

# BANNER-LEADER.

BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY, MAY, 26 1906

NO 34.

## The White Store.

R. A. Risser & Co., - Ballinger, Texas

The Merchandise offered in this special sale is well worth your consideration, every article is not alone a Bargain but a most excellent Bargain.

40 in. wide Pink and Blue Fine Organdies. Value 25c - - - 15c	Ladies White Shirt Waists, trimmed with Embroidery. - - - 39c	Cotton Voiles Full variety of Colors, Blue, Green, Grey, Red and Pink was 15 cts now - - 8 1-3c
White Duck Belts all sizes. - - - 10c	Persian Kid Belts 35 cts kind - - 15c	All Linen Suitings 36 in. wide in Blue, Gray, Brown Heliotrope and Champagne was 35 cts now 25c
Pearl Waist Sets plain or carved. - - - 10c	30 in. wide White Swiss Waisting Silk Lace Mitts in Black only 50 cts kind. - - - 25c	Linen Chambry 28 in. wide in all colors was 25 cts now - 12 1-2c
Turn over Collars 25cts kind. - - 10c	Mercerized Parasols Oxidized Handles \$1.00 kind. - - 50c	Ladies Shirt Waists made of Soft Habutai White Silk Lace insertion and Pin Tucks to form Fancy yoke effect opens in Back, Short sleeves. - - - \$2.15
Lace Collars with Tabs 35cts kind. 15c	White Linon Robe, beautifully Embroidered and Braided, semi-made, Eton Style, Bolero Effect, Skirt Handsomely Braided Former Price \$6.25 now - - \$4.95	Ladies Waists, made of Crisp India Linon in All White trimmed in Lingerie Effect, Tucked, Long or Short Sleeves. - - - \$1.05
Solid colors in Gingham all colors. - - - 6 1-2c		
28 inches wide Fine Striped Nainsook. - - - 10c		
28 inches wide Fine Dimities 20cts kind. - - - 10c		
33 in. wide Chiffon Waisting all White 25 cts kind. - - 10c		
30 in. wide White Corded Pique. 10c		
Ladies Drop stitched White Hose. 12c		
Ladies Lace Gauze Lisle Hose. - - 35c		

**Big Reduction in Millinery. Many Other Bargains.**  
**R. A. RISSER & COMPANY.**

B. Y. P. U.

Meets Ninth St. Baptist Church Sunday, May, 27th, 7:30 p. m.  
Leader—Mrs. J. D. Grundy  
Song  
Prayer  
Topic—How God feeds his children. John 6:35, Psalms 37:1-7  
Song  
Scripture readings  
The Shepherd's feast. Psalms 33—Lucile Powell  
The psalmist's portion Psalms 119:41-38.—Zette Lee Carpenter  
Food for Israel Ex. 16:16-15—H. C. Paramore  
Elijah's supply 1 Kings 17:1-7—Mrs. E. C. Moor  
The widow's supply 1 Kings 17:8-11—James Taylor  
Song  
Select reading —Miss Katie Bell Gregory.  
Duett—Mrs B. C. Kirk and J. E. Powell.  
Benediction.

W. P. Hawkins.

In this issue we announce W. P. Hawkins for re-election to the office of Justice of the Peace and Commissioner of Precinct No 3. Mr. Hawkins has filled this responsible office for the past two years with satisfaction to his community. His integrity, business ability and progressive ideas, all fit him for the duties of the office for which he aspires.

A Card of Thanks.

We in behalf of the local option committee wish to express our sincere thanks to the editor of the Daily Ledger for the kindness he has shown the Committee in publishing the various arguments we have made in behalf of the cause of prohibition. We have no copyright on any of this matter and it is public property after we publish it once. We hope, for the benefit of some of our anti friends who are constant readers of the Ledger, that the kind brother will see fit to reproduce the matter in the weekly edition.

Banner-Leader, Job Printing.

Mrs. C. P. Shepherd spent Wednesday in San Angelo the guest of her aunt Mrs. C. A. Daily.

David Fentress and bride, who have been here several days visiting relative left for St. Louis, their home, Thursday.

Mrs. H. H. Locket who has been visiting her daughter Mrs. C. P. Shepherd the past 3 weeks left Tuesday for San Angelo to visit her sister, Mrs. C. A. Daily and niece Mr. Conda Wylie.

Geo. Vaughn who has been touring West Texas, in the interest of the Missouri Milling Co, came in Wednesday. His wife, who had been visiting her sister in San Angelo, returned with her husband.

## We Want the Small Account

of the wage-earner and householder as well as the larger patronage of business firms and corporations. We are gratified to see the steady growth of the small deposits and are glad to help and encourage all who earnestly desire to better their financial condition.

We Pay 4 Per Cent on Time Deposits of 6 months, 5 Per on 12 months.

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"THE ACCOMMODATING BANK."

Ballinger, Texas

\$1.00 Will Open a Savings Account.

Interest 4 Per Cent Compounded Twice a Year.

State Sunday School convention San Antonio Texas. June 19th-21st For the above occasion we will sell excursion tickets to San Antonio and return at rate of \$12.35 sell June 18th final limit for return June 2nd.

John E. Quarles Company. Lumber, successors to Clem Lumber Co.

The White Mountain Refrigerator has the "chest with the chill in it." For sale by The Ostertag Furniture Co.

Call around at the John E. Quarles Co., for estimates on your lumber bills.

Let me fit you with a pair of peroscopic crystal lenses then you can see.

Jas. Brewer,

New Home Sewing Machines the best Machine on earth for \$25.00 to \$35.00. Crews Furniture Co. have been selling the Home machine for twenty years. They can tell you what the New Home will do, It

## BARGAINS For This WEEK

Fine Embroidered Shirt Waist Patterns, \$3.00 kind for - - \$2.25  
" " " " " " \$3.50 " " - - 2.50

Fine Embroidered Shirt Waist Patterns, \$5.00 kind for - - \$3.75  
" " " " " " one only \$8.50 for - - 6.00

Special In Men's Blue Serge Suits

Men's \$12.50 quality 2 pieces Blue Serge Suits Special for this week at - - - \$10.00

8.25

Men's Tan Shoes and Oxfords Special Price to Close - - -

\$3.50 and \$3.00 grades of Men's Tan Shoes and Slippers. All - - -

Fine Goodyear Welts, Your Choice for - - -

# \$2.50

A. H. Van Pelt, H. WINKLER Mgr

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Both the H. C. and R. K. Wylie Ranches owned by our company will be sold by us on the extraordinary low terms of one-fifth cash, balance "on or before," 2, 4, 6, 8, or 10 years, 8 per cent. per annum, interest payable annually, which contain some of the best land in the county.

## C. A. DOOSE & CO.

Ballinger, - - - Texas.

From Wednesday's Daily.

From L. J. Killion.

Brady, Texas, May 23, 1906.  
To The Banner-Leader.

Ballinger, Texas:

A friend has given me a copy of your paper, and from it I learn of the pending election to decide the matter of the open saloons in Runnels county. I am not a resident of Runnels county, but I am an American citizen, and live in a neighboring county. I have a right to feel, at least enough interest in the welfare of your town and county to give my opinion from what I know to be absolutely correct, as to what will be to the best interests of the populace.

1st. Let me ask: From what point of view can we expect the open saloon to build up or strengthen the church? This question itself should be sufficient to cause every person, whether christian or sinner, if friendly toward the church, any kind of a church, to think seriously before voting, and if no reason can be given for it, to help the church; if it can be shown to be in the way of the church, vote "For Prohibition."

2nd. In what way do people expect the open saloon to help the school? The school is next in rank to the church. There is where our children are educated and prepared for the duties of life. If the school fails, our children are to grope their way through life in ignorance. Many are the pleasures of which they are deprived. Take away the school and what advantage would we have of the heathen? None whatever. Then we cannot afford to use our influence in a way that would convert our enlightened land into heathenism. Think on this, brother, before you vote on the question. Your vote in the wrong direction may cause you a world of trouble. May my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth and my voice be stilled in death before I should even speak a word to assist or encourage depriving an innocent child of an education.

3rd. How can the open saloon help the home? By affording a drunkard father a temptation to spend the money for which the children have picked cotton and a wretched mother has washed, for whiskey, and while under its influence, come home and run the children off the place and whip their mother? Is that the way Christian people want to help the home?

I learn that about all my brethren

in Ballinger are Antis. Brethern, I love you all, but I know you are doing wrong to vote a "God-speed" to a house of such utter corruption as the open saloon. "He that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deed."

But we are told prohibition ruins business. Is any sane man willing to operate a business at the cost of danger to his family and his neighbors?

The open saloon and prohibition question is purely one of morality or immorality. A christian especially should be careful to always use his influence for morality. But will prohibition prohibit? I answer: If your officers will do their sworn duty it will. Do you lack confidence in your officers? Murder, theft and all laws are to some extent violated, but let us not repeal all laws because they are, in some instances violated. No, prohibition does not injure business. No reason can be given for the deceptive charge, unless it is the business of the lawyers and city council.

L. J. Killion. Minister of the church of Christ, Brady, Texas.

### Prohibition Does Prohibit.

But you say "prohibition does not prohibit." "That if we close the saloons, people will drink as much or more than ever." Now does any prohibitory law entirely prohibit? The law says you shall not carry a pistol, but do not many people carry them? The law says you shall not steal, but people do steal. The law says you shall not murder but the news papers are filled with accounts of possible murders. But would anyone argue that these laws should be repealed because they do not stop these evils? Then why urge such an argument against prohibition. Your argument to the people is that we can't stop the sale of liquors by prohibition, and that it is better to license the saloons and divide the spoils in way of revenue. Now why don't you follow your argument to a logical conclusion and say as you can't stop stealing you go snooks with the thief and divide the spoils? And because you can't exterminate the devil by prohibition, we suppose you are willing to go partnership with him. But we say prohibition does prohibit to a very great extent, for when you close the bar-rooms you have the traffic of whiskey badly routed and de-

moralized. The only way to regulate a rattle snake is to smash his head. A little life may remain in his tail till sundown but he cannot bite. Shut up the saloons on our streets and you close the mouth of the serpent. A little life may remain in his tail in dark alleys, gloomy cellars, but there is no fun in that kind of drinking. Poets have thrown a sheen of romance around clinking glasses in gilded halls, but there is no romance in drinking mean whiskey out of old rusty dippers, pint cups, oil cans and broken bottles, out in the back-lots, alleys and gloomy cellars. Now old toppers may swig it from jugs and tin cans as long as they can pay for it, but the boys of Runnels county the bright, brave, manly young men are too noble, too refined, too honorable to sneak into dirty places uncontented by the law and moral sentiment of a law abiding people. Smash the heads of these serpents that are coiling themselves around the manhood of our county and we don't care if their tails have a little life in them, they can't bite.

### Are You a Good Man?

"If so, is it because the law has prohibited you from doing wrong, or is it because you know right from wrong and want to do right."—Daily Ledger.

Any intelligent reader can see that this question applies as much to the prohibition of any other evil as to the liquor traffic. According to the Ledger's logic there should be no prohibition of gambling houses because this would be trying to force men not to gamble. Houses of ill fame should not be prohibited, for this would interfere with a man's right to govern himself and keep himself pure. The liquor traffic is against the public interests and the public has a right to deal with it accordingly.

### Stomach Troubles

Mrs. Sue Martin, an old and highly respected resident of Faison, Miss., was sick with stomach trouble for more than six months. Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets cured her. She says: "I can now eat anything I want and am the proudest woman in the world to find such a good medicine." For sale by J. Y. Pearce. Samples free.

### Baird's Boom.

Baird has added another saloon to its prosperous liquor business, making six in all. Where is there a town that can make a greater showing of progress? Cisco and Abilene may boast of their schools and churches and railroad and rapid increase of population and property values, but when it comes to the booze business they are not in it, and when we Baird folks get full of booze we feel just as rich as they are and we don't have to work ourselves to feel so. The idea of the Taylor County News trying to toll some of our citizens away from all this good booze is perfectly ridiculous.—Baird New Era.

### "INO" JOINT CLOSED.

County Attorney W. B. Lewis and Constable R. H. Reddell visited the "Ino" joint near the Wooten wagon yard, and took names of customers who bought drinks in their presence for the purpose of filing complaints against the proprietor, Mr. Love, but he a reed to close up and quit if no cases were entered against him, which was accepted by Mr. Lewis. Uno or Ino, as the case may be, is said to have a slight malt or beer taste and a small modicum of alcohol, and the Anheuser-Busch label on the bottle looks good to a lover of the article "that made Milwaukee famous." However, Mr. Lewis says dealers have been convicted everywhere for selling it.

This joint is reported to have sold seventeen barrels in three days recently.—Sweetwater Reporter.

How does this sound after the echoes of the Ledger's song—"Prohibition Wont Prohibit."

dies away? Lets sing and see—"Prohibition wont prohibit, Prohibition wont prohibit;

You can vote it out, this we don't doubt.

But Prohibition wont prohibit. Prohibition wont prohibit.

Prohibition wont prohibit,

If you should vote it out, which we very much doubt, We'll see that your prohibition don't prohibit."

H. P. Foster, who lives on Valley Creek about ten miles northwest of Ballinger, came in today with his family to meet his daughter, Mrs. J. I. Walker, of Malone, Hill county. If the climate agrees with Mrs. Walker's health, her husband may move to Runnels county.

Special prices on clothing at The Hub.

### The New Comer.

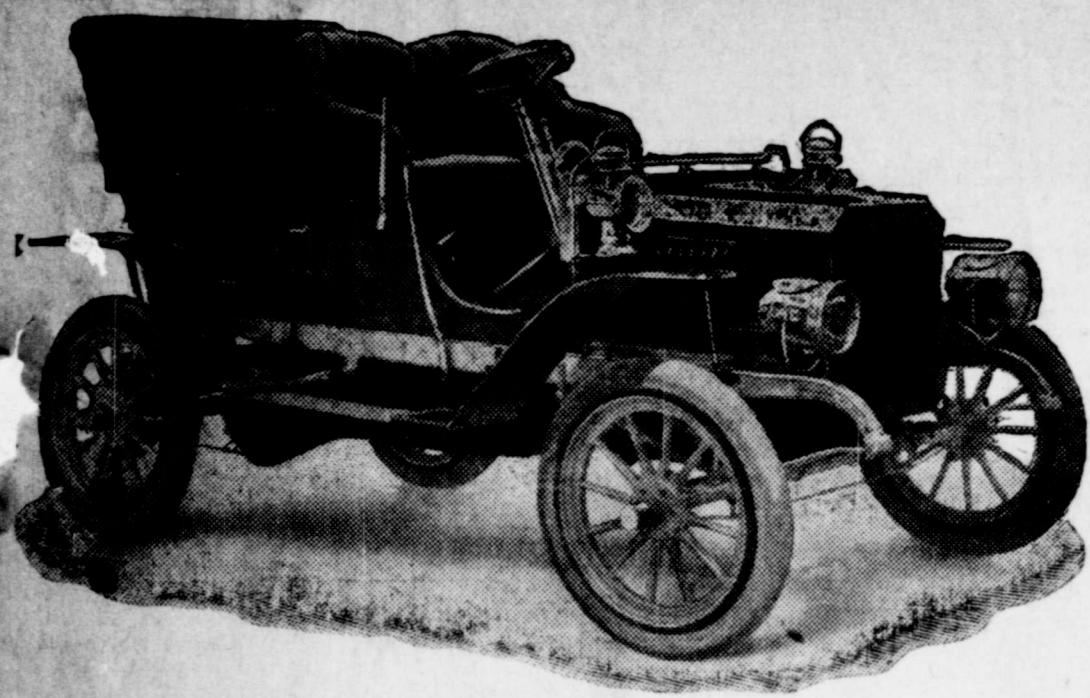
The courtly and progressive editor of the Daily Ledger has seen fit in his great wisdom to slap the new comer in the face. His purpose seems to be to array the "old timer" against the "New Comer," thinking that the "Old Timer" can out vote the "New Comer." His effort will prove futile. An examination of the list of names on the local option petition will show that the "Old Timers" and the "New Comers" are both back of this movement. Has the "New Comer" any rights? We answer that after the "New Comer" has been here long enough to vote he has equal rights with the "Old Timer." The "New Comer" has advanced the price of lands in Runnels county 100 per cent. A few years ago, before the arrival of the "New Comer," lands that are now worth \$15.00 an acre were not worth half half as much. Residence property in Ballinger is worth 50 per cent to 100 per cent more than it was worth before the new comer appeared on the scene. A large part of the 21,000 bales of cotton marketed in Ballinger last year was raised by the "New comer". A large per cent of the money on deposit in the banks was brought here by the "New Comer". A number of the new buildings erected in Ballinger were either built or are occupied by the "New Comer." The majority of the "Old Timers" know that the New Comer is their best friend.

### Joint Discussion at Winters.

Judge Jenkins, and Mr. E. L. Antony held joint discussion of prohibition question last night at Winters. It is reliably reported that a very large and enthusiastic audience greeted them and that indications pointed to the fact that there were at least two Pros present to one Anti. The people of Winters were greatly pleased with Judge Jenkins' presentation of the question. Certainly, could not be any other way. Anti arguments before Judge Jenkins are "like chaff which the wind driveth away."

### The Texas Wonder.

Cures all Kidney, Bladder and Rheumatic troubles; sold by all druggists, or two months' treatment by mail for \$1. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive street, St. Louis. Send for Texas testimonials.



## REO Touring Car.

16 horse-power, 1600 pounds. 5 passengers. Side doors. 35 miles per hour.

**\$1250.**

**Show us and we'll show you**—Show us how many people you want to carry, the road you want to take, the speed you want to make, the price you want to pay. We'll show you the car that meets your every requirement fuller and fairer than any other car you can name—and for less money.

**FOUR-SEAT RUNABOUT**, 8 horse-power, 1000 pounds, 25 miles per hour \$650. With folding seat to carry two extra passengers. **\$675.**

**Come here to-day and try it out.**

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R. E. Olds, President. R. M. Owen, Sales Manager.

H. ZDARIL, Agt.

BALLINGER, TEXAS.

From Wednesday's Daily.

### Unionists Won Out

In the general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church, held in Greenville S. C., on the 22nd inst., among other things it has announced the fact to the public that the legal contest instituted to prevent the union of the Cumberland Presbyterian church with the Presbyterian has been decided in favor of the unionists. Judge Johnson made public a decision in which he refused to grant the injunction prayed for by the anti-unionists and dismissed the bill on demurrer. A written opinion will be handed down today.

The decision was not unexpected by the leaders of the anti-unionists. Their attorney announced that they will appeal the case, probably to the Supreme Court of Illinois.

### Mystic Weavers.

Mrs. Wm. Miller entertained the Mystic Weavers, Wednesday afternoon at her cosy bungalow cottage on 2nd Street. Despite the inclemency of the weather quite a number were present and the merry chatter and the skillful plying of needles to dainty handwork, fairly mocked the down pour of rain on the outside. Delicious refreshments were served and those present pronounced this an afternoon charmingly spent.

Pure Georgia cane Syrup at.  
Godwin Grocery. Co.

Yesterday's Daily Ledger speaks again of beer shipped into Brownwood; but, as usual the Ledger's arguments are against itself. It states that the figures given was "a part of the charge of Judge Goodwin to the grand jury now empaneled for this term of the District Court of that county." Why, they claim that club-houses, cold storages etc., are lawful institutions and cannot be handled by the courts, yet Judge Goodwin is fool enough to call attention of the grand jury to these lawful institutions. And furthermore, if the whiskey traffic is essential to the progress of a town, as has been contended, and there is more sold under prohibition than under license, then why not all vote for prohibition, as the more of the essentials of progress we have. Who ever heard of a judge calling attention of the grand jury to the grocery business, dry goods stores etc. Yet it has been argued that the whiskey traffic, including club houses, cold storages etc., are as legitimate and lawful pursuits as those above mentioned. Again we ask the Ledger to make an argument that is not self-contradictory and inconsistent.

### Car of New Furniture.

Just received a car of new Furniture, of all kinds, iron beds, chairs, cribs etc. Spring house cleaning is here and you will want some new furniture. Give us a call.

Ostertag Fur. Co.

Judge Jenkins, of Brownwood, made a strong and convincing speech yesterday afternoon, on prohibition, to a good audience, who were held in perfect attention for two hours. He discussed every phase of the question, moral, legal and financial and proved beyond question that it is constitutional and wherever tried has been for good of all the people. He also showed that it has been enforced at other places and can be enforced here. Just at this point he made a strong appeal to the citizenship of our county, and especially to the Antis to see that the law is enforced if passed. Judge Guion arose and said if the law carried he proposed to stand back of it and see it enforced. Judge Jenkins then called upon others to say the same thing and Judge Guion seconded his appeal to the Antis, whereupon they held up their hands. The Pros greatly appreciate the kind spirit shown and their fairness as expressed by Judge Guion and others. We may consider the question of whether or not prohibition will prohibit if carried in Rannels county a closed question as Judge Guion and others say they will stand back of it and see the law enforced.

Have you weakness of any kind—stomach, back, or any organ of the body? Don't dope yourself with ordinary medicine. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea is the supreme curative power. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. Ask your Druggist.

From Wednesday's Daily.

It is generally conceded that the preachers and the women are for prohibition. This means much and cannot be weakened by ridicule. Think of it, there are six pastors in this town. They were chosen, by their congregations, as Spiritual leaders. They are reasonably intelligent men, most of them if not all, having had college training. They are supposed to know more of God's word and of great moral questions than the average man who devotes his time to the study of entirely different matters. These men, without a single exception, are prohibitionist. Should this have no weight with the people to whom they minister? As to the woman, she seems to intuitively discern the right side of moral questions. We venture the assertion, that if the husbands, fathers and brothers listen to the advice of their wives, daughters and sisters upon such questions, they will nine times out of ten do the right thing. As they are not allowed a vote, and yet are interested in every thing touching the community in which they live; can we not afford to consult them about the great question of prohibition before we cast our ballot?

The Daily Ledger, after calling attention to a number of great men of this and other countries asks the question: "Did or does their greatness and their good names depend upon local option, prohibition or other sumptuary laws? Sumptuary laws indeed! What break will not the Ledger make yet?" A sumptuary law is a law regulating the private conduct of the citizen in matters that does not affect the public good. Will the Ledger define sumptuary laws? Will it deny that we have given a correct definition? Local option is not a sumptuary law because of the fact that the liquor traffic does affect the public good.

There seems to have been considerable misunderstanding about the facts relating to the arrest and incidents pertaining to the arrest made by Marshal McKay at the steam swing Monday night. The citizen from whom the Banner-Leader reporter got his information is due an apology, as he says it was a misunderstanding on the part of the reporter and that he did not intend to convey the idea that young Wilke meant any harm by snatching the pistol as was indicated in the paper. We are sorry indeed if we have offended anyone and we hope our explanation will be satisfactory.

If the Anti Campaign Orators are working on the insurance plan in Rannels County, from authentic reports they will go home "busted".

Miss Hermia Smith has been appointed by the Houston Chronicle as its society editor in Ballinger, and Miss Hermia would be pleased to have anyone knowing any society items to phone the same to her. We are indeed glad to learn that we will have a space for our society notes in this valuable publication; and now let us see that Miss Hermia has something each week of interest.

### Tresspass Notice.

All parties found hunting, cutting wood, gathering stock or trespassing in any way on the R. K. or H. C. Wyle ranches will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. C. A. Doose, Ballinger, Texas.

From Tuesday's Daily.

### Sam Jones on the Price of Men and the Price of Hogs in Iowa.

Sam Jones recently lectured in Sigourney, Iowa, and justly "roasted" those who signed saloon petitions. This report is from a Sigourney paper:

"This nice little Iowa town, with a farming region around it makes one of the garden spots of the world; but with all your blessings you can't get along without three saloons to debauch your village and ruin your boys, 'because you need the money.'

"Here Mr. Jones inquired of the surprised audience, 'How much is the license here?' Some one answered, 'Three hundred dollars each to the town.' 'Nine hundred dollars altogether,' resumed Jones. 'What is your population?' Answer, 'Two thousand.' The speaker then did a little lightning calculation and resumed:

"The liquor dealer walked up to you and said, 'If you will let us damn this town, we will give you forty cents a piece.' 'Say, what would a two-hundred-pound hog bring?' Answer, 'Twelve dollars.' 'So,' resumed Jones, 'hogs twelve dollars a piece, and folks forty cents a head. Say, brother, don't you wish you were a hog? You and your whole family would not bring enough in this town to buy a saking pig. This is a little lower down than I have ever found them. For the pitiful sum of forty cents a piece you turn over your boys to be debauched, the hearts of mothers to be crushed, and the town ruined—all for forty cents. That is cheap; but I expect that is all you are worth, eh?

"I want to drop this out. There is not a man of you that signed that petition to bring the saloons to this town or country, but deserves that every boy you have in your home shall fill a drunkard's grave, and your daughters live in the embraces of drunken husbands. What did you sign it for, you lousy devils? If you did not want your boy to drink, or your daughter to marry a drunkard, you damnable scoundrels, what did you do it for? Stand up on your hind feet and talk back. You surely did not sign hoping your boy would not drink, but that your neighbor's would. Why don't you say, 'To tell you the God Almighty truth, I did it for the forty cents. If the devil don't get you for it it is just because he don't want you; and every man that will sign that petition—the devil will get the last man of you—but thank God he won't get much. If you fellows that signed that petition don't feel like a hog, you don't feel natural, that's all.'—The Preacher's Helper.

### Not if as Rich as Rockefeller

If you had all the wealth of Rockefeller, the Standard Oil magnate, you could not buy a better medicine for bowel complaint than Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. The most eminent physician can not prescribe a better preparation for colic and diarrhoea, both for children and adults. The uniform success of this remedy has shown it to be superior to all others. It never fails and when reduced with water and sweetened, is pleasant to take. Every family should be supplied with it. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

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Why will you expose yourself and your family to the danger of robbery?

Your money deposited with us would be perfectly safe and you could devote all of your thoughts to making more.

Come in and talk the matter over with us the very next time you are in town.

**The Citizens Nat'l Bank**  
Ballinger, - - - Texas.

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If you have visitors or if you know any item which would be of interest to our readers, please phone us and if necessary we will send our reporter to get data.

### Advertising Patrons.

The Banner-Leader accepts advertising under the guaranty that its **Actual Bonafide paid Circulation** is as large as any paper published in Runnels County.

#### Crime in Runnels County.

Our contemporary, The Runnels County Ledger, since the prohibition campaign was inaugurated, has constantly held up to the voters of Runnels county that the county is absolutely free from crime and for the benefit of the voters we publish the criminal docket for precinct No. 1. (Ballinger) from Sept. 26th 1905 to May 25th 1906, which shows that there is crime in Ballinger and that the saloon has contributed to this more than any other agency.

Vagrancy	17
Affrays	33
Disturbing Peace	22
Gaming	12
Malicious Mischief	1
Drunkenness	54
Abusive Language	4
Assaults	9
Selling Liquor to Druhkard	1
Selling Liquor to minor	5
Wounding a cow	1

Total 159

Of these 159 cases filed 16 were dismissed, for want of evidence, failure to catch criminal and other causes. Of the other cases, under another name than drunkenness, 25 were shown to be caused by drunkenness, which shows that there were really 79 cases of actual drunkenness and yet we are constantly met with the assertion that Runnels county is free from crime and that the existence of the saloon is the cause of it. There are five other precincts in the county that come in for their quota of cases which would swell the number. Is Ballinger free from violation of the law? And do saloons contribute to the good order of a town.

From Chairman of Local Option Committee of Milan County.

Cameron, Texas, May 24 1906.  
Mr. Turner H. Moore,  
Ballinger, Tex.

Dear Sir:-

I understand you are to have an election soon on the local option question. Having gone through two successful campaigns in the same cause, I take it that a few words from an ex-chairman, will not be without some interest to you.

Our first election was held May 30 1903, but on account of an "injunction" local option did not go into effect till Nov. 1st. Our second election took place July 1st 1905. We are well pleased with the effects of local option in our town and community although there has been occasional violations of the law. For the most part the law has been well executed. Wishing you

success in a good cause I am Respectfully

Yours,  
W. W. Greer, ex-chairman  
Local Option Com.

### CREATION.

The Volcano Spectacular Show located on corner Court House Square. For the days only Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Mattinee Saturday at 2:30.

This renowned exhibition opened its doors to the public last night, giving two exhibitions. The show was crowded to the utmost capacity of the beautifully fitted up tent by the families of our representative citizens. Every visitor to the show pronounced the gorgeous spectacle, Creation, the Volcano, the best work ever seen in the state and had merit of being something out of the ordinary and up to date, something new to the public. Grand, beautiful, were the public's comments on coming out, and something that every family should send their children to see. The historical lecture describing that awful day on the island of Martinique in 1902, where 35,000 people were destroyed, as the scenes are produced in the scenic and electric spectacle, is alone worth more than the price of admission. The second part of the program consisted of the best up to date moving pictures that have been shown in our city. The show announces a change of program every day during the week. The free exhibition given on the platform outside by Professor Hilliar, the magician, is also good and very amusing. Free show is given every hour. We take pleasure in endorsing this show to the families of our city.

The Destruction of San Francisco by Earthquake and Flames. Seen One Day. Admission 25c, Children 10c.

### Behold Thy Mother.

We find that the above words written by inscription are recorded in God's Eternal Truths. But I fear that we sometimes fail to take heed to its meaning. Do we at all times behold our mother? If we did and would listen to her advice and be governed by her counsel then we would avoid many difficulties and would not be bothered over mere trifles or worry if the world did not rotate to suit us. Sometimes we think probably that mother is getting old and childish and we won't listen to her, but, dear reader, did you ever stop to think that after years of experience and after studying the interests of her children, hoping that they may grow up to be honorable men and women, after going through trials and battling with the difficult problem of life, yet still we don't think that mother knows best; and sometimes we think that mother is getting old and that she has lost interest in you and she is forgetful. But in such is not the case. She may not be as young as she once was, her cheeks may not glow like the rose, her eyes may not sparkle like they once did, and her voice may not be as soft and her hair may not be as pretty as it once was, there may be strands of gray among the gold, yet that heart is the same and a little word or deed of kindness shown her may cause her heart to beat with joy to know that her boy or girl that she has raised cared for has not forgotten her. Respect is due to old age and if there is anyone that I love and would take off my hat and bow in reverence to it is the aged. When I see an old person

mistreated it goes all over me, and I think it is enough to make the cold chills play leap frog up a brass monkey's back.

I remember one time to have read this story: An old man whose hair was gray, whose eyes were dim and whose knees trembled, went to live with his son and daughter-in-law. Often the old man trembled so when he sat at the table he would spill his food. At this the wife grew indignant and the old man was forced to eat his meals out of an earthen vessel. But one day he trembled so that he dropped the bowl and it was broken; then he was scolded and given a wooden bowl to eat out of. One day the old man saw his four year old grand son out in the yard nailing some planks together and the old man said, "son what are you doing?" and the boy replied, "I am making a trough for papa and mamma to feed me out of when I get old like you." The son looked at his wife and both began to cry. From that time on the old man was allowed to sit at the table.

Yes if we would only listen to the advice of our mother there certainly would be a change. Who ever knew a boy to go to the penitentiary by following the advice of his mother or who ever knew of a boy being a drunkard by listening to the teachings of a mother, or who ever heard of a boy spending his time carousing and gambling in a gambling hell by following the instruction of his mother, or who ever heard of a boy that broke some poor girl's heart, robbed her of character and left her in a cold and un sympathetic world to face the multitudes and listen to the slander that would be cast at her and her people for time to come. The girl if she ever goes to church occupies a seat to herself while the boy is one of the finest and goes on seeking whom he may devour. Did you ever hear of a boy coming to any of the above from following the teaching of a mother.

No, there wouldn't be so much trouble, so many heart aches, so many people in jails and penitentiaries and so many of our men wouldn't fill drunkards graves if in youth they would only stop to think and obey the Savior when from His divine lips came the command to "Behold Thy Mother."—Ex.

#### Public Speaking at Wingate

Rev. W. J. Moore and Tom Cabe went out to Wingate Thursday night where they were greeted by a large audience of attentive listeners. It was expected that the Howard Payne College Quartette would be there but owing to rain and bad roads they could not get out of Brownwood in time to meet their appointment. Upon request of one of the speakers, all except about two stood up for prohibition.

#### More Rain.

A heavy rain storm blew up from the west about one o'clock Friday evening which lasted over an hour. Some scattering hail stones fell, some being nearly as large as hen eggs. All branches are flooded. No damage reported but it is feared that a heavy hail may have visited some parts of the county.

Mr. Smith of Tyler, Texas, representing Colliers Weekly, was here this week in the interest of his business. He says that prohibition certainly does prohibit in Tyler and Smith county.

#### To the Voters of Runnels County

Now that the Prohibition election is ordered for June the 2nd and the campaign is already in progress as promoters of this issue, we, business men in Ballinger and citizens desire to say that campaign was inaugurated because we believe the open saloon is an evil and enemy to the best interests of society in Ballinger and Runnels county. This is a fight against a condition and not against any man or set of men. We live in Ballinger and are just as much concerned about her future growth and prosperity as any anti-prohibitionist can be, we are property holders and are not afraid of any decline in values or any other calamity happening to the town by reason of Local Option as our anti-friends would try to make you believe.

We are aware of the fact that our anti friends call us enthusiasts cranks, zealots and that we are actuated by a selfish motive in promoting this campaign, but be that as it may, we think our cause is just, that as democratic American citizens we have a perfect right to launch this campaign and we expect to fight it to a finish with our efforts, our hearts, our means and every other legitimate and fair way we can command, and if we lose, we will have the satisfaction that we have done our best to eliminate what we believe to be a detriment to the moral and religious upbuilding of our town.

It is our aim to conduct this campaign along a high plane, without abuse to anyone, but we expect to arraign the liquor traffic in such a way as to show the evils attendant upon its iniquitous tendencies.

We grant you, that the anti's have a right to defend their side of the question in a fair and legitimate way, but we do ask them (the anti's) to stick square to the issue, instead of showing what prohibition will not do. Please state the good that saloons, running under license do; show that they are an uplifting force for good, that they benefit society, that they develop the educational spirit in a town, that they are a good thing for the women and children. Don't confine your argument to the weakness of the local option law.

Defend your position affirmatively, and do not try to dodge the issue.

J. N. Adams, H. C. Parramore, J. H. Kelly, W. B. Currie, C. C. F. Blanchard, T. A. Rape, W. W. Fowler, C. P. Shepherd, C. O. Harris, C. F. Dickenson, T. S. Lankford, M. D. Chastain, W. A. Davis, T. M. Osteen.

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The most complete stock of Fishing Tackle carried by any house.

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From Tuesday's Daily.

### Hon. Ed. L. (Mark) Antony's Speech.

A fair sized audience greeted Mr. Antony last night at the courthouse to hear the opening gun on Anti-prohibition. Notwithstanding the special invitation to the ladies they were conspicuously absent. The first part of the speech would be a fine Fourth of July oration. The speaker drew contrast between Monarchical and Republican form of Governments to the disparagement of the former and glory of the latter. He emphasized the fact that all free governments are for the protection of the rights of the private citizen. No one could offer objection to this part of the speech. The latter part of the address was made up of sophistry, ridicule, bombast and anarchy. The speaker made an application of rights guaranteed by the Constitution to the whiskey traffic, claiming that prohibition is legalized robbery. Of course he did not show a thing that the voter comes in possession of when he robs the saloon keepers by his vote. Mr. Antony became very eloquent and pathetic as he recited the horror of robbing the wives and children of saloon keepers of their bread and meat, but he had a heart of steel for the thousands of women and children who are robbed of their living by the whiskey traffic. The radicalousness of his argument is apparent in the statement that our state legislature forgot to make provision for the protection of the property of the saloon keeper. According to his contention, our state legislature, all our courts from justice courts up to Supreme court of the state are thieves and robbers. He made no distinction, whatever, between a right guaranteed by the Constitution and a privilege granted by law. As proof of the absurdity of his contention, we quote the following authorities. Blackstone Bk 1. Sec. 125. On Rights of Persons. "This natural liberty consists properly in a power of acting as one thinks fit, without any restraint or control, unless by the law of nature; being a right inherent in us by birth and one of the gifts of God to man at his creation, when he endued him with the faculty of freewill. But every man, when he enters into society, gives up a part of his natural liberty, as the price of so valuable a purchase; and, in consideration of receiving the advantages of mutual commerce obliges himself to conform to those laws, which the community has thought proper to establish." The obvious meaning of this statement is that no man in the exercise of his liberty, has any right to trespass upon the rights of others. The whiskey traffic interfering with the rights of others aside from the man who engages in it, it follows that the right of any man to engage in it is thus forfeited. As to the constitutionality of local option we quote the following: "Legislature has power to absolutely prohibit drinking saloons or saloons for purpose of carrying on liquor traffic." Belle, 24 Tex. Ap. 430. 6 S. W. 197. "Local option provisions of constitution do not divest legislature of power to prohibit sale of intoxicating liquors."

Bell V. State, 28 Tex. Ap.

Besides this, Mr. Antony certainly knows that the right of local option is guaranteed by our legislatures and courts have acted in conformity with this supreme law of our state in the enactment of local option laws and in their enforcement. Mr. Antony said: "If you are going to be American citizens be courages if it takes war." In this anarchistic utterance he advises ven rebellion to the expressed will of the majority. In fact he stated that for the majority of our voters to abolish the whiskey traffic would be the worst form of despotism.

He stated that all history back to the Babylonian Empire showed whiskey traffic in existence but, of course, said nothing about these ancient cities being destroyed for their wickedness and licentiousness. He pretended to quote scripture but perverted it as he did our Constitution and history. He tried to show that the saloon is as essential to a town as the grocery store or dry goods store but did not show how a man is benefitted by patronizing the saloon.

After stating prohibition would ruin a town he argued that the only efficient prohibition was for every man to prohibit himself and through the power of the gospel and the Holy spirit reach the saloon man and get him out of the business. Thus if God and the preacher do their duty and their work is effective they would be guilty of ruining the county, for he claimed the whiskey traffic to be a necessity. The preachers on the prohibition side came in for their usual share of abuse, are on their road to hell etc. Of course the whiskey preacher is all right and has a pass into glory. If Mr. Antony's Speech is the best the Antis have they had as well call in the hounds.

### Ice Notice.

This is to notify the public that I have the contract for this season's out put of Ice at the Chrystal Ice Plant, of Ballinger, and will in a few days be ready to deliver ice to citizens of Ballinger in any quantity from a nickles worth up. I guarantee weights and courteous treatment at all times. I will appreciate your patronage, and promise prompt and efficient service.

Very Respectfully,  
John Seibert.

"Prohibition is right anywhere it has no opposition and it follows that it cannot be the success its advocates hope for except where its adoption has universal assent" —Daily Ledger.

The Daily Ledger says: "The entire county will go wet two weeks from Saturday, if every Democrat does his duty." Now put by the side of this the following statement taken from same issue in speaking of voting out the saloon, "No set of men has any such right and when a majority claims it, it tramples upon one of the most sacred principles of Americanism. We have always thought that majority rule was Democracy but The Ledger has a new standard of Democracy as well as of right and wrong. How will he reconcile majority rule of Democracy with his new rule of "Universal Assent?"

The Daily Ledger quotes from the Brownwood News, under the heading "Christmas Whiskey," that during Christmas week it took the entire time of three men to handle the whiskey expressed to Brownwood: Let us grant the truthfulness of this statement and make a little calculation. Under the license system eight saloons in a town the size of Brownwood is a conservative estimate. Now it would take, at least, two men to each of these saloons to handle the whiskey sold by them. Thus, we see it would take sixteen men under the saloon system as against three under prohibition to handle the whiskey at Brownwood, which means that under the license system five times as much whiskey is sold as under prohibition. Again the Ledgers argument proves a boomerang.

Fresh Live Oak and mill flour on hand all the time, each kind guaranteed and made good if you should find a bad sack at Miller mer. Co.

From Wednesday's Daily.

### Drinking a Farm.

My homeless friend with the chromatic nose, while you are stirring up the sugar in that tencent glass of gin, let me give you a fact to wash it down with. You say you have longed for years for the free, independent life of the farmer, but have never been able to get enough money together to buy a farm, but this is where you are mistaken. For several years you have been drinking a good improved farm at the rate of one hundred square feet a gulp. If you doubt this statement figure it for yourself. An acre of land contains forty-three thousand, five hundred and sixty square feet. Estimating for convenience, the land at forty-three dollars and fifty cents per acre, you will see that this brings the land to just one mill per square foot. Now pour down that fiery dose and just imagine you are swallowing a strawberry patch. Call in five of your friends and have them help you gulp down that five hundred foot garden. Get on a prolonged spree some day and see how long a time it requires to swallow a pasture large enough to feed a cow. Put down that glass of gin! There is dirt in it—one hundred square feet of good, rich dirt, worth forty-three dollars and fifty cents per acre; but there are plenty of farms which do not value more than a tenth of forty-three dollars and fifty cents per acre. What an enormous acreage has gone down many a homeless drunkard's throat! No wonder such are buried in the potter's field. They have swallowed farms and gardens and homes, and even drank up their own graveyard. — Cherokee Signal.

### Henry W. Grady On Whiskey.

Henry W. Grady one of the greatest orators the South ever produced, said this of The Sale of Whiskey.

"Tonight it enters an humble home to strike the roses from the cheeks and tomorrow it challenges the Republic in the halls of Congress.

Today it strikes a crust of bread from a starving child, and tomorrow it levies a tribute from the government itself.

There is no cottage humble enough to escape it; no place strong enough to shut it out.

It defies the law when it cannot coerce it. It is flexible to cajole but merciless in victory. It is the mortal enemy of peace and order. The despoils of men and women. The cloud that shadows the face of children. The demon that has dug more graves and sent more souls unshrouded to judgment than all the wars since Joshua stood before Jerico.

It comes to ruin and it profits mainly by the ruin of your sons and mine.

It comes to mislead human hearts and to crush human hearts under its rumbling wheels. It comes to bring grey-haired fathers and mothers down to shame and sorrow. It comes to change the wife's love to despair and her pride to remorse.

It comes to stifle the music in the home and to fill it with silence and desolation. It comes to ruin your body, wreck your home and destroy your soul.

Some of the boys who don't go home till morning cause mourning when they do go home. — Ex.

A call meeting of the Odd Fellows to-morrow (Thursday) night. All members requested to be present work in 2nd degree.

From Wednesday's Daily.

### A Splendid Rain.

Telephone messages from all parts of the county indicate a general rain last night. The rain commenced to fall here about 10 o'clock and continued for several hours. Reports from Norton say a heavy rain fell there last night.

The rain at this time will make corn, cotton and feed prospects very flattering in Runnels County.

Have not heard from adjoining counties but it is believed that the rain was pretty general.

"Men are four," says an Arabic proverb:

"He who knows not, and knows not he knows not. He is a fool; shun him.

"He who knows not, and knows he knows not. He is simple; teach him.

"He who knows, and knows not he knows. He is asleep; wake him.

"He who knows, and knows that he knows. He is wise; follow him."

### The Editor's Song.

How dear to my heart is the steady subscriber,  
Who pays in advance, without skipping a year;  
Who lays down his dollar, and offers it gladly,  
And casts 'round the office a halo of cheer.

Who never says: "Stop it, I cannot afford it!"  
Or, "Getting more papers each day, than I read;"  
But always says, "Send it, the whole outfit likes it—  
In fact, we regard, it a business need."

How welcome is he when he steps in the sanctum,  
How he makes "our heart" throb, how he makes "our eye" dance!  
We outwardly thank him—we inwardly bless him—  
The steady subscriber who pays in advance!

—American Printer.

### If it Fails the Money's Yours.

Thousands of boxes of Hunt's Cure are being sold by the Southern druggists daily, for the simple reason that people are rapidly finding out that it is the best cure for any itching disease ever discovered. The first application relieves, and one box positively guaranteed to cure any one case.

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Have you pains in the back, inflammation of any kind, rheumatism, fainting spells, indigestion or constipation, Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea makes you well, keeps you well. 35 cents. Ask your Druggist.

It is claimed that prohibition increases taxes and piles up deficiencies. This statement does not appear to be borne out by the fact that in two years of local option in Bell County, even imperfectly enforced, the County's bonded indebtedness has been decreased \$18,000.—Advance.

### A Wonderful Record.

As made up by improved and exact processes Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a most efficient remedy for regulating all the womanly functions, correcting displacements, as prolapsus, anteversion and retroversion, overcoming painful periods, toning up the nerves and bringing about a perfect state of health. It cures the backache, periodical headaches, the dragging-down distress in the pelvic region, the pain and tenderness over lower abdominal region, dries up the pelvic catarrhal drain, so disagreeable and weakening, and overcomes every form of weakness incident to the organs distinctly feminine.

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Write to Dr. R. V. Pierce. He will send you good, fatherly, professional advice, in a plain, sealed envelope, absolutely free. Address him at Buffalo, N. Y.

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Mr. Antonys eloquent Fourth of July oration failed to materialize when he stood before Judge Jenkins at Miles.

Mr. Antony contradicts both the Bible and the conscience of all good people in his statement that there is nothing immoral either in the sale or drinking of whiskey.

If prohibition prohibits what it was intended to prohibit: and Mr. Antony says it does, then prohibition is not a failure, for it is intended to prohibit the sale of intoxicants in the territory where it is passed.

In the close of Judge Jenkins speech at Miles he brought as witnesses against the whiskey traffic, womanhood, the churches, the courts, the state legislators and the legal profession. Who can set aside the testimony of this array of competent witnesses.

1. The Constitution guarantees to every man his inalienable rights. 2. To sell intoxicating liquors is a privilege granted by law. 3. Therefore the Constitution guarantees to every man the right to sell intoxicating liquors. Reader, can you see anything wrong with this argument? Look at the second or minor premise. To sell whiskey is not a right but a privilege, Rights cannot be taken away, but privileges may be.

Anti-prohibition speakers claim they are not championing the cause of whiskey, but of Democracy and good government. Yet, we notice they are accompanied by saloon keepers from place to place during a prohibition campaign. Are whiskey dealers the campaigns of Democracy and good government? Why does the law place such strong restrictions about the saloon man to make him obey the law? Anti orators should either change their plea or change their company if they wish to be consistent.

Biennial meeting general federation of Womens Clubs St Paul Minn. May 30-June 7th. For the above occasion we will sell excursion tickets to St. Paul or Minneapolis Minn., and return at rate of one fare plus \$2.00 for round trip. Dates sales May 26th-28-29 and 30th 1906. Final return Limit June 12th.  
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From Wednesday's Daily.

### The Saloons.

The fight is not against personal liberty, it is not what you shall eat or wear; but the issue in this contest is narrowed down to one single proposition and every other point which has been lugged in is intended to deceive and mislead. Then what is the issue? It is the selling of intoxicating liquors in Runnels county. It is a fight against saloons. Now what is a Saloon? It is a place where liquors are sold for a price; it is a place where some people go to drink and treat one another and those who can't treat lounge around to be treated; it is a place where men gather to talk, laugh and imbibe liquors; it is a place where valuable time is wasted; where money is seeklessly squandered; where idle habits are formed; where dark plots are conceived and matured; where gambling is practiced; where political schemes are incubated; where public and private morals are debauched; where law-breakers and outlaws germinate; where murders and homicides are planned or perpetrated; where prohibition is defamed and discouraged; where young men found their vilest habits; where drunkards are made; where pauperism is begotten; where officers find their greatest employment and subjects for arrest; where jail birds are hatched; where slums are created; where nearly all the crimes and immoralities are generated. And yet some people say the liquor traffic is a great industry. What does it manufacture? Drunkards, widows, orphans and crimes. Are these products essential to the prosperity and happiness of a community? If they are, then vote to keep the saloons. If not, then in the name of humanity and christian morality vote against the Saloons.

### A Letter.

Ballinger, Texas May 22nd, 1906.  
Editor Banner-Leader;  
There appears in the Daily Ledger a standing communication under glowing head lines signed by Messrs Wilmeth and Ward, to the effect that Mr. Turner Moore, Chairman of the Prohibition Executive Committee, is in no manner connected with the Citizens National Bank and has never been.

Will some one tell us the purpose of this communication? Who

is circulating the report that he is connected with the bank, and what difference would it make to the public generally, whether he is or is not employed by it? He is a high minded gentleman with business qualifications second to none, and I believe was induced to come to this county by the bank, and if I mistake not the Ledger recently gave him a complimentary write up and spoke of him in the highest terms. Why then all this fuss about nothing and why keep before the public in bold type the fact that he is not connected with the bank, when no one so far as I have heard has ever claimed that he was? Is this for the purpose of making the public believe that the Citizens National Bank is throwing all its influence on the side of Anti-prohibition, and that it has adopted these tactics, hoping to discredit the work of a competent man on the other side, or is the bank afraid that unless it keeps the fact of his non connection with that institution before the public constantly, it might lose the small account of some Anti? Is it only the accounts of Antis that are worth anything? Will some one please tell us, why all this, "Much ado about nothing?"

Citizen.

### Your Lumber Bill.

Let the Quarles Lumber Co. figure on your bill of lumber before making your purchase. They will save you money.

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The proprietors of the steam swing left for Coleman today at noon, where they will set for a few days. Owing to protracted meeting and public speakings they say their business was not very satisfactory here. They intend to come back to Ballinger in August provided the Re-Union is held here this summer.

New line of Men's neckwear at Ballinger Dry Goods Co.

### The Joint Discussion at Miles

The joint discussion at Miles last night between Ed. L. Antony and Judge Jenkins attracted a large and attentive audience. Mr. Antony spoke for one hour and was followed by Judge Jenkins who spoke for one and a half hours and Mr. Antony then closed in a thirty minute speech. Mr. Antony admitted that prohibition will and does prohibit all that was intended it should prohibit, but made the plea that the open saloon is better than prohibition on the ground that under prohibition minors, habitual drunkards and students can order whiskey while the saloon keeper is not allowed to sell to them. Judge Jenkins showed that they can order it under the license system as well as under prohibition and Mr. Antony admitted it. Judge Jenkins utterly annihilated Mr. Antony's statement about prohibition ruining a town by giving facts about Brownwood before and since prohibition went into effect. As to prohibition being unconstitutional, Judge Jenkins showed that all the courts had passed upon the matter, and Antony said that the courts are all wrong about it. In contending for rights of the saloon keeper, Judge Jenkins asked him what about the gamblers, when he became very much confused much to the amusement of the audience who laughed at his confusion. He was forced to champion the cause of gambling as well as the whiskey traffic. Mr. Antony's sophisms were swept away as so many cobwebs. It is an utter waste of time and energy to put such a man as Judge Jenkins against Antony. This writer feels if he had a boy 15 years of age who could not successfully meet Antony he would feel like giving him a spanking.

Saloons make drunkards, and God has said no drunkard shall inherit the Kingdom of Heaven. Can any Christian vote to send his fellow man to hell. That is what you do when you vote for the saloon.—Ex.

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From Tuesday's Daily.

### Prohibition and Crime.

S. H. Morgan, ex-chaplain of Huntsville State penitentiary, Willis, Texas, says: "There are twenty-three prohibition counties in Texas that have no convicts in the penitentiary. nine have only one, seven have only two. These eighty-eight counties furnish only twenty-four convicts. San Jacinto, with open saloons and a population of 10,277, has twenty-five convicts in the penitentiary; Montgomery county, with open saloons and a population of 17,067, has forty-one convicts in the penitentiary. These two counties have three times as many convicts as the above thirty-nine. Collin county, with prohibition and a population of 50,087, has twenty-three convicts. Lamar county, with saloons and a population of 48,727 has ninety-six convicts. Here are nearly 6 to 1 in favor of prohibition, and yet the antis say prohibition increases crime. Taking the prohibition territory throughout, there is one convict to about 1,500 population. In whisky territory there is one convict to 500 population. On this basis the open saloon is responsible for two-thirds of all the crime. These are proven facts.—Exchange.

### For Texans.

The Christian Endeavor of Atlanta observed World's Temperance Sunday. In addition to a regular program, several enthusiastic talks were given. We quote briefly from the pastor of the Baptist church, Rev. E. P. West:

"As in the early days of the Lone Star's struggle for freedom the war cry became, 'Remember the Alamo,' so in later times when a greater foe contracts us, let us face the enemy with a 'Remember the Widow's Son', 'Remember the Wrecked Home,' 'Remember Alcoholism's hell.' The fierce battle of the Alamo destroyed only the body. Shall we not still greater fear the destroyer of both soul and body? 'No drunkard shall inherit eternal life.'—Texas White Ribbon.

"A Pertinent question has been propounded: If these new people now agitating prohibition and are responsible for the present disturbance, prefer to live in a prohibition town, what did they come here for?"—Daily Ledger.

Such argument as this would destroy all progress. The community might need more and better school buildings but a new-comer should never suggest such a thing. The pastor of a church if a new-comer should suggest no improvement to his congregation. If a pool of stagnant water should threaten the health of the people a new-comer should not suggest its drainage. In fact a new-comer should not subscribe for the Ledger until he consults the wishes of some old settler.

### Saw Sharpening a Specialty.

Have been at the carpenters trade for 50 years, but only work at the bench now, and I can sharpen your saws and put them in as good shape as new, and guarantee good work. Work from all over the county solicited and from carpenters in town who are two busy to sharpen.

J. C. Carter,  
Ballinger, Texas.

C. W. Weddington came down from San Angelo today to look after the interest of the Singer Sewing Machine Co. He is manager of the San Angelo office.

From Tuesday's Daily.

### Are Club Rooms Lawful?

For the benefit of those who think that club rooms can be run legally, we reproduce the law relative to the subject, found on page 91 Acts of the last Legislature. Read it carefully and decide for yourself:—

Section 1. If any person, firm or association of persons agent or employe of any persons firm or association of persons who are engaged in the business or occupation of keeping or storing spirituous, vinous, or intoxicating liquors for others within any county, justice precinct, subdivision of a county, city or town in which the sale of spirituous, vinous and intoxicating liquors has been prohibited under the laws of this State, shall permit any one to drink any spirituous, vinous or intoxicating liquors within such place of business, such person, firm or association of persons, agent or employe, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 2. If any person, firm or association of persons or any agent or employe, shall be found guilty of the above defined offense they shall be punished by a fine in any sum not less than twenty five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) and by confinement in the county jail for not less than twenty nor more than sixty days.

### Indians Coming.

Harvey Homewood and his famous band of Sioux Indians will play the Ballinger boys a game of base ball Saturday May 26th. They carry their own grand stand with them which has a seating capacity of 1000.

Judging from the reputation these "warriors" carry with them, the writer is glad that he is not a member of the Ballinger nine, however we hope to see Ballinger win out victorious.

### Another Change of Heart.

The following from Monday's Daily Ledger shows that a wonderful change has come over the editor.

The new comer, if a voter, has as much right to express himself on any question as an old timer and no sensible citizen will deny that he has, and if The Ledger is correctly informed a considerable majority of those who will cast their first in Runnels county this year will cast it against prohibition, in spite of the effort to make it appear The Ledger is trying to dictate to them what they shall do or not do.

If "no sensible citizen will deny" that the new comer has such rights, then why has the Ledger been so severe in criticizing him. The editor of The Ledger now seems to be deeply convicted and it is our earnest desire that he may soon be converted.

If Soloman was here he could not say "There is nothing new under the Sun." The Ledger has invented a bran new standard of right and wrong. A thing that has opposition is wrong, and a thing that has universal assent is right. We challenge The Ledger to show that anything is either right or wrong by such a standard. No good exists to day by universal assent. But let us apply The Ledger's standard to the saloon. "The saloon is right only where it has no opposition and it follows that it cannot prove the success its advocates hope for except where its adoption has universal assent. How do you like your logic, Ledger?

From Tuesday's Daily.

### "A Deserted Village."

"Paris, Texas, April 14.—Paris wears the appearance of the poet's deserted village tonight—not a soiled dove in the abandoned slums, not a sport about the hotels. The ballots of the people, with the aid of the court of civil appeals at Dallas and the United States circuit court in New Orleans, have driven the forty legal saloons to other locations; the sheriff, his deputies and the county attorney have compelled the other above-named persons to leave their ancient and once hospitable abodes. Paris is a moral city tonight in the Puritan sense of the word. The soda fountains and the ice-cream parlors alone refresh the belated pedestrian. About the depot, where once clustered a group of beer gardens and saloons, only bare walls and closed doors greet the thirsty traveler. For the first Saturday night in many years a drink cannot be bought in this city and a gambler cannot be found. The change is great."—Special to the Times-Herald.

We commend the above press dispatch to the Runnels County Ledger and its readers. If prohibition has swept Paris clear of Beer gardens, saloons, gamblers and sports so that "a drink cannot be bought" and "a gambler cannot be found," it certainly should be welcomed in Ballinger. Prohibition won't prohibit—Eh? Put a moral public sentiment back of honest efficient officers and see whether or not it will prohibit.

J. L. Lee, a wealthy farmer of the Maverick country, was in town today, and reports everything pretty dry up in his section of the county. He said it had rained around Maverick but none to speak of in his locality.

"Mark" Anthony, the great lawyer, statesman, preacher, congressman, constitutional interpreter, lawmaker, reformer and bay-window-stomached booze advocate, came in from Waco yesterday and delivered one of his famous window-shaking, Forth of July, Declaration of Independence harrangues in the Court House at 8:30, p. m.

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To have the pain and aches of a bad back removed; to be entirely free from annoying, dangerous urinary disorders is enough to make any kidney sufferer grateful. To tell how this great change can be brought about will prove comforting words to hundreds of Ballinger.

Alfred Morton, bricklayer and mason, living on Sharp St. Brownwood, Texas, says: "My wife has been a constant suffer from rheumatism and kidney trouble for four years and during that time she used innumerable medicines and tried about everything known. Finally I got Doan's Kidney Pills and they did her more good than anything else she had used. They helped the rheumatic pains and relieved her of the excruciating aching across the small of the back, besides correcting the secretions which had been very irregular, and banished the dizzy spells and headaches. Doan's Kidney Pills are in my opinion the most valuable medicine for the kidneys."

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Try some of our New England Bread sold by.  
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## Rates To California Will Remain in Effect on the Santa Fe.

Owing to the recent disaster in San Francisco there will be no meeting of the National Educational Association in 1906.

In order that those who have anticipated the pleasure of making a trip to California, may not be disappointed, the Santa Fe has decided to permit their rates and arrangements for the above named meetings, as heretofore announced, to remain in effect.

For those that may not be familiar with these arrangements we give them below:

For National Educational Association Convention at San Francisco, to have been held in July, a rate of one fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip will be in effect, selling June 25th to July 7th, final limit September 15th.

As stopover privileges are allowed on these tickets, you may visit the Grand Canyon of Arizona, Petrified Forest and Moki Indian Pueblos.

Drop me a card for descriptive booklets and any other information you may desire regarding trip to California.  
W. S. Keenan,  
Galveston, Texas.  
G. P. A., G. C. & S. F. R. R.

Mrs. C. P. Shepherd went to San Angelo Friday to visit her aunt Mrs. C. A. Daily.

## Santa Fe Specials.

State Retail Grocers Association, Denison, Texas June 12th-13th, 1906. For the above occasion you may sell excursion tickets to Denison and return at rates 1 1-3. Dates of sale: Sell June 11th and for trains Arriving in Denison morning of June 12th. Limit all tickets to continuous passage in each direction and to June 14th, 1906, for final return. Rates for children 5 and under 12 years of age will be one half of the adult rate, adding 2 1-2 when necessary to make child's rate end in 0 or 5.

State Convention Knights of Columbus, San Antonio, Tex., May 6-10, 1906. For the above occasion you may sell excursion tickets to San Antonio and return at rates 1 1-3 fare. Dates of sale, Sell May 5th and 6th. Limit tickets to May 11th, 1906, for final return. Rates for children 5 and under 12 years of age will be one half of the adult rate, adding 2 1-2 when necessary to make child's rate end in 0 or 5.

General Assembly Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Decatur, Ill., May 17th-24, 1906. For the above occasion you may sell excursion tickets to Decatur, Ill., and return at rate of One Standard First Class Limited Fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip. Sell May 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th, 1906. Limit May 30th,

Kentucky Home-Coming, Louisville, Ky., June 13-17, 1906. For the above occasion you may sell excursion tickets to Louisville, Ky., and return at rate of One Standard First Class Limited Fare Plus \$2.00 for the round trip. Sell June 11th, 12th and 13th. Limit (30) days from date of sale.

Meeting Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Texas, Yorktown, Tex., May 3d-8th, 1906. For the above occasion you may sell excursion tickets to Yorktown and return at rates 1 1-3 fare. Sell May 2d and for trains arriving in Yorktown morning of May 3d. Limit to May 9th, 1906, for final return. Rates for children 5 and under 12 years of age will be one half of the adult rate, adding 2 1-2 when necessary to make child's rate end in 0 or 5.

### Holman-Erwin.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Mr. Geo. Holman and Miss Mildred Erwin, Wednesday June 6th at half past two o'clock at the First Presbyterian Church.

### Speaking at Crews.

The speaking at Crews was largely attended Thursday night by both pros and antis, and was well received.

Mrs. Geo. Pearce entertained the Merry Matrons Friday of this week.

Miss Lillie Holmes, niece of Mrs. R. A. Smith entertained a few friends at the latter's residence Friday.

Miss Lee, who has been the guest of Miss Minnie Guion Francis the past week returned to San Angelo Friday.

Mrs. Max Rucker, returned this week from Houston, Belton, and Jennings, La. where she has been visiting the past two months.

The Banner-Leader is in receipt of an invitation through the kindness of Merle Starnes to attend the Graduating exercises of Daniel Baker College at Brownwood Wednesday, May 30th 1906. There are five graduates in the Literary Department of this excellent college.

J. W. Turner of Hillsboro was here this week visiting our town and county. He was surprised at the rapid growth we had made in two years.

Fresh Straw Berries, Snap Beans, New Potatoes and other fresh vegetables daily at  
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Mrs. M. M. Caperton and daughter Miss Alpha came in from San Angelo Tuesday where they had been visiting S. B. Caperton.

Chamberlain's Salve is good for any disease of the skin. It allays the itching and burning sensation instantly. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

Elmer Sheppard, A. J. Thorp and C. J. Green, three young men of Ballinger, made a flying visit to Paint Rock Sunday, and called on the Chief while here.—Concho Chief.

Dr. Caldwell, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Fort Worth, who has been on trial for preaching heresy, was acquitted at Greenville, South Carolina, by one vote in the highest church court in session at that place.

### An Anti-Gun-Kicking Invention.

Two artificers in the government arsenal at Budapest have perfected an arrangement for obviating the recoil of a rifle when it is fired. The contrivance consists of springs placed in the butt of the weapon, which are acted upon by compressed air.

### Tennessee's New Pension Roll.

Tennessee now has 1,445 names on its state pension roll of old soldiers, and the total amount paid to them in the last year was \$149,720. No more names can be added unless the Legislature increases the appropriation. The pensioners are divided into three classes; the first receive \$300 a year, the second \$200, and the third \$100.

### Differing Opinions as to Cancer.

The second report of the cancer committee to the Harvard medical school is published in the Journal of Medical Research. The enumeration of the principal conclusions of these investigations shows that the theory that cancer is caused by a parasite, in whatever form it may be stated, does not receive a trace of support. Thus the Boston investigators reach conclusions which are diametrically opposed to those of the Buffalo investigators headed by Gaylord and Park.

### Now Watson's a Historian.

Thomas E. Watson of Georgia, once a famous People's Party leader, is under contract with the Macmillan Company to write a history of the United States, and is now engaged in getting the material together for the purpose of entering upon the task early this summer.

### Even Snake Meat is Scarce.

"Since snake skin has become so fashionable in wallets, belts and cigarette cases," said a zoo keeper in one of the big Eastern cities recently, "we find rather a dearth of snakes each month, not for exhibition purposes, but as a food, for many of our most valuable specimens are canibals, and will eat nothing but their own kind. Well, up to a year ago, men visited us regularly with snakes for sale, and we had no difficulty in buying all the 'pines' and 'blacks' and 'garters' we desired at from 5 to 20 cents a piece, according to size. But now these men sell their snakes to tanners, and get for them three or four times more than we can afford to pay. So I don't know what we are going to do for snake meat unless we start a farm, and in the future grow right here the food snakes that we need."

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Constipation is the cause of most Headaches. There is only one remedy that will promptly stop a Headache while the Constipation is being cured.

To illustrate: Suppose you awake with a dull, heavy Headache. The telltale "fur" on your tongue proves that the trouble comes from Constipation.

Before breakfast take a glass half full of water and into it pour a tablespoonful of

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Instantly it fills the glass with sparkling seltzer like a tiny boiling spring. Drain the glass quickly, and by breakfast time your head will be as clear as a bell!

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Being absolutely free from harmful drugs, it is safe and agreeable to the most delicate stomach.

Doctors warn you against Headache Powders, Cathartic Pills and Tablets because they not only do not effect permanent cures, but are dangerous.

They recommend SAL-T-NA. Get a full-size bottle of SAL-T-NA from your druggist to-day and test its curative power. Price 50 cents.

Drop a postal for valuable book FREE.

THE MUTUAL DRUG CO.,  
Cleveland, Ohio

For Sale by Walker Drug Co.

From Wednesday's Daily.

### How Prohibition Works in Fannin County.

Bonham, Texas, May 22, 1906  
Mr. W. J. Moore,  
Ballinger, Texas.

Dear sir: In reply to your favor of the 21st will say that the people of Fannin County are well pleased with the result of local option. This is evidenced by the fact that after having given it a trial for nearly three years, in March last an election was called by those favoring the open saloon, and the result was a verdict in favor of local option by a majority of nearly 1700 votes.

For the first year and a half the law was in effect we labored under the difficulty of having a county attorney who did not think it a violation of the law to run a cold storage and a number of other subterfuges to evade the law.

Neither was the sheriff very active in his efforts to enforce the law. At the election in November 1904 the people said they wanted the law enforced, and said it by electing a county attorney and a sheriff who pledged themselves to enforce the law, close the cold storage and dives.

These officers have been true to their pledges, and the dives have been closed. There is not now, and has not been for some time, a cold storage or a blind tiger in the county. As a result drunkenness and crime have decreased greatly. It is seldom that a drunken man is seen, and when he is found he has to tell the of-

ficers where he got his liquor.

Of course the law is violated sometimes, but not as often as many other laws are. Some liquor is shipped in by express, but only a very small fraction of what our saloons used to sell. The amount shipped in this way is constantly decreasing. This county voted a good majority for local option, and the people are well pleased with its effects. No honest, truthful man will say that prohibition does not prohibit in Fannin County, for it does.

The liquor interests made a long, hard fight here, but they are scattered to the four winds of Heaven now. Only a few of our former saloon men remain here and they are engaged in other pursuits.

Morally, socially, financially every way prohibition is a success in Fannin County. The fight for this success was long and bitter, but the result repays us a hundred fold for all we have labored and sacrificed and suffered.

Very truly  
Ashley Evans,  
Editor News.

P. S.—Sheriff Wise hands me the letter you wrote him and requests me to answer it. You can say that he endorses what I say, and will vouch for its truthfulness.

The White Mountain Refrigerators are cold, dry and roomy. Made of best material throughout. Planned and built on scientific principles. Heavy air-tight walls. See them at Ostertag Furniture Co's.

From Wednesday's Daily.

### JUDGE C. H. JENKINS

#### Will Probably be a Candidate For The Legislature.

We have learned that at the request of a petition signed by the citizens of Brown and Coleman counties, Hon. C. H. Jenkins, of Brownwood, has given his consent to become a candidate for the Legislature. His friends have tried to persuade him many times to run for office in years past, but he would always decline upon the grounds that his law business was so extensive that it demanded his undivided attention.

It would not be doing Judge Jenkins justice to speak of him as being the greatest man that Brownwood has ever had for a citizen, nor to say he is the greatest man that West Texas has ever produced; but to speak of him as one of Texas' noblest sons, we voice the sentiment of his countless friends throughout all Texas. He is a man of the highest type of moral character; a man whose integrity has never on any occasion been questioned, and a man whose intelligence is envied by every one who knows him. As a lawyer, he stands without a peer in Texas, having a practice that covers the entire State; as a logical statesman, not only Texas, but the entire South should feel proud of him. As an orator and word painter he has no equal in any country.

The writer has known Judge Jenkins for many years, having been born and principally reared up in Brown County, and it is with pleasure that we endorse him to the voters of his Representative District, yet we feel like Judge Jenkins deserves a higher office than he has, through the persuasion of his many friends, aspired to.

Runnels county is in the throes of a local option campaign and there appears to be a disposition to stir up as much ill feeling as possible and the newspapers are used as the medium. The chances are that the campaign will in the way it is being handled, cause such a diversion of the people that Runnels county will be a long while recovering from its effects. People should vote their sentiments on the question and allow others the privilege of doing the same thing without injecting personal spleen into the campaign.—Brownwood Daily Bulletin.

The Banner-Leader is doing all in its power to keep hurtful personalities out of this campaign and honestly thinks it has succeeded reasonably well. But suppose it should take a long time for the people to recover from the effects of the campaign, it will certainly take a long time to recover from the effects of the whiskey traffic and many will never recover from its sad effect in time nor in eternity. But we have confidence in the integrity and intelligence of our people and do not believe any lasting enmities will result.

#### Traders Fire Ins. Co.

The Traders Fire Ins., Co., of Chicago went to the wall by reason of the San Francisco Fire, this week. Lee Maddox of this city was the representative of this Co., and he immediately placed all risks which he had insured in this Co., in another Co., without cost to the policy holder.

Lost—Three year old sorrel horse, fore top cut out any information as to his whereabouts will be thankfully received by R. A. Terry, County Clerk.

### Notice of Special Stockholders Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the stockholders of the Abilene & Northern Railway Company has been called by the Board of Directors of said company to convene at the general office of said company of the Farmers and Merchants' National Bank in the city of Abilene, Taylor county, Texas, at 9 o'clock a. m. on the 28th day of June, A. D. 1906, which meeting is called for the purpose of considering and authorizing the making, execution and delivery of the first mortgage bonds of said company in an amount not exceeding \$20,000 per mile for each mile of main line constructed or thereafter to be constructed by said company, said bonds to be payable in gold coin at a time not exceeding thirty years from their date, and to bear interest not exceeding 6 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and to be issued for the purpose of paying for completing, improving, equipping and operating the said line of railroad for the purpose of considering and authorizing the making, execution and delivery of a first mortgage on the property of said company, (for the purpose of securing said bonds,) to-wit:

The line of railroad now under construction belonging to the Abilene & Northern Railway Company and beginning at a point on the line of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad at or near the town of Hamlin in Jones county, Texas, and running thence in a south-westerly direction to and through the town of Anson in Jones county, thence continuing in a southeasterly direction through the counties of Jones and Taylor to the town of Abilene in Taylor county, Texas; thence continuing in a general southerly direction through the counties of Taylor, Runnels, Coleman, Concho and McCulloch to the town of Brady in McCulloch county, Texas, with a branch beginning at or near the town of Anson in Jones county, Texas, and running thence in a northerly direction to the town of Stamford in Jones county, including all the franchises of said Railway Company together with all the right of way, depot grounds, terminal facilities, sidings, structures, depots, improvements and real estate, together with all equipment, rolling stock, machinery, engines, round houses, shops, buildings, tools and any and all property owned by said Abilene & Northern Railway Company in the Counties of Jones, Taylor, Coleman, Concho, Runnels and McCulloch in the State of Texas, and such other property of said Railway Company that may hereafter be acquired or so much thereof as the stockholders of said company may authorize.

Abilene, Texas, April 9th, 1906.

D. T. Bomar  
Secretary, Abilene & Northern Railway company.

### Sciatica Cured After Twenty Years of Torture.

For more than twenty years Mr. J. B. Massey, of 3322 Clinton St, Minneapolis, Minn., was tortured by sciatica. The pain and suffering which he endured during this time is beyond comprehension. Nothing gave him any permanent relief until he used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. One application of that liniment relieved the pain and made sleep and rest possible, and less than one bottle has effected a permanent cure. If troubled with sciatica or rheumatism why not try a 25-cent bottle of Pain Balm and see for yourself how quickly it relieves the pain. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

#### Wanted Stock to Pasture.

Have grass for 150 head. Permanent water in Oak Creek. Charge 20 cents per month for cattle and 40 cents for horses.  
A. T. Tuerpe.  
Mazeland, Texas. 2-t

#### Notice to Farmers.

I am writing hail Insurance this year. If you want your wheat or oat crop insured against hail, write to or call on Ernest Plumer, Ins. Agent, Ballinger, Texas.

The biggest and best stock of watches, Jewelry and etc at Jas. E. Brewers.

### If Your Buggy Needs Painting or Re-rubbing

- or in fact any other repairs, call at
- Gressett & Hick's shop and let S. D. DeGuire do the work. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Phone 204

With Gressett & Hicks  
S. D. DeGUIRE.

### CRAIG & WILLIAMS

The Photographers.

Successors to Otto Schick.

All up-to-date styles of work, first-class in every respect.

We give away a nice Medalion with each dozen cabinet photos.

See us when in the city  
Opposite Citizens National Bank.

Ballinger, - - Texas

### Portraits! Portraits!

It will pay anyone interested in high grade Portraits to reserve their order for W. R. Meador, as he is making a canvas of the same territory made by him last year. He does nothing but high grade work, and will deliver in the fall or make special delivery if desired.

Cures Tetter, Eczema, Itch (all kinds) Dew Poison, Pimples, Ring-worm, Skin Eruptions, Chapped Faces and Hands, Cere, Sweaty, Swollen, Blistered Feet, Cotton Pickers Pick 1/4 More Cotton by Using It.



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### Miss Nora A. Fletcher,

Trained Nurse.

BALLINGER, TEXAS.

Will be ready to nurse patients for all the physicians of the city, or any others needing her services.

PHONE 193.



DR. S. L. HICKS, Dentist.

Office over First National bank. Modern Painless Methods used. All work guaranteed.

BALLINGER, - - TEXAS.

Men Don't Talk

### Of Groceries

As much as women do, perhaps, but all the same they know good groceries when they are cooked and put on the table. :- :- :- :-

LET US sell you your groceries one month and show you that our prices and goods are right. Fresh vegetables always on hand. We want your country produce and pay the top of the market.

Ellis Grocery Company.

# Hall Hardware Co.

Ballinger, Texas.

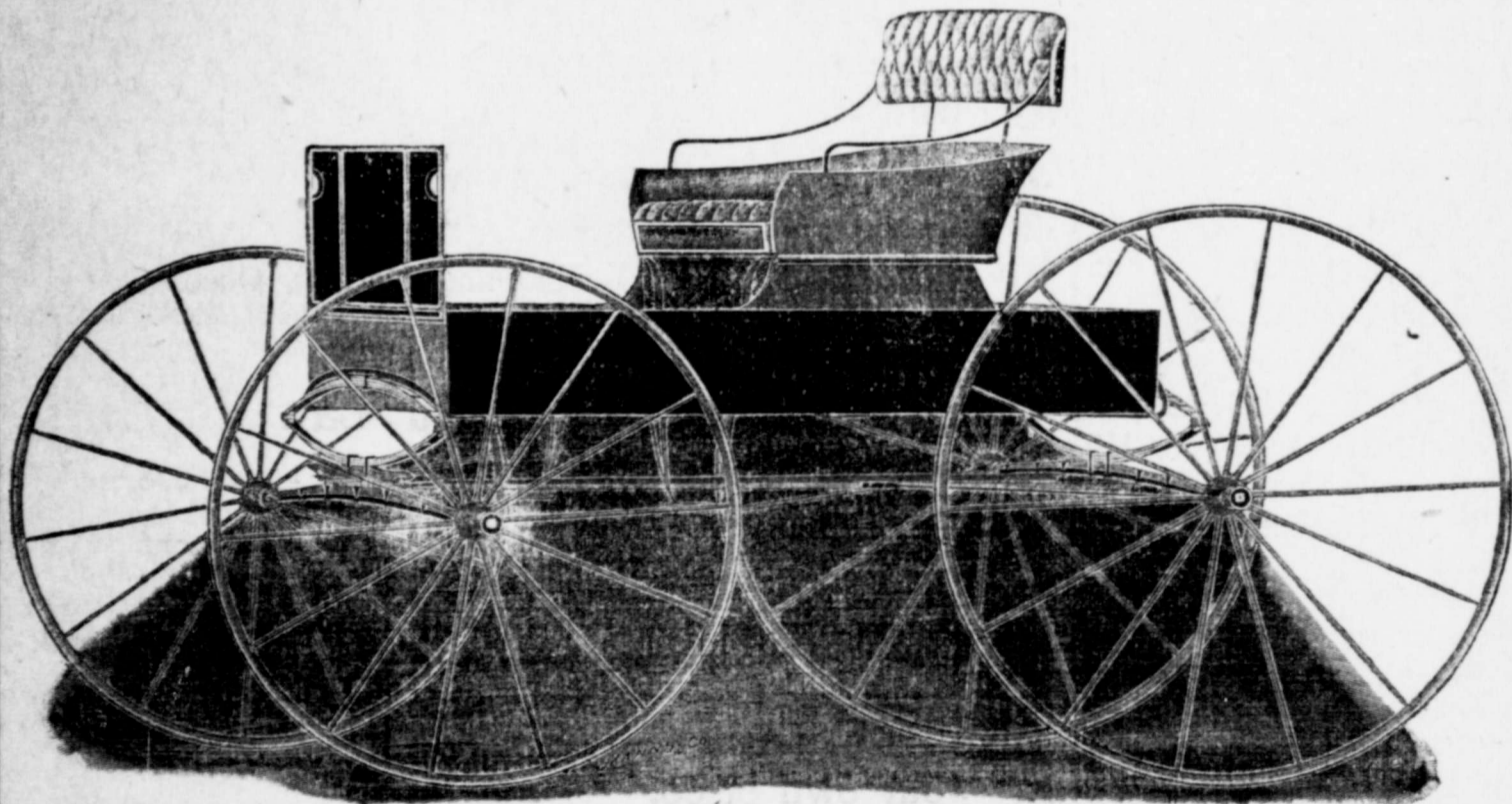
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Planters, Cultivators,  
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We Will Appreciate Your Business.

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# Hall Hardware Co

## Not Coming But Here



A full line of High Grade Buggies and Surries. New and Second Hand Furniture.  
For Bargains every day in the week see

## Lankford & Hathaway.

### For Rent or Sale.

A desirable 4 room residence well furnished, 2 blocks from Court House, newly finished and complete. Apply at

Banner-Leader.

Contractor J. W. Moore left today at noon for Lampasas where he goes to meet a party from Marlin to figure on a big job. He will return on tomorrow's train.

Happy homes or ventable hells which do you prefer?

Jas. E. Brewer is after your Jewelry business see us in First Nat'l Bank Bldg.



The Greatest Eye Glass in the World.  
For sale by Walker Drug Co.

## Coleman Nursery

Fruit and Ornamental Trees. Rose and  
Ornamental Trees a specialty. : : :

O. D. Battle.

Coleman, Texas.

## Crews Furniture Co.

Furniture Dealers, Funeral  
Directors and Licensed Em-  
balmers.

Business Phone 66. Residence Phone 99.

From Tuesday's Daily.

### A FRACAS AT THE HOBBYHORSE.

#### Three Men Arrested.

There was considerable excitement around at the Hobby-Horse last night which was located just north of the Light plant and near the railroad track. A drunken man by the name of W. H. Helfler was riding on the swing and the proprietor fearing that he would fall off and hurt himself, asked him in a polite manner to get off of the swing, which he emphatically refused to do. Thereupon the manager of the swing called upon Jack McKay, the City Marshal to see if he could not persuade him to get off. The marshal asked him in a manly way several times to get off, but he refused to do so, and informed the marshal that he would not get off and cursed him and said he could not put him off. When Mr. McKay attempted to put him off he resisted and made fight, and some of the drunken man's friends or relatives undertook to get the marshal's pistol away from him, and in the scuffle the pistol was accidentally discharged, the ball entering the ground without hitting anyone. One of the proprietors of the swing got hold of the pistol and fired it off several times, he claimed, to attract the attention of other officers.

Several citizens came to the rescue of McKay and they soon had the drunken man under control. In all about three arrests have been made growing out of the fracas last night. Mr. McKay received an ugly but not serious wound on the right jaw, also received a painful wound on one of his fore-fingers.

While John Maddox was putting the prisoner or prisoners in jail, somehow in closing a door he cut the end off of one of C. B. Armstrong's fingers, Mr. Armstrong having been assisting him in some way.

#### Sore Nipples.

A cure may be effected by applying Chamberlain's Salve as soon as the child is done nursing. Wipe it off with a soft cloth before allowing the child to nurse. Many trained nurses use this salve with the best results. Price 25 cents per box. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Talk it down and vote it down boys, but don't drink it down.

#### Letter to W. F. Sharp.

Ballinger, Texas.

The police are finding us out. Officer L. H. Pinney, of Erie, Pa. painted his house Devoe, perhaps two or three years ago the tale don't tell when—the painter objected, but Pinney insisted.

Two neighbors of Pinney's have painted since: one lead and oil, the other some other paint don't know what.

But officer Pinney lives in the nicest painted house of the three. The rest of the story we don't know: what it costs the three to paint. We can guess: about half for officer Pinney.

Yours truly  
F. W. Devoe & Co.  
Ballinger Lumber Co. sell our paint.

#### It is Dangerous to Neglect a Cold.

How often do we hear it remarked: "It's only a cold," and a few days later learn that the man is on his back with pneumonia. This is of such common occurrence that a cold, however slight, should not be disregarded. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia, and has gained its great popularity and extensive sale by its prompt cures of this most common ailment. It always cures and is pleasant to take. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

#### White Mountain Refrigerator.

It is well to remember that these Refrigerators are the product of the largest refrigerator manufacturing plant in the world. For the reason that this factory is located near the great forests of pine and hardwood, raw material is purchased at the lowest possible cost. This is why the best Refrigerators in the world are sold at a moderate price. For sale by Ostertag Furniture Co.

It pours the oil of life into your system. It warms you up and starts the life blood circulating. That's what Hollister's Rocky Mountain does. 35 cents. Tea or Tablets. Ask your Druggist.

# DR. PRICE'S Cream Baking Powder

Good Health depends upon the food you eat.

Adds to the healthfulness of all risen flour-foods, while it makes the food lighter, sweeter, finer-flavored, more delicious.

Exercise care in purchasing baking powder to see that you get Dr. Price's, which makes the food more wholesome and at the same time more palatable.

**NOTE**—There are many mixtures, made in imitation of good baking powders, which the prudent will avoid. They may be known by their price, being sold for ten to twenty-five cents a pound, or a cent an ounce. They are made with alum, interfere with the healthfulness of the food.

## Joint Discussions.

The Local Option question will be discussed by "Anti" and "Pro" at the following places and dates:

- Miles Tues. May 22 at 8:30 p. m.
- Winters Wed. May 23 at 8:30 p. m.
- Crews Thurs. May 24 at 8:30 p. m.
- Norwood Fri. May 25 at 8:30 p. m.
- Ballinger Sat. May 26 at 8:30 p. m.
- Maverick Mon. May 28 at 8:30 p. m.
- Norton Tues. May 29 at 8:30 p. m.
- Wingate Wed. May 30 at 8:30 p. m.
- Pumphrey Thurs. May 31 at 8:30 p. m.

The ladies as well as children are especially invited to be present. Speakers on both sides to be selected from the very best talent in the state.

## Azalia Club.

Since the organization of the Azalia Club the custom has been to entertain each member just previous to her approaching marriage. On Thursday afternoon this club entertained in honor of Miss Mildred Erwin, the bride elect, at the home of Miss Minnie G. Francis.

In the double parlors were decorations of pink and white roses, the club colors, here assembled the merry party to engage in the social game of whist. A dainty luncheon, consisting of a salad course was next served. The hostess Miss Francis then invited all into an adjoining room where each one eagerly awaiting some surprise. From the ceiling of this room was suspended a dainty white, fluffy parasol with numerous pink bows and streamers attached, under this stood the bride elect who was fairly showered with dozens of pink and white parcels and upon opening each, exclamations of appreciation were expressed while her heart was full of love and gratitude for all who so sweetly remembered her on this occasion. The guest then went in a body to The Walker Drug Company's Store where all sorts of refreshing drinks were being served this being their opening day and after being served the merry party expressed their thanks for the courtesy extended.

## A Grand Opening.

At 2 o'clock p. m. Thursday the Walker Drug Co. opened its doors to the public for the purpose of serving cold drinks free to everyone who would call for them. A stream of people passed in and out at its doors during the entire evening and many delicious drinks were served. A nice souvenir was given away to each lady attending.

## Deaths.

The Crews Furniture Co. report two deaths this week, as follows: Mrs. McAulay, of Eden, mother of W. A. McAulay, one of Runnels county's oldest settlers died Wednesday. Mrs. G. S. Pendleton, of Truitt, died Thursday evening.

## Concho Locals.

The Concho settlement was greatly surprised Friday morning to see a twelve foot rise on the Concho. The rain here was very light.

Elder W. S. Griffin has returned from Miles Monday where he has been for the last two weeks.

F. T. Griffin was in Paint Rock Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gam went to Ballinger Thursday.

Mr. Dick Tillery went to Eola Monday.

Miss Dolores Gam of Leday was visiting relatives at this place Sunday.

Fred King, who has been in Kileen studying pharmacy, has returned home with a diploma.

Bryon Lowery of Talpa was visiting in Concho Friday Saturday and Sunday.

Pinck Griffin and Bennet King were in Paint Rock trading Friday.

Farmers have commenced chopping cotton. Crops are doing fine.

Every body went to Millers View Saturday and had a grand time. Millers View's coming-out was something to be proud of. The program in the morning and afternoon were surprisingly good. At night the Millers View Dramatic Company entertained about fifteen hundred people. It was fine.

Blue-J.

## To Whom It May Concern:

The State of Texas, } This is  
County of Hill. } to certify that after a careful inspection and close examination of the records of the Corporation and other Courts of Hubbard City, Texas, for two years immediately preceding and for two years immediately subsequent to the opening of saloons in said city the following is a correct statement and true comparison of the criminal cases appearing on the dockets of said courts during said time:

First—Before the legalized sale of whiskey and under local option, beginning April 1st, 1898, and terminating June 1st, 1900:

Drunkenness, Disturbing Peace, Affrays etc.,	54
Other Miscellaneous Offenses	26
<b>TOTAL CASES UNDER LOCAL OPTION FOR TWO YEARS</b>	<b>82</b>

Second—After the repeal of Local Option and under the licensed saloon system, beginning June 1st, 1900, and terminating June 1st, 1902:

Drunkenness, Disturbing Peace, Affrays, etc	212
Other Miscellaneous Offenses	82
<b>TOTAL CASES UNDER LICENSED SALOONS FOR TWO YEARS</b>	<b>282</b>

<b>RECAPITULATION.</b>	
Total number of cases for two years under licensed saloons	282
Total number of cases for two years under Local Option	82

**INCREASE UNDER SALOONS FOR TWO YEARS** 200  
Average increase under saloons over eight cases per month.

Average increase in cases of drunkenness over six per month.

Since the opening up of licensed saloons and the legalized sale of whiskey in the town of Hubbard City, there has been about 350 cases filed in the various inferior courts of the town. During the six years of local option immediately preceding the victory of the Antis in 1900, there was filed in all said courts combined only 317 cases or 33 cases less than was filed for only two years of legitimate traffic in liquor. At the same ratio, in six years of legalized saloons there would be filed ONE THOUSAND AND FILTY CASES showing an increase of 733 cases.

Witness my hand this the 3rd day of June, A. D., 1902.

Lee Frisby,  
City Attorney.

## McGinnis Transfer.

Does a general transfer and baggage business. Carriage to answer all calls day or night. If the train is late he will call for you just in time to catch it. Leave your orders or Phone 110 and take a nap before the 12:05. M. W. McGinnis, Prop.

Superiority in everything—construction, cleanliness, economy, conveniencer—in the many special features contained in no other household Refrigerators made; superiority, in short, in all the points that go to make up the best Refrigerators on earth—the "White Mountain." Also made with snow white enamel lining of porcelain hardness. For sale by Ostertag Furniture Co.

John E. Quarles Co., solicit a part of your lumber trade. All kinds of building material such as doors, sash, blinds, moulding and shingles. It will pay you to see them.

## Absolutely Free!

Now is the Time For Every Family in Runnels County to Own a Talking Machine FREE  
**DO YOU WANT ONE?**

Call at Our Store and hear a few of our specially prepared Records of Instrumental Music, Songs, etc. Remember this is a nice machine and is equal to the highest price machines on the market. We are going to give one of these Talking Machines FREE to every customer when their cash purchases amount to \$25.00. If you buy only 5 cents worth you receive a coupon for that amount, and when your coupons amount to \$25.00 you are entitled to a machine and for each additional \$17.50 cash purchase you receive a 10 inch Record FREE WE GIVE ONLY ONE MACHINE TO EACH FAMILY. When you consider the fact that you can find anything you want at our store cheaper than you can buy it elsewhere and at the same time receive this machine ABSOLUTELY FREE, the proposition is bound to appeal to you.

We Cordially Invite You to Call and Hear Some of our Choice Records.

**WE HAVE BUT ONE PRICE**  
That Price is Always the Lowest.

# The Globe Department Store.

BAIR & CONN, Props.

## Farm For Sale.

220 in Cultivation 100 in fine grass and timber well of pure water new windmill 4-room new house well painted level, black deep, rich, fresh soil. One mile of store, post office, church and school, six from Booming railroad town. On public road thickly settled with thrifty farmers, in Mitchell County. Price only \$15.00 per acre would exchange for raw land, best quality in Runnels County.

John Ballew,  
Maizeland Texas.

Fine wash silk 25c at W. H. Davis.

**HOLLISTER'S  
Rocky Mountain Tea Nuggets**  
A Busy Medicine for Busy People.  
Brings Golden Health and Renewed Vigor.  
A Specific for Constipation, Indigestion, Liver and Kidney Troubles, Pimples, Eczema, Impure Blood, Bad Breath, Sluggish Bowels, Headache and Backache. It's Rocky Mountain Tea in tablet form, 35 cents a box. Genuine made by HOLLISTER DRUG COMPANY, Madison, Wis.  
**GOLDEN NUGGETS FOR SALLOW PEOPLE**

Talpa should be proud of its waterworks system which is now under construction. When completed it will be one of the best in this part of the state.—Talpa Toibune.

John E. Quarles Company Lumber, want to figure with you for any kind of building material. Call around and let's get acquainted.

## Bargain Opportunity

We have purchased the W. J. Harvey Department Store, and preparatory to rearranging the stock to accommodate new goods to arrive, we are going to offer for a short time, a Bargain Opportunity, such as Ballinger has never known before. The stock consists of Dry Goods, Clothing, Notions, Queensware and Glassware, and a large assortment of Rack-et Goods.

## During This Sale You Can Buy

Shirts well worth 75c and \$1.00 for only - - 50c  
Standard Books, sold elsewhere at \$1.50, only \$1.00  
Table, Kitchen, China and Glassware at 75 per cent off of Regular Price. Work Gloves at Rock Bottom Prices. Pants, Overalls and Jumpers at one-third less than you pay at other places.

On our Bargain Counter you will find many things you want at practically your own price.

**Everything In the House  
at Greatly Reduced Prices**

Call and see Us and let Us convince you that We can save you money.

# Johnson's Department Store