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NO 35

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Just received Dress Goods.

Exceptionally fine quality voiles white and black. 75c value...50c

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Finest silk, gold-filled handle umbrellas, 10 00 values for this week.....7.50

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About 200 skirts in voiles, silks and nets, all colors. They are beauties. You can buy them at 25% less than they are marked.

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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.

Be sure and bring your eggs and chickens to J. B. Alvis & Bro. We pay all the market affords.

Fresh Blackberries received every morning. Miller Mer. Co.

BALLINGER BAR.

Indorsement of Judge Jno. W. Goodwin.

At a bar meeting held here last Monday, the following proceedings were had:

After the election of Judge J. W. Powell, as chairman, and M. C. Smith, as secretary, the chairman, in stating the object of the meeting, said, among other things:—"Gentlemen of the Bar: We are here for the purpose of considering the claims of the aspirants for the high and responsible office of District Judge of this, the 35th, Judicial District. In the consideration of this matter, we, as members of a noble profession, should not be controlled in our action by personal friendship for this or that candidate; but determine, from all the evidence at our command, who is the best fitted and qualified for the position, and who can best subserve the interests of the people in that capacity.

Thus viewing the situation, it is my unbounded pleasure to speak in behalf of the candidacy of the present incumbent, Judge Jno. W. Goodwin; a man for noble traits of character, for a high standard of morals, and for strict integrity, and rare ability as a lawyer has been weighed by his brethren and found not wanting.

"For three and one half years he has adorned the bench with the dignity of an able and impartial jurist, and by his economical methods in the dispatch of business has made a healthful improvement on the treasury of Runnels county.

"The Grand Jurors, the Petit

Jurors, litigants, witnesses, and all others, except the criminal, will, in my humble judgment, exclaim, "Thou art an upright judge!" Hence, it is the new-comer, who, at the ensuing election, will cast his first vote in this county, we wish to advise as to the real and true worth of Judge Goodwin, a man of acknowledged executive ability, a man in whose pure and unsullied character the brilliant jewel of honor is predominant, a man in whose hands the tax-payers may safely confide the "scales of justice" for a second term."

At the conclusion of his remarks, which met with hearty approval by all present, a committee was appointed to draft proper resolutions of endorsement which are as follows:

RESOLUTION.

RESOLVED:—THAT WHEREAS, Judge Jno. W. Goodwin, our present district judge, is a candidate for re-election to that office, now therefore, as members of the Ballinger Bar, having the most implicit confidence in his integrity and legal ability, and believing that his re-election will be to the best interests of this people, we most heartily indorse his candidacy.

C. S. Miller,
C. O. Harris,
C. H. Willingham,
C. P. Shepherd,
W. R. Spencer,
R. B. Truly,
John I. Guion,
Committee.

On motion the above resolution was unanimously adopted.

J. W. POWELL, Chairman.
M. C. SMITH, Secretary.

Fewer gallons, wears longer; Devoe.

All laws that are not enforced ought to be repealed.—Sentenil.

That just what the violators want. No, don't repeal them until they are enforced. Let everybody get in behind the officers and assist in enforcing the law. A bad one when once enforced, if the law is bad the legislature will at once have it stricken from the statute.—Cushing Enterprise.

While the Bureau of Statistics reports that Germany's chief exports to her African colonies consist mostly of liquor, later reports state that a great many coffins are being sent out.

A Reminder.

The primary election is drawing near and for fear that some of the voters may not understand, or forget, we remind you that you must have your poll tax receipt with you on the day you go to vote at your respective voting boxes. This is imperative and in accordance with the Terrel election law, and that you may not overlook the matter we call your especial attention to this fact. Bear it in mind.

We want chickens, eggs and country produce. We buy and handle grain at Miller Mercantile Co.

Some Low Clearing Prices

These exceedingly low prices are made to get your trade. Look them over and see if you don't need something listed below.

GROCERIES.	NOTIONS
8lbs Arbuckle Coffee.....\$1 00	Glass tumblers per set.....\$ 10
4 cans Giant Lye.....25	Nice Plates, per set.....25
3 boxes Axel Grease.....20	14 inch Files.....25
56 bars good Laundry Soap.....1 00	40 Fish Hooks.....05
18 lbs Granulated Sugar.....1 00	Fruit Jar Rubbers, per doz.....05
Best Apple Vinegar per gal.....25	tin Dippers 3 for.....10
Cooking Oil, per gal.....60	50 Clothes Pins.....05
5 lbs Rolled Oats.....25	6 pr Ladies Hose.....25
6 lbs Soda.....25	Nut Mey Graters each.....01
1 gal Good Molasses.....35	1 Curry Comb.....05
Good Mixed Candy per pound.....08	Potteryware per gal.....10

We are sole agents for the Brown Shoe and would like to show them to you. They are money savers

RESPECTFULLY
STUBBS & HARTMAN

STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF RUNNELS }

the year 1903, are delinquent for the taxes of 1903 only, and that I am entitled to credit for the takes as shown thereon.

SEAL

I, R. P. Kirk, Tax Collector of said county, do hereby certify that the within lands and town lots assessed on the Tax Rolls of said county for the year 1903, are delinquent for the taxes of 1903 only, and that I am entitled to credit for the takes as shown thereon.

R. P. KIRK, Tax Collector.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of May 1904.

W. L. TOWNER, County Clerk of Runnels County.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMISSIONERS COURT.

STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF RUNNELS }

IN COMMISSIONERS COURT.

We certify that we have examined the within report of lands and town lots assessed on the Tax Rolls of Runnels County for the year 1903, which are delinquent for the taxes of 1903 only, and find the same correct, and that R. P. Kirk Tax Collector, is entitled to credit for the taxes as shown thereon, as follows, to-wit:

State Ad Valorem Tax.....	\$ 57 12
State School Tax.....	61 71
State Poll Tax.....	13 50
Total State Taxes..... \$132 33	
County Ad Valorem Tax.....	\$ 61 73
County Special Tax.....	95 89
County Poll Tax.....	2 25
District School tax	68 56
Total County taxes.....	\$228 43

Given in open court this 16th day of May 1904.

T. T. CROSSON, County Judge.

SEAL

J. E. SMITH }
A. B. HUTCHISON } County Commissioners

Attest:

W. L. TOWNER, County Clerk.

A GOOD MEAL

Is what the public desire and that is what I propose to furnish. I have purchased from the Weatherbee Bros. their restaurant and will serve meals at all hours.

Yours for a Good Meal

J. H. CASTELLOW

The Ballinger Livery Stable

We have just moved into our new place back of Lankford & Hathaway's Store, and solicit a part of your business. Special attention to Boarding horses. Riggs of any kind on short notice. Call and see us

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Privileges for Sale.

Bids for privileges for the Red Men picnic at Ballinger, June 29th, will be received on Monday, June 20th, and the exclusive privilege given to the two highest bidders, of placing cold-drink and refreshments stands on the picnic grounds, the highest bidder having choice of sites for stand. Bids should be filed with R. S. Griggs, chairman of the arrangements committee not later than 4 o'clock on above date, June 20th.

By order of the committee.

C. L. Ashton of La Porte, Tex., came in Sunday last to make Ballinger his future home, having bought an interest with the drug firm of J. R. Tisinger. He will move his family as soon as he can get a house to suit him.

M. Cornelius of Winters, came in on the train Monday from Lamar, Fannin and other counties in that section and reports that the recent heavy rains almost completely ruined the crops there the first of the week.

Miss Kittie Clements, daughter of J. W. Clements of Concho county, came in Monday and took the train for Ennis, Ellis county, to visit friends and relatives for a month or so.

Mr. Parker, a teacher of the deaf and dumb institute of Austin, came in Friday of last week with some of his pupils who live in the Wingate country.

Mrs. H. A. Thomson and Misses Beatrice and Mary Lee came in Monday from Austin, where Mrs. Thomson has been for the benefit of her health.

Cotton choppers and farm hands are in demand in our section since the recent fine rains.

Judge J. D. Hutchinson, our friend of the Norton country, spent the day in Ballinger Tuesday.

Sam Gray, a substantial farmer of the Crews country, was doing business in Ballinger Monday.

W. D. Wilson, the blacksmith, returned Sunday from Austin and brought his mother, Mrs. M. F. Wilson, home for a visit.

Henry Walker, of the electric light company, left Monday for St. Louis where he will enjoy the World's Fair for a week or ten days.

Joe Kiske of Brownwood, who has the contract to paint, paper and otherwise decorate John Currie's new residence, spent Monday in our city.

Tom Scott and family left on Monday's train for Elgin, Bastrop county, their old home, where they will visit old friends and relatives for a month.

T. J. McLaughan came in from Lometa Monday where he visited home a few days. He was accompanied home by his mother and sister-in-law, Mrs. John McLaughan, who will visit him at his Norton home for a while. He reports heavy and damaging rains in the section visited.

E. E. Dean, of Crumb, Denton county, left for home Monday after a visit to his sister, Mrs. C. H. Dugan of our county. Mr. Dean reports his section of the country in good shape and says wheat will average 25 bushel per acre this season. He was favorably impressed with Runnels county.

A TEXAS WONDER.

Hall's Great Discovery.

One small bottle of the Texas Wonder Hall's Great Discovery cures all kidney and bladder troubles, 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.

READ THIS

Cisco, Texas, Oct 18, 1901

Dr. E. W. Hall, St. Louis: Dear Sir— We have sold your Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, for several years. I frankly say that we have never sold a kidney and bladder medicine that proved to be a greater remedy. MAXWELL & ST. JOHN.

Robert Lee Observer.

The Robert Lee Observer in writing up the Bronte picnic last week has the following to say about our Baptist pastor:

Rev. E. A. Furton, of Ballinger, then addressed the schools on Sunday School work which was attentively listened to and highly appreciated by every one

Dan Van Pelt, a prominent merchant of Ballinger, was in the city Sunday and Monday.

Messrs Woolsey and Grobe, of Yoakum, Texas, are here this week for the purpose of organizing a Home Circle insurance association. They are meeting with splendid success.

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

H. A. CADY, P. M.

LADIES:—

Hartin, Mrs. M. M.

Silbas, Miss Josefa.

GENTLEMEN:—

Hester, J. P.

Miss Bertha Rasbury will arrive here tonight and will remain a few days as the guest of Miss Bernice Taylor, when the two will go Ballinger, where the parents of Miss Bertha now live, and Miss Bernice will spend some time visiting there. Miss Rasbury has been attending school at Georgetown.—Lampasas Leader.

Miss Iola Green came in Sunday from Colorado, Texas, where she has been visiting relatives and friends the past three weeks.

Judge Guion and party returned from St. Louis Saturday of last week and report a most pleasant trip to the World's Fair.

Frank Pierce, of Winters, came down Monday and took the train for Brownwood where he will transact business for a day.

W. E. Odom, now with Smith & Roberson, of San Angelo, visited his family Sunday and Monday, this week.

E. F. Jackson and E. K. Smith joined the throng of Banner Leader readers at Ballinger this week.

Notice.

Parties holding good vendor lien notes and desiring to cash same, I can handle a few. Call on me at the Banner-Leader office. C. P. SHEPHERD.

Frank Biggs came in Sunday from a trip to Austin.

C. P. Shepherd made a business trip to crews last Saturday.

C. F. Dickinson was a passenger on the east bound train Tuesday for Coleman, Santa Anna and perhaps other places before returning.

The attack of Judge Woodward upon the newspapers of the district, because they favor the re-election of Judge Goodwin as district judge, is but another evidence of that gentleman's unwise plan of action in the present campaign. The newspapers have recognized in Judge Goodwin a judge of intelligence and ability, a man fitted in every respect for the position, and, with a praiseworthy regard for a just and sensible administration of the law in our district courts, they have not hesitated to make known to their readers their preference between the two men. Taking Judge Woodward's effort here Tuesday night as a specimen, system of campaigning seems to run largely to aggressive and deriding warfare, to misrepresentation and abuse—and not only the newspapers, but the lawyers and other who oppose his candidacy, come in for their share of scathing attention. He forces his opponent to defend himself against an unwarranted attack upon his personal and official reputation that would at any other time an under any other circumstances be beneath his notice. So far as official records go, that of Judge Woodward for eight years upon the bench, and that of Judge Goodwin for four years, a comparison of the two makes one wonder how it happened that an intelligent man like Judge Woodward ever came to introduce the question of official record in this contest. The only plausible reason for it is that he desired to show how much advantage he could give Judge Goodwin and then beat him. Up to the present time the News, in its support of Judge Goodwin's candidacy, has confined its indorsements to favorable comments upon his standing as a citizen, and his ability as a jurist and general fitness for position of district judge. Judge Woodward attacks this privilege, not only with the News, but with the other papers of the district. He seems to cultivate a smoking, hair-raising campaign, and if he keeps up the gait he has started he is likely to get all the fun he wants.—Pecan Valley News Brownwood.

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SANTA FE TRAIN SERVICE.

PASSENGER TRAINS.
West-bound due at Ballinger 12:20 a. m.
East-bound due at Ballinger 4:32 p. m.
LOCAL TRAINS.
West-bound due at Ballinger 3:15 p. m.
East-bound due at Ballinger 10:40 a. m.

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.
D. M. WEST.
- For Judge 35th Judicial District.
J. O. WOODWARD.
JNO. W. GOODWIN
- For County Judge.
B. B. STONE.
T. T. COSSON.
- For District and County Clerk.
R. A. TERRY.
JOHN HOFFER.
- For County Attorney:
GUYON GREGG.
R. S. GRIGGS.
- For Sheriff & Tax Collector.
R. P. KIRK.
A. S. JUSTICE.
- 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. 1.
T. I. STOCKS.
FRANK STUART.
LOUIS A. MASSEY.
CHAS. E. NANCE.
H. P. HARKINS.
- For County Surveyor.
H. E. DICKINSON.
S. D. WILLIAMS.
J. E. POWELL.
- For Com. & Justice Peace Prec. No. 1.
J. E. SMITH.
W. H. WEEKS.
G. W. NEWMAN.
- For Com. & Justice Peace Prec. No. 2.
J. T. BILLUPS.
- For County Commissioner Prec. No. 2.
T. S. CROWDER.
- For County Commissioner Prec. No. 2.
J. E. MCADAMS.
- For Justice Peace Prec. No. 2.
R. L. CARLEO N.
- For Com. & Justice Peace Prec. No. 3.
W. P. HAWKINS.
- For Constable Prec No. 1.
J. A. DeMOVILLE.
B. W. PILCHER.
- For Constable Prec. No. 2.
E. W. BAGGETT.
GUY ENNISON.

No special bait to catch you today and rob you tomorrow but a bill of fare that will appeal to your appetite, and cooked right and served right.

J. H. CASTELLOW,
At the old Weatherby stand.

The Big Picnic.

Are you going to the picnic? If so call on B. Alvis & Bro., and get your dinner already cooked. They have all kinds of good things to take with you.

DR. W. A. GUSTAVUS, Dentist, Over Walker's Drug Store. Charges right—work guaranteed

IS HE PRACTICAL?

The Waxahachie Light Throws Some Light on Teacher's Examinations.

The friends of Hon. Arthur Lefevre have published in the Fort Worth Record and in circulars which have been widely distributed some reasons why they believe he should be re-elected. They claim to be the friends of "higher standards of education" and among other reasons state that he has raised the standard of teachers through the character of his examination questions.

Now in order that we may be able to investigate what merit there might be in this claim we requested a friend to furnish samples of questions used in preceding administrations and also samples of those used by Superintendent Lefevre, especially attention to be paid to those that differed from the questions of his predecessors.

We submit five questions which are fair samples of those submitted to teachers prior to Lefevre's administration, and then five touching different and higher (?) phases of arithmetical calculation.

PRIOR TO LEFEVRE'S ADMINISTRATION.

1. What will be the cost of painting 10 circular pillars, each 40 inches in circumference and 18 feet high, at 12½ cents per square yard?

2. How many bushels will a box 4 feet wide, 6 feet deep and 8 feet long hold?

3. A. B. and C. pasture an equal number of cattle upon a field of which A. and B. are owners. A. owns 9 a., B. owns 15 a. If C. pays \$24 for his pasturage how should the money be divided between A. and B?

A minor at age of 16 years, 7 months and 29 days has left him at 8 per cent simple interest \$3950.50; what amount will be due him when he becomes of age?

5. How many square yards of plastering in the ceiling and walls of a room 36 feet long, 24 feet wide, and 18 feet high; deducting fifty square yards for fireplace, windows, etc?

Compare these practical questions with the following sent out during the present administration:

LEFEVRE'S ADMINISTRATION:

1. Find the lowest common multiple and highest common submultiple of 2-9, 4-3, 8-15.

2. Calculate and write in English the number expressed by the notation 1053 in a system similar to our common decimal system, but whose base is six instead of ten.

3. Prove that the product of three consecutive integers, if the first is seven, must be a multiple of twenty-four.

4. Express the fractions ¼, ⅓, ⅕ respectively as decimal and as duodecimal fractions.

5. Express the circulating decimal 2.6730730... as a common fraction.

Would you not prefer the teacher of your child be tested upon practical questions such as cost of painting, measurement of boxes, calculating interest, cost of plastering, etc., rather than highest common submultiples of fractions, duodecimal systems, circulating decimals, etc. These are some of the questions to which teachers object and justly so. But because they have dared to criticize the administration for these they have been denominated as ignorant and not worthy certificates of any kind.

rant and not worthy certificates of any kind.

We have no use for these questions and we deny that they have been an improvement over those of preceding administration. It is high time a change is made and Supt. Lefevre, the theoretical, visionary, enthusiast, should be retired.

The opponents of Supt. Lefevre are the men who have borne the burden and heat of the day. They are not concerned about the "loaves and fishes" as a close analysis of the circular referred to might disclose his followers to be; they stand for a strong, practical, conservative administration of school affairs in Texas.—Waxahachie Light of April 2, 1904.

With reference to the above Supt. B. A. Stafford of Mineola says: "The great need of uplifting is found in the rural schools, where more is known about radishes than radixes, and where greater solicitude is manifested about the six roots of a cotton stalk than the six roots of minus one. Moduli of logarithmic systems, logarithmic spirals, and the equation of a common catenary are not often seriously required in our common schools. The examinations are all right for the fellows who don't need them, but they fail to fit the fellow that does."—B. A. Stafford, Superintendent City Schools.

We heartily endorse the above and advocate the cause of R. B. Cousins over that of Arthur Lefevre for State Supt of Public Instruction.—Ed.

Singing Convention

Runnels County District Singing Convention No. 1 meets at Wingate the 2nd Saturday in July with the following program.

Saturday afternoon will be taken up by business interspersed with singing by all classes.

Sunday 9 a. m., song.
Prayer by Chaplain.
Song led by President.
Talk by Rev. Turney.
Two songs led by Luther Pumphrey.

Two songs led by Tom Nance.
Quartette by Wingate.
Duette from Pumphrey class.
Duette from Wingate class.
Solo from Wingate class.
Song, led by Prof. Chas. Pumphrey.

2 p. m., Song led by J. O. Landrum.

Duette by Pleasant Retreat.
Two songs led by James Keel
Male Quartette, by Pleasant Retreat.

Two songs, led by Prof. Brown.
Two songs, led by prof. Geenhill.

Solo by County line.
Two songs, led by Mr. Davidson of Baldwin.

Two songs led by Mr. Graham.
Duette, by Balwin.
Solo, from Pumphrey Class.
Quartette from pumphrey Class.

Two songs, led by A. A. Gannaway.
Closing song, led by Prof. Chas. Pumphrey.

We extend a cordial invitation to all lovers of music to be with us and enjoy the hospitality of the good people of Wingate, who will spare no pains to make you feel welcome.

Dinner on the ground Sunday.
Submitted by committee on program.

Mrs. Wyatt,
A. A. Gannaway,
J. G. Landrum,
Committee.

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In Ballinger and by comparing our goods and prices think you will easily conclude that we sell more for same money and same for less money. For instance:

Gilt edge shoe polish.....	\$ 20	Hand saw guaranteed to give same satisfaction as Diston.....	1 35
Mennens talcum Powder.....	20	Good one.....	85
8 boxes Horse Shoe Bag Blueing.....	25	3 boxes shoe tacks.....	10
32 bars Boston Drummer Soap, no better made.....	1 00	Razors and pocket knives about one half regular price	
25c Boston Garter.....	18	Beautiful line shirt waist sets and brooches just in	
All sorts of towels and toweling, bargain		Mens shoes.....	1 00 up
Childs Embroidered caps.....	15c to 50	3 50 shoe for.....	2 98
Dont fail to see our line of Shades, Rugs		3 00 " ".....	2 65
Crochet quilts and Lace Curtains		2 50 " ".....	2 10
Nice line tinware at eastern prices. For instance:		1 50 Ladies Shoes for.....	2 15
3 quart cov. bucket.....	1 00	2 00 " ".....	1 60
10 qt Galvanized Bucket.....	2 00	Solid Leather Plow Shoes.....	1 60
4 qt " Oil Can.....	20	Mens and Boys Hats at prices that will save you money	
Full line brooms.....	43c down	Dont forget Finck's Overalls are the BEST	
Good Buggy Whip.....	10	1 set, 6 each cups, saucers and plates 4 color decoration.....	1 45
35 Envelopos.....	05	Deitz Lantern.....	55
1 ¼ x 3-16 tire bolts, box.....	25		

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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

BIG PICNIC

Ballinger's Nineteenth Birthday

PROGRAMME.

10:30—Grand Parade: Cheyenne, Woka, Ponca and Mescaleao Tribes.
 Music.....Band
 11:00.....Welcome Address:
 Song.....Red Men
 11:15—Address on Redmanship, Past Great Sachem, W. C. Henderron, Brenham, Texas.
 Music.....Band
 1:00.....Dinner
 Music.....Band
 2:30—Speaking. Judge Jno. W. Goodwin and Judge J. O. Woodward, candidates for District, Judge; also C. B. Hudspeth and D. M. West, candidates for Representative, 95th District.
 Music.....Gun Club Shoot
 4:30—Baseball Game.....Ballinger vs. San Angelo

The Program is under the auspices of the Ballinger Red Men to be assisted by the Brownwood, Coleman and San Angelo Tribes. Everyone is cordially invited to come and bring well filled baskets and enjoy the day

Letter to E. D. Walker,
Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Sir:
Messrs Leachman & Edelin, Grafen, W. Va had been selling a paint, which they thought well of; and this had occurred.

They had sold a customer 18 gallons of paint to paint his house. A few years later, they sold the same man Devoe lead and zinc the same number of gallons to paint the same house. He had 7 gallons left.

The point of the tale is; 11 gallons Devoe paints an 18 gallon house.

Do you want to sell it?

Of course, that isn't all.

Why does 11 gallons Devoe go as far as 18 gallons of other paint? Because it is all paint, all true, no sham and full measure.

Do you want to sell it?

But that isn't all. Devoe lasts longer. No, no; you haven't got to wait ten years to find that out. Ten thousand people know it. We've got their names. Our agents know them; they think a heap of Devoe. There's no difficulty in showing your townspeople what to expect of Devoe. \$10 will paint \$15 house; and the paint'll last twice as long.

Do you want to sell it?

Yours truly,
F W DEVOE & Co.,
New York

The following young people composed a merry fishing party out on Mud Creek Wednesday: Misses Maud and Lena Shaffer, Jesse Woodward, Barton, Mrs. Gustavus and Messrs. Bob Corum, Haywood Miller, Geo. Lusk and Arthur Doosa. They report a pleasant day.

The most elegant line of stationery in the city at Tisinger & Co's.

The Hub first, last and all the time for good goods, better goods, at the lowest possible prices.

Misses Georgia and Maggie White, sisters of Mrs. C. E. Bullock, left Thursday for their home at Bryan, Texas, after some weeks spent in our city and country.

W. H. Melton and daughter, of Gonzales who have been visiting the families of F. A. Mater and Dr. Butler this week, returned to their home Friday after a pleasant visit to our city.

Don't you need a refrigerator or ice cream freezer this hot weather our prices are right and the good will please you.

Crews Furniture Co.,
Ballinger Texas.

Natural Gas.

In boring a well on Mr. Wagner's place on the San Angelo and Ballinger road near Rowena, a Mr. Lise was badly burned after striking a match and looking into the hole. He heard a rumbling noise in the well and to see what was going on struck a match and peered down into the hole which, when the match was struck, exploded and considerably burned Mr. Lise about his head and face and one hand was severely scorched. Quite a number of our citizens went out to investigate the well and are of the opinion that it is a natural gas well, and future developments will prove the full capacity of the well.

Married.

Mr. Tom Trail to Miss Nellie Kemp of Pant Rock. Mr. Trail is a brother of Arthur Trail of our city and is one of our most valued friends, and his bride, Miss Kemp, is one of Concho's fairest maidens. While we have not the personal acquaintance of the bride, we know the groom so well that we may say he has picked the flower of Concho county. The Banner Leader with a host of Runnels county friends offers congratulations to the new married couple and wish for them a long life and happiness.

Williams-Bacon.

Mr. Barton Williams of Ft. Stockton and Miss Louise Bacon of our city were united in the holy bonds of matrimony on June 15th in Ballinger. This marriage was quite a surprise to Miss Bacon's many friends, but all have recovered sufficiently to extend hearty congratulations for a happy and prosperous voyage over life's matrimonial sea.

We sell you more goods for the money than any house in town; and throw in your enlarged picture. See our windows.

THE HUB.

Mrs Charlton, wife of our efficient depot agent, left Tuesday for a months visit to her old home at Milano.

High grade drugs cost the same as the second class stuff. Tisinger & Co. handle the high grade goods.

F. A. Mater went up to San Angelo on business Monday.

The best soda fountain drinks and ice cream at Tisinger & Co's.

J. A. DeMovill joined our ranks this week as a subscriber. Let others come.

Tisinger & Co. are a new firm but do business according to old reliable methods.

Have you seen our inducements for your trade?

THE HUB.

C. E. Bullock and R. A. Terry had official business in the Maverick country first of the week.

Miss Adelle Underwood of Ballinger, is in the city the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Pomp Arnold. —Brownwood Daily Bulletin.

J. G. Hughes, our wide-awake and popular deputy Sheriff left Tuesday for his old home in Coryell county where he will be gone several days.

At the called meeting of the City Council Monday, Robert Corum resigned and B. W. Pilcher was appointed City Marshall to fill the unexpired term.

Rev Carl Wooge, recently from Round Rock, Milam county, was in our city a short while Monday. Rev Wooge is the German pastor at Miles, since coming to our country.

The city has been a little dull this week on account of the absence of our usual number of farmer friends, who are very busy since the recent fire rain, putting their crops in order. Reports are very encouraging from all parts of the county and with a few more rains at the proper time Runnels will blossom like a rose this fall.

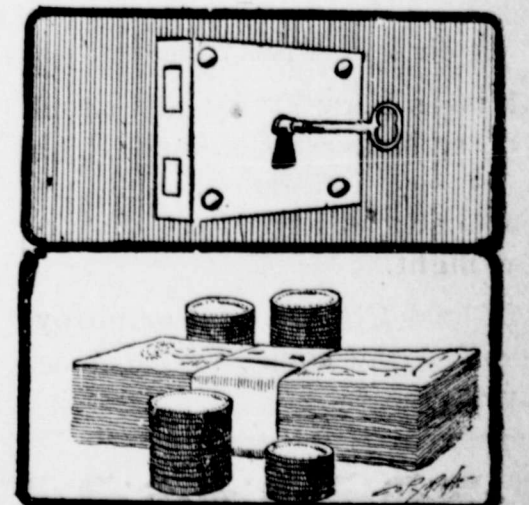
Shepherd-Gay

Prof. T. D. Shepherd and Miss Florence Gay were married Wednesday evening at the home of the parents of the bride, seven miles northeast of Coleman. Rev W. J. Herron officiating.

The bride is the accomplished daughter of W. C. Gay and wife, possessing all the attributes of a pure and noble woman.

Prof Shepherd is principal of Coleman's excellent public school and is also a member of the firm of Hubert & Shepherd, publishers of the Coleman Democrat. —Coleman Democrat.

The horseless delivery wagon still runs for Miller Mercantile Co.



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at home or in office may seem to be in a safe place. But it is not. It is liable to be destroyed by fire or taken by thieves. When deposited with

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MISS ETHEL MOORE, Editor.

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Winters Directory.

METHODIST—Preaching every third Sunday morning and evening; also preaching on first Sunday evening. Sunday School 10 a. m., J. L. Speer, supt., Epworth League at 3 p. m. each Sunday evening. T. A. Fannin, pres. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night—F. M. Jackson, pastor.

BAPTIST—Preaching every second Sunday morning. Sunday School at 9 a. m., James Flint supt. B. Y. P. U. every Sunday afternoon 4 p. m., S. W. Pratt pres., Ben S. Sullivan, pastor.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN—Preaching every first Sunday and night, Rev. C. W. Yates, pastor.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH—Service each Sunday afternoon 3 o'clock, Mr. Eoff, leader.

LUTHERAN—Services each second Sunday.

Secret Orders—A. F. & A. M., meets on Saturday on or before full moon, T. A. Fannin, sec. Joe Vancil, W. M. K. of P. meets each second and third Thursday nights, L. E. Jarmon, C. C., W. S. Mullin, K. R. & S.

W. O. W.—Camps meets each second and fourth Monday nights. T. T. Davis, C. C., J. W. Dale, clerk.

I. O. O. F.—Meets every Saturday night, J. H. Hood, N. G., A. M. Young, sec.

Epworth League Program.

Subject—Watchfulness. Enjoined—Mark 11:32-37. Leader—T. A. Fannin. Prayer by Leader. Roll Call. Song. Reading—Pearl Speer. Song. Talk by pastor, F. M. Jackson. Reading—Robert Yeats. Recitation—Lorena Hood. Song. Benediction.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

Sunday, June 19. Leader—Miss Fannie Roach. Song. Subject—What Paul teaches me about rising above discouragement—2 Cor. 4:7-18. Prayer—Bro. Tyer. Song. Talk—Mr. Buchanan. Song. Paper—Miss Emma Tyer. Reading—Mrs. Will Mullins. Song. Recitation—Kate Pearce. Song. Collection. Benediction.

Hotel Arrivals.

Registered at the City Hotel. H. C. White, proprietor.

FRIDAY

Miles Coyle, Abilene, Tex. E. B. Stone, Galton Gregg, C. S. Bowden, Bob Kirk, Ballinger.

SATURDAY

Alpha Young, Winters, Tex. Dick Olliver, Baldwin, Tex. Jim Mitchell, Winters, Tex.

SUNDAY

J. B. James, Sweetwater. J. A. Holly, Cameron. C. P. Church, Pumphrey. Porter Murray, Winters. Fred Olliver, Baldwin. Emmet Jackson. J. E. Thomas and son, Ft. Worth.

TUESDAY

F. W. Price, San Angelo. S. H. Bass, Brownwood, Tex. Mr. Roberts, Glen Cove. E. J. Banks, Ballinger. W. T. Hays, Ballinger. W. T. Hays, Ballinger.

WEDNESDAY

Bulger, Abilene. D. M. C. Bunoughs. S. H. Stovall. Luke Geiwen.

Prof. J. E. Thomas and son of Ft. Worth sang for us Sunday afternoon. Quite a crowd was in attendance and we are sure everyone enjoyed the singing.

Bro. Yates turned his surry over Sunday and spilt his crowd, but no serious damage was done.

Prof. Marshall Goodwin was in Winters Sunday.

Dr. Hicks went to Hylton Monday.

Mr. R. C. Gannaway of Wingate was in Winters Sunday.

Mr. Eoff has put a coat of paint on his yard fence.

Mr. Ed Stone and son, Ben, attended the supper at Wingate.

Miss Mamie Patterson has gone to Abilene to spend a week.

Mr. Shaw is getting up a penmanship and arithmetic school.

Miss Lyda Eoff and Mr. Dick Barnett went to Bowman Saturday night.

Mr. Beard and family left Monday to visit relatives at Sterling City.

Mrs. Church and daughter, Mattie, of Pumphrey, were visiting at Winters Monday.

Mrs. Mary Brown of Abilene passed through Winters enroute home after an extended visit to friends and relatives at Miles, Ballinger, Wingate and Winters.

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Of our Customers will be the recipient of a Zanophone, the best made, before many more moons. This fine instrument will cost you absolutely nothing. Do you want it? If so call in when you come to town and we will explain. If you love the beautiful, the sublime, the lovely, the grand, in fact, all that refinement and culture appreciate, this will interest you.

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Fannin & Roberts.

Here and There.

Keep up courage. It is never too late to do better than we have done.

Now while home is yours make the most of it. Who can say how it will be with us a year hence.

When you give, give lovingly rather than grudgingly. God looks at the heart rather than the gift.

We cannot guard our friendship too carefully. There was never found a man who had too many true friends.

Life sometimes seems up hill, but keep stout heart remembering that "though there may be days of sorrow and nights of weeping, to faith the morning brings its joy."

No one has better opportunity to be useful in the world than an educated young woman.

One of the greatest privileges of a Christian is to feel God a friend, walking beside him through all the by-paths of a daily life, ready at all times to offer help and yield consolation.

It is well to suspend judgment in many cases until we have had time to review circumstances and trace motives. The man or woman whose habit is to indulge in snap judgment of any kind is necessarily narrow and undeveloped. Habits, soft and pliant at first, are like some coral stones, which are easily cut when first quarried but soon become hard and adamant.

Mr. Clay White, our hotel man, has just put the finishing touches on the inside of his house, and the writer was invited in to see it. The blue room is beautiful but that red dining room with everything so tastily arranged is the best of all. We think Mr. White has as comfortable accommodations and as good fare as you'll find most anywhere.

Prof. T. J. Kellam of Dallas stopped off at Winters last week on his way to Bronte to assist in a meeting at that place. He has been solicited to teach a normal course in music at Bronte and Winters.

Miss Rossie White gave a dinner Tuesday in honor of Miss Etna Springfield's birthday. Only a few guests were invited. All reported the occasion a very enjoyable one.

Mrs. Walter Murray began a music class Monday. Mrs. Murray is an experienced music teacher. Her success in the past will recommend her.

Miss Celia Hester accompanied home her sister, from Louisiana who has been visiting her, and will attend school there this year.

Misses Lola Rodgers, Etna Springfield, Rossie White and Kate and Nina Hall were pleasant callers at this office Tuesday.

The Winters people purchased a nice stove of Murray & Bedford and placed it in the Methodist parsonage.

Miss Vally Hill of Pumphrey accompanied Miss Rossie White home Saturday eve and stayed till Monday.

Grandma Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Grant, and Miss Kate Hall spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Moore.

The Yates Bros. have bought the vacant store houses on West street and will put in a second hand store.

Mrs. Tyre has been quite sick but we are glad to report her much better at this writing.

Misses Rossie White and Claudia Patterson attended the picnic at Pumphrey Saturday.

Mrs. Lillian Briscoe and Master Artwell Sheeley are visiting their mother, Mrs. Sheeley.

There will be lots of shoes at Moore's for big, little, old and young some time soon.

Mr. T. A. Fannin went to Crews Monday and brought his wife and son Oliver home.

Miss Rosa Speill has been on the sick list but we are glad to report her up again.

Mr. McAdams of Content, candidate for commissioner, was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. Jackson, who has been visiting her parents at Mullin, returned Monday.

Mr. Speill had the steam thrasher at his place this week.

Miss Ola Harper of Boldon was visiting in Winters Sunday.

Mr. Ed Stone got in a large assortment of dishes last week.

Moore & Co were trading with the shoe drummer Wednesday.

Moore & Co have a new sign in front of their store.

Mrs. Sheeley has been very sick this week.

Remember the picnic the 24th. The new blacksmith is at work. You should see the lamps at Moore's.

Mr. Press Thorpe is sick with measles.

Dr. Grant's office is nearing completion.

Mr. and Mrs. Young were in town Thursday.

Miss Lena Harter is taking a rest from the store.

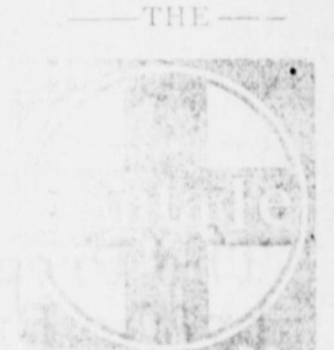
Mr. Will Murray bought a drove of sheep Tuesday.

Mr. Jameson was selling fruit on the streets Wednesday.

Mrs. Sherrel went out to see her sister, Mrs. McDonald, Wednesday.

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WINTERS, - TEXAS

Moore & Co have in some new neck ribbon, ladies hose and gents' good works hose. Dress goods and waist patterns going cheap. Pretty black lawn

Misses Lucy Tinkle and Ethel Moore, Messrs Bob and R. C. Gannaway attended the ice cream supper at Wingate Saturday night.

Colonel Church of Pumphrey attended the song service Sunday afternoon.

...Trade Stimulators...

We will place on sale the following lines of merchandise during the coming week as a special inducement for you to visit our

Fancy Dress Goods, Waist Patterns, Linen Table Cloths, Dress Trimmings, Laces, Embroideries, Girdles, and Gents Underwear.

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Everything in the stock that is seasonable for Spring or summer wear will now positively be sold. We won't wait until the season passes.

Look! How does this suit you

- 50 pieces Scotch Lawn per yard5c
- Toile du Nord G'ngbams per yard.....10c
- Calico—all American Standards per yard.....5c
- Yard wide Percales—Special per yard.....8½c

Everything else in staple and fancy lines in proportion

Our lines of Clothing for men and boys including "Kup penheimer's" Celebrated Line, will not be reserved during this June Sale. All go at Cut Prices.

We offer a Special June Bargain on every pair of Shoes in stock. You will save many a dollar by keeping up with our June Bargains.

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P. L. Howett, the compress man, went up to Brownwood Thursday to spend a few days with his family.

Maud McDaniel is on the puny list this week, and says too much ice cream ain't good for a fellow this hot weather.

Mrs. W. A. Pigford left Wednesday eve to visit her mother, at Gainesville, whom she had not seen in fifteen years.

Charlie Reeder came in first of the week from Austin and other points east visiting friends and looking after some business matters.

Mr and Mrs Joseph Hoelscher of Westphalia, who have been visiting F. G. Hoelscher and family of our country, left Thursday for their home.

The Ike wooden building is nearing completion and will soon be occupied by Groves Key as a meat market. Fritz Ernst and John Reese are putting the last touches on the front part of the frame work, and when done will be a beauty.

Tom Osteen is having put in this week his new baking outfit which is one of the largest in this part of the west, having a capacity of 300 loaves at a baking. Tom is keeping pace with the growing demand of our town and country.

The Ballinger Banner-Leader came out in its same glad rags this week, a fiery red forming the trimming. Two Thousand copies were issued and the press work and editorial matter show that the men at the head of these departments are of the right brand.—Brownwood Daily Bulletin.

C. F. Dickinson, a prominent attorney of Ballinger, is in the city today, interviewing the people with a view to making the race for district attorney. He says he is receiving considerable encouragement and that it is more than likely he will decide to become a candidate for the office.—Brownwood Daily Bulletin.

W. R. Spencer sold his residence and lots on 8th Street opposite the Royalty Hotel to Mrs. W. P. Nash, consideration \$1800. Judge Spencer informs us that he would leave in a few days for Lubbock City, and as soon as he could procure a suitable house would move his family to that place for their future home.

Mr. and Mrs Hartman entertained a few friends last Sunday evening, and after a few hours of social conversation, ice cream and cake was passed and enjoyed by all present, as follows: F. F. Gressett and wife, Jas. McWhirter and wife, Maud McDaniel and wife, W. T. Ward and wife and Frank Lamotte. All report a most pleasant time, vote the host and hostess most agreeable entertainers.

L. L. Westbrook, who had a camp house just above the Ten Mile crossing, moved out Sunday evening when the river began to rise so rapidly. He took his family and went to a neighbor's house and next morning when he returned destruction met his gaze. The flood swept everything away. The neighbors gathered and were able to rescue several things which had lodged in the drifts about four hundred yards below. The damage to crops in the next community was more serious. W. K. Gay lost a beef steer which he had tied at the slaughter pen.—Menard Enterprise.

In this progressive age travel is a necessary part of every person's education. The man who stays at home all the time and never sees what others are doing, is never that success which his wide-awake neighbor becomes. The newspaper man can stick to his office year after year and dry up. The merchant must go to the cities once or twice a year to keep up with the times. The doctor needs to take a post graduate course every few years, not more to learn medical practice than to associate with others of his profession. The farmer should attend the congress held for farmers to come in contact with the successful men of his calling. To travel and study is to broaden. To stay at home is to dwarf one's abilities.—Brownwood Daily Bulletin.

"Eternity!" The voice of the preacher sank to a horrified whisper. "An eternity of torment!" he repeated, "do you be-think you what eternity is? I will tell you it is as long as it seems to you if you were going to church, and were waiting for your wife to get ready, and she had eight or nine heads instead of one!" Here several men arose, haggard, and tottered forward to the anxious seat.

Dr John Grant, ex chairman of the Texas state republican executive committee, ex-republican national committeeman from Texas, and ex United States marshal for the Eastern district of Texas, died at his home in Sherman June 12th. He was 51 years old. He was injured in a railway accident several days ago and never recovered from the effects.

No. 6757.

Report of the Condition

Of The Citizens National Bank, at Ballinger, in the State of Texas, at the close of business, June 9, 1904.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts.....	\$190,476.96
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured.....	29,872.49
U S Bonds to secure circulation.....	20,000.00
Premiums on U S bonds.....	1,400.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures.....	7,060.00
Due from national banks (not reserve agents).....	3,054.40
Due from state bank and banks.....	13,952.55
Due from approved reserve agents.....	69,003.00
Checks and other cash items.....	1,908.34
Notes of other national banks.....	250.00
Fractional paper currency, nickles and cents.....	233.90
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie.....	\$5,617.66
Legal tender notes.....	10,617.60
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer [5 per cent circulation].....	1,000.00
Total.....	\$348,829.24
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in.....	\$ 75,000.00
Surplus fund.....	1,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid.....	10,897.97
National bank notes outstanding.....	20,000.00
Due to other national banks.....	14,427.43
Due to State banks and bankers.....	3,375.47
Due to trust companies and savings banks.....	
Dividends unpaid.....	
Individual deposits subject to check.....	212,907.95
Demand certificate of deposit.....	99.34
Time certificates of deposit.....	4,607.48
Cashier's Checks outstanding.....	1,574.50
Total.....	\$348,829.24
State of Texas.....	
County of Runnels, ss:	
I, Jo Wilmet, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.	
Jo WILMET, Cashier.	
Correct—Attest:	
Tom Ward } C. A. Dooze } Directors W. J. Miller }	
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of June, 1904.	
J. McGregor, Notary Public.	
RECAPITULATION.	
Resources	
Bills Receivable.....	\$190,476.96
Demand Loans [Cotton & wool].....	29,872.49
U. S. Bonds.....	21,400.00
Banking House and Fixtures.....	7,060.00
Cash on hand and in bank.....	100,019.79
Total.....	\$348,829.24
Liabilities	
Capital.....	\$ 75,000.00
Surplus and.....	
Undivided Profits.....	11,897.97
Circulation.....	20,000.00
Deposits.....	241,931.27
Total.....	\$348,829.24

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A brisk season's business left us with a good many short lengths of Dress Goods running from 3 to 10 yards in a piece, Embroideries and laces from 2 to 6 yard lengths. These are all clean and seasonable goods and are marked to close quickly at a discount of from 30 to 50 per cent less than regular. : : :

GREAT REMNANT SALE

Ladies' Hose Special

Five dozen ladies' drop-stitched Hose, fine values at 25c, but some show slight imperfection. Special price while they last at only.....15c

10 dozen ladies' Lisle thread drop stitched Hose, pretty lace designs, our popular 35c grade, as long as they last at only.....25c per pr

Entire line of white mercerized waistings at greatly reduced prices.

Big Bargains in Fans.

50c fans reduced to.....35c
35c fans reduced to.....25c
25c and 20c fans cut to15c
Fine line of Fans worth 10c at, only.....5c

Ladies' White Waists at Reduced Prices.

A pretty line of waists nicely made, fine trimming and perfect fitting.

\$3 00 waists cut to.....\$2 35
2 50 waists cut to 1 95
2 00 waists cut to..... 1 50
1 75 waists cut to..... 1 35
1 50 waists cut to..... 1 15
1 25 waists cut to..... 95c

Ladies' Walking Skirts at Reduced Prices.

A 25 per cent discount on all Skirts. One fourth off from regular price.

See our line of men's negligee Shirts just received, pretty patterns and fine values, at only.....\$1 each

Ladies' Slippers Cut in Price

To make a clean sweep of all low cut Shoes, we make the following reduction:

\$2 00 Slippers cut to\$1 60
1 75 Slippers cut to..... 1 40
1 50 Slippers cut to..... 1 20

All children's Slippers cut in price

Colored Summer Dress Goods Reduced in price.

75 Thomson glove-fitting Corsets were 75c, \$1 00, \$1 25 and \$1 50. Five and six hook, your choice of lot for.....25c

All kinds of Calicoes in the house, while they last.....5c a yd

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G. A. DOOSE,
BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS

Scholastic Census.

The following is the number of children in the scholastic age in Runnels county, white and colored except two county line districts not yet reported:

Runnels 1, 131,
Lone Star 2, 243,
Content 3, 108,
Ft Chadbourne 4, 53,
Maverick 5, 58,
Walthal 6, 39,
Davis 7, 43,
Hale 8, 248,
Ballinger 9, 616,
Pearce 10, 41,
Norwood 11, 42,
Hutchison 12, 254,
Barnett 13, 49,
Miles 14, 226,
Norton 15, 135,
New County Line 14, 22
White male 1162, female 1173,
colored male 5, female 4. total
male 1167, total female 1177, a
grand total 2344.

NOTICE—The Ballinger Summer Normal will be held from June 21, to July 28, 1904. Competent teacher, special inducements. Come and be in the biggest Normal ever held in this section.

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Dr Tinkle and father of Winters were doing business in Ballinger Tuesday and report their country in good shape.

F. A. Mater is having a nice side walk put in front of his residence next to town, and is also painting his residence which adds much to the appearance of his premises.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

By local applications 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 surfaces.

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. F. J. CHENEY & Co, Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Linen Shower.

The ladies of the Shakespeare and Azalia Clubs received their club members last Thursday afternoon from 4 to 6 at the residence of Mrs. T. E. Butler in honor of Miss Kate Thomson, the occasion being particularly unique owing to its bearing upon the present Russo-Japanese war. The reception hall and spacious parlors were beautifully decorated in Japanese effect. During the afternoon intense interest was manifested in periodical telegrams which were received in regard to the very latest war news. These telegrams were delivered by little Juliet Miller, in picturesque Japanese costume, to be read to the eager crowd by Mrs. W. E. Odom, in costume of Japanese Consul. In the back parlor the serving table was beautifully decorated with pink carnations from which fruit frappe and wafers were served in Japanese style, not a chair being visible. One of the principal features of the afternoon was a linen shower. All voted the occasion a happy one, held out the "glad hand" to Miss Thomson, and departed wondering—who next?

Notice.

Till July 1st I will sell scholarships, time unlimited, in all departments of the Ballinger Business College, at 20% discount. You can buy row and come later if you wish. Buy now and save money.

HENRY J. STOVALL, Pres.,
Ballinger, Texas.

J. J. Fox, down the river next to the Concho county line, was in our city Tuesday, looking fat and healthy, and says that they have the best prospects for a crop in many years, and says it is a fact that ducks were seen swimming in his field just after the recent good rains, which is enough to make a man feel jubilant.

Miss Jessie Woodward of West End, is the guest this week of her friend, Miss Florence Harrison of South Ballinger. An entertainment was given in honor of Miss Jesse Wednesday evening while there and the young ladies and gentlemen enjoyed cream and cake after several hours in social conversation.

Children's Day will be observed at the C. P. church Sunday week, June the 26th, at which time a nicely arranged program will be rendered. The teachers are drilling the children and something nice is promised. Bear in mind the date and attend if possible.

Mr H R Bradford was seen on the streets Thursday after several days absence and says he has been with the wheat threshing gang on Coyote Creek this week. He reports the average yield from 6 to 15 bushels per acre. Not so bad for a dry year.

We want your trade, and are simply working all the time to deserve your patronage. If not trading with us call around anyhow, we will make you feel at home. THE HUB.

E E Ford, a prominent citizen of Paint Rock, had business in Ballinger Tuesday of this week.

What is "TEETHINA?" Well tis this, A tasteless powder that will kiss From baby's brow the fever glow That teething always brings you know. "TEETHINA" overcomes and counteracts the effects of summer's heat, aids digestion, regulates the bowels. Gives rosy cheeks, health and happiness to babies.

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Until July 1st we will have our Summer Clearing Sale and during this sale close prices will be made on all lines of Summer Dress Goods. Some rare bargains will be offered during sale. Don't miss this

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Pumphrey.

It has been some time since I wrote for the Leader as news has been so scarce here.

We have had a big time here the last week with picnic and children's day. A fine program was rendered by the children of Pumphrey. There were about 19 recitations, two dialogues and seven songs, but the best part was the march. The children and a few of the young ladies began down at Mr. Millor's and marched to the arbor singing.

There was an ice cream supper at Wingate Saturday night and a crowd of young folks from Pumphrey attended. All reported a big time.

Charles and Perry Miller are going over in the Content neighborhood to start their father's thrasher and will be gone about three weeks.

The C. M. A. lodge is progressing nicely. They have 12 members enrolled and several applications for membership. Tuesday night is the regular meeting night.

Dr. B. E. Franklin is on the cripple list this week. A loaded freight wagon run over his foot, mashing it considerably.

Dr. B. E. Franklin and Co. are erecting their drugstore this week.

Mr. Spence's little child has been very sick but is better now.

Mr. C. W. Miller's wagons are making three trips a week hauling out lumber from Ballinger. That looks like business doesn't it? He says the gin will be ready for the first bale of cotton that comes in.

Razorback.

Crews.

Everybody busy in the cotton patch.

Rev. L. A. Clark filled his regular appointment here Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. D. D. Campbell has been quite sick.

Ed Baggett has been confined to his room for the past few days.

Mrs. Spain has been sick.

We see in last week's paper that "Mrs. T. A. Fannin received a phone message of her mother being sick and left at once for Content." Wonder why she didn't go to Crews as that is where her mother lives. Mrs. Fannin has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Spain, one mile N. E. of Crews, not Content.

Mr. Pink King made a hurried trip to Ballinger today.

Death has claimed its victims since our last correspondence the twin babes of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Bradley, and the nine months old babe of Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Hale.

Quite a lot of sickness around here.

R. L. C.

Children's Day.

Children's Day services, a service which is observed annually throughout the Methodist church, was held in the Methodist church of this city Sunday night June 12. The children were greeted by a large audience and a fine interest was sustained throughout the evening. The children without exception performed their parts well and a number of them did exceedingly well. The large audience showed their high appreciation by their close atten-

tion from first to last. The singing was of a superior character, nearly all of it being done by the children themselves.

Great credit is due Mesdames Currie, Lusk, Shepherd and White for the efficient manner in which they drilled and prepared the children for the occasion. The following is a synopsis of the program rendered:

Song "Come Thou Almighty King."

Prayer.

Song "Blessed be the Name." Responsive reading led by the S. S. Supt.

Address of Welcome by Ruby Campbell.

Recitations by Lane Osteen and Hazel Hoffer.

Responsive Reading.

Recitations by Emmett Davis, Charlie Boyd and Estelle Forbes.

Song "Jesus is Calling the Children."

Recitations by Zolla Hoffer, Mary Louise Paramore, Vinita Boyd, Rosalie Wedel and Dick Whitt.

Song "Glory to God Hallelujah."

Recitation by Eulalie Gressett, Muriel Truly, Annie Jean Sharp and Jessie Dickinson.

Song "Hosanna!"

Recitation by Mamie Sue Gressett, Mamie Godwin, May Godwin and Myrtle Whitaker.

Recitation by Miss Dale Justice.

Recitation "From Cross to Crown" by Gladys Collins and Pebble Bean.

Song "Trust and Obey."

Collection.

Song "We are marching to Zion."

Benediction.

Editor Bok does not seem to approve of the women having pockets in their stockings. It is more than probable that he is afraid that the women will fall into the male habit of standing around on the corners with their hands in their pockets.

The stand-patters in the Indian Territory are described as Indians who refuse to leave the reservation.



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White Hair

The decision of Senator Fairbanks to the effect that he will not be a candidate for the vice-presidential nomination will be good news to everybody except the Indiana aspirants for his Senatorial toga.

While Russia may have the numerical strength to overcome Japan, it seems very much to us as though she is having a great deal of difficulty in getting her numerical strength in position.

Senator Quarles will be in session up in Wisconsin all summer under the head of "unfinished business" notwithstanding the fact that the Senate will not meet until December.

A man in New York committed suicide because he was refused a loan of \$450,000. Had his request been granted, he would probably have dropped dead.

The Willington star asks, where the modern land of Canaan is. We wish we knew as we would like to go there and stay until after the election.

Senator Fry says that no man should dodge the vice-presidential nomination. We have no objection to his opinion, make it Roosevelt and Fry.

Sec. Shaw promises to show us that our salaries have been increased at an astonishing rate within the last few years. That will be a great surprise to a lot of wage earners.

Get a new saddle at Bob Shaffers. They are the best.

Citation by Publication.

STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of Middleton T. Johnson, deceased, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not then in any newspaper published in 35th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 35th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Runnels county, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger on the 1st Monday in October A. D. 1904, the same being the 3rd day of October A. D. 1904, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 26th day of May, A. D. 1904 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 703, wherein J H Paramore is plaintiff and the heirs of Middleton T. Johnson, deceased, are defendants, and said petition alleging that the plaintiff, J H Paramore, resides in Taylor county, Texas, and that the names and the place of residence of the heirs of Middleton T. Johnson, deceased, defendants herein, are to plaintiff unknown. For cause of action plaintiff says that heretofore on the first day of May 1904 he was lawfully seized and possessed of the following described tract of land, situated in Runnels county, Texas, holding the same in fee simple, to-wit: Twelve hundred and eighty acres of land known as survey No. 541 certificate No. 1446, patented to Middleton T. Johnson, assignee of J J Taylor, on the 27th of July 1855, per letter patent No. 80 Vol 7.

That on the day and year last aforesaid the defendants unlawfully entered upon said premises and ejected plaintiff therefrom and unlawfully withhold from plaintiff the possession thereof, to plaintiff's damage one thousand dollars.

Plaintiff says he is the owner in fee simple of said premises, holding the same under and by virtue of a complete and perfect chain of title emanating from the state of Texas as follows.

A patent dated 27th day of July 1855, No. 80 Vol 7, issued by the State of Texas to Middleton T Johnson, assignee, convey-

ing said land to said Middleton T. Johnson; 2nd, a deed from M H Brinson and J P Smith, as administrators of the estate of Middleton T Johnson, deceased, to M W McLemore dated June 1st 1875, conveying said land to said M W McLemore, said deed recorded in deed records of Runnels county, Texas, on June 1st 1886 in Vol 7 on page 234. 3rd a deed from M W McLemore and wife, E R McLemore, to J H Paramore and Hugh Lewis, dated Dec. 7th 1885 conveying said land to said J H Paramore and Hugh Lewis, which said deed is recorded in deed records of Runnels county, Texas on June 1st 1886 in Vol 7 page 233. 4th, a deed from M W McLemore and E R McLemore nee E R Johnson, dated Sept 4th 1863, conveying to J H Paramore and Hugh Lewis said land, said deed recorded Jan. 8 1894 in deed records of Runnels county, Texas, in Vol. 16 page 207. 5th, deed from Hugh Lewis dated — conveying to J H Paramore said tract of land, said deed recorded in deed records of Runnels county, Texas, in Vol— page—. 6th, a deed from J M Formwalt, sheriff and tax collector of Runnels county, Texas, conveying said land to J H Paramore and H Lewis, said deed dated June 7th 1881 and recorded in deed records of Runnels county, Texas, on the 16th day of June 1881 in Vol I page 88. Plaintiff further says that he has a good perfect right and title to said land because he, claiming the same under deeds duly registered and recorded in Runnels county, Texas, has had peaceable, continuous, adverse possession of said land, using and cultivating and enjoying the same and paying all taxes due thereon for a period of more than five years next before the entry of defendants thereon and for more than five years next before the first of May 1904 and for more than five years after defendants' cause of action accrued, if any they ever had.

That plaintiff has had peaceable, quiet, continuous, adverse possession of said described land as follows: Survey No. 541, Bounty Warrant No. 1446, patented to Middleton T Johnson assignee of John Jacob Taylor, of 1280 acres of land situated in Runnels county, State of Texas, and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake set for the N. E. corner of survey No. 540, from which a mesquite 5 in. in diameter bears S 41 1/2 E 177 varas, thence S 15 E 2688 vrs to a stake from which a mesquite 5 inches in diameter bears N 26 3/4, 1115 vrs a mesquite 5 inches in diameter bears N 43 1/2 E 98 1/2 vrs thence N 75 E 2398 vrs to Red Creek 2688 vrs to a stake from which a mesquite 4 in. in diameter bears N 20 E 97 1/2 vrs a mesquite 4 inches in diameter bears N 25 E 28 1/2 varas. Thence N 15 W crossing Red Creek 2688 vrs to a stone mound from which a mesquite 40 inches bears N 42 1/2 W 98 1/2 vrs, thence S 75 W 380 vrs to a creek running to the left at 390 vrs across it at 440 vrs cross it a third time 2688 vrs to the beginning, cultivating, using and enjoying the same for a period of more than 10 years next before defendants entry thereon and for more than ten years next before the 1st day of May 1904 and for more than ten years since defendants had asserted any claim thereto, taken and held by plaintiff under the written memoranda or deeds describing said land, hereinbefore plead and alleged to constitute plaintiff's claim of title thereto,

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all of which memoranda is duly recorded in Runnels county.

Plaintiff alleges further that the exact nature of defendant's claim to said land is to plaintiff unknown.

Wherefore plaintiff prays that defendants be cited in accordance with law to answer this petition and that on final hearing plaintiff have judgment for the restitution of said premises and for a decree divesting all title out of said defendants and vesting same in plaintiff etc.

Herein fail not, but have before said court at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, W. L. Towner, Clerk of the District Court of Runnels County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Ballinger, this the 26th day of May A. D. 1904.

SEAL W. L. TOWNER, Clerk, County Court, Runnels Co. By R. A. TERRY, Deputy.

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Cecelia Stowe

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Prof. Thos. J. Baten, principal of the public school at Content who with his family is recreating at Brownwood, orders the Banner Leader this week, which will follow him at Content the next 12 months. Prof. Baten is a fine instructor and the people of Content are to be congratulated upon securing him for another year.

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Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall of Beall, Miss., has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once and four bottles entirely cured her." Guaranteed by J. Y. Pearce, druggist. Price 50c, and \$1.00 Trial bottles free.

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The joke of the season is on John O White. Mrs White had been away a whole week visiting relatives in Ballinger and last Saturday notified Mr. White to meet her at the train. "Uncle John" was overjoyed at the good news, brushed up and employed a livery rig and hired away to meet the 10:45 a. m. train. After waiting an hour for a belated train it suddenly occurred to Mr. White that Ballinger was west on map, and that he was more than seven hours ahead of time. We'll take a little lemon in ours please. Uncle John.—Coleman Democrat.

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It is reported that the far East seems to be centered on Nan Shan Hill. In New York the fight seems to be centered on Dave Hill.

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It is an evident fact that Judge Parker wants the firm of Parker & Hill dissolved in view of his address before the students at the law school in Albany, in which he advised them not to take partners.

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Look at J. E. Brewer's show window.

Concho Herald

Tom Trail had about 200 head of sheep to chill to death and drown during the rain Sunday. While attempting to cross a prong of duck creek Sunday evening after the rain, John and Frank Edwards got their team drowned, and ran a narrow risk of losing their own lives. They had driven nearly across the stream, which was considerably swollen, and when nearly a cross the team became unmanageable and drowned, the boys having to swim out. A gentleman from Bronte, in Coke county, also tried to cross Duck creek with a wagon and three horses and got two horses drowned. A man sick who was in the wagon at the time barely made his escape, but was cured of the colic.

Acute Rheumatism.

Deep tearing or wrenching pains, occasioned by getting wet through; worse when at rest or on first moving the limbs and in cold or damp weather, is cured quickly by Ballard's Snow Liniment. Oscar Oleson, Gibson City, Illinois, writes, Feb. 16, 1902: "A year ago I was troubled with a pain in my back. It soon got so bad I could not bend over. One bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment cured me." 25c 50c, \$1.00 at E D Walker's.

A Costly Mistake.

Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally life itself is the price of a mistake, but you'll never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for dyspepsia, dizziness, headache, liver or bowel troubles. They are gentle yet thorough. 25c at J Y Pearce's drugstore.

That Chinese expert who asserts that strychnine cures hydrophobia has evidently not read the health department records of this country, which show that a man who takes a good stiff dose of strychnine never fears hydrophobia any more.

It now seems that President Roosevelt has concluded that Senator Fairbanks will be entirely acceptable as a running mate. It seems as though Mr. Fairbanks does not care to associate himself with President Roosevelt in this capacity.

Some energetic playwright should write a comic opera based on the latest New York scandal involving the fool and his money and entitled the "Octoroon and the Octogenarian."

The Czar is said to be very impatient over the progress of the war. We believe that he should hold on to his patience as he has lost about everything else.

It now appears that an effort is to be made to raise cotton in Missouri in some of the districts that have heretofore been devoted to raising Cain.

While the Republicans will stand pat on the tariff question, it is believed that they will confess that they have been bluffing on reciprocity.

It is evident that the Illinois Weather Bureau man is safe in making a standing prediction of storm until the Republican convention adjourns.

The political will of Senator Quay is to be contested.

Editor Waterson in a paragraph one and three fourths columns long declares that Mr. Hearst is insane

Wisconsin has been placed in the "extra hazardous" class of applicants by the Republican political insurance agents.

While as a matter of fact Sec. Cortelyou is an accomplished pianist, the trusts show no desire to dance to his music.

It is now stated that Russell Sage objects to the vacation habit. He is evidently getting so close that he even hates to spend time.

The mosquito is now charged with being responsible for tuberculosis. This makes the pest guilty of about everything except the slump in Steel stocks.

The tenants of a New York apartment house, occupied exclusively by Bachelor women have demanded that the elevator be run all night. It seems that bachelor habits are the same with both sexes.

Since Sec. Weeks of the National Mosquito Extermination Society has recommended that all the frog-ponds, streams, etc., be covered with kerosene oil, it is up to "Father Rockefeller" to put up a good Republican campaign fund in order to convince the various State Legislatures that Mr. Week's theory is correct.

Rules for Democratic Primaries.

By order of Judge James B. Wells, chairman, the rules governing primary elections and conventions, formulated and adopted by the State Democratic Executive Committee, at its meeting in Austin on April 18, have been printed, together with the Alamo resolution and the Terrel election law. The undersigned publishers will send a copy, prepaid, upon receipt of 10 cents to pay postage and expenses.

GAMMEL-STATSMAN PUB. CO. Austin, Texas.

Estray Notice.

To W. L. Towner, County Clerk, Runnels County, Texas.

In compliance with the estray law now in force, I herewith RETURN the following estrays which have been found running at large and not estrayed, and state that the owner of the same is unknown, one bay mare and yearling colt, mare 12 or 15 years old 14½ hands high, branded G on jaw, R on shoulder, P on hip, and the colt unbranded, and the strays are now in the care of C. C. F. Blanchard 12 miles N. W. of Ballinger. June 10th, 1904. J. E. SMITH, County Commissioner Pre. No. 1 Runnels County, Texas.

Tresspass Notice-Keep Out.

All parties found hunting, cutting wood, gathering stock or trespassing in anyway on the G. R. Casey Mud Creek ranch will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. Keep out.

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Only such goods as are fit to sell and only such prices as will sell them is our motto.

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Mother's Ear

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50c. and \$1.00; all druggists.

D. Reeder made a flying business trip to Miles Wednesday.

Dr. Tom Luckett went up to San Angelo Wednesday to visit friends for a few days.

A. L. Farris and Judge Jno. W. Goodwin made an overland trip to Miles Wednesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pigford left for the east Wednesday to visit their old home and associates for awhile.

Miss Edna Odom left Wednesday for San Angelo where she will visit relatives and friends for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Humphrey took the Wednesday's train for St. Louis, where they will attend the Fair for a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Miller and children left Wednesday for St. Louis where they will enjoy the sights at the World's Fair for awhile.

Misses Agnes and Katie Globber left Wednesday for La Grange, where they will visit relatives and old friends for a month or so.

W. P. King of the Crews country, chatted the editor pleasantly a few minutes Wednesday and reports his section getting along nicely.

Scientist claim that there are ten pounds of glue in the human body that's the reason every body is stuck on those Concho Cigars at Godwin Grocery Co's.

Miss Alice Routh, who has taught in our public schools the last two years, left Wednesday for San Antonio, and will likely visit her old home in Tennessee before returning.

Wm. Ledford, of Talpa, the only "Bill," was doing business in our city Thursday and of course ordered the Banner-Leader sent to his address the next 12 months.

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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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.

An Explanation.

We had in our last issue, the question "is it right" that the Chairman of the Democratic Committee assess each county or district candidate for a sum of from \$2.50 to \$10 to defray the expenses of holding the primary election. We know the county chairman did what he thought necessary in the premises, and while Antelope, and perhaps Antelope, could and would hold this election at their own expense, there are a majority of the other precincts that will not do so, and the chairman only did what he conceived to be the proper thing in the matter. We know the candidates have been rather heavily taxed this year, on account of extra announcements, etc. but there is no other way out of it but that the candidates pay for holding these elections where the precincts refuse to do so free of charge. We deem this explanation necessary in order that every candidate and voter may know how the matter stands.

Died.

Mrs. C. H. Dugan of South Ballinger died last Tuesday night of that dread disease consumption and was interred in the Ballinger cemetery Wednesday evening. While the family were comparatively strangers among us they had made many warm friends and a host of people mourn with the bereaved husband and children. Mrs. Dugan was a consecrated Christian and died in the faith, and is now at rest from all trouble on the bosom of a loving and tender Saviour.

The first car of material for the Ballinger compress, was received over the new side track Wednesday, to the delight of the managers. The putting in of this side track has been a great drawback to the work on the compress, but now since it is in the work will be rushed to completion. W. G. Churchill, the manager, informs us that 14 cars of material are loaded and in transit, which they are expecting every day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Shepherd went up to Coleman Wednesday evening to attend the marriage of Mr. Shepherd's brother, T. D. Shepherd, to Miss Florence Gay near Coleman, which was solemnized at the home of the bride at 9 o'clock Wednesday evening.

The Baptist Sunday school had a basket picnic at Pecan Mott up the river Thursday. Those present report a nice time, plenty of nice refreshments and a good crowd. Circumstances were such that we could not attend, and therefore fail to give a full write-up.

R. Park Smith left for his home at San Angelo Tuesday, and, we are glad to state, reports Mrs. Smith much better this week.

A Complete stock of H. J. Heinze's Pickles, catsups, chow chaw, plum butter, preserves etc. at Godwin Grocery Co's

Judge Jno. W. Goodwin came in Tuesday from Brownwood and spent a few days with his many Ballinger friends.

John F. Drew, our popular contractor, went up to Coleman Tuesday to figure on some rock buildings.

Fred Machotka of Rowena was doing business in our city Tuesday of this week.

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Harry Scott went up to Coleman Thursday on a business trip.

W. E. Penn came in Tuesday from a few day's trip to Brownwood.

Geo. Reeder of Miles was here a few hours Thursday morning the guest of his brother D. Reeder.

Horace and Rec Thomson came in Thursday from Austin and will spend a few days here with home folks.

W. G. Churchill, the compress manager, spent a few days with home folks at Brownwood, returning Tuesday.

D. C. Howard left Tuesday eve for different points in East Texas to visit old friends and recuperate for awhile.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

Sunday, June 19.
Subject—What Paul teaches me about rising above discouragement—2 Cor 4:7-18.
Leader—Mrs. Bowdon.

Song.
Prayer.
Scripture References.
Song.
Select Reading—Miss Stella Routh.

Select Reading—Miss Nelle Gregory.
Clippings.
Prayer.

Epworth League Program.

Sunday, June 19th, 1904.

Song.
Prayer.
Leader—Dr. T. A. Rape.
Subject—Watchfulness Enjoined.—Mark 13:32-37.

Song.
Topic Discussed.
The certainty of death and judgement should make us watchful—Prof. W. D. Elliott.

The importance of our trust should also quicken vigilance—Mrs. Stella Forbes.

Loyalty to the Master should above all else constrain us—Miss Josie Roark.

Duet—Mrs. Shepherd and Miss Gressett.

Paper—Mrs. White.
Male Quartette.
League Benediction.

Lee Watson of Brownwood, of the firm of Weakly Hardware Co. was in our city a short while Thursday enroute home from a fishing trip to the Concho

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