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## Senatorial Convention Nominates Adams

The Final Count and Action on Convention Elects Adams by 21 Votes. No Contest

Brownwood Bulletin

The expected contest did not materialize in the senatorial convention which met here today and was called to order at 1 o'clock at the court house this afternoon by district chairman Thos. Bell of Brady. Only once during the proceedings did the flames of fractional feeling flare up and then quickly subsided. The first clash came when Chairman Bell insisted upon reporting the returns from Comanche county as he had received instructions from Chairman Harris of that county.

The Comanche returns as sworn to and sent to Mr. Bell by Mr. Harris gave Adams 1447, and Grinnan 1415. Later Mr. Harris wrote to Bell stating that an examination of the tally sheets showed that "The returns must give Grinnan ten votes more than the certified returns." Mr. Bell stated that when he received that letter he added the ten votes, but that it afterward developed that the Comanche county chairman meant that Grinnan lacked ten votes having as much as was first reported. Harris said that he wrote the letter in a hurry and admitted that it was capable of the construction placed upon it by the district chairman. Mr. Bell argued that the report should be adopted as he filed it from the official returns and then if any change was deemed proper it could be made. He was voted down by the majority of the committee.

The executive committee which is composed of the county chairman from the various counties was called to order and J. H. Grove made chairman. Only three executives were present, J. H. Grove, of Brown county; R. E. Harris of Comanche county; Judge Seiders, of San Saba county, Coleman county was represented by Thos. Bell, who held W. R. McClellan's proxy, Judge R. P. Conner held proxy of Jno. Guion of Runnels, and T. F. Jackson held

proxy of A. C. Flemister of Concho.

There seemed little disposition to go behind the returns of the election. When the Comanche squabble came up there were threats of a contest on the Mills county vote but this did not develop. The votes of the various counties were canvassed and the additions showed as follows:

THE VOTE BY COUNTY.		
	Adams	Grinnan
Erath.....	1366	1979
Comanche.....	1447	1415
Runnels.....	1168	684
Concho.....	244	144
Mills.....	630	482
San Saba.....	752	637
Llano.....	251	474
McCulloch.....	518	330
Brown.....	1181	1291
	7557	7536

Coleman county vote was a tie and no returns sent here. The totals show Adams a majority of 21 votes.

Miss Vivian Wright entertained Tuesday night at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Wright, on West Beauregard avenue, in honor of her guests Misses Katherine Francis, Bettie Miller, Winnie Trail and Edith Winkler of Ballinger. A platform was erected on the lawn and the young people made merrily to their hearts content with dancing and games.—San Angelo Press.

## ROOFING COMPANY SEEKING LOCATION

Roofing Company Figuring on Locating a House in Ballinger.

The editor is in receipt of a letter from a large roofing company asking for information about Ballinger with a view of locating a branch office here. The concern states that they do a general roofing business and are anxious to get into a new county with their goods realizing that when a county is building and improving that business will be good in their line.

Ballinger is a fine location for just such a concern, and especially for the next few years would a concern of this kind prosper here, as a great deal of building will be done.

The concern has been furnished with the information desired and it is expected that they will have a man on the ground at an early date.

## DIRECT MAIL LINE TO HYLTON

Petition Sent up Requesting Postal Department to Establish Mail Route From Ballinger to Hylton

For some time it has been the desire of the citizens of Hylton and Ballinger that the two towns be connected with a direct daily mail line, and an effort has been made several times to secure this mail line, but not until this week has the matter been taken up in a business like way and the department petitioned to create this new line. Jack McGregor is pushing the matter and feels confident that when the matter is properly placed before the postal department they will see the need of the new line and will establish same.

The country between here and Hylton and surrounding that town is rapidly settling up with good citizens. Most of this trade comes to Ballinger. Nearly all the Hylton trade comes to Ballinger, but under the present mail facilities it requires longer to get return from a letter sent to Hylton than it does one sent to St. Louis. The mail has to go around by Brownwood, Dublin Cisco, Sweetwater and out on the mail hack from the last named place, and requires about three days to make the trip, while a route from Ballinger to Hylton via Wingate would connect the two towns with daily mail.

Ballinger Installment Co. Change Hands.

R. Rutherford has closed out the business and stock of goods known as the Ballinger Installment Co. to Long Bros. The deal figured about \$9,000, and the stock consisted of furniture, hardware, house furnishing, etc.

Long Bros. immediately sold the hardware department to W. B. Stubbs for \$6,000.

The business occupies two 30 foot front buildings under the opera house, and Long Bros. will occupy one of these and Mr. Stubbs the other with the two stocks divided.

Sells Over \$10,000 Worth of Stock on Monday.

George Hagelstein Monday sold and delivered to P. J. Baron & Co. 50 head of mares and horses for \$3,000, and 15 yearling mules for \$750, 70 two-year-old mules for \$5,600; to Clyde Dyches, 10 mares for \$655; to Frank Cerveny 7 two-year-old mules for \$630 making a total consideration of all the sales \$10,605.—San Angelo Standard.

H. C. Wylie and family left on Tuesday's train for San Angelo their future home. Mr. Wylie has been a resident of Ballinger for a long time, and we regret to see him leave, but glad that he is still our neighbor.

## MORGAN JONES TALKS BUSINESS

Will Build Road From Abilene to San Antonio. Makes Ballinger Good Proposition

What looks better to the writer than any railroad proposition yet put in the air is the proposition from Morgan Jones, and one which the town now has under consideration.

Col. Jones spent Tuesday night in Ballinger and went out to Winters Wednesday to close up the contract for the building of the line of road from Abilene into that town. He stated that Winters had met his demands, and notified him to come and close the contract.

While here Col. Jones met with a number of the citizens and business men in the office of C. A. Doose. He stated to the party that he was going to build a line of road from Abilene to San Antonio and that work would be in progress on this line within a few days.

Col. Jones is rated way up in the millions and when he talks it means something. He is not a railroad promoter but a railroad builder, and has the means at his command to do what he says he will do. He is well known all over the south, north and east as a railroad magnet and his visit to Ballinger put new life and confidence into Ballinger's interest in this road from Abilene. While here he made the town a proposition that looks more favorable than any yet made, and one in which the people seem to have more confidence. His proposition is in substance this: "The town of Ballinger give him a bonus of \$60,000, right-of-way from ten miles north of Ballinger through the town to the line of Concho county on the south and depot and yard grounds in Ballinger. The \$60,000 not to be paid until the road is completed." Mr. Jones said the road would not stop at Ballinger, and as to the town being made a division point he could not make any promises. He was very frank and open in discussing the matter, and was quick to answer any question pertaining to the road. He said the road would be built from Abilene to San Antonio, regardless of what any town along the line did, and that it would be completed as early as possible. If Ballinger or any other town in the territory traversed by the road did not see fit to put up the required bonus it would be up to such town to stand the consequences.

Mr. Jones requested the people of the town get to busy and give him an answer at the earliest time possible.

About twenty-five or thirty of the leading business men of the town met in C. A. Doose's office, yesterday morning and discussed

Mr. Jones' proposition and it was decided to get in shape to accept same, and upon motion an organization was perfected and Chas. S. Miller elected chairman to get busy and push matters to completion of contract. Mr. Miller was intrusted to appoint a committee of four to work with him and draft proper agreements and contracts to be entered into between the citizens and the committee, in reference to raising the bonus, securing right of way, etc.

## New Express Company For Ballinger

When New Road is Completed United States Express Company Will Come in.

For some time the Wells Fargo Express Company has been doing business over the Frisco lines in Texas, but it is reported on good authority that the United States Express Company has perfected arrangements with the Frisco whereby the United States Express Company will have rights over the road. The State daily papers of yesterday contained the following mention of the change:

"Express changes, whereby the United States Express Company will supplant the Wells Fargo on the Frisco and Rock Island lines, are reported to be brewing. While nothing official has been given out in this city either by the railroad or express companies, nevertheless the report of the change is accepted as true in the highest and most conservative railroad circles.

"The contracts between the Yoakum lines and the United States Express Company are said to have been signed in New York one day last week. Local express agents admit that the Wells Fargo's contracts with the Frisco and Rock Island are now nearing expiration and declare that a change has been threatened for some little while.

"Reasons urged in support of the rumor have to do with New York financial affairs. The Rock Island interests, so it has been stated in financial journals, requested the Wells Fargo, which is supposed to be controlled by Edward H. Harriman, to loan the Rock Island about \$2,000,000. The express company refused, whereupon the United States company came forward with an offer of money at a much lower rate than the Rock Island had expected to pay. Following the refusal of the Wells Fargo and the proffer of the United States company, the Rock Island and Frisco are said to have made up their minds to retaliate upon the Fargo and give their entire business to the United States company.

## TRUCK GROWERS REGISTER KICK

The Fruit Peddler Ordinance Works Hardship on the Farmers

We take this method of saying a few words to the good people of Ballinger and surrounding country in regard to the unjust ordinance passed by the City Council prohibiting the fruit and truck growers from selling their stuff on the streets of Ballinger.

Our products are perhaps not as valuable as some other of the county but to permit one class of producers to sell their products on the streets and prohibit another is an outrage and ought not be countenanced by any honest citizen.

We pay our taxes and spend our money at home and believe in justice to all concerned and we claim to have as much right to sell our products on the streets of Ballinger as the other man has to sell a load of maize, oats, wheat or cotton and unless we can have our rights recognized we will be compelled to take our stuff to a town that will.

As a committee for the fruit and truck growers we want to recommend that you buy your goods in some other town and that we use our best efforts and influence to get all the honest farmers of this country to do likewise so long as we are imposed on by such Back Alley Ordinances.

N. J. WARDLOW.  
PRESTON DUNN.  
GUS HARDIGREE.

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"While several of the local express officials had heard of the rumor, no one of them had received any absolutely definite information."

The Ballinger and Abilene railroad, which will be under course of construction soon, and will be completed within one year, is nothing more nor less than an extension of the Frisco, and if the above report is true it will give Ballinger another express office.

A large crowd from Ballinger attended the Holiday-McDonold wedding Wednesday night.

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**THE BEST** Exclusive Dealers in  
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A Complete Line of Drugs and Sundries  
We want your business. Very truly,  
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## Republicans Nominate Ballinger Man

C. O. Harris Selected as Candidate for State Senator for This District

The Republican Senatorial Convention for the 26th district met in Brownwood last Saturday and the following proceedings of the convention is given by the Brownwood Bulletin:

The Republican Senatorial Convention of the 26th district met at the court house Saturday night at 8 o'clock and nominated Attorney C. O. Harris of Ballinger, as a candidate for the office of state senator to oppose W. N. Adams the Democratic nominee. Geo. L. Sulivan of Comanche was elected district chairman to succeed Marshal Smith who has held the office for eight consecutive years. There was much enthusiasm among the delegates and the leaders expressed confidence in getting out the biggest republican vote ever recorded in this district.

The convention seemed highly pleased with its work in nominating Mr. Harris of Ballinger as a candidate for state senator. They claim that he is the most eminently qualified man for the office to be found in the entire district in either party and will make a thorough canvas of the voters and ask that Mr. Harris be supported.

Judge Harris is in Sumner, Iowa, and was in Chicago at the time he was nominated. His friends here are unable to say whether Judge C. O. Harris will accept the nomination or not, but the Republicans used good judgment in naming him for this place. He is perhaps the strongest man in his party in the district.

He has a large acquaintanceship over the district and in case he permits his name to go on the ticket he will roll up a vote that will be surprisingly large, notwithstanding that this is a Democratic county and has never elected a Republican candidate.

### To Rent.

My home to the right man on reasonable terms. Every convenience, shade, two cisterns, water works, stable etc. For terms apply to J. M. Skinner or C. P. Shepherd.

## Trinity University Receives \$20,000 to Endowment.

The sum of twenty thousand dollars has been left in trust by Mrs. M. L. Dunn, whose death occurred in Waxahachie on the first day of August, for the endowment of a chair of English Bible and Philosophy at Trinity University. This bequest was made in the last will and testament of the deceased, which was filed for probate in the county clerk's office Friday afternoon by the executors, R. S. Bynum and E. P. Hawkins.

According to this document the estate, consisting of real and personal property, is valued at \$40,000. This will was executed July 15, 1908, in the presence of R. W. Getzendaner and J. N. Langsford as witnesses. After making provision for the relatives of the deceased the executors are directed to sell all lots owned by the decedent in Trinity University addition and apply the proceeds to the beautifying of the campus and the improvement of the sidewalks thereof.

At the death of Mrs. Bridges, a sister of the deceased, the home place on West Main street is bequeathed to the official board of the Central Presbyterian church to be used as a manse.

To F. N. Drane, chairman of the board of trustees of Trinity University, and his successors in office, is bequeathed the sum of \$20,000 to be held and used by them in trust for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a chair of English Bible and Philosophy in Trinity University at Waxahachie, Texas. Mr. Drane and his successors are directed to take charge of this sum and to control and invest same in the manner and form which shall be deemed best by them, so that the greatest amount of income may be derived therefrom consistent with safe investment. No part of the original sum shall ever at any time be expended for any purpose whatever, but shall be kept intact as a permanent endowment for investment. The income derived from this sum shall be applied to the payment of the salary of the professor in charge of the chair of English Bible and Philosophy.

If there be any funds remaining from the above requests same are bequeathed to Cumberland University at Lebanon, Tenn., and Texas Female Seminary at Weatherford, Texas, share and share alike.

### For Sale, On Easy Terms

Five residence lots, constituting one half block, in Woodward heights Addition to the city of Ballinger, each 60x40, two corner lots, and three inside lots, nice smooth lots, tilted good.

Will sell corner lots for \$75.00 each \$15 cash, balance \$5.00 per month. Inside lots \$60.00 each \$15.00 cash, balance \$5.00 per month.

A good way to invest in a small way your earnings.

C. P. SHEPHERD  
Ballinger Texas

### A Fine Display

The Giesecke-Bennett Co. have just arranged an agricultural display in their office that attracts the attention of all who visit their office. It is the best display of fruit, grain, garden truck, and in fact most everything that grows here, we have ever seen. The products are Runnels county raised, too, and will come up to anything of the same variety grown elsewhere.

### Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the good people of the neighborhood in which we lost our daughter, and also the good people of Ballinger for their kindness during the dark hours through which we have just passed. Your kindness and sympathy helped us more than we can express in words.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Jackson.

## UNCLE JOHNNIE LITTLE PESIMISTIC

Writes Like Starvation is Staring Him in the Face

A lamentation is going up all over the county in consequence of the disastrous ravages of the boll worm in the cotton crop. We have recently traveled through twelve counties and the same conditions prevail everywhere. A field has been examined and I may say we have examined a great many in different counties and heard from many others.

In my last report to the department of agriculture I put the cotton crop at 100 representing a full crop condition. If a crop report was due today Aug. 24th, I should reduce that estimate 50 per cent at least. I am borne out in this estimate by many of my neighbors and unless the worms and lice let up the crop will fall short of half a crop. We have seldom seen such sad havoc. There are not enough grown bolls on hundreds of acres to make a bale to twenty acres—some say 100 acres. The fine green weed is practically denuded of all its fruit except small squares and the time limit is now up. Of course we realize that a fair crop can yet be made if the insects quit their devilment immediately and it is claimed that this is true. At any rate we will hope for the best and I may say that if an average cotton crop is made along with one of the finest feed crops ever produced in this county, times will be better perhaps this fall than ever before.

A protracted meeting closed at Mazeland school house last Sunday night conducted by the pastor, Rev. Smith, assisted by Rev. Moore of Robert Lee. Rev. Moore lost a bible at the Norton meeting for which he is offering a reward of \$5.00.

F. B. Kimbler has just returned from Mexico. Alonzo Spence and family, after a sojourn of several months in New Mexico returned last week. Everybody comes back with the same glad song: "Old Runnels is good enough for me."

Uncle Johnnie.

### JUST IN TIME

Some Ballinger People May Wait Till It's Too Late.

Don't wait until too late.

Be sure and be in time. Just in time with kidney ills Means curing the back.

Before backache becomes chronic Before serious urinary troubles set in.

Doan's Kidney Pills will do this. Here is Ballinger testimony to prove it.

J. C. Parker, Seely St., near Sixth St., Ballinger Texas says: "Seven or eight years ago I was in very bad shape as a result of kidney and bladder trouble. The kidney secretions were at times almost completely retarded and caused the most intense pain during passage. There was an almost constant ache across the small of my back and I was unable to get anything that would give me relief. Being advised to try Doan's Kidney Pills I procured a supply. Two boxes cured me at that time and I had no more trouble until I came West about four years ago. The drinking water in this vicinity brought on the old trouble, but I knew what to do at this time and immediately procured a box of Doan's Kidney Pills from the Walker Drug Co. As in the first instance, I was promptly relieved and believe that I have every reason to recommend this preparation."

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

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

Letter to Dr. A. S. Love.

Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Sir: This happened seven years ago. A man having three little poultry houses, bought one gallon of each of two paints to paint them; paid \$1.60 for one and \$1.75 for the other, 15 cents difference.

The 1.60 gallon painted one house, the \$1.75 gallon the other two houses. The cost of the paint was: first house \$1.60; second house 87½ cents; third house 87½ cents.

But painting goes with paint, and it costs as much to paint one paint as another, about \$3.50 a gallon.

The painting of one those houses with \$1.60 paint cost the same as that of the other two with \$1.75 paint; \$3.50. Difference \$1.75 a house same way as the 75 cents.

Four years ago, he painted that first little house again, same paint—he wanted to know what the cost of keeping a house well painted really is. The other two houses didn't need painting.

Last year he painted all three little houses same paints as at first and reckoned his cost to date of beginning the job.

The first little house had cost \$5.10 twice, or \$10.20 and was ready to paint again; the second two houses had cost \$5.20, and were ready to paint again.

That is: saving 15 cents a gallon made one house cost twice as much as the other two houses, besides the fuss of an extra paint job in three years.

The \$1.75 paint was Devoe.

This tale is made up of a thousand experiences. Devoe is always the paint that takes less gallons, costs less money, wears longer, less fuss. And the cost of Devoe is about one-fourth of the cost of a paint that doubles the gallons.

Yours truly

F. W. Devoe & Co.  
P. S. Ballinger Lumber Co. sell our paint.

### Disagreeable at Home.

Lots of men and women who are agreeable with others get "cranky" at home. Its not disposition, its the liver. If you find in yourself that you feel cross around the house, little things worry you, just buy a bottle of Ballard's Herbine and put your liver in shape. You and everybody around you will feel better for it. Price 50 cents per bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

### Have You Chills?

It cured your Pa and also your Ma of chills in the long ago and it will cure you now. It has been tested by time and its merits have been proven. We guarantee one bottle to cure any one case of Chills. If it fails your money is cheerfully refunded—and its name is Cheatham's Chill Tonic.

## Women Inclined to Constipation

Women, owing to their peculiar functions, are prone to constipation, and many of their other ills are due to this congestion in the bowels which fills the blood with impure matter that permeates the entire system. In most cases foul breath, bad complexion, sick headache and such like ills are primarily caused by constipation or indigestion.

Women should be happy to learn of a remedy that cures constipation and indigestion, and that has such other ingredients as purify the blood and tone up all the digestive organs. This remedy is Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which can be bought at any drug store for 50 cents or \$1 a bottle. Women have been curing themselves with this remedy for sixteen years, and the offer of years ago still stands to-day, that you buy Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin with the understanding that it will do as claimed or your money will be refunded.

This great herb laxative compound is especially suited to the delicate system of women because of its gentle but prompt action, its pleasant taste and its freedom from griping. It does not weaken like purgatives and cathartics, but builds up and strengthens. It is a guaranteed permanent cure and should be as steadily in your home as in that of thousands of others. Women use it themselves and give it to children in preference to any other laxative because it is guaranteed to do what a good laxative should do, and does it gently. Mrs. Tynor, of 323 McLaren Ave., St. Louis, Mo., is glad to say that it cured her constipation and stomach trouble and recommends it to American womankind. She is but one of thousands who are loud in praise of it.

You who have never used it should begin to-day. You will date your freedom from sickness to the day that you start the use of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. Your druggist will sell you a bottle under our absolute guarantee.

**FREE TEST**—Those wishing to try Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin before buying can have a free sample bottle sent to their home by addressing the company. This offer is to prove that the remedy will do as we claim, and is only open to those who have never taken it. Send for it if you have any symptoms of stomach, liver or bowel disease. Gentlest yet most effective laxative for children, women and old folks. A guaranteed, permanent home cure. **THE PUBLIC VERDICT:** "We Laxative So Good and Sure as DR. CALDWELL'S SYRUP PEPSIN." This product bears purity guarantee No. 17, Washington, D. C. **PEPSIN SYRUP CO.**  
119 Caldwell Bldg., Monticello, Ill.

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which appears on every package of Winchester goods. The big red W is to guns and ammunition what the word "Sterling" is to silverware the world over. Therefore, for your own protection always

"Look for the Big Red W"

## YOUR MONEYS WORTH OR YOUR MONEY BACK

That is our motto. We give value received and are always ready to demonstrate the same to any and all customers.

Good Groceries, Clean Groceries and Groceries that please is the kind we sell.

## Grain, Hay, Feed.

Our Store is headquarters for Grain, Hay and Feed.

## M. D. Chastain

Corner 8th and Hutchings Ave.

## Let Us Show You

That we sell Groceries, Ranch and Farm supplies cheaper than any house in Ballinger.

## Years Of Experience

We have had years of experience in the grocery business and know how to buy so we can sell right. A month's trial will convince you.

## Miller Mercantile Company



July 1st 1908

Dear friend:

July 4th will soon be here. Won't you be glad? We will have a picnic then. Mama told me this morning to go down to the grocery and get a whole lot of things for the 4th. This is what I got. Bulk olives at 40c Lemons 1 doz 30c Bannas 1 doz 25c cakes and crackers Bulk Pickles and some canned goods.

Your friend  
JACOB.

P.S. We don't trade anywhere but at

Dornberger & Hopkinson

# EXCHANGE CLIPPINGS

Items of Interest to our Readers Culled from the Exchanges that Come to our Desk each Week. The Happenings in our Neighboring Towns

## Old Age

Old age has many burdens. Nature thus provides for the final exit of man from this world so the burdens come in such numbers that man, weary and worn, and weighted down with them, is glad to find surcease at last from them as he crosses over into the valley of the shadow of death. No matter how strong, how young, how buoyant one may be, a few fleeting years will tinge the hair with grey, will wrinkle the brow, will slow down the heart beats, dim the enthusiasm, and take the fire from the eye. Do what we will, we can not stop the flight of time, nor prevent old age from finally overtaking us. Their halting steps are tottering on the edge of the grave, and their feeble bodies will soon be sleeping 'neath the sod, where the autumn leaves and winter grass will mingle, and the winds will rustle sadly overhead but not a sound will disturb their dreamless sleep—not a sensation thrill their cold, dead hearts. Pluck garlands of flowers for the aged. The young do not need them. The ecstasy of living is so sweet to them that they need but little for complete happiness. It is but a short step from the laughter of the little child to the decrepitude of age. The time for us to sit in the corner waiting for the end, while others are about the great work of the world, will soon arrive. Then, if we have been patient with the aged, perhaps it will be bread cast upon the waters that will return after many days.—Cleburne Enterprise.

## Suffer the Little Children

Grown people have not sufficient forbearance with the griefs of little children. To them little things are big ones, and their toys and trinkets have as strong a hold upon their affections as sterner things have upon ours. The broken arm of dolly is just as serious to little Mary as the broken arm of Mary would be to us. The boy who has dug the bait the day before to go fishing, but wakens in the morning to find that rain is falling suffers as keen an anguish as he will ever feel in all his life to come. We should be patient with the tears of Mary and the grief of Tom and try to comfort them. The dolly's arm can be mended, and the sun will shine another day. Let's kiss the mashed finger, bind up the bleeding toe, fix a new spindle

## Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Never Suspect it.

Prevalency of Kidney Disease.  
Most people do not realize the alarming increase and remarkable prevalence of kidney disease. While kidney disorders are the most common diseases that prevail, they are almost the last recognized by patient and physicians, who content themselves with doctoring the effects, while the original disease undermines the system.



What To Do.  
There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle and a book that tells all about it, both sent free by mail. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention this paper and don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y.

in the top, and mend the broken toy. We are but grown children. While we forget the dolls and the spinning tops of our youth, we have fads and fancies just as foolish, and our disappointments are keen to the point of anguish. We appreciate the loving arm around us and the kiss of compassion, the tender solicitation of one who really cares for us. In the years to come, when the mind looks back along life's cold and dreary track, the child will have no sweeter memory than the day when mamma mended the broken dolly, and kissed away the flowing tears, or papa said "never mind, boy, the sun will shine again soon, and you and I will go fishing together."—Cleburne Enterprise.

## COL. J. H. PARRAMORE VISITS THE BALLINGER REUNION

Col. J. H. Parramore returned home Wednesday from Ballinger where he attended the old Confederate Veterans Reunion. The Colonel was called on for a speech while there and told them that his main objection to speech making was that most all speeches now days are all "moonshine." He said even the ladies have about lost the art of real cooking. Most of the younger women don't even know how to make an old fashion pound-cake. They put a little of this, that and the other together and call it cake, but its nothing but "Moonshine." Its the same way about speech making. The old Confederates are being fed on "Moonshine." The politicians are using them to ride into office and making flowery promises and doing nothing. Its the shame of Texas that her old men and women have to take the paupers oath to get a measley little old pension. There never was a greater farce or a bigger piece of rot than the plan to have a home for our old men and women. You had just as well put them in jail as to send them to it. No man in all Texas wants to help them more than I, but I say let them stay at home with their children and grandchildren where they want to stay and give them a good liberal pension, one that will keep them, and do it well, and take that shame and disgrace from Texas of requiring them to take the paupers oath before you give it to them. The above is a part of what Mr. Parramore had to say and the points he makes are certainly well worth considering. Another thing that proved interesting to Mr. Parramore in Ballinger was the condition her streets are being placed in. At a cost of about \$1000.00 per block a first class paving is being put down. Storm sewers are already in and Ballinger is fast becoming a real little city. Think of it, only a \$1000.00 a block. Abilene should not stop or slow up until Pine, Chestnut, South First, North First and some of the other streets are paved.—Abilene Reporter.

## From Family Reunion

Sheriff J. V. Cunningham, who has been the sheriff of this county for over twenty-five years holding this office longer than any other sheriff in the state of Texas, has returned from Comanche, Texas, where he was present at the tenth family reunion of the Cunningham family. This reunion occurs every year at this time with the brother of our sheriff, Aaron Cunningham who lives within a few miles of Comanche. This year there were one hundred and fifty-nine present, the largest number present since the annual reunion

started. Sheriff Cunningham said that the number increased each year, although there were three deaths since the last reunion, two of his nephews who were drowned near Comanche, as our readers will remember, and another nephew who died in Oklahoma. Next year they are planning for a two days barbeque and expect to make it the largest yet. Sheriff Cunningham's nine brothers and three sisters were all present and in good health, the oldest, Aaron, who is seventy-two is still a young man, when it comes to looks and action. The Reporter hopes that this good and useful family may yet enjoy many returns of this happy occasion.—Abilene Reporter.

## Suicide in Concho County.

Paint Rock Herald:  
W. T. Ranne, living in the eastern part of the county near Salt Gap, committed suicide by hanging himself about sunrise last Saturday morning. He arose about daylight, built a fire in the cook stove and told his wife that he would get the calves and milk the cows. His wife cooked their meal and after waiting some time for him, went to search, and not finding him, called neighbors to assist in looking for him. His body was found hanging by the neck from a large mesquite tree near the cowpen. The cause of the rash act is not known. Deceased came from Bell county about six months ago, and has no relatives in this country except his wife, to whom he was married about seven months past and was working on the farm for Dewit Craig.

## Chronic Diarrhoea Relieved.

Mr. Edward E. Henry with the United States Express Co., Chicago, writes, "Our General Superintendent, Mr. Quick, handed me a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy some time ago to check an attack of the old chronic diarrhoea. I have used it since that time and cured many on our trains who have been sick. I am an old soldier who served with Rutherford B. Hayes and William McKinley four years in the 23rd Ohio Regiment, and have no ailment except chronic diarrhoea, which this remedy stops at once." For sale by the Walker Drug Co.

## Epworth League Program

Sunday afternoon August 30.  
Leader—Miss Royalty.  
Song  
Scripture Reading.  
Subject—Woman and the Evangel. Rom. 16; Ps. 68: 7-18.  
Song.  
Prayer.  
First Paper, Miss Ethel Moore.  
Second Paper, Miss Katie Cameron.  
Third Paper, Luther Gressett.  
Song.  
General Review, Leslie Fowler.  
Five minute general discussion.  
Song.  
League benediction.

## Drink Pure Water

The majority of the sickness is attributed to drinking impure water. Drinking the pure kind is the only sure way to avoid being sick. The Arctic Ice and Fuel Company are sending out pure distilled water in five gallon bottles. They sell you a water book and you can order the water just as you need it. Phone the Ice Plant and ask about it.

## Music Class

Beginning September 1st Mrs. H. H. Halley will teach a class in music at the residence of Mr. A. J. Hicks, on Eighth Street opposite Cumberland Presbyterian church. Pupils solicited. 50-2t

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.

# GENERAL NEWS

Items of Interest from all over the World Boiled Down from the Daily Paper Accounts

Brownwood has an oil well that contains fifty feet of oil. Two policemen were waylaid and shot in Houston. One may die.

R. Matta a grocer in Dallas, was fined \$25 for selling groceries on Sunday.

Felix Winterman, a saloon man in Dallas was arrested Monday for selling booze on Sunday.

Denison is fighting diphtheria, quite a number of cases being under treatment.

\$400 worth of hogs and cows were killed by lightning in Van Zandt county.

Emmett Davis shot and killed D. A. Jarrett in Dallas last Monday.

Trinity river is on a big rise and another flood is feared in Dallas.

The Waters Pierce Oil Company is spending \$6000 on a new plant at Temple.

An Italian was robbed and murdered in his room at San Antonio.

A Fort Worth peanut peddler was robbed of \$50 at the point of an ugly gun.

There have been five gin accidents this season up to date, one of which proved fatal.

Lightning and rain caused great damage in the vicinity of Corsicana, this week.

Bud Rhone and Sam Byrd were fined \$100 for violating the local option law this week.

Wichita Falls is to have a five story hotel to cost in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

Attorney General Davidson is taking a vacation and is spending the time at his home in Galveston.

Farmers Union warehouse managers will meet in Galveston on Sept. 29th to plan for handling cotton.

Miss Edna Wallace, of El Paso, fought a Mexican who attacked her for one hour, and succeeded in putting him to flight.

Speck Von Sternberg, German Ambassador to America, died suddenly at his home in Washington, Monday.

Mr. Bryan will not speak in the South during the present campaign, his services being needed in the doubtful states.

The cotton that has been ginned in Texas so far this season has been sold. The farmers are not in a position to hold.

Fort Worth is to have the largest hospital in the South. The building site will cost \$160,000.

The east bound passenger collided with a box car at Brownwood Monday night. The damage was slight.

\$184 was stolen from the negro Baptist Sunday School Association in session at Taylor. A collection had been taken and the money left on the table in the church.

A little six year old girl of Jim Sloan at San Saba was poisoned by drinking honey that had been poisoned with arsenic to kill rats. The child died before a doctor could be found.

J. W. Remington, a traveling man who was thrown from an auto near Miles several months ago, was operated on at Brownwood this week, a broken leg having failed to knit back together properly.

A mass meeting was held at the court house in Coleman last Saturday and a fair association organized. The organization starts out with plenty capital and they expect to have one of the best county fairs in Texas.

The State Democratic Executive Committee will meet in Austin next Monday to nominate a man for Commissioner of Agriculture to take the place of

R. T. Milner who has been appointed President of the A. & M. College.

A giant snake which was being exhibited by the Danville & Kasper Carnival Co. died at Waxahachie Friday night. The reptile was 29 feet long and weighed 315 pounds. It had been on exhibition in this country about nine years. The body has been embalmed and will be sent to a taxidermist to be stuffed. The owner of the snake claims that it had been shown in 42 states, and that during the nine years he had it on exhibition his receipts were in the neighborhood of \$60,000.

## What is Best for Indigestion?

Mr. A. Robinson of Drumquin, Ontario, has been troubled for years with indigestion, and recommends Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets as "the best medicine I ever used." If troubled with indigestion or constipation give them a trial. They are certain to prove beneficial. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. Price, 25 cents. Samples free at Walker Drug Co.'s drug store.

## The Plain Plucker

If a burn or a bruise afflicts you, rub it on, rub it on. Then before you scarcely know it all the trouble will be gone. For an aching joint or muscle do the same. It extracts all pains and poisons, plucks the stings and heals the lame—Hunt's Lightning Oil does it.

## Citation by Publication of Final Account.

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County, Greeting:  
James E. Abell, Administrator with will annexed of the Estate of H. H. Thomas, deceased, having filed in our County Court, his Final Account of the condition of the Estate of H. H. Thomas, numbered 141 on the Probate Docket of Runnels County, together with an application to be discharged from said Administration.  
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, That by publication of this Writ for twenty days in The Banner-Leader, 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 November term, A.D. 1908, of said County Court, commencing and to be holden at the Court House of said County, in the city of Ballinger, on the 2nd day of November, 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 6th day of August, A.D. 1908.  
R. A. TERRY, Clerk,  
[SEAL] County Court Runnels Co.  
By J. Shields, Deputy Clerk.  
A TRUE COPY, I CERTIFY:  
R. P. KIRK, Sheriff,  
Runnels County.  
By W. T. Padgett,  
Deputy Sheriff. 48-4t

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

The Houston Post says the difference between Buffalo Bill and Bill Taft is that Buffalo Bill has a show.

Good for the Council. We think the entire bunch should be elected for life. They have a man on the streets keeping them cleaned up.

The way of the transgressor is hard, and those who refuse to subscribe to the railroad bonus seems to be numbered among the transgressors.

The Fort Worth Record reporter at Angelo says San Angelo is figuring on using oil on her streets. Ballinger has been smearing oil all over her streets for the past month.

Clean up! and then when you get through, don't wait too long before you clean up again. There are a few streets and alleys in Ballinger that need attention right now.

Colonel Paramore returned home from the Ballinger Reunion and talked to his home town, Abilene, about Ballinger. He saw things here that caused him to stand up and take notice, and he says Abilene could do as well.

Ballinger is progressing very nicely, but we are still short on sidewalks. We need a good live sidewalk campaign. We've got the streets, and it is now up to the property owners to help themselves and help the town by building sidewalks in front of their homes.

Time is near when the school boy will have to change his paraphernalia, leave his happy hunting ground and get his school books together. Schools over the State in many places will open later than last year but most of the town schools will open by Sept. 15th.

What is more pitiful than to see a child crippled for life. We saw two little boys on the streets in Ballinger this week, one going on crutches and the other blind. We that have all our faculties and enjoy good health should be thankful and make better of the liberties we enjoy.

Will H. Mays, editor of the Brownwood Bulletin, was elected president of the National Editorial Association at its annual meeting in St. Paul, Minn., last week. This is quite an honor to Mr. Mays, as well as an honor to the town and state in which he lives. His home people are planning to give him a great welcome, reception and banquet on his return home.

The water melon crop in Runnels county is just now coming, and the larger cities in Texas are getting water melons from Ballinger by the car load. They are fine and juicy—the flavor that brings the price. The late melons bring just as fancy price as the early, and especially if they are from Runnels county. They are free from chills, growing in a healthy climate.

A letter was written to the address and the father of the boy came. The undertaker told him that he must not see the boy, but, he said, "Oh, I must." The undertaker took a silken cloth from the casket, and unfolding it showed the father the mangled pieces of his boy. He took the gruesome thing in his hands and kissed the bloody pieces again and again and turning asked how it occurred. The answer was "whisky." I had an opportunity to vote it away from my boy, and I would not. I am now reaping the harvest of the seeds I have sown.

There are merchants in Ballinger today who are enjoying the push and progress of the town at the expense of the live enterprising merchants. They never contribute a cent towards any public move. They don't even patronize the newspaper of the town, supporting the enterprise that devotes its best energy, time and money boosting the town and in an indirect way helping the moss-back merchant. We've got 'em with us, and such is the case in nearly every town.

The following would not be out of place in any man's hat and some women's too—as a reminder of their duty when they are inclined to speak ill of any woman's character. "Remember this, sir, and be careful what you say of woman's character. Think how many years she has been building it, of toil and privations endured, of wounds received, and let no suspicion follow her actions. The purity of woman is the salvation of the race, the hope of future greatness and the redemption of man. Without her purity man sinks beneath the waves of despair with not a star to guide his life into a channel of safety. Think before you speak and remember that the commonest swine can root up the fairest flower that ever grew."—Chillicothe Hornet

Ballinger is going to put on a show this fall. If you have any knocking around to do you had better get busy, as you will certainly want to be here to enjoy the show—the big rush in every line of business. A pretty good time, Mr. Merchant, to get ready for the show, and a pretty good way to get ready, is to tell your customers now of the line of goods you have, and invite them to trade with you. A pretty good way—yes, the best way to tell them is through the Leader, the people's paper. The best farmers in Runnels county, and the town folks too, read the Leader. If your advertisement is left out, why of course they can't read of what you have to offer, and are in the dark when they go to trading.

When you hear a man sneering at the local newspaper because it is not big, cheap and newsy as the city papers, you can safely bet he does not squander any of his wealth in assisting to make it any better, and that generally the paper has done more for him than he has done for it. The man who can't see the benefit arising from a local newspaper is about as much value to a town as a delinquent tax list.—Bellevue News.

Nothing is more disgusting to the newspaper man of today than for a man to give the printer a little business "just to help the paper along," insinuating that the newspaper is an object of charity. A newspaper, be it ever so sorry in class of news, gives value received for every dollar spent with it. Take the newspapers out of a town, and what would the outside world know of such town. Not only do the local papers lend their quota to the up building of the town, by advertising and telling to the outside world of the wonderful resources of the country in which it is published, but it yields an influence that is powerful and altruistic.

Have your clothes cleaned and pressed in time for the big Reunion by Morehead the tailor; he will do it right.

How about that union revival so much talked of, prayed for, and petitioned on? The merchants of Ballinger agreed to close their places of business for one hour each day in order that the people might attend the meeting, provided the meeting, was held before the first of Sept. Sept. is here and no revival yet. It strikes us that a mighty good opportunity to land on old satan, has slipped by, and the indifferent will continue to chose dollars instead of going to preaching.

We are not in a position to give out anything definite in reference to the Ballinger and Abilene railroad further than to predict that it is a certainty. Parties who are waiting to see the outcome of this project before investing their money in Ballinger need not wait longer. Now is the time to buy while there exist a doubt in the minds of some. When the contracts of constructing the road are entered into and work begins real estate will jump up and it will be too late to figure on investing with a view of getting the benefit of the increase in real estate value.

Say, you! You old timer, who was raised on Mast chestnuts, chinkapins, huckle berries muscadines, etc., don't you have a longing about this time of the year to go back to your old boyhood home, and enjoy a few of those things you have almost forgotten. And then, too, you get a square meal occasionally from the good old home made rations grub that is as pure as the spring water that flows from under the big hill just below the house. But, My! My! When you think of those chills and fever the desire all leaves and good healthy West Texas looks the best. With the wise man health comes first.

It may be right and proper for the city council to force the farmer off the streets with his produce, but before this is done the town should provide a place—a market place—and let it be known where this place is, and then compel all to carry their produce to that place, the cotton, milo maize, wood hauler, in fact not allow wagons to block the streets and stand for half a day at a time. But even before the council does that, the city gent should be made to seek elsewhere to hitch his rubber tire outfit, and not allow the streets to be lined on both sides with town rigs, making a regular wagon yard out of the streets. Equal rights to all and special privileges to none, and then if they want to kick take up the bucking strop and let them go at it.

H. Giesecke returned Wednesday from a weeks visit in south Texas.

Miss Wood returned to her home at Coleman first of the week, after a visit to Miss Mabel Fowler.

Mr. Will Robertson came in from Comanche last week and has accepted a position with the Higginbotham-Currie Co.

Mrs. Kinina and daughter came in from McGregor Wednesday, on a visit to W. W. Embo and family who live in the southern part of the county.

Sam McCullan, of Mason, accompanied by a couple of young men from Austin were here this week visiting at the home of W. T. Routh.

Mrs. Lillie Proctor and little son, Peason, are here from Birmingham, Ala., on a visit to Mrs. Proctor's sister, Mrs. Oscar Pearson.

Mrs. Walker who was returning to her home from a visit to Ballinger, fell from a heavily loaded freight wagon near Maverick, yesterday, the wheels running over her, and it is thought she is fatally injured. We failed to learn the particulars, and up to the time of going to press nothing reliable could be learned as to the woman's condition.

## School Trustees in County Convention

Seventy-five Trustees Meet in Ballinger and Discuss Matters Pertaining to Better Schools.

The school trustees of fourteen districts in Runnels County convened in the court house in Ballinger at 2 p. m. last Saturday in response to a call issued by County Superintendent, E. L. Hagan. Prof. Hagan called the meeting to order and stated the object of his call. Organization was then effected with the superintendent in the chair and Tom P. Martin, a visiting teacher Secretary.

A review of the condition of rural school property was given by the county superintendent after which many of the trustees told of the wretched condition of school houses in their respective districts. But it also developed that considerable improvement had been, is being, and would be made. One common complaint heard was that there is a lack of funds in the treasury. This necessitates raising money by subscription, one of the most unjust methods that can be used.

The next topic was about how to use the local tax money. The universal opinion was that it should be spent this year, at least, in building, repairing and equipping school houses. Superintendent Hagan gave much valuable advice in regard to some of the most necessary improvements. He especially urged trustees to provide good black boards, good heating and seating facilities.

He also urged that trustees and patrons see that school houses be better cared for in the future. Many of the houses are standing open subject to the weather, bad elements of society and campers. Then too, some teachers allow pupils to carve and otherwise damage buildings during sessions. It is the trustees duty to see that the houses are kept closed and require churches and secret orders holding meetings therein to keep them clean, also to contract with teachers only on condition that they will exercise all care possible over the house and grounds during the school.

The question of selecting teachers proved quite interesting. It was evident that teachers of the grade desired by Runnels county trustees were very hard to get for the simple reason that other professions pay better and cities and towns are able to pay higher salaries for teachers. It is recommended that salaries be paid that will command first-grade teachers and employ these or others of higher scholarship exclusively. A personal interview with the teacher before making a contract should always be had.

The question about how to get more money for the schools was asked. This led to the explanation of the Constitutional Amendment relating to the public schools to be voted on at the next general election. It provides that common school districts may vote on a local tax not to exceed fifty cents on the hundred dollars by a simple majority instead of being limited to twenty cents requiring a two-thirds majority. County Judge B. B. Stone came in at this time and by invitation from the convention, explained the Full Rendition Law. He, representing the Commissioners Court, stated that the tax rate had been cut from forty-six cents to twenty-five cents on the hundred dollars, but that the school tax rate for all districts under the supervision of the county is twenty cents. This the court is powerless to reduce without an election in each district. As in the court's opinion this rate will give more money than the schools can use, it is going to ask the people to petition for an election

and let the tax payers vote to reduce the tax from twenty cents to about twelve cents. Wishing to know the attitude of the trustees present he put the question of reduction before them. After considerable discussion by all present, it was decided that as the schools are in great need of improvement it is best to let the local tax rate stand as it is until necessary to make a reduction. A resolution as follows was unanimously adopted:

Resolved that we, the trustees of our respective school districts in Runnels county, are in favor of letting the present tax rate of twenty cents on the hundred dollars valuation stand as it is until it becomes necessary to reduce it to prevent accumulation in the treasury.

The following resolutions introduced and advocated by county superintendent E. L. Hagan were unanimously adopted and ordered given to the press for publication.

Resolved that we favor and will put forth our best efforts to secure the following much needed reforms:

1. Longer school term.
2. Better school building.
3. Better school equipment.
4. Better trained and more experienced teachers
5. The establishment and maintenance of at least four County High Schools in which the boys and girls of the county schools may receive a high training without paying tuition.
6. The scholastic age increased from 7-17 to 7-21 years, thereby giving the ambitious boys and girls the privilege of attending school up to the age of 21 without paying tuition.
7. The repeal of the present County Institute law which compels the teachers of the county to attend the teachers' institute and also compels the trustees of the different schools to pay the teachers while attending said institute, thereby shortening the school term one week during each scholastic year. This should not be, as this money belongs to the children of the different districts and should be used for their benefit directly. It is well enough to compel the teachers to attend and pay them for attending, but this should be done by an appropriation made by the state just as it makes appropriations for state schools.
8. The proper graduation of

the county schools, so as to give the country boys and girls an equal chance with the boys and girls of the city to complete a well arranged course of study.

9. That whereas, Independent districts may demand the services of the county superintendent, yet do not pay one cent of his salary, we demand that the Legislature be petitioned to pass a law compelling Independent districts to pay their just portion of the county superintendents' salary.

10. To aid in carrying out these plans we ask the hearty co-operation of all the trustees, teachers, patrons and pupils of the Runnels county public schools, for without this we shall fail.

The Convention adjourned to meet the last Saturday in next September at the county court house in Ballinger.

E. L. HAGAN,  
County Sup't., Chairman.  
Tom P. Martin Secretary.

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### A Pretty Wedding

One of the prettiest home weddings for the year was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Holiday, on Coyote creek Wednesday night at eight-thirty o'clock, when standing under a large floral arch in the yard Rev. J. D. Leslie, of Ballinger, performed the ceremony that made Miss Maggie Mae Holiday and Mr. Henry Neil McDonald man and wife.

A large number of the friends of the families had been invited from Ballinger and Winters, as well as in the neighborhood, and arrangements had been made to entertain them by decorating the yard, and making a beautiful light with many Japanese lanterns, and by the time the hour for the wedding arrived about two hundred guests were present to join in making merry and giving the happy young couple many wishes for a happy and prosperous life.

The bride and groom, the latter handsomely attired in the regulation dress and the bride wearing a handsome satin and chiffon trousseau, marched from the house to the beautiful floral arch in the yard, while Miss Mabel Fowler played the wedding march. After the ceremony was performed and the usual congratulations and good wishes, said delicious refreshments were served and the guests joined in making merry until a late hour when all departed for their homes wishing for another wedding to occur soon, and one that would be so successful and beautifully solemnized.

The bride and groom went to their home at Winters, where the groom is numbered among the best people of that community. The bride is the friend of all who know her. She has grown from babyhood in Runnels county, and is one of the county's fairest flowers, and the man to whom she has been wedded should indeed feel proud.

As a token of the worth and esteem in which the contracting parties are held a "wagon-load" of useful and valuable presents were presented, and the many presents attracted a great deal of attention and caused many to evidence the appreciation of Mr. and Mrs. McDonald.

### Clampitt-Dillingham

At the home of the bride's father, Jno. W. Clampitt, six miles southwest of Ballinger, O. D. Dillingham and Miss Ada Clampitt were happily married Tuesday night at 8:30 o'clock. Rev. Geo. W. Eender spoke the solemn ceremony in the presence of the families of the contracting parties and a number of friends, while the bridal party were standing on a large fur from a bear killed by the bride's brother Oscar Clampitt, and sent her for a present. Miss Estell Underwood played the wedding march and the ceremony was a pretty and very impressive one.

After the ceremony and the usual congratulations and best wishes, delicious cake and cream were served, and some splendid music enjoyed.

Miss Ada is a Ballinger girl in the true sense of the word, having grown from babyhood in Ballinger and Mr. Dillingham is to be congratulated in winning her for a wife.

The groom has been a resident of this county for several years and is at present living at Winters, and is numbered among the best young men of that county.

Among those who attended the wedding from town were Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Fender, Mr. and Mrs. Jo Wilmet, Miss Estell Underwood, Arthur Doose and Miss Lena Shaffer, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Bradford.

### Lost.

A watch charm, K of P Emblem. Finder will confer favor by returning charm to Sledge at Leader office.

### Miss Jennie Lewis Married.

J. R. Pennington and Miss Jennie Lewis were married at the home of Rev. G. W. Fender, Tuesday evening at three o'clock. Rev. Fender performing the ceremony. The wedding was a surprise to the many friends of the bride as she had kept it a secret from all.

Miss Jennie has been a resident of Runnels county and Ballinger for several years having been in the millinery business here. She is numbered among Ballinger's best and most worthy girls, and has a host of friends to join in wishing for her many days of happiness in her new home. She is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. I. N. Lewis.

Mr. Pennington is a stranger to the writer, but people who know him and his family report that he is a good man and worthy the confidence of the woman he has chosen to share in his joys and sorrow. His home is at Del Rio, where he is engaged in the cattle business.

Mr. and Mrs. Pennington left on the 3:30 train immediately after the marriage for White-wright where they will visit Mrs. Pennington's sister, Mrs. T. H. Sears, and they will go from there to their home at Del Rio via San Antonio.

### IT PAYS.

When the dimpled baby's hungry, what does the baby do?  
It doesn't lie serenely and merely sweetly coo:  
The hungry baby bellows with all its little might  
Till some one gives it something to curb its appetite;  
The infant with the bottle which stills its fretful cries  
A lesson plainly teaches—It pays to advertise.

The lamb lost on the hillside when darkness closes round  
Stands not in silence trembling and waiting to be found;  
Its plaintive bleating echoes across the vales and meads  
Until the shepherd hears it, and, hearing, kindly heeds,  
And when its fears are ended, as on his breast it lies,  
The lamb has made this patent: It pays to advertise.

The fair and gentle maiden who loves the bashful boy  
Assumes when in his presence a manner that is coy;  
She blushes and she trembles till he perceives at last,  
And clasps her closely to him and gladly holds her fast,  
And as he bends to kiss her and she serenely sighs  
This fact is demonstrated: It pays to advertise.  
—S. E. Kiser, in Chicago Record Herald.

### Terrifying Mix-Up.

"Did you ever see a 'roaring well,' sonny?" asked the wandering peddler who was selling photographs of natural freaks.  
The freckled lad on the fence grinned his broadest. "Did I ever see a 'roaring well,' mister?" he echoed. "Wall, I reckon. Last week the old yellow tomcat chased a toad to the edge of the well and they both tumbled in. Then the dog tried to catch the cat, and he went in, too. Dad tried to grab Towser's tail, tripped over the gray mule that was grazing by the trough, and they all went in together. Was that a 'roaring well'?" Well, mister, for two hours, until the bunch was fished out, there was more roaring in that well than in all the earthquake predictors put together."—Chicago Daily News.

### A BALLOONATICKLE JOKE.



Yalevard—What makes you think that the pitcher on our team is an aeronaut?

Miss Brinmore—Why, I heard somebody say that he was forever going up in the air!

### Even Here.

Good old St. Peter turned around,  
Blockade at the gate;  
"What's the trouble?" rang the cry,  
And quick the good saint did reply:  
"Pretty maiden—can't get by—  
In hat of 1908."—Chicago Daily News.

### Reason Why.

"These new 20-dollar gold pieces are very inartistic."  
"Oh, I don't know."  
"Why, any artist will tell you so."  
"Well, the artists don't know."  
"I'd like to know why they don't, if anybody."  
"Because most artists have never seen 'em."—Cleveland Leader.

## DESPERATE REMEDIES

"She belongs to a gymnastic dancing class," said the substantial Miss Heron, looking attentively at the feet of the girl sitting opposite in the car. "She is mentally doing her 'sevens.'"  
"I thought she had St. Vitus' dance," said her friend.

"Well, there is a great family resemblance," admitted Miss Heron, "but just notice the intent look in her eyes. I know the symptoms: I've done those 'sevens' in bed and in elevated cars and on street corners."

"You belong to a gymnastic dancing class!" exclaimed her friend in tones of surprise.

"Yes, and so will you before long, so don't look so horrified."

"I can't imagine myself doing anything so—"

"Undignified," said Miss Heron. "Neither could I when Ida broached the subject to me. I thought she had taken leave of her senses. I pointed out that dancing—even plain, ordinary dancing—was not for me, who had plenty of gray hairs and more than enough avoidpoids, and the gymnastic dancing was entirely out of the question. The name, somehow, makes one think of ground and lofty tumbling and all sorts of queer things like that, doesn't it?"

"It does, indeed," said her friend.

"I steadfastly refused to even think of it," Miss Heron went on, "but after Ida had pointed out, politely but emphatically, that embonpoint of the worst kind—the hippy kind—had laid its deadly hand upon me, and after she had skillfully aimed a few more shots at my growing infirmities, I gave in to the extent of promising to go and look on."

"Well, she who looks is lost. I immediately got a suit, a pretty one, and now you should hear the compliments I get on my figure! To keep myself from becoming conceited I have every once in a while to remember that when I appeared in the striped red and yellow horror they hand out to the defenseless tourist who goes bathing at the seashore I had no bouquets thrown at me—quite the contrary. So I give the suit its due."

"The first lesson was the buck and wing. Doesn't that sound like a vaudeville number? If put on the stage as performed at the first lesson it would surely make the biggest kind of a hit."

"I never knew what exercise was until I tried to make my brains and eyes and feet move at the same time. I gave up my arms in despair. All I know about them is that they are sure to be the other way, whatever the right way is. It is a little like the time we used to have when we were children and rubbed one hand up and the other down."

"Last lesson we had the flower figure. We call it the 'floor' figure, because we are on the floor a good deal of the time. Even the very dignified girl next to me toppled over. But she didn't care, not a bit; she hadn't time. She scrambled to her knee and began making circles with her arms and pivoting around her waist, trying desperately to catch up."

"As for me, when we were supposed to touch the floor with our foreheads I could only elongate my neck like a turtle. But I'm quite flexible now. I can get within a yard of the goal. Still, that flower figure nearly did me up. I certainly thought I never could go upstairs or downstairs again."

"Well, I don't exactly see where the limbering process comes in," said her friend.

"Neither did I for a while. But you should see me now. I'm a perfect fairy. I'm going to do the buck and wing at Julia's party."

"No, I won't invite you to our class for a while. I'd be mobbed. Helen had two visitors and the way they made fun of us was shocking. The tales they told of how funny some of us looked balancing on our hind feet when we should be balancing on our fore feet and their imitations of the collision between two of us—one prouetting to the right and the other to the left—are very amusing, but we all feel uneasy. The worst of the two took private lessons at a noble price an hour to catch up with us and now we have her at our mercy. If she could possibly imitate herself she would be in great demand as a parlor entertainer."

"Could I take lessons and catch up?" asked the friend. "I do so love to dance, and you know I have rather a nice figure."

"That you have," said Miss Heron, generously. "Still, it might be improved. You needn't take lessons. I'll give you a drill or two and then you can join. It will be fun to bully somebody who doesn't know anything about gymnastic dancing."

### Cosmopolitan New York.

Just think of it! New York is the first Irish city of the world. Belfast, the biggest city in Ireland, has a population of only 400,000, while this city has an Irish population of nearly 600,000. It is, moreover, the real metropolis of the Jewish race, since it has a population of 725,000. Warsaw has not quite 300,000. As for Germans, it is the third German city of the world with nearly 700,000 native German inhabitants. Berlin and Hamburg alone exceeding her in this respect.

New York is, further, the second Austrian city in the world, the fifth Swedish, the sixth Norwegian, the seventh Italian and the eighth Russian city in the universe.

## She Was the One Girl

There isn't much in life for me any more. There might have been. I am pretty sure that if she had loved me it would have been different. She would have given a rose-colored tint to the universe.

A four room flat with her would have been equal to a palace of jasper and sard—whatever that is—and brown stone. A canary in the front bay window would have been equal to a grove of nightingales. Twenty dollars down to an instalment house would have given me all the luxurious velvet piled rugs, pictures, statuary, bric-a-brac, tapestries and hangings that I needed. A half pound of cold ham, a dime's worth of Saratoga chips and a bottle of milk in the ice-box on the porch would have been a worthy equivalent of the larders, cellars and \$5,000 chefs of the rich and great. But now!

She strung me. She did it to the queen's taste. She made me think I was all the table condiments and the after lunch mints. She did this for months. Then the little gong on the top of the clock breaks loose, and I wake up and rub my eyes.

It wasn't me. Not at all. I was regarded in the light of a very dear friend—who was willing to fall for the price of most any old evening. Billy Chandler was the real bales of costly merchandise. Billy!

It was her eyes and her hair—just hers—her laugh and the way she moved that got me razzle-dazzled. There's somewhere in the neighborhood of 'steven billion girls floating around loose, but there isn't anything just exactly like her. That's what's the trouble with me.

Well, I've got to buck up and bear it. Guess I'll go around to the drug store and get a cigar and then stroll down to the sad lake waves and think some more large thoughts. A fellow can't think with ragtime playing in the room below. Not the kind of thinks I'm having.

Three days gone by. I'm still alive, but I didn't expect to do the frog act anyway. It's going to simmer down to a dull ache after a little. I'll have a feeling like the parquet at five-thirty on a matinee afternoon, according to the best authorities, and that will stay with me for the rest of my days.

I wonder what that is they're playing now! It's a new one to me. Yes, it's going to be one great goneness for Willie. Some of these days when I can hear the pain I shall chase myself around to where Mrs. Chandler lives and see a golden-haired little child skipping the rope on the pavement outside or tripping a measure to the strains of the piano organ. She will have her mother's eyes.

I shall say: "Little one, tell mamma that an old friend would like to see her." And she'll come down looking as if she's just about all in and with only a pathetic suggestion of her former beauty. After awhile she will say: "And you never married?"

"Never once," I shall say. "There was only one woman in the world for me." Then she'll blush and—

I guess I do not know what that is, too. They seem to be whooping it up down there. I wonder if I'd be considered fresh if I kicked in? I was to have the privileges of the parlor with the other boarders, so I don't see why not. Those drug store cigars are pretty bum.

Wonder if that Miss Keswick isn't in the bunch. She isn't real horrid to look at, anyway.

It doesn't cut any ice with me, of course, but she certainly is the real Michigan specialty, sun-ripened and just as good with the red mosquito bar off as with it on. If I had only met her about six months ago there's no telling. But I'm spoiled for anything else now. The dull ache has set in, and unless I'm thinking of something else, it stays right with me, just like Miss Libby says.

Keswick! Funny thing I never took any particular notice of her until last week. I guess I must have been tolerable busy since I came here. She certainly isn't like the factory made article, isn't little Margaret. There's something to her. She's a mixer, all right, and she'll stand for a joshing and not linger at the come back.

And, while you're talking, that girl has got eyes that somebody ought to put smoked glass over in the interests of the public safety. I've seen eyes before, but—I don't suppose I ought to buy her candy on a short acquaintance, but the candy money I've been saving the last week or two certainly ought to have an outlet somewhere. After a short while, when the bunch gets together, I must spring myself for ice cream at the drug store as a kind of starter. I've got to do something evenings.

That drug clerk is a wise boy. He's on to his job, all right. "No, we haven't any of that in stock. We don't carry it anymore, anyway. Here's something that doesn't cost as much and it's every bit as good. I think myself it's a little better. It won't hurt to try it, anyway. People get in the habit of taking some one thing and they think there isn't anything else will do, and that's where they're wrong. You try this. It won't be but a little while, till you just swear by it."

I wonder.

I'm a little leary of 'em, but I don't believe she's the kind of girl that would string 'em plenty if she wanted to. You can't bear her for looks.

Here goes for the candy, anyway.

### They Say This Occurred.

"Well, children," beamed the Sunday school superintendent, "what shall I talk to you about this morning? Come, come—I want you to choose what you want to hear about. Any little boy or girl here suggest something? What shall I speak about?"

A long silence. Then a boy in the back row ventures—  
"What d'yer know about?"—Cleveland Leader.

### HOW PAT KNEW.



Postmaster—No bad news I hope, Pat?

Pat—Och! Me poor brother's dead. I'd know his hand-writin' in a thousand.

### Human Nature—Yankee Style.

He is a singular man, indeed,  
Who does not feel a thrill of pride  
Or look with joy upon his boy  
Who has, through having blandly lied,  
Palmed off an old knife with one blade  
For something better, in a trade.  
—Chicago Record-Herald.

### Her Leisure Hours.

"I would like to see some novels," said the pretty stenographer in the book store.

"Yes, miss," replied the polite clerk. "Here are the novels of the day."

"But, er—haven't you any novels of the night? That is the only time I have to read."—Chicago Daily News.

### Stopped a Runaway.

Patience—She stopped a runaway once.  
Patrice—She must be brave.  
"Brave, why?"  
"To stop a runaway."

"Oh, I mean a fellow wanted her to elope, and she wouldn't do it."—Yonkers Statesman.

### No Wonder.

Mrs. Bacon—I never did like the Chinese, no how!  
Mr. Bacon—What's the matter now, pray?  
"Why, this paper says, according to Chinese law, a wife who is too talkative may be divorced."—Yonkers Statesman.

### The Villains of Fiction.

What would happen to writers of fiction if the world suddenly became good and there were no rogues left, no bad men, no bad women? It is to be feared that the craft of novelship would then be in sad straits, because, as it happens, the wicked make much more interesting reading than the good.—Book Monthly.

### A False Theory.

"The proverb may be right," mused Noah, as he cast one last, long, lingering look before he went into the ark and shut the door, "but this does not seem to fit the category of events in the tide of men's lives, which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune."—Baltimore American.

### Romantic British Woovers.

The Englishman, in his wooing, shows a reckless improvidence which would turn a Frenchman's fair gray. No concern of his is the important matter of a "dot"; he chooses—when he is true to himself—for purely romantic reasons.—Black and White.

### Keeping Cool.

Samuel Babcock was asked on a hot summer day how he managed to keep so cool, while the rest of the world sweltered. He replied: "By avoiding mental activities. I never allow myself, in the dog days, to think much of anything, or anything of much."

## The Successful Farmer

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### WHERE HE HAD SAVED MONEY

Economy at Harrisburg Given as Explanation of Legislator's Rise to Affluence.

A country politician in Pennsylvania managed to get elected to the legislature at Harrisburg for one term. When he came back he built himself a fine house, costing about \$20,000. His old neighbors, who knew he had no money before he went to Harrisburg, and who knew the salary of a Pennsylvania legislator, were curious to discover where the returned statesman got means to build the house.

So one day a committee waited on the man who built the house and the spokesman said: "Jim, we think you owe it to us who sent you to the legislature to explain where you got the money with which you built this house. How about it?"

"Why," said the builder, "it's simple enough. You see, when we were in Harrisburg we didn't keep a hired girl."

#### IN PLAIN TERMS.

"The ignorance of many persons touching the 'good old Anglo-Saxon' speech we hear so much of in the magazines and newspapers," says a member of the faculty of Princeton, "is most amusing at times. A member of the bar in Philadelphia, a man more remarkable for the vigor of his addresses to juries than for his learning, was not long ago commenting on the proceedings of the other party to a suit on trial.

"I do not know what gloss," said he, "my learned friend may put upon this matter, but I will not mince my words. I denounce this thing in plain, downright Anglo-Saxon English as a nefarious and preposterous transaction of the most unprecedented kind."—Harper's Weekly.

#### ITALIAN GIRLS DIE HERE.

Miss Amy Bernardy, professor of Italian at Smith college, has made a study of conditions of Italian immigrant women and declares that of the girls who leave Italy before they are 21 to work in American factories one-third die from the effects of the change. The proportion of Italian women in this country to men is one to four; the proportion of mortality is four to one. Industrial schools, in Miss Bernardy's opinion, would do much toward changing conditions. With the assistance of a prominent Italian banker Miss Bernardy is trying to interest American women in Italian girls as domestic servants.

#### LOYALTY AMONG CONVICTS.

Lady Battersea tells a touching story of loyalty among convicts. A few days after the death of Queen Victoria she paid a visit to a prison, and noticed that several of the women were wearing little bows of black on their dresses. She inquired the reason for this and then learned that these poor women, learning of the death of their sovereign, had put on the only token of mourning that they could contrive. The bows were made of scraps of material picked from their shoe laces!

#### EFFECTS OF COLD ON OIL.

Nature is engaged in the manufacture of gasoline from natural gas throughout the local oil field, a fact that makes it difficult to run oil from the wells, and is making the gaugers earn their wages. The intense cold condenses the gas as it comes from the wells with the oil and transforms it into gasoline, which freezes in the pipes. Only 22 out of a total of 53 wells in Rockland township were not affected in this manner this month. —Oil City Derrick.

#### A WOMAN'S DUTY TO SELF.

Jean Worth says that every woman should be critical of her own appearance, and if she has not the divine element of good taste in her dressmaking instincts she can cultivate an approach to it, and it makes no difference whether she is rich or poor, she can always look well gowned.

#### SIMILAR AFFLICTIONS.

Elderly Beau (to middle-aged young charmer)—I am getting bald prematurely, for since I had the fever, my hair comes out.

Little Pitcher (struck by the coincidence)—So does Auntie's teeth.

#### HIS ADVANTAGE.

Saint Bernard—Do you really get anything out of these cat chases?

Terrier—I ought to. I conduct them on a purr scent basis.

### SAVE LIVES ON OUR COAST

Along 10,000 Miles of Seashore There Are 272 Stations to Aid Mariners in Danger.

The sea and lake coasts of the United States, exclusive of the coast of Alaska, have an extent of more than 10,000 miles. There are to-day upon these coasts 272 life saving stations, 187 of which are on the shores of the Atlantic, eight on the shores of the Gulf of Mexico, 16 on the shores of the Pacific and 60 on the shores of the great lakes. There is, besides, a station at the falls of the Ohio river at Louisville, Ky. These stations are located at selected points of danger to shipping and vary somewhat in character, according to their environment and nature of service demanded of them. On some portions of the coast they are placed at long intervals, while upon others they form chains of contiguous posts within communicating distance of each other. Since the establishment is chiefly related to commerce and to the collection of revenue, it is attached to the treasury department, which discharges all executive functions of that character.

#### FLOWERY.

Cavaliere Grasso, one of the Sicilian actors now in London, at a luncheon given in his honor recently made a speech to his hosts, a part of which has been translated as follows: "Would that I were a dove, its wings laden with diamonds, that I might scatter them over you. Fain would I be your dawn, herald of a golden future. Fain would I be your twilight haunted by happy memory. I would be your sun, to hold all in my embrace, to melt the snows of your winter with the fire of my art into limpid streams, chiming as they flow. I would be the spring time, bringing to you fresh happiness and tenderness of love. I would be the spring, the twilight, the dawn, the sun, the dove, all together—your Giovanni!"

#### INDIAN COURAGE.

Katherine Beaulieu, a pupil of the Chillico Indian school, Oklahoma, had her hand caught in the big steam mangle, and before the machine could be stopped the arm had been dragged in above the elbow. The physician was able to save the arm, but in order to facilitate healing it was necessary to graft 50 pieces of skin over the wound. Volunteers were called for, and the doctor reported several scourgings among the other pupils for the honor of being the first to contribute part of their epidermis. The girl's arm was saved.—From the Indian's Friend.

#### A NATURAL AFFINITY.



Imitation is said to be the sincerest flattery.

#### JUST A SCHEME.

Citiman—Kutely seems better satisfied with his house in Swamphurst than he was. He says he's delighted with the place now.

Subbubs—Yes, I think he imagines if he goes on talking in that way somebody might overhear him some day and be foolish enough to buy him out.

#### A PASSING CLOUD.

"My dear, the pie that mother used to make—"

"You brute!"

"—couldn't hold a candle to these delicious ones of yours."

"You old darling!"—Baltimore American.

#### NO DODGING THE INEVITABLE.

It is said that King Alfonso is a fatalist.

That would seem to be a comforting form of philosophy for several of the European leaders.

#### HIS RANGE.

"That dog of yours has a remarkably high-pitched voice."

"Yes; he is the right sort of a dog to belong to an old sailor like me; his bark is on the C."

#### Citation by Publication

##### THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Rannels County—Greeting:—

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to summon Friederich Behrens, and the unknown heirs of Friederich Behrens, deceased, and Gustav Thiessen, and the unknown heirs of Gustav Thiessen, deceased, and J. R. Sweet, and the unknown heirs of J. R. Sweet, deceased, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 35th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Rannels County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, on the first Monday in October, A. D. 1908, the same being the 5th day of October, A. D. 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 6th day of July, A. D. 1908, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 937, wherein W. W. Farmer and Lewis F. Farmer, a partnership under the name of Farmer & Farmer, are Plaintiffs, and Friederich Behrens, and the unknown heirs of Friederich Behrens, deceased, and Gustav Thiessen, deceased, and J. R. Sweet, and the unknown heirs of J. R. Sweet, deceased, are Defendants, and said petition alleging:

THE STATE OF TEXAS In the COUNTY OF RUNNELS District Court, October Term, 1908. To the HON. DISTRICT COURT OF RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS: W. W. Farmer and Lewis F. Farmer, a partnership under the firm name of Farmer & Farmer, who reside in the County and State aforesaid, hereinafter styled Plaintiffs, complaining of Friederich Behrens, deceased, and Gustav Thiessen, deceased, and J. R. Sweet, and the unknown heirs of J. R. Sweet, deceased, whose places of residence, respectfully, are unknown to Plaintiffs, hereinafter styled Defendants, represent:—

That heretofore, to wit, on or about the 1st day of June, 1908, Plaintiffs were then and are now lawfully seized and possessed, holding the same by fee simple title, as hereinafter shown, the following described tract of land, to-wit:

All of Survey No. 100 in the name of F. Behrens, Certificate No. 64, Abstract No. 41, said to contain 320 acres, situated in Rannels County, Texas.

That Plaintiffs, and those under whom they claim, have been so seized and possessed of said tract of land, in actual, peaceable and adverse possession thereof under Title by Deeds duly recorded in the Deed Records of Rannels County, Texas, having paid all taxes due upon said land up to the date of the filing of this suit, and in actual, peaceable and adverse possession of same, having the same inclosed by good and lawful fence, cultivating, using, claiming and enjoying the same for the period of more than five years next preceding the filing of this suit, and that Plaintiffs' said Title to said land has long since been perfected by the five years Statute of Limitation herein pleaded and asserted:

Plaintiffs further allege, that they, and those under whom they claim, have been in actual, peaceable and adverse possession of said tract of land, having the same inclosed by a good and lawful fence, cultivating, using, claiming and enjoying the same for the period of more than ten years next preceding the filing of this suit, and that Plaintiffs' said Title to said land has long since been perfected by the ten years Statute of Limitation herein pleaded and asserted:

That on or about the said 1st day of June, 1908, while Plaintiffs were so lawfully seized and possessed of said land, holding the same under the Title herein before pleaded, the aforesaid Defendants unlawfully asserted and are now unlawfully asserting some pretended claim of Title in and to said land, the exact nature of which is unknown to Plaintiffs, which has cast a cloud upon Plaintiff's said Title to said land and disturbed their said peaceable possession thereto to their great damage:

Wherefore premises considered, Plaintiffs pray that Defendants be cited by publication, in manner and form, as required by law in such case made and provided, to answer herein and that on final hearing hereof they have judgment against the Defendants for the recovery of Title to said land and that said cloud so cast thereon be removed, and that they be quieted in their possession thereto, and for all costs in this behalf expended and for general relief.

M. C. SMITH, Attorney of Plaintiffs

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

WITNESS, R. A. Terry, Clerk of the

District Court of Rannels County. GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger this 6th day of July, A. D. 1908. [SEAL] R. A. TERRY, Clerk. District Court, Rannels County By J. SHIELDS, Deputy. 43-8t

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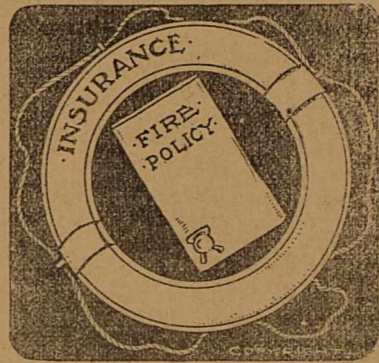
"My father has for years been troubled with diarrhoea, and tried every means possible to effect a cure, without avail," writes John H. Zirkle of Philippi, W. Va. "He saw Chamberlain's Colic, Colera and Diarrhoea Remedy advertised in the Philippi

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**STATE OF TEXAS.**

To the Sheriff or any Constable of  
Runnels County—Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to  
summon William Bryan, and the un-  
known heirs of William Bryan, de-  
ceased, and J. W. Burns, and the un-  
known heirs of J. W. Burns, deceased,  
and B. G. Guest, a non-resident, by  
making publication of this Citation  
once in each week for eight successive  
weeks previous to the return day here-  
of, in some newspaper published in your  
County, if there be a newspaper pub-  
lished therein, but if not, then in any  
newspaper published in the 35th Judicial  
District; but if there be no newspaper  
published in said Judicial District, then  
in a newspaper published in the nearest  
District to said 35th Judicial District,  
to appear at the next regular term of the  
District Court of Runnels County, to be  
held at the Court House thereof in  
Ballinger, on the 1st Monday in October,  
A. D. 1908, the same being the 5th day  
of October, A. D. 1908, then and there  
to answer a petition filed in said Court  
on the 6th day of August, A. D. 1908,  
in a suit, numbered on the docket of  
said Court No. 942, wherein W. W.  
Farmer is Plaintiff, and William Bryan,  
and the unknown heirs of William Bry-  
an, deceased, and J. W. Burns, and the  
unknown heirs of J. W. Burns, de-  
ceased, and B. G. Guest are Defend-  
ants, and said petition alleging:

STATE OF TEXAS, In the District  
County of Runnels }  
Court, October Term, 1908.  
TO THE HONORABLE DISTRICT  
COURT OF RUNNELS COUNTY,  
TEXAS:

W. W. Farmer, who resides in the  
County and State aforesaid, hereinafter  
styled Plaintiff, complaining of Wil-  
liam Bryan, deceased, and of J. W. Burns,  
deceased, and of B. G. Guest, hereinafter  
styled Defendants, represents:

That the residence of the said Wil-  
liam Bryan and the said J. W. Burns  
are unknown to Plaintiff; that the names  
and place or places of residence  
of the said unknown heirs of William  
Bryan, and of J. W. Burns, are un-  
known to Plaintiff; that the said B. G.  
Guest is a non-resident of the State of  
Texas, residing in the State of Okla-  
homa:

That heretofore, to-wit, on or about  
the eighth day of June, 1908, Plaintiff  
was then and there lawfully seized and  
possessed, holding the same by fee  
simple title, as hereinafter shown, the  
following described tracts of land, sit-  
uated in Runnels County, Texas, to-wit:

FIRST TRACT.—Survey No. —, originally granted to N. T. Guest as an  
actual occupant, containing ninety-  
three acres, on the north bank of the  
Colorado River, patented to N. T.  
Guest on the 29th day of October, 1878,  
by Patent No. 31, Vol. 8, to which  
Patent reference is here made for more  
particular description of said Survey:

SECOND TRACT.—160 acres of land  
known as Survey No. 24, on the north  
bank of the Colorado River, patented  
to the heirs of John W. Guest, de-  
ceased, by Patent No. 158, Vol. 31,  
dated November 9th, 1900, to which  
Patent reference is here made for a  
more particular description of said  
Survey:

THIRD TRACT.—157 acres of land  
out of Survey No. 23, on the north  
bank of the Colorado River, about five  
miles southeast of Ballinger, originally  
granted to William Guest as an actual  
occupant, and patented to William  
Guest, on the 11th day of October, 1900,  
by Patent No. 80, Vol. 31, said 157  
acres described by metes and bounds  
as follows: BEGINNING at the S.W.  
corner of the James Strode Survey No.  
34, on the north bank of the Colorado  
River, the same being 100 varas south  
of an old stone mound—THENCE north  
982 varas to a point in the west line  
of said Strode Survey for the S.E. cor-  
ner of a three-acre grave-yard tract—  
THENCE west 75 varas to S.W. cor-  
ner of said grave-yard tract—THENCE  
north 225 varas to the N.W. corner of  
said grave-yard tract.—THENCE east  
75 varas to the N. E. corner of said  
graveyard tract, in the west line of  
the said Strode Survey—THENCE  
north 693 varas to N.E. corner of the  
said William Guest Survey—THENCE  
west 475 varas, a stone mound—  
THENCE south 1900 varas to the  
Colorado River.—THENCE down the  
river, with its meanderings, to the  
place of BEGINNING, it being all  
of said 160-acre Survey, except the said  
three acres known and utilized as a  
grave-yard:

FOURTH TRACT.—160 acres of land  
on the north bank of the Colorado Riv-  
er, commonly known as the W. T.  
Hightower preemption Survey, de-  
scribed by metes and bounds as follows:  
BEGINNING at a stone mound on the  
north bank of the Colorado River, the  
N.W. corner of the said John W. Guest  
preemption Survey, from which a  
hackberry 6 inches diameter bears  
north 83 degrees west 11 varas and a  
hackberry 11 inches diameter bears  
north 80 degrees west 13 varas—  
THENCE east with north line of said  
John W. Guest preemption Survey,  
475 varas to the N. E. corner of said  
John W. Guest Survey, a stone mound  
—THENCE South 289 varas to a stone  
mound at N. W. corner of the said

William Guest preemption Survey—  
THENCE east with north line of said  
William Guest preemption Survey, 475  
varas, a stone mound for the N.E. cor-  
ner of the said William Guest Survey,  
it being in west line of the said James  
Strode Survey No. 234—THENCE north  
1095 varas to stone mound for the N.E.  
corner of said Hightower Survey—  
THENCE west 950 varas to a stone  
mound on the north bank of the Colo-  
rado River—THENCE down the river  
with its meanderings, 806 varas to  
place of BEGINNING, the same being  
the land described in the Deed from  
W. T. Hightower and wife, Julia A.  
Hightower, to Nat P. Guest, dated  
April 9th, 1904, and recorded in Vol. 40,  
Page 68, of the Deed Records of Run-  
nels County, Texas.

Plaintiff alleges that he, and those  
under whom he claims, have been so  
seized and possessed of said tracts of  
land, under Title, and color of Title, in  
actual, peaceable and adverse posses-  
sion thereof under and in virtue of a  
regular chain of transfers from and  
under the sovereignty of the soil of the  
State of Texas, having the same in-  
closed by good and lawful fence, cul-  
tivating, using, claiming and enjoying  
the same for the period of more than  
three years next preceding the filing  
of this suit and that Plaintiff's said  
Title to said lands has long since been  
perfected by the Three Years Statute  
of Limitations herein pleaded and as-  
serted:

Plaintiff further alleges that he, and  
those under whom he claims, have been  
so seized and possessed of said tracts  
of land, in actual, peaceable and ad-  
verse possession thereof under Title by  
Deeds duly recorded in the Deed Rec-  
ords of Runnels County, Texas, having  
paid all taxes due upon said lands up  
to the date of the filing of this suit,  
and in actual, peaceable and adverse  
possession of same, having the same  
inclosed by good and lawful fence, cul-  
tivating, using, claiming and enjoying  
the same for the period of more than  
five years next preceding the filing of  
this suit, and that Plaintiff's said Title  
to said lands has long since been per-  
fected by the Five Years Statute of  
Limitations herein pleaded and as-  
serted.

Plaintiff further alleges that he, and  
those under whom he claims, have been  
in actual, peaceable and adverse pos-  
session of said tracts of land, having  
the same inclosed by a good and lawful  
fence, cultivating, using, claiming and  
enjoying the same for the period of  
more than ten years next preceding  
the filing of this suit, and that Plain-  
tiff's said Title to said lands has long  
since been perfected by the Ten Years  
Statute of Limitations herein pleaded  
and asserted.

Plaintiff further alleges that if the  
defendant, B. G. Guest, ever had, held,  
owned or possessed any interest in  
said tracts of land, or either of them,  
which is not admitted but denied, that  
he conveyed such interest by his cer-  
tain Deed in writing, dated June 24th,  
1905, to Nat T. Guest, whose Title  
Plaintiff holds by Deed of Writing,  
dated June 8th, 1908.

That thereafter, to-wit, on or about  
the 8th day of June, 1908, while Plain-  
tiff was so lawfully seized and pos-  
sessed of said lands, holding the same  
under Title hereinbefore pleaded, the  
Defendants unlawfully entered upon  
and ejected Plaintiff therefrom and  
unlawfully withheld possession thereof  
to Plaintiff's great damage \$5,000.00:  
That said Defendants have asserted  
and are now unlawfully asserting some  
pretended claim of Title in and to said  
lands, the exact nature of which is  
unknown to Plaintiff, which has cast a  
cloud upon Plaintiff's said Title to said  
lands and disturbed his said peaceable  
possession to his great damage as  
aforesaid.

Wherefore, premises considered,  
Plaintiff prays that Defendants be cited  
by publication, in manner and form  
as required by law in such case made  
and provided, to answer herein, and  
that on final hearing hereof he have  
judgment against the defendants for  
the recovery of title to said lands and  
that said cloud so cast thereon be re-  
moved, and that he be quieted in his  
possession thereto, and that he have his  
writ of restitution therefor, and for his  
damages, and for all costs in this be-  
half expended and for general relief.

DICKINSON & CROSSMAN,  
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have before  
said Court at its aforesaid next regu-  
lar term, this writ with your return  
thereon, showing how you have exe-  
cuted the same.

WITNESS, R. A. Terry, Clerk of the  
District Court of Runnels County.  
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal  
of said Court, at office in Ballinger,  
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YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to  
summon Thomas T. Williamson and the  
unknown heirs of Thomas T. William-  
son by making publication of this Cita-  
tion once in each week for eight suc-  
cessive weeks previous to the return  
day hereof, in some newspaper pub-  
lished in your County, if there be a  
newspaper published therein, but if  
not, then in any newspaper published  
in the 35th Judicial District; but if  
there be no newspaper published in  
said Judicial District, then in a news-  
paper published in the nearest District  
to said 35th Judicial District, to appear  
at the next regular term of the District  
Court of Runnels County, to be held  
at the Court House thereof, in Ballin-  
ger, on the first Monday in October,  
A. D. 1908, the same being the fifth  
day of October, A. D. 1908, then and  
there to answer a petition filed in said  
Court on the 13th day of July, A. D.  
1908, in a suit, numbered on the docket  
of said Court No. 938, wherein W. L.  
McMasters and O. R. Sellers are Plain-  
tiffs, and Thomas T. Williamson and  
the unknown heirs of Thomas T. Wil-  
liamson are Defendants, and said peti-  
tion alleging:

W. L. McMASTERS, ET AL. In the Dis-  
trict Court  
of Runnels  
County, Texas, October Term, 1908.  
TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID  
COURT:

W. L. McMasters and O. R. Sellers  
who reside in Tom Green County, Texas,  
hereinafter styled plaintiffs, complain-  
ing of Thomas T. Williamson and the  
unknown heirs of Thomas T. William-  
son whose residences are unknown to  
plaintiffs, hereinafter styled defend-  
ants, the plaintiffs respectfully repre-  
sent and show to the Court that on the  
1st day of January, 1908, they were  
and are now lawfully seized and pos-  
sessed, holding the same by fee simple  
title the following described tracts of  
land in Runnels County, Texas, to-wit:

.396 acres more or less out of Surveys  
Nos. 12 and 13, both in the name of  
Thomas T. Williamson, being Abstract  
Nos. 680 and 681, Certificate Nos. 74  
and 75, Patent Nos. 279 and 280, Vol-  
ume 33, and described by metes and  
bounds as follows: BEGINNING at a  
stake in the east line of said Survey  
No. 13, set ten varas south of the ori-  
ginal northeast corner of said Survey  
No. 13, same being made for the south-  
east corner of the Dangerfield 100-acre  
tract: THENCE south 702 varas to the  
original southeast corner of said Sur-  
vey No. 13; THENCE west 1257 varas  
to a corner; THENCE north 105 varas  
to the northeast corner of the Sumner  
Bacon Survey No. 495; THENCE west  
to the north line of the said Sumner  
Bacon Survey No. 872 varas to the  
southeast of the Robt. Owens Survey  
No. 436; THENCE north with east line  
of the said Owens Survey at 607 varas  
past the original northwest corner of  
said Survey No. 13 at 922 varas to  
stake, same being the southwest cor-  
ner of the Valley Creek Missionary  
Church two-acre tract; THENCE east  
at 56 2-5 varas past southeast corner  
of said two-acre tract at 112 4-5 varas  
to stake, same being the southeast cor-  
ner of another two-acre tract heretofore  
conveyed to said Church; THENCE  
north 200 varas to a stake in the south  
line of the M. D. L. Barnett tract of  
land, same being the northeast corner  
of said last named two-acre tract;  
THENCE east with south line of said  
Barnett tract 1053 6-10 varas to stake,  
same being the northwest corner of  
the said Dangerfield 100 acre tract;  
THENCE south 525 varas to stake for  
interior corner of said tract, same  
being the southwest corner of the said  
Dangerfield tract; THENCE east with  
south line of said Dangerfield tract  
1075 4-10 varas to place of BEGIN-  
NING.

Plaintiffs allege that they and those  
under whom they claim have been  
seized and possessed of said land under  
deeds duly recorded, paying all taxes  
due thereon up to the filing of this suit,  
and have had peaceable and adverse  
possession under fence, cultivating,  
using and enjoying the same for more  
than five years next preceding the fil-  
ing of this suit and that plaintiffs' title  
has long since been perfected by the  
Five Years Statute of Limitation here-  
in asserted and pleaded.

Plaintiffs further allege that they

have had actual, peaceable and adverse  
possession of said land, having same  
fenced, cultivating and enjoying same  
for more than ten years next preceding  
the filing of this suit, and plaintiffs'  
title thereto has long since been per-  
fected by the Ten Years Statute of  
Limitation herein asserted and pleaded.

That on the day last aforesaid while  
plaintiffs were so lawfully seized and  
possessed of said land, holding same  
under titles herein pleaded and asserted,  
defendants asserted and do now assert  
title to said land, under the patents  
aforesaid, which casts a cloud upon  
their title thereto and disturbing their  
peaceable possession therfor, to their  
damage.

Wherefore, premises considered,  
plaintiffs pray that defendants be cited  
by publication in the manner as required  
by law to answer herein; that on final  
hearing they have judgment against  
said defendants for the title to said  
land, that the cloud cast upon their  
title as aforesaid be removed, and that  
they be quieted in their possession  
thereof, and for all costs of suit and  
for general relief.

HARRIS & SHEPHERD,  
Attorneys for the Plaintiffs

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have you be-  
fore said Court, at its aforesaid next  
regular term, this writ with your return  
thereon, showing how you have exe-  
cuted the same.

WITNESS, R. A. Terry, Clerk of the  
District Court of Runnels County.  
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal  
of said Court, at office in Ballinger this  
the 13th day of July, A. D. 1908.

[SEAL] R. A. TERRY, Clerk,  
District Court, Runnels County  
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We want your accounts large or small. Citizens National Bank.

Buck Shields was quite sick for three days, first of the week.

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

Henry Jones returned first of the week from a visit to Dallas.

Bartlett's studio for Kodak finishing. tf

Rasbury & Bruce are buying wheat and oats now 36-4t

Nesbit Gustavus returned from Galveston, Tuesday.

Join Morohead's pressing club only \$1.00 per month

Mrs. R. S. Griggs is visiting relatives in Houston.

John Hoffer Jr. was here from San Angelo, yesterday.

L. F. Chapman had business in San Angelo this week.

A. C. Hargrove was at Angelo yesterday.

Sam Farmer was here from Miles, yesterday.

Send your friend or sweetheart a postal. Many kinds to suit many people at Kinzers.

Ed Schawe was among the excursionists to Galveston last Saturday.

A. B. Burrell orders the Leader to visit his home, stating that his wife wanted a good paper.

Any price for photos at Bartlett's studio from \$1.50 per dozen up. tf

Cotton Weigher Stuart returned from a visit to Galveston Tuesday.

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

Sheriff Kirk and little son Calvin went to Galveston last Saturday.

Just received a large car of Moon Bros. buggies, hacks and surrys.

Mrs. Jim Patterson and sister, Miss Pearl Morgan visited Galveston this week.

Moon Bros Buggies, Hacks and Surrys. Big car just received at Van Pelt & Kirk.

Mrs. E. V. Bateman went to Weatherford to visit relatives, this week.

Call and see Bartlett's fine photos: on Eighth Street north of Higginbotham Currie Co. tf

High grade photographs a specialty at Bartlett's photo studio. tf

Miss Lola Lewis went to Dallas Tuesday to buy her fall stock of millinery.

D. M. Baker visited Mineral Wells this week returned Tuesday.

Mrs. O. B. Corbett and daughter, Mrs. Harris returned from Galveston Tuesday.

M. D. Chastain is able to be at his store again after an illness of a few days.

Pants made—6 hours, Suits—2 to 10 days.—A. J. Stocklas. Next door to Walker Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hall were in from Winters Wednesday.

Misses Lee Plummer and Mammie Gregory returned from a visit to Abilene, Monday.

Misses Hermia and Maryette Smith returned from a visit to Galveston Tuesday.

Haton Laxson was among the Ballinger bunch that went swimming at Galveston Sunday.

A. B. Burrell has rented the old home of H. C. Wylie in West End.

Miss Florence Westbrook went to Waco yesterday, to visit her sister.

Thirteen years of experience in making clothes.—A. J. Stocklas. Next door to Walker Drug Co.

B. Dornberger took advantage of the cheap rate to Galveston and visited the south Texas country.

The "One Minute Washer" is a washing machine that excels all others. Call at Van Pelt & Kirks and see it.

Capt. Towner has been suffering with rheumatism for several days. He is not able to use his right hand.

The only man in Rannels county who makes clothes on the bench is A. J. Stocklas. Next door to Walker Drug Co.

N. J. Wardlow shipped out several car loads of water melon this week. His late crop promises to be pretty good.

Mrs. Trousdale, mother of Mrs. R. P. Kirk returned from a visit to relatives in South Texas, Monday night.

Call at Van Pelt & Kirk's and see the greatest washing machine made. It does the work and does it quick.

O. Pearson went to Miles, Tuesday to look after the Ballinger Cotton Oil Co. gin at that place.

On account of the excursion to Galveston and the heavy travel, the West bound train was three hours late Tuesday.

Mrs. Willard Moser went to San Saba to visit relatives Tuesday, before returning to her home at Sheffield.

Let us make you a pair of trousers while you are in town.—A. J. Stocklas. Next door to the Walker Drug Co.

C. F. Lehmann, representing the American Type Foundry was here this week talking type to the local printers.

If your want to rent dishes for any purpose go to Kinzer's. All kinds of dishes for sale or rent cheap.

Mrs. Ely Sanders returned to her home at Talpa, Wednesday after a visit to her father, T. J. Batts.

Mr. and Mrs. Asa Cordill returned from a visit to Mrs. Cordill's brother, Chas. Grant, in Tom Green county, yesterday.

FOUND—A bundle of fishing tackle containing a minnow seine. Call at Leader office for particulars.

H. M. Baldwin, of Knickerbocker is here on a visit to his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Baldwin.

Mrs. John Douglass, baby and Miss Nettie Mills came in yesterday from Hillsboro on a visit to Dr. J. G. Douglass and family.

James B. Harris who has been with the Ledger for some time has resigned to accept a position in San Angelo.

Austin Spencer the man who built the Robert Lee—Ft. Chadbourne railroad, was here from San Angelo yesterday.

Mrs. Rufus Urserly returned to her home at Groesbeck, yesterday after a visit to her brother, E. F. Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Graves returned to their home at Cameron yesterday, after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Will Dunlap.

Miss Louise Fentress left yesterday for Memphis, after spending the summer at the home of Jno. I. Guion.

Henry L. Bennett came in from Houston yesterday on a visit to his mother, Mrs. J. E. Bennett, and join his family who have been here for a couple of weeks.

We clean press and repair your clothes while you sleep or wait.—A. J. Stocklas, Ballinger only tailor. Next door to Walker Drug Co.

Rev. Spoonst returned to his home in Illinois first of the week after a visit to his father in Coke County and his brother Joe Spoonst at Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Holliday came in from Hermleigh, first of the week to visit relatives and attend the McDonald-Holliday wedding.

Quite a crowd took advantage of the cheap rate to Galveston last Saturday. The Santa Fe sold 39 tickets to that place and six to Houston.

A. W. Hardin was in from the Norton country Tuesday, and reported that the boll worms were still working on the cotton in that section.

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

Rev. E. A. Turney closed one of the most successful revivals at Hatchell last Sunday that was ever held in the county. There were 36 conversions and 25 members received in the church.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hindman returned to their home in Gray county, Wednesday, after a visit to Mrs. Hindman's parents Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hall, at Winters.

Miss Verdie Scott returned to her home at Lancaster, yesterday after an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Buck. Pity the sad hearted, speak a word of cheer to the boy with a sad and woe-be gone look.

Lewis Alexander has rented J. M. Skinner's home in West End. Mr. Skinner will take his family to Bronte, where he will be for the next ten months as Superintendent of the Bronte schools.

Cecil McMinn, the son of Mrs. Julia McMinn was operated on at the Sanitarium, Wednesday for appendicitis. The operation was successful and Cecil is getting along very well. Mrs. McMinn has also been quite sick at her home, and was not able to be with her boy when the operation was performed.

W. B. Ray, the cotton man made a trip to San Angelo this week. He says things look good along the road, and Angelo expects to get 25,000 bales of cotton this season. If Angelo gets 25,000, Ballinger will get three times as much—75,000 big bales. You must remember that Ballinger is the Banner Cotton town of the state.

Chas. S. Miller received a letter from his son, Hugo this morning, in which Hugo writes interestingly of the mining industry. He is in a mining camp near Prescott, Arizona, spending the summer there for the benefit of the experience and help in his study. He writes that he has been very fortunate in getting in with a good company, one that gives him an opportunity to learn. He will return to Ballinger about Sept. 15th and get ready to go back to Austin where he will finish up as a Junior in the State University.

## Church Announcements

The Leader will be glad to have an announcement of the services from each Church each week if copy is furnished by Thursday afternoon.

### Methodist

Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. Be sure to attend.

Intermediate League at 4:00 p.m.

Senior League at 5:00 p.m. All the young people and those interested in their training should attend one or both these Leagues.

The pastor will preach morning and evening. The members each one should not fail to attend. Every member should feel his importance enough to come. No one else can fill your place, brother. Don't be a striker.

We urge all Methodists who are holding out certificates to come and unite with us.

If you have no church home, we have room and a welcome for you.

You are a stranger? That does not make any difference. Come right along. We shall be glad to see you.

E. P. Williams, Pastor

### The Lodge.

Pastor Fender of the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church will preach at his Church Sunday evening on "The Principles of Secret Societies." The hour for service is 8:15 p. m. Every one interested in any of the secret societies or Lodges, especially the members of these orders are cordially invited to attend. The Sunday School will meet at 9:45 a. m. and the pastor will also preach at 11 a. m.

### First Presbyterian Church.

Regular services at 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m.

You are cordially invited to attend these services.

J. D. LESLIE, pastor.

### Resolutions by Intermediate League

Whereas one of our best loved and most efficient workers, Pearl Jackson, has been suddenly removed from us, be it resolved:

1st That we deeply deplore her tragic death and sadly miss her from our number.

2nd That we thank God for her recent conversion and the assurance we have that she is now sweetly resting in her Heavenly Home, where we all hope to meet her again.

3rd That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our League, a copy furnished the grief stricken family and a copy given the Banner Leader and the Ledger for publication.

LILLA THOMAS  
PEARL FARRIS  
JAMES COCKRELL

### Difficulty Between Dr. Patton and Henry Short.

Dr. W. D. Patton and Henry Short engaged in a heated altercation at the home of the former on Magdalen street, about 3 o'clock Monday afternoon, which culminated in a scrap between the two, in which both were painfully injured. Short struck Patton over the head with a pistol, which cut a deep gash about four inches long across the top of the latter's head. Henry Short fainted after the fight. Drs. Cobb & Seeley were called to dress the wound of Dr. Patton and Dr. S. A. Woodward was summoned to administer medical aid to Henry Short. Short and Patton are brothers-in-law.—San Angelo Standard.

### Lumber Cheap

D. Reeder has associated J. K. Hutton in the lumber business and has bought 40 cars at lowest cash price, you will save money by calling on them. Clean new stock. Call on them for bill large or small. tf

### Predicts Good Times

Prof. Henry C. Adams, who for twenty years has been in charge of statistics and accounts, having studied the history of financial depressions, has figured out that the commercial world may now count on a period of safe, stable and highly satisfactory dividends.

"The stockholder is coming into his own," he declared. "This theory of the periodicity of panics is rather a fascinating one. People who insist that panics have relation to the sun spots make out a most interesting case for their opinion. Other theories are likewise well supported. Whatever the fact, it seems pretty well authenticated by long experience, that it takes about ten years for the business cycle to complete itself. The rule seems to be that there is a big, first class panic each twenty years, with a disturbance of the same sort, but less intensity, at each intervening ten-year period.

"We are going through one of these depressions now. It was preceded by a period of intense activity. Inevitable, during such a period men lost more or less of their caution. Everything seems prosperous and the future promising, and there is less care taken to watch details of management and expenditure. So, when depression comes and revenues fall away, the managers cast about for means of reducing expenses. They have been finding out for the larger part of a year past, where to make economies: where they were permitting their money to go into avoidable expense. They have been taking in the slack, getting things on the safe and secure basis. It has been a severe experience, but from the standpoint of the shareholder, it has been really a good thing."

### Private School.

I will open my primary school at my home on Monday, September 7th. I want a limited number of children, and am prepared to give them the best attention and good training. I have been teaching for a number of years and wish to thank those in Ballinger who have placed their children with me. I will appreciate all you do for me for the coming term.

MRS. M. T. CARPENTER.

### Granulated Sore Eyes Cured

"For twenty years I suffered from a bad case of granulated sore eyes, says Martin Boyd of Henrietta, Ky. "In February, 1903, a gentleman asked me to try Chamberlain's Salve. I bought one box and used about two-thirds of it and my eyes have not given me any trouble since." This salve is for sale by the Walker Drug Co.

### Notice to Cotton Raisers.

I will have charge of the Perry gin near the river bridge again this season. We are now busy overhauling, cleaning up and getting ready for business and will be ready for business September 1st. I wish to thank my patrons for past favors and solicit your patronage for this season. Will give you first class service and appreciate your support.

EDWIN DAY.

### Commissioners Court.

The County Commissioners are holding forth this week, to finish up the regular routine of work, the entire time of the court having been taken up with tax matters at the regular meeting two weeks ago.

The usual accounts were allowed and ordered paid, and the court adjourned Wednesday.

Miss Inez Butler and Margaret Harrison, of Ballinger, who visited Miss Francis Alexander, returned this morning to their home.—San Angelo Standard.

### Lyceum Course

It will be remembered that last winter a Library Association was organized in Ballinger, and that a committee consisting of Mrs. F. C. Miller, Mrs. B. B. Stone and Mr. C. P. Shepherd were appointed to select a course of attractions for the fall of 1908—and spring of 1909. This committee contracted for five attractions, and the letter below shows the dates they are to appear and the Banner-Leader trusts that Ballinger people will give these attractions a liberal patronage. Following is the letter:

Nashville, Tenn. July 24, '08.  
Mr. C. P. Shepherd,

Ballinger, Tex.,

Dear Sir:—We give you below dates of your attractions as follows:

Nov. 24, Scotch Singers.  
Dec. 1, A. W. Hawks.  
Jan. 29, Carmen's Italian Boys.  
Mar. 2, Litchfield Trio.  
Mar. 26, DeKoven Quartet.

We have spent much time in the arrangement of the different routes and have given you the very best possible distribution of time. We have several thousand dates to arrange and must consider various towns, where we have the attractions booked and you may rest assured that we have carefully considered your interests in arranging the dates. Advertising matter will be sent you soon.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter that we may know it has reached you.

Cordially yours,

THE RICE BUREAU  
DeLong Rice, Mgr.

### Advertised Letters

List of letters advertised for week ending Aug. 22, 1908.

Fielder, Mr. J. W.  
Hunter, Miss Tinie  
Hurt, L. K.  
Johnson, F. C.  
McCarty, Walter  
Smith, Miss Pansy  
Taylor, Mrs. A. J.  
Woods, Mr. Willie  
Yelverton, Mr. K. C.

### The Laziest Man in the World

would not be contented to be kept in the house and doing nothing by rheumatism. Neither are you who are always busy and active. Then don't neglect the first twinge of an ache or pain that you might think is just a "crick". Rub well with Ballard's Snow Liniment and no matter what the trouble is, it will disappear at once. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

### Colt Show at Marie

There will be a colt show at Marie the first Saturday in September. I will give a \$10 premium for the best colt from my horse and \$10 for the best colt from my Jack. For further particulars address me at Marie. 49-2t J. J. Williams.

### We Have Moved.

We have our cleaning and pressing Establishment to the rear of the Sunflower shoe store in the old Metropolitan building on 8th Street and are better prepared to take care of our customers than ever before.

20th Century Pressing Club.

### Examinations

The board of examiners will meet at the County Superintendent's office on Friday and Saturday, September 4 and 5. All teachers wanting county certificates will please take notice and be on hand.

### Undertaking and Embalming.

We are still prepared to look after our undertaking and embalming trade, having a complete supply of undertaking goods on hand. Will appreciate all business given us.

tf Ostertag Furniture Co.

### Fine Fresh Farm For Sale

On 14 year time, half cash Apply to Leader office. 4tf