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Primary Election Order.

An election is hereby ordered to be held in each election Precinct at each voting place therein, in Runnels County, Texas, on Saturday May the 2nd 1908, for the election of Four Delegates at Large from the State of Texas, to the The National Democratic Convention of The United States, to be held at the City of Denver in the State of Colorado on the 7 day of July 1908, also for the election of two Presidential Electors for the State of Texas, also for the election of delegates by each precinct in Runnels County, to the Democratic County Convention to be held in the Town of Ballinger, on Tuesday, May the 5th 1908. The basis of representation to the County Convention will be one delegate to every twenty-five votes cast for Governor at the last general election, in such Precinct.

At this election every legally

qualified white voter, having paid his poll tax or being exempt therefrom, by law, who is a Democrat and willing to subscribe to the following test, viz: "I am a Democrat, and pledge myself to support the Democratic presidential electors nominated by the Democratic party in 1908, and the nominees of the Democratic party, to be nominated in the primary election to be held in Texas in July 1908." This being the pledge fixed and adopted by the Democratic Executive Committee of the State of Texas, shall be entitled to vote, and it is the duty of the officers holding this election to see that none but Democrats, White, Democrats, participate therein. Election returns shall be made to the Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee at Ballinger Texas, on Monday the 4th day of May.

John I. Guion,
Chairman Democratic Executive Committee of Runnels Co.
Attest: J. R. Lusk, Secretary.

Over One Thousand Ballinger People Honor Senator Bailey

Business Houses are Closed and People Meet the Train to Welcome the Senator as He Passes Through Our Town

MAKES TEN-MINUTE SPEECH--- SAYS HE WILL COME AGAIN

Ballinger Ladies Shower Him With Flowers While the Large Concourse of Citizens Join in a Welcome Cheer.

Not since Ballinger has been a Ballinger has there ever before at any one time been as many people at the Santa Fe depot as met the three-thirty train last Thursday evening. Nearly every business house in Ballinger was closed, school had been dismissed, and the lowest estimate places the number of people at the depot at one thousand. All available space between the tracks at the South end of the platform was filled with people; people were on top of the box cars and on the water tank.

As usual, the train stooped for water, and the crowd rushed for the rear of the train, it having been advertised that Mr. Bailey would make a few minutes talk from the platform of the rear coach. This arrangement had

been changed by the Ballinger people who went to San Angelo to hear Mr. Bailey speak, and it was decided to have him speak from the cotton platform, and when he in company with Judge Guion and several other Ballinger parties alighted from the train a mighty cheer of welcome went up, and Mr. Bailey was again made to feel that he was in the hands of his friends.

He mounted the cotton platform, and after being introduced by Miss Hermia Smith, in a very appropriate way, was presented with large bouquet and wreaths of flowers by Mrs. Jno. I. Guion, Misses Ada Allen, Minnie Lewis, Hermia Smith, Johnson, Cofer, and Miss Natlie Lawrence, of Indinapolis, Ind., Mrs. Oscar Pearson, Mrs. D. A. Cameron,

Jr., Mrs. J. F. Currie, Mrs. M. C. Smith. Over 5,000 roses were presented Mr. Bailey, and when he reached Brownwood he shipped them by express to his home at Gainesville.

"After a while these flowers will wither and they will lose their fragrance, but the memory of this occasion will abide with me to the end of my life," said Mr. Bailey. I had rather have the esteem of the good women of Texas than to wear the greatest crown that ever sat upon the head of any monarch who ever oppressed the people in the history of the world. I will go further and say that I had rather have the loving trust of Texas women than to have the votes of Texas men, if I had to choose between two such conditions."

Mr. Bailey declared that he has always tried to do his duty, "and this carries with it a greater care and harder effort than most people imagine, and no man believes that I have not served you faithfully," he said. "Many men say I have not been faithful, but those who say this are either ignorant or vicious, and some are both." Mr. Bailey then praised the people of this section. "This is my first trip among you," he said, "but now that I have shaken your honest hands and have seen the pulsation of your loyal hearts, I will promise to come again and see you. I have not found a more loyal people any where, nor have I ever seen a finer country. I shall bear a message

to my neighbors that they know neither the wonders of this section nor the sturdiness of the people living here, and I had rather live among a good people in a poor country than among a bad people in a good country, and how fortunate indeed are you good people of Ballinger to have both a good country and a good people."

Senator Bailey's friends helped to load his flowers on the train, and as the train pulled out a mighty cheer bid him God speed.

DATES FIXED FOR SUMMER NORMAL

State Superintendent Orders Normal and Notifies Prof. Hagan

Prof. E. L. Hagan received notice Wednesday from the State Superintendent of Public Instruction that the Normal at Ballinger had been ordered, and the date of opening has been fixed for June 22. This news starts the ball to rolling in a business like way, and Prof. Hagan assisted by the local teachers and committee will push matters of arranging for a most successful Normal. The normal embraces a large territory and the attendance is expected to be large. The local committee is sending out some valuable advertising matter, and will follow this up with more.

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BAILEY DAY IN BALLINGER

Large Crowd Hear Speaking

Senator Odell and Colonel Baker Deliver Masterly Addresses. Most Enthusiastic Crowd Yet Assembled.

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BAILEY GAINING GROUND

As Fast as a Man Learns the Facts in the Case, He Gets on the Bailey Side.

As predicted, last Saturday was a red letter day in politics for Ballinger. Perhaps not in the history of the town did such crowd ever assemble in the court house. The committee had every available space filled with chairs, there being 250 chairs placed in the aisle and around the speaker's stand, and with the regular seats accomodation were provided for about 750 people, and to say there were at least this number present is placing the number none too high.

The Winters band arrived about ten o'clock, and met the San Angelo train on which one of the speakers arrived, also playing on the street until the hour for speaking when they marched to the court house followed by the large concourse of people. The people from the country began to arrive early in the morning, and the town was crowded with people from the country notwithstanding that a heavy rain had the roads in bad shape for travel. Quite a number came from the north end of the county, and many more from far away points to be here and learn something of the great Senator from Texas, and hear the charges against him fully explained. The people began to assemble in the court house early and by two o'clock the room was crowded.

The band was playing Dixie when Judge Jno. I. Guion, Rev. J. S. Moore, Senator D. W. Odell and Col. A. J. Baker entered the door. As soon as the speakers entered the large crowd, went wild with applause and cheered until the speakers had taken their seats on the speakers stand, and then they cheered some more. Rev. Moore chairman of the Ballinger Bailey club, in a few words introduced the first speaker, Senator Odell, and as the speaker came forward the house again set up a roar of applause



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that lasted for at least three minutes.

Senator Odell began speaking at exactly 2:15 and spoke for two hours and fifteen minutes. He prefaced his remarks by stating that he was a resident of Ballinger twenty years ago, having at that time been in the employment of the railroad at this place as freight clerk. He reviewed his political record, giving the people to understand that he was a Democrat and had never been anything else in his life. He paid his respects to the Ledger for the slanderous way in which they herald his coming. He went into the question at issue and reviewed the evidence as produced in the Bailey investigation, and by the record he proved that Mr. Bailey was not guilty of any one of the forty two charges made against him and that his record in congress was above reproach, and as has been done many times he challenged his enemies to point to one instance where Senator Bailey had ever neglected his duty and failed to represent his people. On the other hand the speaker proved that Mr. Bailey's service in congress had been valuable to the people and that he has credit for many measures that were enacted for the interest of the people. He paid a great tribute to Senator Bailey, and give many reasons why the people of Texas love him. "He is the greatest statesman in the South, and the greatest man in the Democratic party of Texas" said the speaker. On the other hand Mr. Odell showed why the enemies of Bailey were fighting him and said the term "hate club" was appropriately applied, for that is exactly what it is. "We are fighting for Mr. Bailey because we love him. The enemy are fighting because they hate him." The speaker turned the light on the record of some of the leaders in the fight against Mr. Bailey. He proved by the evidence brought out in the investigation at Austin that his enemies are not only corrupt, but that they are not fit to serve in the smallest and lowest place the people could give them. Every one of them are guilty of things they are charging Mr. Bailey with, and the difference between Mr. Bailey and his enemies, he has been tried for the charges against him and found to be innocent of every one of them, while his enemies need no trial to prove their guilt. They stand convicted by there own evidence. Futher more Mr. Bailey is a Democrat, never scratched a Democratic ticket, while his enemies have belonged to every political party that would take them in and give them a chance to get an office. If they failed in this, which they usually did, they were ready to try another party and would do so by bolting the ticket, Truly their political coat is one of many colors.

Mr. Odell speech was the strongest delivered in Ballinger in many days on any subject, and that it was of great effect, and cleared up the minds of many on the question at issue, there is no

doubt. He was cheered all through his speech, and was only interrupted one time, when some anti-Bailey man butted in with some pertinent question. The manner in which Mr. Odell answered the question was certainly satisfactory to the audience as an applause went up that could be heard all over town, and the man colored up and was not heard from any more during the speaking, and as soon as an opportunity presented itself he left the house.

Mr. Odell closed his remarks by stating that he was not near through, but Col. Baker was present, and was also on the program for a speech.

Chairman Moore introduced Col. Baker, stating that he was a hero of Gettysburg, and one of the most respected citizens of Texas. Col. Baker is one of the candidates on the Bailey ticket to the National convention. He said that the speaker who had just closed his speech, had left nothing for him to say, but before he closed the people thought different, and Col. Baker was most heartily applauded all through his speech. He paid the highest tribute possible to Senator Bailey, and said he (Baker) had no political ambitions. He was getting too old, and that he had much rather see Mr. Bailey elected as a delegate to the National convention than to be elected himself. Col. Baker turned the light on Attorney General Davidson to give the people an idea of the character of the leaders in this fight against Senator Bailey. "They are charging Bailey with things they are guilty of themselves" said the speaker, and the impression Col. Baker made on his hearers will not be good for Davidson when voting time comes.

Enthusiasm was at high pitch when the speaking closed, and everything looked "Bailey" to the boys.

Resolutions of Thanks.

At a meeting of the Bryan-Bailey-Wynne Democratic Club of Tom Green county, Wednesday evening, April 8th the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Be it resolved that we tender our thanks to Hon. John I. Guion of Ballinger for his masterly and eloquent address at the court house in the city, under the auspices of this club, last Monday evening in which the principles of true Democracy were so ably presented and championed.

Resolved further that the local papers and also the Ballinger Banner-Leader, be furnished with copies of these resolutions for publication.

We wish to call attention of our readers to the notice of the Mexican Manufacture Co. of Wichita Kansas, published elsewhere in this issue. This Company is out with a proposition to the ladies that no lady can well afford to over look. The writer's family have tried the goods and we are in a position to speak it's worth. Read their offer and take advantage of it.

Mrs. Emma Nash is figuring with the carpenters on a contract for a nice house on the west corner of the lot where her two story stands. She has rented this house to J. O. Grundy, who will move in as soon as it can be finished.

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BALLINGER PEOPLE ARE NOT FOOLS

Ledger Reporter Casts Reflection on the Entire Citizenship of Our Town.

The report of Senator Bailey's few moments greeting to the citizens of Ballinger contained in the Ledger was a reflection upon the citizenship, both male and female, of the city. To those familiar with the situation it merely illustrates the ignorance of form and journalistic propriety in the writer, but might create a false impression abroad. On any other occasion the people might be justified in treating such nusripresentations with silent contempt but there are times when the insignificance of the accuser is lost in the magnitude of the accusation.

No sane man could expect an exhaustive review of the issues of the day in the few moments allowed Senator Bailey while the baggage was being unloaded. The time was no more sufficient than to express his appreciation of the hospitable welcome and that he did eloquently coupled with a promise to visit us in the future. Far from the reception being a frost as the Ledger would have it, it was out-spoken and generous. There were about three people, including many ladies, who braved the threatening weather to listen to the Senator in the open air, to one that went to hear Cullen Thomas when comfortable quarters were provided in the court house. If Senator Bailey's reception was a frost, Cullen Thomas must have imagined himself somewhere in the region of the Aurora-borealis. The Ledger's reports are so biased that they are calculated to mislead people not acquainted with the generous openhearted citizenship of the city, A newspaper worthy of the name gives accounts of events of public interest as they occur, reserving whatever spleen they have to work off to the editorial column. This may be accounted for in the Ledger through the fact that their brainy does not support a regular editorial column. It requires fertility to produce.

The most unpardonable breach in the Ledger's account was the fact that they did not find space for the words of welcome spoken by one of the fair daughters of Ballinger. Miss Smith's words were eloquent and truthfully stated the feelings of a majority of the ladies and gentlemen of Ballinger. The fair hands that wove the beautiful floral wreath, embolic of the spotless character of the senator, are the same hands that have in a large measure shaped the destiny of the state from the days of the Alamo down to the present time and made it worthy of such a talented statesman and one that the senator can justly be proud of.

To the Ledger reporter the fair hands were fashioned after those of his Sataine majesty and the beautiful wreath became a crown of thorns. To critical Senator Bailey is their privilege, Washington was so abused and his criticised so violently assailed that he had rather be in his grave than in the presidency. But to wilfully misrepresent the hospitality and views of the good men and women of Ballinger is another matter. If they have not the ability to carry on the argument without resorting to such misrepresentations at the expensed of the city, the paper will become a nuisance instead of a help to the community.

The reception of Senator Bailey was generous and outspoken. The high estimation in what he is held by the people of the city was attested by the fact that Ballinger sent a special train loaded with people to San Angelo to hear his address at that place, Joe Bailey said, "Some who criticise my record are ignorant, some vicious and some are both. The Ledger man was the first to run and prove himself the latter."

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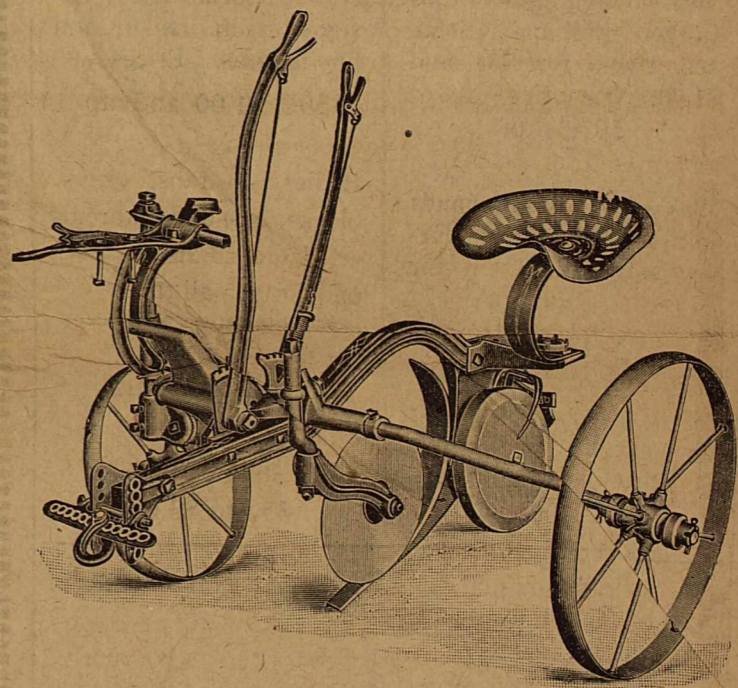
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SENATOR BAILEY'S ANGELO SPEECH

The Largest Crowd Ever Assembled in That City Greeted Senator Bailey with Prolonged Applause,

That San Angelo did herself proud in entertaining Senator Bailey even the anti-Bailey people who were present at the reception will admit. The night train was several hours late and did not reach Angelo until about eight o'clock in the morning, and a large crowd was waiting to welcome Mr. Bailey, and he was made to feel that he was among his friends and the best people in the world.

He was carried to the Landon hotel where the crowd followed, and many more gathered to meet Mr. Bailey and express their loyalty to him. When the hour for speaking arrived the merchants closed their places of business to permit their clerks to attend the speaking. The people begin to fill up the skating rink long before the hour for speaking. A member of the reception committee distributed 2,500 roses to the visitors, and he said he didn't have half enough to go round.

The crowd was estimated from 7000 to 8000, and that the majority of them were Bailey's friends was demonstrated by the prolonged applause through out the speaking.

As Senator Bailey entered the big place the band struck up "Dixie" and the shouting was positively tumultuous. When the senator mounted the speaker's stand a patriarchal looking veteran ascended and embraced Bailey, while the audience howl-

ed its approval. This old gentleman was W. R. Owens, 78 years of age, of Coke, formerly of Cooke county.

The invocation was said by the Rev. Dr. Crutchfield, of California, who is visiting his son at San Angelo, and after a brief prayer Dr. Crutchfield made a short talk, declaring that as a citizen of the United States he felt proud of the Junior Senator from Texas. Mr. Bailey was then introduced by Col. A. J. Baker, one of the candidates for delegate to the National convention. Col. Baker made a splendid speech in presenting the Senator. "He is one of the greatest men now living in the United States," said Col. Baker. He then reviewed the attacks made upon Washington, Webster, Clay, Jackson and others.

When Mr. Bailey walked to the front of the platform he was greeted by cheering and shouting that lasted five minutes before he raised his hand to still the cheering. Senator Bailey began his speech by declaring that he had long desired to visit this fertile and beautiful section of the state, and "I have long been under promise to come among you and I regret the exigencies of the campaign will not permit me to remain as long as I wish.

There is an inspiration which teaches us when we are among our friends, and I have this hour felt this inspiration. I have never been more certain in my life that I am among my friends than I am at this moment when I look at this splendid audience, and I am certain that those who are not my friends who are here, who are open to reason, will be my friends before I have said my last word." (Great applause.)

"This is a remarkable fight," said M. Bailey. "It is a fight against a public man without one word about or against a public record. Do you know why they have not attacked my public record? It is because they cannot misrepresent it. My public record is seventeen years long and there is not a spot or a blemish on it." (Yells of approval.) Senator Bailey then reviewed the various charges and attendant investigations of his acts, epitomizing the charges of his enemies. "They charged I had acted wrongly. I drove them from that stand, and they charged me with a lack of candor. I drove them from that, and then they said a member of congress should not represent a trust. Aye, my friends, I go further than that; I say that no lawyer, whether a member of congress or not, ought to represent a trust, for a trust has been declared an outlaw by Texas, with a price on its head.

"No man has ever charged that I ever had a case that even in the remotest way bore upon questions that congressional action could affect." The speaker declared that those who are opposing him are doing so more out of ignorance than viciousness. The leaders of the movement, however, are not ignorant. They are vicious, they know better. They ought to act more honestly. In reviewing the dissolution of the Harvester trust Mr. Bailey denounced the settlement of compromise by Gray & Cockrell, attorneys for the trust, and Davidson, all now anti-Bailey leaders, as being outrageous. "It was either too much or too little, and if there are any hardware dealers here they will tell you that the price of the products of the harvest trust has been increased since this compromise." (Several voices: "That's correct.")

"Yes, sir, and let me tell you you can't punish a trust by fining it for the trust takes the money out of the pocket of the people to place it in the pocket of the sheriff to satisfy the fine."

Referring to the allegations set up by Davidson in the Waters Pierce case wherein Davidson brought in Bailey's name in his petition, a voice cried out: "Hypocrite."

"It was worse than hypocrisy because it prostituted the powers of a great office to besmirch the character of an honest man," and this brought magnificent applause. Later, taking up his connection with the Standard Oil company, Mr. Bailey said this company came to him and asked his opinion as to whether or not this company could do business in Texas. He informed this company that it could not do so it would be penalized with heavy fines and its agents would be imprisoned.

"A dishonest lawyer would have sought for a way to get the Standard Oil into Texas. That would have needed influence. That's the difference between practicing law and practicing influence."

Mr. Bailey reviewed the public records of his leading opponents in line with his previous addresses and when he called a spade a spade the western lungs gave western yells in vigorous sounds. Bailey spoke about two and one-half hours and taken all in all he made about the best speech he has delivered during his present trip. The inspiration to make a great speech was about him and he rode on its crest. In the main he followed the lines he has previously laid out.

Mr. Bailey went to Brownwood from San Angelo, and at every stop of the train he was met by a large crowd, and he was compelled to say a few words to the anxious throng. 300 people met the train at Talpa, 1500 at Coleman and 500 at Santa Anna, many of whom went to Brownwood to hear the Brownwood speech.

R. P. TAYLOR'S HAND CALLED

J. M. Slaughter Shows Him Up. Never Was a Bailey Man. Charter Member of Hate Club.

What a strange and complex thing it is that which we call a human being "made in the Likeness and image of God," how discordant it can become how broken in harmony, how jangled out of tune by malice, envy, hatred, venom, spleen, bitterness, revenge, gall and wormwood, how these things can pervert, the imagination make mountains out of molehills and convert the objects against which they are directed into beings sent direct from Plutonian darkness; how they nerve the individual to possess the chase, and start him on the track of his victim like Hillhound to be pursued with unrelenting vigor.

The writer has not the time nor inclination to enter into a discussion of Democrat's so-called charges. It is the policy of the haters of Senator Bailey to crape together every crime known to the criminal calendar and lay them at his door, these charges are but the same old straw, which has been thrashed over a hundred times. Senator Bailey has twice been charged with these same things before the Legislature, twice investigated and twice acquitted, that ought to be sufficient for any reasonable creature in being. The law presumes every man to be innocent until his guilt is established beyond a reasonable doubt, and Senator Bailey's enemies though twice given the opportunity have failed to make good on their charges.

R. P. Taylor asked many things and why this thing and that thing were done and why Senator Bailey favors things and why he did this and the other. The writer might in turn ask R. P. Taylor why on a certain date he stole a horse, or to explain why on a certain night he visited a neighbors hen roost, yet the asking of these questions would be no proof that he ever did such things. It would be only an insinuation and that is the reason the enemies of Senator Bailey ask these low down insinuating questions. They have no proof and they hope to prejudice the people against him by insinuations and charges which they cannot prove. If R. P. Taylor was placed on trial for horse theft he would not be asked to prove his innocence, the law says he is innocent, and the state of Texas would be required to prove his guilt. Twice the enemies of Senator Bailey have tried to prove he was guilty of wrong doing and both times failed, utterly. It is not up to the writer, as the friend of Senator Bailey, to explain any thing; it is up to R. P. Taylor, Norton, Texas, to offer the proof of what he charges if he has any new proof, and then the defence will be called on to refute it. Mr. Taylor, says a great many things. Liars, thieves, hyenas. The Savior, Blessed Messenger of Peace who came into the world to seek and to save that which was lost, and yet he had enemies so bitter they crucified him on Galgatha's, bleeding summit. The good, the pure and the great have had enemies since Cain was jealous of the favors shown his brother Abel.

Now, as R. P. Taylor, seems full of propositions we will make him this one: Were you not a Horace Chilton man? Were you not against Joe Bailey then and ever since? If you were not against him before the present charges were ever thought of. I will admit I am not right and will quit the fight.

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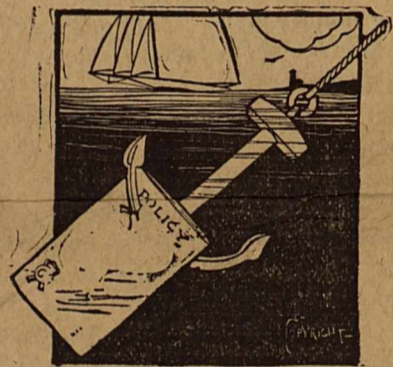
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our readers, please phone us and if
necessary we will send our reporter or
get data.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce the
following candidates subject to the ac-
tion of the Democratic Primary:

FOR REPRESENTATIVE 102d DIST.:
BROWN F. LEE

FOR COUNTY JUDGE:
R. S. GRIGGS.
T. T. CROSSON

FOR SHERIFF AND TAX COL.:
R. P. (BOB) KIRK.
E. F. EDWARDS.

JIM FLINT

FOR COUNTY AND DIST. CLERK:
R. A. TERRY.

OVERTON L. PARISH

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY:
EDWARD S. MCCARVER.
W. E. SAYLE.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER:
T. J. STOCKS

S. J. (WALTER) CARPENTER

FOR TAX ASSESSOR:
EDWIN DAY.

FOR PUBLIC WEIGHER:
JOE SPOONTS.

FRANK STUART.

FOR SUPT. PUBLIC SCHOOLS:
E. L. HAGAN.

FOR COUNTY SURVEYOR:
J. E. POWELL.

FOR J. P. AND COMMISSIONER:
B. S. TAYLOR.

W. H. WEEKS.

J. A. DEMOVILLE.

FOR J. P. PRECINCT NO. 2:
A. D. TALLY

The Committee reports that
arrangements for the library
work is progressing nicely, and
actual work on the building will
be started soon.

This has been an unusually favor-
able spring for gardens, and
Ballinger people are enjoying
nice vegetables grown here at
home, and the market is flooded
with vegetables shipped from
other points.

One year ago there was a
shortage of 150,000 freight cars
in the United States. Now
there are 350,000 freight cars
sidetracked—due to the policies
of President Roosevelt and the
hard times that have prevailed
over this entire nation—is the
accepted explanation of the
popular application of the term
"Teddy Bears" to the railroad
"empties" of the United States.

Deposit When you Like What you Like

But deposit your money
HERE.

It is possible you have
never felt the absolute neces-
sity of having a bank ac-
count. It is probable you
could drift along for years
without one but if you ex-
pect to forge to the front in
this life in a financial way
it is essential that you have
a Bank Account.

We give you a personal
invitation to make this
bank your depository—
whether you have a small
sum or a large one to lay
aside for safe keeping.

First National Bank

Ballinger, - Texas.

Easter Sunday this year prom-
ises to be a wet one, while last
year this country was as dry as
a powder house, and remained
dry for a long time. There is a
great difference in the feeling of
our people this spring. Not so
many long faces.

The Earth, a magazine publish-
ed at Chicago by the Santa Fe,
in the interest of immigration
devotes considerable space in
the April issue to a write up of
the Concho-Colorado country.
Ballinger and Runnels county
comes in with a nice write up
which is calculated to be of
great benefit to this section of
the State.

Improvements in Ballinger
will not let up, something new
in this line going on all the time.
M. D. Chastain is having several
hundred feet of cement walk
put down around his business
house. Jo Wilmeth is doing the
same thing at the Central hotel,
and has flowers and trees set out
that will add wonderfully to
that popular hotel. D. Reeder
has just treated his handsome
home to a new coat of paint.
The Ballinger Installment Co.,
are improving the front of their
building. Jones, Walton & Co.,
have added a new awning to the
new stone building occupied by
them. Many other minor im-
provements are going on, and
last, but not least, is the installa-
tion of an up to date sewerage
system.

It would be a good idea for
some of the voters, whose polit-
ical coat does not hang exactly
right, and who contemplate go-
ing to the polls on May 2 and
scratching Senator Bailey's name
to look up the pledge they will
have to swallow, if they vote.
The pledge reads this way: "I
am a Democrat, and pledge my
self to support the Democratic
presidential electors nominated
by the Democratic party in 1908,
and the nominees of the Demo-
cratic party, to be nominated in
the primary election to be held
in Texas on July 25, 1908." This
pledge will be printed on the
head of every ticket, and a man
will have to so pledge himself in
order to participate in the elec-
tion of delegates to the National
convention at Denver. It is up
to you and your conscience. You
know whether you are a Demo-
crat or not, and you know wheth-
er you can keep faith or not.
None other can vote.

City Council.

The City Council met Monday
and Tuesday of this week, and
transacted quite a good deal of
important business. Among
other things done an advertise-
ment was written and sent to
the Dallas News advertising the
Ballinger Street bonds for sale.
The new board was organized
with the following committee.

Street, alley and ordinance
committee, Jo Wilmeth and J. R.
McVay. Water and light com-
mittee, B. C. Kirk and R. T.
Jones. Finance and cemetery
committee, R. L. Maddox. Fire
committee, B. C. Kirk and R.
L. Maddox.

Mayor Hoffer made some re-
commendations to the council
that will be acted on at some
future meeting.

Revival Services.

The revival services at the
Methodist church have been well
attended when the weather per-
mit it.

Rev. J. A. Whitehurst arrived
Tuesday and has been preaching
to the delight of all who have
heard him. He is a very forcible
speaker. You cannot afford not
to hear him. Services Saturday
at 9:45 a. m., and 8:00 p. m.

The following is the program
for Sunday:

Sunday school at 10:00 a. m.
Preaching at 11:00 a. m. Sermon
to men only at 4:00 p. m. Preach-
ing at 8:00 p. m. You are cor-
dially invited to attend.

BALLINGER CROWD VISITS SAN ANGELO

Special Train Carries 210 People to San
Angelo to Hear Senator Bailey
Speak

As previously arranged for,
a special train of four cars left
Ballinger last Thursday morning
for San Angelo, the occasion be-
ing the speaking of Senator Bai-
ley. 130 tickets were sold at
Ballinger and 80 at Miles. The
train did not stop at Rowena.
Of the 130 from Ballinger all but
15 were Bailey supporters, in-
cluding the ladies that were on
the train. The ladies are for
Mr. Bailey. All the Bailey peo-
ple and several of the anti-Bai-
ley people wore badges bearing
the words "Runnels County for
Bailey". Those from here who
heard Mr. Bailey came back well
pleased with his speech, with
few exceptions. Some who went
anti-Bailey men returned strong
supporters of Mr. Bailey while
others the talk had no effect on.
Among the many that went from
Ballinger the writer noticed the
following:

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pipkin,
Mrs. J. G. Douglass, Mrs. W. A.
Jackson, Mrs. I. Vancil, Mrs. R.
S. Griggs, Misses Irene and
Neil Guion, Miss Mabel Fowler,
J. J. Erwin, C. C. Thomas, I. S.
Baldwin, J. T. Shaffer, W. W.
Parker, D. A. Parker, J. A. Os-
tertag, Uncle Johnnie Shaffer,
Jesse McAdams, C. E. Gilliam,
Walter Allen, Tom Gardner,
Jesse Jones, L. A. Shields,
Francis Holliday, Buck Shields,
J. N. McKay, T. S. Lankford,
J. W. Cathey, E. J. Cathey, C.
J. Guin, A. G. Cude, J. H. Kelly,
R. P. Kirk, T. J. Starkey, S. D.
Williams, W. H. Dean, E. V.
Bateman, J. E. Brewer, J. L.
Neill, G. W. Dean, J. W. Murry,
W. H. Rodgers, H. T. Hester,
T. J. Burns, J. D. Smith, Dr. J.
H. Grant, Rev. M. E. Hudson,
Rev. Geo. W. Fender, Judge Jno.
I. Guion, H. Giesecke, J. M.
Garlinton, Santa Fe Agent Holt,
Judge J. W. Powell, C. B. Arm-
strong, E. J. Hardgrave, Chas.
S. Miller, Ben Long, S. J. Smith
Hugo Miller, Auther Trail, John
Hopkinson, M. B. Reid, H. K.
Reid, Rev. A. E. Turney, I. L.
Beard, H. L. Chapman, L. F.
Chapman, Earnest Plummer,
B. H. Jeanes, W. E. Davis, J.
M. Donham, W. C. Collins,
W. H. Weeks, M. M. Parker,
J. A. Watkins, John Loveless,
M. Barbee, R. W. Gilliam, J. B.
Alvis W. W. Chastain, Bob Mc-
Gregory, N. F. Norris, H. Onkin
W. D. Gregory, J. A. Reece, E.
S. McCarver, Nesbit Gustavous,
D. M. Baker, R. A. David, J. F.
Currie, M. C. Braden, H. Keidel
W. R. Gilliam, J. L. Nagle, W.
L. Ellis, S. N. Allison, J. F.
Stuart, J. W. Godwin, E. H.
Voelkel, John Hoffer, Tom Lively
S. S. Prince, Tom Massey, A. B.
Burrell, W. B. Page, J. F. Cur-
ry, and several others whose
names we failed to get.

Speaking at Ballinger Monday

Senator Arch Grinnan of
Brownwood State Senator will
speak at Ballinger at 2:30 o'clock
on Baileyism and will be able to
tell us something that will inter-
est us.

Senator Grinnan has been in
the State Senate for six years
and is better acquainted with Joe
Bailey's record than any man
in West Texas.

The Farmers specially invited
to hear him, as he will deal with
the subject in an interesting
way, and without gloves on.
Dont fail to note the date and
come out.

Hon. Arch Grinnan, of Brown-
wood State Senator from this
Senatorial Dist. will speak at
Winters Monday night at 8 p. m.
and at Miles Tuesday night at
8 p. m. He is a good speaker
and will tell us something on
Baileyism of interest.

Anti-Bailey Club

Senator Grinnan has been chal-
lenged to divide time with a Bai-
ley speaker and there promises
to be something doing for the
Bailey boys. Yes every body
come and see if there is not two
sides to this question.

Bailey Club

The Anti Bailey Badge

The most significant badge
worn by a member of the Bailey
blue-ribbon brigade of Runnels
county, as it passed down Chad-
bourne street this morning, was
a greenback bill, pinned to the
lappel of the wearer's coat.
More eloquent than words that
badge proclaimed to the world:
"We've got the money, and if
we should happen to need more
Joe knows where to get it."—
San Angelo Standard,

The party referred to in the
above is none other than our
good friend Ernest Plummer.
Earnest is one of the anti Bailey
leaders in Ballinger and was one
of the few that went to San An-
gelo, who would not wear a Bai-
ley badge, but in its place pin-
ned a two dollar bill on his coat,
presumably the emblem of anti
Baileyism. But as usual with
the anti Baileyites, misfortuned
frowned upon him and he re-
turned with only a small bit of
the bill sticking to his coat, some
San Angelo anti Baileyite having
more need for it, did the Gruett
act, and Mr. Plummer returned
to Ballinger a wiser man for
having heard Senator Bailey
speak, but a sadder man for
having left behind his anti Bai-
ley badge.

And the Standard did not read
the badge correctly. The badge
no doubt, when properly read
say: "Davidson daws the salary
and collects the rent, and divides
with us."

For County and District Clerk.

Overton L. Parish, a promi-
nent young farmer, of the Maze-
land country, was in town first
of the week, and while here an-
nounced himself as a candidate
for the office of County and
District Clerk of Runnels coun-
ty. He made the Leader office a
pleasant call, and authorized us
to place his name before the vot-
ers of the county.

Mr. Parish has been in the
county about four years, having
moved here with his parents
from Mills county. He is a
young man, full of ambition, and
is competent to fill almost any
office the people might see fit to
give him. He is a Democrat,
and of course is making the race
subject to the action of the Dem-
ocratic primary, and if elected
he promises to give the people
the very best service possible in
the clerk's office. He will call
on you before election day, and
he ask that you not pledge your
support to any one until he has
presented his claim.

Mrs. R. L. Bennett Entertains

In honor of her sister, Miss
Lidia Schnelle, of Kansas City,
Mrs. R. L. Bennett entertained
quite a number of her friends
Tuesday evening with that pop-
ular game, Five Hundred. The
home was beautifully decorated
with roses, and everything for
the success of the occasion ar-
ranged for. After spending
some time in the interest-
ing game, delicious cream and
cake was served, and at a late
hour the guests departed wish-
ing that Miss Schnelle would
visit Mrs. Bennett often and such
an occasion be repeated on every
visit. Those present; Medms.
Schenelle of Kansas City; Clark,
of San Saba; Mrs. Dr. Baskin,
Mrs. D. Reece; and Miss Lidia
Schnelle of Kansas City. Misses
Katie Ray Ward, Neil and Irene
Guion, Eelia Day, May and Myra
Penn, Emma Bennett, Hermia
Smith, Estell Underwood, Louise
Ornigh, Ruth and Evadne Cady.

Call for Teachers Meeting.

Acting under the advice of
County Supt. E. L. Hagan, I
issue this call to the teachers of
Runnels County to meet in Supt.
Hagan's office, Saturday 25th
inst., for the purpose of formu-
lating plans to conduct a cam-
paign in behalf of the proposed
amendment to the Constitution.

This amendment relates only
to the public schools, but is of
such a nature as to enlist the
active support of all interested
in the cause of education. Let
all be present and lend their
services to a worthy cause.

TOM P. MARTIN,
Chairman Ex. Com.

Dallas Drummer. Says Bailey Will Be Elected

T. J. Robberson, of Dallas,
was here on his regular trip last
Thursday, and went with the
Ballinger crowd on the special
to San Angelo to hear Senator
Bailey speak. Mr. Robberson
made fun for the crowd going
and coming. He is one of those
jolly whole souled drummers
who sees every thing on the
bright side of life. He took a
great interest in securing a list
of all those on the train and ob-
taining their views on the Bailey
question. He said there was no
doubt about Bailey carrying Dal-
las county, "We have 18,000
voters," said Mr. Robberson,
"and 12,000 of them will go for
Bailey." "The very gang that
is fighting Bailey in Dallas is
enough to make friends for
the Senator. We Dallas people
know who they are and what
they are, and I tell you their
standing is below par. As bad
as Horace Chilton hates Bailey,
he will take no stock with
this gang. I live within two
blocks of Horace Chilton and
know what I am talking about.

Furthermore, I have made it a
point to investigate this matter
in my travels. I visit all the
small interior towns and come
in contact with the small mer-
chants and the great majority
are for Bailey. This gang that
is fighting him are tried and true
enemies to Democracy. I don't
mean that every body that is
against Bailey are this way.
There are some good men who
have been misled and do not
understand that Senator Bailey
is being slandered by these en-
emies, both personal and political.
He has been tried twice for these
charges and not a single one of
them proven; and yet they rise
up in the face of the honest men
who investigated the matter and
say he is guilty. The leaders in
the fight are seekers after notor-
iety, and they are not fit to be
trusted with the lowest office in
the gift of the people, and the
pretty part of the question is they
will never get what they are
after, but will be buried so deep
on May 2nd, that it will take
Hearst and his followers a long
time to resurrect them." Mr.
Robberson said he polled the
crowd at nearly every hotel he
stopped at, and said that when
he found a bunch of drummers
where the anti-Bailey men were
in the majority, he also found
that they were republicans and
could not vote in this election.

Sunday School Campaign.

There were about 750 persons
present at the Sunday Schools of
Ballinger on the first Sunday in
April. We wish to increase this
number to 1000 by June 1st.

It was decided at the pastor's
conference to report each week
through the press the number
attending each Sunday School.

Look out for report next week.
Let everybody be present Sun-
day.

Judge J. O. Woodard, of Cole-
man addressed the people of
Talpa, last Monday on the inter-
est of Senator Bailey. He had
agreed to divide time with an
anti Bailey speaker. The anti
Bailey man was present,
but for some reason not known
to the writer he failed to present
his speech when Judge Woodard
finished. Perhaps he did not
have the nerve to go up against
the argument that Judge Wood-
ard presented. It is hard to do
and the anti Bailey speakers are
to be congratulated for debating
this question with the Bailey
speakers.

WANTED.

Good Vendors Lien Notes—
tf Giesecke-Becnett Co.

Those new style ladies collar
pins, you must see them at
Brewer's,

John C. McMinn, of Brown
wood, has accepted a position as
pharmacist with the Owl Drug
Store. John has many friends
here, having formerly held a
position with the City Drug
Store.

J. H. Yarnell was in from the
Norton country, Wednesday, and
while here subscribed for the
Banner Leader. Mr. Yarnell
says his country enjoyed a fine
rain and that everything is in
fine shape.

There will be joint speaking
at Winters to-morrow evening
by an anti and Bailey speakers
Quite a number contemplate go-
ing out from Ballinger to hear
the speaking and look after busi-
ness.

Col. A. J. Baker who spoke
here last Saturday is to speak
in his home town tonight on "Why
I Support Bailey." Col. Baker is
a good speaker and it is the hope
of the committee that he will
deliver this address in Ballinger
before the campaign closes.

A. J. Voelkel returned from
Temple, first of the week, where
he had been with his daughter
Mrs. Theo Schumann, of Rowena
who underwent an operation in
the Sanitarium at Temple. We
are glad to report that the opera-
tion was a successful one, and
that Mrs. Schumann is getting
along nicely.

Jno. F. Maddox and C. P.
Shepherd were billed to speak
at the Clayton school house last
night, and quite a number went
out to hear them, but rain pre-
vented the country people from
turning out and the speakers did
not speak. Five or six boys
were at the school house when
the speakers arrived from town
and they were hurrahing for
anti-Bailey.

Judge Chas. F. Dickinson left
Wednesday evening for a busi-
ness trip to Dallas. He has
engagements to meet some of
the Bailey speakers on the stump
in Runnels county, and the
Bailey boys hope that the Win-
ters speech was not too much
for the Judge and that he will
cut his business trip in Dallas
short, and get back in time to
fill his dates.

Dr. S. L. Hicks and J. B. Har-
ris debated the Bailey question
at Talpa, Wednesday night, the
former for Bailey and the later
against him. Both sides are
claiming the victory, but a true re-
port says the crowd was with Dr.
Hicks, and he was applauded
time and again, as he proved
the charges Mr. Harris present-
ed against Mr. Bailey. Judge
Woodward of Coleman spoke the
previous day to a large crowd,
and left things in fine shape for
the Bailey people.

Judge W. J. Hunt, of Dublin,
is here advertising the show,
"Why Joe Left Home," and get-
ting things in shape for the play
which is to be put on at the
opera house to-night. Judge
Hunt is a candidate for the legis-
lature from his district. He is
also vice president of the Texas
Fireman's Association, and is
popular among the boys that
fight fire. Judge Hunt is a
strong Bailey man, and says the
majority of the boys in the bur-
lesque show are for Bailey.

Ted. Davis, representing N. J.
Nagle, a big cotton man of Aus-
tin, was here this week, looking
after the shipping of some cot-
ton. Mr. Davis is a strong anti-
Bailey man, and did not over
look a chance to land on Mr. Bai-
ley. Jack Nagle, who represents
his brother here, said Mr. Davis
was not responsible for being
an anti-Bailey man as he was
closely related to the noted
"Cyclone" Davis, whose name
is as common in every populist
home in Texas, as a by-word.

Notice to Trustees.

The Census forms for taking
the Scholastic Census of Runnels
are now ready. The Trustees
are requested to call at my office
and get them.

E. L. HAGAN, Co Supt.

JOINT DEBATE AT WINTERS

Hon. Jno. F. Maddox Handles Anti Bailey Speaker in an Unmerciful Way.

The first joint discussion on the Bailey question was pulled off at Winters Monday night, when Hon. Jno. F. Maddox and Judge C. F. Dickinson locked horns. The weather was bad, and it was thought at first that the engagement would be called in, and the Bailey people did not contemplate sending a speaker to meet Judge Dickinson until the anti-Bailey people were ready to start out with their speaker, and begin to spread the report, to the effect that the Bailey committee had backed down. This caused the Bailey committee to stand up and take notice, and they said not much Mary Ann, and thirty minutes after Judge Dickinson and his crowd left town, Mr. Maddox accompanied by J. N. Adams, R. W. Gilliam, S. J. Carpenter, C. B. Armstrong and A. W. Sledge were on their way to Winters, and it was somewhat a surprise when the party that left first, going the main Winters road, reached Winters found Mr. Maddox and his party there, having gone the Pumphrey road, and cutting across the country beating the anti-Bailey bunch there by at least a half hour. They were surprised also to know that the back down was not so much of a back down after all.

Rain prevented the Winters people from attending the speaking, and only about fifty turned out.

Judge Dickinson, was introduced by Prof. Beard, and he opened the discussion and spoke about one hour and forty minutes before he gave Mr. Maddox the floor, and he no doubt afterwards wished he could have spoken all night, or managed in some way to keep the Bailey speaker off the floor. Judge Dickinson started out by saying that the present political fight was something unusual and was without a parallel in the history of our country, and that he regretted that it was necessary for him to come before the people and do his duty and use his influence in defeating a man who was at one time in line to become president of these United States.

He made a fine speech, and in his usual able way entertained his hearers with good oratory. He painted an ugly picture of Mr. Bailey in presenting the charges for which he has been tried and acquitted, and left the impression with his hearers that to vote for Mr. Bailey would be to vote for the rich and against the poor. The speaker closed with a plea for the voters to go to the polls on May 2, and vote against the principles for which Mr. Bailey stands and vote for Cone Johnson and his bunch. Judge Dickinson was heartily applauded when he finished his speech.

Mr. Maddox was introduced by E. F. Edwards and his appearance before the audience brought forth a tumultuous applause. Mr. Maddox after refuting Judge Dickson's statements to the effect that the present fight was without a parallel, took up the record and answered every charge made against Senator Bailey by Judge Dickinson and by the sworn evidence of the witnesses proved that the charges were absolutely false. Mr. Maddox said in the beginning of his speech that instead of the present fight being without a parallel it was just history repeating itself, and reminded his hearers that many great statesmen went through just such trouble as the present fight against Senator Bailey. Taking up the investigating committee's report Mr. Maddox asked Judge Dickinson why he did not use the report, and quote from it instead of making off hand statements. "They won't

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LOT 1. One lot of ladies' Sandals and Oxfords, \$1.50 and \$2.00 values, as long as they last, 98c

LOT 2. One lot of ladies' Oxfords, \$2.00 and 3.00 values, made by Drew Shelby Shoe Co., special...\$1.98

LOTS A and B. Ladies' Oxfords, heels and low heels, plain and capped toes, warranted all leather, at...\$1.48

LOTS C and D. Ladies' Oxfords, have a high grade look, will wear, all leather, worth \$2.00 a pair, at...\$1.75

Ladies' Oxfords and Court Ties, 3 styles, blacks and tans, light and welted soles, plain kid and patent colt, extra values at \$2.48

Ladies' high grade Oxfords, Pumps, Court Ties, blacks and tans, turned and welted soles, patent kid, vamps "fit for a queen," Brockports \$3.00, Ultras \$3.50

OXFORDS FOR CHILDREN

The Shoes of the average child don't give satisfaction. The reason—paper, pelt and chips, not leather. Craddock-Terry Shoes are solid.

LOT A. Children's dark russet Oxfords, black also, warranted to be all leather and to wear, low heels, capped toes, extra values at...\$1.78

LOT D. Children's plain kid three-button Oxfords, patent tips, made extra full through the ball, extra values, 13 to 2 at \$1.48, 8 1/2 to 12 at...\$1.35

LOT E. Children's patent colt, three-hole Oxfords, light soles, mat tops, low heels, boxed plain toes, 3 to 5, 85c; 5 1/2 to 8 \$1.25; 8 1/2 to 11, \$1.35; 11 1/2 to 2 \$1.50

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We want you to try a pair of Howard and Foster Oxfords for men, the honesty footwear. You'll get more style, more wear, a better fit, and pay no more money if you buy from us. Below is a few of the many styles we are showing.



LOTS E and D. Men's Oxfords in black, patent and plain kids, also calf, plain and capped toes, all sizes, new lasts, extra at...\$2.48

LOTS 5 and 9. Men's patent colt and tan russet, welted soles—won't cry—Loco and Rialto toes. priced at...\$3.50

LOTS 6 and 10. Men's Oxfords, Goodyear welted soles, blacks and tans, Parkway toes, military heels, all widths, try a pair at...\$4.00

LOTS 7 and 11. Men's high grade Oxfords, military heels, pointed tips, Rialto toes, new swing lasts, patent kid and tans, at...\$5.00

Men's high top Shoes in patent colt, calf and vici, welted soles, tipped toes, plain also. the kind you want, extra good wearers, at...\$3.50

Men's patent colt and velour calf, welted soles, military and low heels, new lasts and toes, extra values at...\$4.00

OXFORDS FOR THE BOYS

The boys need cool comfortable footwear for summer. We have the variety—the styles combined with hard wear and service.

Boys solid leather Oxfords for dress and hard wear, 3 to 5 sizes, new toes and heels, the kind that wear, at...\$2.48

Boys patent colt and tan calf Oxfords, Rialto toes, welted soles, have snap and style to them, priced at...\$2.98

We are headquarters for boys' Shoes, the kind that wear and fit, all leather. Try a pair, priced at \$1.75 to...\$2.48

read it," said Mr. Maddox, if they would they would quit fighting Senator Bailey."

Space forbids us from giving either speech in full, suffice to say that Judge Dickinson made the charges against Mr. Bailey in a way that pleased the few anti-Baileites present, and Mr. Maddox answered every charge from the sworn testimony, and was heartily applauded through out his speech.

After Mr. Maddox closed having spoken about one hour and a half, Judge Dickinson came back with a thirty minute rejoinder, but his rejoinder was far from the issue being discussed, most of his time being taken up in dealing in personalities and "lambasting" the corporations in Ballinger, and incidentally reminding his hearers that Mr. Maddox was a member of a corporation.

Judge C. P. Shepherd, J. B. Harris and Ernest Plummer accompanied Judge Dickinson. They remained over night while the Bailey crowd returned after the speaking.

Politics at Menardville.

A special from Menardville reports that the Democratic Club of Menard county has pledged its support to Col. A. J. Baker, of San Angelo for representative to the legislature from the 102 district, and in the event the Colonel will not run it is proposed that a district, convention be held to select some one to run as a Bailey candidate. L. W. Ainsworth, James Callan and Dr. J. B. McKnight are selected as delegates to any and all Bailey conventions that may be held in the district.—San Angelo Press.

Daughters of Confederacy

The Daughters of Confederacy will meet at Higginbotham Currie furniture parlor next Wednesday at 4 o'clock p. m. Mrs. Chas. F. Dickinson

Judge B. B. Stone went to Crews, Wednesday, where he made an able address in behalf of Senator Bailey. Parties who were present and heard Judge Stone's speech report that he was given a respectful hearing and made a good impression. The anti-Bailey committee was asked to send a man to meet Judge Stone, but they failed to do so. It seems that their challenge bluff was truly a bluff, and was not made for all occasions. Come up with your speakers boys, it is too early in the game to take to the brush.

Runnels County Republican

I hereby call a meeting of the Runnels County Republicans to be held in Ballinger, on May 9th for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Convention and Congressional Convention. C. O. Harris, Chairman Rep. Ex. Com. Runnels County.

I. O. O. F. Anniversary Sermon.

Rev. M. E. Hudson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will deliver a sermon to the Odd Fellows at four o'clock Sunday evening April 26 at the First Baptist Church, this being the 89th Anniversary of that order. Everybody invited.

Wanted--400 Men

Wanted—400 men to attend the service at the Methodist Church at 4:00 Sunday afternoon.

Rev. J. A. Whitehurst will preach to men only on the subject, "Making a Record." Come and bring your friend.

Attention Children and Grown People.

The Ladies of the Methodist Church will give an Easter Egg Hunt at the City Park Saturday April 18th at 4 p. m. You pay 10cts. and find all the eggs and fun you can.

Come everybody and see the crowd.

Death of an Old Lady

After living three years longer than her husband, Mrs. J. E. Smith died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hutson in Ballinger last Saturday, and was buried Sunday in the Ballinger cemetery.

Capt. and Mrs. J. E. Smith moved to this county about ten years ago from Hamilton county where they resided many years and experienced the hardships of a frontier life. Capt. Smith served this precinct for two terms as Justice of the Peace and commissioner. His death occurred about three years ago, at a ripe old age and after a life of usefulness. His wife lived until Saturday and died at the age seventy-three years. Mrs. Hutson, a daughter, of Ballinger, E. W. Smith, of Fort Chadbourne, a son, and Mrs. Dick Ueckert and Cad Williams, of Ballinger, two grand children are the surviving relatives, and to them the Leader joins friends in sympathy.

Judge Wingate Dead.

W. A. Davis received a telegram, Sunday, stating that Judge J. W. Wingate died at his home in Orange, Texas on last Saturday. Judge Wingate had not been sick, and death came to him suddenly, supposedly from heart trouble.

Judge Wingate was one of the early settlers of Runnels county. He was at one time District Judge of this district, and a prominent lawyer of this section of the State. His name is prominently connected with the history of Runnels county, and the town of Wingate in this county bears his name. Deceased was a brother-in-law of our fellow townsman W. A. Davis, and has many friends among the old settlers here, who will read of his death with sadness.

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

HEARST LEAGUE TO NAME TICKET

Organizers Are Now at Work in the South

Atlanta, Ga., April 13.—That the Hearst Independence League will put a national ticket in the field and the further facts that either the candidate for president or vice president will be from the South, was stated today by C. A. Walsh of Iowa, secretary of the Independence League.

"I am taking a quiet trip through the South," said Mr. Walsh, "in interest of the Independence League. I am doing work towards organization, but nothing that I am at liberty to divulge at this time. But you watch the Independent League grow in the South. It is an organization that will appeal to the independent spirit and the innate love of the square deal in the Southerner."

"Will the league put a national ticket in the field?" he was asked.

"Yes," was the emphatic reply, "I will also say that in my judgment either the candidate for president or vice president will be from the South."

"Who will be the nominee of the league?"

"I cannot say, but it will be some strong, clean, big man."

During the day Mr. Walsh held a conference with J. E. Bodenhamer, who is the league committeeman for Georgia.

The above is from the Houston Chronicle of Tuesday, and is only another link in the chain of evidence that Hearst and his Independence League is taking a big hand in the fight now being waged against Democracy in Texas. It will be remembered that Hearst started the fight against Senator Bailey, and the Chronicle a Hearst paper, one of the most corrupt papers in the South, is doing its mite towards defeating the Democratic party. Hearst and his crowd of sore-heads, who have often sought honors in the Democratic party, and on account of defeat are trying to disrupt the party. How can an honest Democrat vote with this crowd is more than we can see. Why don't you stop and investigate? See the crowd you are following and the cause you are advocating, and most certainly when you do this you will quit your fight.

Citation by Publication.

THE STATE OF TEXAS. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting:—

J. W. Powell, administrator of the Estate of Harvey Goats, deceased having filed in our County Court his Final Account of the condition of the Estate of said Harvey Goats, numbered 157 on the Probate Docket of Runnels county, together with an application to be discharged from said Administrator.

You are Hereby Commanded, That by publication of this Writ for twenty days in a Newspaper printed in the County of Runnels you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate, to appear and contest the same if they see proper so to do, on or before the May Term, 1908; of said County Court, commencing and to be holden at the Court House of said County, in the City of Ballinger, on the 4th, day of May A. D. 1908, when said Account and Application will be acted upon by said Court.

Given under my Hand and Seal of Said Court, at my office in the City, of Ballinger, this 8th, day of April A. D. 1908.

R. A. Terry, Clerk County Court Runnels, Co. J. Shields, Deputy Clerk.

Good Eating

Barbecue with gravy and bread at Dannelley's joint on 8th st. for 10 cents. tf

EASTER SERVICES AT EIGHTH STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A special musical program will be given next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock at the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church, in connection with the regular morning services. The choir has been working faithfully in preparing several special numbers for this occasion, and we feel sure that all lovers of good music will enjoy this service. A special invitation is extended to all to be present. Following is the program:

Voluntary in E Flat... Geo. Rosenkranz

MISS ESTELLE UNDERWOOD

Anthem... "Hallelujah, He is Risen," Murray

THE CHOR

Prayer.....

Hymn..... No. 300

THE CONGREGATION

Scripture Lesson.....

Anthem... "Christ is Risen"..... Howard

THE CHOR

Soprano Solo, Miss Ethel Truly

Announcements.....

Offertory... "Largo"..... Handel

MISS ESTELLE UNDERWOOD

Solo... "Three Holy Days—Easter".....

Sudds, Op. 230

MR. MILFORD M. HAMLIN

Sermon... Theme, The Resurrection the Pledge of Life

BY THE PASTOR

Hymn..... No. 329

THE CONGREGATION

Prayer.....

Anthem... "I am He that Liveth," Williams

THE CHOR

Baritone Solo, Mr. E. J. Hardgrave

Tenor Solo, Mr. M. M. Hamlin

Benediction.....

At the evening hour the pastor will talk on the subject, "What is Ballinger's Greatest Need," this being the third of the questions submitted to many of Ballinger's people and to which a variety of answers has been received. This question should be of especial interest to all citizens of Ballinger.

Special music at this service, also. The choir will sing "In the End of the Sabbath," by Macfarlane, and Mr. Hamlin will sing "The Night Has Departed," by Stearns.

An invitation is extended to everybody to attend both of these services.



April 10th 1908, Dear Friend:

I like racky crackers very much. The trouble with many crackers they wont crack. You can get nice crisp crackers in this town if you know where to go. Then your mamma can buy lots of things for the table and save herself the trouble of baking My mamma does. Isn't it cheaper to buy these things than to bake them?

Crackers 10c box Greatest assortment box cakes in Ballinger 5c 10c and 25c box Ramses Chocolates.

Your friend, JACOB.

P. S. You can get all of these baked things at

Dornberger & Hopkinson.

A Brief Historic Portraiture

If we make the proper research in the history of the past, we will find that history repeats itself very often. We have had, we trust, laudible desire to search for precedents in the case of the present crusade and campaign of bitter and vindictive war against Senator Bailey.

We find instances numerous where great men have been persecuted and assailed with ruthless and wanton bitterness and prejudice.

Many great and popular men in our country, and under our peculiarly free government where there is not and we trust will ever be any muzzle on free speech and a free press.

As a rule, these crusades have been inaugurated and led by political adversaries who have been in some way aggrieved and disappointed.

The old verbiage which tell us that "there is nothing new under the sun" is a veritable truth.

For the sake of economising space, we can only call attention to a few instances, and one of these precedents we will refer to covers the present case like a blanket.

Harry of the West, that great orator and constitutional statesman was hounded in office and out of it.

They ruthlessly attacked and criticised his public and private life.

They traduced and calumniated his good name and character and brought up divers and sundries accusations against him

Among other mean things alleged and noised about the capital was the infamous charge that Mr. Clay, in company with two disreputable and notorious black legs bearing the euphonic appellation of Bifels and Black George had inveigled certain parties into a poker game and won from them a large sum of money.

One of Mr. Clays most bitter enemies had the hardihood to mention the Bifels & Black George incident on the floor of congress and although bitterly and earnestly opposed to dueling Mr. Clay at once challenged the party and a duel was fought. History has fully vindicated him He was the idol of Kentucky.

Andrew Johnson, the hero and statesman, was traduced and calumniated all his life by political enemies.

They invaded the sacred precinct of his domestic life and made the evening of his useful life unhappy. History has fully vindicated him.

Sam Houston, the hero of San Jacinto and the father of Texas Independence, was hounded by his political enemies during his entire life. History has vindicated him and his name and fame live in the Pantheon of history.

John Quincy Adams was a most notable instance of one whom political persecution assailed from his entry into public life. A great student of the complex theories of government and a man of wonderfully versatile genius; a devoted and sterling patriot who worshiped his native country with all the zeal and ardor of his soul.

When a very young man he was sent to Holland as minister and subsequently by advice of Washington was sent to Prussia in the same capacity.

Four years later he entered the United States Senate at an unusually early age. Here his troubles commenced and strange to say, he was persecuted and antagonized by his enemies in his own party, as in the case of Mr. Bailey. He was a Federalist and Alexander Hamilton also a Federalist and leader of the crusade against Adams, made life miserable for him. They hated him for his independence of character and for his popularity and success, and determined to crush him as they have in this day and time determined to crush Senator Bailey, if they can. This feud actually rent in twain the old Federalist party. They slighted and insulted Adams at every turn with violent abuse and heaped on him accusations of the foulest kind.

When British aggression threatened to plunge the country in war. Adams fought with all his power in behalf of Jefferson and his Embargo, and virtually left the Federalist party. They denounced him as a traitor and threatened his political ruin and he was actually driven from the Senate, but ah! his career was not at an end! Madison coming on to be President promptly rewarded his great services by sending him as Minister to Russia. In 1815 he was promoted to the position as Minister to England a post he held with honor four years and returned to America to become Monroes Secretary of State. Here his superb statesmanship won for his country new honors. He arranged the treaty whereby we won Florida from Spain and was chief mover of the Monroe Doctrine.

He was then elected by the country to the highest in the gift of the people as President of the United States. During his administration two new political parties sprang into existence, the Whigs and Democrats.

The chequered life of this great man, illustrates the fact, and demonstrates the great truth that the American people can never be long misled, or be made the medium of unjust political persecution.

We believe as surely as the second day of May comes, that the Democrats of Texas will arise in the might of their strength and rebuke this unjust crusade against Senator Baily by electing him as Delegate to the convention to meet at Denver.

They will say in their hearts to him, "you have served us long and ably, no man can criticise and impugn your vote or your record," and the charge that he has been indiscreet in maging some of his private business affairs will be brushed aside as chaff.

No name in Texas since the days of Cooke, Reagan and Hogg has exerted so potent an influence, and such talansmanic power upon the democrats of Texas, as that of Joseph Weldon Bailyev. His clarion voice has never been heard that it did not kindle an ardor and a zeal in the hearts of every true Texan, as great as that aroused in the soldiers breast by blast of the trumpet, the rolling of the drum and the victorious shouts of armed columns. We shall see.

W. L. Towner

League Program.

Sunday April 19. Subject—Go Tell My Brethren Matt. XXVIII 1-10.

Leader—James Cockrell. Song. Prayer.

The Easter Message is That of a completed Gospel.—Miss Lilla Thomas.

The Easter message has in it a prophecy of the coming of our Lord.—Fred Mixon.

Song.

In the Glory of his resurrection Jesus associates with him his disciples.—Miss Lucile Powell.

Duet—Misses Rubie and Minta Starkey.

The Easter Message is not only a completed Gospel it is a new wanged in its World-wide application.—Henry Jones.

Solo—Troy Simpson Reading by Leader. Song. League Benediction.

EUREKA!

Yes I Have Found it at Last

Found what? Why that Chamberlain's Salve cures eczema and all manner of itching of the skin. I have been afflicted for many years with skin disease. I had to get up three or four times every night and wash with cold water to allay the terrible itching, but since using this salve in December, 1905, the itching has stopped and has not troubled me.—Elder John T. Ongley, Rootville, Pa. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

A \$19,000 Deal.

T. H. Wright sold 1920 acres of his land in Reagan county this week to Fiest & Schumann of Rowena for \$19,000. Mr. Wright takes in on this deal a gin plant at Rowena at \$14,000 The gin is a nine stand, seventy saw outfit and Mr. Wright intends to keep it and will run it this next season.

This is the largest deal that has been made by a Winter man in some time and very few men are capable of managing deals of this size.—Winters Enterprise.

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Well Known Authority Tells How to Prepare a Simple Mixture to Overcome Dread Disease.

To relieve the worst forms of Rheumatism, take a teaspoonful of the following mixture after each meal and at bedtime:

Fluid Extract Dandelion, one half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces.

These harmless ingredients can be obtained from our home druggists, and are easily mixed by shaking them well in a bottle. Relief is generally felt from the first few doses.

This prescription states a well known authority in a Cleveland morning paper, forces the clogged-up-inactive kidneys to filter and strain from the blood the poisonous waste matter and uric acid, which causes Rheumatism.

As Rheumatism is not only the most painful and torturous disease, but dangerous to life, this simple recipe will no doubt be greatly valued by many sufferers here at home, who should at once prepare the mixture to get this relief.

It is said that a person who would take this prescription regularly, a dose or two daily or even a few times a week, would never have serious Kidney or Urinary disorders or Rheumatism.

Cut this out and preserve it. Good Rheumatism prescriptions which really relieve are scarce, indeed, and when you need it, you want it badly. Our druggists here say they will either supply these ingredients or make the mixture ready to take, if any of our readers so prefer.

Notice to Debtors and Creditors.

The State of Texas, County of Runnels, To those indebted to or holding claim against the Estate of J. A. Genn, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed Administratrix of the estate of J. A. Glenn, deceased late of Runnels County, Texas by Hon. B. B. Stone, Judge of the County Court of said County on the 7th day of February 1908 during a regular term thereof, hereby notify all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claim against said estate to present them to her at the office of John I. Guion, in the town of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, where she receives her mail concerning this estate, this 25th day of February A. D. 1908.

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Stomach Muscles in Old Age

People should be more and more careful, as age advances, to see that their bowels move regularly. In this way they can keep themselves in good health and prolong life. The bowels are not as active in middle-life and old age as they are in youth, and with the majority there is a tendency to constipation of a chronic and obstinate nature.

To ward off the possibility of serious diseases use Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, the great herb laxative compound. It is especially suited to the use of elderly people because it is prompt but gentle in action, and does its work without griping or weakening, as is the case with salts, purgative waters and cathartic tablets. These should not be used by children, women, old folks or weak people because they are too violent in action and generally gripe. Furthermore, the results are temporary as reaction sets in and the bowels are bound up more than ever.

A remedy like Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is very gentle in action and yet thoroughly effective, and as it contains tonic properties, it strengthens the system instead of weakening it. The results are permanent because gradual, and many can in a short time do away with the use of all laxatives. It will cure the most chronic constipation, dyspepsia, liver trouble, biliousness, flatulency, sour stomach, weak stomach, bloating, drowsiness after eating and such other stomach, liver and bowel troubles.

To prove how effective it is in serious cases the experience of Mr. Armstrong, of Decatur, Ill., can be cited. He suffered from a gunshot wound during the Civil War which caused a partial paralysis of the bowels and he has had ever since to use a laxative. He says he never found anything so effective, or which worked so near to nature, as Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. Try it and you will say the same. The price is 50 cents or \$1 a bottle at any druggist.

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Musings from Maize land.
I have evolved a plan by which to keep the boys on the farm if I can come through with it. I have undertaken to pre- pare and cultivate one hundred acres of level fresh clean land and demonstrate that a good salary can be made farming on the expansive system. I am under- taking to prove that farming by improved methods on the exten- sive plan and on the idea of mak- ing the most stuff with the least out- lay of time and money can be made to pay better than clerking or book-keeping. At this writ- ing I have the work well in hand and am now making bold to brag a little commencing January 17th the land was double disked with a disc harrow drawn by four horses and then to cut expenses two of the horses were discarded from this field and the land bed- ded with a middle-burster carry- ing a 24 inch sweep and drawn by a pair of mules that eat only eight ears of corn three times a day. The disc harrow kills the first crop of winter weeds if put on in time and the big sweep gets the second crop if any and when the same sweep is set flat on top of the beds, being carried by the riding planter, the third crop of vegetation, if any, is de- stroyed and the land left in fine shape. With the land bedded and big open furrows for the horses to walk in, it is an easy matter for one man to operate two riding planters, driving four horses in a breast, two to each planter, with one pair of check lines on them, and the bridle bits tied together just the width of a row apart. By this plan one man can plant 15 acres a day.
Just before the crop "comes up" a steel framed section har- row will be run over the land taking three rows at a trip. This

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gathers all the trash, and leaves the land clean and level so it can be horrowed again after the crop comes through in order to thin it out and cultivate at the same time. Then the cultivator will be run to the tune of "Dixie," by golly.

Of course the best seeds that good breeding can produce will be used and the entire crop will be drilled not over three feet apart unless, perhaps, some is planted six feet to make big fat seeds for another year.

The field will be planted to Dwarf maize, Kaffir corn, sorg- hum, a small patch of Indian corn for roasting ears, some truck patches and the following varieties of cotton: Rowden Big Round Ball, Long staple, Mebanes Triumph and "Old Ham." This demonstration will be in fair of four of my neighbors whom I could use as witnesses if neces- sary. The reason so few of our young men succeed at farming when they first start out is be- cause they take a little 2 x 4 crop and put in half of their time keeping their hair shined up and parted in the middle and shystering around attending dances, ball games and horse traders day on the first Monday. I shall keep a strict account against this field and charge it up with every days work that I have to hire, if any, and give it credit for the proceeds in the fall.

Glang mules! Dixie's land is a land of cotton. Look away out west in Dixie.
Uncle Johnnie.

Chamberlain's Has the Pre-
Mr. Faed. C. Hanrahan, a prominent druggist of Ports- mouth, Va., says: "For the past six years I have sold and recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is a great remedy and one of the best patent medi- cines on the market. I handle some others for the same pur- pose that pay me a larger profit, but this remedy is so sure to effect a cure, and my customer so certain to appreciate my recom- mending it to him, that I give it the preference." For sale by Walker Drug Co.

The Circus
acrobat finds it necessary at all times to keep his muscles and joints supple. That is the reason that hundreds of them keep a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment always on hand. A sur- suture for rheumatism, cuts, sprains, sore throat, lame back, contracted muscles, corns, bun- ions and all pains. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle.
Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

The Entire Family.
Grand Pop used it for Rheumatism. Dad for Cuts, Sprains and Bruises. Mammy for Burns, Scalds and aches. Sis for Catarrh and Chills. I use it for everything, and it never disap- points any of us. It surely yanks any old pain out by the roots.
Hunt's Lightning Oil is what I am telling you about.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS
THE DIAMOND BRAND.
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

Letter to J. W. Battles
Ballinger, Texas
Dear Sir:—There are two sorts of paint: one to sell and make money, the other to paint and save money.

Who gets the money? The maker, the seller, the painter. Where does it come from? The owner, of course; ne pays the painter for doing the work, and the dealer for gallons of paint; and he pays the paint manufact- urer, gallons again: more gallons more money all round; for the owner to pay to the painter dealer and paint manufacturer.

What's the paint that saves money? Gallons again; less gal- lons, less money for paint, less money for paint, less money for wages: a gallon of paint is \$5 for wages and paint. Less gallons, less money to pay, \$5 a gallon. Two sorts of paint: less gallons and more; less money and more; \$5 a gallon difference: two to one in gallons and money.

It costs twice as much to paint the average more gallons paint as to paint Devoe. When the people find out, it may not be quite so easy to sell extravagant paint by calling it "cheap."
Yours truly
F. W. Devoe & Co.
Ballinger Lumber Co. sells our paint.

OLD PEOPLE OF BALLIN- GER NEED VINOL

It Strengthens and Vitalizes.
With old age comes feebleness and loss of power, the organs act more slowly and less effectually: the blood is thin, sluggish and watery; digestion is weak and food is not assimilated as it used to be.

Vinol repairs worn tissues and checks the natural decline. It tones up the digestive organs, aids assimilation, makes rich, red blood, and strengthens every organ in the body. In this natu- ral manner Vinol replaces weak- ness with strength.

Vinol is not a patent medicine but a delicious cod liver oil in a concentrated form, taken from fresh cods' livers, the useless oil eliminated and tonic iron added. It is because we know so well of what Vinol is made that we offer to return money if it fails to benefit. The Walker Drug Co.

Rheumatic Pains Relieved
Mr. Thos. Stenton, postmaster of Pontypool, Ont., writes: "For the past eight years I suffered from rheumatic pains, and during that time I used many differ- ent liniments and remedies for the cure of rheumatism. Last summer I procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and got more relief from it than anything I have ever used, and cheerfully recommend this lini- ment to all sufferers from rheu- matic pains." For sale by Walker Drug Co.

Advertised Letter List
April 4th 1908.
James H. Osborne
W. J. Kington
H. P. Chown
W. Price Freeman
Angel Hardeny
Mrs. D. Jackson
Miss Eleanor Hays
W. J. Whitley
Brice Rutherford
Mrs. L. Tate.
Miss Lee Walton
Miss Vera Williams
Sr. Tulian Maldonado
Mrs. Genie Barrer.

Gentle and Effective
A well known Manitoba editor writes: "As an inside worker I find Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets invaluable for the touches of biliousness natural to sedentary life, their action being gentle and effective, clear- ing the digestive tract and the head." Price 25 cents. Samples free Walker Drug Co.

—Old Papers 20c hundred at the Banner-Leader Office.

DANGER IN DELAY
Kidney Diseases Are Too Dan-
gerous for Ballinger People
to Neglect.

The great danger of kidney troubles is that they get a firm hold before the sufferer recog- nizes them. Health is gradually undermined. Backache, head- ache, nervousness, lameness, soreness, lumbago, urinary troubles, dropsy, diabetes and Bright's disease follow in merci- less succession. Don't neglect your kidneys. Cure the kidneys with the certain and safe remedy Doan's Kidney Pills.

Mrs. E. G. Senterfeit, of Lam- pasas, Tex., says: "It was sev- eral years ago that I first began to have trouble with my kidneys. Knowing that kidney troubles are dangerous, I consulted phy- sicians, and though some of them did not afford me much relief I finally had a doctor who succeed- ed in removing the trouble tem- porarily. About three months ago the old trouble came back and I was about to call up the doctor when my daughter read an advertisement about Doan's Kidney Pills and as they were so highly recommended a box was procured for me. I was greatly pleased with the prompt relief they gave me. They en- tirely righted the trouble with the kidney secretions, and re- moved an intense pain in the loins. The stronger than it has been for a long time."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remem- ber the name—Doan's and take no other.

One Touch of Nature Makes the Whole World Kin.

When a rooster finds a big fat worm he calls all the hens in the farm yard to come and share it. A similar trait of human nature is to be observed when a man discovers something excep- tionally good—he wants all his friends and neighbors to share the benefits of his discovery. This is the touch of nature that makes the whole world kin. This explains why people who have been cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy write letters to the manufacturers for publica- tion, that others similarly ailing may also use it and obtain relief. Behind every one of these let- ters is a warm hearted wish of the writer to be of use to some- one else. This remedy is for sale by Walker Drug Co.

Warning to Fishers.
I have my horses in my Must- ang pasture for breeding pur- poses, and this is to notify All parties to stay out. I will be in pasture every day, and I will prosecute any one hunting, fish- ing, or trespassing in any way.
2t. H. Vandervanter.

\$2.25 FOR \$1.00

You Should Write Today.
We are anxious to have you try our line of goods, and to in- troduce them, we make you the following proposition. Upon re- ceipt of \$1.00 either cash or money order, we will send you by mail, prepaid,

- One Large Jar of Mexican Rose Cream, 50 cts.,
- The Greatest of all Skin Foods.
- One Large Jar of Mentho- mexico 50 cts.,
- The Great Mexican Salve.
- One Package of Mexican Tal- cum Powder 25 cts.,
- Made from imported Talc.
- One Booklet on Massage.
- One Lady's Handkerchief, swiss embroidered \$1.00
- Total Value \$2.25 for \$1.00 Write today.

The Mexican Mfg. Co.,
2t WICHITA, KANSAS.

ALLEN'S MUSIC HOUSE
Most complete in the Southwest. All the latest songs, marches, waltzes, etc. **WALF PRICE.** All publications. Piano, Organ, Violin, Ukulele, etc. Wholesale Freezing Machine. Write for catalogues and prices. Book of 104 Time Songs "FREE." GEO. ALLEN, SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

MADAME DEAN'S FRENCH FEMALE PILLS.
A Safe, Certain Remedy for Strapped Menstruation. **NEVER KNOWN TO FAIL.** Safe! Sure! Speedy! Satis- faction Guaranteed or Money Refunded. Sent prepaid for \$1.00 per box. Will send them on trial, to be paid for when received. Samples Free. If your druggist does not have them send your order to the **UNITED MEDICAL CO., BOX 74, LANCASTER, PA.**
Sold in Ballinger by The Walker Drug Co.

PILES RUDY'S SUPPOSITORY
A cure guaranteed if you use **PILES** RUDY'S SUPPOSITORY
Dr. Matt. Thompson, Sup't Graded Schools, Statesville, N. C., writes: "I can say they do all you claim for them." Dr. S. M. Harvey, Haven Rock, W. Va., writes: "They give universal satis- faction." Dr. H. D. Mettall, Clarkburg, Tenn., writes: "In a practice of 25 years, I have found no remedy to equal yours." Price, 50 Cents. Samples Free. Sold by Druggists. **MARTIN RUDY, LANCASTER, PA.**
Sold in Ballinger by The Walker Drug Co. **CALL FOR FREE SAMPLE**

B. F. Allen
The House Moving Man
I am prepared with a new and up-to-date outfit to move your old house without damage. Work promptly done. Let me figure on the job.
Phone 227. B. F. ALLEN.

Battle of Flowers
AND
Spring Carnival
San Antonio 
\$5.20 For round trip. Sell April 23rd limit 25th
Through Tourist Sleeper from Ballinger.

Free from Alcohol
Since May, 1906, Ayer's Sarsaparilla has been entirely free from alcohol. If you are in poor health, weak, pale, nerv- ous, ask your doctor about tak- ing this non-alcoholic tonic and alterative. If he has a better medicine, take his. Get the best always. This is our advice.
We publish our formulas
We banish alcohol from our medicines
We urge you to consult your doctor
Ayer's
A sluggish liver means a coated tongue, a bad breath, and constipated bowels. The question is, "What is the best thing to do under such circumstances?" Ask your doctor if this is not a good answer: "Take laxative doses of Ayer's Pills."
—Made by the J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.—

DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?

Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.
Almost everybody who reads the news- papers is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.
It is the great medi- cal triumph of the nine- teenth century; dis- covered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmer, the emi- nent kidney and blad- der specialist, and is wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid troubles and Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble.
Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is not rec- ommended for everything but if you have kid- ney, liver or bladder trouble it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless too poor to purchase relief and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Bing- hamton, N. Y. The regular fifty cent and one dollar sizes are sold by all good druggists. 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.

The Boston Salvage

SALE CONTINUED

On account of the rainy weather and by request of a number of our out-of-town customers

The Great Sacrifice Sale Will Continue 3 DAYS LONGER

The Sale Will Close Wednesday, April 22

You should attend this Sacrifice Sale every day. Everything in the house is at your mercy. We must raise \$7,000.00 regardless of prices. Never before in the history of Ballinger have you had such an opportunity to buy up-to-date Merchandise at such low prices. Our new Spring Goods which are arriving daily go in this Great Salvage Sale.

THE BOSTON SALVAGE COMPANY

In Charge of Winkler Dry Goods Co.'s Stock.

W. J. HARTER, Mgr.

W. H. Harrison is here from San Angelo, this week.

Leo. Markowitz was here on his regular trip, this week.

We want your accounts large or small. Citizens National Bank.

Rev. J. H. Grines visited friends at Miles, this week.

You can save money by trading at the 5 and 10 cent store.

Dr. A. J. Marberry was here from San Angelo, yesterday.

Brewers new bracelets are beautiful.

Col. C. L. Morgan visited his daughter at Coleman, Sunday.

Chas. Low, of Brownwood had business here several days, this week.

WANTED—To trade lumber or merchandise for a span of horses Higginbotham Currie Co.

Judge R. S. Griggs went to Coleman Wednesday on legal business.

Lumber and merchandise to trade for a span of horses at Higginbotham Currie Co.

J. R. Holloway and wife, of Norton, were in town Thursday, shopping.

Duncan McGregor, of Coleman was here to see relatives, first of the week.

When you cant find what you want, come to the 5 and 10 cent store we have it.

Dr. G. W. Johnston returned from a business trip to Midland, Wednesday.

To TRADE—lumber or merchandise for a span of horses, Higginbotham Currie Co.

Mr. Eberling is here from South Texas, visiting his sister, Mrs. H. Giesecke.

Miss Julia Hays, of Bronte, is the guest of her grand mother, Mrs. Bennett, this week.

Alfred Luckett was here from Miles, last Sunday, guest of his sister, Mrs C. P. Shepherd.

WANTED—a span of horses: will trade lumber or merchandise for them, Higginbotham Currie Co.

Mrs. John A. Weeks, and little daughter returned from a visit to Coleman, Wednesday.

Dr. Kooken., eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, of San Angelo, will be at Drs. Blasdel & Thomas, office in Ballinger every Sunday.

New hat pins, stick pins, shirt waist pins and baby pins lots of them, all kinds at Brewers the Jeweler.

E. L. Rasbury was called to Lampasas last Friday to attend the funeral of a favorite cousin.

See those new style ladies metal hand bags and collar pins, at Jas. E. Brewers Jewelry Store.

Chas. Gallegher one of the pioneer boys of this country, came in from Montana, last week.

HORSES WANTED—We will trade lumber or merchandise for a span of horses, Higginbotham Currie Co.

Percy C. Jones returned to his home at El Paso, last Sunday after a visit to his father, R. R. Jones.

Enamel ware, tin ware, queen-ware, at the 5 and 10 cent store is cheaper than you could imagine.

A large Wagon Umbrella free with every \$15 cash purchase during the month of April at R. L. Shaffer's.

Dr. S. L. Hicks, R. R. Jones, J. H. Yarnell and W. D. Gregory are among the new addition to our mailing list this week.

Remember, a large Wagon Umbrella given free with every \$15 cash purchase at R. L. Shaffer's during the month of April.

The small depositor is just as welcome as the large and the same courteous treatment will be extended him at the Citizens National Bank.

Judge Lewis Wardlow and family went to Mineral Wells first of the week, after a visit here to Judge Wardlow's parents.

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

Rev. A. L. Barr, of San Angelo, preached at Winters last Sunday. Rev. Barr is pastor at large for the Presbyterian church.

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.

Work is progressing nicely on the new cottage of Mrs Emma Nash. This residence will be occupied by J. O. Grundy when completed.

Mrs. H. G. Schenelle, daughter, Miss Lidia, and grand daughter, little Miss Erma, of Kansas City, are visiting Mrs. R. L. Bennett.

W. R. Blanchard was into see us this week. He reports that he has 125 acres in oats that promise to bring him at least 40 bushels per acre.

Senator Gafford, of Grayson county was billed to speak in Runnels county this week in the interest of Mr. Bailey and Democracy. On account of train schedules it was impossible for Mr. Gafford to get here and fill dates in Coleman county, hence the dates here were called in.

Ed. S. McCarver accompanied Dr. S. L. Hicks to Talpa, Wednesday night where Dr. Hicks delivered an able address in behalf of Senator Bailey.

Maj. J. W. Ratchford, passed through Monday enroute to his home at Paint Rock. He had been at San Angelo, since last Thursday where he went to hear Senator Bailey speak.

The writer visited Winters Monday. The farms along the road are green, and everything is in fine shape. Plenty grass and fat cattle. We noticed cotton coming up in several fields and many acres that had just been planted.

The local base ball team has a game matched with San Angelo, to be pulled off here on April 21st. The boys are getting in good shape and promise the local fans some interesting sport.

Now is your opportunity to prepare to keep out of the sun this summer. R. L. Shaffer is given away a large Wagon Umbrella with every \$15 cash purchase during the month of April.

W. T. Padgett returned, first of the week, from a trip to different points in Illinois, where he did some good missionary work for this country in the way of advertising our wonderful resources.



Your Deeds, Notes, Mortgages, Transfers, and Releases

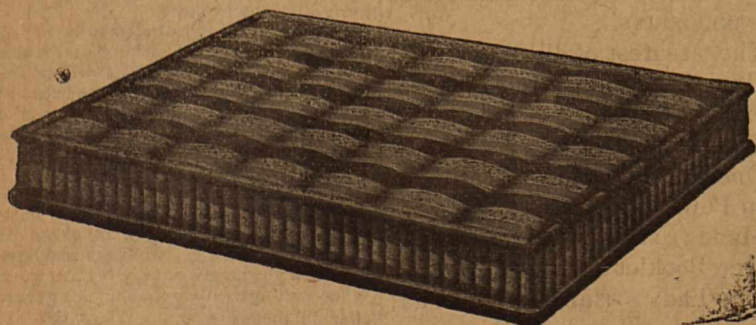
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Now When We Write Them,—"Nuff Said."

Giesecke-Bennett Co.

"ON THE SQUARE."

Ballinger Mattress Factory



We have equipped and now in operation in Ballinger an up-to-date Mattress factory. Our factory is equipped with the same machinery used in the factories at Dallas and Fort Worth with an expert man in charge. We make mattresses comforts, pillows, etc. and repair and clean old mattresses. We invite the public to inspect our plant, investigate our goods. We can save you money on these goods. Mattresses made at home with the same machinery out of the same material by as good workman as those made in larger cities are cheaper, because our expenses are lighter and no freight to pay. Phone 82

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