disappoint-
ment enter the history of every
man's life and he is but half
provided for his voyage who finds
an associate only for happy hours
while for his months of darkness
and distress no sympathizing
partner is prepared—Clypt

Its To Your Interest

To save every dollar you can. So when you are in Ballinger you will find it greatly to your interest to visit the New Dry Goods Store and see the money saving prices we are making in every department. We have the largest stock of goods in Ballinger; bought for spot cash as low as money could buy them; which places us in a position to make you the lowest possible price on any article in the house. We came here to stay and are anxious to do business. We are going to make it to the interest of every man, woman and child in this section of the country to trade with us. If we can save you money ours is the place where you should do your trading.

Shoes.

We wish to call special attention to our Shoes. They were made especially for us and you will find our name on every box which is a guarantee of their value. Every pair warranted to give satisfaction.

To the Ladies.

We are proud to say that our Dress Goods Department is the largest in West Texas. Here you will find everything in the Dress Goods Line from the five cent Calico up. We cordially invite your inspection of this department.

Big Bargains in Trunks and Valises and hundreds of other things. Come and let us show you is all we ask.

Clothing.

If we can save you 15 or 20 per cent on a suit or pair of pants you should buy of us. It will pay you to get prices on our clothing before making your purchase. If you want the latest you should see our line of

HATS, SHIRTS, COLLARS AND TIES.

They are "beauties" and the prices are right.

VERY RESPECTFULLY,

Chilton Dry Goods Co.

BALLINGER, TEXAS,
next door to Lee Maddox.

Well now, if you want the best
get the Live Oak Flour at
Miller Mercantile Co.

Col. D. P. Moser has returned home from the ranch.

Jesse Cross, of Brownwood, has located in San Angelo to embark in the real estate business.

Winkler, Chilton Dry Goods Co., Brin's, Davis & Co. and Van Pelt & Kirk have new cards this issue.

J. W. Powell made a trip to Coke county this week, dividing the estate of Thos. Hennessey while there.

Frank Ludwig, who has been with Miller Mercantile Co. the past six weeks, has gone to Brownwood.

The Banner-Leader regrets to learn of the illness of Mr. Bedford Caperton at the home of Mrs. Alice Green in this city.

S. B. Raay received this week a fine, dappled-gray buggy horse, an appreciated gift from his mother, Mrs. H. C. White of Gatesville.

Will Vaughn is staying close to home these days looking after that new daughter which came last Friday to make his home happier.

A charter has been granted the Ballinger Opera House Co., with a capital stock of \$8000. The incorporators are Geo. W. Vaughn, W. J. Miller, W. A. Norman and J. W. Powell.

"Tin can" alley still remains a nuisance which the councilmen have neglected to abate. If one of them lived south of said alley it wouldn't be necessary for the Banner-Leader to make these remarks.

Ballinger Public School and Miss Franc Baker's kindergarten will hold joint opening exercises in the C. P. church Monday morning at 9 o'clock. All who are interested are invited to be present.

The legislature has placed Runnels county in the 26th senatorial district with the following counties: Erath, Comanche, McCulloch, Mills, San Saba, Concho, Runnels, Coleman, Llano and Brown.

Runnels county is now a part of the 16th congressional district which is composed of 58 counties, with a population of 161,084. The following counties are on the extreme eastern line of this district: Edwards, Kimble, Menard, Concho, Runnels, Eastland and Palo Pinto.

—Fresh California fruits.

I. O. WOODEN.

Misses Pittman, Love and Kyle have arrived, ready to begin school work Monday.

The Fitzgerald-Seagle meeting is announced to begin here on the 22nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Odum and daughter, Miss Donie, are guests of Ballinger friends this week.

W. N. Collier left Wednesday for Hubbard City to visit home folks. He will be away about a week.

W. W. Chastain has purchased all the laundry agencies in Ballinger and means to run his business the correct way. See his card.

Mr. and Mrs. Noon, after spending a portion of their honeymoon with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Trail, left Wednesday for Nogales, N. M., their future home.

Peter McNally, the well-known swimmer, who proposes to swim from Boston to New York in thirty days has started upon his great task. Two friends accompany him in a boat.

W. D. Williams has given up the merchant tailoring business in Ballinger and has gone to Houston, at which place he has secured a permanent situation. The Banner-Leader wishes him success.

A. J. Barragar, of Terrell, visited his brother-in-law, J. J. Erwin a few days this week. His wife accompanied him and will remain the guest of Mrs. Erwin several days longer. Mr. Barragar is connected with the "Midland" at Terrell.

Ballinger fire department seems "non est" these days. In his rounds this week this writer found one member and he was found only after diligent inquiry. Seriously, if Ballinger's fire company expects to be of service during a fire they should meet occasionally for practice. We've heard it said that some of the members didn't know a spanner from a nozzle. If this be true the captain should call a meeting and instruct them. Ballinger, fortunately, has had little use for her fire department the past two or three years but good luck will not always so attend us, and when we do need their services, will need them badly.

—Seth Thomas 8 day clocks with alarm will be sold at Asa Cordill's during September for \$3.00. Same without alarm for \$2.65.

—Finest line of set rings at Asa Cordill's.

Robert Gatlin, a Sonora ranchman, visited Ballinger this week.

J. W. Powell's office phone is No. 121.

The corner stone of the new Catholic orphanage at Galveston will be laid next Sunday, the anniversary of the storm.

We hear of showers of blessings around us but they fail to reach us. Maybe our time will come yet. At least we are not disheartened nor hopeless.

Milton and Presley Starnes, nephews of Superintendent J. A. Starnes, arrived Thursday night from their home at Edgewood and will attend school here.

New York has under construction a hotel which will be the highest building used for the purpose in the world.

Rev. West has begun the publication of a Baptist paper in Ballinger. The first number hasn't yet appeared. It will be an 8-page, 4-column weekly.

Prof. J. A. Starnes is wearing a beautiful patch just above his eye caused by his head coming in forceful contact with the business end of a stick of wood. He has foresworn wood chopping.

—All parties knowing themselves indebted to Dr. W. W. Fowler will find their accounts in the hands of E. D. Walker with whom they are requested to settle and take his receipt for the same. 4t.

The Methodist meeting, postponed on account of the Baptist revival, will begin at the church on Saturday night, the 7th. Rev. Biggs, who will do the major part of the preaching, is a whole-souled, genial man, full of the religion he preaches, and one calculated to do those good who hear him. The earnest listener, who desires to improve himself, can learn much from the sermons that Rev. Biggs preaches.

Ballinger is disappointed, since the news has been received that Rev. Fife, the evangelist, will not be able to fill his engagement here. His health has broken down completely, compelling him to cancel all his dates for this season. His coming had been looked forward to with considerable interest and the writer, in common with a large number, regrets that we will not have the pleasure of hearing him. We trust his health may be restored by the rest.

If you want to sell Chickens, Eggs, Butter or any old thing that's fresh, go to Miller Mercantile Co.

Silas Izzard, representing Shipman, the San Angelo marble yard man, was in Ballinger a few hours Tuesday. To a Banner-Leader reporter he remarked especially on the substantial appearance of our business houses and the fine stone placed in them.

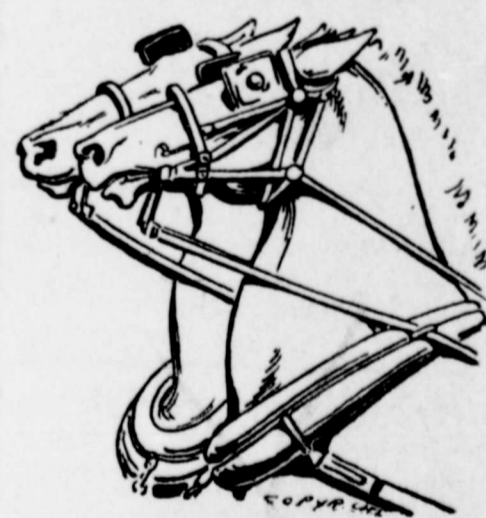
C. S. Woodward is engaged in a philanthropic work for which he is due the thanks of the people. He is having a well dug in his addition to Ballinger, and will erect a windmill there if water is found and furnish free water to thirsty man and beast.

It has been suggested, and the suggestion is a good one, that a petition be circulated and sent to S. A. Kleburg, at San Antonio, the quarantine officer, requesting that the quarantine line be raised at least a month earlier than usual this year. The object of this is to permit the owners of cattle below the line to ship their cattle to grass and water. A delay of a few days means a heavy loss which would cripple this country seriously. Agitate the question and write Kleburg. The thing can, and should be done.

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We have 15,500 acres as fine farming land as crow ever flew over; Concho River front; plenty of pecan timber. We have arranged to have this cut up and will sell in tracts to suit purchaser. Terms 1-3 cash; balance on time. Apply early as bargains like this will not be on the market long.

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that we have full confidence in. The harness isn't the hurriedly slapped together kind. It is made to look well and wear well and the quality of material and workmanship will ensure both.

VAN PELT & KIRK.

Vocal Music.

I will teach a class in voice-culture beginning Monday, Sep. 9th, and using the most advanced conservatory methods. Those interested 'phone me or call at Dr. Fowler's residence.

OLA LOUISE ECHOLS.