

A Treat For Ballinger--If You Miss Bob Taylor You Miss The Treat.

BANNER-LEADER.

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BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 1905

NO 24

MILLINERY OPENING

We will also have on sale in our Dress Goods Department extraordinary values in

Wool Dress Goods

White Goods

Embroideries

Changeable Silks

Jap and Taffeta Silks

Novelties in Turn-over Collars, Ties, Belts

R. A. RISSER & Company successors to D. Reeder

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, April 4th, 5th, 6th

Pattern Hats

Tailor Made and Ready-to-Wear Hats

Exquisite Novelties in Flowers, Ribbons and Veiling.

MRS. FORBES, - - - - - Manager

R. A. RISSER & COMPANY

Gov. Bob Taylor.

Gov. Bob Taylor will lecture at the Opera House in this city Saturday night April the 1st.

The subject of this lecture is, "Castles in the Air."

It has long been conceded that Gov. Bob Taylor has no peer as a versatile entertainer. Our country is prolific of great orators, word painters, humorists and story teller, who sprang up almost with every new day, but seldom do the centuries unveil a man who combines the talents of all these. Such a man is Bob Taylor, and the new lecture which he presents for Saturday night gives the widest range to his varied talents. He has spent much time in its preparation, and it is new from the first castle which he builds with silver tongue, through all its delicate humor and side-splitting anecdotes, to its peroration of matchless beauty.

There is something entertaining for you no matter what be your calling, vocation or profession. You hang on every sentence he utters and grasp for the next to follow. Don't fail to attend.

Cotton Crop of 1904-5.

Washington, March 28—The census bureau today issued a bulletin showing the total crop of cotton ginned for the season of 1904 to be 13,597,782 bales. These figures include inters and count round bales as half bales. The total is equivalent to 13,584,457 bales of 500 pounds.

Will Paint Town.

M. W. Leader of Austin, who has just completed the painting and paperhanging on the R. A. Smith residence will remain in Ballinger for awhile. Anyone wanting first class work in his line will do well to figure with him. Graining a specialty. Phone 25.

A Musical Club

Quite a number of the musically inclined people of Ballinger met at the Opera House Thursday night for the purpose of organizing a Musical Club. Jo Wilmeth acted as temporary chairman and appointed a committee to outline a plan and draw up the by-laws. After discussing the possibilities and the good to be derived from such an organization, the meeting adjourned to meet again next Thursday night at 8:30 at the Opera House. About 18 or 20 members enrolled and all promised to bring some one else next meeting. If you are a lover of music come out next Thursday and help build up a good club.

Husband and Wife Buried in the Same Grave.

C. C. Smith received a letter last Sunday containing the sad news of the death of his sister and her husband, W. E. Moore, of Queen City, Texas.

We copy the following from the Ft. Worth Record:

Paris Texas March 28.—Near Queen City, Cass county, W. E. Moore and his wife were both buried in one grave Saturday. Both were ill with pneumonia and one died during the night the other early next morning.

Mrs. Moore was the youngest sister of Mr. Smith, and several children are left orphans by these sad deaths. Mr. Smith's friends will sympathize with him in this loss.

His fun was sandwiched in when least expected, and it sent his audience into roars of laughter—Dallas News Here him at the Ballinger opera house Saturday night April 1st.

Wm. Ledford one of the representative citizens of Talpa was in Ballinger Thursday doing business.

Vocal Music Miss Jennie E. McClung

Studio at Cumberland Presbyterian church

.....RATES REASONABLE.....

City Council Meeting.

City Council met in call session the 28th day of March 1905, with the following present: Mayor J W Powell, Aldermen M D Chastain, Oscar Pearson, J A Ostertag, Ed Globler and C S Bowdon.

The Council talked over the water question and discussed the proposition of M L Hudson to secure more water for the city and it was decided to send off two jugs of water to be analyzed, one from Walk Allen's well and one from the well at CH Willingham's old place in South Ballinger, before acting in the matter.

The Council ordered voucher for \$32.20 be issued for the railroad fare of Mr. Hudson from and to his home as per former agreement.

Ordered that Judges of city primary election be allowed \$2. per day each for holding said election, and also that interest on water works bonds amounting to \$150.35 be paid.

The publication of the auditing committee's report of the condition of the city finances was postponed until after the next regular meeting on Wednesday April 5th, in order to get a more complete report.

My companies are safe, sure and reliable let me write you a policy.

Ernest Plummer

After Brownwood's Scalp

Hal Lawson one of the "old heads" in Brownwood base ball circles, was here from Ballinger to spend Sunday with homefolks. Hal says Ballinger will put a rattling good team in the field this season, one that can take the scalp of the Brownwood aggregation just any old time, but then he must have been joking for he knows full well that the men behind the Brownwood team will not be satisfied with any thing but "pennant winning." He says Ballinger will play San Angelo on next Saturday and that they expect an easy victory. Hal is there with the goods when it comes to "boosting his home ball team."—Brownwood Bulletin.

School Notes.

Are you not glad the school bill Ballinger needed is now a certainty?

Won't it be so nice for the children to have comfortable houses and more teaching force? Beyond any doubt, Ballinger is now on the right track to build the best public school in West Texas. She is going to succeed, too, in her efforts to claim a large share in the number of the best element of citizens coming west for health, school and church facilities.

With these new improvements to be made as soon as possible, Ballinger will have the best school buildings west of Fort Worth.

Our school is in excellent condition—no other school nearer than a hundred or two miles can show so small a tardy list, and more interest in the work of the class room.

But won't we beat those folks who think they are flying?

Come up to see us. Be sure to.

Big lot of latest style hat pins at Jas E Brewer's.

Capt. J E Smith Dead.

Capt. J. E. Smith died at his home in Ballinger, March 29th, at 6 o'clock a. m. His remains were interred the same day at 5 o'clock p. m. in the Ballinger Cemetery, Rev. W J Moore of the First Baptist church conducting the funeral services assisted by the Masonic fraternity of which order he was an old and honored member.

Capt. Smith was 68 years and 2 months old at the time of his death. He was a native of the state of Georgia, but came to this county from Mills about 8 years ago. He was a sociable, pleasant and agreeable gentleman, honest and upright in all his dealings with his fellow man, and made many warm friends wherever he lived. He was an old Confederate soldier, true and tried. He served the Ballinger Precinct as Justice of the Peace and Commissioner for two successive terms. He was a consistent member of the Baptist church for more than 50 years, and died as he had lived, in the triumphs of a Christian faith.

He leaves a wife, one brother, a son and daughter to mourn his departure. He had been quite feeble for some months, and two ago was stricken with pneumonia from which he never entirely rallied. A host of sincere friend join in condolence and sympathy for the bereaved ones left behind.

Notice.

Those who have not yet paid their taxes will please call and settle same as I am getting ready to make a final settlement soon. You save cost by so doing.

R. P. Kirk, Tax Collector.

Don't buy something just as good but get the original Wesson Cooking oil Godwin Grocery Co

The Water Question.

At a meeting last Monday at the Citizens Natinal Bank, the city Mayor, Aldermen and a few of the citizens of the town were present to hear proposition of M. L. Hudson, of Rockport, Texas, who come to our town by request of the city council to make a proposition on securing for the city a better and larger supply of water. Mr. Hudson, in a very open plain and honest way discussed the question and answered all questions asked him by those present and in part said, that to secure water on the hill any were in the west end of town was not at all possible and if any tests were made in that part it would have to be done at the expense of the city. But he said that on the other side of the river from 500 yards to a mile toward the foot hills he would guarante water in any quantity according to amount paid for it. He then made the city the proposition to make tests in that part of the city free of cost to the city and guarantee to get a flow of 500,000 gallons of water each 24 hours at a cost of \$5,500.00 He to get the water and allow the city to test the well any reasonable length of time to know that the water was there in the agreed quantity, and the city then be at all furthur expense of machinery, piping, etc. necessary to put the water in the city. As Mr. Hudson had to leave on the evening train the proposition was left open to be acted on after the water from two of the wells in South Ballinger was tested. So the mat tes at present stands about as it did at first. The city needs more water and better water is an admitted fact, but the matter of the best and cheapest way, and the amount the city is able to pay, is up to the Mayor and City Council, who will no doubt do what is best for the entire people and the building of our prosperos and progressive city.

Keep your bowels regular by the use of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. There is nothing better. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

If it is Groceries you want the Ellis Groc. Co. is still on top with rock bottom prices.

Seasonable Farming Implements

Just the kind you need for any condition of soil or season

The Celebrated **Standard** and **John Deere** lines of **Cropmakers** are fully represented, call and see them

You will need a Riding Planter * * * * e can suit you exactly

Tanks, Cisterns and Pipe Work a specialty. Dandy and Texas Windmills

We Sell These.
You want the best. Are you ready for it this season?
We are prepared as never before to meet your wants in vehicles and harness. There's nothing superior to what we are showing, in taste, style and service. Absolute honesty in make and material. You will agree when we tell you
IT'S THE FAMOUS Studebaker Line WE CARRY.
No matter what you want—if it's a harness or something that runs on wheels, we've got it or will quickly get it.
Come in and figure with us. Everybody knows the place.
Hall Hardware Co., Ballinger, Texas.
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Go to THE CHAS. S. MILLER ABSTRACT CO., Ballinger, Texas, for certified Abstracts of Title. We guarantee all our work to be accurate, neat and up-to-date. We also have many improved places for sale at bargains and unimproved lands in any size tract on small cash payment and long time. Call and see us.

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Lowest Prices on Corn, Oats, Chops, Bran, Prairie and Alfalfa Hay and SEEDS. Your patronage solicited by the

The BALLINGER GRAIN and COM. CO., GEORGE F. SCHROEDER, MANAGER

W. L. TOWER,

Conveyancer and Notary Public,

BALLINGER, TEXAS

Office at Court House

Solicits your business

G. G. Odom and wife returned to their Fort Chadbourne ranch last Saturday.

Coal! Coal! Coal! that will heat not dirt and trash. Phone No. 2 Haydon Routh.

M. P. Collins, of Cameron is a new recruit this week to the efficient force of Ballinger contractors and carpenters.

Jim Osburn, the fat, jovial whiskey drummer for E. Eppstein & Co of Dallas came in Saturday and spent a day or two in our city selling goods and looking after his business interests here.

J B Scurlock and J M Ste vart left Tuesday for Dallas where they will buy a new and complete up-to-date barbers outfit. They will occupy part of the new Rork building just being completed in the Cameron wagon yard old block. They propose to put in and fit up a barber shop second to none in the West.

State of Ohio City of Toledo, Lucas County ss Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. Frank J. Cheney.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886. [Seal]

A. W. Gleason, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surface of the system. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for Constipation.

The following young ladies came in from their respective schools last Friday and spent Saturday and Sunday with some folks and friends: Misses Genevieve Truly, Ethel and Maurice Truly, Alma Padgett, Katie Bell Gregory.

Live Oak Flour, the best, guaranteed at miller mercantile co., opposite Postoffice.

We Deliver the Goods

Not just "any old kind of goods" but

Pure Fresh Groceries and Feed Stuff of all kinds

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DAVIS-FANCHER & CO.

BALLINGER, TEXAS

Its a Pleasure

To get an easy shave and a neat hair cut, improves your looks too. Go to Ben Allen's and get an easy shave, neat hair cut, shampoo, etc.

Ben Allen

About Success.

Success in life is largely a matter of good health. If you never have any aches or pains or if you never get that tired feeling you will not be interested in reading this item. But if you feel "out of sorts," "blue" and at times, "all petered out," we wish to advise you that our druggist, E. D. Walker has secured the agency for the sale of a medicine that has never been known to fail to restore the energy vim and vigor which belong to successful men and women. It is known as Re-Go Tonic Laxative Syrup, a pleasant liquid medicine and one that certainly cures Biliousness, Indigestion, Sick Headache and all by Constipation. Try it when you are not feeling up to the mark." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles. Sold by E. D. Walker Druggist.

Miles Messcnger.

Tom Stocks, Jr. of Ballinger visited relatives here Monday and Tuesday.

G. F. Schroeter and Edwin Day of Ball dger were in Miles Thursday on business.

H. S. Avent proprietor of the "Katy" restaurant at Ballinger has been visiting his sister Mrs. C. W. Reeder several days.

A Daredevil Ride.

Often ends in a sad accident, to heal accidental injuries use Bucklen's Arnica Salve. "A deep wound in my foot from an accident," writes Theodore Scheule, of Columbus, O., "caused me great pain Physicians helped but Bucklen's Arnica Salve quickly healed it." Soothes and heals burns like magic. 25c at J. Y. Pearce druggist.

M. L. Harris of West End a cousin of our fellow citizen T. S. Lankford, retired Saturday from his old home in Titus county and says he will likely move back to his old home soon.

West Wilson, the up-to-date blacksmith of Winters, was shaking hands with Ballinger friends Saturday and looking after business matters.

G. P. Lane, who made the great success of the Sunny Side Lot Sale last week, with home folks at Fort Worth.

Born to Pete Laxson and wife Tuesday morning the 28th, a fine boy. Pete says he is a Democrat.

L. Markowitz went down to Galveston on Tuesday's train to be gone a few days on business.

Next door to the post office to get an up-to-date shave or haircut.

Opening Announcement!

The Ballinger Dry Goods Co., takes pleasure in announcing their Spring Millinery Opening On

TUESDAY, APRIL 4th, 1905

Mrs Lynch, the head of the department has returned from the East with all the new Parisian Styles in **HATS AND ACCESSORIES.**

**Novelties
In Street, Tailored and
Pattern Hats**

Trimmed and untrimmed, ladies, Misses and children's caps. And Don't forget the date, Tuesday, April 4. You are cordially invited to attend. Very Respectfully,

The Ballinger Dry Goods Co.

Ballinger School Bill

The Ballinger school bill finally passed both branches of the legislature and was signed by the governor this week. Our country Judge B. B. Stone has ordered an election to be held Saturday to elect the seven Trustees to manage and control the new district established. The trustees elected will have the entire control of matters, as to ordering an election on the bound question and all other matters pertaining to the school district. It behooves us to elect broadminded, intelligent business men for the position.

Frank Campbell, the boss painter, came in from Sterling Monday, where he had been painting the court house at that place. He says he hardly recognized Ballinger after an absence of only a few months, so many new residence and business houses having been erected while he was away.

Benj. F. Hudson, of Rockport, Texas, was here first of the week at the suggestion of our Mayor and City Council to advise with them about a better water supply for Ballinger. Mr. Hudson is a brother-in-law of Mrs. W. E. Allen of West End, having married Mrs. Allen's only sister.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cunningham left on Monday's train for their home at Morrisville, Mo. They had been visiting Mrs. Cunningham's sister Mrs. D. E. Sims of Paint Rock and also Mr. and Mrs. George Vaughn of our city, who were also old Missouri friends.

Rev. I. N. Lewis made a visit to the thriving little city of Fronte first of the week, and reports farming prospects good in that section. He says he saw corn up and large enough to be plowed out the first time.

M. L. Harris, who a short while ago with T. S. Lankford, bought the 8 lots opposite the Ballinger Livery Stable, sold Monday his interest in the lots to Mr. Lankford for a consideration of \$536.00.

A. Lee Brown, of Temple, Texas, was in Ballinger this week looking after the interests of the Endowment Rank Knight of Pithias. He went up to Miles on Tuesday's train.

Pink Parks an old time Runnels county citizen, but now of Lipan Flat, was in the city first of the week shaking hands with his many Ballinger friends.

Mrs. Dr. Lynn and little son, of San Angelo, came in Saturday and were the guest of Prof. and Mr. N. J. Glancey a few days first of this week.

N. W. Dean, one of our substantial stand-by's of the Wingate country, was shaking hands with Ballinger friends Monday and Tuesday.

W. R. Browne was in from the Pumphry country Tuesday and reports very heavy rain in that entire section Monday night.

T. J. McCaughn, one of our friend of the Norton county, was in the city Monday looking after business matters.

Attorney C. O. Harris had legal business East and left on Monday's train to look after same.

Wallie Boone, the boss blacksmith of Crews, had business in Ballinger Saturday last.

The Better Way

The tissues of the throat are inflamed and irritated; you cough, and there is more irritation—more coughing. You take a cough mixture and it eases the irritation—for a while. You take

SCOTT'S EMULSION

and it cures the cold. That's what is necessary. It soothes the throat because it reduces the irritation; cures the cold because it drives out the inflammation; builds up the weakened tissues because it nourishes them back to their natural strength. That's how Scott's Emulsion deals with a sore throat, a cough, a cold, or bronchitis.

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List your land
with us, we have
buyers

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Will do a civil practice in
all the courts.

Special attention given to
probate matters, deed
writing, examination of
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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.

Next to New Rock Stable.

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

Tresspass Notice--Keep Out.

All parties found hunting, eating 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.

When the springtime comes—your thoughts turn toward fresh vegetable we have them.

Alvis & Bro.

Wood! Wood! Wood! we have wood to burn! phone us your order.
Haydon Routh.

We want eggs.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

LIQUIZONE, the great medicine, for sale by J. Y. Pearce, Druggist.

Freight of all descriptions delivered on short notice.

Hayden Routh.

Phone No 12 when you want groceries or any kind of feed.

W. A. Norman came in from Brownwood Tuesday where he had been on important business.

A fine boy arrived to bless and brighten the home of Mr. and Mrs. Farrar Gressett Tuesday the 28th.

Miss Orrie Shepherd, of Marceline, Missouri, was the guest of her brother C. P. Shepherd several days this week.

Silas Izard, the hustling multiple works man of San Angelo, was doing business in our town and section several days lately.

No big words, no high sounding claims, no misrepresentations. You can still get 30lbs rice for \$1 at Godwin Grocery Co.

Oscar Millar and Temple Hoffer arrived home Sunday after a several days stay in Fort Worth attending the cattlemen's convention and taking in the sights.

Miss Donye Belle Odom, who has been visiting her aunt Mrs. H. H. Luckett since last June at Toyah, came in last week and went out to Maverick Tuesday of this week to her father's, C. W. Odom.

George Eskridge, who has been trapping down the river most of the winter brought in Monday a very large eagle which he caught in one of his traps. He made Dr. Gustavus a present of the eagle.

LOOK and LIVE.

Here is the way we sell goods

Can Goods.

3lb Cans Tomatoes.....	10c
3lb " Hominy.....	10c
A No. 1 Corn.....	10c
Raspberries.....	15c, 2 for 25c
Blackberries.....	2 for 25c

Breakfast Goods.

Cream of Wheat.....	15c
Force.....	15c
Grape Nuts.....	15c
2lb Friends Oatmeal.....	10c
5lb Union " with Premium....	25c

Bulk Goods.

Good Bulk Coffee.....	7lb for 1.00
Good Lard 7c per pound by the can	
Good Rice.....	30lb for 1.00

These are only a few of our prices. Call and see us before buying.

Yours for business,

Ellis Grocery Co.

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SANTA FE TRAIN SERVICE.

PASSENGER TRAINS.

West-bound due at Ballinger 12:30 a. m.
East-bound due at Ballinger 3:00 p. m.

LOCAL TRAINS.

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

If Kuropatkin ever reaches St. Petersburg, he will likely be wearing a "delay in transmission tag."

Okl., Texas and Kansas are still putting in spare moments thinking up things to do the Oil Trust.

Russia may yet overwhelm Japan by imposing on it the necessity of supporting so many prisoners.

It would seem to be a hard job for Kuropatkin to arrange for the transportation of what is left of his army.

You can only wonder how much that economy congress might have spent if Uncle Joe Cannon had not been on board.

Carnegie's fees for attending the Chadwick trial will aggregate \$64, but he is a frugal man and will not spend the money rashly.

Notwithstanding his claims that his conscience is clear Senator Smoot must be uncomfortable with the mothers, congress after him.

President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton, says the proper way to deal with the trusts is to moralize them. Others think that a better way is to demoralize them.

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

Abilene, Texas Oct. 16, 1901
Dr. E. W. Hall, St. Louis: Dear Sir My Wife was confined to her bed from severe kidney and bladder disease and was unable to sleep. The first dose of your Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery gave her relief and one bottle cured her and I can cheerfully recommend it
Yours truly,
T. J. Wallis.

"Cleanliness is next to Godliness" it is said, and nothing adds more to the beauty of a town, especially at the opening of spring, as does clean streets and premises. It is good for the health of a community for all old rubbish that has accumulated during the winter months to be removed and let a little sunshine in on the places. Clean up before spring opens in full blast.

In the light of recent events, Senator Beveridge might like to edit out the story of his travels of a few years ago, the prophesy of a great Russian Empire in the Orient and the necessity of America fighting the bear to prevent its gobbling the earth.

Bribery is now charged in connection with local elections in the Philippines. Looks as though they were following the Philadelphia pattern in preparing themselves for self government.

The beef trust hunt is extending into Mississippi, Alabama and Texas. After a while the popular state game will be: Bull! Bull! who's got the packer?

Between the "yellow" peril abroad and the "red" peril at home, Russia may be pardoned for feeling blue with a dark brown taste in her mouth.

Young Mr. Rockefeller writes from Europe that he is spending his time profitably. Even a vacation cannot separate a Rockefeller from the idea of profits.

Dr. Osler is at liberty to make what he can of the fact that Kuropatkin is under 60, while Oyama, Nogi and Kuroki are older than that.

Indian towns regard it as a step in advance when the candidates for mayor throw question marks instead of mud at each other.

Have some fire Insurance taken out on your property and let Ernest Plummer write it they represent time tried and fire tested companies.

Millinery Opening

TO THE LADIES:--You are kindly requested to inspect the BEAUTIFUL NEW HATS which will be on exhibition my Opening Days

Monday and Tuesday, April 3 and 4

Miss Emma Stephan,

At The Hub

BALLINGER, TEXAS

191 Acres for Sale.

A. L. Cox home place for sale, 5 miles Northeast of Winters on Moro Flat, 191 acres in tract, 135 acres in farm, level bog low land; good house, pailed yard full of trees and shrubery well pure water that can't be pumped out with wind mill; complete water works and hydrant at garden; the house well and water works and yard are worth \$2 000.00; good young orchard.

This place can be bought for \$2.00 per acre down, 1/4 in 1906 and ten years time on the balance at 8% apply to White & Meeks Winter Texas, Tom Crosson & Co. Ballinger Tex., Woodward & Lusk Ballinger Tex.

Beyond Expression.

G. W. Farlowe' east Florence, Ala., writes: "For nearly seven years I was afflicted with a form of skin disease which caused an almost unbearable itching. I could neither work, rest or sleep in peace. Nothing gave me permanent relief until I tried Hunt's Cure. One application relieved me; one box cured me, and although a year has passed, I have stayed cured. I am grateful beyond expression." Hunt's Cure is a guaranteed cure for all itches disease of the skin. Price 50c.

Lost.

Some where on the streets of Ballinger Wednesday a brown winter lap robe. Finder please notify me. Mrs. J. F. Stuart.

Lots of new stick pins at Jas E Brewer's.

Fresh vegetables received daily at Ellis Grocery Co.

Fresh vegetables of all descriptions at Alvis & Bro's.

Ladies rings—a swell line of new ones, at Jas E Brewer's

We buy all kinds of country products. J. B. Alvis & Bro.

J. L. Kerby, one of our Crews friends, was doing business in Ballinger Tuesday.

Tennessee Triumph seed Potatoes at Miller Mercantile Co. Call quick if you want them.

Is it a watch? we have lots of new ones; also chains and charm. Jas E Brewer.

We understand that the little boy baby found on the Colorado river near the bridge two weeks ago has been adopted by Mr. and Mrs Bryan Teague, who now have possession of the child. As no cause for legal action against its parents was discovered we suppose this settles the matter.

In the Spring

Some maiden's fancies doubtless turn to thoughts of love, but the majority of them, as well as humanity in general, have a want to lay down and stay down feeling. Simmons' Sarsaparilla is the lifter. It only takes hold, it lifts up That way back, weary feelings vanishes like a dream.

The School Bond election Tuesday to determine whether or not bonds in the sum of \$1200 bearing 6 per cent interest should be issued for the purpose of building an addition to the Robert Lee School building and levy and collect a special school tax for the liquidation of the same was held in the Assessor's office at the court house in accordance with the law and resulted in a victory of the bond issue 49 votes being cast in favor of the issuance of bonds and only one vote against it.—Robert Lee Observer.

The happiest man in the world is the common, every day chap who make his own living, pays his bills, has a little money as he goes along, out doesn't strive to get a corner on the local output, and is slave neither to ambition or society. He loves his God and his fellow men, thinks "there is no place like home," the heaven of rest, prefers the company of his wife and children to that of anyone else. The plain man is happy because he is satisfied and does not spend the best of his life yearning for things four sizes too large for him.—Fx.

Fresh Vegetables received daily at Ellis Grocery Co.

SOME NICE THINGS TO WEAR

Men's Furnishings for Spring and Summer

New line of two and three piece suits just received, we are showing a pretty line of suits ranging in price from \$6.00 to..... **\$15**

New Line of Men's Shirts

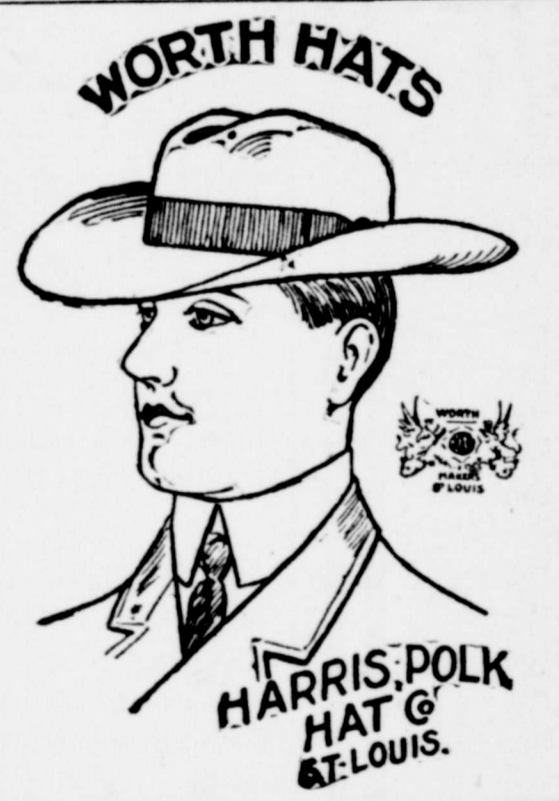
Gold and Silver brands Negligee Shirts in all late colors, the best shirts to be had at the price of \$1.00 and..... **1.50**

Summer Underwear

We are now showing a splendid line of Underwear for summer wear, good dependable kinds ranging in price from 25c to..... **1.00**

Y. K. M. Men's Half Hose

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A. H. VAN PELT H. WINKLER MANAGER

Crews Items.

H. A. MONTGOMERY, EDITOR.

Devoted to the upbuilding and advancement of Crews

CREWS DIRECTORY.

Services at the M E church Saturday night before each 2nd Sunday; also Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m., Rev. L A Clark pastor.

Baptist—3rd Saturday at 11 o'clock a. m., also Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. Rev. W. C. White pastor.

SECRET ORDERS.

W O W Camp—First and third Saturday night in each month. W A Suggs, C. C.; R L Carleton, Clerk.

Farmers Union—Meets on 2nd and 4th Saturday evenings. G A Kincade, President; R E Hardigree, Sec.

W A Talley, of Ballinger, was shaking hands with old friends in Crews on last Saturday.

After the fine rains that have fallen, everybody seems to be enjoying life and farmers all seem to be busy getting their sod ready for planting, as most of the old land around Crews is ready for the planter. It seems that there is being more new land put in this year than ever before in one year. Runnels county is settling up so fast that one would never think it a dry western county, but will rank with those of the east both in population and her yield per acre.

There has been several cow buyers in this part of the country this week. Several turned loose their yearlings, while others held.

C. M. Turner returned this week from Talpa and is working at the carpenters trade here.

M B Freeman left for Talpa on last Wednesday.

One of Mr. Queen's children is quite sick with pneumonia.

Dr. Young is adding very much to the looks of his place by building a nice barn.

Mrs. S. M. Gray is very sick this week. Dr. Young reports her some better at this writing.

Ye scribe made a visit in the Norwood country Wednesday. The grain crop in that part of the country is as fine as any one could ask for.

Ed Rainwater came very near losing one of his favorite match horses from a rattle snake bite. After every remedy had been tried, and the horse still getting worse, he turned him over to a Mexican living near this place, and he cured him in 18 hours.

Crews enjoyed an entertainment Monday and Tuesday night at the W O W hall given by the Humphrey family. This is the youngest string band known and will interest any audience. There are six boys and one girl, their ages being from six to sixteen.

Mr. Henderson, of Taylor county, was visiting old friends and relatives in and around Crews this week. He says his county has a fine prospect for a grain crop as well as Runnels county.

W H Trout purchased a dwelling house and lot from W A Talley and will move to it soon.

Bigham Boone has returned from a trip to Brownwood.

J. W. Rainwater had business in Ballinger Thursday.

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Gone But Not Forgotten.

Little Beulah May Nance, the daughter of J. A. and F. E. Nance, of Pumphrey, died Mch. 22nd, age 4 months and 18 days. She was the only daughter of her parents, but we should not weep for our precious little one, for God needed her or he would not have taken her. May the weeping father, mother and relatives be reconciled to God's will. Oh, that God will bless the lonely home and permit them to raise little Curtis. It is awful to stand by the bedside of loved ones and know the spirit is gone and nothing left but the casket that held the jewel and we must soon see the coffin lid close on that. I know the hope of meeting her in the realms where the fadeless rainbow kisses the crystal waters that flow from the "Great White Throne." it gives us consolation and comfort in the hours of separation to know we shall meet again on

the flowery banks of Paradise.

We had a little treasure once,
She was our joy and pride
We loved her, Ah, perhaps too well,
Eor soon she slept and died.
All is dark within our dwelling,
Lonely are our hearts to-day
For the one we loved so dearly
Has forever passed away.

Another little lamb has gone
To dwell with Him who gave
Another little darling babe
Is sheltered in the grave.
God needed one more angel child
Among His shining band,
And so He bent with loving smile
And clasped our darling's hand.

This lovely bud so young and fair
Called home, hence by early doom
Called to show how sweet a flower
In Paradise would bloom.
Ere sin could harm or sorrow fade,
Death came with friendly care
And the open bud to heaven conveyed
And bade it open there.

—Lela Pumphrey.

Stone Mentionings

As I never see anything from this immediate section I thought I would drop you a few lines for your valuable publication.

Rain! rain!! rain!!! Yours truly has certainly seen Runnels county wet once more.

Farmers are jubilant over the prospects of coming crops. Spring oats and grass are getting a hustle on themselves, to see which can beat growing.

Farmers are taking advantage of the fine spring weather and getting their land in shape for cotton planting.

Our school is progressing nicely under the management of our efficient teacher, Mrs. Gannaway.

Mr. Henry Vaughn has returned home from Ballinger where he has been at work for the past few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs Robert Gannaway visited A. B. Brown and wife near Winters Sunday.

Baxter Vann went to Winters on business Saturday.

Messrs. Glenn and Yoakum were trading in Winters Saturday.

Mrs. Julia Vann was on the sick list Wednesday.

There is some talk of organizing a literary society at this place. Think it would be a good thing for our community.

Mr. Kit Pierce had business in the capitol city one day this week.

Well, Mr. Editor, ye scribe is

scarce o' news this time but will come again with a whole sock full if this escapes the waste basket.

You will "haf" to "scuse" bad "ritin" and "spelin" for we have the tooth ache up here.

Yours forever,

"Billie Cumtassel."

(We appreciate your letter Billie, and will be glad for you to continue to correspond regularly for us.—Editor)

Does Not Irritate.

"I have found Simmons' Liver Purifier the mildest and most pleasant in action, yet the surest remedy for constipation, torpid liver and all kindred troubles, I have ever used. It does not irritate or gripe." Very truly, S. P. Cleary, Jackson, Tenn. Put up in tin boxes only. Price 25c.

Perry Hale, ex-city marshal of Brownwood, spent a few hours in Ballinger between trains Wednesday.

J. F. Currie and J. N. Adams were in Concho county Sunday.

Bulk garden seed at
J. B. Alvis & Bro

Joe B. Johnson, the jovial stockman, came in Wednesday from Fort Worth where he attended the Stockmen's Convention and looked after other matters while gone.

Ayer's

Your doctor will tell you that thin, pale, weak, nervous children become strong and well by taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Small doses, for a few days.

Sarsaparilla

The change is very prompt and very marked. Ask your doctor why it is. He has our formula and will explain.

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MRS. E. BECKMINSTER, Vineland, N. J.

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The Children

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

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Communicated

Will the Banner Leader allow me a little space to say just a few words in reply to T. W. Conley, M. D., of San Angelo?

In the Press of the 16th of March, in an article headed "An Explanation," the Doctor kindly brushes the hair back the wrong way on me, and tries to use me to smut Ballinger. Doctor, if you will read again you will surely see that I made no mention of Runnels county jail.

Notwithstanding every accused man should be regarded as innocent until the courts decide otherwise.

It seems that when a man is charged with an offence, and especially one of a very grave type, that the people at large shun the man. Often you hear the remark, "He looks like a bad man." So the jail is made for bad men and those supposed to be bad, therefore we have learned to look upon a commitment to jail as part of their punishment. Now I do not know what kind of a palace the Tom Green county jail is, but let that be as it may, it is no place for a man to die in, in this enlightened age

DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?

Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.

Almost everybody who reads the newspapers is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy. It is the great medical triumph of the nineteenth century; discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid troubles and Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble.

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We have just received our Spring and Summer Goods and are showing some wonderful bargains in everything carried in a first-class Dry Goods store. Our stock of Millinery is fresh from the Eastern Markets, everything new, nobby and up-to-date

- Ladies' shirt waists.
- Linen shirt waist suit.
- Lawns, dimities, mulls, Swiss, voiles, batistes, mohair lustre, foulards, soisetts, suitings, and organdies.
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of our country, who is not put in there for crime. No, Doctor, I am not any more afraid of the Runnels county jail than I am of the Tom Green county jail. Now, I really think that Ballinger might be improved upon in many ways, but it hasn't yet, and I hope never will, have the record of placing a man in its jail to die who has no charge of crime against him. But as it is not my purpose to build Ballinger on Angelo's demerits, I will close by saying that to die under ordinary circumstances is called in the Bible "passing through the valley of the shadow of

death," what would it be to die in a prison house without an offense charged to him?

I am glad that the Doctor answered my question, "what use they had for the dying man in the jail." It was a matter that needed an explanation.

W. W. McKinley.

Letter from C. W. Duke.

Pride, Texas, Mch 18, 1905.
Editor Banner-Leader,
Ballinger, Texas.

Enclosed please find money order for \$1 to be applied on my subscription to your paper, which is a welcome visitor to our home. Give my kindest regards to all old friends and retain a goodly portion for your share.

Yours truly,
C. W. Duke.

The Brown Hotel.

Is now newly fitted up and modern in every respect. We solicit local and transient custom, by the day, week and month. Nice new comfortable rooms, and table furnished with all the market affords. Remember The Brown Hotel.

Mrs. F. A. Mater,
Ballinger, Texas.

Notice.

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

H. C. WYLIE.

Ground was broke Thursday for the Wilke new rock building on 7th Street opposite the Light Plant.

Miss Ida Royaty went up to San Angelo on Thursday's train to visit friends a few days

Fresh vegetables received daily at Ellis Grocery Co.

True Merit Recognized.

Last winter the oldest son of Mr. Paul F. Mueller publisher of the Volkblatt-Rundschau, Lincoln, Ill. was afflicted with a very bad cold and coughs. In speaking of how they cure him until we commenced to use Harts' Honey and Horehound. This medicine gave immediate relief and soon cured him. In my estimation Harts' Honey and Horehound is the most wonderful and certain cure in the world for all throat and lung troubles. 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by E. D. Walker Druggist.

A. W. Sledge had business in the city of Miles between trains last Saturday

A Debate.

There will be a religious debate at the Court House in Ballinger Monday April 3rd at 10 o'clock a. m. between A. O. Colley, of the Christian denomination and Rev. J. S. Newman, of the Primitive Baptist church. Every body cordially invited to attend. It will be a clean gentlemanly, christian discussion of vital christian questions of importance to the entire country. The following is the propositions to be discussed.

The scriptures teach that baptism to a penitent believer is for (in order to) remission of past as (al'en) sins.

Aff. A. O. Colley,
Neg. J. S. Newman.

The scriptures teach that the children of God are now in possession of eternal life and cannot so depart the faith as to be finally lost.

Aff. J. S. Newman,
Neg. A. O. Colley.

Letter to W. E. Allen

Dear Sir: A man said: Send me 25 gallons. Generally I used 24 don't think it'll be enough.

Had 7 left.
Ordered 9 more for another job 16 for the job.

Had 6 left.
This comes from Messrs W A & F Bower, Methuen, Mass. They add: This has been our experienced all this year.

New agents always have to go through it. After a little they learn to guess better.

Yours truly
F. W. Devoe & Co.

P. S. Ballinger Lumber Co. Sells our paint.

We had the pleasure Wednesday of meeting Mr. John A. Harber of Taylor, and found him to be a pleasant, agreeable gentleman. Mr. Harber will be the manager of the new firm's business of W. H. Davis & Co who will occupy the Guion building on 8th Street. We cordially welcome these gentlemen to our city.

Mrs. Joe B Wilmeth and son Roscoe came in from Brown wood Saturday where they had pleasantly spent a few days with Rev. O. M. Fitzhugh and wife the past week.

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We answer this question. 1st. Where the prices are right. 2nd. Where the goods are fresh and first class. 3rd Where you will receive Courteous and Honest Treatment.

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Election Order.

STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF RUNNELS.

I, B. B. Stone, County Judge of Runnels County, Texas, by virtue of the provisions of an act of the legislature of the State of Texas entitled an Act creating an independent school district comprising the territory hereinafter described, including the corporate limits of the town of Ballinger, the said territory being described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning on the Colorado river at the south-east corner of the James Harbour survey No. 376; thence N. 30 E. with the east boundary line of the Harbour survey to the north-west corner of the E. Moss survey No. 377; thence south 60 east with the north boundary line of the Moss survey to its north-east corner, being the south-east corner of the John Byrnes survey No. 379, and being in east line of the John Wall survey No. 378; thence N. 30 E. with the east line of said Byrnes survey to its north-east corner, being the south line of the J. F. Deguire survey; thence east to the south-east corner of the Deguire survey; thence north-east with the east line of said Deguire survey to its north-east corner; thence east a few varas to the south-east corner of the James Caruthers survey No. 235; thence north crossing the G. C. & S. F. R. R. track to the point in the south line of E. T. R. R. Co. survey No. 155; thence west with the south line of E. T. R. R. Co. surveys Nos. 155 and 154 to the south east corner of E. T. R. R. Co. survey No. 151; thence north to the north-east corner of E. T. R. R. Co. survey No. 151; thence west with the north line of E. T. R. R. Co. surveys Nos. 151 and 150 to the north-west corner of said survey No. 150; thence south to the north-east corner of E. T. R. R. Co. survey No. 175; thence west along the north line of E. T. R. R. Co. survey No. 175, and continuing west across Alexander Lessassier survey No. 174 to the west line of said survey No. 174 in the east boundary line of H. E. & W. T. R. R. Co. survey No. 1; thence south 30 west with the east line of said H. E. & W. T. R. R. Co. survey No. 1 to the south-east corner of same; thence north 30 west with the south line of said survey No. 1 to its south-west corner, being the north-west corner of the Thomas Pratt survey No. 432; thence S. 30 W. with the east boundary line of said Ram Christa survey to the north-west corner of the Calvin Weaver survey No. 360; thence S. 60 E. to the north-east corner of said Weaver survey No. 360; thence S. 30 W. with the east line of said Weaver survey to the Colorado River; thence down the Colorado river to a point on the north bank of same N. 30 E. of the north-west corner of the Martin Demmer survey No. 420, fronting the river on the south; thence S. 30 W. crossing the Colorado river to said north-west corner of said Demmer survey; thence S. 30 W. with the west line of said Demmer survey to its south-west corner; thence S. 60 E. with the south line of said Demmer survey to its south-east corner; thence N. 30 E. to the south-west corner of the F. D. Fromm survey No. 421; thence S. 60 E. with the south line of said Fromm survey crossing the G. C. & S. F. R. R. track to the south-east corner of said Fromm survey; thence N. 30 E. to the south-west corner of the John Pappé No. 422; thence S. 60 E. to the south-east corner of said Pappé survey; thence N. 30 E. to the south-west corner of F. Klingler survey No. 423; thence S. 60 E. to its south-east corner; thence N. 30 E. to the south-west corner of the J. G. Wagner survey No. 424; thence S. 60 E. to its south-east corner; thence N. 30 E. to the south-west corner of the William T. Wolfgang Survey No. 425; thence S. 60 E. to its south-east corner; thence N. 30 E. with the east boundary line of said Wolfgang survey to the Colorado river, and continuing on said course across the Colorado river to the north bank of same; thence down the Colorado river with its north and east bank to the place of beginning, being the south-east corner of the said Harbour survey, including all the surveys of land within said limits the same being situated partly on the north and partly on the south side of the Colorado river, as shown and delineated on the official map of Runnels County, Texas, now on file and an archive in the General Land

office of Texas, do hereby order an election to be held on Saturday the first day of April, 1905, within the hours as prescribed by general law for holding elections for trustees in common school districts, to-wit: between 10 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m., at the court house in the said town of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, for the purpose of electing seven trustees for said independent district, in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas in reference thereto.

And I hereby appoint J. F. Lusk, P. E. Truly and C. P. Shepherd, judges of said election; and they are hereby ordered to make returns of said election to me at my office in said town of Ballinger on the Monday next following said election:

Done in chambers this the 29th day of March 1905.

B. B. STONE,
County Judge, Runnels Co., Tex.

A \$25,000 Pair of Opera Glasses.

One of the most costly pairs of opera glasses in the world is owned by Queen Alexandra, for whom they were specially made in Vienna. The barrels are of platinum and set with diamonds, sapphires and rubies. Various estimates have been made as to its probable worth. An expert in such matters fixes the value of the lorgnette at \$25,000. It will, however, never come into the market—if it did it would certainly fetch far more than its mere intrinsic value.

Museum Collection of Old Bonnets.

A collection of curious old bonnets, covering a period of eighty years, has just been received at the museum in Philadelphia Memorial hall. Some of these wonderful creations of milliners in the last century are marvels of invention and construction. One of the old hand-boxes in the collection is about twice the size of an ordinary washtub, and is covered with quaint, gaudily-patterned wall paper. From the present viewpoint many of the old-time fashions for headgear appear most ludicrous.

When Their Names Are There.

When his wife died the late J. Sterling Morton had erected over her grave a tombstone bearing the inscription: "Caroline French, wife of J. Sterling Morton and mother of Joy, Paul, Carl and Mark Morton." "Why did you put the boys' names in?" inquired a friend of him one day. "I took my boys out to the cemetery," said Mr. Morton, "and showed them their mother's grave. 'Boys,' I said, 'your mother is buried here. If one of you does anything dishonorable or anything of which she would be ashamed if she were alive, I will chisel your name from her tombstone.'"

Something Substantial.

What the Cuban need now are markets and not bouquets. If Congress would pass the reciprocity bill, the unanimous resolutions felicitating the Cuban government on its independence would, as the Springfield Republican suggests, seem less like Marie Antoinette's famous query concerning the starving French when told that they couldn't get bread. "Why don't they eat cake?" she asked brilliantly.

Memorial to a "Little Minister."

On May 10 of each year the novelist, J. M. Barrie, gives \$75 to the poor of the village of Bower, in Caithness. In 1898 Rev. James Winter, the Free Church minister of the village, who was to have married the novelist's sister, was killed by a fall from his horse, and this annual gift is "that his memory may be kept green."

Russell's Charming Personality.

"Several years ago, while passing the summer months at Northboro, on Lake Winnepiseogee, I became very well acquainted with Sol Smith Russell and found him one of the most companionable men I ever met. The world would be better if it had more such men. He was always in a happy mood and never seemed to enjoy himself unless he was doing something to make other people happy," said a Boston man to an Eastern interviewer recently. "Subsequently I met him in different parts of the country and always found him the same congenial spirit. He was one of those jolly souls who see the bright side of life and afford other people much amusement without any apparent effort. One afternoon, up at Lake Winnepiseogee, Mr. Russell and another man were caught in the bathhouse. All the bathers had managed to get up to the hotel but Mr. Russell and his friend. It was a fierce storm. The lightning was sharp, and rain fell in torrents. Mrs. Russell was much alarmed about her husband, and many of the people in the hotel were terrified by the storm. The bathhouse was a ramshackle affair and anything but a desirable place to be during such a downpour. As soon as the rain ceased Mr. Russell rushed to the hotel, thoroughly drenched. His clothes were soaked through, and he and his friend were shaking with the cold. But, instead of telling about the discomforts he had suffered, the distinguished actor gave us an imitation of how he had crawled up between two shingles to keep from getting wet. In five minutes all the frightened women were convulsed with laughter and had forgotten their feat."

Only the Legs of a Fowl Estable.

When at a "smothered chicken" dinner in New York the other day a guest expressed a preference for legs, an epicure present told this story: "We were touring Europe and had stopped at Lepino, a short distance from Athens. The landlord of the small hotel served with every meal a large dish containing a sort of stew, the principal ingredient of which was turkey drumsticks. For days we thrived on drumsticks. They were good, but we began to wonder why he never gave us any other portion of the turkey. It was finally left to me to make inquiries, so I approached with some trepidation, not caring to seem officious, the head of the house. When I intimated that he might have saved the breasts, wings, etc., for some special occasion he looked at me and laughed. 'You like them?' he asked. 'It is all yours. In Greece we eat only the drumsticks.' He then showed me three or four of the fattest young turkeys, weighing from seven to nine pounds, from which only the legs had been removed. I captured them all and during the rest of our stay we lived high."

Won't Turn Loose.

"I insist on saying that Hunt's Lightning Oil takes hold quicker and lets go slower of aches, pains and sore places than any other liniment I ever saw. It just won't turn loose till you're well." "I never have a little ache but what I slosh it on. And ere I get the bottle corked that little ache is gone." C. W. Jackson, Marble Hill, Mo.

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The Joke on the Swede.

"This talk of the fellows who want to do something for Cuba, but are opposed to reciprocity reminds me of the man who was passing a saloon in Water street, New York," said Senator Depew. "Just as he went by the door a man came tumbling out, eyes blackened, nose bleeding and face generally mashed in. Notwithstanding the fellow was shouting with laughter. 'What's the matter? the pedestrian asked. 'Why, I was in there and he hit me a terrible blow in the nose and said, 'Take that, you blasted Norwegian.' 'What's funny about that?' 'Oh, wait till I tell you. Then he hit me another crack in the mouth, knocked me down and loosened half of my teeth, and said, 'Take that, too, you blasted Norwegian.' 'I see nothing funny in that,' insisted the other man. 'Ha! ha! ha! shouted the battered one. The joke is that I'm a Swede.'"

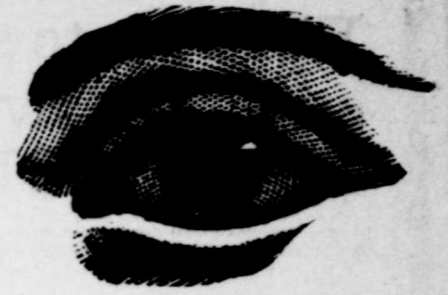
Only One in Her Class.

Miss Christine Ross of New York is the only woman in the city, if not the United States, who has held the office of certified public accountant. She was the first woman to attempt the examinations for the place. She was second on the list of candidates, being only six-tenths of a point below the mark received by the most successful competitor. When asked about her duties Miss Ross said to a reporter: "People, principally women, send for me from all around to straighten their accounts. Charitable organizations, which are managed by women are among my steady clients. Few things, indeed, are more helpless than the average young society woman who, from all sorts of good motives and kindly intentions, attempts to keep the church diet, kitchen or day nursery books. If she should turn her accounts into a crock, beat them thoroughly with the egg whip, season to taste and bake them in an oven for thirty minutes the treatment would be about as sensible as that which they ordinarily receive."

Congressional Fish Story.

Delegate Mark Smith, of Arizona, is one of the finest conversational members of the Congressional Fishing Club. He is credited with a recent story that is said to have made even the hardened raconteurs of the cloak-rooms hold their breath. "I was up at Dickerson's, on the Potomac, fishing for bass last year," said Smith. "We were using frogs, but had a lot of under-sized minnows in a covered tin pail hung over the side of the boat. Something gave the boat a sudden jerk, and the pail slipped off and went to the bottom. I cursed a little, but went on fishing. This spring I went to Dickerson's again and anchored in about the same place where I lost the minnows the year before, just below a big sycamore tree. During the afternoon a good reel dropped overboard. It was too valuable to lose, and one of the boatmen began grappling for it. He didn't get the reel, but he brought up the identical minnow pail I had lost the year before. We opened it, and there was the whole mess of minnows, splashing around and grown to the right size for bass." "I suppose, of course, you used them," said "Uncle Joe" Cannon, sarcastically. "Certainly," replied Smith, "and I caught a string of the finest bass you ever saw."

Dr. Daly will be in Winters
April 14 & 15.



DRS.

Daly & Francis Eye Specialist

Treat the Eye diseases and deformities that are curable only. The Eye has been our special study for the past 15 years and we positively tell you plain facts about your case. Those unable to pay cash will be given time, and the worthy poor treated free. References from Runnels county people that were treated for years by others without benefit, led to our office and now see to read. Investigate if you are interested.

Dr. Daly will be in Ballinger April 12, and 13. Office at Royalty Hotel.

The election for 7 trustees of the Ballinger Independent School district has been ordered by Judge B. B. Stone to be held to day and J. F. Lusk, C. P. Shepherd and P. E. Truly are appointed judges to hold the election. A full notice of the order will be found in another column. Let us all think seriously and intelligently as to the selection of suitable men for the position and try to elect men who have the interest of the city at heart and will give the business the proper attention it will require.

If an old timer of fifteen years ago should visit West Texas and see the superior grade of cattle that has taken the place of the long horn of that time, he would hardly believe such a change was possible.

Thousands of rare opportunity for profitable investment awaits those who want to make investments in land either for a home or as an investments is almost any locality in Texas, especially Runnels County.

Home Steam Laundry.

Changed hands but will do business in the same reliable way.

Good work and prompt delivery.

Walter Tally, prop.

It's Oil Right.

It may not smooth the waters, but it surely smooths the pain. Use it on your cuts, burns bruises, aches and pains. It will make you well. Hunt's Lightning Oil.

DO YOU EAT BREAD?

I guess you do. I am prepared to serve the public with good bread at prices that are right.

Will Globber.

We wish to say to the farmers that we will LOAN THEM MONEY on Cotton

Capital \$100,000.00
Surplus and Profits 14,000.00

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BALLINGER, TEXAS

Don't Worry

For fear your property will be destroyed by fire but let some good old line

Fire Insurance Company

carry the risk for you. The North British and Mercantile of London and Edinburg; The National of Hartford; The New York Underwriters and Glen's Falls, all old and tried, are represented in Ballinger by

Guion Gregg

Put in Electric Lights

Your children can study better. No dirt, no fretting to fill lamps. The cost is moderate. Phone our man.

Ballinger Light & Ice Co.

Health is Youth, Disease and Sickness Bring Old Age.

Herbine, taken every morning before breakfast, will keep you in robust health fit you to ward off disease. It cures constipation biliousness, dyspepsia, fever, skin, liver and kidney complaints. It purifies the blood and clears the complexion. Mrs. D. W. Smith, Whitney, Texas, writes April 3, 1902: I have used Herbine and find it the best medicine for constipation and liver troubles. It does all you claim for it I can highly recommend it." 50c a bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce Druggist.

About Rheumatism.

There are few that inflict more torture than rheumatism and there is probably no disease for which such a varied and useless lot of remedies have been suggested. To say that it can be cured is, therefore, a bold statement to make, but Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which enjoys an extensive sale, has met with great success in the treatment of this disease. One application of Pain Balm will relieve the pain, and hundreds of sufferers have testified to permanent cures by its use. Why suffer when Pain Balm affords such quick relief and costs but a trifle? For sale by J. Y. Pearce Druggist.

Alarm Clocks at Jas E Brewer's.

To Water Consumers.

As the time for irrigation is now at hand you are advised that the city ordinances fix the rate at 50 cents per month for each 1000 square feet or fraction thereof on 4 inch mains, and 35 cents on 2 inch mains. Some consumers appear to be under the impression that it is only necessary to pay 50 or 35 cents per month to irrigate all the ground they want to, which is a mistake, as each consumer must pay for the number of square feet irrigated, and no irrigation is allowed unless the consumer pays household rates also.

The hours for irrigation are from 7 to 10 a. m. and 4 to 8 p. m., no irrigation being permitted on Sunday, as the fire has to be put out and the boiler cleaned on that day. Trees on premises or side walks are rated at 50 cents per month for every ten trees or less.

John Hoffer,
Supt. City Water Works.

Cures Coughs and Colds.

Mrs. C. Peterson 625 Lake St. Topeka, Kansas, says: "Of all cough remedies Ballards Horehound Syrup is my favorite; it has done and will do all that is claimed for it to speedily cure all coughs and colds and it is so sweet and pleasant to the taste." 25c, 50c, \$1.00 bottle. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

Frightful Suffering Relieved.

Suffering frightfully from the virulent poison of undigested food C. G. Grayson of Lula, Miss took Dr. King's New Life Pills "with the result," he writes, "that I was cured." All stomach and bowel disorders give way to their tonic laxative properties. 25c at J. Y. Pearce's drug store, guaranteed.

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 Mch. 25, 1905. In calling for letters please say advertised, giving date of this list.

H. A. CADY, P. M.

- Bealy Samuel T.
- Donnel Mrs Malie
- Famuer, Mels W. D.
- Futrill, Miss Arkid.
- Henderson, Geo.
- Kirk, R. H.
- Leath, Earving.
- Leke, Miss Maggie.
- McClarm, J. M.
- Milam J. B.
- Mckiney, Homer.
- Mabry, Jack.
- Rosselt, T.
- Smith, E. A.
- Smith, J. W.
- Smith, George.
- Slaughter, Nim.
- Thompson, Jro.
- Watkins, Walter
- Woods, W. T.
- Woods, M. A.
- Young, Joe

A LAST EFFECT.

This Evidence Should Prove Every Claim Made For Doan's Kidney Pills

Relief from the pains and aches of a bad back is always welcome to every backache sufferer; but to cure a lame, weak or aching back is what's wanted. Cure it so it will stay cured. It can be done. Here's the strongest evidence to prove it.

Judge James Moreland, of 1018 West Woodard street, Denison Texas, says: "Anyone who is annoyed with disorders of the kidney secretions, particularly frequent or irregular passages can depend upon it his kidneys are either weakened or over excited. When this condition fails to respond to the use of ordinary medicines of a diuretic nature or those which act directly on the kidneys, he can be certain that it is high time to at least check the cause or graver results will ensue. Some time ago my kidney and the renal acre required a medicine and I selected Doans Kidney Pills, after reading considerable about the claims made for them. One box produced such marked results that I bought a second and a third. The continued treatment brought such results that I unhesitatingly recommend the remedy to my friends and fellow citizens. When a medicine acts just as represented it should be made know how and when to use it."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Frank Campbell, a former resident of this city, but for the past 18 months has been living at Sterling City, has moved his family here to make their home.

For sale—Alimo Seed peanuts. See W. T. Swink.

Fewer gallons, wears longer; Devoe.

When you want a shave try the boys at the City shop

Dr. W. B. Halley had professional business in Rowena Monday.

J. Sam Hall, of the Norton country, was a visitor to our city first of the week.

Ladies Pearl Cluster Rings, very beautiful and stylish. Jas EBrewer.

W R. Davis, of the new town of Drascoe near the country line, was marketing cotton in Ballinger Monday.

George Holman came over Sunday afternoon from San Angelo to visit friends, returning Monday afternoon.

A strength tonic that brings rich, red blood. Makes you strong healthy and active. That's What Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets.

A wonderful spring tonic. Drives out all winter impurities gives you strength health and happiness. That's what Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do. 35 cents Tea or Tablets.

J. H. Stringer, of the Winters country enrolled with us this week. Having red a copy or two at the home of a neighbor he said it was the paper he wanted and took a dollar's worth Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Sims, of Paint Rock were in Ballinger Monday to accompany Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cunningham to the train, and while here were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Vaughn.



The American Farmer the Best in the World

The American farmer is the greatest man in the world to-day because he is master of the soil—he is gaining in intelligence quite as rapidly as his products are increasing in magnitude. Our recent combines of capital in United States measured in money are enormous, yet such figures sink into insignificance when compared to the money, brain and brawn invested in agricultural industries. For instance, the farmers of Minnesota and Dakota have received \$30,000,000 for their products in a single year. The farmer knows what Nature will bring forth for him from his experience in the past. He knows if certain seeds are planted and properly cared for that Nature will take care of the rest. In the same way you are master of your own destiny. Providing your blood is in good order, it only needs a little effort on your own part to keep healthy and strong—rid your body of the poisons that are apt to accumulate and your system is ready to ward off the attack of the germs of disease. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery makes rich red blood—by increasing the number of red blood corpuscles. There is no alcohol in this great tonic to shrivele the red blood corpuscles. As an alterative extract, made only of herbs and roots it goes about its work in nature's way. It stimulates the liver into proper action, and feeds the worn-out nerves, stomach and heart on pure blood. Used for over a third of a century it has sold more largely than any other blood medicine in the United States. More bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery are sold to-day than ever before—that is a true test of its medicinal value after thirty-eight years of deserved popularity.

Dr. Pierce's "Medical Adviser" sent on receipt of stamps to pay for mailing only. Send 21 one-cent stamps for book in paper covers, or 31 stamps for cloth-bound volume. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Don't Foget

To go to JNO. G. KEY'S Meat Market when you want a nice tender Steak, Barbecue or anything in the meat line.

Jno. G. Key,

BALLINGER, TEX.
New Wooden Building.

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Figure with Smith & Bateman before you buy your Lumber bill.

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For the Moving of Mercantile Freights, Household Goods, Pianos, Organs, etc.

HANDLE and DELIVERS COAL TO ALL PARTS CITY.

I give my personal and best attention to all business entrusted to me and guarantee satisfaction.

THROUGH TEXAS

The I. & G. N. R. has many fast trains through Texas, traversing the greater portion of the state and reaching nearly all of the large cities, affording travelers every convenience and comfort to be found on a modern railroad. High-class equipment and power, seasonable schedules, splendid dining stations, Pullman Buffet sleeping cars and courteous agents and train attendants.

TO ST. LOUIS

The I & G. N. in connection with the Iron Mountain system, operates four Limited Trains Daily between Texas and St. Louis, the service being four to eight hours quickest and 100 to 150 miles shortest. These trains have Pullman buffet sleepers and chair cars through without change, and connect morning and evening in Union Station, St. Louis, with all the Northern and Eastern lines. A la carte dining car service between Texarkana and St. Louis.

TO MEXICO

The I & G. N. R. in connection with the National Lines of Mexico, operate Four Fast Trains Daily between Texas and Mexico, via Laredo. The time from San Antonio to Mexico City being only 34 1/2 hours, or a day and a half, and 302 miles shortest. Correspondingly as quick from all Texas points via I & G. N. The cities of Monterey, Saltillo, San Luis Potosi and Mexico City are reached directly through Pullman buffet sleepers without change. This route also forms the new short line via Monterey to Torreon and Durango, direct connection with through sleeper to and from Durango being made at Monterey.

Excursion rates periodically

For complete information see I & G. N. agents or write
L. TRICE, D. J. PRICE,
2nd V. P. and G. M. Gen'l Pass. & Ticket Agt.

"The Texas Road," Palestine, Texas.

Last Hope Vanished.

When Smithart of Pekin Ia., had incurable consumption his last hope vanished; but Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, Coughs and Colds, kept him out of his grave. He says: "This great specific completely cured me and saved my life. Since then I have used it for over 10 years, and consider it a marvelous throat and lungs cure." Strictly scientific cure for Coughs sore throats or Colds sure preventive of Pneumonia Guaranteed 50 and \$1.00 bottles a J. Y. Pearce drug store Trial bottle free.

Jas. Glenn, who bought land in the Winters country, left on Monday's train for his old home in Cook county where he will dispose of some cattle and return in about ten days. Mr. Glenn is delighted with his Runnels county home.

Ballard's Horehound Syrup.

Immediately relieves hoarse croupy cough, oppressed rattling, rasping and difficult breathing. Henry C. Stearns, Druggist, Shullsburg Wis., writes, May 20, 1901: "I have been selling Ballard's Horehound Syrup for two years, and have never had a preparation that has given better satisfaction. I notice that when I sell a bottle they come back for more. I can honestly recommend it." 25c, 50, \$1.00. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Dr. D. Y. Bagby, a Baptist minister of Dallas, representing the Baptist Standard was in the city first of this week in the interest of his paper. He preached a very interesting and instructive sermon at the first Baptist Church at this place Sunday night.

Cheated Death.

Kidney trouble often ends fatally, but by choosing the right medicine, E. H. Wolfe of Bear Grove Iowa, cheated death. He says: "Two years ago I had Kidney Trouble, which caused me great pain suffering and anxiety, but I took Electric Bitters which effected a complete cure. I have also found them of great benefit in general debility and nerve trouble and keep them constantly on hand since as I find they have no equal." J. Y. Pearce druggist guarantees them at 50c.

Mrs. Edwin Day came in from Fort Worth Monday after a week's visit. She informed our reporter that she had purchased residence property in that city while making her visit.

For a Weak Digestion.

No medicine can replace food but Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablet will help your food. It is not the quality of food taken that gives strength and vigor to the system but the amount digested and assimilated. If troubled with a weak digestion don't fail to give these Tablets a trial. Thousands have been benefited by their use. They only cost a quarter. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

Don't forget that we are always ready to test your eyes free and fit you with a pair of glasses. Jas. E. Brewer.

Genuine Red Top Sorghum Seed, Big German Millet Seed, and Dwarf millo maze Seed, at Miller Mercantile Co.

Some ladies beautiful and so at Jas. E. Brewer's.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the Best and Most Popular.

"Mothers buy it for croupy children, railroad men buy it for severe coughs and elderly people buy it for la grippe," say Moore Bros., Eldon, Iowa. "We sell more of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy than any other kind. It seems to have taken the lead over several other good brands." There is no question but this medicine is the best that can be procured for coughs and colds, whether it be a child or an adult that is afflicted. It always cures and cures quickly. Sold by J. Y. Pearce druggist.

Feel tired, no appetite, cannot sleep work or eat? That's spring tiredness and will disappear at once if you take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea this month. 35cts Tea or Tablets.

Rheumatic Pains Quick Relieved.

The excruciating pains characteristic of rheumatism and sciatica are quickly relieved by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm. The great pain relieving power of the liniment has been the surprise and delight of thousands of sufferers. The quick relief from pain which it affords is alone worth many times its cost. For sale by J. Y. Pearce Druggist.

The "blues" most often result from indigestion, which is brought on by constipation or a torpid liver. Take Re-Go Laxative Syrup after supper and at bedtime. It will correct the disorders of the stomach and liver and regulate the bowels. The cause being removed the mental depression or "blues" will disappear. 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by E. D. Walker Druggist.

We still carry Fruit and vegetable establishments. J. B. Alvis & Bro.

A Dandy for Burns.

Dr. Bergin Pana, Ills, writes: "I have used Ballard's Snow Liniment; always recommended it to my friends, as I am confident there is no better made. It is a dandy for burns. Those who live on farms are especially liable to many accidental cuts, burns, bruises which heal rapidly when Ballard's Snow Liniment is applied. It should always be kept in the house for cases of emergency." 25c, 50c, \$1.00 bottle.

You will have a hot time in cold weather if you will order your coal from Hayden Routh's Yard, the best quality and as cheap as good goods can be sold.

Ben Allen sold his barber shop business and fixtures to a Mr. Jackson this week, consideration \$700. Ben will remain with the shop.

Say boys, Knight & Gordon wants your barber trade.

J. E. POWELL

CIVIL ENGINEER & SURVEYOR.

Plans, Specifications and Estimates made on any kind of work and work superintended.

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Will do a general practice.—All calls day or night, answered promptly.

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CATARRH



ELY'S CREAM BALM

This Remedy is a Specific, Sure to Give Satisfaction. GIVES RELIEF AT ONCE.

It cleanses, soothes, heals, and protects the diseased membrane. It cures Catarrh and drives away a Cold in the Head quickly. Restores the Senses of Taste and Smell. Easy to use. Contains no injurious drugs. Applied into the nostrils and absorbed.

Size, 50 cents at Druggists or by Trial Size, 10 cents by mail.

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Allen Sells Music, 1111 Broadway, New York City. Complete. The Famous McKinley Edition of the "Merry Widow" for Piano and Voice. Write for catalogue today. GEO. ALLEN, SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

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Original and safe medicine. SAFE, does not poison, irritate, or drag for CHICKEN-POX, ERYSIPEL, in RED and Gold morbilli, scarlet fever, measles, whooping cough, diphtheria, and other dangerous eruptions and infections. Buy of your Druggist or send for stamped particulars, testimonials and "Relief for Ladies" in letter by return mail. 16,000 testimonials. Sold by all Druggists. Chamberlain Chemical Co., Mention this paper. Madison Square, PHILA., PA.

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THE CHILDREN'S FAVORITE TONIC. BEWARE OF IMITATIONS. THE GENUINE PREPARED ONLY BY Ballard-Snow Liniment Co. ST. LOUIS, MO.

New Century Flour Best on earth. J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Colds

It should be borne in mind that every cold weakens the lungs lowers the vitality and prepares the system for the more serious diseases, among which are the two greatest destroyers of human life, pneumonia and consumption.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

has won its great popularity by its prompt cures of this most common ailment. It aids expectoration, relieves the lungs and opens the secretions, effecting a speedy and permanent cure. It counteracts any tendency toward pneumonia.

Price 25c, Large Size 50c.

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Full Roller Process Flour and Bolted Corn Meal.

COTTON GIN IN CONNECTION BALLINGER, TEXAS.

ROYAL Baking Powder Saves Health

The use of Royal Baking Powder is essential to the healthfulness of the family food.

Yeast ferments the food.
Alum baking powders are injurious.

Royal Baking Powder saves health.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

Hat pins at Jas E Brewer's.
Butter and eggs always on hand at Alvis Bro's.

A Hat pin for every lady, at Jas E. Brewer's

Herman Geisecke had business in Rowena Friday.

Good Groceries and Cheap Groceries at the Ellis Groc. Co.
Try the City barber shop once. We guarantee satisfaction.

Try a sack of New Century Flour, the best on the market Alvis & Bro.

Jas E. Brewer is displaying some beautiful Jewelry in his show window.

Bud Miller left Friday for San Angelo where he has accepted a position.

Johnnie McMinn came in from Brownwood Friday and will visit in our city a few.

Quick sales and small profits and courteous treatment is our motto. Ellis Groc. Co.

C. F. Dickinson and family left this week for Sonora where they will visit for a while.

When you want good groceries at reasonable prices see J. B. Alvis & Bro.

When you are in need of anything in the Grocery line, call or phone 45 at Miller Mercantile Co

J G Hughes, of Winters, took the train here Friday for San Angelo to visit his aunt a few days.

E. W. Smith of Coke county was here this week to attend the burial of his father Capt. J. E. Smith.

J. B. Wright, of Groesbeck, is in our section visiting his father H. T. Wright and will likely make this his future home.

Rev J S. Newman came in from San Angelo Thursday and will be the guest for a few days of Rev I. N. Lewis and family.

While dallying the garden of Paradise, and speaking of universal love there, he sang for the monkey: "My love is a Precious Baboon." He carries the hearer through the diapason of human emotions—Nashville Banner. Bob Taylor will appear at the Ballinger Opera house Saturday night, April 1st. Get good seat now at Pearce's drug store.

Albert Bates left Thursday for Fort Worth where he has signed to play ball this season with the Fort Worth team. We regret to see Albert leave as we scarcely can hope to get a man to take his place on Ballinger's Ball team. We expect to hear of some fine work from him during the season. We wish him success.

Judge M. C. Smith informs us that he has a type written copy of the Ballinger Independent School District Bill, which has just become a law, and is subject to inspection at any time by those who desire to know the provisions of the law.

George Keller, an old friend of the writer from Leon county, is in our section prospecting this week. George is a substantial citizen and we will gladly welcome him to our county.

J A. Tyler sold this week his 320 tract of land to J. L. McElroy at \$16.00 per acre. Mr. Tyler will give possession at once and move to his farm near Winters.

Groves Key went up to Talpa on Thursday's train and if satisfactory arrangements for a house can be made will likely put in a meat market in that town.

Frank Maddox who is teaching school in Taylor county, spent Sunday with Ballinger friends and relatives.

DR. THOS. A. RAPE, Physician and Surgeon, Office Phone 38, Residence Phone 44.

The newest in Hat pins at Jas E Brewer's.

Ladies side and back combs, at Jas E Brewer.

If the others haven't it send to Alvis & Bro's, they have.

Try a gallon of that new East Texas Ribbon cane syrup at J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Born to Mr. and Mrs J. L. S. ephen, on Tuesday night March 29th a fine girl baby.

Insurance in old line Companies.

Ernest Plummer

We don't give the most, but give the best.

Godwin Grocery Co

Jack McGregor was a passenger on the West bound train first of the week, for San Angelo.

T. Copeland and family left Thursday for Houston where they will make their future home.

Tom Gray one of our strong friends of the Truitt country, was supplying in Ballinger Saturday of last week.

R. L. Maddox and Mrs Emma Nash went up to San Angelo on last Saturday's train to attend to business matters and visited friends.

W. T. Padgett is putting a new picket fence around his home place this week which adds much to the appearance of his place.

The bill to appeal the inspection law has been passed and the office of hide and animal inspector will be abolished in Runnels county as soon as the law goes into effect.

Up-to-date goods for up-to-date people, Heinz preserves, apple butter, fine olives, brandy cherries, olive oil, fitness and fineness characterizes this stock Godwin Grocery Co

Will Murray, of Winters, divided his cash with us Thursday. Mr. Murray now owns the L A Bedford farm 4 miles east of Winters and speaks encouraging words for his community.

Look out for the adv of the "White Sale," to be given about April 11th. Ladies will do well to wait as there will be all kinds of ready made muslin underwear for ladies and especially children.

O. L. Clark, the genial land man of the G C & S F Ry Co., of Galveston, was here several days this week looking after land matter. While here Mr. Clark enjoyed an outing on the Concho with Sheriff Kirk.

J. Y. Pearce bought this week the Tisinger & Jones Stock of drugs and will continue the business at the same stand under the management of Sam Jones and Mr Wrba. Mr. Tisinger has not decided as yet what he will do.

Ever See A House Fly?

You'll see millions of 'em soon. Put the **Wheeler Screen** on for free trial as below and fool 'em. During the trial watch the **Wheeler** win its way, up stairs and down, on crooked, straight, swollen and shrunken windows, under the daily duties of washing glass, cleaning sills, shaking out dust rags, etc.

Ten-Days Free Trial,

On any or every window you wish to screen. No matter what you thought to buy, or what you thought to pay first use the **Wheeler** ten days free, and learn all that a Screen must do to satisfy year after year. Off they come after the trial if they fail in any way.

Humphrey Lumber Co.

Exclusive Agents.

Elder J. W. Chism, Christian preacher of Norman, Okla., will preach for the disciples of Christ worshiping at the German Methodist church house in this city Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night. Everybody cordially invited to attend. You will hear a good gospel sermon.

Ed Pape who stuck a thorn in his hand last fall had an operation performed on it this week by Drs. Halley & Love. After the thorn was taken out a grisly substance had formed which the doctor took out. While it is quite painful we think nothing serious will result from the wound.

J. M. Norris, of West Texas, an old and valued friend of our fellow citizen D Reeder, came in on Wednesday's train and we hope will locate with us for we know such men as D. Reeder recommends will be a substantial addition to our section.

W. H. Davis, of Taylor, Texas, the dry goods merchant who will occupy the Guion building in the row of new buildings on 8th Street, came in Tuesday and spent a few days in the city looking after his business arrangements here.

Prohibition carried in Nolan county last week by a majority of 203 votes. The returns show the total vote polled to have been 356 for to 152 against. Sweetwater, the largest voting precinct in the county, went 128 pro to 79 anti.

W. A. Wrba, is the new pharmacist in the Tisinger & Jones drug store now owned by J. Y. Pearce. He had been with the Concho drug store of San Angelo before coming to Ballinger.

E. C. Moor the contractor, closed the contract Wednesday to build a nice cottage for County Attorney R. S. Griggs on the hill near Dr Fowler's residence. Let the good work continue.

Wm Cole, one of the substantial farmers of the Winters, country was in the city on business Wednesday and enrolled with us.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Spill of Winters were among the visitors to our city Sunday last.

Don't let your wife split the stove wood but phone no. 2 and have a nice dry split load brought up from Hayon Routh's wood yard.

Mrs. Mary Mullins, mother of Mrs. Emma Godwin, who has been visiting the latter the past few months, left Wednesday for Brownwood where she will spend a few months with her daughter, Mrs. Hall of that city.

J. W. Powell reports following city property changed hands: He bought this week from the railroad company 3 lots; from W R Clendennen 3 lots in Wilke addition; from Boardman 5 lots in Miller addition; from M. Lasker his half interest in 18 lots in Powell addition.

Mrs. R. A. Risser of Calvert, wife of Mr. Risser the dry goods man who recently bought the D. Reer stock, came in on Friday's train to join her husband and other members of the family already here. The social circles of Ballinger will cordially welcome Mrs. Risser to their number.

Notice to cotton Holder

The spring rains have been and cotton that is on the ground will damage considerable I am prepared to furnish storage at the compress, and will be glad to take care of your cotton at very reasonable charges. It will be a saving to you by giving you a better grade when you want to sell.
W C. PENN.

Demon-Brown.

At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. McD Townsend, at 5:00 o'clock Sunday after noon, March 12th, J. Mr. Will Dedmon and Mrs. J. J. Brown were married in the presence of a few friends, Rev. M. C. Bishop performing the ceremony.

We join their friends in congratulations and good wishes.—Abilene Reporter.

Mrs. Brown was a former resident of this country have served as Post Mistress at Wingate for quite a while.

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