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Lankford & Hathaway for Second Hand Goods.

Eggs and chickens wanted at J. B. Alvis & Bro's.

came in from their Schleicher county ranch thursday to be pre-ent at the Club dance

Miss Minnie Guion Francis of Ballinger came out Thursday to visit friends for a few days and be present at the Club ball

Miss Beatrice Thomson of Ballinger came up Friday to attend the Club dance and visit her friend, Miss Mary Bland Millspaugh.

Mayor Powell was served with notice on Monday of a suit in the United States Federal Court of A F Shapleigh of St Louis versus the city of San Angelo for \$3300 and interest, being 110 past due coupons of the old San Angelo bonds. The City will not contest the suit, allowing judgment to be entered up as was the case in . the previous suits on the coupons that were due. These successive judgments will increase the amount that the city will eventually have to pay to dispose of the old bonds.

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Prof Stovall reports the Business and Literary College flourishing this week. Some new pupils entered during the week and the spirit of work seems to be dominant. Some splendid work is being done by both teachers and pupils.

Mrs. Arch Holman of San Angelo was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Geo. Vaughn this week:

Marriage license was issued this week to Frank Simicek and Miss Bettie Bubenek.

C. K. Gwinn left Friday afternoon for Adrain, Mo. to visit his folks a week or two.

H. E. Dabois, one of San Angelo's legal lights, had business here Friday.

Nothing better made than Paul Jones, ask Wilke's.

est living prices, following the golden rule in every transaction. GIVE US YOUR ORDERS f? guarantee satisfaction or money back. We will keep con-

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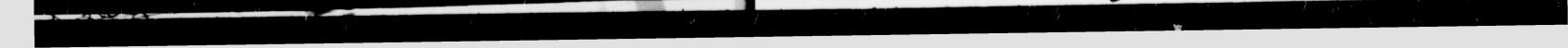
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ader Old Stand Opposite Currie Noyes Co.

aletin. Dr. A. W. Barton was called to Goldthwaite Friday afternoon of Ballin. the city in consultation with the local field of physicians, to attend the wife of and his Mr. G. H. Frizzell. The doctor We to hopes to return on tomorrow's 51 on train.

> We call attention to the ad. of H. Winkler on the front page of this issue. Mr. Winkler is a judicious advertiser and usually bas something that will interest you.



A TEXAS WONDER.

Hall's Great Discvery. 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 kid eys 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 Manu facturer, P. O Box 629, ~t. Louis, Mo. Send for testimonia s. Sold by all druggists and E D Walker .

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

Wingate.

Well, Mr. Editor, sickness pre vented our writing last week so will now try and give you the happenings of our little burg.

Times are dull just at present owing to the continued dry weather.

Miss Minnie Gannaway returned last Monday from Abilene where she had been visiting Miss Agnes Townsend

Mrs. J. W. Wyatt, Miss Bertie Streete and Miss Moud Scoggin were visiting and trading in Abidene first of the week.

The wounded man at Mr. Mc-Nay's is getting along nicely Miss Agnes Townsend is visit-

ing Miss Minnie Gannaway this Week.

La grippe is raging in our neighborhood. It seems to be a bad form Will give here a list of one family that were all down with it last week: Mr. N W Dean, Tom and Ray Dean. Mrs. A W Gannaway, Mrs. Erwin Durinum, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dean and Mrs. Geo Miller. You can see by this that our good doctor had his hands full with all those

Mrs. Ed Millhollan of Big Springs, is here the guest of her brother. Mr. Geo. Miller. Mrs willhollen is in very bad bealth and thinks our Runnels

The most timid man will take an chance of escape. The slender rop dropped down the precipice, the slip pery log over the abyss, anything that offers a chance of life, is eagerly snatch ed at. The end the man seeks is safety He cares nothing

for the means to that end. There are thou-

ands of men and women whose lives are at stake, who are hindered from accepting the one means of afety by foolish prejudice. Doctor Pierce's

Golden Medical Discovery has een the means of restoring health o many men and men whose holw cough, bleed-g lungs, ema-tion and weakseemed to arrant the stateint of local phy-

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motive for substitution is to caler to make the little more by the sale of less meritorious He gains; you lose.

county climate will do her good. We have been told that Mr. Clarence Harter has sold his farm and intends to try his luck in other parts We regret very much to lose Mr. and Mrs. Harter as they are good kind neighbors but wish them success wherever they go.

Miss Minnie Gannaway entertained a few intimate friends Saturday night.

Miss Ethel Moore of Winters is visiting in Wingate this week.

Wonder why a certain young man of Wingate has been so gay this week.

Miss Clara Robertson and Miss Roxie Allen were visiting in Hilton Saturday and Sunday the guests of Miss Ropertson's cousins, Dr and Mrs. Camble. The Wingate Literary Society elected a new set of officers Fri-

day night but your humble servant, not being present, failed to get the names. PAT.

If your home paper fails to give every "hap or scrap" of news that flits athwart you need blame no one but your self. Mind readers died soon after Noah's time and since that memorable time it has been custom. ary for those "who know a thing or two" to intimate their knowledge to the man who thinks and prints.--Ex,

Seed potatoes, onion sets and garden seed at Miller Mercantile Co. opposiie Post Office.

Will exchange new goods for old. Lankford & Hathaway.

Suicide ? vi :1

The startling announcem that a precentive of suicide h been discovered will intermany. A run down system despondency invariably precise snicide and something has been found that will prevent that condition which makes suicide like-

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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 Representative 95th District. C. B. HUDSPETH.

For County Judge. B. B. STONE.

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

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

For Sheriff & Tax Collector. R. P. KIRK.

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

For County Treasurer: W. F. SHARP. D. P. MOSER.

For Public Cotton Weiger's Prec. No. T. J. SIO KS.

> FRANK STUART. L UIS A. MASSEY.

For County Surveyor. H. E. DICKINSON. S. D. WILLIAMS.

It is rather difficult to sum up the war news. At present both sides are preparing for a big land battie which it is predicted will soon occur. Japan is busily engaged in rushing three additional army divisions of from 30,000 to 50,000 to the mouth of the Yalu river. These may flank Port Arthur, while 'tne force of 60,000 at Wonson on the eastern court of Korea will invade Manchuria Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador at Washington, is to be recalled for failing to keep that government properly informed of the

The War News.

To Revive the Clock.

state of feelings in the United

States.

Cheap clocks are often said by watchmakers to be not worth repairing. In that case see what a good cleaning will do, for often a clock gets too choked with dust to perform its duty and will go perfectly when that dust has been removed. Screw off back of the clock and then immerse the works in naphtha. When

clean and dry replace the works this country to his native lard and probaly your clock will go as change to fall into conversation well as ever again. ship.

It is difficult in Germany for a "Where are you from?" asked professional rogue to enter a the Englishman. "California," answered the family as domestic servant.

There every servant has a char- Irishman.

"I understand," said the Enacter book, in which the mistress must enter the dates of the glishman, "that is a country coming and leaving of the ser where there are several climates vant, with her character while close together."

in the service. This the girl is "Yes," said the Irishman. For obliged to take to the nearest instance. I was out hunting one police station and have it dated day when my dog "set" across a with the official stamp, thus pre- ditch. I gave the usual signal to venting the manufacture of fake go, and when he never moved I recommendations. went up to see what was the



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Didn't Exactly Undrstand.

ing his mother sew whalebones low who has changed to cultiin her dress.

"Bones," she replied.

fellow.

"Mine," she answered

He regarded her a minute in amazement and then asked sol emnly, "How did you get them art?"

Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through that box of chocolates or I'll your kidneys once every three minutes.



idney trouble

Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is aver-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries. It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble. If you are sick you can make no mistake

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on't make any mistake, but remembe name, Swamp-Root. Dr. Kilmer's amp-Root. and the address, Binghamton, ., on every bottle.

The grippe microbe has been hemmed up by scientists, had his photograph taken, had the

found to be 1-billionth part of an inch right through the thickest part of his anatomy. Notwith A very small boy was watch standing this fact, the poor felvate the acquaintance of a few of "what are they, ma?" he asked these vicious reptiles, still believes that they are as big as a "whose?" continued the little 2-year old elephant -Rising Star X-Fay.

tape line applied to him and

The "devil" of a North Miss.

ouri paper received a love letter the other day and the foreman got hold of it and read it. This is what it said: "Deurest of All-At last I know you are thee only person on earth fore me Darling, if you don't come to me soon I'll die. I adoor you. When you come out tonite bring

Confectionerys. black bothe yure eyes. Now mind. Yure loveing Lizzie."

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The Pr.

sortment he Judge Hammond of Beaumont raked out of some old rusty piles ing to be c of paper recently a patent for are exquis 10000 acres of good oil lands cellent. F lying between Beaumont and best maker Nacogdoches. The land seems per box. A to be an old grant given to a found at Mexican by the name of Lajarse. The former owners have died H. W. A and now a granddaughter who lives at Monterey claims it.

"Everyone is agreed that there Methodi are too many railroad accidents. but no one seems to be able to the 4th, Pastor stop tnem. If you start on foot best you will starve before you get there; if you go by wagon you will freeze to death, and if you Eve stay at home the automobiles will run over you. So there you are" says the Denver Times.

G. W. Jons Ranch For Sal

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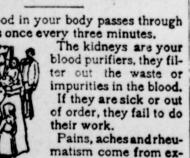
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Basket of Snakes.

An old woman was in Joplin the other day with a basket, the sight of which made the women scream and men sign the pledge. It was filled with snakes of every size and variety.

It was ascertained that the owner of the snakes had come to this city to dispose of them, she having been led to believe that she could find ready purchasers for the reptiles in Joplin.

"I live near Grarby." she said to a reporter, "and always keep a couple of small snakes for the kids to play with. This kind is perfectly harmless About a month ago a traveling man who ate dinner at my house told me that there was a snake factory in Joplin. He said they used the skins to make be ts and gloves out of while the bodies were sold to the sausage mills. He said they brought \$1.50 a foot. I thought it was a good way to make money as very few snakes are less than two feet in length. That would be \$3 a snake, you see.

"Well. I worked hard for a month catching the snakes. I hired all the small boys in the neighborhood and paid them at the rate of ten cents a snake. I have a hundred or more with me now. These are only samples which 1 have here in this basket; the others are in my wagon out on Seventh street."

The woman refused absolutely to give her name for publication, as she said she did not want her husband to know what she had been doing.

"I expected to realize about \$3000 out of the snakes,' she said. "With this money I intended to lift the mortgage on our place and surprise my husband." Finding no market for the reptiles, the old woman carried them to the end of East Seventh street and turned them out And now every time a Joplin woman's foot touches anything on the ground unexpectedly she gives a high jump and a yell that would harmo envy in the breast of a he.-Joplin (Mo.) News

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Sparks.

Uneasy lies the head that has a new bonnet to wear next day. -Austin Current Issue

Uneasy lies the head of the head of the house whose wife is going to wear last's 'eason's bonnet another season.

It is merely a matter of climate. When a man gets mad he says. "Oh hell!" and a woman says, "Oh heavens!"

A patient in a Missouri hospital had to be fed on a daily diet of eggs and port wine. His physician asked him how he liked it. It would be all right, doctor," he said, "If the egg was as new as the port. and the port as old as the egg."

Mrs Henpeck-Celebrate our centennial we-tding anniversary? What do you mean sir? Don't you know we haven't been married a hundred years?

Henpeck-Well-er-it seems that long, anyhow.

If wan ov us gits there late, says Pat, and the other ain't there, how the devil will he know if the other has been there and gone, or if he hasn't gone yit? We'll aisly fix that, said Mike. If Oi git there furst Oi'll make a chalk mark on the soid walk and if you git there furst, yon rub it out.

A lady went to one of the stores the other day for some honey. When she got it home she discovered that there ware several hairs in it. She immed iately took it back and demanued an explanation as to how those "horrid hairs" got in it. The clerk batted an eye and said he guessed they must have come out of the comb.

"Some men, ' said Uncle Epen, 'seem to hab an idea dat de way to hab a merry Christmas is to hustle hard for a headache de mornin'."-Washington nex' Star.

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Jinks-I never judge a man's position in life by the clothes he wears.

Junks-Still, it's safer than judging by the clothes his wife wears.

"I can't go down in dat water wid you Br'er Williams," said the convert; "I'm too 'fraid alligators."

"Nonsense!" said Br'er Williams Didn't it turn out all right wid Jonah after he was swaliowed by de whale?"

"Yes," replied the convert, "out a Georgia alligator is mo' tougher dan what a whale is and got less conscience. After he swallows you he goes ter sleep and forgits all erbout you!"-Ex

The Itch of Discontentment.

Tilted back on his honeysuckle shaded porch and puffing lazily away at his corn cob pipe was my friend of the brindle colo.ed beard, Squire Hornbuckle. He was such a picture of rural ease and contentment that I remarked concerning it.

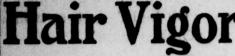
"And why not?" asked the Squire pointing me to a chair: 'Jest as easy to rest contented as not isn't it-and a darn sight better for me an' the world. Discontentment is the itch that landed Columbus in chains, Caesar in the bone-yard, Napoleon in exile, Teddy in the White House and Doug Diggers in the penitentiary. See how the country has suffered from strenuosity! 'Two'nt do, my son, 'twon't do!"

And the Squire knocked the ashes from his pipe on the toe of his brogans, took a fresh chew of hill side navy, and talked of other matters."-Hilton R. Greer in Pittsburg Gazette.





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Epworth League Program. February, 21, 1904: Subject-Defenses Against Temptation - Psa. 26:4-12 Leader--Mr. Currie. Song. Prayer.

Song. Roll Call. Duett-Mrs. Shepherd and

Miss Earl Gressett. Topic Discussion-Mr. Stoval

not temperate? - General discussion by league. Song

Closing.

Croup

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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 Feb. 13th, 1904. In calling for letters please say advertised, giving date of this list.

H. A. CADY, P.M. Powers, Miss Annie Laura. Crocker, E B. Dyer, T. H.

Pumphrey. On last Sunday morning our community was made sad by the news of the death of Gradpa Fullerton. He had been in ill health for some time. He had about spent his three score year or more and the severe lagrippe weather was more than he could stand. He leaves a wife, two Can a Christian be true and sons, a daughter, several grandchildren and many friends to mourn his death He was buried

at Winters Sunday afternoon. J. M. Wilson has been sick for several days past and is not im proving much at present.

J. B. Read and others are gone prospecting and fishing on the Concho this week.

Our library contains 45 volumes of choice books. If anyone wishes to contribute a few dimes or a book the librarian, E. R. Middleton, will gladly receive same.

C.F. Await sold on the 15th inst his stock of merchandise to W. E. Hill of Buffalo Gap. Mr. Hill seems to be a strict business man and thorough going fellow He has good backing and will put in a large stock of goods and will gladly accomodate all who need accomodation. We believe he is the right man in the right place.

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We were agreeably surprised to see the announcement of C. S Bowdon in last issue of the paper for tax assessor. We knew Mr. Bowden when he used to grub mesquites in Limestone county for a living. He is a man of great courage and much business and as for good principles, bonesty and qualifications C. S. Bowdon lacks nothing

Mark Hopkins

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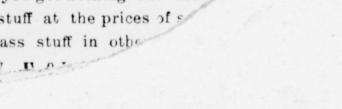
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Commercial Club to the propri-

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exhibition of county product at

Mrs. D. M. Baker, Committee

Woman Burns to Death. Sour Lake, Tex., Feb. 12 .-Mrs. Nellie Kerr, aged 40 years. was burned to death at 9 o clock this morning. Deceased was the Company. Mrs. Kerr had b en in poor health for several montus and in order that she might have labor and at spare moments would visit his wife.

This morning about 8:30 o'clock Mr. Kerr left his wife sitting in a rocking chair with a heavy quilt wrapped around her. Good spirits don't all come She was sitting by a stove in which a fire was burning when Mr. Kerr left her. He had not been absent more than fifteen tent. When within seventy five duces. You can't have good more smoke than usual was spirits and a bad liver at the emanating from there and he in find condition if you would what was the matter. Nearing bright of eye, light of step, vig and upon entering he found his

Mr Kerr jerked a heavy wool Green's August Flower-he en blanket from the bed and greatest of all medicines for the smothered the flames, but when liver and stomach and a certain he had finished his task Mrs. cure for dyspepsia or indiges. Kerr was burned so badly that tion. It has been a fav. rite she was not recognizable. In household remedy for over trying to save his wife Mr. thirty-five years. August Flow- Kerr's eyebrows, mustache, er will make your liver healthy and hair were burned and sever and active and thus insure you al blisters were made on his

It will be remembered that Mr. Kerr was formerly a resident of this town and was an employe of Mathis-Miller & Co. citation in some newspaper published and bis old acquaintances will in the County of Ruonels for four weeks Ballinger Flower Show, called regret to hear of this sad acci previous to the return day hereof, Shel Real Estate and Insurance

Mrs. J. J. Erwin Entertains. On Friday evening of last week Mrs. J. J. Erwin entertained a number of friends at "Military Dominoes.'

The double parlors were arwife of W. E. Kerr, car inspector tistically and profusely decoratfor the Higgins Oil and Fuel ed with our national flags, which was quite in keeping with the style of the game Each table represented a fort, from which a flag was raised. The guests proper a tention Mr. Kerr placed were to play to make the fort a tent near his place of daily from . hich they started victorious and each game won for the respective forts another flag was raised for same.

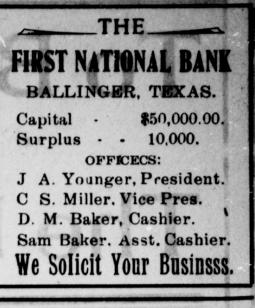
t Davis captured the great est number of flags and came out winner Mrs E. A. Trail and Mr. Erwin were the most successful players, having won ten of the eleven games.

Punch was served at intervals by Misses Adele Underwood and Milred Erwin At the close of the games delicious refreshments were served by the above named young ladies. And the following guests bid Mr. and Mrs. Erwin good night, thanking them for a delightful evening: Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGregor, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. C R. Crews, Mr. and Mrs. A H VanPelt, Mr and Mrs. E A Trail. Mr. and Mrs J Y Pearce, Mr and Mrs. J I. Guion, Mr and Mrs Geo. Vaughn, Mr and Mrs. R. D. Hall Mr. and Mrs C P. Shep herd Mr. and Mrs. Will Vaughn, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Francis, Mr. and Mrs. C. C F. Blanchard, Me-dames Butler and Chas Miller, Rev. R. M. Hall and Misses Maggie and Adele Underwood

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E. T Lucas, Wingo, Ky., writes their flower show. All should April 20th 1902: "For IO to 12 be interested and study this and years i had been afflic ed with a any other move for our general malady known as the 'itch.' The welfare. Let there be a large itching was almost unbearable, attendance at next meeting. By I had tried for years to find reorder of J. McGregor, Pres., a hef, having tried all remedies I meeting is called at oper, house could hear of, besides a number Monday 2:30 p m. Feb. 22nd. Al of doctors. I wish to state that members of Ballinger Commer- one single application of Balcial Club are earnestly request lard's Snow Liniment cured me completely and permanently. Since then I have used the liniment on two separate occasions for ringworm and it cured com pletely. 25c, 50c and \$1 00 boticians had a long tle. Sold by E. D. Walker.

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by Singlion, whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for Runnels BALLINGER. County, at a regular term of the Justice's ourt for Precinct No. 2 of said county. to be begun and holden at my office in Crews school house on the 12 day of March, 1904 at ten o'clock, a, m., to answer the complaint of W. J. Baggett, plaintiff, in a certain suit therein pending in which W. J. Baggett is plaintiff and Shelby Singleton is defendant. Filed on the 15th day of January A. D 1904, and numbered on the docket of s id court No 27, the nature of the plantiff's demand being in substance plaintiff says that on and prior to the 1st day of Cotober 1903 and continuing from said last date named until this day he was, has been and is e gaged in the livery business in the town of Crews in said county and state and was and is engaged in keeping and feeding horses and other stock for the public for hire installed. and that on or about soid date of October 1st 19 3, the defendant placed with plaintiff in his capacity as aforesaid for hire the iollowing described mare towit: being a sorrel mare about 14 hands high about 1. or 12 years old, branded with triangle on left shoulder; that plaintiff every day-every still has possession of and has during ve it to yourself to the 31/2 months since Octobeo 1st 1903 fed, kept and taken care of said animal, which keep, etc. is of the reasonable value of \$.000 per month or a total of \$35.00, which defendant, though often cest and re- requested, refuses to pay. Plaintiff me. Kodol prays for judgment for said sum of s, strength- \$35 .o and foreclosure of agistor's lien

> Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court at said regular term, this writ, with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

imes comes Giveh under my hand, this 5th day of rable pain January A. D. 1904. T. E. BROWN, uns. Dizzi-Justice of Peace, Precinct No. 2, Runnels County, Texas. omplaint

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J. B. Alvis & Bro. sell cheap. In our last week's issue we Forney Prairie hay for sale at for cush.

had a clipping from the Daily J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Miss Nell Butler came in Brownwood Bulletin announcing W G. Lykes of Content renewed his allegiance this week Will Dunlap returned from St. Louis Thursday and reports ten carpenters to every job of work.

The Kellett-Chatham Machinery Comyany,

Thursday from Temple

H. A. Pradford helped \$1.00 worth this week.

Wirke's has the agency for the of his death which occurred Celebrated Major Paul

W J. Baggett of Crews was here this week on business.

Fresh garden seeds of all ands at J. B. Alvis & Bro's.

Miss Louise Fentress returned from San Augelo Thursday

Wm. Clift of, Ft Chadbourne, was among our new recruits this week.

Gaston Hardgrave is erecting a neat three room residence on 12th street.

pneumonia at his residence at while away West End at present.

Crews, dropped in to see us this of the Schlake ranch in Concho week and renewed his subscription.

Mrs. Fentress and daughters, Misses Maizie and Sadie of San Saba, are visiting relatives in the city this week.



the death of M A. Hanna and we failed to correct the error before going to press Friday.

However, this week we are sure Monday of this week.

Joe Cotton happened to a pain ful though not serious accident last Thursday. He had started here.

home and between the mill and was unconscious. He soon re- new girl at his home Monday. gained consciousness, however, and is now all right.

through Thursday, enroute companies. from Dallas home. He purchas-

Henry Wylie is very sick with ed his spring stock of goods

W. W. Embry of McGregor, Our old friend, J. L. Kerby of who recently purchased a part county, is a new subscriber to the Banner Leader this week.

> Mr. Hallick, who formerly taught music in the A. & M. College at Bryan, was here this week prospecting and is thinking seriously of locating.

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The work en J. F. Currie's thing that it by residence on 9th street is pro-

gressing nicely and when complete will be one of the hand somest in the city.

Fresh California canned apri- 12 year old s cots, grapes and plums for a of this city. short time at the low price of 121 He was s cents per can at J. B. Alvis & a pile of calk Bro's. mill Mond

4 o'clock. When in need of pure ribbon Willie, Vla cane syrup just call on J. B. at the hr Alvis & Bro. under the Opera boy Ir I House, of cc

Walter Knight went to Cam. bro eron Thursday to visit his par- ari ents who reside there. notet;

bu ho Lime, brick. cement and al th: kind of building material at the onex Ballinger Lumber Co. dra

The west bound passenger train was four hours late Thursday. It met the east bound

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Tom Watson, who resides on 90 Elm creek bridge he fell from Valley Creek five miles from his buggy and when picked up town, reports the arrival of a

We call special attention to the three-column ad. of R. G. Lee Jarmon, a prominent Erwin & Co. in this issue. per Winters merchant, passed taining to the strength of his

> The Currie Noyes Co. put in a double deck arrangement in t rear of thier mammo"

this week giving more their big spring stock

Judge Crosson in this week that they yu ed from Irion cound the costs incurred ing the Sam Murray .ti red from that the about \$1300 pe

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