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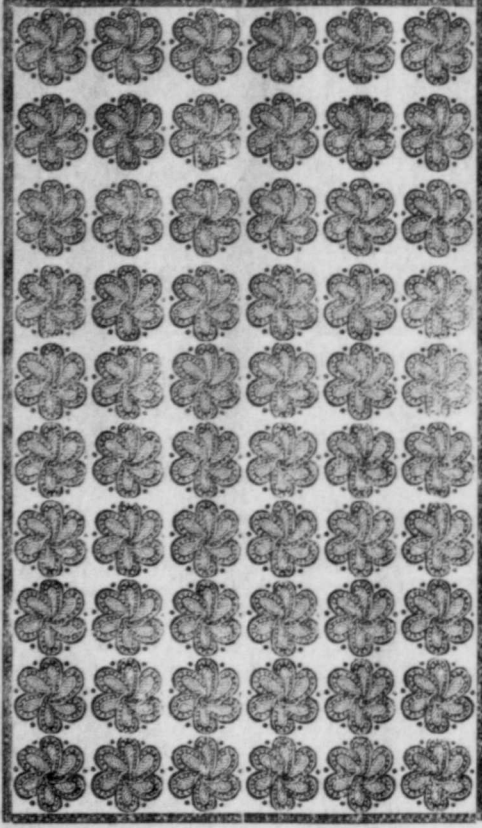
BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY, OCT 24, 1903

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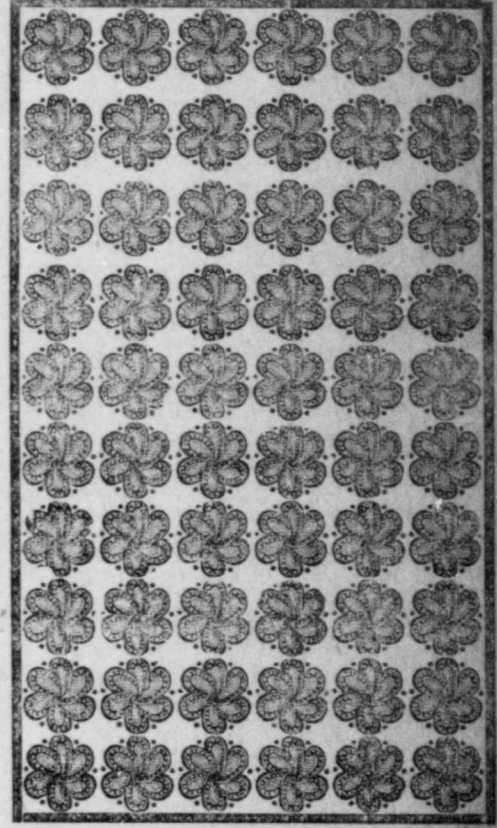
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D. REEDER



Carithers-Truly.

This marriage was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents at West End Thursday evening, Rev. O. M. Fitzhugh officiating. It was a quiet home wedding, only a few being present. The happy young couple left on the 4:45 train for Denton their future home.

Mrs. Dan Carithers, nee Miss Adrienne Truly, has grown from childhood in Ballinger and "none knew her but to love her." She is an earnest christian girl, possessing all the requirements to make a beautiful and loving home for the one of her choice, and all Ballinger joins the Banner-Leader in congratulating Mr Carithers in securing such a prize for a life partner.

The groom, Mr Carithers, lives at Denton where he met his bride while she was attending school there. He is a young man of high moral tone and good standing in his home town, where he has the confidence of all who know him.

The Banner-Leader in company with many friends bid them God speed and wish for them a happy walk through their life with just enough clouds to make the sunshine the more to be appreciated.

Gentry Bros.' Great Show.

Again will the children be tickled. Gentry Brothers' famous show will exhibit here soon and all the children are busy getting their pennies together for the event. Gentry Bros. have exhibited here before and each performance is better than the one that preceded it. The show this year promises to be par excellent, many new features having been added since last we saw it.

The great street parade on the morning of the show will be a thing of beauty and a joy forever. Let the children see it. There will be two performances each day, afternoon and evening. The little folks should all go and ditto the big folks. Ballinger, Wednesday Oct. 28th.

At the Opera House.

The Jack C. Taylor Company held the boards at the Opera House three nights this week, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Monday night "A True Kentuckian" was rendered in a happy way to an appreciative audience. Tuesday night, "The Westerner" was rendered, and Wednesday night, "The Gay Deceiver," the most laughable comedy on earth was listened to by a pleased audience.

The personnel of the troop is strong and if they should see fit to visit Ballinger again they will be well received.

Norton News.

Editor Banner-Leader:

Times have been so rushing of late, we have failed to send any communication from this place.

Business is good. Everybody very busy with their cotton. The ginners are kept pretty well employed; if the weather continues good, the cotton crop of this year will soon be a thing of the past.

Prospectors are coming in and are well pleased with this part of Runnels county.

Mr. John Trimmier of Coryell county, a brother of our Postmaster and ginman, is here on a visit and to see the country. We hope he will be pleased and will decide to locate among us.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Patterson made a visit to Runnels yesterday to see their aunt, Mrs. Dickinson, who is very sick.

Vera Patterson is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Hutchinson, this week.

The young people enjoyed a musicale given at the pleasant home of Mrs. O. Lykes, Saturday night. It was given in honor of Mr. Jim Taylor who is to leave us soon for the Territory. We are sorry to have him leave. Quite a number of the Ballinger boys were out, Messrs. Will Francis, Cameron, Martin and others whose names we did not learn.

Mr. Godwin of Ballinger, made a hasty visit to Norton to-day.

Mr. Wallace Trimmier one of the gin force is sick and taking a rest. Ginning is no light job.

T. J. McCaughan left to-day for Lampasas on a business trip and to visit his parents. He says he was not home sick but just had to go home to see how things were getting on.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Murphy are the proud possessors of a new girl at their home.

Bro. Sullivan and family of Bronte were visiting at the home of Mr. Eastland last week.

Mr. Sandlin and Noah Lee left to day for Paint Rock.

The little daughter of J. D. Miller is right sick. Hope she will soon recover.

Subscriber.

Big Sweet Potatoes.

B. F. Duncan presented the Editor this week with two as fine sweet potatoes as we have ever seen. They were grown in South Ballinger. The two tipped the beam at 10 pounds, and when the possum gets ripe we will invite our friends to partake.

Ed B. Henly and County Attorney Early of Brownwood went out hunting last Saturday when by some unaccountable accident the gun of Mr. Early was discharged into Mr. Henly's foot nearly severing that member from his leg. After examining it the physicians decided that amputation was necessary which was at once done.

About eighteen car loads of good horses passed here Monday enroute for Fort Worth to be sold there. The horses were raised near San Angelo and the owner stated there would be no difficulty in finding a good sale for them. Moral—raise plenty of good horses if you want to make easy money.

Pros carried Mills county in last Saturday's election. Goldthwaite and Mullen the largest boxes went about 4 to 1 in favor of the pros.

Not Guilty.

This was the verdict rendered by the jury in the Murray case in which Sam Murray was charged with the murder of Ber. Cole in November 1898 in Irion county, after being on trial one week. Perhaps a more noted case has not been tried in our county in many years and one in which more interest was centered. The ablest counsel in the state was engaged both for the state and the defendant. The friends of Ben Cole used every effort to obtain a conviction and the defendant Murray's friends worked equally hard for an acquittal.

This is the third trial in this county, each of the other two resulted in a hung jury. W. A. Wright the defendant's leading counsel estimates that the pub-

lic and private expense in this case will reach nearly \$100,000, which will convey some idea of the magnitude of the case.

The Jury went to their room to consider a verdict at one o'clock Tuesday afternoon and rendered it about 10:30 Wednesday morning which shows how near it came being a hung jury this time. Defendant Murray has a good many friends here who are glad to hear of his acquittal.

A fine girl arrived last Sunday afternoon to brighten the home of P. M. Presler and wife who reside on Valley Creek on W. T. Padgett's place.

Buy your Groceries fresh from the Miller Mercantile Co., and have them sent up by their Horseless Delivery.

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That we have been Cotton Factors for over 30 years and that our Senior continues to give his personal attention to every detail of our cotton business.

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That we would not continue to ask for shipments of cotton unless we had produced results that have satisfied thousands of shippers and made them permanent customers.

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One Big Day

BALLINGER

Wednesday October 28th

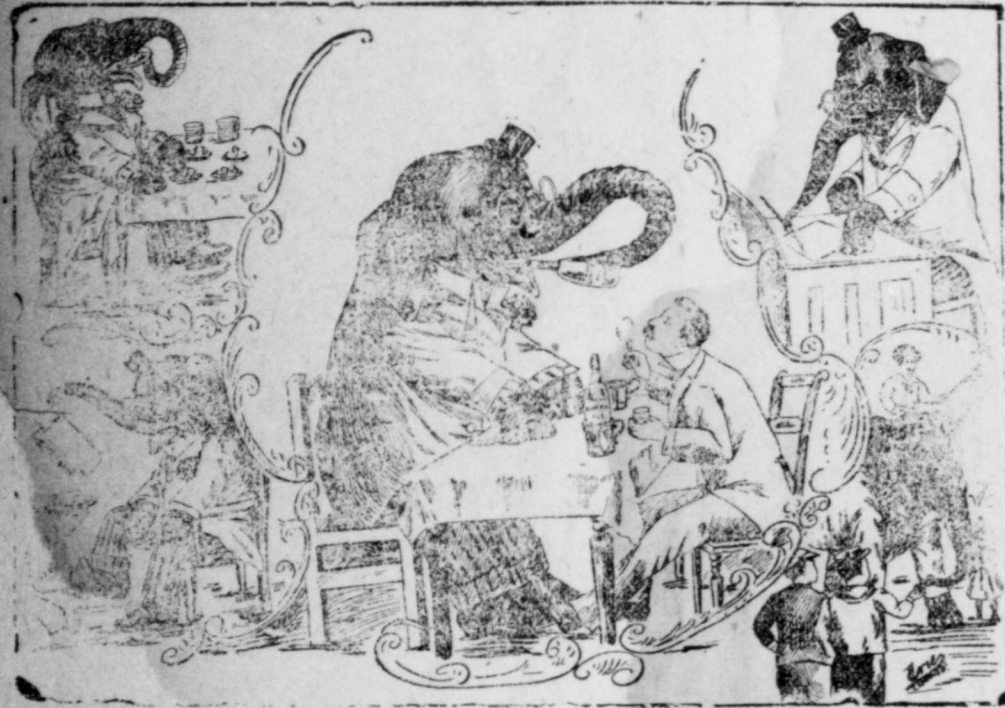
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America's largest and most complete show
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50 Monkey Comedians
3 HERDS OF PERFORMING ELEPHANTS

See the Troupe of Musical Ponies, only act of its kind in the world
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America's Highest Salaried Acrobats

See DON JAUN, the Monkey Dare-Devil, Loop the Loop, to be seen only with the Gentry Show as advertised.—See the Fun-makers, the Funny Clowns.—The only trained Camels ever seen, a baby camel and its mother seen at each performance.—See the Monkey Barber shop, the funniest Monkey Comedians in the world.

Everything new this year, nothing old but the title. TWO PERFORMANCES DAILY, AFTERNOON AND NIGHT. Watch for the Grand Free Street Parade daily at 11 a. m. A brilliant array of Beautiful Magnificence

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A Singer Sewing Machine—good as new—with all the attachments—at a great bargain. For further particulars inquire at the Banner-Leader office or The Ice Factory.

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Abilene, Tex. Oct. 16, 1901.

E. W. Hall, St. Louis: Dear

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Just received a car load of

Hall Hardware Co.

Mrs. W. J. Miller went to San

Angelo Tuesday.

home.

to their

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nothing but insurance and I

attend to that right. See me

for a policy. Lee Maddox.

The Fair is the place to save

money on Dry Goods and Gro-

ceries. 8th St.

Compare price with price and

quality with quality. This is all

we ask you to do to find the

reason why you should trade at

Some Apples.

Lester West of the Newcastle neighborhood, gave the Democrat a liberal sample of his apple orchard last Saturday. If anybody doubts that this is an apple growing country he should visit Mr. West's orchard and have that doubt removed. In the lot presented to the Democrat were large red apples measuring 11½ inches in circumference, requiring only 18 to fill a water bucket. And the flavor is as fine as an Arkansasyer ever produced. Mr. West has about 200 apple trees in his orchard and 150 of them bearing.—Coleman Democrat.

What's the matter with this country also producing apples all right? certainly the climate is as favorable as that of Coleman.

Compare price with price and quality with quality. This is all we ask you to do to find the reason why you should trade at Bob Shaffers.

If you have never traded at the Fair give us a trial and you will be one of our regular customers. 8th St.

Nothing but insurance and I attend to that right. See me for a policy. Lee Maddox.

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Ballinger Improves.

That Ballinger continues to improve no one can deny. So far she has outstripped Abilene on cotton receipts, and we continue to get cotton from the Menardville country notwithstanding predictions that when the Frisco road run to Brady we would get no more cotton from the Menardville country.

The New Oil Mill now just about completed excites the admiration of visitors and prospectors, and bids fair to be a great boon to Ballinger and Runnels county.

E. D. Walker's new residence now nearing completion is one of the handsomest in West Texas, and will cost between five and seven thousand dollars.

J. F. Currie is erecting an elegant \$3 500 residence with all modern conveniences. On his lots on 9th Street near the depot J. Whit Patterson is about ready to move into his neat, attractive and well arranged cottage in front of Judge C. H. Willingham. Rev. I. N. Lewis is having built a pretty little cottage fronting the right-of-way opposite the Ice Factory, which, when completed will add much to that part of town. Jack Guy is building a pretty four room cottage on 12th Street fronting Judge Willingham's place, and it will add much to that already pretty part of town. The new stone Livery Stable building being erected by Gus Noyes opposite the Ballinger Lumber Co.'s place of business will be a substantial improvement to Ballinger.

We are proud of the fact that this steady substantial growth continues without a railroad boom or other mushroom processes, and we think it argues strongly for the agricultural conditions surrounding our town and assures us of a good substantial town in the future.

Advertised Letter List.

Letters and wholly written Postal Cards remaining in the Ballinger, Texas Post Office, unclaimed for two weeks, at close of business on Saturday Oct 2d, 1903. In calling for letters please say advertised, giving date of this list.

H. A. CADY, P. M.

Davis, Mrs. A.
Callwell, C. C.
Dickinson, M. W.
Fritz, G. W.
Hodges, Rev. J. R.
Hill, Jack
Wallace, Joe B. (2)

John A. Loomis of Concho county has raised a crop of 400 acres of milo maize. He will crush the grain and feed to cattle to fatten for market. Milo maize is being grown extensively throughout this country and makes fine feed for both horses and cattle.

J. B. Rodgers a noted Texas educator was here Monday representing Ginn & Co., one of the leading book firms.

J. A. Forbes and Bud Jeffreys went down to Brownwood for a rest of a few days and incidentally on business.

Fred Boyer, one of the best business men of Talpa, made a much appreciated visit to this office last Monday.

Miss Minnie Guion Francis went on a visit to San Angelo the first of the week.

County Attorney B. B. Stone left here for Sayer, Okla. for a short visit.

When in need of nice pickles and olives, jams etc., Phone 12.

Cordill has the watches, get his prices.

Miss Irby Towner went on a visit this week to Santa Anna.

Tornado insurance at \$2.50 per \$1000 per annum. See Lee Maddox.

Mrs. S. C. Lewis left for her home in San Saba after an extended visit to Jack McGregor's family.

Dr. E. A. Fowler, of Brownwood, paid this metropolis a visit on his way to Paint Rock on professional business.

C. O. Harris came in all right last Saturday evening from Beaumont where he had been on local business with some of the oil magnates.

Ask about Asa Cordill's guarantee extension on all watches bought of him after the 10th day of October 1093. It runs from 1 to 5 years.

Notic.

I hereby give notice that all parties that hunt, fish or get wood on my ranch will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

H. C. WYLIE.

To the Public.

We have arranged with Rice's Star Bureau for three attractions this season, they are, The Annie Hodge Concert Co., Mendelssohn's Quartette and Gov. Bob Taylor. We selected these of out many attractions offered us, because of their general popularity and the real merit they possess.

These attractions will appear at the Opera House as follows: The Annie Hodge Concert Co. in November, Mendelssohn's Quartette in December and Gov. Bob Taylor in March. Exact dates will be announced later.

Season tickets will be offered for sale soon at \$2 00 for the three attractions and it will pay to purchase one as it will be much cheaper than to buy one at a time. Bob Taylor's lecture alone will cost one half the price of a season ticket.

These attractions are elevating and high toned and endorsed by the best people, and we trust a liberal patronage will be extended them.

C. P. Shepherd,
Joe Wilmeth.

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For Coughs, Colds and Croup



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The Lewis Mountain Pasture.

We have surveyed the Lewis Mountain Pasture and subdivided it into tracts of 165 acres to 640 and placed it on the market. Most of this land is very fine agricultural land, while a part of it is fine grazing land only, making it a very desirable location for farming and stock raising. There are a number of sections in the pasture owned by other clients of ours, which have heretofore been leased by Mr. Lewis, and purchasers of one or more sections may have the privilege of taking leases on these, as additional grazing lands. Prices are reasonable and terms easy: a small cash payment and the balance on long time at seven per cent interest. For particulars apply to

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C. H. Willingham Hurt.

While coming home from Wingate Judge Willingham was painfully though not seriously hurt.

While driving along the road home a hawk flew up from beside the road and his horse suddenly became frightened, throwing him out of the buggy and the wheel ran over his hip.

First he did not think he was hurt and climbed into his buggy and rode home, but when he got into a warm room, something like paralysis struck the hip that was run over by the buggy wheel, and has pained him very much and kept him confined to his bed since the accident. We trust he will soon be able to be out again.

The Mystic Weavers.

The Mystic Weavers met with Mrs. Leo. Markowitz last Friday afternoon and report a most pleasant meeting.

A full attendance was present and truly there was "a feast of reason and a flow of soul."

Delicate and delicious refreshments were served, and when the hour for adjournment arrived each guest bid their hostess a reluctant good bye and expressed a desire that they might again soon meet with Mrs. Markowitz and enjoy her hospitality.

Mrs. J. S. Moore and daughter, Miss Ethel, were down from Wingate Thursday trading.

Just received a car load of stoves.

Hall Hardware Co.

Mrs. W. J. Miller went to San Angelo Tuesday.

J. Y. Pearce sells and exchanges school books.

The Shakespeare Club met with Mrs. J. B. Wilmeth last week.

R. S. Griggs went to Gatesville Sunday to visit relatives and friends.

Hays Kemp has lately come from Paint Rock to make this place his home.

Don't freeze, Hall Hardware Co. have just received a car load of new heaters.

The Thompson place just this side of Valley Creek sold last week at \$12.50 per acre.

C. B. Rendleman, an old Ballinger boy, passed through Tuesday enroute for Miles.

Prepare for winter by buying stoves from Hall Hardware Co.

Mrs. T. E. Butler and daughter, Miss Nell, went to Brownwood Sunday afternoon to visit relatives.

Rev. S. T. Shore, formerly of this place but now of San Angelo, spent Monday here circulating among his friends.

Let Smith & Hail figure with you on building material and your appreciation of the firm will surely follow.

J. A. Patterson, one of Robert Lee's leading lights, passed through Monday enroute for Antonio and other South Texas points.

Cyrus Odom, wife and family were in Monday doing some trading. They have recently moved from Fort Chadbourne, Coke county, to their Maverick home.

Wingate News.

Home is the place which comprehends the whole of life, its aims and ends,

And is my earthly paradise, A sweet retreat with love replete, where burdened hearts and weary feet, when coming homeward from the street, find peaceful rest in paradise; a sweet retreat where true hearts meet.

And in responsive cadence beat in this my home my paradise.

J. S. Roaten went to Hylton to mill Saturday. Wingate people are pleased at having some home grown meal.

Mrs. Snively was a pleasant caller at Mrs. Moore's this week. Our gin is kept busy day and night.

Messrs. Street and Smithson attended the fair at San Angelo.

Miss Laura Humphreys came home Saturday on a visit from Winters at which place she is attending school. Mr. Ab was all smiles Sunday.

Dr. Wyatt is kept busy now, but we hope all the sick may be well soon.

Mr. John McKown and lady visited on Oak Creek Thursday.

Rev. Bates is hustling around getting ready for conference.

Steps are being made to build a room to the parsonage. Lets all do our part. It is more blessed to give than to receive.

With this fine country and good crops, Wingate should have a better school building and two new churches. Let's be enterprising and have all these good things. We can do it if we will.

The price of cotton is going up. What are we doing to-day to build up our town? Let's wake up, not only in a financial way but spiritually. Nothing is to hinder from having a good live prayermeeting and Sunday Schools, we have the talent, let's develop it.

Some of the young people visited Mr. and Mrs. Jho. McKown Sunday and reported a good time, especially was the dinner nice. "Routn"

Mrs. Will Woods returned to San Angelo last Saturday after a visit to friends here.

We are after the town trade, and if you don't believe we will treat you right and appreciate your trade, just try us for a month. Alvis Bros.

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School Lunch Boxes	10 to 15 cts
24 slate pencils	5cts
Pen holders	1ct
Mucilage	4cts
Pen points	2 for 1 ct
Tablets and pencil	5cts
Pencils	1 cent up
Book Satchels	10cts
Ink per bottle	4cts
Erasers	2cts
Pen and Pencils	4cts

Don't Worry about our profits, we confess they are small but we rely on many sales to increase them

Stubbs & Hartman

Opposite the Court House.

Ballinger, Texas

We may be telling an old story but we are not selling old goods. Get a new set of Buggy Harness before your wife gets a divorce and get them at Bob Shaffer's.

Rich cut glass at Cordill's.

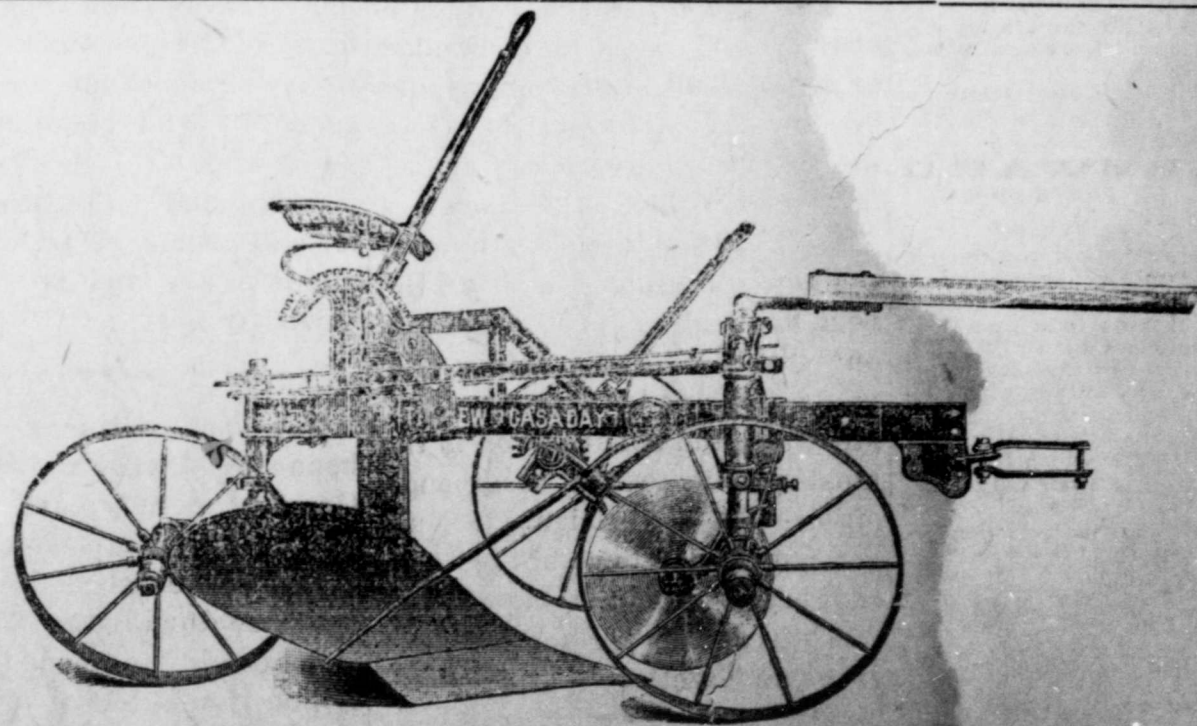
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Let Joe Hardin handle your freight business. Prompt delivery. Reasonable charges. Also handles coal.

Joe Hardin.

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Just received a car of JOS. W. MOON Buggies that have been bought right and will be sold right.



Now is the time to buy your sulky plows. See the CASAR
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BUSINESS MANAGER.

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SANTA FE TRAIN SERVICE.

PASSENGER TRAINS.

West-bound due at Ballinger 11:30 a. m.
East-bound due at Ballinger 4.45 p. m.

LOCAL TRAINS.

West-bound due at Ballinger 3:15 p. m.
East-bound due at Ballinger 10:40 a. m.

Congress will meet on the 9th of November.

The Antis lost out in their injunction suits in Lampasas and Milam counties.

Brownwood has decided to have a big carnival lasting from the 9th of Nov. to the 14th inclusive. There are to be all kinds of attractions at that time.

Dr. August Greth of San Francisco, invented recently an air ship with which he sailed around over that city finally by accident lighting in the bay. He will try again soon.

Judge Bryant, U. S. District Judge, has granted an injunction in favor of the Pacific Express Co. which prohibits every body from interfering with its business in any manner.

Dowie, the successor of Elijah, and several of his followers have gone to New York City to make converts. At his first meeting 5000 people were unable to secure seats and were turned away.



Health is a magnet which irresistibly draws the man to the woman in life's mating time. A great many women covet beauty and are constantly seeking means to beautify themselves. Let a woman first seek perfect health.

There can be no general good health for women while there is disease of the delicate womanly organism.

\$500 REWARD FOR WOMEN WHO CANNOT BE CURED.

Backed up by over a third of a century of remarkable and uniform cures, a record such as no other remedy for the diseases and weaknesses peculiar to women ever attained, the proprietors of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription now feel fully warranted in offering to pay \$500 in legal money of the United States, for any case of Leucorrhoea, Female Weakness, Erolapsus, or Falling of Womb which they cannot cure. All they ask is a fair and reasonable trial of their means of cure.

"I used four bottles of your 'Favorite Prescription' and one of 'Golden Medical Discovery,'" writes Mrs. Elmer D. Shearer, of Mount Hope, Lancaster Co., Pa., "and can say that I am cured of that dreaded disease, uterine trouble. I feel better health than ever before. Every now and then I am surprised to see me look like a young girl. June I was so poor in health that I could not walk. To-day I am cured. Thank you that Dr. Pierce's medicines are so good."

You will be surprised on receipt of stamps for a new look on your jewelry. Send 3¢ for a new look on your jewelry. Jas. E. Brewer repaired it.

Yellow Fever in San Antonio.

The dailies report yellow fever as existing in San Antonio. Three deaths and four other cases up to date. A regular stampede is on among the Fair visitors from the infected city. Nearly all towns in South Texas have quarantined against San Antonio.

Laredo is still struggling with the yellow fever. There have been about 500 cases up to the present, total deaths 37. It seems impossible yet to stamp out the disease until the frost comes.

Opie Read once upon a time challenged the production of a single meritorious literary sentence by a Kansas man, and in response was shown this from John J. Ingalls: "When the fitful fever is ended and the foolish wrangle of the market and forum is closed, grass heals over the scars which our descent into the bosom of the earth has made, and the carpet of the infant becomes the blanket of the dead." Mr. Reed is nothing if not big and generous, and he promptly pronounced it one of the finest bits of English ever written.—The Austin Statesman.

One of the clever features of the Gentry Bros. show this year is the introduction of a troupe of ponies who have actually acquired a musical education. Nine beautifully spotted Shetland ponies form into line and have sleigh bells attached to their heads, at the word of command from their trainer they proceed to play a selection which can easily be recognized by the audience and which never fails to bring forth a generous round of applause. The collection of animals with the Gentry show this year is said to be the best they have ever had on exhibition and includes scores of dogs all species, tiny Shetland ponies, several cages of monkeys and a herd of performing baby elephants and a drove of lilliputian camels and sacred cattle. There is no doubt a treat in store for those who visit the performances that are to be given in Ballinger Wednesday, Oct. 28th.

Fruit Seeds and Appendicitis.

Many very intelligent people are deterred from swallowing the seed of berries, grapes and other fruits lest the lodgment of these small bits of indigestibility may induce that dreaded accident appendicitis. This fear is utterly baseless, since the healthy appendix is protected by a valvular arrangement which prevents even the smallest seed from entering it. It is only after inflammation has already destroyed its normal protection that any foreign substance can gain access to it. To feel compelled to eschew all seedy berries and fruits is to seriously curtail one's dietary, and it is entirely unnecessary. In fact, the free and constant use of ripe berries and fruits of all kinds is one of the best preventives of this dangerous disease. Fruit eating prevents or helps to overcome constipation, and constipation is the most prolific cause of appendicitis. The physicians should thoroughly disabuse his patients of this mistaken notion. All the smooth seeds are harmless.—Hygienic Gazette.

Have your watch repaired by Asa Cordill.

Fresh on hand, vegetables and fruits. Best grade of watches at Asa Cordill's.

Alfalfa and Irrigation.

In an address before the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress at Cripple Creek, I. D. O'Donnell, one of the best known stockmen of Montana, gave the following figures:

"One acre irrigated alfalfa will produce 10,000 pounds; one acre in inclosed pasture will produce 500 pounds; one acre range will average a production of 250 pounds, or, again, one acre of irrigated alfalfa will feed one steer 400 days; one acre of inclosed pasture will feed one steer 20 days; one acre of average range will feed one steer 10 days.

"Putting it in the form of sheep it will show as follows: One hundred and sixty acres irrigated alfalfa will run 1,600 sheep one year; 160 acres of inclosed pasture will run eighty sheep one year; 160 acres of range will run forty sheep one year."

Apply these figures to the problem of stock growing in the arid region.

Taking the proportions given above in round numbers, and 160 acres of irrigated alfalfa will carry 146 steers for a year, and it would require something over eight sections—5,120 acres—of dry range to carry the same number of cattle.

Or, putting it briefly, one acre of irrigated alfalfa is worth as much as thirty-two acres of average dry range.

Six hundred and forty acres in alfalfa would beat 20,000 acres of dry range

Twenty million acres of irrigated alfalfa would carry more stock than the whole 620,000,000 acres of government land in the West, and there is water enough runs to waste at the junction of the Platte and the Missouri to irrigate 20,000,000 acres of land. That will give you some idea of what water storage by the national government means to the live stock industry.

But let us turn from the consideration of the subject in its largest aspects to a view of it in its smallest aspect.

A windmill that will irrigate one acre of land in alfalfa will add the equivalent of 32 acres of range to the farm or ranch.

An engine and pump that will irrigate ten acres of alfalfa will add half a section to the farm—that is, it will increase its productiveness just as much as would the acquisition of the additional land.

A pumping plant large enough to irrigate twenty acres will add the equivalent of a whole section of range.

And any irrigation system which will irrigate a whole quarter section of alfalfa is as good as the permanent acquisition of eight sections of range.

Those figures are worth studying. They show that a great many of our live stock men are worrying about more range, and scheming and planning to get more land, when they would find it easier and more profitable to irrigate some of the land they already have, and get better returns from it.

The last prophetic egg has been found at Van Alstyne, in Grayson county, and has written on it in raised letters the following sentence: "All other eggs are darn liars. The world is not coming to an end."—Grand Saline Sun.

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The Boy was on to Him.

I don't know whether the boy knew I was in the insurance business or not, but this is the conversation that followed when I stopped my horse where he sat on the chopping block.

"Where is your father sonny?"
"Down in the orchard pressin' cider."

"Is your mother home?"
"Yes. She's in the kitchen, pressin' brother Ben's Sunday pants."

"Wuer's Ben?"
"In the parlor pressin' cousin Salley's hand."

"Got a sister?"
"Yes."

"Where's she?"
"In the sittin' room, pressin' autumn leaves."

"Has she got a beau?"
"Yes."

"Is he there?"
"No. He'll be up tonight, as usual pressin' his suit."

"Where is the hired man?"
"He's pressin' father to let him go huntin' rabbits."

"And you?"
"I've been settin' on the tub o' new pickles all day, pressin' 'em down."

"Any thing else pressin' around here?"
"Yes, time. Good day!"

So I drove on, and if ever they get struck by lightning there and burn up they'll have that smarty boy to blame for it.—Browning, King & Co's Magazine.

Some Kansas Philosophy.

A man's life is full of crosses and temptations, says the philosopher of the Atchison Globe. He comes into this world without his consent, and goes out against his will, and the trip between the two is exceedingly rocky. The rule of contraries is one of the important features of the trip. When he is little the big girls kiss him, but when he is grown the little girls kiss him. If he raises a large family he is a chump, but if he raises a small check he is a thief. If he is poor he is a bad manager, if he is rich he is dishonest; if he's in politics it's for pie; if he's out of politics you can't place him, and he is no good for his country. If he does not give to charity he's a stingy cuss; if he does it is for show; if he dies young there was a great future for him; if he lives to an old age he has missed his calling. He is introduced into this world and to the next by the same process. The road is rocky, but man loves to travel it.

Told of an Irish Jailer.

In the old days in Ireland, when such a trifle as cracking a head in a faction fight was not considered a breach of the peace, one small jail stood long without a prisoner. But the old order changed, and presently three men were confined there in consequence of a trifling mistake about a goat. This state of affairs did not suit Phelim O'Toole, who was governor, chief warden and turnkey combined, as he found he had to stop at home to look after the prisoners. So one morning he thus addressed them. "Look ye here, bould boys, I'll let yez out every mornin' at the first shriek o' dawn; yez can do what yez likes all day, but if yer not back benine o' the clock aith night, I'll lock every mother's son o' yez out."

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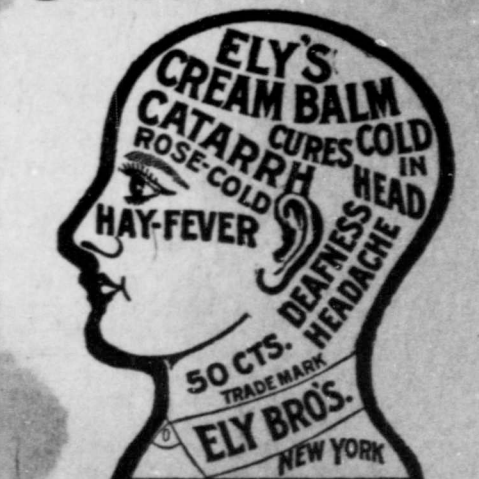
Here is a very simple looking mathematical problem given by the New York World: "Mary is 24 years old. Mary is twice as old as Ann was when Mary was as old as Ann is now; how old is Ann?"

An Irishman, who was a great favorite in his regiment on account of his ready wit, was one day caught running away from the enemy during a sharp engagement. When asked by an officer where he was going, he replied: "I've heard, sorr, that the world is round, so I'm just going round to attack them in the rear."

The project of a tax fat on people is being considered in Sweden. The advocates of the tax argue that when a man is above a certain weight he is in a well fed and consequently prosperous condition, and so in a position to contribute easily to the public funds. It is proposed that persons weighing 125 and less shall be exempt from the tax, but that persons weighing more than 125 pounds shall be subject to a graduate tax, which would be doubled for those weighing more than 180 pounds.

A young man, so the story goes, had a sister named Jessie, who was sent to a fashionable boarding school. When she went he remarked that she would not acquire any affectation often learned at such places. For about a year he had no fault to find on that score. Then came a letter signed "Jessica" for Jessie. He replied as follows: "Your welcome letter received. Papica and Mamica are well. Aunt Marvica and Georgica started to California yesterday. I bought a new horsica. It is a beautica. Its name is Nannica. Your affectionate brother, Sammica."

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Of all the reprehensible, low-down narrow-minded critters who infest this earth, the meanest and most contemptible are they of the swelled head fraternity. This pest is found in all walks of life, and you can spot the afflicted readily by his pompous, patronizing air and his general unpopularity. In the pulpit, in the practice of law and medicine, we have all known and anathematized the man who shines only in the effulgent glory of his own conceit.

In shops and factories the empty-headed young dude who perchance has obtained a third or fourth-rate position on the office staff and feels himself immeasurably superior to the skilled mechanics of the same shop, for the sole reason that they wear overalls and he does not, is just about on a level with the young calico ripper who looks patronizingly on the man from the foundry, not knowing that the average mechanic, if he knows his business, makes more money and works more independently than the high-collared owner of the swelled head does. The machinist, the molder,

The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

Bladder troubles most always result from a derangement of the kidneys and a cure is obtained quickest by a proper treatment of the kidneys. If you are feeling badly you can make no mistake by taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

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and the different tradesmen of the shops, are paid for just what they know and can do, and if this applied to all callings there would not be so many swelled heads strutting around in white shirts and holding positions for which they are neither capable or fitted.

Whatever our abilities, gifts or attainment, we may be certain that there is no more admirable purpose in life than to direct them to the benefit of our fellows, and to the young man I would say, be manly, be modest, be considerate of others, have a pleasant word for all, do not let the vexations of this short life sour you, and your popularity will never wane; while the man who lives only for self-gratification digs the grave for his own hopes by the mistaken idea of his own importance, under which he labors.—Exchange.

The Largest in the World.

Gentry Bros. famous trained animal shows, the largest exhibition of the kind in the world, will soon be in this city. The Gentry Bros. performance this season has been greatly augmented, in addition to which, is presented a miniature Zoological display, showing the various hay and meat eating animals in their infancy, an attraction which is calculated to increase the joys of the little folks, who are the main patrons of Gentry Bros. Famous Shows. In addition to the numerous company of performing dogs, ponies, monkeys and elephants, which have always been seen with the show, an entirely new innovation is introduced in the presentation of a drove of performing Siberian Camels, believed to be the only ones ever educated either in this or foreign lands. The many resources of Gentry Bros. combined exhibitions will be properly indexed and displayed in the combined street parades, which will be given on the morning of the date of exhibition, which is, Ballinger, Wednesday Oct. 28th.

A Cure For Dyspepsia.

I had Dyspepsia in its worst form and felt miserable most all the time. Did not enjoy eating until after I used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure which has completely cured me.—Mrs. W. W. Saylor, Hilliard, Pa. No appetite, loss of strength nervousness, headache, constipation, bad breath, sour risings, indigestion, dyspepsia and all stomach troubles are quickly cured by the use of Kodol. Kodol represents the natural juices of digestion combined with the greatest known tonic and reconstructive properties. It cleanses, purifies and sweetens the stomach. Sold by E. D. Walker.

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"What are you crying about?" asked a stranger of a lad standing in front of a newspaper office weeping as if his heart would break. "Oh, pa's gone upstairs to whip the editor." "Well, has he come down yet?" pursued the good Samaritan. "Pieces of him have," said the boy, with a fresh burst of tears, "and I'm expecting the rest every minute." —Dickey (N. D.) Reporter.

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Without leaving a scar is DeWitt's. The name Witch Hazel is applied to many salves, but DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the only Witch Hazel Salve made that contains the pure unadulterated witch hazel. If any other Witch Hazel Salve is offered you it is a counterfeit. E. C. DeWitt invented Witch Hazel Salve and DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best salve in the world for cuts, buras, bruises, tetter, or blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles. Sold by E. D. Walker.

I stood on the porch at evening when the sun went down. And the Junebug bright in the starry night, flew merrily through the town. Oh, sweet were the gentle zephyrs that blew from the balmy south. And red were the lips and sweet the sips, that I took from her pretty mouth. Her tiny waist encircled by my arm so strong and true. Said I: "Whose duck are you, love?" "Yourn" she murmured, "and whose are you?" Oh, the hallowed hours of that evening! oh, the cruel caprice of fate! Her father, unkind, stole up from behind, and kicked me over the gate.

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When both of the above features can be successfully combined in the presentation of an entertainment of any sort the venture is sure to succeed. The only performance of any kind given under canvas, which combines these two essential points are the ones given by Gentry Bros.' Famous Shows. The entertainment furnished by these almost human animals is replete with merriment for all ages, and instruction for those who care to profit by it. Any one of the acts presented this season in Gentry Bros.' Famous Shows United, represents, at least, one year of continued tuition to the animal, or animals employed in this presentation.

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Rev. B. C. Horton, Sulphur Springs, Tex., writes July 19th, 1899: "I have used in my family Ballard's Snow Liniment and Horehound Syrup, and they have proved certainly satisfactory. The liniment is the best we have ever used for headache and pains. The cough syrup has been our doctor for the last eight years." 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 at E. D. Walker's.

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Saved His Life.
J. W. Davenport, Wingo, Ky., writes June 14, 1902. "I want to tell you I believe Ballard's Snow Liniment saved my life. I was under the treatment of two doctors, and they told me one of my lungs was entirely gone, and the other badly affected. I also had a lump in my side. I don't think that I could have lived over two months longer. I was induced by a friend to try Ballard's Snow Liniment. The first application gave me great relief and two fifty cent bottles cured me sound and well. It is a wonderful medicine and I recommend it to suffering humanity." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at E. D. Walker's.

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Some people are optimists because they have a good job and a permanent place; others are pessimists because they have neither.

Cures Chills and Fever.
G. W. Wirrt, Nacogdoches, Texas, says: "His daughter had chills and fever for three years; he could not find anything that would help her till he used Herbine. His wife will not keep house without it and cannot say too much for it." 50c at E. D. Walker's.

Pro and Anti Fight.
Last week a local saloon announced through a circular that it would place a blackboard in front of its business with the names of all pros who did not pay their accounts by Friday. Friday the board was put up and several names put on it, and it precipitated a fight a few minutes later. The board was taken in that night and has not been put up since.—Comanche Exposure.

Gentry's Street Parade
The street parade given this season by Gentry Brothers famous trained animal exhibition is keeping with the performance which takes place under the white tops. By the parade the performance can be judged. Between 11 o'clock and noon on the day of exhibition the parade will pass through the principal streets of the city. No traveling exhibition of any kind has a finer collection of animals and no other trained animal show can boast of so many beautiful miniature chariots, carriages, wagons and buggies. But as the parade tells its own story the general public is invited to act as inspectors and critics and to judge for itself as to its magnificence and beauty. Eleven o'clock is the appointed hour and those who miss it can blame no one but themselves. Will exhibit at Ballinger, Wednesday Oct. 28th.

A Thing Women Can Do.
She can hold her tongue.
She can love and not be jealous.
She can reason. Yes, indeed.
She can separate business and feeling.
She can love her children and not talk baby talk to them.
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She can admire another woman's stylish bonnet without sighing.
She can shut her lips tight when she's "just as mad as she can be."
She can conquer her husband by chiding him when he is in a lamb-like humor.
She can be sure of the facts before saying, "I'm just as positive as can be."
She can cultivate her mind without affecting a drawl, or neglecting her personal appearance.
She can regard things and people from a dispassionate, impersonal standpoint—a really truly one.
She can make up a menu with regard to "proteids, instead of irrationally giving John the indigestible things he likes.
She can surprise her husband by presenting him with \$10 saved from the housekeeping, without immediately asking for a \$25 coat.
Of course, she doesn't very often do these things; but she can just the same, if she wants to.—Ex.

\$100 Reward, \$100.
The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.
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Hall's Family Pills are the best.

The Minnesota Training School at Redwing, has adopted a spanking machine, which entirely supersedes the old manual method of correction. The superintendent is well pleased with the machine and says the humiliation of being spanked by a machine is a greater terror to the unruly than a much sterner chastisement by the old method.

In Denton county the hand some jail structure stands with its doors wide open, and it is not the result of a jail delivery either. The fact is simply this, for the first time in the history of the county there is not a prisoner in the county jail. Some say the cause of this is that prohibition has been in effect for the past eighteen months while others claim it is just a "wave of goodness" that has struck the county.

Help the news man give the news. There never was a paper in any locality that gave all the news. People come and go about which the editor has no means of knowing. If persons and friends are missed repeatedly they get the impression that the local paper does not care to mention them, which is a mistake. This paper has no ill will against any body who makes news, whether they take the paper or not. Most people take the local paper. Don't be afraid to give us the news of interest. Telephone or bring us any news you know and you will be considered among our best friends.

Why the Water Wasn't Good.
A young matron of Dallas for some weeks had been lamenting the fact to all who came near her that the city water was about the worst that ever in her experience she had encountered.
"You don't notice it so much," she said, "when bathing in it, and we drink artesian water, but whenever I brush my teeth I can scarcely stand it. The taste is something awful. I cannot describe it."
This young woman up to yesterday would buttonhole passersby and tell them how awful that water was, and ask whether she had not best go to the water department and make a kick.

Yesterday she began, and her two young ones were playing about. They listened, and at last one spoke:
"Mamma, it don't seem to bother puppy much. Fanny an' me's been washin' him in the bath tub every day this week, and we brush his teeth with your toothbrush, an' he don't bite or do anything."

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Miss Agnes Glover went on a visit to Miles this week.

Dr. Guy Reed of Beaumont is here this week visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Thomson went on a visit to Marlin this week.

Mr. Burrows of Houston, nephew of D. P. Gay, is here visiting relatives.

Misses Beatrice and Marie Lee Thomson went to Austin Tuesday to visit relatives.

See those Fine Hand made Saddles at

Lankford & Hathaway's.

Mrs. A. S. Reed returned to Beaumont Thursday after an extended visit to friends and relatives here.

For Dry Goods and Groceries, The Fair has a better stock than ever—prices right and courteous treatment.

Judge C. H. Willingham reports the sale of his 320 acre farm near Rowena this week to Gus Shuman for \$5000.

Watch for the Crews Furniture Cos.' ad next week. They have something interesting to tell you about furniture.

Marriage Licenses issued this week to J. W. Leamon and Miss Mollie Galloway; D. J. Carithers and Miss Adrienne Truly.

Come where rich, ripe Bargains await you. Don't take chances by waiting.

The Fair.

Mr. Lon Mapes states he will make 140 bales of cotton on 90 acres this year, and without irrigation too. How's that for the wild West?

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Kirk went up to San Angelo this week with their little son Calvin to have Dr. Marbery remove a growth in his throat.

Ed Lincecune of Coleman, formerly of this place, was here this week on a visit. Ed is doing well we understand in his business there.

J. R. McVay, the enterprising business manager of the Ballinger Lumber Co.'s yard here, went down to Brownwood on business this week.

Up to date there have been received at 5600 bales this season and the cotton is rolling in at the rate of over 200 bales per day. Who said this country is not a good cotton country? If some of the middle Texas cotton raisers could only visit Ballinger they would be an eye opener. We will wager that Ballinger cotton is the best in the

B. Y. P. U. Program.
Sunday, Oct. 25, 4 p. m.

Leader—Dr. Gustavus.

Song.

Prayer.

Topic—What the Bible Teaches About Giving. II Cor. 9:6-11; 8:3-24.

Song.

Scripture Readings.—
Divine Giving. John 3:16; Gal. 2:20.

A Good Example. Ex. 36:1-7. Promises. Luke 6:38; II Cor. 9:6; Acts 20:35.

"Not Yours, but You" II Cor. 8:1-5.

"On the first day of the week." I Cor. 16:1-4.

Song.

Union Discussion of Lesson—M. M. Hamlin.

Select Reading—R. S. Griggs. Voluntary Clippings or Reading.

Song.

Benediction.

Dr. F. M. Hale left Wednesday afternoon for Texarkana to take his last year in medicine. He will also take pharmacy and will receive the M. D. and P. H. G. degrees. Dr. Hale has been practicing medicine at Crews for the past two years and has made many warm friends who wish him success in his college work and that he may see fit to return to Crews and continue the practice of medicine. The Doctor said he wanted to keep up with Runnels county news and had us send him the Banner-Leader while away.

San Angelo wants a better depot and a double daily passenger service. As to the double daily passenger service we wish to say that Ballinger also would be greatly pleased and benefited by it. Let her come, we say.

We have always believed that the best advertisement in the world is a pleased customer. We probably do more of this kind of advertising than any store in this section.

The Fair.

Miss Fannie Simmons writes us this week from Palestine to send her the Banner-Leader, she wants to keep up with Runnels county news.

Bob Cole came in from the Territory this week. His friends say that Bob is glad to get back into a white mans country.

F. T. Dawson, of Maverick, one of Runnels county's substantial farmers was in Wednesday transacting business.

C. R. Crews was called to Eden by Phone on Friday to embalm the remains of a man who died very suddenly.

Miss Edna Odom came back from San Angelo Tuesday where she has been a few days visiting friends.

Herman and Charlie Giesecke went to "San Tone" last Tuesday to take in the Fair and enjoy themselves.

Saddles and Harness neatly repaired.

Lankford & Hathaway.

F. C. Miller and family went to San Antonio to see the sights and attend the Fair.

E. P. Henderson of Crews was a pleasant caller at our sanctum Wednesday.

H. H. Lucket came in Thursday from his El Paso county ranch.

C. P. Shepherd went to Sterling City Thursday on legal business.

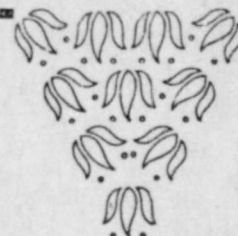
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