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NO 38

Stock Taking Sale

A Clean Up - Two Weeks Special
Short Lengths and Summer Goods to Move Regardless of Values.

All Clothing and Pants cut one-third less than marked price
Straw Hats in same proportion.
Shoes and slippers, deep cut to clear out.
New stock Kid Gloves just received, all colors.
Parasols, Umbrellas and Fans, one-third discount, fine ones.
Trunks and Suit Cases, values here, see them.
Last Month Millinery, Miss Wagenhoner ends her season this month. See her one-half price sale.
Come and see us if you appreciate high class merchandise below value.

D. REEDER,

PHONE 58

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Thorough and complete. Most pleasant and best furnished class rooms. No dust. We use Dust Proof Floor Dressing and Dustless Crayon that costs sixteen times as much as ordinary Crayon. Pure water ice cold for students. Best shorthand teachers in Texas. Best Pen Artist. Students in the Business Department may take any studies in the Literay Department free. Shorthand is free though taught by Professional Reporters. Typewriting \$1.00 per month. No other institution offers such advantages so far as I know. Send for catalogue and investigate. Next session begins Sept. 7, 1904.
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Be sure and bring your eggs and chickens to J. B. Alvis & Bro. We pay all the market affords.

MILLS COUNTY SOLID FOR GOODWIN.

Mass Meeting held at Court House

A mass meeting of the citizens of Goldthwaite was held in the court house Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock to consider the matter of the district judgeship of this district.

J. D. Harris was elected chairman of the meeting by unanimous vote, and W. M. Johnston, secretary. The object of the meeting was stated by the chairman and Mr. R. L. H. Williams addressed the meeting upon the importance of the purpose for which it was assembled. A motion was thereupon made that a citizens' club of the citizens of Goldthwaite be organized for the purpose of forwarding the candidacy of Hon. Jno. W. Goodwin for the office of district judge for the thirty fifth judicial district in Mills county in the coming primaries, which club upon its organization should take charge of the detail work of his candidacy and render whatever aid is necessary at the different voting boxes of the county to its successful prosecution in such primaries. The meeting was therefore organized and J. D. Harris was elected president and W. M. Johnston secretary. A motion was made that the president appoint a committee of fifteen in different parts of the county to look after the detail work. The president announced that he would defer the appointment of this committee for further consideration.

The endorsement of the commissioners court of Mills county was read and commented upon, and upon motion was ordered spread upon the minutes of the club. The endorsement is as follows:

Goldthwaite, Tex., June 16, '04.
We, the undersigned members of the commissioners court of Mills county, Texas, desire to state that Hon. John W. Goodwin, judge of the district court in and for Mills county, Texas, during his administration as such, has run the district court of this county at a less expense

to Mills county than any of his predecessors, and has always looked carefully after the interests of Mills county, in avoiding expensive jury service, and so forth.

L. E. Patterson, County Judge
M. C. Humphries, Com. prec. 1
J. F. Jones, Com. prec. 2
Hugh Henry, Com. prec. 3
S. L. Cooke, Com. prec. 4

An endorsement of Judge Goodwin's candidacy substantially the same as the endorsement of the commissioners court above was drawn and circulated among the citizens of Goldthwaite and up to the time of going to press has been signed by several hundred voters.

The action of the citizens in organizing this club was wholly that of courtesy to Judge Goodwin, the county being overwhelmingly in his favor. It was thought, however, that his faithful and acceptable service as judge called for some expression from the citizens before the primaries, and in as much as approximately the whole voting strength of the county could be shown to be in his favor that it would be a deserved compliment to him to take this action. It is understood that meetings of the same kind will be held at other places in the county showing the attitude of the citizens in the matter of his candidacy.

J. D. HARRIS, Pres.
W. M. JOHNSTON, Sec.
—Brownwood Bulletin.

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 25, 1904. In calling for letters please say advertised, giving date of this list.

H. A. CADY, P. M.
Evans, Mrs. J. W.
Richardson, Mrs. Rosie.
Howard, W. J.
King, R. P.
Scott, J. H.
Sommers, Jo.
Wadley, S. B.
Williams, Minnie.

Fresh Blackberries received every morning. Miller Mer. Co.

Chance Meeting of Three Confederate Colonels.

The News man had the pleasure of attending an informal reunion of three "real live" Colonels Monday morning, in the persons of Col. Jack Stocks of Ballinger, who organized and commanded the first regiment of cavalry to leave Nashville, Tenn., in '60; Col. R. M. Humphrey of Brownwood, who during the latter part of the war commanded the fragments of the 16th and 17th Alabama infantry; and Col. G. I. Goodwin of Brownwood, Lieutenant-Colonel in command of one of the regiments made up of the scattered remnants of Kirby Smith's brigade of Texas cavalry. The two first mentioned came very near ruling Col. Goodwin out on account of his extreme youth, he being only 68, while Col. Stocks and Col. Humphrey are respectively in their 76th and 71st years.

All saw hard fighting under the conquered—but immortal—Stars and Bars, and all bear marks received with compliments of their northern brethren.

Col. Stocks was under the noted Bragg, and saw perhaps the hardest fighting of the war, having been wounded in five different places, marks of which are still plainly visible.—Pecan Valley News.

San Angelo Standard.

Dud Tom went to Ballinger Wednesday to visit friends. Rolla Casey, after several days stay here, went down to Ballinger Monday.

Prof. N. J. Clancy left Monday for Ballinger where he will be an instructor in the summer normal. Prof. Clancy had much success with his private school here and upon his return may decide to re-open the school.

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.

C. A. DOOSE.

Children's Day.

Children's day service was held at the C. P. church last Sunday night, and notwithstanding the inclement weather quite a crowd greeted the young folks. Much credit is due Mrs. Frank Miller and Miss Beal for their untiring efforts in drilling the children, and the exercises showed that their labor had not been in vain. Every child sang and acted its part well, and merit the praise and approbation, not only of their parents but the entire membership of the C. P. church and town generally. Following is the program:

Welcome Song,
Song by children.
The Lord's prayer by children.
Recitation—"What little ones can do."—Tom Lankford, Ruth Davis, Dick Whit, Juliet Miller, Francis Truly, Otelia Truly, Ida Ray Cockrell, Ada Lankford.
"The child in the Sunday School"—Ann Truly.
Motion song by children.
Dialogue—"The child in the church service"—Emmet Cockrell and Roscoe Wilmeth.
"When he had taken them in his arms"—Ralph Davis.
Song—Emmet Cockrell, David Smith, Roscoe Wilmeth, Ralph Davis.
Recitation—"The other children"—Hattie Miller, Ann Truly, Flora Humphrey, Otelia Truly, Juliet Miller.
Concert prayer by children.
Song—Hattie Miller, Ann Truly, Flora Humphrey, Otelia Truly, Ada Lankford, Ida Ray Cockrell, Juliet Miller.
Address—Mr. Joe Wilmeth.
Offering, \$10.
Goodbye song by children.
Benediction.

Notice.

Rev. John Streit, of Brenham, the German Methodist pastor of the church at this place, will be here to fill his regular appointment on July 10th. Bear in mind the date and come out and hear him.

We are in the market for your chickens and eggs, also your grocery trade.

Godwin Grocery Co.

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF RUNNELS

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.



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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All kinds of Wood and Iron Work Done. Carriage painting, repairing tops, cushions etc. Shoeing interfering horses a specialty. Give us a trial.

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Pork, Veal, Roasts, Steaks, Sausage, Etc.

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Free Delivery.

R. S. GRIGGS.

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Real Estate and Insurance

Office with Banner-Leader

BALLINGER, TEXAS

Space forbids mentioning all who were present at the barbecue on Wednesday, but every section of our county was well represented besides the hosts of visitors from the adjoining counties. All that we saw expressed themselves well pleased with the day's entertainment, and many words of praise were heard on all sides of the whole-souled hospitality of the Ballinger people.

San Angelo extends, through her citizens that were in Ballinger this week, a cordial and pressing invitation to attend their grand 4th of July celebration. A splendid program has been arranged and a good time is promised, and your personal comfort will be looked after by the hospitable people of San Angelo.

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.

Work was begun Wednesday on the new depot, which will occupy the same place as the old depot, between 8th and 9th streets. We hope to soon see it completed.

Scientists 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 Grocer Co's

Rev. D. M. West, candidate for the legislature came in on Tuesday's train from the west and attended the barbecue.

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

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

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

Cleburne, Tex., Oct 1, 1901—This is to certify that I have used the Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, for kidney trouble to my entire satisfaction and can recommend it to anyone suffering from the same.
Yours truly,
A C LONG.

DR. THOS. A. RAPE, Physician and Surgeon, Office phone 38, residence phone 44.

Chas. Grant of Winters was among the visitors to Ballinger Tuesday and Wednesday.

Gus Herberg, a German friend of Paint Rock, chatted us pleasantly a few minutes Wednesday.

Will Glober came in from St. Louis on Monday's train, where he had visited the World's Fair.

Miss Lela Stocks came in from Miles Tuesday, where she had been to see her sister, Mrs. Brooks.

Messrs. Callan, Kincaid and Shepherd of Ozona, were celebrating with Ballinger friends on the 29th.

Dud Tom of San Angelo, the old pioneer of this part of the west, was among his friends here a few days this week.

Dr. Woodward of San Angelo, brother of our C. S. Woodward of West End, came up Tuesday and took in the Red Men Celebration.

Dr. Grant of Winters, who has been taking a post graduate course in Chicago, came in on Tuesday's train and went direct to his home.

Sam Jones returned Tuesday from Galveston where he had been for a few days on business and pleasure. He reports a very pleasant trip.

I. M. Johnson of Coleman county, accompanied his friend Sheriff Goodfellow to our city this week. We find him to be a pleasant, affable gentleman.

I. D. Youngblood of Burkville, Texas, who has been visiting his father's family at Winters, left Monday for his home, and orders the Banner Leader to follow him.

Mrs W. E. Odom and children went up to San Angelo last Saturday to spend a few days with Mr. Odom, who is at that place with the Smith & Robinson lumber yard.

J. E. Perkins traded his place at West End, this week, to Walter Kent, the dry goods man, for property at Talpa. Mr. Perkins will leave for that place about the 1st of July and engage in the real estate business.

C. A. Smith, an attache of the Ledger force, returned from Comanche Monday, where he went to meet relatives. One sister he had not seen in 11 years and another sister and brother for several years. It is needless to say the meeting was exceedingly pleasant.

We like best to call
SCOTT'S EMULSION

a food because it stands so emphatically for perfect nutrition. And yet in the matter of restoring appetite, of giving new strength to the tissues, especially to the nerves, its action is that of a medicine.

Send for free sample.
SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists,
409-415 Pearl Street, New York.
50c. and \$1.00; all druggists.

We acknowledge the receipt of Bulletin No. 6 of the Girls Industrial College of Denton this week. This school is gradually forging its way to the front and is attracting the attention of people contemplating sending their children off to school. This school has a strong faculty of competent teachers and is fast becoming one of Texas' leading educational institutions.

Rev. G. H. Morrison, an evangelist of the Progressive Christian church, came in from Miles Monday where he has been holding a tent meeting. He was met at the train by Wm. Haventill, of Winters, who took him out to that city with a view to holding a meeting some time in the near future.

H. A. Snively of Wingate was in the city Monday. He brought his wife and children down to take the train to visit relatives and friends at their old home at Gano, Williamson county, for a month or so.

Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order.

or diseased
Kidney
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for a child
afflicted
neys. If the
ates too of
urine scalds the flesh or if, when it reaches an age when it should control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depend upon it, the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a most people suppose.

Women as well as men are made miserable with kidney and bladder trouble and both need the same great relief. The mild and the immediate effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It is sold by druggists, in fifty-cent and one dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also pamphlet telling all about it, including many of the thousands of testimonial letters received from sufferers cured. In writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure to mention this paper.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.



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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. CROSSON.

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.
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.

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

The apparatus invented by M. G. Eiffel for measuring the pressure of wind, should be given a thorough test in Chicago next week.

That eminent physician who declares that there is no such thing as brain fag, will be convinced of his mistake if he will read all of the seconding speeches made at the Republican convention in Chicago.

The Sunday School Convention of the Content Baptist Association convened in Miles Friday, Saturday and Sunday last in its regular annual session. Quite a number from Ballinger and surrounding country attended.

Domestic Troubles.

It is exceptional to find a family where there are no domestic ruptures occasionally, but these can be lessened by having Dr. King's New Life Pills around. Much trouble they save by their great work in stomach and liver troubles. They not only relieve you, but cure. 25c at J. Y. Pearce's drug store.

It is reported that cigar boxes filled with dynamite have been found near the Czar's palaces. Cigar boxes with contents equally as deadly as dynamite will be common in this country, especially in the Republican party from now till November.

Saved from Terrible Death.

The family of Mrs. M. L. Bobbitt of Bargerton, Tenn., saw her dying and were powerless to save her. The most skillful physicians and every remedy used failed, while consumption was slowly but surely taking her life. In this terrible hour Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption turned despair into joy. The first bottle brought immediate relief and its continued use completely cured her. It's the most certain cure in the world for all throat and lung troubles. Guaranteed. Bottles 50c and \$1.00 Trial bottles free at J Y Pearce's drug store.

Chairman of this, the 35th Judicial District Appointed.

Our Judge John I. Guion has been by Hon. James B. Wells, Chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, appointed chairman of this the 35th judicial district, with full power to appoint executive committeemen in each county, and in pursuance of said authority the following named persons have been appointed as members of the executive committee, to wit: For Runnels County, Hon. J. W. Powell; Coleman County, Hon. H. N. Beakley; Brown County, Hon. C. L. McCartney; Mills County, Hon. R. L. H. Williams; Concho County, Hon. Thomas F. Jackson.

To the Precinct Chairman.

You are hereby requested to call a convention July 9th, 1904, and elect delegates to the county convention to be held at Ballinger at 2 o'clock July 16th for the purpose of electing delegates to the Congressional Convention at Baird, the Gubernatorial Convention at Houston, the Representative Convention at San Angelo July 23rd, 1904, and to transact such other business that may properly come before the convention.

C. S. Bowden, Chairman.

Died.

A telegram received Wednesday announces the death of Miss Nettie Sledge, sister of A. W. Sledge of our city. Miss Nettie, mother and brother went back to their old home at Duck Hill, Miss., a little over a month ago, and this sad intelligence comes as a shock to the many friends of the family. Miss Nettie, while she only lived in our midst a short while, by her sweet, cheerful Christian character endeared herself to many friends in Ballinger who mourn her death and extend sincere sympathy to the surviving relatives.

Letter to A. H. Van Pelt,
Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Sir: The Trustees of Fair Ground, Cobleskill, N. Y., were glad to pay 15 cents a gallon more for Devoe; and no wonder. Two other paint agents said it would take 150 gallons of their paint to cover the buildings.

Our agent put it at 125 or less. It took 115.

We saved them 35 gallons of paint and painting (worth \$4 to \$5 a gallon, as the painting costs two or three times as much as the paint (less 15 cents a gallon on 115 gallons. Say \$140.

That's how to count the cost of paint. The cost of putting it on is \$3 or \$4 a gallon. You see what that means. Go buy Devoe.

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

Complimentary.

The following nice letter was received from our friend, Tom Means, who represents Graham Paper Co., of St. Louis, Mo. Thanks, Tommy, we appreciate your compliment and good wishes very much.

Lockhart, Tex., 6 23-04.
Messrs. Shepherd & Cockrell,
Ballinger, Texas.

Gentlemen and friends:

I am just in receipt of a copy of your issue of June the 11th and right now want to congratulate you on what is the handsomest weekly country newspaper I ever saw.

I am glad to know you are running full 12 pages nowadays and sincerely hope that with recent good rains and brilliant crop indications that you will have to put on 16 to take care of all your add patrons.

Expressing my appreciation of this courtesy and hoping that the new firm will reap much pleasure as well as profit from their partnership, I am

Yours Truly,
Tom Means.

Reunion at Brownwood.

The reunion at Brownwood was put off till the 14th and 15th of July. Have a letter from Col. G. I. Goodwin announcing that fact and and he is very anxious for as many as can to come from Henry E. McCulloch Camp. They are making big preparation. H. D. PEARCE, Adjutant.

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

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

The horseless delivery wagon still runs for Miller Mercantile Co.

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

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Lee Maddox

BALLINGER, TEXAS

"STARTLING FACTS IN THE DISTRICT JUDGE'S RACE."

"Some Pertinent Facts."

The above HEADLINES adorn a most slanderous and misrepresenting circular, bringing in question not only the integrity of the newspapers published in Runnels county, but that of Judge Goodwin, our much esteemed and worthy district judge.

This circular is the more remarkable because it has the signature of J. O. Woodward, who, in the face of his shortcomings, as disclosed by this circular, assumes that his candidacy for the responsible office of district judge is entitled to a consideration by the good people of this county, which from our standpoint of view, is a violent presumption.

Certainly it is very mortifying to a gentleman possessed of culture and refinement, and of high legal attainments, like unto Judie Goodwin, to be dragged into the cesspool of "POLITICAL ROT" such as that contained in this circular and be required to make answer thereto.

Though humiliating it may be for Judge Goodwin even to dignify this circular with a reply, in detail, nevertheless it will be done in due season.

Therefore, we will pay our respects to only such of the "Startling Facts" as afford ample evidence of the desperation of the man who claims to have made the discovery.

"STARTLING FACTS NO. 1."

This, in substance, is, that the influence of the editorial columns of the newspapers of Ballinger has been purchased by Judge Goodwin.

Is this true? During the canvass between these gentlemen four years ago for the same office to which they now aspire they were charged by this paper the regular advertising rates without discrimination, independent of which, however, advocated the candidacy of Judge Goodwin through the editorial columns of this paper without charge or hope of remuneration, expecting to be rewarded only by securing to this people a pure, upright, and learned district judge; in this respect we have been amply rewarded. In the present canvass we have charged them without discrimination, the regular advertising rates, but, editorially, we are advocating the reelection of Judge Goodwin without pay, or hope of reward, other than that we will receive in common with all the people of the county—the retention of an honorable jurist on the bench, and any statement to the contrary by J. O. Woodward is absolutely and unqualifiedly untrue. It is quite plain that his object in attacking the press of Ballinger is to destroy, if possible, its influence freely given to his worthy opponent, and the PERSONELLE of this paper is suffering no uneasiness of mind that his flagrant misrepresentations will have that effect.

"STARTLING FACT NO. 2."

This, substantially, is, that Judge Goodwin, in stating the result of cases carried from his court to the higher courts gave himself credit for the affirmance of the case of Harris et al. vs. Bryson & Hartgrove, from Concho county. In this, Judge

Woodward claims, in effect, that Judge Goodwin has told a falsehood, stating in most POSITIVE and KNOWING terms that this particular case was never affirmed by the higher courts. The facts are these. Judgment was rendered by Judge Goodwin adverse to the plaintiff's contention. He appealed, and, having failed to comply with the RULES in such cases made and provided, the appeal was dismissed, leaving the judgment of the trial court still standing in full force and effect; thereupon the plaintiff carried the case to the higher court by writ of error and the judgment rendered by Judge Goodwin was AFFIRMED, and for the information of Judge Woodward, we respectfully suggest that the case is reported in Vol. 9, page 285, Texas Court Reporter, which he may read by calling at this office.

"STARTLING FACT NO. 3."

In the BOLD HEADLINES of this remarkable circular appears the following specimen of Judge Woodward's fitness and qualification for the office to which he aspires:

"Goodwin REVERSED 13 TIMES IN ONE CASE INSTEAD OF BEING REVERSED IN 13 CASES."

If, in making this statement Judge Woodward believed that it was true, then he is not well enough informed to serve the people as district judge. In this connection, it will be remembered that Judge Goodwin has been on the bench only three and one half years and during that time he has held five regular terms and one special term of court making six in all. Thus it will be seen that if the particular case in question had been tried and appealed at each term it would not have been within the range of possibilities for it to have been REVERSED more than six times. On the other hand, if Judge Woodward, in making this statement, knew that it was not true, then he does not merit the confidence of the people and is unworthy of their support for any office.

While it is true the RECORD of an OFFICIAL is open to criticism, he who assails it should confine himself to the truth, and never make untruthful statements to deceive the people that he might profit thereby.

The Depot Question.

A mass meeting of the citizens was held at the Court House Thursday to discuss the depot question, and while a good deal of time was wasted the question finally resolved itself down to the issue for which the meeting was called, namely, whether the people wanted a depot and whether it should be at the place of the old site, now being built upon, and upon a vote stood in favor of rebuilding at the same place.

The matter has been satisfactorily adjusted and the work will be rushed to completion on the depot. Let us all lay aside little petty differences and come together and work for the upbuilding of Ballinger and our beautiful and fast growing section.

Miss Hattie Murray, one of Brownwood's charming young ladies, is visiting in Ballinger this week the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Boyd.

Miss Willie Westbrook left on yesterday's train for Taylor, Texas to visit friends and relatives for a month.

Water Hat for Fireman.

That a falling sheet of water is one of the most effective protections against fire is well known. Many theaters are provided with "water curtains," and some buildings are so arranged that a cascade can be made to descend from the eaves on all sides when fire threatens from without. This principle is applied to individual firemen in a new invention that has recently been experimented upon by the Berlin fire bridge. On an ordinary fireman's helmet is placed a circular "rose" that sprays water downward in all directions at an angle forty-five degrees. The fireman has thus pure air to breathe, even when he is surrounded by the thickest smoke as the sheet of spray acts as a filter. Besides this the water keeps the fireman cool and prevents his clothing from taking fire. The user must, of course, be clad in waterproof material, although even this would not be absolutely necessary in summer.

No Sleep in Ten Years.

Albert Herpin, born in France in 1863, and for fifteen years a resident in Louisville, declares he has not slept a wink during the last ten years and his eyes were seldom closed in slumber for several years preceding. He is in perfect health and does not seem to suffer any discomfort from his remarkable condition.

He goes to bed regularly, but says he never closes his eyes, or at least never for an instant loses consciousness of all that is going on about him. In the morning he arises refreshed and ready for another day's work. He declares a change of position and darkness of a room seem to give him all the rest he requires.

The man's story is sustained by physicians who have examined him and who have treated him in a vain effort to afford him relief.

Mark Twain's New Novel.

Mark Twain is at work on a new novel, which was begun many years ago and laid aside. Now that he is in Italy, with more leisure and less liability to interruption, he has gone to work systematically to complete it. He has just finished a new short story. Mr. Clemmons writes his stories to suit himself and then hands them over to his wife as he says, "to edit the hell-fire out of them." After Mrs. Clemmons completes her important share of the work, their daughter copies them on the typewriter, for which her father pays her at the regular market rate.

Golden Rule Not Known There.

A Buffalo newspaper tells of an amusing footnote that has been discovered in a French translation of one of President Roosevelt's books. Mr. Roosevelt had quoted the remark of Senator Ingalls that "In politics the Golden Rule and the Ten Commandments are an iridescent dream." Apparently the former of these is unknown in Paris, for the translator appended the following footnote: "The Golden Rule: One of the aphorisms ascribed to Pythagoras."

A Real Cattle King.

Don Luis Terragas, governor of Chihuahua, is the cattle king of Mexico. His grazing grounds cover millions of acres, his cattle number nearly 1,000,000 and his sheep about half as many. In a small way he is also a farmer. His irrigated land takes in about 100,000 acres and his reservoirs would be a fortune to a water company. In other directions he is a banker and manufacturer and altogether—in Mexican dollars—he is reputed to be a millionaire 300 times over.

Mummies' Artificial Eyes.

Artificial eyes were first used by the Egyptians long before the Christian era. Mummies have been found with artificial optics. They were fashioned of gold, silver, copper or ivory.

More Valuable Than Gold.

Many people think of gold as the most valuable metal, whereas there are now seventeen known which are more valuable. Gold, silver, and sometimes platinum are classed as "precious" metals, not because of their intrinsic value so much as because of their resistance to corrosion, which makes them suitable for jewelry, etc. But many metals are more rare and costly, the new element radium being the most striking example.

When He Does It.

Professor E. G. Dexter, of the University of Illinois, was entertaining some students at his residence when one of the young men spoke admiringly of a splendid sword that hung over the library fireplace. "Ah," said the professor, as he took down the weapon and brandished it impressively, "never shall I forget the day when I drew this truly blade for the first time." He paused and smiled retrospectively. "And where did you draw it, sir?" added one of the students, much interested. "At a raffle," said Professor Dexter, and he hung it up again.

Lean Forward When Driving.

It is no longer considered smart for carriage folk who drive on Fifth avenue or in the park in New York to lean back in their victorias in the attitude that would suggest that they were enjoying their drive at ease.

The latest form seems to make it imperative that the occupant of an open vehicle, be it victoria or hansom, shall lean forward in an attitude of expectancy, with one foot extended as, though the person was about to alight at the next moment. This rule seems only to apply to women, for the men lean back as of yore.

Proper Subject for Pardon.

When he was governor of Illinois, "Uncle Dick" Oglesby, while making a tour of inspection of the Joliet prison, came to a cell in which a hideous ugly man was confined. The man was so disfigured that the governor stopped to ask about him. "What's he in for?" he asked. "He forced a young woman to elope with him at the point of a pistol," the keeper replied. "Well," said Oglesby, "I guess I'll pardon him." "Pardon him!" protested the warden. "Why, governor, the proof against him is absolute." "I know," said the governor, "but he couldn't get her to marry him any other way."

She Was a Venerable Hen.

There is grief in Middletown, N. Y., and in fact, over all Orange county, because of the death of Eliza. Eliza was reputed to be the oldest hen in New York state, being no less than 17 years of age. She had no pedigree, but an extraordinary development of intelligence, which outlasted for a number of years her generous performance of duty in the way of eggs, and which made her the pet, not only of her employers, Mr. and Mrs. James Harding, but also of the neighborhood. People from all over the country called on Eliza. Yet she was never spoiled, but remained always a modest and gentle, though conversational, hen. And a hen of 17 is as exceptional as a woman of 100.

Odd Names of Places.

A correspondent of the Louisville Courier-Journal gives an interesting explanation of the origin of two queer names of places. The mountains of Kentucky afford many queer names of streams, peaks, towns and villages, but perhaps none are more remarkable than Kingdom Come and Why Not. The first of these is the name of a stream in Leslie county, is taken from the Lord's Prayer, and is the scene of John Fox, Jr.'s, recent story, "Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come." The second is the name of a small postoffice in the county, and originates from the old song, "Why Not Tonight." It is said that an interesting religious revival was once held in this locality, at which this song was sung a great deal, and the people became so carried away with the music that the place was ever afterward called Why Not.

And the Horse Never Kicked.

There is a story, showing something of the intricacies of the English language, of a business man, who, knowing nothing of horses, took his wife for a drive. He was anxious about the disposition of the horse he was to drive and was assured by the liveryman from whom he hired it that the animal was perfectly safe as long as the reins were not allowed to become mixed up with his tail. The city man hesitated, but was encouraged to proceed by the assurance: "If you just keep the reins away from his tail he will be all right." As he returned the horse in the evening the liveryman said: "Well, I see you have had no trouble." "Oh, no," said the man; "we had only one shower while we were out and my wife held her umbrella over his tail while that lasted."

Morgan at the Dog Show.

J. Pierpont Morgan manifested lively interest in last week's dog show at Madison Square Garden, New York. He spent an hour there one day and before leaving bought the Boston terrier Little Star for \$1,000. Mr. Morgan was attracted by this dog as soon as he saw it. He walked away and came back several times and finally inquired the price, and, after some further parley and a consultation with his kennel manager, the dog became Mr. Morgan's property and straightway the most notable terrier in the show.

The Japanese "Ten-o"

The ruler of Japan should really be called ten-o, and not mikado. The latter means "royal gate" and is a title somewhat similar to "sublime porte," which is used indifferently to mean the Turkish sultan, his government of the country itself. "Ten-o" means "heaven's highest," a title surpassing all the most grandiloquent European efforts. The original Japanese equivalent for ten-o is soumelamigoto, but the former is universally used, perhaps on account of brevity. The present Ten-o of Japan is the 121st of his line from Jimmu-Ten-o.

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

Here and There.

Look upon each new day that comes as an opening into a higher world and a better life. When an opportunity for doing good comes, think that God sends it. Be faithful in small things, because they are divine duties—Freeman Clark.

A rolling stone gathers no moss, but it loses rough corners and will in time become a perfect sphere.

A man's own business does not defile his fingers.

The liar is sooner caught than the cripple.

Whether we do good to others or do others good is a question that is always open to debate.

There is room enough on earth to find graves for the finest abilities and noblest powers.

The ground which received one talent will also receive the five. Every man can be his own sexton. You can easily find a spade to dig a grave for your talents and abilities, your money and your time. But understand that in burying your talent you are burying yourself. In burying aught that God has given you, you are burying part of your very life.

Hotel Arrivals.

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FRIDAY.

Mr. R. L. Maddox and wife, Ballinger.

D. P. Moser, Ballinger.

B. B. Stone, Ballinger.

J. B. Williams, Brenham, Tex.

H. G. Gay, Ballinger.

H. B. Fournier, Ft. Worth.

Frank Fournier, Ft. Worth.

John Hoffer and son, Ballinger.

C. S. Bowden, Ballinger.

SATURDAY.

F. M. Brister, San Angelo.

Alpha Young, Winters.

Luther Adams, Winters.

Hyson Eoff, Winters.

Mr. Beard, Winters.

J. M. Bell, Austin.

J. N. Wilson, Ballinger.

Edgar Hubbard.

TUESDAY.

Mr. Hill, Pumphrey.

R. A. Terry, Ballinger.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

Leader—Miss Hester Tyer.

Song.

Prayer—Bro. Tyer.

Song.

Subject—Whom God will

gather—Psa. 22:29-31.

Song.

Scripture References.

Reading—Miss Harper.

Song.

Recitation—Katie Pierce.

Song.

Benediction.

Epworth League Program.

Leader—Miss Ethel Moore.

Song.

Prayer—Robert Yeats.

Subject—Our Nation's De-

fender—Ps. 33:13-22.

Song.

The favor with which Heaven

has blessed our country—Dr.

S. L. Hicks.

Song.

Our day of peril will come

when we put trust in ourselves

Rev. J. S. Moore.

Song.

A Nation's joy becomes us—

C. T. Grant.

Song.

Recitation—Pearl David.

Song.

Benediction.

J. M. Young was around deliv-

ering a fine lot of vegetables

Thursday. One cabbage was

weighed and tipped the scales at

7 lbs. That shows what Win-

ters soil can do.

Miss Perryman of Norton, who

has been visiting the Misses

Hudgins, returned home Satur-

day afternoon.

Mr. McAdams, candidate for

commissioner, was on the streets

Thursday.

Dale & Smiley will buy your

green and dried hides.

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Faithfully yours,

Fannin & Roberts.

Dale & Smiley were tried last week and convicted for selling goods cheaper than anyone else in town.

Mrs. Black and daughter of Belton came in on the stage Thursday to visit Mr. Proctor's family.

Call on us when you have chickens, eggs, turkeys and hides. Dale & Smiley.

Mr. Moore and wife visited in the Norton neighborhood Saturday and Sunday.

Dale & Smiley are in the market for all kinds of chickens, eggs and turkeys.

Misses Pearl and Viola David were visiting friends in Ballinger this week.

Old man high price is dead. For further information see Dale & Smiley.

The Christian meeting began at the school house Friday night.

Wanted—A few loads of wood. DALE & SMILEY.

Mr. Scott of Truitt was on our streets Tuesday.

Rev. Jackson has been on the sick list this week.

See those gloves and hose at Moore's.

Dale & Smiley will sell cheap for cash.

Notice Pierce & Mullin's ad on this page.

Mr. Golden of Truitt was in Winters Tuesday.

Some more pretty fancy face veiling at Moore's.

Dale & Smiley want 1000 hens Will pay good prices.

Mr. Proctor has been quite sick for the past week.

Miles Cope of Abilene was here on business Tuesday.

C. L. Harter and lady were trading in Winters Tuesday.

Mr. Homer Hines of Bronte was visiting in Winters this week.

Messrs. Pierce and Woodrow went to Ballinger Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Wright and family returned from their visit to South Texas Wednesday.

Misses Mattie Church, Neta Davis and Myrtle Alexander took in the picnic Friday.

Miss Lola Rogers visited in Ballinger the past week the guest of the Misses Padgett.

Miss Bessie Eoff has returned from Miles where she has been visiting relatives the past two weeks.

Mrs. M. C. Bright of Content is spending the week with her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Dale of Winters.

Mr. M. C. Church of Pumphrey went to Ballinger Tuesday to be ready for the picnic Wednesday.

Mr. Claud Drake and Colonel Church of Pumphrey passed through Tuesday enroute to the picnic at Ballinger.

Dr. J. H. Grant returned Tuesday from Chicago where he has been taking a post graduate course in medicine.

Misses Claudia Patterson, Katie Pierce and Mr. Dick Aaron went to Ballinger Tuesday, remaining for the picnic.

Rev. Morris, the Progressive preacher, will conduct a meeting at Winters in August, and will have his tent with him this time.

Rev. Yates of Ballinger preached for the Presbyterian people Sunday as their pastor was hindered on account of sickness.

Mesdames Wyatt and Loveless and Messrs. John Gannaway, Forest Smithson, J. S. Roaten, with their families, attended the picnic from Wingate.

Shoes! Shoes! Shoes!! at Moore's store, till you can't rest. Come in and see. For ladies, children, men and boys. All just from the factory.

Quite a number of Ballinger ladies attended the picnic Friday. Among them we noticed: Misses Irby Towner, Susie Sharp, Fannie Hoffer, Mae Harris, Guion, Mesdames Stone, Hoffer, Kirk and Lankford.

Our picnic was largely attended. Most all of the candidates were present. Hon. Hudspeth, Judges Woodward, Goodwin and Guion addressed the crowd. Dinner was plentiful and every thing moved along nicely.

The writer had the pleasure of attending the Red Men picnic at Ballinger. The crowd was the largest we have seen since we have been in West Texas, but these good people had prepared for them and there was dinner to spare. Splendid music was furnished by the Cochran band. The parade by the Red Men was the most interesting feature of the day, or at least the most laughable. Among others we noticed the following from Winters: Misses Ora Hester, Claudia Meeks, Lola Rogers, Claudia Patterson, Pearl and Viola David, Ruth Farrar, Mrs. H. C. Moore, Messrs. Coma Hester, Will Pierce, John Currie, Will Meeks, John Hall, Leon Jarmon, Luther Pratt, Dr. Hicks, Steve Pratt, Harkins, Clay White, J. E. Rotramel, and Kit Cooper and wife.

Mr. L. Beard returned from Sterling City Thursday. His family will remain some two weeks longer.

Mr. Wilson, the new smith, has moved his family to town.

Prof. Brown of Pumphrey was in town Tuesday.

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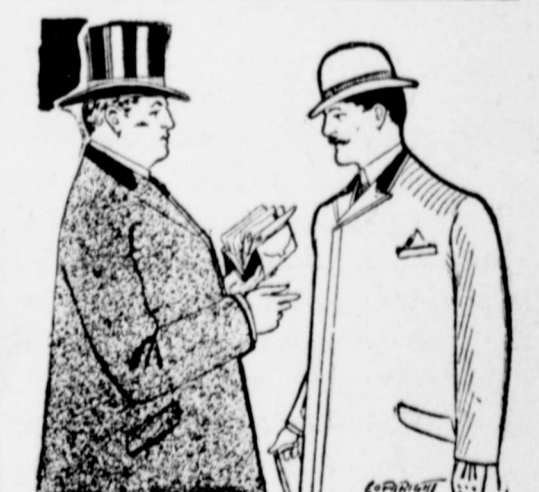
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Dear Sir:

Owing to a rush of business in the courts, I have been unable sooner to reply to your letter of recent date, asking me as to my observation concerning your service in the last Legislature. I wish to say in reply, and it is a pleasure for me to do so, that I was at and about Austin much of the time during the regular session of the last legislature, and formed your acquaintance early in the session. I was looking after some land matters which affected this country, and was a number of times in the committee meetings, especially when the land committee met, you being a member of that committee. The first time I observed your valuable service to your district was in the discussion of the Nicholson Validating Bill before the committee. You will remember that this bill proposed to validate the sales of school land to actual settlers in certain instances that had been affected by the decisions of the Higher Courts, and I know the first time the bill came up you made a strong speech in favor of it, insisting that it was for the benefit of the men who had paid their money for the lands as homes, and that it was nothing but right for the state to validate these sales. Another bill you will probably remember was one looking to the validation of railroad lands that had been granted by the state to railroads and by a mere technicality in the law it was proposed to deprive the railroads of the lands, regardless of whether they had been sold to innocent purchasers or not. On that bill you made a strong speech in the committee at the time the bill came up and also made a much stronger one on the floor of the House when it was under consideration, a vigorous attack having been made on the bill by men who were unfriendly to the measure. I remember you stated substantially that you were not there to protect the big railroad companies, as they could take care of themselves, but that you were there to look after the titles of men who had bought their lands from the railroad companies in good faith and paid their money for them, and you referred especially to constituents of yours in Concho and Coke counties who had purchased the land, in most cases, for homes.

I also remember that you were of valuable assistance to the Western men in almost everything that came up, and you were regarded as one of the strongest young men in the House from the West, being designated by your friends and others as the "Cow-Boy Representative."

I am glad to learn that you are a candidate for re-election. I do not know who is running against you, nor how good a man he may be, but I do know that you have been weighed in the balances, and from my observation, I do not think that you were found wanting in any respect. No one who watched the proceedings of the Legislature any length of time while you were there could say that you were not true in every respect to your constituents, and that you were a representative that had the interest of your constituents at heart. True, you

were young and inexperienced, but you seemed to grasp the work quickly, and I have no doubt that if you were re-elected the experience you obtained in your first term's service would place you in the front rank of the next House. The people of your district cannot make a mistake in returning you to the Legislature, and I hope to see you come out a winner in your contest.

With assurance of my personal friendship and best wishes for your prosperity and success, I am,

Sincerely your friend
J. N. BROWNING.

City Council Meeting.

At a meeting of the City Council Friday morning at 9:30 a. m., a resolution was offered by J. A. Ostertag that the city council instruct the Mayor to withdraw all objections to the railroad company building a depot across 9th Street, and was passed by a unanimous vote of the Council, all the members being present. This is the substance of the resolution and the action of the City Council and the matter is now settled, and while the members endorsed the action of the Mayor as to his legal rights in the matter they advisedly ask the withdrawal of his objections.

C. A. Doose sold this week 200 acres of land out of the Turner ranch near Wingate to R. D. Colwell at \$10 per acre. This is a fine piece of land and we congratulate Mr. Colwell upon being able to secure it.

Judge Parker is red-headed, Mr. Hill is bald-headed, Mr. Cleveland is hard-headed, Mr. Bryan is mule-headed, Mr. Hearst is soft-headed. Great Scot, what are we headed for.—Ex.

C. T. Cooper, of New Mexico, bought of C. A. Doose this week, 170 acres of the Thomson ranch at \$10 per acre. We welcome Mr. Cooper to our section.

C. A. Doose sold this week for R. D. Colwell, the Pink Parks old place, 170 acres to J. W. W. Spencer of Bell county at \$15 per acre.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Brown of Coleman, who assisted with the music at the Methodist meeting just closed, returned home Monday.

C. P. Shepherd sold this week for Jap N. Adams, the old Starnes place to Mrs. M. M. Caperton. Consideration \$1000.

Milford Hamlin, foreman of the Ledger, left Thursday for Coleman to visit old friends and recuperate a few days.

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Ballinger's Eighteenth Anniversary.

Perhaps the largest crowd that ever appeared in Ballinger at one time was on Wednesday, June 29th. It was the anniversary of Ballinger's 18th birthday and everybody and everything was in gala clothes. Fully 4000 people attended this great event and Ballinger people to a man treated the visitors royally, as evidenced by expressions on all sides. Words fail us to express the "time" that was had. The first on the program was the parade by the Red Men, headed by Past Great Sachem W. C. Henderson of Brenham and Sachem C. S. Bowden of our city. About 100 Red Men from Ballinger, Coleman, Brownwood and San Angelo were in attendance and formed in the procession. Col. D. P. Gay was marshal of the day and was ably assisted by Joe Wilmeth, J. A. DeMerville, R. P. Kirk and B. W. Pilcher, who saw that everything was done in order. Notwithstanding the large crowd the best of order prevailed and not a single jar to molest the harmony of the entire concourse of people. R. S. Griggs was master of ceremonies at the speaker's stand and in appropriate words introduced each speaker. C. S. Bowden first delivered the address of welcome, which was followed by W. C. Henderson in behalf of the Red Men, after which dinner was announced and at about 3 o'clock people were still seen at the well laden tables. The dinner was all that could be asked for in every respect, and as Ben Smith and Geo. Milliken did the barbecuing it is not necessary to say it was superb. After dinner Hon. C. B. Hudspeth and Rev. D. M. West addressed the people in the interest of their candidacy for the Legislature. A gun shoot was indulged in by the sportsman and resulted in Wilcox of San Angelo winning first honors by a score of 87 out of 90 rocks. Will Baxter of Comanche stood second with a score of 82 out of 90 and Ed Hall of Brownwood scored 80. The ball game was last but not least among the days amusements, and while our home team went down in defeat they fought to the ditches for the game. Take it all in all the celebration was one of the largest and most pleasant occasions ever had in Ballinger. Our sister cities and the entire population of the county who were present vote Ballinger the Star of the West and hope the occasion may be repeated at no distant day.

The Ball Game.

The ball game here this week between Ballinger and San Angelo was 2 to 4 on Monday in favor of San Angelo, Tuesday 2 to 1 in favor of Ballinger, Wednesday's game was a tie, of 3 to 3 at the end of the 9th inning, and at the 11th inning San Angela made a score which put the game 4 to 3 in favor of San Angelo. The games were strongly contested on both sides but the best of feeling pervaded the entire series of games.

In the ball game Thursday between Ballinger and San Angelo, at the latter place, the game was in Ballinger's favor to the tune of 8 to 5.

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A Powerful Endorsment

A Strong and Unqualified Endorsment of Judge John W. Goodwin--Misleading Methods of His Opponent Denounced as Unworthy the Dignified Position Sought--Should a Court Cast its weight into the Scales of Justice?

At a meeting of the Bar of Brownwood, Texas, held on the 27th day of June 1904, it was, on motion, resolved that C. L. McCarty, I. J. Rice and W. J. Scott be appointed a committee to draft resolutions expressive of the sentiment of this Bar on a certain campaign circular issued by Judge J. O. Woodward. And said committee reported at an adjourned meeting of said Bar held on June 28th, 1904, the following resolutions, to wit:

The Bar having read the circular of Judge J. O. Woodward, candidate against Judge John W. Goodwin for district judge, and finding statements therein concerning matters within the knowledge of this Bar and of individual members of same, we feel that we cannot allow such statements to go unchallenged and unanswered.

In the head-lines and body of said circular we find among other remarkable statements the following: An assertion that Goodwin was a railroad lawyer before he went on the bench. That he has not had a single judgment for money against a railroad affirmed and money collected since he has been on the bench. That while he (Woodward) was judge, \$29,000 was collected on judgments against the railroads. That Goodwin only "secured" twelve felony convictions. That every man Woodward tried for murder was convicted, except one. That all through the said circular convictions in the district court are referred to as having been "secured" by the judge. It is expected that men in their zeal for office will sometimes resort to extreme measures in order to defeat their opponent, but it will doubtless be a revelation to the people to know that the district judge—the court—which is represented in mythical lore as sitting blindfolded holding the scales of justice evenly balanced and whose province it is to give both sides a fair and impartial trial, is expected either to "secure" convictions in criminal cases or to be held responsible for the amount of money any litigant in his court may or may not have to pay. The duty of a judge is to try cases brought before him and to try them according to law, let the judgment and verdicts of juries be what they may, so the cases are tried according to the law and the facts. And when a judge puts himself in the attitude of securing convictions or interesting himself in the size and amount of verdicts against any litigant in his court, whether it be a railroad or any other litigant, and goes out of his way to influence such verdict he is not only fails to discharge his duty under the law, but he prostitutes and degrades the judicial ermine and deserves the condemnation

of all good people.

Said circular is capable of the construction that for the reason Judge Goodwin once represented a railroad he intentionally commits error so that judgments against railroads would be reversed. If once having been a railroad lawyer would make a judge dishonest in the way intimated in the circular, then how do you think a judge would be affected while trying cases against railroads with a free pass over such railroad in his pocket? Judge Woodward admits to having carried a pass over the Santa Fe while he was judge and at the same time tried cases against said road. While he had that pass in his pocket we are informed that he was reversed in five out of six railroad cases appealed from his court in Coleman county. Did his pass have anything to do with those reversals? We do not charge it did, but we do say the argument he attempts to apply to Judge Goodwin, which is fallacious, would logically lead to such conclusion. What is sauce for the goose ought not to spoil the flavor of the gander. But if money collected from the railroad is to be the measure of the qualifications for a judge then happened to be true that through judgment and comprises of cases in Judge Goodwin's court \$20,000 has been collected by claimants from the railroad in Brown county alone during the three and a half years Goodwin has been judge, against \$29,000 collected from railroads in the whole district during Woodward's eight years on the bench.

Judge Woodward says in said circular that in Brown county while he was on the bench, he tried and disposed of 790 cases, and that he had thirty-nine felony convictions. The facts with reference to Brown county as shown by a certificate of Jack Hall, District Clerk, are as follows: Woodward tried forty three jury civil cases; 109 of the 200 cases were tax suits and not contested; 202 of them were criminal cases of which 120 were dismissed, thirty-six were acquitted and forty-two convicted. (The Judge failed to "secure" convictions in nearly half of them.)

Of said forty two convictions seventeen were pleas of guilty and six of them were reduced to aggravated assault. Twenty five convictions in eight years in a large county like Brown, one and a half (1½) cases per term, is not a very startling record. Forty-three jury trials of civil cases in eight years—sixteen terms—about two and a half (2½) civil trials per term, does not seem to be such a record breaker. Any judge might have done as well and not have been very much over-worked, considering that we have more than eight

weeks to the term.

Judge Woodward refers to a new trial granted by Judge Goodwin in the John Pearl murder case. This new trial was made necessary for the reason that a juror, contrary to Judge Goodwin's instructions, had, in the jury room, discussed the fact that Pearl had failed to testify on the trial. This was such an error as would have reversed the case and Goodwin did right in granting a new trial. Woodward was of counsel for the State in that case and as he says helped Judge Goodwin "secure" a conviction and he did not seriously contest the granting of a new trial by Goodwin. This was not an error of Goodwin's, and cannot truthfully be charged as such against him.

As to the Mrs. Holmes case Judge Woodward can hardly afford to say, as a lawyer, that if in fact Mrs. Holmes was not present when the jury (which had been deliberating on her case for four days) was discharged by him, that such a blunder of the court would not in law set her free. When Goodwin went on the bench upon motion having been made to discharge her for that blunder, a jury was empaneled by Judge Goodwin to try the fact as to whether Mrs. Holmes was present when the jury that had tried her was discharged by Judge Woodward, and this jury after hearing the facts decided that she was not present, so that in law set Mrs. Holmes free. Whose blunder was it? The last jury found that it was a blunder and that Woodward had committed it. If she is such a red handed criminal as Woodward describes in his circular and was turned loose, Woodward, and not Goodwin, is responsible for it, and Woodward cannot shift the responsibility by intimating that Goodwin turned her loose and that he was in some way improperly influenced to do it. The judgment, following the proper form, (evidently a printed form) as entered by the Clerk, having stated that she was present, is not infallible in law. The sacred right guaranteed by the laws of the land to all persons charged with a felony to be present when every order is made in the progress of their trial cannot be defeated by the Clerk's entry, and such an entry may be defeated by the facts. In the circular, with reference to Goodwin's ruling on this question, Woodward says that he (Goodwin) "suddenly undergoes a strange and super-natural change of heart." If this remarkable statement has any meaning at all, it means to intimate dishonesty and that Goodwin was influenced in dealing with this blunder of Woodward's by some improper and

ulterior motive. To undertake a denial of such an insinuation would be to stoop to the level that promoted this unfounded charge. Many of us have known Judge Goodwin for from ten to twenty years. He has been for twenty years or more a practicing attorney at this bar, and he has always been known and regarded as an upright, honorable, Christian gentleman; whose character and integrity, both as a citizen and a lawyer, is above reproach. No man has ever stood higher as a lawyer or citizen. We strongly condemn such an intimation as being entirely without foundation and uncalled for.

It matters not how much Judge Woodward undertakes to muddy the water with reference to the record of himself as compared to Judge Goodwin's record by saying that Goodwin was reversed thirteen times in one case (an idea that Woodward seems to have patented himself) the facts remain that Woodward was reversed in 50 per cent of his cases which were appealed, and Goodwin in 33 per cent of his.

It is seriously to be regretted that Judge Woodward, in his zeal for office, has resorted to such campaign methods as we find in his said circular. We strongly condemn such duplicitous and misleading methods as unworthy of men aspiring to a judicial office. Whatever faults John Goodwin may have, his neighbors, friends and brother lawyers know him to be honest in his dealings and true to every trust. Woodward is not content with assailing Judge Goodwin and his record, but also assails the newspapers over the district which are supporting Goodwin, charging them with being bought with a price. He also hits the lawyers a "swat" in his speeches, indulging in language like this: "No lawyer or set of lawyers can run my court." "I am the daddy of my court, and that's the reason the lawyers are against me." This bar is unanimous for the re-election of Judge Goodwin, not because they want to "run" his court, but because they have tried him, know him to be an able and conscientious judge and competent to run and does run his own court. He treats every lawyer with fairness and is partial to none. Judge Woodward knows that no honest lawyer wants a judge that can be unduly influenced by the lawyers or by any lawyer. He will not tell you that lawyers as a class are not as honest as any other class of people, excepting none. There are always two sides to every case and even if lawyers were dishonest, as a matter of expediency, they would not want a judge who could be improperly influenced and "run" by the lawyers. They want a man who is only influenced by the law and the facts and they feel that they have such a man and such a judge in Judge Goodwin. The lawyer is but the agent of his client. The people are his clients. Many of our best citizens go into court over property rights. What they need, the lawyer wants and needs. These qualities are, competency and honesty on the bench. The lawyer is certainly as able to judge of the qualifications necessary to make a good judge as anybody, and to deny this is to appeal to prejudice and very little of such prejudice we think will be found among the intelli-

gent voters of this district.

Said circular, also intimates that certain "so-called criminal lawyers" favor Goodwin for improper reasons. Our information is that there have been five murder cases tried in this district since Judge Goodwin went on the bench. One of these was on a change of venue from Tom Green county and resulted in an acquittal. A companion case to this, involving identically the same facts, was sent on change of venue to Lampasas county for trial and the defendant was acquitted on a trial before another judge. Has Judge Woodward any charge to prefer against this judge? In two cases tried in Coleman county both defendants were acquitted, and the attorney who attended them both is in this campaign one of Woodward's most ardent supporters. In one case tried in Brown county there was a conviction, and Judge Woodward himself was leading counsel for the defendant. Another case was tried in McCulloch county, Texas, resulting in an acquittal and in this case Woodward himself was also one of the attorneys for the defendant. It is thus very apparent that his "so-called criminal lawyer" talk is utterly groundless and is an appeal to the prejudice of some voters who might be misled by his sinister insinuation.

We had not expected to take any formal action relative to this campaign, but in view of Judge Woodward's repeated assaults on the lawyers who are opposed to him, we deem it our duty to state our position. This Bar unqualifiedly endorse Judge John W. Goodwin and commend him to the good people of this district for re-election, and we feel that there are matters in Woodward's circular deserving the condemnation of every intelligent citizen, of every lover of fairness, and of everyone who believes that the office of district judge should be removed from the arena usually adorned by demagogic appeals.

(Signed) W. J. SCOTT,
C. L. MCCARTNEY,
I. J. RICE,

Committee.

The above report was then unanimously adopted by said meeting:

(Signed) R. P. CONNOR,
Chairman.
(Signed) R. L. McGAUGH, Sec.

Kind of Judges Alaska Wants.

When Senator Dillingham was in Alaska he met an attorney who gave him some characteristically Far Western suggestions as to the kind of judges needed in the territory. "Don't send us any Sunday school teachers. They will be out of harmony. Better a man who knows something about poker and who can order and drink a highball. We don't want judges from small cities. Send them from Chicago or New York, and we are likely to find them sufficiently liberal of view. Men from small places are liable to be altogether too puritanical and the result of their appointment would be bad for them and us too."

"Japs" and European Boots.

The newest of European civilization in Japan is amusingly shown in a story recently told by a correspondent of a London paper of having seen the Japanese soldiers in China during the march to Peking carrying their new European boots in their hands and marching steadily along in their bare feet or in the light straw sandals to which they had been accustomed to. The thieving army contractor with his paper soles evidently cannot bring the Japanese army to a standstill. And the matter of the commissariat is simple for an army which can march all day on a little cold rice.

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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,
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Bob Goodfellow, the efficient sheriff of Coleman county, passed through Monday enroute to the Miles-Rowena picnic. Next to our Bob Kirk, Bob Goodfellow ranks among the finest sheriffs in the west.

T. E. Buttrill and family left Saturday evening for a visit to their old home at Lometa. Mr. Buttrill will return in a few days but Mrs. Buttrill and the children will spend a month or more.

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.
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Mr. Hugh Simpson, who has been visiting relatives and friends in our county for the past few weeks, left Saturday for his home at Chickasha.

For furniture of all kinds, see or call on Crews Furniture Co. They have a complete stock of everything crowded in a first class Furniture store.

P. L. Howlett, manager of the machinery department at the compress, visited his family at Brownwood Saturday and Sunday last.

Miss Franc Baker left Saturday evening for St. Louis where she will see the World's Fair and take a vacation for awhile.

Mrs. Emma Gowin and Miss Alma Padgett visited friends in Miles Thursday.

W. E. Odom came up from San Angelo and celebrated with Ballinger friends on the 29th.

Tom Fowler came in Wednesday after a pleasant visit of three weeks to his old home in Tennessee.

Misses Ina Coggin and Bettie Gilliam were among the Brownwood visitors at the Red Men celebration here Wednesday.

W. P. St. Clair, the photographer, left for Dallas Saturday where he has accepted a position with a large photograph company.

Rev. Ewing, pastor of the Presbyterian church at this place some years ago, is in the city this week shaking hands with old friends.

The people of this precinct will have an opportunity to organize a local Farmer's Union at this place, when the County Union meets on July 10th. Mr. Brister urges you to be present and organize.

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The protracted meeting at the Methodist church closed Tuesday, and while the visible signs were not so great, the good that was done will only be known in eternity. Rev. Brown is a faithful Christian man and preached some as fine sermons as we ever listened to. He left Wednesday for his home at Whitesboro with the blessings of the christian people of Ballinger upon him.

Misses Bertha and Floy Barton left Thursday to join their father at Goldthwaite, where they will make their future home. These young ladies will be greatly missed from the social circles of Ballinger, and the best wishes of all our citizens, old and young, go with them to their new home.

R. F. Hemby, who recently came from Sweetwater to our city, sends the Panner-Leader this week to his brother at Elkhart and also subscribes himself. Mr. Hemby is a newcomer but during his short stay has made many warm friends by his honest, upright way of doing business.

W. J. Bowdon and family, of Brownwood, who has been spending a week in our section recreating, left for home Thursday.

Miss Delia Day came in Sunday from a visit to friends at Ft. Worth and reports a very pleasant trip.

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Wm. Havenhill, of the Winters country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

W. A. Davis and son went up to Miles Saturday morning and returned on the evening train.

Tom Scott and family returned Sunday from their old home after a pleasant visit of two weeks.

W. P. Humpfrey and wife returned from the St. Louis fair Sunday and report a very pleasant trip.

Mrs. Charlie Gilliam and children came in Monday evening from Miles, where they had been visiting friends for a while.

Mrs. Andrew Mansker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Woodward, of West End in Friday of last week from Fort Worth, and will visit home folks and friends a few weeks.

Rev. E. A. Burton, Jap N. Adams, and J. H. Kelly and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Givens attended Sunday School convention at Miles last Friday and Saturday, returning home Sunday evening.

Farris & Banard are a new firm in the machine and repair business in the Hixon Bros. old racket store opposite Davis-Fancher Co's. grocery store. They are expert repairers and come well recommended.

Herbert O'Bannon came home Monday from an extended tour of the northern states, taking some needed rest for the past few weeks. Hub has some lively experiences to relate, and reports a very pleasant trip.

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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 eight 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 1/4 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, III 1/2 vrs a mesquite 5 inches in diameter bears N 43 3/4 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 1/4 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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June 18th, 1903.

Capt. Dunlap.

"Steemed" Friend,

Since you were so prompt with your answer I will go you one better and write you one so long that you will implore me to have mercy, but I will heed not. I am going to write it and you will have to read it, sabe? If I only had time, or rather would take time, I could use up two or three tablets a day eeping tab on what I see, but like most everyone else, I am in too much of a hurry to record my observations.

Here is where you see hourly proof that "haste makes waste." People will hurry from one building to another and after they are too tired to go further they will say "This Fair is entirely too large, I have spent a whole week and have seen nothing yet." When really they have, ten chances to one, seen more in that one week than they had ever seen in their past life. This seems like saying too much perhaps, but one needs only to visit this Exposition to thoroughly agree with me in my assertion. The joke was on Kentucky this week when they dedicated the Kentucky State Building. Among the rest there was an old mountaineer (who could very liely give a correct definition of the phrase "wild cat booze") who had heard that there is mint in the Govt. Building. He straightway strolled over our way. As he came into the building he inquired of the Guard if there was any mint inside. Very naturally the guard thought he was looking for the Govt. Mint and directed the old man accordingly. When the Kentuekian discovered his mistake he grew furious and said somebody hsd been playing with him. He went back to the guard and proceeded to rake him up one side and down the other, then left the grounds thoroughly disgusted with himself and everybody else.

The Kentucky badges were printed in red ink. Whether it was a matter of taste or a sign to indicate the color of their drinking water at home, I am not aware. One day last week I in the Arkansas building, ng to the Commissioner, in walked a whole family the swamps of Arkansas n member of the group carrying a bundle. Some had blankets, some cooking utensils, and others had what looked to be about a month's supply of "chuck." The head of the family, who by the way looked like the picture of our Uncle Sam, proudly pranced up to the Commissioner's desk and asked where they had better "drap" their packs; said that they were going to stay "bout" a month he "sposed." The Commissioner explained that he was not prepared to take care of them, etc., but Mr. Arkansas didn't seem to like the idea at all and when the Commissioner pointed to the Inside Inn and told him that he could get accomodation there he grew visibly indignant, even ventured a few remarks which I dare not set to type, and staided out, taking about 36 inches to the stalk, followed by his better half and flock of progeny. Very much perplexed for a few moments the Commissioner turned to me and explained that he was deeply grieved by his inability to accomodate his home state people. At this very moment Mr. Arkansas thrust his bewhiskered countenance inside the door and fairly yelled "you

just come down to our house and we will show you now to treat fokls like they was white," and as suddenly disappeared without waiting for a reply. Honestly I was so swelled up that I had to leave and hunt a place where I could give vent to my feelings. Don't know whether they went to the Inside Inn or not, but if they did I'll bet my Panama that the head of the family had heart failure when the hotel bill was presented to him.

Last Friday I spent the entire afternoon among the various tribes of Indians, including the tribes from all over the U. S., Mexico, South America and the Orient. From Japan we have the Ainus, a tribe that is to Japan what our native Indians are to America: they were in Japan when the Japs went there several centuries ago and still they prefer to remain in the uncivilized state. They are very small and exceedingly hairy, very superstitious in their religious belief, have a group of their "prayer sticks" stuck in the ground at the rear of their hut to keep away evil spirits. So afraid are they that someone will molest their sacred sticks that they have stretched some wire around that space. The younger generations of our American Indians are making wonderful progress in an educational way. They are being trained in all the various mechanical branches, and some of them are very fine workmen indeed. I had a pow-wow with the former renegade and outlaw-old Jeronimo and I am quite sure that we understand each other perfectly. He understood that I was talking English and I understood that he was too darn lazy to talk at all, only grunted assent or dissent. He sells his autograph at ten cents a copy, which shows that he has absorbed a smattering of civilization during his years and years of confinement. Then too I had a look at the Patagonian Giants from South America—excuse me for telling you were Patagonia is—they are certainly husky looking sons of the far southern cline. They wear clothes made of ostrich pelts and the hide of an antelope, the name of which I have forgotten.

I have pretty thoroughly done the Philippine Reservation, saw those scandalous Iggorrotos whose costumes comprise a string, a hairpin and a smile that won't wear off. Their most cherished diet is dog meat and they are not any too particular as to how they butcher poor little doggie either.

I have spent many pleasant hours at the Bird Cage, which is said to be 300 feet long, 130 feet broad and 50 feet high. I have never measured it, therefore will accept the said dimensions as correct, at any rate it contains almost every known species of a fowl both aquatic and "terra-iffic," many of which of the different birds are nesting now, just as if they were in their native haunts. There are several large trees inside the cages and the tree fowls are at liberty to stay on the ground, in the trees or in the water.

Another very interesting exhibit is the Fisheries, containing many of the varieties of the finny tribe, all sorts of shell fish, a bunch of sea horses, two seals, many kinds of turtles, hatcheries in operation where you can see the little minnows as they wiggle out of the eggs (this is a positive fact,) all kinds of fishing tackle that are used in either

fresh or salt water, all kinds of shells and their products, furs from almost all kinds of fur bearing animals, and a great many more very interesting things.

You will no doubt be somewhat surprised to learn that Alaska has a very fine and instructive exhibit of their mining, forestry, agriculture, fisheries and fur industries, they also have quite a number of the Indian "totem poles" ranging from 10 to 40 feet in height, each one contains a complete pictorial history of some noted chief, then too they have a very thorough collection of curios from all parts of Alaska. Among their agricultural exhibit there is a turnip that weighs twelve and one half pounds and was grown in Governor Brady's garden near Dawson City. In the Alaska building I met a man who was with Jack London (autor of "The Call of the Wild") when he made his first trip through Alaska: Jack's Alaskan stories are heroically American and perfectly original and what is more they are historically true and interesting.

If you are interested in your municipality and care to thoroughly understand the art of fire fighting just go to see "Hale's Fire Fighters on the Pike." If you like nice quiet riding, take a ride on "Thompson's Scenic Railway" where you go only fast enough to loose your hat, part of your hair, your breath and anything else that happens to be loose. Of course you want to know all concerning the different stages of our earth's development from the beginning of time, and the evolution of animal life from the primeval undeveloped life down to the present blooming success—MAN—, then go to see "Creation" on the Pike.

If you are too lean to suit yourself or friends, take a walk through the "Temple of Mirth" on the Pike, and you will laugh yourself fat, unless you are one of those hidebound kind. If you are fond of wild West cavorting in which several Texas boys take part, together with several "other" tribes of Indians, go in and see "Cummins' Wild West" show on the Pike. If you are in a hurry to learn what you will see after you pass over the river Styx, just give "Hereafter" on the Pike, a call and if your hair stands on end, you can take consolation from the fact that there will be plenty of girls who have more hair to stand up than you have. Remember too, that when you get too warm all you have to do is look at snow on the "Tyrolean Alps" and you will instantly wish for an overcoat, this may seem like a fishy story, but it is too cold up on the Alps for fish to live, which fact verifies my assertion. Eh, you doubt my veracity, how dare you!

Should you bring more money than we both can use you can put the excess in the "Model Bank" inside the Fair grounds.

If you are tired of your boarding house chuck, you can get a most excellent meal at the German Cafe in the German Pavilion, served "table de horte" for only \$20 "Mellican money."

Hoping you luck and leisure wealth and pleasure, I remain as ever,

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Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an order of sale issued and delivered to me, R. P. Kirk, sheriff of Runnels county, State of Texas, on the 13th day of May 1904, said order of sale having been issued out of the District Court of Runnels county, Texas, in cause No. 688 in which said cause J M Skinner is plaintiff and J M Lee and B J Reeves are defendants, and in which said cause judgment was rendered on the 2nd day of March 1904, in favor of said plaintiff and against said J M Lee and B J Reeves for the sum of one thousand six hundred and twenty-five and 25/100 dollars (\$1625.25) with interest thereon at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from the 2nd day of March 1904, and costs of suit and which said judgment is a foreclosure of a vendor's lien on the property hereinafter described as the same existed on the 22nd day of June 1901 and at all subsequent dates existed and still exists, in favor of said plaintiff J M Skinner and against said defendants J M Lee and B J Reeves and any and all persons claiming by, through or under said defendants by any claim acquired pending said suit, which said foreclosure is in satisfaction pro tanto of said money judgment, interest and costs. I, R P Kirk, sheriff of Runnels county, State of Texas, did on 13 day of May 1904 levy upon and seize, and I will on the first Tuesday in August A D 1904 it being the 2nd day of August A D 1904, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. at the Court House door of Runnels County, Texas, in the city of Ballinger, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest and claim which said defendants J M Lee and B J Reeves, or any of them had on the 22nd of June 1901 and at all times subsequent thereto and particularly on the 2nd day of March 1904 and which they now have, and which any person claiming by, through or under them, by any claim defending this suit has in and to the following described real estate: (208) Two hundred and eight acres of land lying and being situated in Runnels County, Texas, being a part of the G B Pilant survey No 1 located by virtue of certificate No 1188. Beginning at the northwest corner of survey No 425 in name of Sumner Bacon, thence south 2340 varas to rock mound for corner, thence west 500 varas to a rock mound in line of survey No 25 for corner, thence north 2340 varas to rock mound for corner, thence east 500 varas to the place of beginning.

The above sale will be made by me for the purpose of satisfying the above described money judgment of \$1625.25 interest and costs in full against the said J M Lee and B J Reeves.

R. P. KIRK,

Sheriff Runnels Co., Tex., Ballinger, Tex., May 13, 1904.

A Very Close Call

"I stuck to my engine, although every nerve was racked with pain," writes C. W. Bellamy, a locomotive fireman of Burlington, Iowa. "I was weak and pale, without any appetite and all run down. As I was about to give up, I got a bottle of Electric Bitters, and after taking it, I felt as well as I ever did in my life." Weak, sickly, run down people always gain new life, strength and vigor from their use. Try them. Satisfaction guaranteed by J. Y. Pearce, druggist. Price 50c.



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M. C. McKinney of Coleman county, shipped from this place Monday two cars of fat cows and calves to the Ft. Worth stock market.

Geo. W. Wethers, an attache of the Home Steam Laundry, came in Monday from a visit to friends at Temple. He also visited Dallas during his absence.

Claud Coats of Content was in the city Monday, and had intended to ship some fat stuff to market, but says the rains have made the grass so fine he will hold over.

Raby Padgett took the train Monday evening for Whitcome, Washington, where he will spend a while prospecting and recuperating. We wish him a pleasant trip and safe return.

In writing up a local last week about F. A. Mater having put down a nice gravel sidewalk in front of his residence, we should have said from the front of his residence extending up to Main street by the City Hotel. This is better and the greater the improvement the more we rejoice.

We had the pleasure this week to form the acquaintance of Mr. R. L. Roberts, of Elk City, Okla., who has recently located in our city and will engage in the grocery business in the Wilke building next door to Stubbs & Hartman. Mr. Roberts is a pleasant gentleman and we cordially welcome him to our city.

John Dunn of Belton, who has been prospecting in our county for several weeks, left for his home Monday and will return to our city with his family as soon as they can pack up and move. Mr. Dunn is a citizen, our county will be proud of, a man of means, enterprise and rustle. He will receive a cordial welcome from our people.

Col. C. C. Poole, the noted writer and rustler for The Texas Stockman-Journal of Fort Worth, was doing business in our city this week. We read this week, with much pleasure, a letter from Col. Poole in his paper about a trip to the Goodnight buffalo ranch and it is very interesting and instructive. Col. Poole is an old veteran, an old Texas pioneer and deserves great credit for his part in the development of the great west.

W. C. Henderson of Brenham, Texas, came in on Tuesday's train and was orator of the day for the Red Men at the barbecue on the 29th. His exposition of the tenets of the order were concise and instructive, the origin of the order, its aims and objects were fully discussed, and he was listened to with rapt attention by the audience from beginning to end.

Col. C. C. Poole, representing the Texas Stockman-Journal, had the misfortune to have a piece of plank fall during the speaking Wednesday and get a very severe cut across his head. While not dangerous it is very painful and will necessitate his remaining quiet and in the shade for several days.

Miss Nettie Bacon has accepted a position with the post office, Miss Bertha Reed having resigned. Miss Bertha has made an efficient, faithful assistant and we are sorry she quits us, but welcome Miss Nettie and hope and expect her to do as well.

Judge C. O. Harris and wife left Tuesday for Mineral Wells, where Mrs. Harris goes for the benefit of her health. They will probably visit the northern states before returning and also visit the World's Fair, if Mrs. Harris' health will permit.

G. W. Collins was in from the Crews country Tuesday marketing produce and says he got 10 cents per dozen for eggs and \$2 per dozen for frying chickens. He says their crop prospects are fine.

Twelve new subscribers have been added to our subscription list since our last edition. As fast as they learn who we are and see our paper they come in with us.

Miss Lola Rogers, of Winters, who has been visiting Miss Alma Padgett of West End, left Wednesday for her home after a few days pleasantly spent in our city.

Uncle Joe Routh and Jones Webb came in Sunday from Nashville, where they attended the Confederate Reunion, and report a very pleasant meeting.

W. S. Davis of Ft. Worth, brother of our fellow-townsmen, W. A. Davis, who has been visiting in our section, left for his home Saturday last.

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

Jim Lewis brought in Tuesday 8 as fine mutton as we have seen in many a day for the barbecue on Wednesday.

Dan Moser left Monday for a trip to Dallas and report has it that he will not be a bachelor when he returns.

B. P. Bradberry of the Crews country was in the city Tuesday and chatted the editor pleasantly a few minutes.

Will Vaughn came in from Brady Tuesday to spend a few days with Ballinger friends.

Oscar Pearson went up to San Angelo Thursday on a business trip.

Fresh fruits and Vegetables at Godwin Grocery Co's

C. W. Odom of Maverick had business in Ballinger Tuesday.

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Jas. McKenzie, of Limestone county, come in Friday last and is visiting the family of J. S. McKenzie, his nephew, and father-in-law G. W. Wilson. He has been cut to our section before and is well pleased and we hope he will locate permanently among us this time.

C. A. Doose, the real estate man returned Saturday from Dallas and other points east looking after real estate business. Alfred is a rustler and is a great factor in the upbuilding of Runnels county and our section.

Jas. Evans come in Saturday from Santa Anna and spent a days with Ballinger friends.

Miss Lida Given attended the Baptist Sunday School Convention at Miles Saturday.

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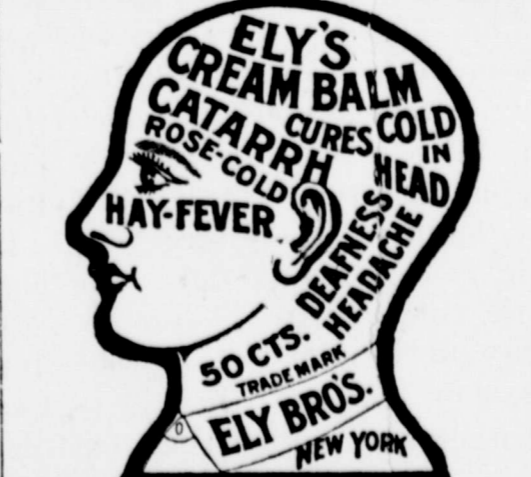
Authur Batey and Harrell Knight went up to Miles Saturday to visit for a few days.

Jack McGaughy, our jovial friend of Brownwood, worked our town and county the past week in the interest of his implement firm.

Mrs George Hill, of Moody, who has been visiting her sisters Mesdames J. B. Johnson and C. A. Doose of our city for the past week left for her home on Saturday's train.

Bessie Lankford, daughter of T. S. Lankford of West End, Come in Friday from Wingate where she has been visiting her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Cathey, past month.

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