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## OVER 4,000 PEOPLE IN BALLINGER

Religious Census Made and By Actual Count Ballinger Reveals Her Population.

Last Saturday the committee appointed by the various churches of the town made a house to house census in taking the religious census of the town. The town was divided up into sections, and the work of taking the census was done by system and while the report may not be perfect in showing the population, it is near enough correct to give an idea as to how many people there are in Ballinger. The report shows there are over 4,000 people in Ballinger, and when we stop to think that the 1900 census only gives the town 1100 people we can realize how we have grown, and are still growing.

The work of taking the census was successful in that it revealed the true religious condition of the town, shows there is work for the churches of the town to do. A complete report will be made soon, and we hope to be able to give it to our readers by next week.

### Floral Club Meeting.

An enthusiastic meeting of the Floral Club was held with Mrs. Sam Baker, last Tuesday. The Club received quite a number of new members, elected officers and transacted considerable business. Following is a list of officers elected for the ensuing year.

Mrs. W. T. Padgett, President; Mrs. Oscar Pearson, Vice Pres; Mrs. J. A. Guy, Sec and Treas; Mesdames S. S. Prince, D. Reeder, W. J. Miller, C. C. Schuchard, C. S. Miller board of directors.

The next meeting will be held with Mrs Jack Guy, at 4 o'clock on Mch 19, at which time it is to be hoped more new members will come in.

### Eighth Street Presbyterian Church.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and at 8 p. m. Subjects, "Wow should man be just with God?" and "Pilate, the Undecided Judge." "An object sermon of five minutes length to the children at 11 o'clock service. An offering for famine stricken China taken at 11 a. m. Members of Churches now without pastors and strangers are especially invited to come and worship with this Church.

### Payton Sisters Coming.

The popular Payton Sisters will play a return engagement at the opera house next week and will present an entirely different repertoire of plays from that given on their previous visit. These plays are equally as good, if not stronger, and are meeting with an enthusiastic reception everywhere. The specialties are also new and very popular.

The Company has kindly consented to omit the Wednesday matinee, that the house may be used for the Farmer's Union speaking. A special matinee will be given Saturday at 3 p. m. The opening bill Monday night will be "Little Alabama."

Seats on sale at the Walker Drug Co.

Things are warming up on the School Board election to take place on the 6th of April.

## The White Store - Ballinger, Texas

Spring goods are coming in rapidly. They are pretty, fresh and look nice. The price is right, much cheaper than you can buy them in any city. We have just returned from the Eastern Markets and we think our customers will be pleased with our selection, in quality and style and last but not least the saving of many dollars on our entire purchase.

Nottingham Calais' Sevilla Laces up to 6 in. wide	5c	75c quality Clifton Silk in all colors at	59c
All pure Silk Ribbon 5 to 6 inches wide	15c	50c " All Silk Pongee "	44c
Soft Finish solid color Gingham	7 1-2c	30 inch Embroidered and Dotted Swiss	12 1-2c
Misses Black Hose, two thread, fine ribbed	10c	28 " Mercerized Latonia Cloth, all colors	19c
Gents Halfhose Black or Tan	8 1-3c	28 " " Silk Checks	25c
White Mercerized Waistings in new designs	19c	32 " Madras in Plaids or Stripes Mercerized	15c
3-4 Wide Light color percales	5c	A. F. C. Gingham in every style	10c
Cretone in all the new designs	9c	Toile du Noird Gingham in all the new shades	12 1-2c
Silkolones in beautiful colorings	10c	Mercerized Pongee in Stripes, plaids and figures	25c
Swiss Embroidery, very fine quality	10c	Ladies Sleeveless Vests, fine grade	10c

The new nets in white, plain and dotted Point De'sprit are in. The new Silks are ready for your inspection. The new Low-quarter shoes are on sale. In fact many more things of which we can tell you better if you will call.

## R. A. RISSER & COMPANY Ballinger, Texas.

### Religious Census.

If the visitors failed to find you at home, or if they omitted you in any way, please report to one of the pastors of the churches. It is desired to secure as complete a census as possible.

## Opera House

Week Commencing Monday, March 11

Return Engagement of the

## Payton Sisters Big Company

In an Entirely New Repertoire of Popular Plays

Monday Night

### "Little Alabama"

Special Matinee Saturday at 3 p. m.

Night Prices 25, 35 and 50c  
Matinee Prices 15 and 25c

Seats on Sale at Walker Drug Co.

### Second Quarterly Conference.

The Second Quarterly Conference will be held Saturday at 8:30 p. m.

Rev. J. S. Chapman, Presiding Elder of the Brownwood District, will preach at the morning hour Sunday. Do not fail to hear Dr. Chapman as he is a most excellent preacher.

Rev. W. A. Moore formerly of Pittsburg, Penn. will preach at 8:00 p. m. We shall be pleased to see you at both these services. Don't forget that the Sunday School meets at 10:00. Parents are invited to come and bring the children.

E. P. Williams, Pastor

### Time to Call a Hault.

This dollar matching on the public thoroughfares of Ballinger is getting to be a stench, and as civilized people we should haste to put a stop to it. What can we expect of the young boys of the town growing up with such surroundings and influence? To witness such gambling it creates that spirit in the young man or boy that is already hard to down--gambling--to say nothing of the easily tempted who fall into the traps laid by the professional gamblers and are fleeced out of their hard earned coin. Let us quote you a little instance. "One day this week, a farmer, who lives near Ballinger, does all his trading here, came in with his wagon to buy supplies, and to get a plow. He had something like \$100 with which to buy these necessities of life, things that his family needed. Of course, he had to have a drink or two of "rot gut," and fell in with the boys. To make a long story short he got into the game where the odd man wins--three men in the game--and to make the game go easy the boys tanked him up until it was necessary for the officers to take him in tow, but not until his supply of cash had been exhausted. It is time to put a stop to such doings in a town we stand up and boast of as being clean of crime. Ballinger is not so clean as some people would have you believe, and if it was not for the faithful work of our officers things would loom up in a different light. As to the veracity of this call on our officers.

### Twins Die.

The twin babies of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Mitchell died at their home at Truitt last Sunday. The babies were about four months old, and were in good health up to within a few days of their death. They died with something like scarlet fever.

### Banquet Last Night.

The Modern Woodmen of America met at their hall last night, and after initiating five members into the mysteries of the order, adjourned to meet in the dining hall of the Metropolitan hotel, where a feast had been prepared for the members of the lodge, and a few invited guest.

Covers were laid for about thirty, and the Committee in charge had arranged everything to make this part of the evening's program very pleasant.

After the feast different members present were called upon for speeches and some interesting toasts were offered. The Modern Woodmen have a live camp here with something like fifty members, and is growing. The insurance feature of the order is good one in that it offers good protection at a very low rate.

The boys are very enthusiastic in the work of the order, and the last evening is one long to be remembered by those present.

### At the Skating Rink.

Miss May DeMancourt, "Skatorial Dancing Queen of the South," opened her three nights engagement at the rink last night with quite a large crowd.

Miss DeMancourt is truly a Skatorial Queen and did some very clever stunts on skates, dressed in a very becoming costume. The Ballinger Band furnished music for the occasion and part of the receipts go to the Band Boys.

Miller Mercantile Co., are receiving new goods daily, goods put up under the Pure food Law. Try them guaranteed.

R. A. Hall, cashier of the San Angelo National Bank, will return with his family from Los Angeles, Cal., next Saturday, March 9th. -San Angelo Standard.

### Coal in West Texas.

The board of directors of the West Texas Coal Mining & Developing Company met Monday at the A. J. Baker & Co. bank and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: J. W. Powell, Ballinger, president; L. M. Huffman, Del Rio, 1st vice president; J. Curtys Simmons, San Angelo, 2nd vice president and general counselor; Judge G. H. Garland, San Angelo, secretary; Col. A. J. Baker, San Angelo, treasurer, and J. I. Huffman, San Angelo, superintendent.

The condition of the corporation is very promising, the report of the secretary showing that there has been \$88,000 of the \$150,000 capital stock subscribed. This company owns their own coal fields and the fields are considered to be the best in the country. The mines were worked several years ago and proved then to be very productive and produced a great deal of coal.

West Texas citizens should feel proud of the fact that such a resourceful lot of coal can be secured right here in our midst and that a home company has been organized to reap the benefit of the sale of this much desired article of fuel. -San Angelo News.

J. W. Powell, is in receipt of a letter from the Bureau of Fisheries, making inquiries about the consignment of black bass that was sent here two or three years ago, to be placed in Elm Creek, and other streams. As far as we can learn the fish did not do well, as the fishermen have never been able to catch any bass to amount to anything. There is no reason why the fish should not do well, and it is to be hoped that another lot can be secured from the government.

### District Court.

District Judge Jno. W. Goodwin came in from Brownwood last Monday at noon, and at one o'clock opened the March term of District court.

The first work was to put the grand jury to work, which was promptly done. The Judge in charging the jury, as usual instructed them to leave nothing undone in ferreting out all classes of crime and bringing to justice all violators. He stated that it was the general reputation of this county to be clean and free from crime, considering that it was a saloon town, but said he did not attribute the light court docket or the peaceable condition of the county to the saloons, and took occasion to say a few things on the prohibition question in no uncertain terms.

Judge Goodwin says, "I never voted a pro ticket up to less than a year ago, but my experience since I have been on the bench has been a teacher. You talk about your corporations, trusts, and combines, but one of the greatest combines we have to contend with to-day is the whisky combine. It is the greatest evil of the day, and causes more crime. There is no good to come out of saloon, and if I had the power I would wipe them out, says Judge Goodwin. He further said that last year Ballinger sent over \$100,000 out of the town for booze and got nothing in return but a lot of rot-gut whisky. He said that he has six counties in his district and Runnels is the only wet one, and he does not care how quick it goes dry. He said while there is apparently very little crime in the county, if the people would vote the saloons out there would be less.

The civil docket was taken up and several cases disposed of, and the grand jury is busy investigating several cases.

### New Dairy.

I have opened a dairy and prepared to furnish good sweet milk at the lowest possible rate. Delivery morning and evening. Leave orders at the Dr. Dickinson place across Elm creek or see me in town.

R. F. Green. 4t

### Sells Fine Horse.

Assistant Cashier R. G. Erwin of the Citizens National Bank, is afoot again, having sold his fine bay mare to Tom Patterson, of San Angelo for \$300. Ralph loves fine horses but it seems to be a hard matter for him to keep one, as some one comes along and offers a price that looks good and he can't resist the temptation.

J. R. McVey is building a residence on a lot adjoining Mrs. Gantt on Eleventh street.

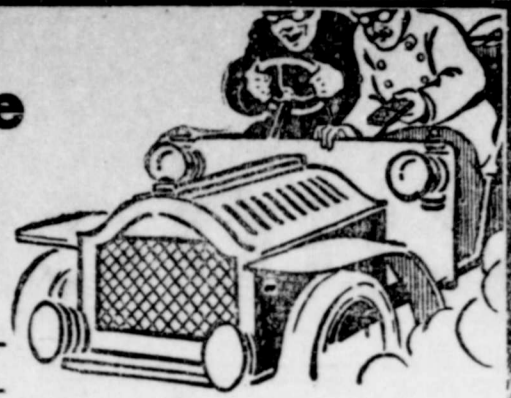
C. W. Odom was in from the Maverick country Wednesday, and made the Leader office an appreciated visit.

Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Guest went to Angelo Wednesday to be with their daughter, Mrs. J. W. Caldwell, who was reported quite sick.

Rev. W. A. Moore, of Pittsburg, Pa., will be in this evening to visit his brother, Rev. J. S. Moore. They have not seen each other in twenty-five years.

T. L. Patterson, one of the good citizens of the Norton country was in with his last bale of cotton Wednesday, which he sold for 10.15. He made the Leader office a pleasant call, and left part of the proceeds of his last bale of cotton.

**"Hey! Give Me a Chew o' that Star!"**

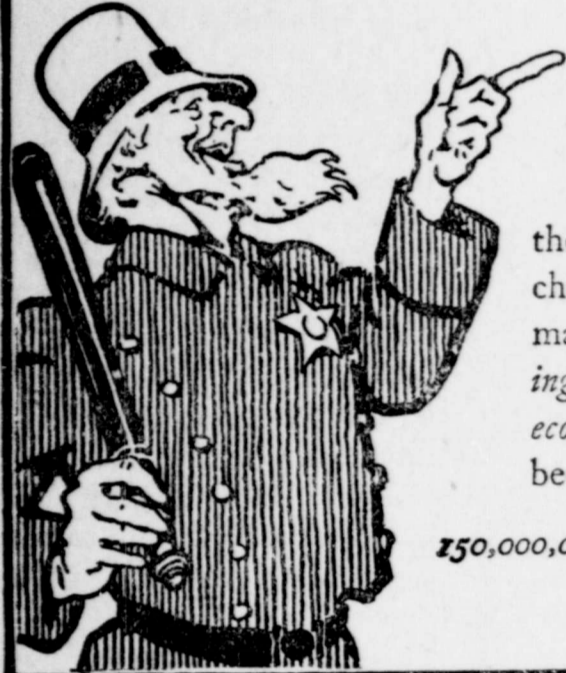


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**Trespass Notice.**

All parties are hereby notified to stop tearing down my fence on my farm 12 miles northwest of Ballinger as I have given road. All parties guilty of the above will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Hugh Parramore.

For a stylish suit of clothes go to Morehead the Tailor.

"Go you one better" 15 bars soap 25 cents at M. D. Chastains. 52 tf.

It's all right to be a hired man but you ought to be your own boss some day. The way to do it is to save some of your wages and put your savings in the Citizens National Bank of Ballinger.

Third car of "J. I. C." Planters just received at Higginbotham-Currie Co's.

*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*

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R. M. Swann, Franklin, La.

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A rich man is the man who always has money. Put some of your money in the Citizens National Bank of Ballinger and you will begin to be rich right away. tf

**New Home Sparklings.**

We are needing rain bad. Some of the farmers are wearing a long face.

R. E. Brown and wife spent a jolly night with their brother J. P. Brown last week.

Church services were held last Sunday by Rev. Black of Ballinger with a large attendance.

T. P. Brown and Monroe Henson went on a fishing expedition last week having remarkable success they caught 2 fish about 6 inches long, try try again.

R. B. Ingle has gone into the hospital business he has 3 cases of the measles at his home but they are on the side of recovery we are glad to hear.

Floyd Turpin was reported riding in a white washed buggy last Sunday at New Home. We have heard of white washed houses but Mr. Turpin has learned us some thing in the latest style of a buggy, he reports later that he is going to give it a coat of tar and feathers next week.

Miss Iola Dodd and Mr. Ross Parker have a bad case of the measles now we hope they will get off easy.

Mr. Wright Hinson is having remarkable success with his new buggy he came to church last Sunday a foot.

Mrs. Perro paid Mrs. Rob Tendall a visit last week.

Wilks Tendall of Shrevesport La., is visiting his brother Bob Tindall, Welcome Mr. Wilks. Green Horn.

**Death of Smallpox.**

Word was received in San Angelo late last evening of the death of a man named Rex from smallpox living thirteen miles from town toward the Mereta settlement. The man is the father of James Rex and is reported as being about 64 years of age. His son called at several neighbors to come to town and get a coffin which they did.

Nothing much is known of the man or his family further than that they all came to the Concho Country from Oklahoma several weeks ago and upon their arrival here the father was taken sick and later dying. Burial will be today. The Mereta neighborhood is considerably worked up over the death. Every precaution is being taken to prevent the disease from spreading.—San Angelo Daily News.

**Whist Club.**

Friday afternoon of last week Mrs. D. Reeder opened her lovely new home for the first time to the Whist Club and a few friends, in honor of Mrs. R. O. Walton.

This home is much admired for its beauty and artistic arrangement. And the handsome interior appeared even more attractive, than usual, on this occasion, for dainty ferns and spring blooming lillies and hyacinths contributed their share to the surroundings, lending color, fragrance, and beauty to the rich furnishings and attractive ensemble. Nine tables of animated players reveled in the fascinating game of Whist. Dainty little score cards done in water colors, and the work of the talented artist Mrs. Walton, told the tale of losses and gains at the close of the hours devoted to the games.

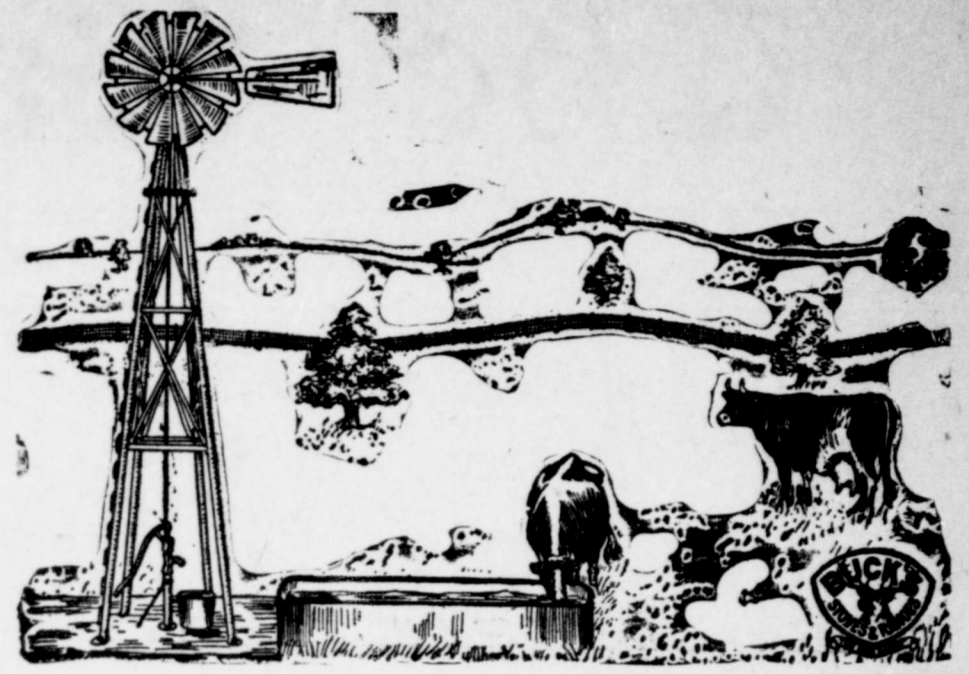
A delicious luncheon was served, consisting of pressed chicken, olives, saratoga chips, peanut sandwiches, iced tea and mints. The afternoon was indeed pleasant, and many expressions of pleasure were left with the popular hostess and honoree.

**A Card of Thanks.**

I wish to thank those who were so kind to me during the illness and death of my wife. I shall ever remember the good people of Ballinger.

J. N. Taylo.

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nishings, Bath Tubs, Lavatories,  
Sinks and Plumbing Fixtures.**

Your business solicited. Send us your orders.

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"Our Seal" "Our Seal" "Our Seal" That is the name of the very best flour. You can get it at Alvi Bros.

Hooper's Tetter Cure cures all skin diseases and never failing remedy for dandruff. Guaranteed by Walker Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Hart returned to their home in Missouri, Tuesday, after a visit to J. C. Lynn and family.



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Everything first-class and your patronage appreciated. Next door to express office.

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SOLD in Ballinger by the Walker Drug Co.

Resolutions of Respect.  
To the Noble Grand Officers and Brothers of Runnels Lodge No. 291 I. O. O. F.—We your committee appointed to draft suitable resolutions in commemoration of the life of the wife of our Bro. W. G. Green beg leave to submit the following preamble and resolutions. Whereas it has pleased our Divine Father to transplant the spirit of Mrs. Green, wife of our brother W. G. Green from this life to a life of immortality and whereas; In her death our brother has suffered an irreparable loss in that she was an helpmate in deed. Therefore be it resolved that we as members of Runnels Lodge No. 2a1 I. O. O. F. extend to him our heartfelt sympathy in the fullest force of the sentiments expressed in the fundamental principles of our order F. L. and T. Resolved further that these resolutions be spread on our minutes and a copy be furnished our local papers and The Texas Odd Fellow for publication, as well as a copy to Bro. Green.

G. F. Schroeter  
Signed (Angus Hunter  
(Turner Moore Com.  
Remedy for the Divorce Evil.

What we've got to do to remedy this evil is to go back to the old fashion way of courtin'. In our raising up it was fashionable for men and women to get acquainted with each other. A fellow would go up to his girl's house Saturday evening and stay all night, and help his sweetheart wash the dishes, and rope off the calf while she milked, go to a coon hunting Saturday with her big brother, and stay all day Sunday and help chase the spring rooster down for dinner. He got acquainted with the household, sparked her daddy and mother and cultivated a familiarity with the whole business even the dogs. He sparked his girl in the cow pen, down by the spring, under the drooping willows, behind the kitchen door, in the big sitting room as well as in the parlor.  
In these good old-fashioned days when a couple stood at Hymen's altar it meant a sure enough wedding. They were not strangers to each other and a hundred chances to one it meant a union that death alone would sever. In those good old days a divorce case in court was barely heard of.—Albany News.

Everybody Works but Father.  
Everyone is familiar with the picture and song of "Everybody works but Father" where the whole family and the cook are doing the family washing and the father is sitting in the shade asleep. From the present indications that scene will become familiar in Brownwood homes. The negro washer women have served notice on all white families that they have formed a "washerwomen union" and the price of removing real estate from linen hereafter will be increased to an alarming extent. It is said that the combination intends to charge seventy-five cents per dozen for all washing after this. Several ladies have been searching today for negroes who do not belong to the union but they can't be found and it looks like trust prices will have to be paid or "Johnnie" will have to go to church next Sunday in soiled linen.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Jas. Glenn was here Tuesday and gave P. L. Meeks a report of his crop as follows: 190 acres in cultivation. 98 bales of cotton brought \$5,025.88 and grain and feed brought \$524.75 making a total \$5,550.63 this is a very good average for any part of the state. Mr. Glenn bought this land for \$15 an acre three years ago, a little calculation will prove that his land nearly pay for it's self in one year.—Winters Enterprise.



**When the Children come home from School**  
They usually want something from the pantry  
You remember the hunger you had—Home cooking counts for much in the child's health; do not imperil it with *alum* food by the use of poor baking powder.  
Have a delicious, pure, home-made muffin, cake or biscuit ready when they come in. To be sure of the purity, you must use  
**ROYAL BAKING POWDER**  
Royal makes a difference in your home—a difference in your health—a difference in your cooking.  
**ROYAL is absolutely Pure.**

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"All The Way" and where Fred Harvey serves the meals.  
These tickets will be good in Tourist Sleeper which will be operated through, without change leaving Galveston every Tuesday morning at 7:30. Ask Agent.  
w. S. KEENAN, G.P.A. Galveston

Old-Time Boy and Girl.  
"What has become of the old fashioned boy who could have a good time rolling a hoop?" asks an exchange. He has been laid on the shelf with the things that were. Since "Buster Brown" began to set the pace for boys, they must have some more exciting past time than rolling a hoop.—Brownsville Herald.  
You might also ask: What has become of the old-time girl, who was wont to play with her dolls until she was 14 or thereabouts? Now at that age she begins to play with the affections of men. The present generation is a fast one, indeed. Boys at ten smoke "cigarettes" and some of them "cuss" fit to beat the band. The men and women of a smaller growth have changed wonderfully. Knickerbockers and short dresses are put away at 10 or 12 years in the case of the respective sexes. The boy at once, in his own estimation, and that of his deluded parents, becomes a little man. The girl, when she ought to be helping her mother in the kitchen, is preparing to make her "dayboo" in "sassiety" And so it goes. There are no longer any children they are either babies or young men and women.—San Antonio Express.

The irrigating season is here, and if you are not familiar with the city ordinance regulating the use of City water for this purpose, it might be a good idea for you to post yourself up before it is too late to learn.

Mr. Bailey sends regrets to his druggist with a bottle of medicine saying, "I regret I cannot take the medicine; I wish a bottle of Herpton to restore my health. Guaranteed by Walker Drug Co.

**YOUR MONEYS WORTH OR YOUR MONEY BACK**  
That is our motto. We give value received and are always ready to demonstrate the same to any and all customers.  
Good Groceries, Clean Groceries and Groceries that please is the kind we sell.  
**Grain, Hay, Feed.**  
Our Store is headquarters for Grain, Hay and Feed.  
**M. D. Chastain**  
Corner 8th and Hutchings Ave.

**Let Us Show You**  
That we sell Groceries, Ranch and Farm supplies cheaper than any house in Ballinger.  
**Years Of Experience**  
We have had years of experience in the grocery business and know how to buy so we can sell right. A month's trial will convince you.  
**Miller Mercantile Company**

**THE BANNER LEADER.**

PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY.

Subscription \$1.00 per annum.

This is the measles season, and as usual Ballinger makes good, and there is plenty doing for those who have never under gone the torture.

Runnels County is the Banner Cotton county in the state, as well as being in the lead on water melons, and noted for its fine fruits and other products. The man that owns a farm in Runnels county is independent.

The Bailey issue is now a thing of the past, and interest in politics will probably lag for a few months, unless the Anti-Baileyites (the Anti-Democrats, socialists, etc.) try to dig up more dirty false hoods to spring on the old party and her leaders.

Bill collectors deserve much credit for patience, and commendation for energy they display in chasing down the delinquent and hard pay customer. The man that buys on a credit, and can't pay when pay day comes is to be pitied; the man that buys on a credit, is able to pay, and wont pay is to be cussed.

What about the up-town telegraph office? We understand that if citizens want the change and improvement they can get it. At present telegraph service in Ballinger is very poor, and quite a lot of business is going to the long distance phone that would go to the Western Union if they would put on first class service.

Temple's "Twenty Thousand Club" can rejoice in the fact that there have been thirteen babies born within a radius of two blocks in a certain part of this city in the last three months. At this ratio the officers of the club can go fishing.—Temple Times.

Thirteen babies in three months within a radius of two blocks is certainly going some. But then you can't beat Texas in anything, no matter what it is.—San Antonio Express.

Judge Jno. I. Guion in speaking of the school trustee election to be held in April, said he considered it a very important matter, and that the people should get together, and select a board that would handle the school and use the funds to the best advantage. Judge Guion is a member of the present board, but stated to the editor that he would not accept the honor again, and would not serve, that he did not have time, and that he thought he had served his country long enough in this capacity, and that if the people were figuring on running the old board again they could cut him out and elect at least one new man. We can't say that we agree with the Judge on this, but we make the statement at his request.

It is certainly a source of profound gratification, since Senator Bailey's thorough vindication, to see and hear what his colleagues at Washington voluntarily say about him. Those great men who have been intimately associated with him for years and years past, and who have observed closely every act and move of his life, in the most delicate and trying situations. Such men as Carmack, Clay, Tillman, and in fact all of his conferees. Men whose names are house-hold words in the South. Long after the mediocre gang who conspired to crush and ruin him, are forgotten and their memory sunk in oblivion, the name and fame of Joseph Weldon Bailey will scintillate and coruscate as a beautiful light in the political heavens. His name is written in the Pantheon of history.

Some of the papers in East Texas feel that they owe it to their readers to be everlastingly knocking West Texas. When a good citizen of the Honey Grove section gets tired carrying around about ten pounds of mud on each foot and has a longing for a country where he can get into his fields and work nearly every day in the year and moves to that part of the state which the Fanninites call West Texas, the papers over there set up a howl that can be heard for miles. When one of the weaker kind, after a few months out here, packs his belongings and hikes back to old Fannin, there is a rejoicing like that occasioned by the return of the prodigal son. If it fails to rain out here for a few weeks this country is pictured as a great desert where there must come thirst and starvation. Here is a late wail from that estimable paper, the Honey Grove Citizen, which is usually pretty well balanced except on this great fear that all its readers are going to move away from it and come to West Texas: "They do say it is getting mighty dusty in West Texas, a sand storm every day, and some days two of them. We have some friends out there to whom we extend a hand of sympathy, but that's all we can do for them." The trouble about it is that Moyer knows better. He came out here once to a meeting of the Texas Press Association and was so favorably impressed with the country that he secured a prize offered by the citizens of Brownwood for the best description of this part of the state.—Brownwood Bulletin.

For some time past the newspapers of Texas, especially the country press, have urged anti-pass legislation. Through them the measure, like most other good measures, was forced into the state democratic platform two years ago. The legislature ignored it then because most of members did not want to give up their passes. The newspaper had much to say about it, and this year a plank was adopted so strong that even the legislator with a pass in his pocket had to vote his pass back to the roads. Some of the honorable members have squirmed and wiggled and they are still using all kinds of tactics to defeat the will of the people and hold on to their own precious passes. They have added to the bill features never contemplated in the platform and have tried to tack on amendments making the law effective next January when the passes they hold will have expired. They have made fun of the country press and have said they would even up with it by preventing newspapers from making advertising contracts with the railroads payable in transportation, which they have succeeded in doing, in the hope that the papers would then protest against the bill and give them an excuse for defeating the plank in platform. To the credit of the Texas papers not one has weakened on its position. They have said that such action, depriving the newspapers of the right of contract, is an outrage absolutely unwarranted, but that they preferred this outrage on their own rights rather than see the anti-pass law defeated. It is to the credit of the greater part of the country press of Texas that they cannot be severed from their duty to the people by such methods as those used by the Texas legislature.

Higginbotham-Currie Co., wants to sell you a Mitchell or Florence wagon. tf

Mrs. Annie Welth killed her feeble health by the use of Herpton. Guaranteed by Walker Drug Co.

CEDAR POST CEDAR POST we have them, a complete stock. Concho Lumber Co. successor to Humphrey Lumber Co. opposite Court House. tf

**CURTAIN DOWN ON SHOW MAN'S LIFE**

Manager Allen of Hoyt's Comedy Company Buried in This City.

H. G. Allen, manager and principal owner of Hoyt's Comedy company, now filling an engagement in this city, died Sunday in Ballinger. Death was the result of an attack of the grip and pneumonia of four days' duration. The body was brought to Fort Worth Monday morning and buried under the auspices of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Deceased was a member of the Shawnee, O. T., lodge. He was also a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Mr. Allen was one of the best known and generally liked theatrical men in Texas and the southwest and had been at the head of the Hoyt company for twelve years. He had been in the show business for more than twenty years and was connected with a number of well known troupes before taking over the Hoyt organization.

Deceased was born in Chicago and there began his theatrical life. He soon became well known to player folk and in a short time was on the road as advance man and manager. By close attention to business and constant work he made a decided success and then went into it for his own welfare. Most of his tours were in the southern states and of late years much time was devoted by him to the Texas circuit. He was especially popular with theatrical men and representatives of the press.

Manager Phil W. Green all of the local theater said last night "Mr. Allen was one of the best men I have ever known. For a number of years I had business transactions with him and always found him fair, and square and a perfect gentleman. It was always pleasant to be with him. He had a wide knowledge of the theatrical business and everyone on and off the stage who knew him were his friends."

The members of the company are much grieved over the loss of their manager. Every person in the troupe knew Mr. Allen was their friend and the manager counted each one of them as such. The company opened an engagement here last night, presenting "A Broken Heart," the arrangement of the week's programme being a peculiarly sad coincidence in connection with the death of Mr. Allen.

Announcement was made last night that Mrs. Allen, wife of the deceased, will continue in active charge and management of the company. At present she is at the home of a friend in this city and will not attend to business matters for a number of days.—Fort Worth Record.

**Listen**

and remember the next time you suffer from pain—caused by damp weather—when your head nearly bursts from neuralgia—try Ballard's Snow Liniment. It will cure you. A prominent business man of Hempstead, Texas, writes: "I have used your liniment. Previous to using it I was a great sufferer from Rheumatism and Neuralgia. I am pleased to say that now I am free from these complaints. I am sure I owe this to your liniment."

Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

"When a person calls for the best cough medicine I always recommend Harts' Honey and Horehound, it gives universal satisfaction for the cure of Coughs, Colds and Croup. It is my best seller," writes Chas. E. Edwards, Linden, Wis. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles sold by Walker Drug Co.

Six square meals for 25c at Dannelly's stand.

If you want to get in on the ground floor of some of that Houghton & Robinson Ranch Land, which we have just finished sub-dividing into small parcels, now is the time for you to get choice of Blocks. So come early and avoid the rush.  
**C. A. Doose & Co.**  
Ballinger, Texas.

**More About the School Board Election.**

Our article of last week in regard to the coming election of the School Board seems to have caused several people of Ballinger to "spit blueing" and have a bad case of indigestion generally. No attack was made or intended on the present Board. One gentleman deplored the article "because it would stir up strife" besides he further stated in substance so report goes that some new plans were in contemplation that if carried out next year would result in a startling success for the city schools. In short, everybody keep still unless you have bouquets to throw at those responsible for the present condition and direct management of the schools of the city. If the schools are satisfactory why should any one wish to change present conditions? Another critic stated we were a "back number" in advocating a thorough training in the fundamental branches. Well, maybe so but we think that a thorough mastering of the practical studies is the heritage of every boy and girl of the town. The vast majority of them will never enter college for many obvious reasons, mostly unavoidable, and good as Democratic doctrine enjoins a submission to the expressed will of a majority it ought also to hold good in public school affairs. No course, of study ought to be laid down and carried out in a little city of the size of Ballinger

**Married.**

W. O. Alexander, a prominent business man, of Sonora came in on the four o'clock train Tuesday and Tuesday night at the home of A. J. Hicks, where the bride was boarding, was married to Miss Bessie Davis. Miss Davis has been in the real estate office of the Giesecke-Bennett Co., as stenographer for some time. Rev. G. W. Fender performed the ceremony at eight-thirty o'clock in the presence of a few friends, and the family. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander returned to their home at Sonora on Wednesday's train.

**A Baby**

should be sunshine in the home, and will be if you give it White's Cream Vermifuge, the greatest worm medicine ever offered to suffering humanity. This remedy is becoming the permanent fixture of well regulated households—A mother, with children can't get along without a bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge in the house. It is the purest and best medicine that money can buy.

Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

**Don't Complain**

If your chest pains and you are unable to sleep because of a cough. Buy a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, and you won't have any cough. Get a bottle now and that cough will not last long. A cure for all pulmonary diseases. Mrs. J. Galveston, Texas, writes: "I can't say enough for Ballard's Horehound Syrup. The relief it has given me is all that is necessary for me to say."

Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

J. B. Cooper, Hillsboro R. R. No. 6. writes that Hooper's Tetter Cure is the grandest thing for sore, rough, bleeding hands and eczema he ever saw. Guaranteed by Walker Drug Co.

**Winkler's**  
**SPECIAL PRICE REDUCTIONS**  
**On Winter Goods**  
Here is an opportunity for the late buyer. We want to clean up all Winter Goods and are making big reductions on woolen Dress Goods, Outing Flannels and Flannelettes, Mens, Youths and Boys Clothing and overcoats, Ladies Coats and Tailor made Suits, Ladies Heavy Walking Skirts, wool blankets and woolen underwear. Come and get our prices.  
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Is a Handy  
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And we give one  
**Free**

To every \$20 worth of goods bought

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Up-to-date Grocers. Next door Ballinger State Bank

### Daniel Ahrenbeck.

While it was no surprise, yet it cast a gloom over our city when the death of Daniel Ahrenbeck occurred Monday, of this week. He died at the home of his son-in-law, W. J. Miller at 6:30 o'clock Monday evening.

Uncle Daniel, as he was familiarly known, came to Ballinger when the town was just beginning to build, and was one of our pioneer citizens, and was one of the founders of the Ballinger flour mill. He was also a pioneer citizen of Texas, having come to this country from Germany, and settled near Hempstead, in 1847. He was founder of the first cotton seed oil mill in Texas, and in the early days of the state was active in railroad construction. He lived to the ripe old age of 84 years, 9 months, and 8 days, his Eighty-fifth birthday would have been on the 24th of next May. Uncle Daniel was a fine old man in every respect, and was loved by his acquaintances for his kind disposition and cheerful spirit. He lived a life of usefulness, and death came because his body was worn out, and his life's work had been completed.

The Masonic Lodge, of which deceased had long been a member conducted the funeral services and followed the remains to the train which conveyed them to the old Hempstead home, where the last sad rites were performed and the body laid to rest in the Hempstead cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Miller and J. H. Routh accompanied the remains, Mr. Routh going as a representative of the Ballinger Masons.

The only relative that survives Mr. Ahrenbeck is Mrs. F. Haberkorn, a grand-daughter, who is now living in Illinois.

### Try It Once

There is more actual misery and less real danger in a case of itching, skin disease than any other ailment. Hunt's Cure is manufactured especially for these cases. It relieves instantly and cures promptly. Absolutely guaranteed.

15 Buggies to close at a bargain. Higginbotham-Currie Co.

### Notice to Advertisers.

In order to go to press early Friday afternoon of each week so that our paper will reach our country subscribers on Saturday The Banner Leader has decided to adopt the following rule.

All display ads must reach the office by Thursday noon of each week and all pay locals not later than ten o'clock Friday morning. Our advertising solicitor will call on you Thursday morning of each week for copy or change of copy for that week.—Sledge-Shepherd Pub. Co.,

### Seligman and Schurz Lands,

The Giesecke-Bennett Company are Sole Agents for the Seligman & Schertz Lands at Wingate; the Nelson Lands at Mazeland; the Baggs Lands at Norton; the Timmerman & Plattow Lands at Rowena; the Lewis Lands at Winters and the Norton Lands in Runnels, Concho and Coke counties.

All of these lands are on the market, in small tracts at market value, with small cash payments and balance on long time, at low rate of interest. We also represent numbers of smaller non-resident and local land owners. List your land with us for sale; we furnish Abstract of Title, free.

Giesecke-Bennett Co.

### Of Interest to Women.

Mrs. C. B. Mason Draper of Strout, Ill., in a letter dated Feb. 2, 1904, says: "For several years I have suffered ill health from stomach trouble, have taken many treatments with no satisfactory results until I began taking Re-Go Tonic Laxative Syrup. I have taken several bottles of this medicine, which has helped me more than anything I have ever used." Re-Go is a medicine of rare excellence for Constipation, Indigestion, Biliousness and Dyspepsia. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles sold by Walker Drug Co.

Plow harness that won't hurt your horse, at R. L. Shaffer's.

A new time card has been issued and the schedule for the trains passing Ballinger made. The West bound noon train is due here at 12:50 and the evening East bound at 3:15.

New Style harness at R. L. Shaffer's.

S. P. Hathaway was laid up for repairs a days or two this week.

Bring us your cleaning pressing and repairing. Morehead the Tailor.

Alvis & Bro. sells nothing but pure food at the lowest possible price.

Mrs. G. M. Vaughn went to Angelo on to-days train to visit her sister.

15 Buggies to close at a bargain. Higginbotham-Currie Co.

Special price on harness that won't shave your horse at R. L. Shaffer's.

Misses Verna Moser and Bonnie Matthews went to Angelo to-day to visit Mrs. H. Clem.

J. S. Moore, at R. L. Shaffer's will sell you set of rubber harness for ten dollars.

Audy Gustavus left first of the week for Dallas where he will take a course in a business college.

John F. Drew came in to-day from San Antonio where he has been attending the Grand Lodge of the Odd Fellows.

D. M. Baker and Bob Kirk went to the Concho Thursday to plant out some trees on their private camping ground.

Mrs. J. N. Taylor died at her home in West End last Friday after an illness of a few days with pneumonia. She was buried in the Ballinger Cemetery Friday evening.

Four different varieties of Northern seed corn at M. D. Chastains.

Higginbotham-Currie Co., wants to sell you a Mitchell or Florence wagon.

H. Winkler came in first of the week from the Eastern markets, where he purchased a large stock of dry goods for his firm.

J. Hood of Winters passed through to-day enroute home from San Antonio, where he has been attending the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows.

Herbert O'Bannon, for some time the individual bookkeeper at the San Angelo National Bank has been promoted to the position of paying teller to succeed J. L. Malone, resigned. Mr. O'Bannon is succeeded in his former position by Mr. Fitzgerald of Houston. The new paying teller has a wide reputation as a mathematician and as an expert in figures. Mr. O'Bannon can add three columns of figures quicker than most people can add one. Herbert is a clever young man and deserves to be congratulated on his promotion.—San Angelo News.

Mishaps will happen in the best of regulated families and to verify this old maxium Joe Spoons and Buck Shields will foot the bill for a plate glass window in the Walker Drug Co. building. They are both strong prohibitionists and we can not attribute the smash up to strong drink. The glass is out and Shields and Spoons will foot the bill, Call on them for further particulars.

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J. J. Erwin went to Somerville yesterday evening where he has accepted a position with the railroad. J. is pretty well posted as he has been with the Santa Fe for several years.

C. S. Miller is in receipt of a letter from Representative Silliman stating that the Amendment to Independent School district law had been made, the governor having signed the bill. It will be remembered that a petition was circulated and sent in asking that the law be changed, or amended so that the school board would not have to be elected all at one time. With the change just made three trustees will be elected one year and four the next. Another change in the law allows the board to appoint some one as assessor and collector of taxes for the school district. This law will not effect the election to held in April and a full board is to be elected.

Ethel the seven year old daughter, of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Campbell, fell from a tree and broke her wrist Wednesday. Dr. Blasdell set the broken limb and the little girl is getting along very nicely.

### Catarrh and Headache

Mrs. Z. E. Goforth, 1119 Holly Street, Kansas City writes: "After using a sample bottle and two 25c bottles of Hunt's Lightning Oil, I am almost well of Catarrh. It stops my headaches. It is the best medicine I ever saw and I just can't keep house without it." She is right.

### Hard On The Misses.

It does look like the whole world is full of trouble. I always thought that if there was any set of people on earth who were always happy and had nothing to even cause a ripple on the sweet, placid sea over which they were gliding, young lady school teachers constituted that band of fortunates. But alas! it is true that all must suffer disappointments and unpleasant experiences of one kind and another.

Up in Indian Territory cranky old school boards have adopted what is called the curfew rules for teachers, and a little miss is prohibited from courting over two nights in the week. It is simply an outrage! What if a pretty young "marm" has five or six beaux, all at the same time, how, in the name of common sense, is she to look after the whole gang, restricted to two measly evenings? It is a physical impossibility, and it means that the schools up there are to be turned over to old maids who have no courting to do. It has come to a poor pass in this country, if a teacher must devote more time to her school than to her sweetheart. Who but a cranky old cuss would expect a girl to worry over cold problems of arithmetic, when she had the real heart of a man to study?

I believe that the old spinsters of the territory are at the bottom of this affair; I believe that they have entered into collusion with the wives of the school trustees for the purpose of chasing beauty out of our institution and out of the way of these trustees. For some reason, I know not why, a pretty, snipious teacher never suits the wife of a trustee. The hardest "political" fight I was ever mixed up in was about this very thing, and when the good looking girl finally triumphed over the ugly wall flower with the wart on her nose, every married man on the board was forced to resign; it was either that or serious domestic troubles.

But this writer is always in favor of the young lady teachers; there is no other way to get the board properly interested, and I want to say that it is infamous to interfere with their love making. If you force a girl to sit up at night and dig dry old facts out of a book, instead of eating bon bons out of some handsome fellow's coat pocket, how in the name of heaven is she to be kind, pleasant and entertaining to her pupils the next day? What fools some mortals be! They get the idea into their heads that when a lady is employed to teach a little old herd of mischievous kids, she is supposed to devote more attention to them than to the marriageable young men of the community, and that the training of their plastic minds is of more importance than learning how to be proficient in forty-two.

Let us be broad minded enough down here in Texas to allow the young lady teachers at least six nights out of the week to entertain their gentlemen friends, and then on Sunday night they can set a good example to the youth of the community, by going to church. Anybody with two ideas above a barnyard bug, knows that the teacher who comes into the schoolroom of a morning, with the soft sweet words of a love-sick boy tickling her ears, like divine music, is in a better shape for imparting knowledge to those under her care, than the one who burned the midnight oil trying to figure out propositions in disgusting old algebra or some other such useless study. Anacreon sung his sweet songs to wine, and if I was a poet I would sing mine to the "love-making school miss;" I would immortalize those of the territory who declare that if their time belongs to freckle-faced pupils altogether, and that they cannot have company six nights out of the week, there's nothing doing." Preparing boys and girls for duty on the stage of life is a small affair and should be secondary always to fun and frolicking.—Remarks.

## Sowing The Seed

You sow seed expecting to reap a profitable harvest. Just so you should be about your financial affairs. You should be sure that you are going to get good returns from your investment before you part with your hard earned savings.

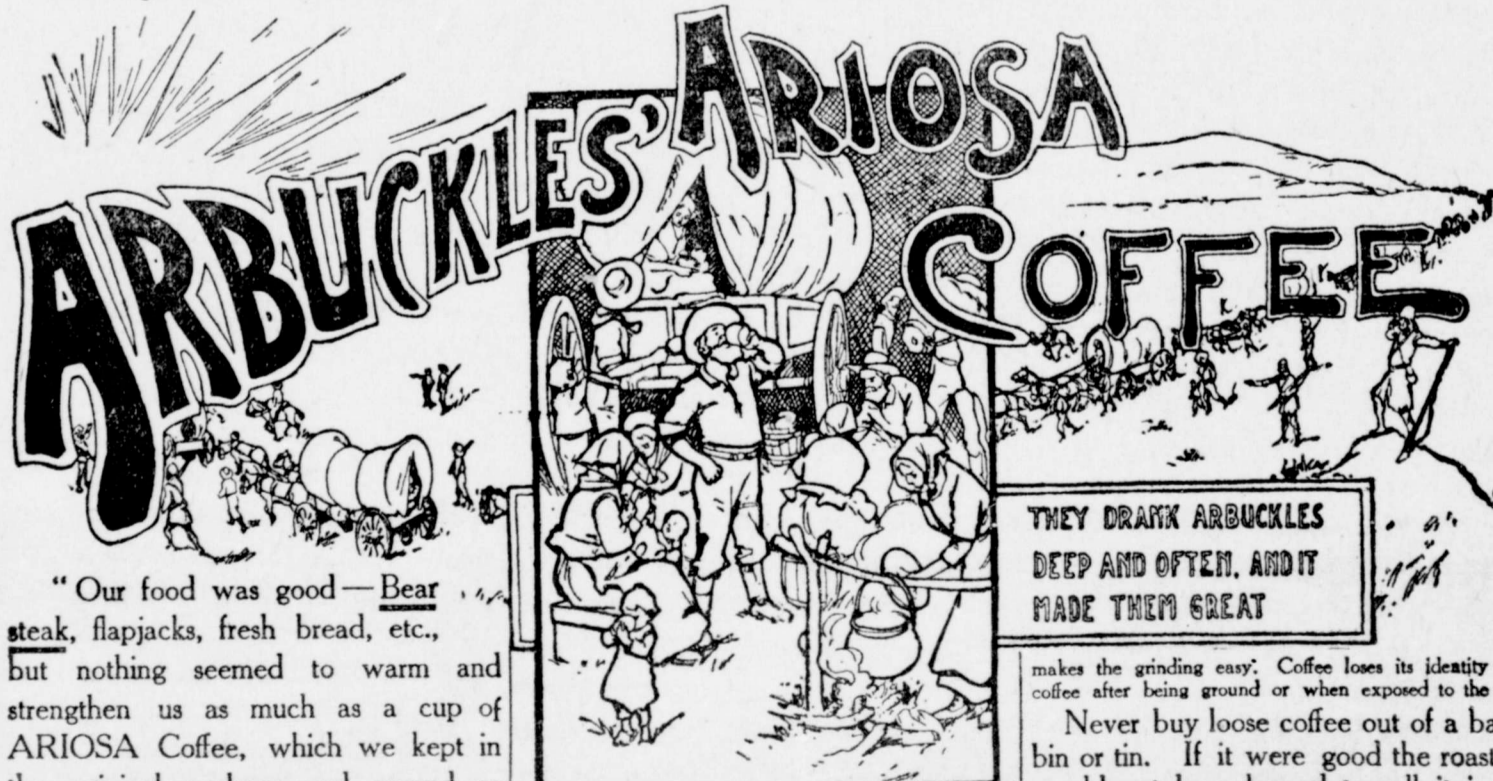
To do this you should keep your money in a good, safe bank like this one, where you can add to it and accumulate the amount wanted for investment, where you can get the advice of experienced business men and help if you need it.

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Its pleasant taste and prompt cures have made Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a favorite with the mothers of small children. It quickly cures their coughs and prevents any danger of pneumonia or other serious consequences. It not only cures croup, but when given as soon as the croupy cough appears will prevent the attack. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

If you think of attending a business college, it would be well to write the METROPOLITAN BUSINESS COLLEGE, Dallas, Texas for full information. The METROPOLITAN is known everywhere as one of the foremost business colleges of the South—its leadership in Texas is unquestioned.

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Let us put a new velvet collar on your overcoat and make it look new.

Morehead the Tailor

**Wanted.**

Some small land lien notes. Apply to C. P. Shepherd or J. M. Skinner.

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was something to be recorded in the annals of history. Herbine has been acknowledged the greatest of liver regulators. A positive cure for Bilious headaches, Constipation, Chills and Fever, and all liver complaints. J. C. Smith, Little Rock, Ark. writes: "Herbine is the greatest liver medicine known. Have used it for years. It does the work." Sold by J. Y. Pearce

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BALLINGER, TEXAS.

**Hurrah Day.**

As usual, the boys were all here Monday, to take in the sights, trade horses, patronize the street fakers and to see how much Ballinger booze they could consume. There was plenty doing on the public square for horse traders. The patent medicine man held three meetings during the day, and was successful in disposing of large supply of his dope, and filling his wallet with Rannels county coin. The holiness preacher with his phonograph come in for his part of the crowd, and preached, exhorted and cavorted for several hours on the streets, trying to convince the people that it was easy to live without sin, and demonstrating the necessity of being sanctified. All these were drawing cards but the best patronized business in town were the saloons, it being necessary at some of the bars for the customers to wait his turn to get up to the trough, and some of the boys went beyond the limit, and had to call in assistance to get home with their purchase.

In fact as we see the public sale day there is very little good to a town derived from it. It is a hurrah day in every sense of the word, and brings together that class of people who do not come to town to trade or for any particular business but just to be with the crowd, and make things lively for the officers whose duties are to keep peace.

**Ask Your Own Doctor**

If he tells you to take Ayer's Cherry Pectoral for your severe cough or bronchial trouble, then take it. If he has anything better, then take that. But we know what he will say; for doctors have used this cough medicine over 60 years.

"I have used Ayer's Cherry Pectoral for hard coughs, bad colds, and influenza. It has done me great good, and I believe it is the best cough medicine in the world for all throat and lung troubles."—ELLIS C. STUBBS, Albany, Oregon.

Made by J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass. Also manufacturers of  
SANTALINUM PILLS.  
HAIR VIGOR.

**Ayer's**

Keep the bowels open with one of Ayer's Pills at bedtime, just one.

**\$10,000 Cash Land Deal.**

The Giesecke-Bennett Co., report the sale of 400 acres of land out of the Parramore pasture to Mr. Meadows, recently from Tennessee, for \$10,000 cash. This land is located in a fine section of the County, and is as fine land as there is in any man's country.

**\$10,000 School Building.**

The citizens of Winters are subscribing liberally for the erection of a ten thousand dollar school building, and are going at it like they mean business.

Winters is a good little town, surrounded by a fine country that is inhabited by a fine class of citizens, and they generally succeed at anything they undertake.

**Ballinger Boy Killed a Bear.**

Oscar Clampitt who is on a ranch near Alpine, Texas, recently sent Mrs. J. W. Clampitt the hide of a large black bear. The hide had been dressed and made into a nice rug, and as it is the hide of a bear Oscar killed Mrs. Clampitt is very proud of it Oscar has evidently developed into somewhat of a huntsman to bag such large game.

The repairing of the new dam has been completed, and is now ready for the rain we are all looking for. It was necessary to build the dam about twice as long as the original dam and the rock work now projects out into the banks on each end sufficient to prevent the buttments from washing out again.

**New Home Rambles.**

A large crowd attended services Sunday and a fine sermon was heard.

Misses Lena Wilkinson, Helen and Ellis Tindall visited the latter sister at Ballinger Sunday.

Mrs. Alexander has returned from Brownwood where she was called to see her mother who was quite sick.

Mrs. Wilkinson was shopping in Ballinger Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Crossly Rease spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Watson.

Miss Mary Ingle was all smiles Sunday.

Ed Jones, Ross Parker, Maggie Nowell, Lola and viva Dodd and Gracie Wilkinson all have the measles.

Misses Mammie and Lucy Dunn visited school Tuesday.

Mr. Guy Henson attended church at this place Sunday.

Miss Vesta Lence spent Sunday with her cousin Miss Iola Dodd.

Mr. Penatin from Crews spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Barnett's.

Mr. Jap Yell was all smiles Sunday.

There has been some talk of a singing school at this place but think they have put it off until July.

Mrs. P. W. Henson was shopping in Ballinger Thursday.

Mr. Will McElroy and Price Greenwill called on Ed Jones Sunday.

Miss Minnie Wood and Mrs. Foreman was shopping in Ballinger Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Kemp was shopping in Ballinger Saturday.

Misses Lola and Rosa Watson, spent Sunday evening at the home of Mr. Elkins.

School is progressing nicely under the able management of Miss Elen Kemp.

Miss Pearl Henson spent Sunday with friends at Crews.

Mr. Frank Wood and Sam Turner dined at the home of Mr. Barnetts.

Miss Nora Dickinson attended church at this place Sunday.

Mr. Floyd Turpin was out driving Sunday evening.

Mr. Knight has had lightning rods put on his residence this week.

Martin Turner dined at Mr. Wood's and Gus Waechter at Mr. R. B. Ingle's Sunday.

Rose Bud.

**Eczema, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Itch, Ring Worm, Herpes, Barbers' Itch.**

All of these diseases are attended by intense itching, which is almost instantly relieved by applying Chamberlain's Salve, and by its continued use a permanent cure may be effected. It has, in fact, cured many cases that had resisted other treatment. Price 25c per box. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

**Gate Case Affirmed.**

The Sam Cole murder case before the higher courts on appeal was affirmed last week and the defendant will probably have to serve the four years sentence given him by the Comanche county jury.

The Cole murder case is quite a celebrated case it having been tried twice in Brown county and twice in Comanche county. Cole was charged with killing his father-in-law, C. C. Hudson, in Coleman county. The case was moved to Brown county on a change of venue and after a mistrial and a conviction it was transferred to Comanche county on a new hearing. There were about one hundred witnesses in the case and so many trials has cost the various counties an enormous sum.

Take your eggs and chickens to Alvis Bros. for the best prices.

Fresh Vegetables at M. D. Chastain's, the grocery and grain dealer.

**If You Don't Get Good Cigars Now, It's Your Own Fault.**

Give yourself a square deal. Here you are absolutely certain to get

**The Best**

If you have been buying your Cigars by guess work and want to put our claim to a more practical test just take a new start, begin by making your Cigar Purchases here where quality is assured. Our brands are standard and meritorious.

**Walker Drug Co.**

Druggists to The People.

We want your produce and will pay the best price. Alvis Bros.

Third car of "J. I. C." Planters just received at Higginbotham-Currie Co's.

Phone 67 for fresh vegetables and they will be delivered to your door.

Horses examined free by Dr. Jackson. Visits Ballinger once a month.

—Get your seed corn at M. D. Chastains, he has four varieties of Northern seed corn.

Carhartt & Finck's overalls are the best that's made.

Prof. F. G. Iliff, who has been charge of history in the Howard Pagne College, of Brownwood, was here last Saturday for the purpose of working up a cantata.

Phone No 12 for the best to be had in fresh groceries.

To insure regular and painless menstruation, Herbtton should be taken a week prior to expected period. Guaranteed by Walker Drug Co.

N. P. Duke arrived Monday with his household goods from Raxston, Texas, and his family came in later, and are now Ballinger citizens. We welcome this family to our midst.

It will not cost you a cent to try Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and they are excellent for stomach troubles and constipation. Get a free sample at J. Y. Pearce's drug store.

We regret to chronicle the death of a little girl at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Franklin, Sunday night. The baby was born to brighten the lives of parents, but only lived a few hours.

**Jones, Walton & Co.**

**SELL**

Stoughton Wagons  
K. C. Buggies  
Sanders Disc Plows  
Lone Star Cultivators  
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**Jones, Walton & Co.**

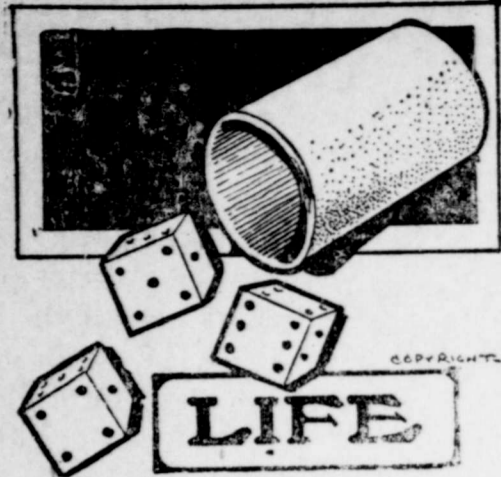
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For the Moving of Mercantile Freights, Household Goods, Pianos, Organs, etc.

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



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Of**

Losing your property by Fire. Don't play Dice with the Hazard but take out insurance on your home and save worry and premature old age. See

**LEE MADDOX,**  
(The Insurance Man.)

**JESSE McADAMS**

**Transfer and Dray Line.**

Good Teams' Good Wagons, Good Hands, Prompt Service.  
WILL APPRECIATE YOUR BUSINESS.

**ACT QUICKLY**

**Delay Has Been Dangerous In  
Ballinger**

Do the right thing at the right time.

Act quickly in times of danger. Backache is kidney danger.

Doan's Kidney Pills act quickly. Cure all distressing, dangerous kidney ills.

Plenty of evidence to prove this.

C. H. Nandel, cashier at the Pacific Express Co., Marshall, Texas says: "I was annoyed a great deal with a lameness and pain in the small of my back and tried several remedies without finding any benefit. Hearing at length about Doan's Kidney Pills, I got a box and after using less than one box, the backache entirely disappeared and since then I never have had any return of the trouble. To recommend a remedy like Doan's Kidney Pills is a pleasure and I have been doing so ever since I used it."

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

Remember the name-Doans-and take no other.

By order of the City Council I hereby order an election to be held at the Court house in the City of Ballinger, April 5th 1907 to elect a Mayor, three Aldermen City Clerk, City Attorney, and City Marshal. H. H. Massey is appointed presiding officer of said election.

J. W. Powell,  
5t Mayor City of Ballinger.

Fresh strawberries at Alvis Bros., phone no 12.

**Hulls AND Meal**

COTTON SEED HULLS have more nutritive value than common hay which costs 50 per cent more, is more convenient to handle, is perfectly free from dust or foreign matter and is healthful and appetizing.

COTTON SEED MEAL is the most concentrated and richest food known, has about six times the nutritive value of corn and more than four times that of wheat bran, while its cost is one and a half times that of either; and for Cattle, Horses or Hogs, will reduce your feed bill and give better results.

THE MIXED FEED forms a "Balanced Ration" giving better results, increased milk and butter production in Cows, and in Flesh, Fat and general condition in all animals than any other Feed in the World.

**Ballinger  
Cotton Oil Company.**

**Show Man Dies at Ballinger.**

Harry Allen, Manager of the Hoyt Comedy Co., died at the Central hotel in Ballinger Saturday evening about four o'clock.

Mr. Allen came to Ballinger with his Company from San Angelo, last Sunday, where they had just closed a week's engagement and opened for a week at the Ballinger opera house. He was able to be out Monday, the first night, and took up tickets at the door, and was taken sick with the grippe and nervous prostration after the show, and continually grew worse until the end came.

He was known among the theatre, circles of the United States as "Honest Harry," and had been successful in the show business. His wife was with him at the time of his death, and the remains were embalmed and shipped to Fort Worth, where they will be kept for a time before conveying them to their last resting place in Cincinnati.

The play for Saturday night was called off on account of the death of the Manager.

**The Cause of Many  
Sudden Deaths.**

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poison in the blood will attack the vital organs or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away call by call.

Bladder troubles most always result from a derangement of the kidneys and a cure is obtained quickest by a proper treatment of the kidneys. If you are feeling badly you can make no mistake by taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases.

Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and sold by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sized bottles. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful new discovery and a book that tells all about it, both sent free by mail. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper.

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

**For China's Starving Millions.**

At a meeting of the Pastor's Association Monday morning it was decided that next Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock service an offering should be taken for the relief of the famine stricken portion of China. One of the worst famines ever known is now in the heart of China. An area of forty thousand square miles is affected and fifteen millions of people are impoverishing and are looking to America for a crust of bread. Children are being thrown into the river to deliver them from the pangs of starvation, the aged are being killed and there are incidents where human flesh is being eaten to prevent starvation. These collections will be taken at the 8th Street Presbyterian, 1st Presbyterian and Methodist churches. All are invited to contribute. If you cannot attend, send or hand your offering to either pastor. Churches having no pastor are invited to unite in this good work.

Barred Plymouth Rocks, Eggs 50 cents a setting. Jno. Ballou Mazeland Texas. 4t

TO TRADE—Lumber for horses and mules. tf Higginbotham-Currie Co.

Miller Mercantile Co, Agt., Live Oak, and Mill Flour, Cotton Buyer, call and see our Mr. Miller the cotton buyer before you sell.

No use buying sorry flour when you can get "Our Seal" next time you buy flour. try a sack. Alvis Bros exclusive agents Ballinger, 4t

**MOREHEAD, THE TAILOR**

**Wants to make your Spring Suits  
750 New and Nobby Patterns from which to Select  
CLEANING PRESSING REPAIRING**

Ralston Health Shoes \$4.00 at The Globe.

Lee Maddox went to Winters Tuesday.

Miss May Penn is quite sick at the home of her father.

Judge Randolph, of Coleman, is here attending court.

Jim Howze, of Paint Rock, had business in Ballinger Monday.

All kinds of fresh things to eat at Alvis Bros.

Alf Cogdell, the Winters druggist was here on business Monday.

Higginbotham-Currie Co., wants to sell you a Mitchell or Florence wagon. tf

Fellow Craft shoes \$3.50 at The Globe

Screen Doors, Screen Doors, we have them, all size and all grades Conchs Lumber Co.,

TO TRADE—Lumber for horses and mules.

tf Higginbotham-Currie Co.

H. P. Hudgens, was in from Winters Saturday after lumber, and subscribed for the Leader.

Miss Mary Cumbie, of Bronte, was visiting in Ballinger Monday and made the Leader a pleasant call.

B. G. Sweet went to Ballinger last night to complete some sales from the Robinson ranch which he recently surveyed.—Brown-wood Bulletin.

**Santa Fe Surveyors at Work.**

A. P. Kittell, the Santa Fe's engineer who is in charge of the surveying party which ran a line through Roscoe just previous to the Holidays was here again last Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Kittell informed us that he had instructions to run another line and would begin in the southeast corner of Scurry County about nine mile from Roscoe and fourteen miles from Sweetwater and run to or near Merkel and South to Buffalo Gap.

The line will pass several miles north of Sweetwater and Mr. Kittell stated would be the last line run in getting the Belen cutoff.—Roscoe Times.

**Letter to J. O. Hardin,  
Ballinger, Tex.**

Dear Sir:—We asked City Drug Co, Crystal Springs, Miss, to sell Devoe. They wanted to know, of their own knowledge, how it compared with another paint they knew all about—it was sold right there, and considered good.

They painted the house of W B McCluney two coats on purpose to test the two paints against one-another; one coat Devoe 6 gallons, the other coat that other paint 10 gallons. Difference \$20; \$7 for paint, \$13 for labor.

That other paint is made in New Orleans; is pure; is considered an excellent paint, and has a good deal of local goodwill.

But the standard of paint has been low all through the southwest. That paint is thin; it is, you see, six-tenths of a paint. Devoe saves \$20 over it on half a small job.

It is a case of local best compared with actual best.

Yours truly  
F. W. Devoe & Co

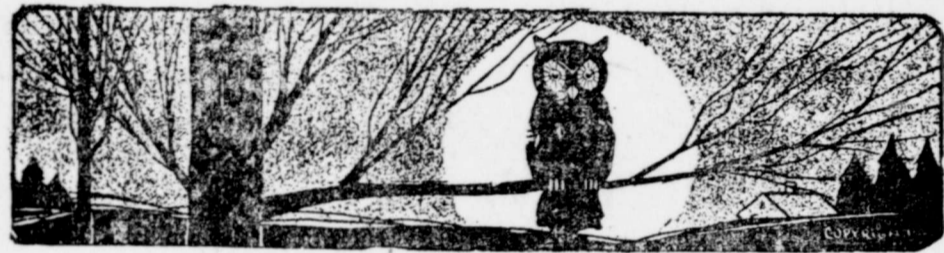
**Afflicted With Rheumatism**

"I was and am yet afflicted with rheumatism," says Mr. J. C. Bayne, editor of the Herald, Addington, Indian Territory, "but thanks to Chamberlain's Pain Balm am able once more to attend to business. It is the best of liniments." If troubled with rheumatism give Pain Balm a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. One application relieves the pain. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

Walker-Over Ralston and Fellow Craft Shoes at The Globe Store.

15 Buggies to close at a bargain. tf. Higginbotham-Currie Co.

Robert Turner returned from a prospecting trip out in the Snyder and Hamlin country. He did not find anything in the way of a suitable location and returned to Ballinger unsettled. When he arrived here he found a letter from his old home in Alabama, stating that an Uncle had died leaving a fortune to which Mr. Turner is one of three heirs. He thinks perhaps he will leave in a few days for Alabama to look after his interest.



**The California Lands In  
Runnels County**

Are now on the market in small tracts with **Small Cash** payments and balance on **Long Time.** These lands are located just across the river in South Ballinger, and are noted for their adaptability to raising Fruits, Melons, Potatoes, Cotton, Corn, etc. This land is near to market and will double in value within twelve months. **Title is perfect and we give Abstracts Free.**

**Our Advice Is To Buy Now**

We always make money for our clients, ask thousands in this county who have purchased homes from this firm.

**The Giesecke-Bennett Co.**

"The Square Deal Firm"

W. J. Tomerlin, of Paint Rock, had business in Ballinger Monday.

Banker Voss, of Miles was here as a Juror in District court Monday.

Screen Doors, Screen Doors, we have them, all sizes and all grades Concho Lumber Co.,

The Ralston Shoe has no equal for \$4.00 at The Globe Store.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Miller, went to Hempstead to accompany the remains of Daniel Ahrenbeck. J. H. Routh also went with the remains as a representative of the Masonic Lodge.

Representative Silliman passed through Sunday en route to Austin to look after his official duties. He had been at home at Eldorado for a few days.

The business houses closed Tuesday, during the funeral of Daniel Ahrenbeck, as a token of respect to that good old man, who lived the ripe old age of 85 years.

B. B. Stone, of Beaumont Texas, dropped off between trains, Tuesday to see his brother-in-law Dr. S. B. Raby. Mr. Stone is deputy U. S. Marshal from the Beaumont district, and had been out to San Angelo on business.

**Weigh The Advantages**

Of a loose cash system against a bank account and you will find everything in favor of the latter.

You can accomplish anything through the bank that you can with the cash and you have these advantages:

Your money is in absolute safety all the time and you cannot lose it by thieves or fire. A little check book, which you carry in your pocket, makes all of your money available at any time.

No one can make you pay a bill twice, because your cancelled check is the best receipt known in law.

You gain the respect of your fellow citizens and have the influence of the bank behind you. Give up that dangerous cash system and start a bank account today.

**The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.,**



## The Driving Season Is Here

And you do not have to be rich to drive in a handsome rig. The man of small means can buy a complete driving outfit—everything but the horse from us.

### WHY?

Because our prices are as low as the class of goods will justify. We have a complete line of

**BUGGIES, SURRIES, HACKS, HARNESS,  
WHIPS AND LAP ROBES.**

Remember we also sell Furniture and House Furnishings and exchange new goods for old.

**Lankford and Hathaway.**

I sell Legal Blanks—A. W. Sledge at Banner-Leader Office.

Fresh line of good groceries on hand all the time at Miller-Mer Co. Call and see us.

Food for man and beast at Alvis Bros, the people who appreciate your trade.

Sheriff Kirk was looking after the boys at Rowena and Miles Wednesday.

N. A. Perry and W. G. Churchill, prominent citizens of Brownwood, were here Wednesday.

Joe B. Johnson left Wednesday evening for Marlin, where he will spend some time recuperating.

Jno. F. Currie returned from St. Louis and other places, Tuesday, where he purchased a large stock of goods for the Hub.

Two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Roll, Charles and George died last Monday in San Angelo from pneumonia, resulting from a recent attack of the measles.

Elder W. P. Skaggs, of San Angelo, will preach at the German Methodist church Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night next. Everybody cordially invited.

Landford Dolen, of the Metropolitan hotel, left first of the week for an unlimited visit to parts unknown. He left quite a number of friends behind who feel insulted because he left so unexpectedly and without consulting them about the trip. It is presumed that he has gone to some country where there is not so many suckers. Walter Harrison the man who owns the Metropolitan come down from San Angelo, and has made arrangements to keep the hotel open for business.

### Who Lost a Watch.

Found—A good watch in Ballinger. Call at Leader office, describe property, pay for this notice and the watch is yours.

### Fatal Sickness Caused by Flies.

May be prevented by thoroughly screening your doors and windows.

Howards Wood Working Machine Shop. South of Court House will do your work promptly. A thoroughly good job at reasonable prices. Phone No 344. 2t.

### Cotton Seed.

We still have a few sacks of "Russell Big Boll Seed" on hand. Call early and secure a supply.

Hall Hdw Co.

### Town Talk

Now in the country, that Hooper's Tetter Cure, guaranteed by Walker Drug Co., cures all skin diseases, pimples, sunburn, tetter in the hands and feet, sore, sweaty, offensive feet. Sure cure for dandruff.

Theo Krc, one of the German farmers of this country is living in clover, so to speak. Mr. Krc had 80 acres planted in cotton; he picked 74 bales from the 80 acres that averaged 560 pounds, and sold his crop for over ten cents. Figuring at ten cents a pound, which is less than he received for his crop. Mr. Krc made \$4144 worth of cotton, or his land yielded \$51.80 per acre. Pretty good crop, and if there is any South or East Texas farmer that can make as good report as this we would like to hear from them.

## Ernest Plummer Has The Best Companies

### WHY?

BECAUSE—The Aetna, The Continental, The Liverpool & London & Globe, The Queen, and The Royal, are the ONLY Companies that paid all San Francisco losses in FULL CASH WITHOUT DISCOUNT. No other agent in Ballinger represents a single Company that paid all San Francisco losses in full cash without discount. If you are not insured in a big CASH-WITHOUT-DISCOUNT Company, it may pay you to get in one.

Call on or write to

**ERNEST PLUMMER, Agent**

Banner-Leader Building

Ballinger, Texas.

# NEW SPRING GOODS

**O**UR BUYERS have just returned from the East where they have bought the largest stock of Dry Goods in the history of the Higginbotham stores. Of course the cry in the Eastern Markets was that everything in Dry Goods were higher in price than last season, but by buying the large quantity that we bought (for our seven stores) we got the goods at nearly the same price. Of course on some few items we had to pay the advance, but taking the stock through we bought them at very little advance over last year.

**WITH** our unexcelled facilities for buying and our corps of experienced buyers to make selections, we have selected beyond doubt the best and most up-to-date line of Dry Goods that has ever been shown in Ballinger.

We wish to call special attention to our stock of Spring Dress Goods in all the latest weaves and fabrics, comprising all the nobby shades in Lawns, Batistes, Organ-dies and Wash Goods.

### TO THE LADIES:

We invite your special attention to our line of Linen Scarfs, Floor Pillow Tops, Corticelli Embroidery Silks, White Quilts, Ladies' Belts, Combs, Purses, Collars, Peri-Lusta Spring Gingham, Johnson Percales and Suitings.

We also have a line of Ready - Trimmed Hats that will be of interest to close buyers.

Recollect we have Lumber, Implements, Buggies, Wagons, Harness and Groceries. The price is just the same  
**CASH OR CREDIT. : : : : :**

# Higginbotham- Currie Co.

P. S. We will trade Lumber for Horses and Mules. : : :

### For Horses and Mules.

At a meeting of the South Carolina Live Stock Association held at Columbia, S. C., on Feb. 8th and 9th an address full of practical advice, backed by scientific knowledge, was delivered by the eminent Dr. Tait Butler, of Raleigh, N. C. on "Practical Stock Feeding in the South." Dr. Butler is a recognized authority on feeds and feeding and what he says should have a special weight and influence throughout the entire South, and that part of his discussion touching the feeding of horses, mules and colts is of special importance to the Southern breeder.

In the official report of the general discussion which followed Dr. Butler's address, this occurs. Dr. Butler was asked:

"You speak of feeding horses cotton seed meal. What about the muscular forming properties of cotton seed meal, on the animal, compared to corn and oats?"

Dr. Butler: "There is enough known about feeding horses cotton seed meal for me to state that if you had a horse that you were feeding, 14 pounds of corn daily, that you could take out four pounds of that corn and put in two pounds of cotton seed meal and get better results. Not because corn is not the best feed we have for supplying heat and energy, but there is another thing needed. When that horse supplies you muscular energy he is burning up his muscles just as burn coal in a furnace to supply energy to run the machinery in your factories, and he has got to have something to build up those wasted muscles, and corn does not contain it in sufficient quantity. A little cotton seed meal is better than an additional amount of corn. When you are already feeding your horse stover and ten pounds of corn, I would rather have two pounds of cotton seed meal added than four pounds of cotton seed meal added than four pounds of oats. Corn is a splendid horse feed, but we are wasting two million dollars a year in South Carolina feeding an all-corn ration.

In what proportion would you you feed corn and cotton seed meal?"

Dr. Butler: That will depend upon your hay.

Plenty of hay?

Dr. Butler: An average ration for a thousand-pound horse doing real hard work, is about 15 pounds of grain and 12 to 15 pounds of hay. Instead of 15 pounds of fodder and 15 pounds of corn. I would take 5 pounds of peavine hay and 7 to 8 pounds of stover, and then and 10 pounds of corn and 2 pounds of cotton seed meal, and get better results. If I had oats to feed and had some peavine hay or clover hay, I do not think I would feed any cotton seed meal at all, because it is had to feed unless you can mix it with something else. If I did not have any peavine or clover hay, I would certainly put some cotton seed meal in the ration of a hard working horse, unless I had plenty of oats, and they were cheap."

This is important testimony from the highest authority, and should interest every farmer and horse owner in the South. We send thousands of dollars into the Northwest every year for corn. We send into the Northwest every year thousands of dollars worth of our Cotton Seed Meal. Nobody is benefited by this but the railroads. If we keep our cotton seed meal at home to feed it will help our horses—and Dr. Butler knows.

### Heavy Hail Storm.

May be expected during the spring and summer months, and it is now in order for you to protect your windows from damage, by going to Howards Wood Working Machine Shop, South of Court House, and ordering your screens. A thoroughly good job at reasonable prices guaranteed. Phone No. 344. 2t