

BANNER-LEADER.

VOL. XXII

BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY, FEB 6, 1904

NO 17

NEW SPRING ARRIVALS

WHITE GOODS,

Hosiery

50 styles Imported Hosiery just opened. Mens and Ladies ranging in price up to \$2.00 per pair. Very newest designs.

100 pieces white Masceline highly mercerized in small and large designs in damask Paterns all latest styles, range from 15c to \$1.50 per yard

36 inch White Persian Lawn from 25c to 50c per yard

White Indian Dimity in checks and strips 10c up to 50c per yard

White Piques for waistings at 15c to 40c

Embroidered Linen Waist patterns white and champagne shades from \$3.50 to \$5.50 per set

White Indian Linen from 5c to 50c per yard

We have just received our first shipment of dress trimmings, styles are the latest.--Fine line Mechlin Laces, best quality.

Slippers

New and latest styles. We are receiving new arrivals every day. Come and see us for newest designs in this line.

D. REEDER,

PHONE 58

BALLINGER

Quite an excitement was created Tuesday morning by the runaway of the horseless delivery wagon of the Miller Mercantile Co. However there was no serious damage done but W. M. Forbus' wagon was struck and upset and he was thrown under the heels of his horses and miraculously escaped being kicked to death.

A. C. Einbeck, son in law of our fellow citizen John McFarlane, of West End, came in this week to spend a few days. Mr Einbeck is a prominent druggist of West New York.

A. F. Adams our genial friend of the Winters country had business with us the first of the week.

Wix Currie of Concho county was in from the ranch Tuesday.

W. M. Forbus of the Norton country had business in the city Tuesday.

Loui Affebaeh was an east bound passenger on the Santa Fe Tuesday

A. C. Boyd the Winters Recorder man had business in Ballinger Tuesday.

Walter Murray, the Winters hardware man had business in the city Tuesday.

W. T. Padgett our efficient tax assessor returned from Miles Tuesday evening.

Joe Thiele, of the Miles country was among the visitors to our city Wednesday.

W. R. Vier, the livery and feed man of Miles, had business in Ballinger Tuesday.

Arch Holman came in from San Angelo Thursday and spent the day with Ballinger friends and returned home Friday.

Miss Verna Moser came in from Brady Friday where she has been visiting Miss Mamie Melton for the past few weeks.

Mr. J. C. Belt and family desire to thank the good people of Ballinger for their kindness and help during the late sickness of himself and family.

Mrs. J. D. Hardgrave and her son Earl left here the first of this week for an extended visit to her daughter Mrs. J. D. Smith who lives near Roby.

We are glad to see the prosperity of the Home Steam Laundry as evidenced by the beautiful and comfortable new delivery wagon in which Mr. Forbes now calls on their many patrons.

Judge Guion will begin the erection of a two story rock building on his lot next door to D. Reeder's in about ten days, which will add materially to the looks of that side of 8th Street.

Wanted.

A blacksmith to take charge and run a shop at Maverick, Tex. Call on or address S. B. CAPERTON, Maverick, Texas.

Mrs. Wilmeth Entertains.

Leap Year has been a long time coming back but it is here once more to give the members of the fair sex their coveted chance. 'Twas a sight indeed on last Tuesday night to see a crowd of "13" merry maids who had assembled at the home of Mrs. Plummer start out to find the "timid" bashful boys they were to escort to the Leap Year party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilmeth.

Well, they found them all "huddled together" in the beautiful parlors of Mrs. Lee Maddox and finally coaxed them off to the place where a trip to the different places of interest in the United States and Mexico was to be made.

After cordially receiving the guests of the evening, assisted by Miss Morris Truly, Mrs. Wilmeth, acting as station agent for the Santa Fe issued tickets to all present, a couple going on an imaginative trip to each city and point selected, Chicago, New York, St. Louis, Washington, etc. The conductor, Miss Mary Rather, called "all aboard" and the couples entered the tastefully and beautifully arranged dining room which served as a modern chair car. All were supplied with tablets and pencil and Mrs. Wilmeth announced that prizes would be awarded to the best and second best descriptions of the trip the merry travelers were about to take. Thirty minutes were allowed in which to finish the description, during which time the contestants were "bothered" by Miss Lola Brown as "butcher" distributing candies, etc., and by the two train porters, Messrs. Clyde Cockrell and Everett Hardgrave, with their feather dusters and an extremely solicitous desire to be as nice and polite as any "nigger".

The trips were quickly made, some however failing to get back home on time. San Antonio, Miss Katie Belle Gregory, was awarded 1st prize, a beautiful purse, her escort Mr. Tom Patterson being given a nice toilet case. The second prize was awarded to Rev. Burton who visited Washington City with Miss Estelle Underwood, the prize being a serviceable bill book, while Miss Underwood was

given a lovely purse

The prizes being presented, the butcher, Miss Brown, delighted the pleasure-seekers with a reading, well rendered, entitled "Mrs. Ruggles Dinner Party." The porter, Mr. Cockrell, then sang some songs, Prof. Stovall sang "Put me off at Buffalo" and several beautiful selections were rendered by Misses Truly, Underwood and Hoffer.

Nice refreshments were served in the usual traveler's lunch box and after a most enjoyable evening indeed the guests bade their charming hostess good night, to carry with them the memory of a pleasantly spent evening and a wish that others like it may come again. The future will tell whether or not any of the "old maids" popped the question. The following were present:

Rev. Burton, Prof. Stovall, Messrs. Hamlin, Crews, Van Pelt, Erwin, Sidney and Clyde Cockrell, Hardgrave, Plummer, Griggs, Frank Maddox and Tom Patterson. Misses Katie Belle and Nelle Gregory, Patrick of Waco, Louise and Nette Bacon, Brown, Alma Padgett, Estelle Underwood, Genevieve Truly, Morris Truly, Butler, Hadley and Inez Moser. Mr. and Mrs. Doc Vanceil were also present, having brought Miss Katie Belle Gregory in from her school at Bowman.

Go to Wilke's and get a price on the Celebrated Paul Jones.

For Sale at a Bargain.

Thoroughbred Stallion "St. Elmo." 8 years old, about 16 hands, 1108 pounds, bay black points, fine shape, sound and no blemishes, and one of the best saddlers and roasters in Texas. Goes all the gaits fast, and is as kind and gentle as a gelding, any child or lady can ride or drive him, and is a most excellent stock horse.

O. JOHNSTON,
Coleman, Texas.

Judge M. C. Smith of Ballinger was here Saturday looking after the business affairs of his deceased brother-in-law, Henry Drane. It will be remembered Judge Smith lost his office and library in the recent fire at Ballinger. We understand he has fitted up a nice office in the Wilkie block of that city. — Bulletin

Several new pupils came in to attend the business college this week and prospects for a fine attendance are flattering. What is the use of going hundreds of miles to attend a business college when just as good opportunities can be had at home.

Mrs. G. W. Givens went up to Brownwood Thursday and may go on to Beaton to meet her son, Theo, who is expected in this week from Pittsburg, Pa.

Bakery and Confectionery.

I have opened a first-class Bakery and Confectionery stand and will have all kinds of Cakes, Pies and good fresh Bread.

J. T. OSTEEN,

At Banner-Leader Old Stand Opposite Currie Noyes Co.

NEW GROCERY FIRM.

On the 1st of February we purchased the Grocery and Grain business of J. F. Lusk & Co. and will continue the business at the same old stand. It shall be our endeavor to

Compel You

To share your patronage with us—Not

By Force

Of arms, but by offering you the very best, fresh Groceries at the lowest living prices, following the golden rule in every transaction.

GIVE US YOUR ORDERS

And we guarantee satisfaction or money back. We will keep constantly supplied with Country Produce, and want our farmer friends to remember us when they have anything in the produce line to sell.

GODWIN GROCER CO.,

[J. W. GODWIN, Manager.]

Up-to-Now Grocers, Produce and Grain Dealers.



A CANDY PULL

Is in operation at all times here. Every lot of candy in this store exerts a powerful pull on all who are familiar with its delicious flavor and fine quality. And those who see are tempted, too. Indulgence in any of these exquisite productions need not be costly. Our

CONFECTIONERY

Is moderately priced although far above average quality. At

H. W. ALEXANDER'S.

T. J. Middlebrook & Son,

BLACKSMITHS & WHEELWRIGHTS

All kinds of Wood and Iron Work Done. Carriage and Buggy Painting. Shoeing Interfering Horses a Specialty. Give us a trial.

Next to New Rock Stable.

T. J. MIDDLEBROOK & SON,
BALLINGER, TEXAS.

AN OFFER EXTRAORDINARY.

Two Papers for the Price of One.

To the next 100 cash subscribers we will give the Banner-Leader and the American Home Journal for one year for \$1.00, the price of one.

The American Home Journal is a successful illustrated monthly magazine for the home, suitable for your wife and family to read.

The Banner Leader is the paper you want for the local news, clean, newsy and always for Ballinger and Runnels county. Call at the Banner-Leader office for sample copies.

Pumphrey.

Mr. Editor, we wish to state in the beginning that we have set aside a number of times to send you a few dots from our feeble pen but sometimes circumstances were not under control and sometimes we don't know what interfered. So if you will permit we will commence now and do better.

We are just about the same old seven and nine and laboring under the same old complaint, deprivation of intellectual mind, doing nothing, don't want to do anything, and living on the interest of what we owe this neck of the moral vineyard is very dry and has been nearly entirely so ever since the people "voted it dry" last September. Grain is nearly entirely gone. People are going right along with farm work though it be dry.

As we have been affected with quite a continued spell of the lagr ppe we could not get much news but so far as we know everything is moving along just as smooth as can be.

On the 20th M. L. Hill turned the office over to the newly appointed postmaster C. F. Await. Sunday night closed, as we be

Sick Blood

Feed pale girls on Scott's Emulsion.

We do not need to give all the reasons why Scott's Emulsion restores the strength and flesh and color of good health to those who suffer from sick blood.

The fact that it is the best preparation of Cod Liver Oil, rich in nutrition, full of healthy stimulation is a suggestion as to why it does what it does.

Scott's Emulsion presents Cod Liver Oil at its best, fullest in strength, least in taste.

Young women in their "teens" are permanently cured of the peculiar disease of the blood which shows itself in paleness, weakness and nervousness, by regular treatment with Scott's Emulsion.

It is a true blood food and is naturally adapted to the cure of the blood sickness from which so many young women suffer.



We will be glad to send a sample to any sufferer.

Be sure that this picture in the form of a label is on the wrapper of every bottle of Emulsion you buy.

SCOTT & BOWNE,
Chemists,
409 Pearl St., New York.

*For the man who works
from sun to sun—*

Uneeda Biscuit

*For the woman whose
work is never done—*

Uneeda Biscuit

The clean, fresh, crisp food that is always good, and good for all. Good for the worker because they are sustaining. Good for the housewife because they are convenient. Good for the children because they are wholesome.

The
Crackle
You Hear
Is the Sign
They are Fresh

NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY

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Have one of the most interesting and profitable Fifth Sunday meetings ever held in this the Content Association. The following program was carried out in fall:

Friday 7:30 p. m. Introductory sermon—W. J. Hicks, text Roman 12:9.

Saturday 9:30 a. m.—Devotional service—R. M. Dunlap.

Saturday 10 a. m.—Church Discipline—Ben S. Sullivan and C. V. Carrol.

Saturday 11 a. m.—Sermon—Ben S. Sullivan—Text, Heb. 9:15
Saturday 2:30 p. m.—Things in the church which make for weakness—R. M. Dunlap, R. M. Cumbie.

Saturday 3:30 p. m.—Board Meeting.

Saturday 7:30 p. m.—Sermon—R. Cook—text, Isa. 6:8

Sunday 11 a. m.—Sermon by C. V. Carroll—Text Gal. 6:7

Sunday 2:30 p. m.—Children's Service—C. V. Carroll.

Sunday 3:30 p. m.—Organization of B. Y. P. U.

Sunday 7:30—Sermon by R. M. Dunlap—text 1 Tim. 6:17.

After the introductory sermon the moderator, Elder Maddox, and secretary, J. B. Morris, both being absent W. J. Hicks and C. E. Nance were elected to fill the respective offices.

The treasurer reported money in treasury sufficient to pay off both missionaries. R. M. Cumbie was employed as third missionary, showing that mission work is needed in Content Association.

After the 11 o'clock sermon Sunday by Bro. Carroll \$151.50 in cash and pledges were received to pay Associational Missions. About \$15 was raised on Sunday to buy a library for this community. Was not this a wise thing and a good beginning? This library is bought through Bro. Carroll and he donates \$5.00 for each \$10 raised.

The next Fifth Sunday meeting will be held with Maverick church beginning Friday night before the fifth Sunday in May.

Our pastor Bro. W. I. Newton is spending this week in the community awaiting his regular appointment Sunday.

More anon. Mark Hopkins.

Notice.

Quarterly meeting at the Methodist church in this city February 6th and 7th, 1904. Quarterly conference Saturday night. Preaching by Rev. W. H. Matthews, Presiding Elder of Brownwood District, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and Sunday night at 7:30. Love feast Sunday 3 p. m. Everybody invited.

Good Bundle Cane for Sale.

I have at present ten thousand bundles of cane for sale. Extra good cane, weighs from 12 to 15 pounds per bundle. Price 2cts per bundle. I live five miles northeast of Winters.

A. L. COX.

Go to Wilke's and get a price on the Celebrated Paul Jones.

C. A. DOOSE,

Real Estate and Loan Agent....

...Abstracter and Conveyancer

Will sell you either improved or unimproved lands in Runnels and adjoining counties, in parcels to suit. Loans negotiated on your Farm and Ranch Lands, Vendor's Lien notes taken up and extend. Abstracts compiled on short notice. All letters of inquiry promptly answered

BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS



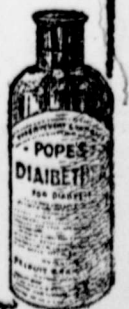
A STEALTHY FOE

Steals upon us unawares, causing no pain or other symptoms to let us know of its presence until it has got its work in upon the liver. Thousands have Diabetes and do not know it. Diabetes both cures and prevents. Why not be safe?

Diabetes Can be Cured

Pope's Effervescent Diabetea. One heaping teaspoonful taken in half glass of water before each meal and before retiring at night, will absolutely remove all sugar from the urine and rebuild the tissues of the liver and kidneys. Guaranteed to cure or money refunded. If you cannot obtain this preparation from your druggist, write to us direct for testimonials and information

ST. LOUIS GRANULE CO., 114 North Broadway, St. Louis, Mo.



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.

Dr. A. W. Barton,

Physician and Surgeon,
BALLINGER, --- TEXAS.
Office in Barton Drug Store.
Will do a general practice. All calls answered promptly day or night.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

RATES—Strictly Cash in Advance:
District Offices \$10.00
County Offices \$7.50
Precinct Offices \$2.50

We are authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary:

For District and County Clerk,
R. A. TERRY,
JOHN HOFFER.

For County Attorney:
GUION GREGG,
R. S. GRIGGS.

For Tax Assessor:
W. T. PADGETT,
J. F. LUSK,
C. S. BOWDON.

For County Treasurer:
W. F. SHARP.

For Public Cotton Weiger's Prec. No. 1.
T. J. STOCKS,
FRANK STUART.

For County Surveyor.
H. E. DICKINSON.

For Com. & Justice Peace Prec. No. 1.
J. E. SMITH,
W. H. WEEKS.

J. W. Clampitt sold this week to J. R. McIntyre, of Bosque county, 862 acres of his ranch land unimproved, about seven miles southwest of Ballinger, at \$8.00 per acre.

J. F. Biggs is with the Godwin Grocery Co., and will be pleased to see his old friends and to form the acquaintance of new ones. Frank is a good business man and polite, courteous treatment is guaranteed to everyone.

J. H. Wilke bought this week from A. Herring the property recently occupied by J. A. Ostertag's furniture business, which was destroyed by fire. Mr. Wilke informs us that he will at once begin the erection of a rock business house on the lots, and that J. A. Ostertag will also begin building on the lots adjoining the burned block.

\$3000 Forfeit

The above will cheerfully be paid in lawful money of the United States, by the undersigned, proprietors of Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, if they cannot show the original signature of the individual volunteering the testimonial below, and also of every testimonial among the thousands which they are constantly publishing attesting the superior curative properties of their medicinal medicines, and thus proving the genuineness and reliability of all the multitude of testimonials volunteered by grateful people, in their behalf.

WORLD'S DISPENSARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, Proprietors, Buffalo, N. Y.

THE REASON.—There is no medicine equal to Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, for purifying the blood. It carries off the poisons which contaminate the life fluid. It increases the activity of the blood-making glands and gives the body an increased supply of pure, body-building blood. It builds up the body with sound, healthy flesh instead of flabby fat, promotes the appetite, feeds the nerves, and so gives to weak nervous people vitality and vigor.

"This is to certify that I have used Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and think it's the greatest medicine in the world," writes Mrs. V. M. Young, of Weir, West Va. "I took down sick six months ago and called in our physician and he gave me medicine but I grew worse. He said I had dyspepsia in its worst form. I decided to try your medicine and began to improve. I used five bottles, two of the 'Golden Medical Discovery' and three of 'Favorite Prescription,' and now I am doing my own housework. A number of my lady friends also are using Dr. Pierce's medicine and they recommend it highly. May God bless and prosper you in your grand work."

To gain knowledge of your own body—in sickness and health—send for the People's Common Sense Medical Adviser. A book of 1008 pages. Send 21 cents in stamps for paper-covered, or 31 stamps for cloth-bound copy. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, 663 Main Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

A Lively Time.

Quite a number of Ballinger Red Men took the east bound train for Coleman last Saturday evening for the purpose of Raising up the Chiefs of the new Tribe lately instituted there by Deputy Great Sachem Finger of San Angelo and to "scalp" a few pale faces. They report a most enjoyable time, and state that Coleman's tribe of Red Men can not be excelled for hospitality and ability to entertain.

The boys were met at the Coleman depot by the Waka chiefs and conducted to the Central Hotel where a most sumptuous supper was ready and waiting for the hungry Mescaleros and Wakas.

At 7:30 o'clock a torch-light procession with the Mescalero team in full costume was had, the Indians capturing a couple of pale faces and rushing them up to the Wigwam where they were duly initiated into the mysteries known only to Red Men.

The new chiefs were successfully raised to their respective chieftaincies by Deputy Great Sachem Finger assisted by the Mescaleros. We failed to get the names of the chiefs of the tribe, except that of Mr Duncan McGregor, who is the Sachem or presiding officer.

After the work of the sleep had been finished the Red Men all enjoyed an elegant oyster supper, some fine music and speeches.

The following made up the crowd: C. S. Bowden, Sachem of the Mescaleros W. E. Odom, Geo Holman J. F. Biggs, G. C. Wright, Hayden Routh, Stanley Cameron, Joe Ostertag, Joe Hardin and two little sons, Bob Shaffer, George Lusk, Walter Allen, Dougal Cameron, Arthur Doose, Joe Forbes, Groves Key, J. E. Dav, Bob Corum, S J Carpenter, J. B. Alvis, I. L. Alexander, W. A. Francis, Raby Padgett, P. McGregor, R. S. Griggs, Dr. Barton, Dr. Halley, H. Winkler, Mrs. Winkler and little daughters. They all returned on Sunday's train.

Notice.

After February 15th scholarships in the Ballinger Business College will be \$35 for book-keeping instead of \$25 and \$30 for stenography instead of \$20. You can buy scholarships at the present price and take the course at any future time. Remember the date, and take advantage of this opportunity.

HENRY J. STOVALL, Pres.

C. S. Bowdon.

The announcement of C. S. Bowdon appears in this issue for the office of Tax Assessor of Runnels county.

Mr. Bowdon is a well and favorably known citizen of our county and any introduction at our hands is a waste of time. Suffice it to say our acquaintance justifies us in saying that he is perfectly qualified in every respect to fill this important position. He is honest, conscientious and worthy of your support, and will appreciate your vote and influence and prove same by his faithful and zealous endeavor to do his full duty should you see fit to elect him. In his capacity as County Democratic Chairman and City Alderman he has always been in the front rank for the upbuilding of our town and county. Mr. Bowdon is one of our best citizens and we heartily recommend him to your careful consideration, knowing that you will never have cause to regret your action in supporting him.

City Council.

City council met in regular session the 2nd day of February, 1904. Following officers were present: Jno. Hoffer, J. A. Ostertag, C. S. Bowdon, W. J. Miller J. F. Lusk.

Ordered minutes of last meeting be approved. Ordered report of committee on buying hose and building drain board be accepted and work of committee be continued as in their judgment be necessary.

Ordered that committee be appointed to rent an office for city at once

Ordered that the Ballinger Light & Ice Co. be allowed to build a sheet iron building on block 1.

Ordered that City Secretary notify Mr Herring to clean up sidewalk where fire occurred and that cleaning must be done in ten days.

W. H. Weeks.

W. H. Week's announcement will be found in this issue for the office of Justice of the Peace and Commissioner of Precinct No 1. Esquire Weeks needs no introduction to this people having served them honestly and faithfully in the capacity of Justice for a number of years. He comes before you asking your vote and support on his past faithful and efficient services and devotion to your interests, and promises in the future as in the past to be untiring in the effort to perform his every duty consistent with honest principles. If elected, Mr. Weeks will do his full duty regardless of friend or foe, as evidenced by his past record. He will truly appreciate your assistance and will prove same by the faithful discharge of every duty should you see fit to elect him to this very important position.

Capitalists Coming

A telegram to the Secretary of Ballinger Commercial Club, dated Feby. 2, 1904, in substance is as follows:

On our excursion of Immigration Agents to the Southwest, leaving St. Louis next Saturday, February the 6th, we will have with us forty or fifty newspaper editors and correspondents, who will be with us for the express purpose of writing for the columns of their respective newspapers what they may hear and see on this trip.

I mention this fact to you in order that you may make any preparations you may care to, in order to obtain the greatest amount of advertising which this opportunity will afford. These editors and newspaper men are coming from various sections of the country, and the amount of good they will be able to do the section of country in which you are most interested, will be incalculable.

Yours very truly,
R. S. LEMON.

The reports state that only about three-fourths of the voters of Texas paid their poll tax this season.

Prof. E. L. Hagen, the deservedly popular principal of our High School, was in the editor's sanctum Saturday and encouraged us with pleasant words and also in a more substantial way.

Saving Soles.

By going bare footed is the way of economical people in some countries, but the way to save money is to have Bob Shaffer half sole your shoes.

Slow But Sure

Is the way we are coming to the Front with a Large Line of Saddlery and House-Hold Furnishing Goods.

Lankford & Hathaway

SAVE YOUR PROPERTY

From Destruction by Fire.

Let Lee Maddox write you a policy in the HARTFORD; LONDON, LIVERPOOL & GLOBE, or some other big reliable company. I can also write you a life or accident policy in the best companies.

Lee Maddox

BALLINGER, TEXAS

Public Sale Day

Monday last was public sale day in Ballinger and the usual large crowd was in evidence but owing to the disagreeable weather there were not many sales made. Three pony horses were disposed of by the auctioneer, ranging in price from \$10.50 to \$13.50. Considerable good stock was on hand but as prices did not justify was not offered for sale.

J. R. Tisinger & Co are putting in lots of nice new goods this week and preparations are being made to do a big business and "catch em while they comin' "

Attorney M. C. Smith is now comfortably fitted up in the Wilke building and his office is a model of neatness. He will office by himself and not with C. H. Willingham as stated last week.

Mad dogs are becoming very numerous, two having been killed in one day this week, by our Sheriff R. P. Kirk. When Bob gets one crack at them they are sure dead dogs.

A TEXAS WONDER.

Hall's Great Discovery.

One small bottle of the Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, cures all kidney and bladder trouble, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder trouble in children. If not sold by your druggist will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months treatment. Dr. Ernest W. Hall, Sole Manufacturer, P. O. Box 629, St. Louis, Mo. Send for testimonials. Sold by all druggists and E. D. Walker.

Giddings, Tex., Dec. 3, 1902. —Dr. E. W. Hall, St. Louis, Mo. Dear Sir— In 1896 myself and wife were great sufferers from kidney and bladder troubles, and your Texas Wonder cured us, and we have never suffered since. We cheerfully recommend it to others suffering in like manner. C. B. HOSEA.

Report of the Condition

Of The Citizens National Bank, at Ballinger, in the State of Texas, at the close of business, Jan 22, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$147,608.19
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured (Cotton)	63,982.30
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	20,000.00
Premiums on U. S. bonds	1,400.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	6,993.00
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	5,949.56
Due from state bank and bankers	6,159.84
Due from approved reserve agents	130,003.36
Checks and other cash items	4,777.79
Notes of other national banks	1,345.00
Fractional paper currency, nickles and cents	170.85
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie	\$11,234.30
Legal tender notes	5,000.00
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer [5 per cent circulation]	1,000.00
Total	\$405,650.69

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$ 75,000.00
Surplus fund	1,000.00
Undivided profits, loss expenses and taxes paid	4,043.80
National bank notes outstanding	20,000.00
Due to other national banks	6,208.30
Due to State banks and bankers	12,803.20
Due to trust companies and savings banks	
Dividends unpaid	205.00
Individual deposits subject to check	283,649.16
Demand certificate of deposit	4,451.23
Cashier's Checks outstanding	200.00
Total	\$405,650.69

State of Texas,)
County of Runnels) ss:
I, Jo Wilmeth, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Jo WILMETH, Cashier.
Correct—Attest:
Tom Ward }
W J Miller } Directors
H. T. Williams }
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of Jan., 1904.
J. McGregor, Notary Public.

RECAPITULATION.

Resources

Bills Receivable	\$147,608.19
Demand Loans [Cotton]	63,982.30
U. S. Bonds	21,400.00
Banking House and Fixtures	7,693.00
Cash on hand and in bank	165,667.20
Total	\$405,650.69

Liabilities

Capital	\$ 75,000.00
Surplus	1,000.00
Undivided Profits	4,043.80
Circulation	20,000.00
Deposits	305,666.80
Total	\$405,650.69

When in need of nice pickles, olives, chow chow and any old good thing to eat, just phone No. 12.

J. W. Powell reports the sale to J. E. Powell of a house and six lots in Wilke addition.

R. G. Erwin & Co., INSURANCE.

First to pay on Ostertag & Co. Fire, only Seven Days from Date of Fire. Office at Citizens National Bank.



THE HUMPHREY LUMBER CO., Agents,
Ballinger, Texas.

J. R. Tisinger & Co.,

(Successors to)
A. W. Barton.

This firm will do a General Drug Business. Our Stock will not handle any drugs except chemically pure drugs. Our prescription department will always be under the direction of a Registered Pharmacist. Our toilet department will be second to none. We will carry a stock of sufficient capacity to furnish all the Doctors and small druggists in Runnels and adjoining counties, whose trade we solicit. We solicit the trade of the ladies of Ballinger, as our toilet department will be under the supervision of Mrs. Barton who will be found in the store from 9 to 11 a. m. and from 2 to 5 p. m., and will take pleasure in showing you through our stock.

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Stupendous offer made by a well-known Philadelphia firm.

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If you had something that was worth a dollar would you give it free? When you read an advertisement where you get something for nothing, that something is either no good or else they are up to some "flim flam" game.

We are not running a patent medicine business, so rest easy on that subject.

We do not know the word failure—never have and never will. The educated and higher classes are the ones we want to reach. We reach men and women in all walks of life. Men and women, who today are before the public as national characters have had our confidence and the benefit of our experience. It is a 20th century product, one that will be more appreciated the more it is tried.

"Fresh from the bath and as good as she looks." This old saying describes our clients to a T. We have a VITALIZER—not a patent medicine. It tones the system, centralizes weaknesses of all description—makes an even temperature all over the body and in fact it makes a new man and woman. Radios will within a few years be a part of every hospital and surgical institution of our land. No germ can stand the force of contact with this new discovery. Rheumatism and debility flee before it. The mighty force of the turbulent waters of Niagara are in comparison with this new product as an old fashioned CANDLE is to RADIUM.

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From the far West comes the unsolicited response, "A God-send to humanity."

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Delight your friends, astonish relatives, and make wonderful experiments with this new metal—RADIUM SULPHIDE of Zinc activity 500,000 mgr. 0.800,500. We give you this as a present when you order "Radios." This alone is worth several dollars of any man or woman's money. Acts the same as X-rays. Simply wonderful. REMEMBER THIS IS A PRESENT.

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Sirs:—Enclosed find one dollar for which send me a treatment of "RADIO" in a plain sealed wrapper, and also one Radio Sulphide of Zinc Activity.

If I am not entirely satisfied and if I am not cured you agree to REFUND the money and one dollar extra for my trouble. You are to send me a written contract to that effect.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State _____

'Baraca Class.

There was organized last week at the office of Dr. Gustavus a Baraca Class by the young men of the Baptist Sunday School, the purpose of the organization being to bring about a closer and warmer friendship and a deeper interest in the nobler walks of life, among the boys and young men of the town. Dr. Love was elected President of the Class, Francis Holliday Secretary and Treasurer, R. S. Griggs Reporter, and Rev. E. A. Burton, Teacher. Quite an enjoyable time was had in the organization of this movement, the boys present being treated to nice cake and delicious chocolate through the kindness of Mrs. Love.

This class is growing in numbers and considerable interest is manifested in its work. An informal reception is being prepared for Monday night next, at which a delightful time is anticipated.

WANTED—Johnson grass hay. Apply at Banner-Leader office.

History of a Revolutionary Gourd.

There is in the possession of Mr J. T. Moore who is now a resident of Ballinger, being the father-in-law of Dr. A. S. Love, an old powder gourd which on account of its age and history is an interesting old relic.

The gourd is one of the "long-handled" species which has played an important part in the lives of our ancestors and even some of us by hanging ever ready by the side of the "old oaken bucket" or beside the bubbling spring.

In the year 1756, long before our forefathers fought for and won their independence from Great Britain, the vine on which this historic gourd grew sprang up and covered with a luxuriant growth an old scaffold near an old time water mill in the Northern part of South Carolina. A boy then about 11 years old by the name of Grancer Tackett lived in North Carolina not far from this old mill and when on a visit there once begged this gourd from the miller for a powder gourd. He kept it as such until the breaking out of the Revolutionary War and carried it with him during all that memorable period, having it in his knapsack when Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown.

As he grew to be an old man he cherished the gourd beyond measure, but at a 1th of July celebration in 1828 he gave it to his son Louis Tackett.

His son did not however think so much of the gourd, as he should have done, and in the year 1836 in a gun trade parted with it. The father of its present owner, Mr J. M. Moore, who then lived in Fayette county, Alabama, near the Tacketts, they having moved from N. C. to Alabama, swapped a good gun and an inferior gourd for an old gun and this gourd, wishing to get possession of the gourd, Louis Tackett afterwards tried to get the gourd back but Mr. Moore would not part with it. Louis Tackett made a written statement giving the history of the gourd but same has long ago been faded out and gone, the present owner copying as near as he could that statement from which the above history is taken.

There is a small indentation or mark on the neck of the gourd which the old man Tackett told Mr. J. M. Moore was there when he pulled the gourd from the vine and he supposed the mark was made by the gourd having hung against something with a sharp edge while growing.

Mr. J. M. Moore kept it till his death in 1880 always prizing it very highly. After the death, by agreement among his children it came into the possession of his son, its present owner, Mr. J. T. Moore.

Mr. Moore is now 65 years old, the gourd 148. This is interesting and valuable relic, and Mr. Moore says he might be induced to part with it but no small sum would get it.

Notice.

The Normal and Training School department of the Ballinger Business College will open Monday, February 5th, for the sixteen weeks term. All who wish to enter will please be on hand promptly at nine o'clock in the morning. Only a limited number can be accommodated and if any besides those who have already subscribed wish to enter they had best come at the hour named on Monday. There is room for a few more and those who come first will have the preference. Respectfully,
HENRY J. STOVALL, Pres.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know it.

How To Find Out.

Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also



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What to Do.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in 50c. and \$1. sizes.

You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful discovery and a book that tells more about it, both sent absolutely free by mail.

Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

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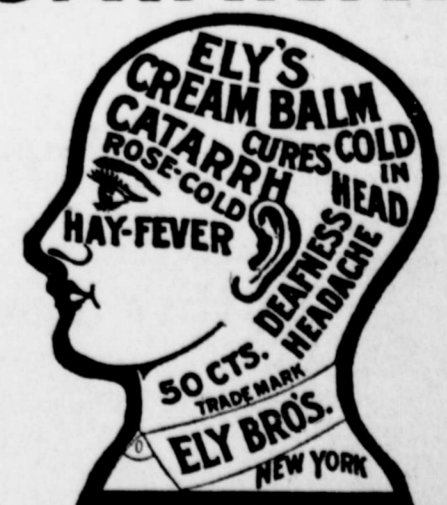
One Ayer's Pill at bedtime insures a natural action next morning.

In this issue will be found the ad of the Godwin Grocery Co. While this is a new firm in name, the members are well and favorably known to the trading public. Mr. J. W. Godwin, the manager, was formerly of the firm of Godwin & Alvis and his name is a sufficient guarantee that you will be treated right.

Mr. Rodgers, father of Mrs. J. W. Powell, came in Wednesday evening from Lampasas where he had been visiting since Christmas.

J. R. Simms of Hamilton county came up this week and sold 200 acres of land in the Wingate country to Allen and Turner at \$6.50 per acre.

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ELY'S CREAM BALM

This Remedy is a Specific, Sure to Give Satisfaction.

GIVES RELIEF AT ONCE. It cleanses, soothes, heals, and protects the diseased membrane. It cures Catarrh and drives away a Cold in the Head quickly. Restores the Senses of Taste and Smell. Easy to use. Contains no injurious drugs. Applied into the nostrils and absorbed. Large Size, 50 cents at Druggists or by mail; Trial Size, 10 cents by mail. ELY BROTHERS, 56 Warren St., New York

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A perfect Family Medicine. Instantly relieves and heals

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One Minute Cough Cure gives relief in one minute because it kills the microbe which tickles the mucous membrane, causing the cough, and at the same time clears the phlegm, draws on the inflammation and heals and soothes the affected parts. One Minute Cough Cure strengthens the lungs, wards off pneumonia and is a harmless and never failing cure in all curable cases of Coughs, Colds and Croup. One Minute Cough Cure is pleasant to take, harmless and good alike for young and old. Sold by E. D. Walker.

A Cure for Eczema.

My baby had Eczema so bad that its head was a solid mass of scabs, and its hair all came out. I tried many remedies but none seemed to do any permanent good until I used DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. The Eczema is cured, the scabs are gone and the little one's scalp is perfectly clean and healthy, and its hair is growing beautifully again. I cannot give too much praise to DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. — Frank Farmer, Bluff City, Ky. In buying Witch Hazel Salve look out for counterfeits. DeWitt's is the original and the only one containing pure Witch Hazel. The name E. C. DeWitt & Co is on every box. Sold by E. D. Walker.

School books bought sold and exchanged at J. Y. Pearce's drugstore.

Before buying a typewriter, let R. G. Erwin & Co. show you how the "Oliver" writes.

To the Readers of the Ft. Worth Record.

During the first few weeks of the Record, that is, during the latter part of October and November, we had a great deal of trouble in our mailing department, with the result that many names were incorrectly entered, especially on our semi-weekly list. As far as complaints have been made, these errors have all been corrected, but we want to be sure that there is no neglect anywhere. If anyone has subscribed to the Record, and is not receiving the paper regularly, the management will be obliged to be so advised. Please send your receipt or memorandum of date and name of agent who took the subscription and the matter will receive our prompt attention. Address, "The Record Company."

Croup.

Begins with the symptoms of a common cold; there is chilliness, sneezing, sore throat, hot skin, quick pulse, hoarseness and impeded respiration. Give frequent small doses of Ballard's Horehound Syrup. (the child will cry for it) and at the first sign of a croupy cough apply frequently Ballard's Snow Liment to the throat.

Mrs. A. Vliet, New Castle, Colo., writes March 16th, 1901: "I think Ballard's Horehound Syrup is a wonderful remedy, and so pleasant" 25c, 50c and \$1.00 Sold by E. D. Walker

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Means the ability to do a good day's work without undue fatigue, and to find life worth living. You cannot have indigestion or constipation without its upsetting the liver and polluting the blood. Such a condition may be best and quickest obtained by Herbine, the best liver regulator that the world has ever known. Mrs. D. W. Smith writes, April 3, 1902: "I use Herbine and find it the best medicine for constipation and for regulating the liver I ever used." Price 50 cents Sold by E. D. Walker.

C. C. Culwell, the big, jolly commissioner of the Miles country was in Ballinger Monday and Tuesday.

J. N. White, of the divide between Ballinger and Rowena, asks us to change his paper to Miles.

District Court.

The following are the grand jurors and petit jurors for the 1st and 2nd week of the District Court which begins here the 29th of February 1804:

- GRAND JURY.**
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| Wm Yarbrough | H W Robinson |
| Sam Brookshire | D A Cameron |
| Reuben Gentry | J P Eastland |
| Joe Ostertag | J E Hendry |
| J W Murray | T T Duncan |
| J W Gannaway | E Schumm |
| Charlie Blanchard | C E Bullock |
| J S Baldwin | Garland Odom |
- PETIT JURY 1st week**
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|-----------------|------------------|
| Geo Milliken | F Roper |
| Sam Seay | John Alexander |
| Ira Deakens | J J Cole |
| Lee Stokes | R A Yeates |
| R A Curry | H E Dickinson |
| G W Hester | Pete McGregor |
| Wm Havenhill | H L Chapman |
| Tom Stocks | Joe Burson |
| Chester Coleman | H E Jackson |
| Wm Roberts | W L Williams |
| Whit Patterson | Jap A Jams |
| Walter Norman | W O Moore |
| J D Biggs | Walter McMasters |
| N J Wardlaw | W M Douglass |
| Sam Farmer | M D Chastain |
- PETIT JURY 2nd week**
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| H W Lagin | J A Zak |
| Geo Vaughn | CH Whitaker |
| Feb McWilliams | W R Sadler |
| E W Clark | H B Haughman |
| A O Danley | Joe Peter |
| G W Clayton | J J Erwin |
| J W Clampitt | J W Sheeon |
| J J Martin | John Grimes |
| John McKee | I M Curry |
| R H Cooper | M G Caperton |
| Frank Gressett | H Parramore |
| Lon Mapes | W L McClure |
| Frank Rather | J L Miller |
| Joe Johnson | A B Williams |
| Joe Vancit | John Holaday |

Deafness Cannot Be Cured.

By local application as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous services.

We will give one hundred dollars for any case of deafness caused by catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars free.

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Sold by druggists 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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Letters and wholly written Postal Cards remaining in the Ballinger, Texas Post Office, unclaimed for two weeks, at close of business on Saturday Jan. 30, 1904. In calling for letters please say advertised, giving date of this list.

- H. A. CADY, P.M.
- Greenwood, Belle.
 - King, Miss Lizzie
 - Moore, Miss Marie.
 - Blagg, J. S.
 - Cleghorn, Charlie.
 - King, J. W. (2)
 - Mallory, Will.

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A first-class, modern college. Thorough preparation for the best positions. Courses in book-keeping, shorthand, typewriting, penmanship and Spanish. Competent teachers, reasonable rates, day and night classes. Book-keeping scholarship \$25.00 Stenography scholarship \$20.00 Penmanship per month \$2.50 Enter now. Special inducements. For further particulars address

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Prairie Dogs Must Go

Bass Dog Poison Will Kill Most of Them

The best and cheapest if many are to be killed.

Bass' Carbon Compound makes a clean sweep, kills all the hole, no other dog will open or use the hole again. NOT THAT WAY IF YOU USE COMMON CARBON. Carbon Compound retails \$1.50 per gal., 5 gals. \$6.25 Bass Poison \$1 bottle for peck of grain, \$3.25 package for bushel. Sold by all druggists wholesale and retail. Special prices on large quantities.

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Department P ABILENE, TEXAS

Are you going to Build

The BALLINGER LUMBER CO., handle first class stuff for building purposes. They figure close and accurately on all bills and furnish just what they represent. When in need of anything in our line let me figure with you. Lime, Cement, Sash, Doors and blinds always on hand. : : : :

J. R. McVAY, Manager
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I give my personal and best attention to all business entrusted to me and guarantee satisfaction.



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\$50.00 REWARD, \$50.00

We will pay to any one \$50.00 to find a BED BUG in a house where my exterminator is used. Cut this ad out and send it to me with One Dollar P. O. Money Order or Registered letter on or before Feb. 1, 1904, and I will send you my exterminator, and after using same according to directions, if on March 1, 1904, you can find one BED BUG in your house I WILL PAY \$50.00 for it. My exterminator will not injure the finest furniture.

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Prof. JAS. CALDWELL,
MERKEL, TEXAS.

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is a vegetable remedy, containing no opium or narcotic poisons. It cures any or all symptoms, makes appetite and spirits good. At druggists.

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Cure for Impotence, Loss of Manhood, Seminal Emissions, Spermatorrhea, Nervousness, Stiff Joints, Loss of Memory, etc. Will make you a STRONG, Vigorous Man. Price \$1.00, 6 Boxes, \$5.00. Special Directions Mailed with each Box. Address Ballard's Excelsior Co., 2919 Lucas Ave., ST. LOUIS, MO.

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For nearly four years I suffered from ovarian troubles. The doctor insisted on an operation as the only way to get well. I, however, strongly objected to an operation. My husband felt disheartened as well as I, for home with a sick woman is a desolate place at best. A friendly druggist advised him to get a bottle of Wine of Cardui for me to try, and he did so. I began to improve in a few days and my recovery was very rapid. Within eighteen weeks I was another being.

Cecelia Stowe

Mrs. Stowe's letter shows every woman how a home is saddened by female weakness and how completely Wine of Cardui cures that sickness and brings health and happiness again. Do not go on suffering. Go to your druggist today and secure a \$1.00 bottle of Wine of Cardui.

WINE OF CARDUI

The Celebrated Paul Jones for sale at Wilkes

Are you Restless at Night?
And harassed by a bad cough? Use Ballard's Horehound Syrup it will secure you sound sleep and effect a prompt and radical cure. 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by E. D. Walker.

Have You Indigestion?
If you have indigestion, Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will cure you. It has cured thousands. It is curing people every day every hour. You owe it to yourself to give it a trial. You will continue to suffer until you do try it. There is no other combination of digestants that digest and rebuild at the same time. Kodol does both. Kodol cures, strengthens and rebuilds. Sold by E. D. Walker.

Over in Jefferson township, says the Brookfield Budget, a man wanted his son to get up early and go to work. The boy had a habit of answering "yes-sir" and going to sleep again. On this occasion last week the father, to make no mistake called the boy, got the "yes-sir" and then slid upstairs, turned down the cover and gave the person a good spanking. It happened that on that night the hired girl had been given the boy's room. When the tumult was over the old man sat down behind the barn and drafted a written apology to the hired girl.

Hallettsville has a system of public schools that she has a right to be proud of. Though it had deteriorated a few years previously, it has been brought back to its old standard this season, and, if anything, improved on. Prof. T. S. Cox, the principal, has proved an able and excellent executive, and with the cordial help of his corps of teachers, the school has moved along without the slightest friction. The Herald wants to congratulate the board of trustees, Messrs. Hill, Tarkington and Heye, for their able management of scholastic affairs. Hallettsville's system of public schools is once more a credit to our city.

The above is clipped from the Hallettsville Herald. The many friends of Prof. Cox here will be glad to hear of his success in the field of "learning the young idea to shoot" in Hallettsville.

Dental Notice.
This is to notify my friends and patrons that I have moved my dental office up stairs in the K. of P building next door to Dr. Younger's office where I am better prepared than ever to give you first-class dental work at the right price.
S. B. Raby, D. D. S

G. W. Jones Ranch For Sale
3400 acres fine farm and ranch at \$5.50 per acre. One third cash, 1, 2, or 3 years on balance. See J. W. Powell.

'Does he still call her his diamond' and his 'blushing' ruby?'
'No; he refers to her now as his gold brick.'

Giddings, Tex., Dec. 3, 1902.
—Dr. E. W. Hall, St. Louis, Mo.
Dear Sir— In 1896 myself and wife were great sufferers from kidney and bladder troubles, and your Texas Wonder cured us, and we have never suffered since. We cheerfully recommend it to others suffering in like manner.
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A grievous wail oft times comes as a result of unbearable pain from over-taxed organs. Dizziness, Backache, Liver complaint and constipation. But thanks to Dr. King's New Life Pills they put an end to it all. They are gentle but thorough. Try them. Only 25c. Guaranteed by J. Y. Pearce, druggist.

It Pays To Advertise.
There was a man in our town About a giant's size Who nearly starved to death Because he wouldn't advertise And when he weighed but forty pounds He grasped his rusty pen And wrote an ad and published it And now he's fat again.

End of Bitter Fight.
"Two physicians had a long and stubborn fight with an abscess on my right lung," writes J. F. Hughes of Du Pont Ga. "and gave me up. Everybody thought my time had come. As a last resort I tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. The benefit I received was striking and I was on my feet in a few days. Now I've entirely regained my health." It conquers all Coughs, Colds, and Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed by J. Y. Pearce. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

San Angelo Standard
Cashier R. A. Hall of the San Angelo National Bank returned Monday from a visit to Ballinger. Wm Penn and Dan Moser of Ballinger were in San Angelo on business the first of the week. J. D. O'Daniel of Brant underwent an operation for antrum in the office of Drs. Marberry & Cooper last week. A portion of the cheek bone was removed. The wife and children of Mr. R. B. Gragg arrived Sunday from Temple. Mr. Gragg is in charge of the mechanical department of the Standard.

Suicide Prevented.
The startling announcement that a preventive of suicide had been discovered will interest many. A run down system, or despondency invariably precede suicide and something has been found that will prevent that condition which makes suicide likely. At the first thought of self destruction take Electric Bitters. It being a great tonic and nerve will strengthen the nerves and build up the system. It is also a great stomach, liver and kidney regulator. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by J. Y. Pearce, druggist.

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

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Miles Messenger.
Mrs. S. D. Williams of Ballinger has been visiting the family of W. A. Perry this week. C. A. Doose, the Ballinger real estate man was here looking after land business Wednesday. Mr. Henry Walker was a business visitor to Ballinger the first of the week. W. S. Boswell, of Ballinger, the gin statistics man was here this week getting data for his last report for the season.

T. M. and I. A. Curry were visitors to Ballinger on business Wednesday evening. They returned home Thursday. L. W. St. Clair, an expert photographer from Ballinger, has rented the gallery over Culwell & Rogers store and will soon open a first-class studio and do all classes of photo work.

Itch---Ringworm.
E. T. Lucas, Wingo, Ky. writes April 20th 1902: "For 10 to 12 years I had been afflicted with a malady known as the 'itch.' The itching was almost unbearable. I had tried for years to find relief, having tried all remedies I could hear of, besides a number of doctors. I wish to state that one single application of Ballard's Snow Liniment cured me completely and permanently. Since then I have used the liniment on two separate occasions for ringworm and it cured completely. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottle. Sold by E. D. Walker.

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We are sorry to note Mrs. Alice Green on the sick list this week.

Currie Noyes Co. have just received a nice substantial delivery wagon.

W. W. Douglass of the Miles country was a pleasant visitor to our city Wednesday.

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LANKFORD & HATHAWAY.

Miss Alice Norman came in from San Angelo Wednesday evening enroute home to Paint Rock.

Sam Farmer, Joe Taiele and Eb Boykin, representative citizens of the Miles country, were in our town Wednesday.

Fresh California canned apricots, grapes and pums for a short time at the low price of 12 1/2 cents per can at J. B. Alvis & Bro's.

It is reported that over eight steam plows are at work between here and the Angelo country. They run day and night and each plow is fifteen feet wide. Some of the land owners expect to plant as high as 1000 acres in cotton the coming season. If the crop is successfully grown and the present high prices for cotton prevail there will be "something doing" in this wild and wooly region.

Cotton receipts up to going to press number 14861 bales for the Ballinger market. The fellow that comes to town now with a load of cotton is looked upon with a great deal of envy by the average citizen in view of the high price of cotton. Cotton sold yesterday for over 14 cents.

Miss Martha Pearce of Robert Lee was the guest of her parents H. D. Pearce and wife this week and had the Banner-Leader sent to her address. Miss Martha is running a millinery business at that place.

Our old friend Wm. Pumphrey dropped in to see us Friday and sent the Banner Leader to his son C. M. who is now at Sonora studying music under Prof. Wilcox of that place.

Judge Guion received a letter this week stating that Mrs. Horace Thomson was quite ill in a hospital in New York. We hope before our next issue to be able to report her complete recovery.

Misses Beatrice and Mary Lee Thomson came in Wednesday from Austin where they have been visiting relatives and friends.

Maud McDaniel enrolled with us this week and will keep posted in all important events of this section in the future.

Forney Prairie hay for sale at J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Miss Bessie Eastland, an attache of the San Angelo tele phone lines spent Sunday in our city the guest of Miss Mary Dalton.

Rod Hancock of Norton had quite a serious fire this week, having lost his barn and entire contents of feed also his buggy and saddle.

License issued since last issue of the Banner-Leader are: Jesse Peane and Miss Christine Poore, E. W. Brookshire and Miss Ida Clark, Henry Aarson and Miss Frieda Bailey.

R. K. Wylie received a steam plow this week and will begin at once to break 1000 acres of land which he will put in cotton and irrigate the same from his irrigation plant that was put in last fall. This looks like business and will be a big thing for our section.

Notice.

A series of sermons will be begun next Sunday at the Baptist church by the pastor, Rev. Burton. General theme will be "The Magnetism of Christ." At the evening service the theme will be "The Mystical Circle of Young Manhood." February 7th the subject will be "It's Ideal;" Feb. 14th "Its Friendship;" Feb. 21st "Its Hope;" Feb. 28th "Its Power;" March 6th "Its Heritage" All are cordially invited to attend.

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