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A Sale of White

Beginning Monday morning promptly at 9 o'clock, a showing of White Goods, Laces and Embroidery, in quality, style and variety never before seen in a town the size of Ballinger

WHITE SALE

COUPLED WITH A
COMPLETE SHOWING of MUSLIN UNDERWEAR

For Women and the Little Tots as Well

Muslin Underwear Sale

Shall we expect you Monday? Yes, come, even if you do not care to buy, you are doubly welcome. Don't disappoint us, we shall expect you Monday morning, February 1, 1909, at 9 o'clock.

A year ago we first held a sale of this kind and the splendid success we achieved encouraged us to give this one deep consideration. We believe we have a collection of White Goods, both in ready to use and "make-up" that is far superior to that of a year ago, and our every effort has been put forth to present bright, new, crisp merchandise and latest designs at special prices. We therefore invite you with a feeling of confidence to be with us on MONDAY, February 1, and that you will be satisfied with the merchandise offered—it goes without saying. Remember, Monday, Feb. 1—A SHOW OF WHITE—ITS WORTH YOUR COMING. SEE WINDOW.

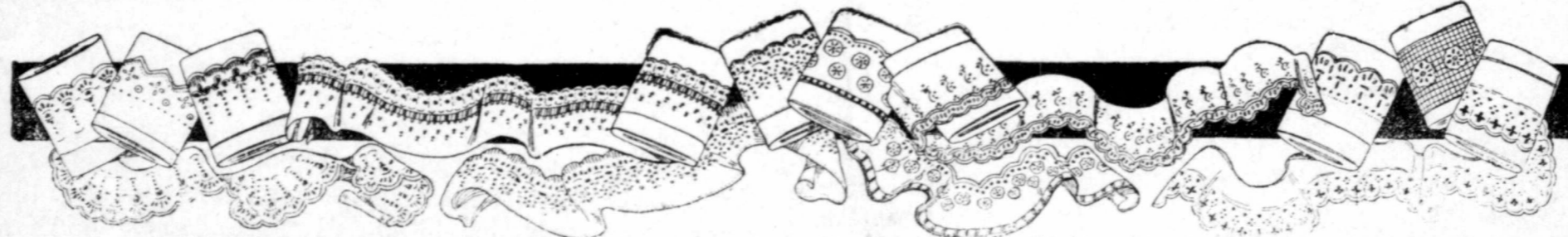
English Long Cloth English Long Cloth, superior finish, pure bleach, full width, suitable for all kinds of underwear. Come in 12 yard pieces. By the piece only during this sale only \$1.25	40 Inch Whith Lawn 40 inch White Lawn, sheer as can be, the very thing for children's dresses, or suitable for curtains, cheap indeed at the price, yd only 12 1/2c	Mercerized Waistings 44 inches wide Mercerized Waistings, soft as can be, suitable for ladies' waists or infants' and children's dresses. Worth 50c, during White Sale, special 39c	White Cambric Genuine Diamond Hill and Knights Cambric, as fine a quality as any one would care for, excellent for fine underwear, the yard only 10c	Sheet Sale 72-90 Ivory Sheets, bleached sheets made of strong, even thread muslin, well made, positively worth \$1.00, during this sale 69c	Persian Lawn 44 inch Persian Lawn, sheer as can be, very thing for pretty spring dresses, worth ordinarily 25c to 30c per yard, during sale only 19c
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Fine Nainsook---Superb Showing
 We will show you Monday for the first time 50 odd pieces of fine Nainsook, at prices rediculously cheap. Nainsook worth 25c per yard, only **19c**

WHITE, CRISP EMBROIDERY---SNOWY LACES IN THIS SALE
 Extensive preparations have been made in the Embroidery and Lace lines. Thousands of yards of fresh, dainty Embroideries bought direct from the maker. Many different styles. Every piece in the sale bears the stamp of quality. You will be pleased with the price.

Corset Cover Goods
 Values 25c and 35c—only 19c
 1 lot Cambric Corset Cover goods, 18 to 20 inches wide, real pretty patterns with beading effect, about 20 in lot, choice, yard only **19c**

FLAXON LINEN
 Values 39c and 25c the yard
 Flaxon Linen has all the merits of Handkerchief Linen Lawn, with double the strength and durability of India Linons or Persian Lawn, suitable for waists and suits—
Special 39c and 25c yd



At 9c---Values up to 20c
 Embroidery Edges, Open Insertions of Cambric and Nainsook, from 3 to 6 inches wide. Not a piece worth less than 12 1/2c and up to 20c. Choice lot yard only **9c**

At 15c---Values up to 25c and 35c
 A big lot here to select from, in Swiss and Nainsook, both Embroidery and Edge to match. The patterns are beautiful and the prices at zero, choice, yard **15c**

LINEN SPECIAL
 Value 50c---Speceal 39c
 25 pieces 36 inch Linen Lawn, suitable for waists, dresses and especially good for children's dresses. Actually worth the yard 50 cents—
at only 39c

GOWNS
 Gowns, made of good muslin, high or V neck yoke—trimmed in neat embroidery, garment cut full, and easy worth double the price asked—
25c
 Gowns, made and cut full, high or V neck yoke, neatly tucked, trimmed with pearl buttons, worth all of 35c a garment, here only **50c**
 Gowns, made of good quality muslin, neatly trimmed with Hamburg open embroidery, cuffs also trimmed with embroidery, a garment that's easily worth \$1, here only **75c**
 Gowns, made of fine Cambric and good quality muslin, slip over effect, neatly trimmed in lace and insertion. Not a garment worth less than \$1.25 to \$1.50, choice **\$1.00**
LAGE CURTAINS
 In Ecru and White. Big line of new designs. Prices range from \$5.00 per pair, down to per pair **50c**

THE ANNUAL SALE OF MUSLIN UNDERWEAR
 FOR WOMEN AND THE LITTLE FOLKS
 This department has been growing steadily month after month. Now that the time for our Annual Sale of Muslin Underwear is here, we feel that you expect greater things than ever during its progress. We don't think you will be disappointed, as the values are far better than any offering heretofore—and the garments are all neatly made, under sanitary conditions and cut on full, generous patterns.

SKIRTS
 A perfect fit in every garment—the fullness is what counts in the Underwear we sell.
 White Skirts of muslin, deep flounces, finished with clusters of hemstitched tucks and deep hemstitched hem, under dust flouce, worth 75c, at **50c**
 White Skirt of good quality muslin or cambric, with deep flouce of two sectional ruffles and fine clusters of pin tucks, hemstitching with deep hem. A good value at \$1, here only **75c**
 White Skirts of extra good quality muslin and cambric, deep lawn or cambric flouce, trimmed in open or shadow embroidery, also lace, Worth \$1.25, at only **\$1.00**
 White Skirts, made of extra fine quality muslin and cambric, elaborately trimmed in open work and shadow embroidery, also lace, with dust ruffles. A skirt that should sell at \$1.50 and \$1.75, only **\$1.25**
 Better Skirts at \$1.48, \$1.98, \$2.48, \$2.98, \$3.48, and up to \$5

Lot Special
 We have arranged on tables 6 sets of Muslin Underwear for women and children, as follows:
 Lot One consists of Children's Drawers, Skirts, etc. at **10c**
 Lot Two consists of Children's Drawers and Ladies' Corset Covers at **15c**
 Lot Three consists of Ladies' Drawers, Gowns, and Corset Covers at **25c**
 Lot Four consists of Ladies' Drawers, Skirts, Gowns **50c**
 Lot Five consists of Ladies' Corset Covers Drawers, Gowns **75c**
 Lot Six consists of Ladies' Skirts, Gowns and Corset Covers **\$1**
 Every garment in this lot worth 25 per cent more than price asked



Ladies' Gowns
 Ladies' fine Cambric Gowns, V neck and slip-over effect, trimmed in lace and fine embroidery, cut full, and easily worth \$1.50—all sizes **\$1.25**
 Ladies' fine Cambric Gowns, slip-over effect, neatly tucked and trimmed in lace and embroidery—also beading effect, cut very full, worth \$1.50, at **\$1.25**
 Ladies' fine Cambric Gowns, elaborately trimmed in lace and embroidery, slip-over and V neck effects, cut very full—a garment easily worth \$2.50 for only **\$1.98**

Spring Oxfords---First Showing
 First showing—There isn't a woman who will read this announcement but who can be foot-fitted perfectly in size and width from our mammoth stock of Spring Oxfords in the very style or shape she favors, and of the price she may have determined to pay. All desirable leathers in Patent, Vic Kid, Gun Metal, Tan, Wine and Ox-blood. You must see the Strap Pump effect.
 The Famous ULTRA, all leathers and toes **\$3.50**
 BROCKPORT, " " **\$3.00**
 MOORE-SHAFER, " " **\$2.50**



Men's Spring Shoes---Oxfords
 Yes, we are ready with the most complete line of Men's Shoes and Oxfords ever shown in Ballinger. They comprise the best makes the world ever produced—such makes as Stacy, Adams & Co., "Walkover," Howard & Foster and Wm. Neeland. This is self evident that this Shoe Department stands in a class to itself; we will match the shoes against any in the world. All Leathers, Toes and Lasts.
 Prices are—\$6.00 \$5.00 \$4.00 and \$3.50
 Others at—\$3.00 \$2.50 and \$1.50



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 "The Store Ahead" Ballinger, Texas

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In dealing with a firm that is responsible and competent. You can depend on just what we tell you. We are prepared to execute your wishes in a prompt, business like manner. You always get a square deal at this office. We have been here since the woods were burnt and are here to stay.

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"State Bank Building"



FACTS ANE FIGURES FROM GEORGIA

Responsible Georgia Man Gives Statistics to Contradict the Man from Texas

Many of the Ft. Worth Record readers are wondering who is paying the expenses of Mr. Ousley while he is in Georgia investigating the state wide prohibition question.—Brownwood Democrat.

Yes, many of the Record readers are accusing Mr. Ousley of working in the interest of the liquor interest in Texas, and if the fair minded readers will read Mr. Ousley's articles and then read articles from responsible men who live in Georgia and read the statistics as given from the court records, compared with the records given by Mr. Ousley, will form the opinion that he is earning his money.

Bishop Chandler, who was raised in Georgia and who lives in Atlanta, where he has resided for a number of years, in writing "A Tale of Three Cities," giving a history of Atlanta, Knoxville and Birmingham, under saloon rule, and under prohibition rule gives facts that contradict what Mr. Ousley has said in the interest of the liquor business of Texas.

Mr. Bishop is a man who will not be questioned by the fair minded antis. He has held the highest positions in his church, his work as Bishop sometimes covering even Cuba and Mexico. Read what he says of his home state, Georgia, and compare it with what Mr. Ousley, who is in Georgia, telling his people in Texas, through the Record how rotten prohibition is:

"The campaign of misrepresentation concerning prohibition in Birmingham and Jefferson County continues in certain quarters. Where prohibition fights are on literature is being circulated by the saloon interests showing conclusively that prohibition does not prohibit in this section, and that conditions are even worse than under the saloon regime.

"There is abundant evidence in Birmingham and Jefferson county to disprove such statements, and to any unprejudiced observer there is only one decision possible. Birmingham is more law-abiding, there is less drunkenness and disorder than at any previous period in the city's history.

Dr. Sutton, Chief Clerk and Statistician in the office of the sanitary department of the city, the office wherein are kept the vital statistic of Birmingham, has completed a summary of the first ten months of 1908 and compared with the first ten months of 1907.

The following are the figures on violent deaths for two years.

	1907	1908
"Gunshot wounds	66	39
"Stab wounds	11	1
"Fractured skulls	25	16
"Unknown Violence	96	57
"Railroad accidents	72	15
"Acute alcoholism	11	0
"Opium poison	6	1
"Broken back	16	1
"Total	294	130

"This is the official record. When you hear statements concerning the increased death rate in Birmingham under prohibition give the saloon advocates these figures which can be verified at any time."

The facts as to Atlanta are too well known in our community to be questioned. They were thus succinctly given in the report, columns of the Journal a few days ago, and that statement of them will bear repetition here. It was as follows:

"The difference in the number of cases handled in the recorder's court for the first nine months of the year 1908 as compared with the corresponding period in the year 1907, show a diminution in the number of

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Cold Creams for the hands etc. 15c, 25c, 50c
Vaseline Camphor Ice in handy tubes 10c 3 for 25c
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For the inner man White Pine and Spruce the best cough Syrup on earth 25c 50c
Bromo Quinine Antigripine and Pearce's Cold Cure
The latter is guaranteed. That means, "your money back if they don't give satisfaction."

J. Y. PEARCE
The Leading Druggist

It has been rumored for some time that Mr. Sansom and Morgan Jones were on a deal to buy the A. Hartgrove ranch. In talking to Mr. Hartgrove last Saturday he admitted that Mr. Sansom had been negotiating with him to that effect, but so far no deal had been consummated. Mr. Hartgrove seemed to think that Paint Rock would get the railroad if proper efforts were made when the time comes.—Concho Herald.

The Meanest Man in Town is the one who always wears a frown, is cross and disagreeable, and is short and sharp in his answers. Nine cases out of ten it's not the poor fellow's fault, it's his liver and digestion that make him feel so miserable, he can't help being disagreeable. Are you in danger of getting into that condition? Then start at once taking Ballard's Herbine for your liver—the safe, sure and reliable vegetable regulator. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Sell your cotton seed to Rasbury & Bruce and get what they are worth.

SAM SPARKS FOR GOVERNOR

Is Mentioned for Next Campaign but Will Not Run Until Six Years Hence.

The following clipped from the Belton Journal Reporter shows that the talk about Sam Sparks, at present state treasurer, for our next governor is still going the rounds. The writer was perhaps the first newspaper man in Texas to mention Sam Sparks for governor, and on account of his many friends and personal acquaintances in this county, we take pleasure in reproducing this bit of gossip from his old home: "Hon. Sam Sparks, state treasurer, wife and baby spent several days with the homefolks. Sam was a pleasant caller at the Journal office Tuesday evening. While in West Texas this summer the reporter heard Sam prominently and frequently mentioned as a favorable possibility for governor, and so asked him point blank if he expected to run next time to which he replied:

"I have been asked by many friends to make the race, but it would look like presumption on my part. Of course I would like to be governor some day, but I have not told anyone that I would make the race. The next campaign would perhaps offer as good an opportunity as I could ever expect, if I cared to be a candidate."

"He is reading law in his spare moments, and The Journal fully expects to see him a prominent candidate two or six years from now."

A Coleman Society Item.

To Shields and Ben Meiton, of Santa Anna, attended the ball here Wednesday night and shook the accumulated dirt from their toe nails.—Coleman Democrat.

See Morehead, the Tailor.

Dupree Case Continued.

The Milt Dupree murder case was called for trial this morning and the state announced ready, but the defense asked for further time. The court took recess from 11 o'clock until 1:30, during which time the defense prepared motion for continuance on the grounds of absence of material witnesses. After the reading of the motion Judge Goodson, for the prosecution, stated that the prosecution would admit materiality of two of the witnesses named in the motion, whereupon Judge Goodwin granted the motion.

The case is continued until the next term of court and the day for trial is fixed on June 14th, which is the fourth Monday of the May term of court. Witnesses were instructed to be present on that day.

Goes to Ballinger.

The Rockdale colony at Ballinger, Texas, will be further augmented when Dr. G. B. Renfrow leaves here early next week for that city, where he has established a dental office. Dr. Renfrow has been a citizen of this place for the past 13 years, and has made a host of friends in this and surrounding country. Dr. Renfrow came to Rockdale soon after he graduated from the Philadelphia Dental School with the degree of D. D. S., and has constantly practiced his profession here ever since. He is a most affable gentleman and will readily adapt himself to the ways of the open hearted people of the west. We are indeed sorry to see him leave us, as he is one of the finest dental surgeons in Texas, and we have no hesitancy in commending him to those people. The doctor has an estimable family which will be a valuable addition to the society of their newly adopted home.—Rockdale Reporter.

Dr. Renfrow is opening his office in the new Noyes building. We welcome these people to our town.

It Will Stay There.

"In my family medicine chest no remedy is permitted to remain unless it proves beyond a doubt the best to be obtained for its particular purpose. For treating all manner of skin troubles such as Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm, etc., Hunts Cure has held its place for many years. I have failed to find a surer remedy. It cures itching instantly." R. M. Swann Franklin La

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We would like to make a house wife happy by using Queen of the Pantry Flour their Xmas baking. The best quality ever brought to market. We like to see it on every body's face Xmas and you will make no mistake by buying your Xmas eats at Dornberger & Hopkinson.

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Through the Year 1908

And we are very thankful for it. We intend to render better service through the coming year, that we may not only merit the continued patronage of our present customers, but may gain many new ones. With best wishes for a prosperous 1909.

Miller Mercantile

Turkeys, Chickens and Eggs!

OUR POULTRY CAR WILL BE IN BALLINGER

MONDAY and TUESDAY, FEB. 1 and 2

We Want all the Produce we can get at the following CASH Prices:

Turkeys, 12c per pound,	Chickens, Hens, 7c per pound
Guineas, \$2.25 per doz.	" Springs, 9c per pound
Eggs, Highest Market Price,	" Old Roosters, \$1.80 per doz.

See your merchant, and if he wont buy bring them to the car. Remember that this will be the last car of the season. Sell your produce while prices are high. REMEMBER THE DATES.

Hemen-Bessonette Co

We want all the grown Jack Rabbits we can get on the above dates. Do not draw your Rabbits, and see that they are not damaged. Price 10 cents each.

A Badly Needed Reform.

While speaking of reforms, and there seems to be a reformer, we went abroad in the large class of criminals while not overlooking and condoning the class of criminals while relentlessly pursue and punish another class no worse, and sometimes not so bad. We have mind the fiendish imps who under the pretence of love and affection, and a promise of marriage, deceives betrays and ruins the life and future of confiding young girls, and then gloats over their hellish deeds. The poor

victim, dishonored and generally an outcast, in despair goes from bad to worse until she finds a home in some brothel, or a grave beneath the waves or the sod. Oft times she leaves behind her a fatherless and motherless boy or girl, ostracised by the world and society, with a taint upon his or her birth, unsought and unwished for. Perhaps and old mother, whose brown hair is rapidly becoming streaked with grey, forsaken and alone, is grieving her heart away for a daughter she will never see again. Perhaps a father, no

longer erect, but stooped and prematurely aged, is evidence of an inward suffering no pen can describe. Or perhaps it is a brother or sister, who, for very shame and sensitiveness too often isolate themselves or are unjustly shunned by society, until their ambitions become dwarfed and they settle into a state of anguish and despair. Thus the evil done in that idle hour continues to spread and spread until the human mind can no longer follow its intricate leadings. And what of the monster who wrecked these lives for a mo-

ment's gratification? Too often is there a pretense of a court trial and in spite of the evidence introduced a jury perhaps as vile and corrupt as the prisoner at the bar, fail to agree or turn him loose that he may seek another victim. And too often is this human goul and assassin petted and dined and often gazed upon and pitied as a poor suffering martyr, instead of being shunned and turned away from as being more dangerous than a viper. His conscience (if he has any) should be worked upon by all men until his remorse becomes so burdensome that he would gladly devote the rest of his life in atoneing for his crime, or else he should be made to understand that it is the wish of every father and mother in the world that he should go to some lonely spot and hang his filthy carcass to the limb of a tree, assuring him that the rope would be gladly donated upon request. Yes, there are reforms and reforms and then some.—Ex.

New Church at Norton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Lilly and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Halloway were in from Norton last Saturday soliciting aid in the building of a Presbyterian church at Norton. The liberal hearted people of Ballinger responded in a way that was very gratifying to the committee, and with the funds raised among the Norton citizens and help from the church board, Norton will have a nice Presbyterian church U. S. A.

Full line of Chase & Sanbourn coffees and teas fresh. Can grind coffee if wanted.—Miller Mercantile Company.

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.

Ostertag Furniture Co.

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BRITISH BANKS CHARGE For Checking Accounts

For keeping money safely and allowing the depositor to check on his own money, the banks in England charge from \$10 to \$50 a year.

Don't you think that anything that is considered so valuable is worth investigating?

It doesn't cost a cent to have a checking account with The Citizens National Bank, the largest and strongest bank in Runnels County.

Your business, no matter how small, is given careful and immediate attention.

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When you have a bad cough or cold do not let it drag along until it becomes chronic bronchitis, or develops into an attack of pneumonia, but give it the attention it deserves and get rid of it. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and you are sure of prompt relief. From a small beginning the sale and use of this preparation has extended to all parts of the United States and to many foreign countries. Its many remarkable cures of coughs and colds have won for it this wide reputation and extensive use. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

W. E. Bartlett, the photo man successor to Bartlett & Deekle, is now located over Conn & Wiley Confectionery and will be glad to serve you when you want a first class photograph.

Let Us Help You

Make 1909 a Happy and Prosperous year. We wish all our customers a Happy New Year, and thank you for your patronage through 1908. Buy your 1909 Groceries from us and we will help you to be prosperous and happy.

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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. It is our endeavor to make the best paper possible, though we cannot learn the news unless you tell us.

Trees planted now will furnish shade for you when you are going down the shady side of your life's journey. Plant trees.

It is reported that Ballinger is to have another big merchantile house—one to handle everything. We hope to be able to give particulars soon.

It begins to look like the cry for rent houses in Ballinger will be hushed. Something like twelve or fifteen are now under course of construction, and more being figured on.

The grand jury of Brown county report that only one "boot legging joint", exists in that county and urge that it be removed. It was that grand jury's duty to help remove it.

The Waters-Pierce Oil Company has been convicted and must pay a fine—that is the people will pay it for them. Just a little added to the price of oil will soon make up the amount.

The Dallas News quotes Brady as being the leading town of the State on cotton receipts for the present season. Oh well! the News is just mistaken. Ballinger is several thousand bales ahead of Brady.

The Texas legislature has been in session about three weeks, but has done nothing. If they keep up this gait they will fall short of the promises made. Looks like they would at least repeal a few laws.

Sweetwater has a new paper, the Chronicle. It is a neat five column eight page paper, and will no doubt be a source of satisfaction to the Sweetwater citizens who believe that competition is the life of trade.

A leading dry goods firm will use five thousand inches of space in the Leader this year, according to the terms of a contract made this week. It pays to advertise in the Leader. This firm has used several thousand inches of our space, and has realized good results.

The new ordinance passed by the City Council in relation to street peddling, fakers, etc., came in good place this week, and worked nicely. A man opened up his patent medicine case on the corner of the First National Bank Wednesday, and he was promptly notified by the City marshal that he would have to move on. He moved.

Ballinger is growing and the coming summer will find the present water works system inadequate in certain localities of the town. The council should consider the laying of new mains and the replacing of small mains with larger. Such improvements will be absolutely necessary to meet the demands of the people—the fair demands.

It has been suggested that the Ballinger Independent School District issue \$20,000 worth of bonds, which it can do under the law, and build two ten thousand dollar school buildings in different parts of town. We must have more room or let the children grow up in ignorance, and the suggestion of ward schools is a good one. The present campus will not give room for more buildings.

When school opened Monday about fifty new pupils were present demanding admittance. There is no better evidence of the growth of a town than the growth of the school, and there is no better evidence needed to impress upon us the necessity of more school room and more teachers than to see children going home with their books at noon to give room for other children to come to school in the afternoon. This is the condition of the Ballinger schools.

Concho county is pleading for a railroad. The citizens have told their troubles to Morgan Jones, asking for an extension, at once, of the Ballinger and Abilene road, and gave him to understand that if he did not get busy they would get busy with some other promoter and connect with some other line. Concho is a good county, needs a road, and we hope the good people of that county will be patient until the Abilene road gets to Ballinger and then we will give them the best we have.

Duncan B. Cooper and John D. Sharpe are now on trial at Nashville, Tennessee, for the murder of the South's greatest son. Ex-Senator Carmack gave his life for a cause that has come out victorious in Tennessee. He was murdered by the liquor interest and now the liquor interest must leave the state. It was necessary that Judge Jeff D. McClane give up his life to put the gambling dens out of Texas, and it was necessary that Edward Carmack lay down his life to put the saloons out of Tennessee. Two martyrs whose names will live for generations to come. When the tragic death of Senator Carmack was flashed over the wires throughout the Southland it caused many hearts to throb with sorrow, and the heads of those who knew him to bow with grief. He was a true friend to the southern people, and when his life's blood was flowing from a bullet wound made at the hands of murderers and his weary head rested upon the bosom of the South land, the following extract from one of his speeches was called to mind, and his prayer to God answered:

"The South is a land that has known sorrows. It is a land that has broken the ashen crust and moisten it with tears—a land seared and riven by the plowshare of war and billowed with the graves of her dead, but a land of legend, a land of song, a land of hallowed and heroic memories. To that land every drop of my blood, every fiber of my being, every pulsation of my heart is consecrated forever. I was born of her womb; I was nurtured at her breast; and when my last hour shall come, I pray God I may be pillowed upon her bosom and rocked to sleep within her tender and encircling arm."

Farmers & Merchants State Bank; Capital \$100,000

J. F. Currie, President; Jo Wilmeth Tendered Cashiership. Will be Ready for Business March 1.

Jan. 29, 1907

As stated in last week's Leader, Ballinger is to have a new bank. The Farmers & Merchants State Bank was organized here this morning with a capital stock of \$100,000. \$86,000 worth of the stock was subscribed in a very short time and it would all have been taken, but it was thought best to give the farmers a chance to take some of the stock, and some was reserved for this purpose.

Following is a list of the stock holders:

R. R. Russell, Wm. Bevins, H. Giesecke, J. F. Currie, J. N. Adams, W. B. Ray, G. G. Odom, M. D. Chastain, W. E. Allen, J. Y. Pearce, R. A. Risser, Jr., T. S. Lankford, W. A. Norman, R. W. Bruce.

DIRECTORS

J. F. Currie, president. H. Giesecke, first vice president and chairman, of the board of

directors.

R. A. Risser, Jr., vice President. M. D. Chastain, vice president. R. R. Russell, J. N. Adams, J. Y. Pearce, T. S. Lankford, R. W. Bruce, W. B. Ray.

Jo Wilmeth was tendered the position of cashier, but ask the board to give him a few days to consider the matter.

R. R. Russell went to Austin today to push the matter of procuring charter and the bank expects to be open and ready for business by the first of March. They will not wait to have the building remodeled, but will build vault and put in cheap furniture for temporary use, and as soon as the building can be completed, new and up-to-date fixtures will be put in.

Beautiful Ballinger.

Did you ever in your life see such an era of progress and public enterprise? The Santa Fe is becoming interested in the matter of making a beautiful Ballinger. Carl Dornberger, a Santa Fe landscape gardener, is here to see about improving the proposed park and flower garden on the right of way. It will be remembered that this question was before the people about a year ago and went by default. It has come to life again, and the coming of Mr. Dornberger puts new life in the idea.

Mr. Dornberger is a brother of our fellow citizen, B. Dornberger, and will be here several days, and we hope to be able to give the people some good news about park building next week.

While here he will probably assist the committee in laying off and planning the work on the court house square park.

Italian Boys To Night

The best show of the season will be the attraction at the Opera House to-night. The Italian Boys guarantee to give you your money's worth. Be sure to see them.

W. P. Buttery was here from Miles Tuesday.

The Best for Ballinger.

Ballinger people will soon see the installation of the latest model of the Mergenthaler Linotype machine. This wonderful type setter is just out, the first ones being placed in the market on the fifteenth of the present month, and the one coming to Ballinger being the first one shipped to Texas. W. E. Bennett, of Brownwood, is putting in this machine, and quarters for it are being prepared in the Lankford building on Eighth street. The type for the Banner-Leader will be set on the machine, and with the excellent and unsurpassed facilities it is able to place within our reach we feel sure that we will be able to make the paper even better than it has been the past. It will also enable us to give our advertisers better service, and from many standpoints we welcome the advent of this up-to-date type-setting invention. Mr. Bennett expects to use his machine in the interest of all newspapers in this section that desire rapid and economic type composition.

J. P. Whittington, wife and daughter, were here from Tokeen yesterday trading, and were compelled to stay over until to-day on account of the blizzard.

Absolutely Pure
 Grapes give the chief ingredient, the active principle, and healthfulness, to
ROYAL BAKING POWDER
 Absolutely Pure
 Insures wholesome and delicious food for every day in every home
 No Phosphates
 No Alum

ROAD GRADING UNDER HEADWAY

Work on Ballinger and Abilene Road to Be Rapidly Pushed.

J. R. Holiday phoned the Leader this morning that a rail road contractor had struck camp on his place and begun grading in the famous Coyote valley. He did not give us the name of the contractor but stated that he was one of the bunch who graded from Winters to Abilene and had contract for four miles up through the Coyote valley. With only one or two exceptions the contracts for all the right of way has been secured, and grading is under good headway. The work from here to Winters will be cut up and let to different contractors in small contracts and the entire line graded in a very short time.

Dirt was broken on the Ballinger end of the line about a week ago.

Ballinger is on no particular boom, but the effect of the rail road is being felt in every line and a steady growth is on that will make a substantial little city in the course of a few years.

Dick Russell is here from San Antonio. Mr. Russell is one of the men who purchased the Chastain building and who is interested in the new bank. He is a man of means and we are glad he has become interested in our town.

Get in before they are all gone. You can get a nice atlas, worth a dollar and a half, the semi-weekly Record and the Leader all one year for \$1.90. We have put out about one hundred during the last six weeks, and have only a few left.

Want Column

RATES: One cent a word for first insertion. One-half cent a word for each additional insertion.

Gray hairs won't come ten years ahead of regular schedule time if you solve your little worries in the Want Ad way—an advertising column for the little wants.
 The day you neglected to read the Want Ads you "dropped a stitch"—probably the stitch that would have "saved nine".

SAVE YOUR CARPETS. By placing old papers under them. 5000 old papers for sale at Leader office. You fix the price.

My \$15.00 Stalk Cutter, does the best work and will not choke. See it back of Hall Hardware in wagon yard. W. W. McKinley. 2t

MILK COWS FOR SALE, I have about 30 good milk cows all fresh in milk for sale. Call at City Wagon Yard. Bailey & Eoff. 2t

HORSES FOUND, Anyone who lost two gray horses, can find same by calling at the Leader office and paying for this notice.

183 ACRES. Unimproved land, tillable, located four miles south Rowena, can be had for a barga \$1700 cash balance in ten years at 7 per cent interest. Fred Price, Ballinger, Texas.

FOR RENT. Good wag on yard. Apply to Bair & Conn, Ballinger, Texas. 1t

See That Spot

Take It To

"THE CLEANER"

AT

MOREHEAD'S

We want your cotton seed and will pay you the highest market price.—Rasbury & Bruce.

The FARMERS

Of this section are most cordially invited to call and inspect our line of Farm Implements before purchasing the "Just-as-good" kind. We carry the Old Reliable "STANDARD" Implements.

Standard Disc Plows,
 Standard Disc Harrows
 Standard Cultivators
 Standard Planters

Standard Walking Plows
 Standard Sulky Plows
 Standard Drag Harrows
 Standard Stalk Cutters

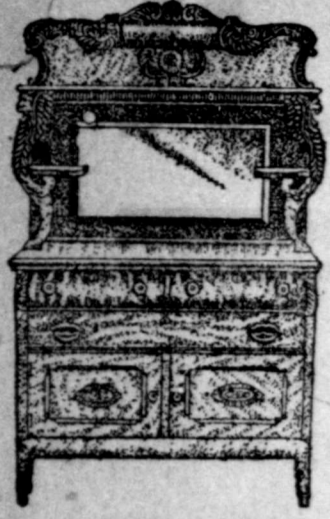
"Studebaker" and Peter Schuttler Wagons, "Staver" and "Columbus" Buggies, Wagons and Hacks. Well Supplies, Cisterns, "DANDY" Windmills, "Eclipse" Mills, Cylinders, Etc. Pipe and Plumbing work promptly attended to and fully guaranteed.

WE WANT YOUR BUSINESS.

Respectfully,

HALL HARDWARE CO.

We Buy Furniture



and pay Cash for all kinds of second hand household goods. We will make it to your interest to see us before you sell your old furniture.

We Sell Furniture



and sell all kinds of household goods--new and second hand. If you need anything in your home, visit our



store. We've got the goods; our stock is complete in every line. We also sell stovee, harness, buggies, etc.

T. S. LANKFORD

PROGRAM CORNER STONE LAYING

Masonic Lodge to Lay Stone Thursday February 4th.

Work on the Carnegie Library has reached a point to where it is ready for the placing of the corner stone, and under the direction of the Ballinger Lodge No. 643, A. F. & A. M. the ceremonies will be held next Thursday, and the following program has been arranged:

Ballinger Lodge No. 643 A. F. & A. M. called to Labor at 2:30 p. m. Called from Labor, and proceed to opera house, and meet all visiting brethren and guests.

At 3 p. m. procession will form at opera house and march up Hutchins Avenue to Eight Street thence up Eighth Street to Library building.

Alamo Chapter No. 266 meet at Central hotel, and form on platform at Library building.

Invocation—Rev. J. A. Biggs. Rev. J. D. Leslie will introduce Rev. J. W. Siler of San Angelo, who will deliver an address for the Library committee.

Response—Hon. John I. Guion for the city of Ballinger.

Rev. G. W. Fender will introduce Professor Brooks, Grand Orator of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Texas, who will deliver an address on Masonry.

Eastern Star Exercises.

T. C. Yantis, D. D. G. M., of Brownwood, will take charge of the Lodge and proceed with ceremony of laying corner stone in form.

Depositing Relics, etc. The entire assemblage will then join in singing our national hymn—America.

Benediction. In the event of rain or inclem-

ent weather, the exercise will be held in opera house.

Neighboring lodges have been invited and it is expected that a number of visitors will be present.

POWDER FLASH BURNS BOY

Young American Has Costly Experience With Gun Powder.

The little seven year old boy of O. N. Barlow was pretty badly burned in the face by experimenting with some powder, yesterday. The little fellow found a shot gun cartridge, drew the wad and touched a match to the powder. The flash came on schedule time, and burned the boy in the face, leaving him without eye brows, and burned some of his hair and filled his face with powder.

Fortunately there are no serious wounds, but sufficient to probably leave a powdered face.

Every Mother

is or should be worried when the little ones have a cough or cold. It may lead to croup or pleurisy or pneumonia—then to something more serious. Ballard's Horehound Syrup will cure the trouble at once and prevent any complication. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

In Midst of Gin Season.

R. T. Jones, the Pumphrey gin man, was here a day or two this week. Mr. Jones says that he is ginning more cotton now than he has ginned any time during the season. He says the crop was very late and that while it was not a bumper crop, there is considerable cotton to come in from that section.

MASS MEETING TOMORROW NIGHT

Plans Must be Made for Maintenance of Schools. Tax Levy, Bond Issue, New Buildings.

It will be your privilege and duty to attend a mass meeting of the citizens at the Court House Saturday night at 7:30. Upon request President Alexander of the school board has called a meeting of the citizens in which meeting some important matters will be discussed.

There are at least two school elections and probably three to be held this spring. One is for the election of school trustees. Another is for the levy of a school tax, not in addition to the one we now have, but a new rate. As there is considerable misunderstanding as to the validity of our independent school law, caused by the decision in the Baird case, it is necessary that this question be settled and if there is a flaw in the law, same be amended and our present school put on a sound basis.

It is a foregone conclusion and a problem that must be solved at once, that more school room must be provided. The taxable value of the independent district will permit the issuance of more bonds, and this question will be discussed tomorrow night.

There is nothing more essential to the wealth and happiness of a community than a good school, and the increase in population, and in property values will supply this under a small tax rate. Be sure to attend the meeting tomorrow night.

The Missouri Milling Co. is paying the highest market price for wheat, oats and milo maize, kaffir corn, etc.

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.

A Charles Wesley Song Service.

The 200th anniversary of the birth of Charles Wesley has recently passed and to commemorate the event a special song service has been arranged which will be given at the Eighth Street Presbyterian church next Sunday evening at the usual preaching hour. Some of Wesley's best known hymns will be sung by the choir and congregation and the pastor will give a short account of the man's life and work and also incidents connected with these famous hymns. In connection with the service the choir will sing, "Praise Ye the Father" by C. Gounod. As Wesley ranks as one of the greatest, if not the greatest of English Hymn writers, this should be a service in which all are interested.

At this church, the Sunday School will meet as usual at 9:45 a. m. the pastor will preach at 11 a. m. taking as his subject, "The Rock of Ages." The public cordially invited to all these services.

Methodist.

Preaching at 11 a. m. Subject, "Faith that Saves." Text Mark 11: 22. Preaching at 7:30 by Rev. H. F. Brooks the Drummer preacher. We will be glad to see you at Sunday School and the Leagues and preaching. The stranger and visitor, have a special invitation.

J. A. Biggs.

Ballinger Baptist Church.

Sunday School at 9:45. There will be no preaching service at the 11 o'clock hour Sunday morning. The senior B. Y. P. U. will render a very attractive program Sunday evening at 7:30. Everybody is cordially invited to attend and enjoy the male quartet.

Z. J. Amerson.

Preaching at Pearce School House.

Rev. J. A. Biggs, pastor of the Methodist church at Ballinger, will preach at the Pearce School house on Valley Creek, the first Sunday in February at three o'clock and will preach every first Sunday thereafter.

Try it Once

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

TALISMANS POPULAR IN MALTA.

Odd Shaped Stones to Ward Off Effects of Snake Poison.

There are still to be found in Malta a number of small stones shaped and colored like the eyes, tongues and other parts of serpents.

The superstitions among the Maltese connect these with the tradition that St. Paul when shipwrecked was cast on their island, and that it was there that while lighting a bundle of sticks for a fire a viper fastened on the apostle's hand. St. Paul calmly shook the reptile off into the flames and no harm followed. The natives wear these stones as talismans, in which character they suppose them serviceable in warding off dangers from snake bites and poisons.

They are found in St. Paul's cave, imbedded in clay, and are set in rings and bracelets, and when found to be in the shape of a tongue or liver or heart are hung around the neck. They are also taken internally, dissolved in wine, which method is attended, according to some people, by more immediate results.

A High Aim Indeed.

Uncle Rooster filled his cornucop. "Aim high, young feller," he said to his city nephew. Chuckling, he struck and held at arm's length a blue-headed sulphur match. Then he grunted: "Finstance, try to live up to yer mother's estimate of ye."

Still Has Life.

A Chicago professor predicts that English will have become a dead language by the year 4090. Nevertheless, the English language has demonstrated that it can withstand an awful lot of wear and tear and hard usage.

MISERY IN STOMACH IS ENDED FOREVER

Tells Readers How to Relieve Indigestion in Five Minutes.

Why not start now—today and forever rid yourself of stomach trouble and indigestion? A dieted stomach gets the blues and grumbles. Give it a good eat, then take Pape's Diapepsin to start the digestive juices working. There will be no dyspepsia or belching of gas or eructations of undigested food; no feeling like a lump of lead in the stomach or heartburn, sick headache and dizziness, and your food will not ferment and poison your breath with nauseous odors.

Pape's Diapepsin costs only 50 cents for a large case at any drug store here, and will relieve the most obstinate case of indigestion and upset stomach in five minutes.

There is nothing else better to take gas from stomach and cleanse the stomach and intestines, and besides, one trianquile will digest and prepare for assimilation into the blood all your food the same as a sound, healthy stomach would do it.

When Diapepsin works, your stomach rests—gets itself in order, cleans up—and then you feel like eating when you come to the table, and what you eat will do you good.

Absolute relief from all stomach Misery is waiting for you as soon as you decide to begin taking Diapepsin. Tell your druggist that you want Pape's Diapepsin, because you want to be thoroughly cured of indigestion.

Man's Mission as a Citizen.

Some have said that it is not the business of private men to meddle with government—a bold and dishonest saying, which is fit to come from no mouth but that of a tyrant or a slave. To say that private men have nothing to do with government is to say that private men have nothing to do with their own happiness or misery; that people ought not to concern themselves whether they be naked or clothed, fed or starved, deceived or instructed, protected or destroyed.—Cato, the Elder.

Clearly Complimentary.

A writer whose Christmas money perhaps ran short, and who is obviously trying to comfort himself with the thought that "her" birthday is yet to come, remarks that "the one kind of gift always acceptable to a woman is something, anything, in cut glass." It is a wise saying, and one to be explained on the principle that like attracts like. She, like cut glass, reveals new beauties the longer one studies her.—Elsinore Press.

Valuable Old 'Cello.

An old 'cello, which the owner at Mount Noorah, Victoria, sent to be repaired, was found to bear the label of Nicolo Amati and the date 1624. There was also found a record of the instrument having been repaired by Louis Dandeh of Versailles in 1781 for Louis XVI.

The Mistakes of Nature.

What good are these little red pieces of meat that hang down on each side of a turkey's bill? They aren't pretty, they aren't useful, and they get dirty when he's eating and all mused up if he fights. Nature's awfully foolish, sometimes.

Beauty of Sunset Peak.

Sunset peak goes up like a dome 6,000 feet and when the sun sets clear and has entirely disappeared behind the mountains its reflected light rests on this topmost peak and transforms it into a minaret of gold—a heavenly light, indeed.

CUT THIS OUT AND SAVE IT

Says Many Persons Here Can be Made Happy Again by Using It.

There is so much Rheumatism here in our neighborhood now that the following advice will be highly appreciated by those who suffer:

Get from any good pharmacy one-half ounce Fluid Extract Dandelion, one ounce Compound Kargon, three ounces of Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla. Shake these well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime; also drink plenty of good water.

It is claimed that there are few victims of this dread and torturous disease who will fail to find ready relief in the simple home-made mixture, and in most cases a permanent cure is the result.

This simple recipe is said to strengthen and cleanse the eliminative tissues of the Kidneys so that they can filter and strain from the blood and system the poisons, acids and waste matter, which cause not only rheumatism, but numerous other diseases. Every man or woman here who feels that their kidneys are not healthy and active, or who suffer from any urinary trouble whatever, should not hesitate to make up this mixture, as it is certain to do much good, and may save you from much misery and suffering after while.

Our home druggists say they will either supply the ingredients or mix the prescription ready to take if our readers ask them.

The Pure Food Law

Secretary Wilson says: "One of the objects of the law is to inform the consumer of the presence of certain harmful drugs in medicines." The law requires that the amount of chloroform, opium, morphine, and other habit forming drugs be stated on the label of each bottle. The manufacturers of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy have always claimed that their remedy did not contain any of these drugs, and the truth of this claim is now fully proven, as no mention of them is made on the label. This remedy is not only one of the safest, but one of the best in use for coughs and colds. Its value has been proven beyond question during the many years it has been in general use. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

Dr. R. C. Wallace and Fred Graves in Trouble

Dr. R. C. Wallace steamed up his auto Wednesday and carried Fred Graves, who is here from Rockdale prospecting, to Winters. They had a very pleasant trip, and enjoyed the ride fine until they were within six miles of town on their return trip. All good autos balk and this one was no exception to the rule. Fortunately, walking was not crowded and the gentlemen made it in to town in time for late supper.

..VALENTINES..

I have Valentines for.....

YOUR SWEETHEART
YOUR KINFOLKS
YOUR FRIENDS
YOUR ENEMIES

I have Valentines of every description for everybody. I have a big assortment of Post Card Valentines.

KINZER'S

AMUSEMENTS

The Gertrude Ewing Company

Theatre goers were highly entertained at the Ballinger Opera House Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights and Wednesday afternoon at Matinee by the Gertrude Ewing Company. This company is well known throughout the State and has many admirers in our city, as was evident from the crowded house each night and the hearty applause given when applause was merited.

One naturally expects to see, and it is an old custom to give, our best offerings first, or if not our best, something that will please and prove our capability in better and higher things. We are sure that this company has no worse play among their repertoire than their opening bill this season. The second night, in the "Slaves of the Orient," the entire caste more than amply redeemed themselves from the effect left on the audience of the night before. In this play, which is a comedy drama with a very interesting plot and a patriotic strain that demands rapt attention, each actor and actress seemed well suited to, and played well the part of, the particular character they represented. "Sapho" was well presented in its latest and most interesting version Wednesday night. In this play there is a lesson taught that should be remembered by all young people.

The specialties given between acts brought forth much applause and were enjoyed by all.

This company's personnel is a strong one, although singularly they have their faults, as every one else in this world, and they are different in each individual. We do not care to be classed as critics, for we have never studied that profession, and we may disagree with those more learned along this line; but we are prone to express our opinion when the occasion requires. As we see it, the height of perfection in stage work is to picture true to life the character they represent—in appearance, action, expression, and enunciation. All of these are sometimes overdone, and an exaggeration on the part of any one tends to excite a feeling of disapproval and dislike. Though the dramatist's work is purely imaginary, we cannot even imagine such characters as some represent them to be.

Ma's New Husband

Play goers are promised an exceptionally clever cast in the musical farce "Ma's New Husband" which comes to the Ballinger Opera House on Wednesday Feb. 3rd. The Harry Scott Company, the producers of this comedy, had two companies of it on the road last season season playing the cities and the principal one night stands in the United States and Canada. The press notices were exceedingly good in Chicago, New York and Boston and the management promises a still better show this season with added new features. The management of the Harry Scott Company agree to refund anyone money after the first act who doesn't say it is one of the best musical farces they ever saw. Surely this ought to catch everyone "From Missouri."

W. R. Saddler, of Norton, in Runnels county, was in the city this morning on his way to May where he will spend a few days visiting with old friends. Mr. Saddler has recently sold out his 300 acre farm at Norton and is seeking a new location. He formerly lived at May and there is some probability of his returning to that place, but he has not yet fully decided upon that point. Mr. Saddler bought land in Runnels county some four years ago at a low price and this week received \$40 per acre for his 300 acre tract.—Brownwood Bulletin.

STRANGE BOY BREAKS IN JAIL

Acting Ugly Frightens Little Girl. Is Arrested on Serious Charge

A sixteen year old boy, giving his name as Robert Patton and home as Junction City, was arrested Tuesday for insulting and frightening a little eight year old girl. The boy met the girl coming to town in the vicinity of the seventh street railroad crossing Monday evening and frightened her. The matter was reported to the officers and Tuesday the boy was found in a box car, and brought before the girl who identified him. The boy denied the charge at first but later acknowledged his guilt, and offered as an excuse that he was drinking.

The boy has made several conflicting statements since placed in jail, and the officers are holding him to await information from the town he claims as his home. He is without money, but seems to be very well satisfied with his present surroundings.

Stomach Trouble Cured.

If you have any trouble with your stomach you should take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Mr. J. P. Klote of Edina, Mo., says: "I have used a great many different medicines for stomach trouble, but find Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets more beneficial than any other remedy I ever used." For sale by Walker Drug Co.

Penitent and Resourceful.

One of the prison missionaries of the Church Army tells a story of a man who came under the influence of the society at a mission held at York, England. The man, a notorious pickpocket, was so impressed by what he heard that he felt he must do something to show his determination to lead a new life. He considered the best way to do this was to put something into the collection, but unfortunately he had no money in his pocket. Then a bright idea struck him; he picked the pocket of the man sitting next him, and thus was able to contribute to the good work. It is said the man has been reclaimed definitely.

Reads Like a Fairy Tale.

An Atchison girl had always heard of the impoliteness of women in failing to thank men for giving up a seat in the street car, and decided that she would be an exception. A man gave her a seat Saturday night in a crowded car, affording her the opportunity for which she had been looking. "Oh, thank you a thousand times," she said. "It is just what I wanted, and how did you ever guess it? It is so thoughtful of you, and I do appreciate it so much." Then, as she sank into the seat: "And such a comfortable seat! It is the most comfortable seat I ever sat in! Oh, thank you again so much!"—Atchison Globe.

Pioneer Citizen Dead.

A. A. Hauscomb died at his home at Tokeen yesterday evening at 3 o'clock. He had been in bad health for some time.

Mr. Hauscomb was a pioneer citizen of this county. He established the first post office in the northern part of the county, and it was named Blue Gap, and he later established the post office now known as Tokeen.

Fever Sores

Fever sores and old chronic sores should not be healed entirely, but should be kept in healthy condition. This can be done by applying Chamberlain's Salve. This salve has no superior for this purpose. It is also most excellent for chapped hands, sore nipples, burns and disease of the skin. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

Notary Applicants Take Notice

All persons desiring to be appointed Notary Publics will send their names to me at Austin.

W. N. Adams

3t Senator

Every dollar worth one hundred cents—no more, no less. Cash Grocery Co.

MOTHER'S NOVEL PLAN

She Tried to Raise Her Baby by Telephone.

Since time immemorial there have been bottle babies; for years there have been incubator babies. Now comes the telephone baby—the baby raised by phone.

This tot is the child of a woman who is a widow or the woman who should be a widow, or the woman who wants to be a widow. Widow or should be or would be, she is the woman who is compelled to earn the money which must clothe and feed and provide a roof for herself and child, and, not being able to be in two places at once, and the question of the where-withal of all things decreeing that she must spend the greater part of her time at her place of business, there is nothing left to do but leave the baby in the charge of some one who may be competent or may be just the reverse, and supervise its care by phone.

As a rule the home of the woman with a child is a boarding house, where the baby becomes the pet and the object of interest to the feminine contingency. While the mother is at home the women boarders worry not at all. With the advent of the nurse they feel a sudden weight of responsibility descend upon their shoulders and the nurse is immediately aware that her path is marked out as straight and extremely narrow. She will be allowed no leeway. Her young men must not meet her on the corner. She must abandon her yellow-covered novel.

On the day of the nurse's arrival the mother gives instructions.

"I will call you up several times to-day and see how you are getting along. Then, if I think of anything I want to tell you, I can let you know. If you are in difficulty about anything go to Mrs. — or Mrs. — or Mrs. —, and she will tell you what to do. Now, don't take the baby out to-day, for she has a cold. Be sure that you cover her up when she takes her nap. Give her plenty of water to drink. Don't tell her about anything that will frighten her. See that her bottle is good and warm. Don't let her get in drafts. Have her face and hands washed and her hair combed and a clean dress on when you take her down to lunch. Don't give her any candy. That's all I can think of now. I'll call you up."

And the nurse sighs, "Yes, ma'am!"

At ten o'clock the telephone bell rings. A tragic voice cries, "This is Mrs. —. Please call Maggie to the phone at once."

Breathlessly the landlady flies up the stairs.

"Maggie! Maggie! Hurray! Mrs. — is at the telephone. O, I'm afraid something dreadful—O, was the baby asleep? Poor little thing! Dere no! She never used to cry that way when her mother was here. Go on, I'll watch the baby. Dere now, pretty. Did naughty Maggie make it ky. Aw—aw. Nesser min'. Mama pank!"

Maggie at the telephone by this time gasps "Hello!"

"Maggie," cries the voice at the other end. "O, is that you? I forgot to tell you to put limewater in the baby's bottle. Has she had it? O, dear, O, dear! And, Maggie—what is that I hear? Is the baby crying? What! Why, what do you mean by leaving her? Go back at once. Maggie—Maggie—" But Maggie has gone. The phone rings madly.

The landlady again answers. Maggie, upstairs rocking the baby, hears:

"Yes, Mrs. —. Dreadful! Cried until her face was purple. She's quiet now. O, I hardly—think so? Soothing syrup? I'll see. You hold the wire."

There is a tiptoeing ascent. Then just as the baby closes its eyes the door is opened suddenly to close again with a bang. The landlady says: "No, I don't think so; but you never can tell. She seems awfully quiet. But I wouldn't worry if I were you, Mrs. —."

Two hours later the bell peals suddenly. The nurse shudders and clutches the child to her. "Bet it's your ma," she says.

"Maggie? Please bring the baby to the phone. Is she there? Now hold her there till she coughs. Something tells me she is going to be croupy and I must know about it. I am so worried. Do you think she will cough?"

"I don't know, ma'am," replied Maggie. "She hasn't coughed all day."

"She hasn't? You haven't been trying any medicine on her, have you, Maggie? All right. Don't ever do that. Well, I'll call you up later."

And so it goes. When night comes and the nurse is allowed to go home there is apt to be a wild look in her eyes and she is not to be blamed if she is onesided; holding a baby on one arm and hanging on to a receiver at the same time is enough to make anyone appear tipsy.

After a few days the mother probably relaxes her vigilance if she is inclined to have confidence in the girl and if the baby appears to like her new caretaker. But just the same she oversees everything that there is to be overseen, even baby's bath. A conversation at bathing time might be as follows:

"Hello, Maggie?"

"Yes, ma'am."

"Where's the baby?"

"In the tub."

"Go up and see if she has water in her ears."

"Yes, ma'am."

"Maggie?"—a few minutes later.

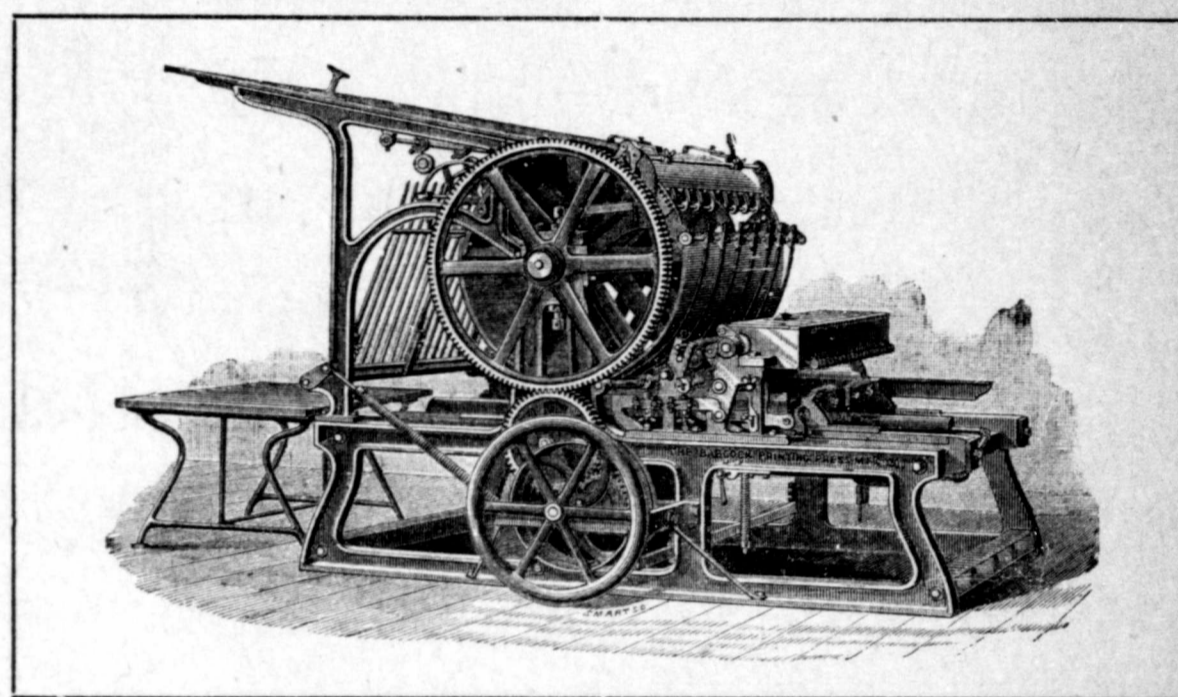
"Yes, ma'am."

"How was the baby?"

"She's drowned, ma'am, while I was talking to you."—Chicago Tribune.

REMEMBER

When you need Job Printing of any kind, from a Visiting Card to a Catalogue, the Leader's job department is well equipped in type and machinery to give you the best that can be had. The appearance of your stationery is worth much to your business: you can't afford to use other than the best.



Our Clubbing Offers:

The Banner-Leader gives the news of Ballinger and Runnels County, and we offer the following clubbing rates on State papers and magazines:

Leader and Dallas News, - \$1.75
 Leader and Fort Worth Record, 1.75
 Leader and Houston Post, - 1.75
 Leader and San Antonio Express, 1.75
 Leader and Farm and Ranch, - 1.75

In fact we can give you a club rate on any paper you want.

This to Advertisers:

We call your attention to the fact that since the first of January we have added sixty-eight new names to our list of subscribers. The merchant who fails to use these columns regularly and persistently to aid him in the sale of his wares is missing an opportunity that he can't afford to overlook.

The Banner-Leader

Can Supply Your Every Want

From the Cradle to the Grave

Yes, We Can Rock Your Cradle or Bury Your Dead

We carry absolutely everything needed for man or beast. Ours is **THE ONLY GREAT DEPARTMENT STORE** in all West Texas. We have combined many stores under one roof. Each department is a complete store in itself. By combining these many stores we are enabled to sell **A MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF MERCHANDISE AT A MINIMUM EXPENSE.**

Enjoying such advantages, anyone can readily see why we are able to **Undersell all Competitors.** And another very important reason is that this is one of many **Higginbotham Stores of Texas**, all under one general management, who by combining their purchasing powers command the lowest prices and **Buy From Factory** many lines by the car load, where their less favored competitors must buy in smaller quantities from the middle man.

All these favors we gladly share with our customers, and on this basis we solicit your business.

CASH OR CREDIT

While we expect to reap **the lion's share of the cash business** of this section, we are equally anxious for the trade of those who wish to buy on credit.

“A Square Deal to Everyone”

Is our motto, and with this as our “**SQUARE AND COMPAS**” we shall hew to the line.

CHANGE IN THE MANAGEMENT

Mr. S. H. Mack retires from the business, being superseded by R. T. Williams of Stephenville, for many years connected with the Higginbotham chain of stores.

Our Mr. Jno. F. Currie and Jap Adams will take a more active part in the management of the business. They will take pleasure in personally looking after the wants of their many friends. These gentlemen have lived with you for many years and are favorably known by nearly every man in Runnels county. Each of them will back up personally every promise made by us.

We Thank You for Your Patronage

for the two years we have been with you. We well appreciate the fact that to you we owe our success and to you we look for help in making this **The Greatest Business of the Kind in all Texas.** This you will do and you shall have your just reward in Dollars saved to you.

AGAIN WE THANK YOU.

Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co.

THE STORE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY

P. S.---We want you to make our store your headquarters when in Ballinger, and feel at home with us---you are welcome.



WE ARE AFTER YOU YOU WILL NEED US

During the year 1909 you will need some of those things that are sold by a drug store. Of course you will want the best. We sell the best and are after you to give us your business. If you are not among our customers give us a trial.

We wish to thank our patrons and wish for you a prosperous 1909.

Phone 13 **The Walker Drug Co.**

Do You

Do you have a Bank Account? Do you pay your bills by check? Have you stopped to consider the advantages of transacting your business by this method? Every check you issue in payment of bills is eventually returned to you to be retained as a receipt for the money paid.

If you have no bank account come to this bank and make your first deposit, and let us help you to systematize your business.

We furnish you with a bank book and checks.

First National Bank
Ballinger, - Texas.

HERE TO STAY

Able to do your work Satisfaction guaranteed Solicit your sign painting. Leave orders at Express office.

S. S. PRINCE Jr.

GROWS HAIR ON BALD HEADS

Bald Headed People May Get a New Chance in Life.

In these days when youth is the moving factor in business; when a man makes his mark at thirty-five and is ready to retire at forty-five; when business houses pension the man we call "middle aged" rather than allow his lagging influence to intrude upon the commercial rush, a bald head is almost fatal to any man's hopes. The following must therefore prove interesting to people who are losing their hair or who are bald.

Resorcin is one of the latest and most effective germ killers discovered by science, and in connection with Beta Naphthol, which is both germicidal and antiseptic, a combination is formed which destroys the germs which rob the hair of its nutriment, and also creates a clean and healthy condition of the scalp, which prevents the development of new germs.

Pilocarpin is a well known agent for restoring the hair to its natural color, where the loss of color has been due to a disease of the scalp. Yet, it is not a coloring matter or dye.

This combination of curatives mixed with alcohol as a stimulant perfects the most effective remedy for hair and scalp troubles.

The famous Rexall "93" Hair

Tonic is chiefly composed of Resorcin, Beta Naphthol and Pilocarpin. It makes the scalp healthy, nourishes the hair, stimulates the follicles. Where the head is already bare, it enters the follicles, revitalizes the roots, supplies nourishment and stimulates a new growth.

We want you to try a few bottles of Rexall "93" Hair Tonic, on our personal guarantee that the trial will not cost you a penny if it does not give you absolute satisfaction. That's proof of our faith in this remedy and it should indisputably demonstrate that we know what we are talking about when we say that Rexall "93" Hair Tonic will grow hair on bald heads, except of course, where baldness has been of such long duration that the roots of the hair are entirely dead, the follicles closed and grown over, and the scalp is glazed.

Remember, we are basing our statement upon what has already been accomplished by the use of Rexall "93" Hair Tonic, and we have the right to assume that what it has done to hundreds of others it will do for you. In any event you cannot lose anything by giving it a trial on our liberal guarantee. Two sizes 50c and \$1.00 Walker Drug Co.

Notice to City Tax Payers.

Saturday is the last day in which to pay your city tax for 1908. After Jan. 31st a penalty of ten per cent will be added to all unpaid taxes. You must have a city poll tax receipt for 1908 if you vote in any of the elections held this year.

J. R. Lusk, Collector.

If your stomach is disordered, bowels irregular and you don't feel well, you need Prickly Ash Bitters. It is very effective in removing this condition. City Drug Store, special agents.

Mrs. Katie Scoggins, of Denton, who came here to attend the funeral of her mother, Mrs. J. E. Grant, is visiting her sisters, Madams Asa Cordill, and Jas. E. Brewer and brother, Dr. J. H. Grant.

Live Oak Flour the best. Try a sack from Miller Mercantile Co.

W. F. Barnes, of Lampasas, and E. L. Rasbury returned from a trip to the Pecos, Monday, where they went to inspect the Schum fifteen section ranch with a view of purchasing same. Mr. Barnes spent several days here, and it is very probable the deal will go through.

Buy old papers at the Leader office to put under your carpet and matting. You can have them at your own price.

C. McVay, operator in the W. B. Ray cotton office, is going on four legs. He was out hunting first of the week when he sustained a sprained ankle by falling and being run over by a buggy. He is not able to walk on the foot and is navigating on crutches.

Kodak work finished promptly at Bartlett's Studio. tf

Mrs. J. E. Grant.

At the home of her daughter, Mrs. Asa Cordill, last Saturday evening, the end of a useful life was reached when Mrs. J. E. Grant passed from this world. Mrs. Grant had lived to be an old lady, and her illness was of such that she did not have to suffer long.

She was a true Christian mother and left a family of christian children, who had not grown too old to forget her tender love. Two daughters, Mrs. Asa Cordill and Mrs. Jas. E. Brewer and one son, Dr. J. H. Grant, 'ive here and were at her bedside when the death angel beckoned her to that brighter world. C. T. Grant, of Tom Green county, another son, and daughter, Mrs. Kate Scoggins, of Denton, came in and were here to attend the funeral. A third son W. C. Grant and another daughter Mrs. John Kipp live in far away Mexico.

The funeral services were conducted Sunday evening at three o'clock, Rev. J. A. Biggs conducting the services and the remains were entered in the Ballinger cemetery.

The Ledger joins the many friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved families.

A WOMAN'S BACK

The Aches and Pains Will Disappear if the Advice of This Ballinger Citizen is Followed.

A woman's back has many aches and pains.

Most times 'tis the kidney's fault.

Backache is really kidney ache; That's why Doan's Kidney Pills cure it.

Many Ballinger women know this. Read what one has to say about it:

Mrs. R. F. Smith, Ballinger, Texas, says: "Last year I had two attacks of fever which left my kidneys in a weakened condition. At times I would have such intense backache that I could hardly get about. The kidney secretions were highly colored, scanty and at other times profuse. When Doan's Kidney Pills were advertised a few months ago, I procured a box from the Walker Drug Co. I found this remedy adapted to my case and a few days use entirely removed the backache and made it possible for me to rest better at night, I have no hesitancy in recommending Doan's Kidney Pills."

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

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

Notice to U. C. V.

The Henry E. McCulloch Camp U. C. V. will meet at the court house in Ballinger Monday Feb. 1st, at 2 o'clock. All the members will please take notice and be present.

J. H. Routh.

AMERICAN BEAUTY CORSETS

"DAINTY AS THE ROSE"

Any woman who chooses can improve her personal beauty with little effort or expense.

Wear an **AMERICAN BEAUTY**

\$1.00 to \$3.00

It will improve the appearance of any gown that is worn over it.

KALAMAZOO CORSET CO.
Exclusive Makers
KALAMAZOO, MICH.

Because we believe in them we sell and recommend them.

THE HUB, Ballinger, Texas

Jones, Walton & Co.

Send to One and All a New Years Greeting

And desire to thank you for your liberal patronage during the past year, sincerely hoping that we may have merited your friendship, and may enjoy your many favors through another year, which, we hope may be the most prosperous of any year that has past.

Mr. FARMER FRIEND, we are ready to serve you with the Sanders Disc, which stands without a peer in the mind of the progressive tiller of the soil.

You can't beat the Rock Island Special Sulky, Lone Star Cultivator, Chief of all Planters, Stalk Cutters, Yale Buggies, Hacks, Weber Wagons, Star Windmills, and everything in Hardware.

WE SELL 'EM ALL

Come to see Us. We make you feel good

Jones, Walton & Co.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to return our sincere thanks to the devoted friends and neighbors who so kindly and affectionately ministered to our dear wife and mother, during her last illness. We will ever retain in our hearts a warm spot and loving remembrance for their disinterested kindness. One must undergo a like bereavement to realize what it means to the stricken heart.

Respectfully
W. B. Page and children.

Catarrh and Headache

Mrs. Z. E. Goforth, 2119 Holly Street Kansas City, writes: "After using a sample bottle and two 25c bottles of Hunt's Lightning Oil, I am almost well of Catarrh. It stops my headaches. It is the best medicine I ever saw and I just can't keep house without it." She is right.

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.

W. P. Buttery was here from Miles Tuesday.

Wiley Hinds and A. C. Harrison were here from Winters Tuesday.

Every dollar worth one hundred cents—no more, no less. Cash Grocery Co.

Will Gressett came in from Roswell, New Mexico, Monday on a visit to his parents.

J. L. Carter was here from Paint Rock, first of the week.

J. W. Hunter, a newspaper man from San Angelo, was here Monday and made the Leader a pleasant call.

Everything sold on close margins, and one price to all. Cash Grocery Co.

Rasbury & Bruce will pay you the highest market price for all of your Red Top Cane Seed delivered at once. Rasbury & Bruce.

Extended Call to Pastor.

Rev. John W. Smith, pastor of the Christian church at Brownwood, was here first of the week visiting the Ballinger church and considering a call from the Ballinger congregation. The Ballinger Christian church has not had a regular pastor for some time and they are anxious to secure a good man, and this they will do if they secure Rev. Smith.

Constipation leads to liver trouble, and torpid liver to Bright's Disease. Prickly Ash Bitters is a certain cure at any stage of the disorder. City Drug Store special agents.

We are in the market for all your wheat, oats and milo maize. Missouri Milling Co.

The Missouri Milling Co. is paying the highest market price for wheat, oats and milo maize, kaffir corn, etc.

INDIGESTION

A Disorder that Breeds Disease in the Body, and an Easy Way to Cure it.

Take care of the stomach and you will have little need for the doctor.

When the stomach begins to show signs of disorder; when the food digests slowly and with discomfort; when you have heartburn; feel bloated and uneasy, you are in a condition that needs attention.

Prickly Ash Bitters corrects the disordered stomach by strengthening and toning up the digestive organs, driving the badly digested food into the bowels and thence out of the system.

Constipation is nearly always present when the stomach becomes sour or disordered. Prickly Ash Bitters contains the medicinal qualities which act as a restorative and regulator for the stomach and bowels. It strengthens the digestive organs, cures constipation and prevents the return of bilious conditions.

Thousands of people who have received lasting benefit from this great remedy willingly testify to its power in curing indigestion, constipation and kidney trouble.

"I suffered from constipation for years, and tried many remedies, but Prickly Ash Bitters is the only medicine that has ever done me any good. Through its use I am now in good health and entirely free from all traces of my former trouble."—B. P. STIGALL, Winnsboro, Louisiana.

Get the genuine with the figure "3" in red on front label. Sold by druggists. Price \$1.00.

CITY DRUG STORE, SPECIAL AGENTS

ANYBODY CAN KODAK.



\$3.00

The No. 2 A Brownie

Takes pictures 2 1/2 x 4 1/4 inches.

Built on the Kodak plan—uses Kodak film cartridges and may be loaded and unloaded in broad daylight. No dark-room for any part of the work. A perfectly practical little camera for snap-shots or time exposures.

THE KODAK CATALOGUE fully describes and illustrates our six styles of Brownies and fifteen styles of Kodaks ranging in price from \$1.00 to over \$100.00, and fully explains the daylight development methods which have done away with the dark-room. Free at any Kodak dealers or by mail.

EASTMAN KODAK CO.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., The Kodak City.

CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOR CITY MARSHAL:
TOM LIVELY

See Morehead, the Tailor.

Judge L. J. Wardlow, of Sonora, is here to-day.

See the funny Valentines at Kinzer's.

New Suitings, 10 yards for 65c, at W. H. Davis. It

Roy Reeder returned first of the week from Dallas.

Don't sell your cotton seed until you see Rasbury & Bruce.

Miss Emma Bennett is visiting in Bronte this week.

Bartlett's Studio is the home of good photographs. It

Judge Dubois, of San Angelo, is here to-day.

See Morehead, the Tailor.

Cicero Smith, of Mineral Wells, is here to-day.

Postively no favorites, one price to all. Cash Grocery Co.

Take your wheat, oats and milo maize to the Missouri Milling Co.

C. R. Crews has been fighting the "grip" this week, and prospects for him to win are good.

Comical and Fancy Valentines and Valentine post cards at Kinzer's.

Mrs. G. W. Fender was quite sick a few days this week with lagrippe.

Prices are right at Bartlett's Photo Studio. It

See Morehead, the Tailor.

John and W. A. Norman of Paint Rock went to Galveston on business yesterday.

Have you seen that bed room suit in the show window at Lankford's furniture store? It

We want all of your Red Top Cane Seed at once. Rasbury & Bruce. 17t6

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Moore have a new boy at their home. The little fellow arrived last Saturday.

We want to trade lumber for good driving team, Higginbotham Currie Co.

Live Oak Flour the best at Miller Mercantile Company guaranteed.

Judge C. O. Harris went to Midland Wednesday, where he is interested in the closing of a large land deal for some parties.

See our line of new Furniture. We have the finest Mahogany bed room suit in Ballinger. T. S. Lankford. It

Is it not better to be ready for a fire and never have it, than to have a fire and not be ready for it? See Ernest Plummer.

Bring us all your Red Top Cane Seed at once. Rasbury & Bruce. 17t6

Herman Clemmens returned to his home at New Braunfels last Saturday, after spending two or three months here looking after the land interests for himself and association.

See Morehead, the Tailor.

Mrs. R. L. Shaffer has been dangerously sick this week, but as we go to press she is reported to be improving.

Live Oak Flour guaranteed none better. Miller Mercantile Co.

Rev. I. N. Lewis sold a small three room house north of the railroad from the oil mill to Mr. Cobb, of Gonzalas, for \$900 cash.

M. A. Traylor, vice president of the Citizens National Bank, visited San Angelo, this week. He was accompanied by Mrs. Traylor.

Pat Murphy, editor of the San Angelo Standard, and L. Mosbacher, a dry goods man from San Angelo, passed through Ballinger Wednesday, en route to Winters.

U. G. Thomas was in from the Marie country, first of the week, and while here added his name to our list of readers. Mr. Thomas is a former reader of this writer's paper and we are glad to have him on our list again.

Judge B. B. Stone moved from the down stairs office to the front office up stairs over the Citizens National Bank this week, and is now comfortably situated for the practice of his profession in the offices formerly occupied by Drs. Fowler & Douglass.

Roberts & Jackson, of Brady, are opening a bicycle and machine shop in the Speidel carpenter shop building on Hutchings Ave., near the Concho Lumber Co. They will carry a stock of bicycles for sale and will do a general repair and rent business.

By a trade made by Dr. J. H. Grant, of Ballinger, and J. C. Heard, of this city, the latter comes into possession of 160 acres of fine land, about 12 miles above San Angelo, on Spring creek, and the former some city property to the amount of \$4550. --San Angelo Press.

Candidate for City Marshal

Tom Lively makes his formal announcement for the office of City Marshal of Ballinger, and Mr. Lively's name will be found in our announcement columns.

Tom, as he is familiarly known by the old timers in Ballinger, as well as many of the new comers, has been a resident of Runnels county for over twelve years, and has been a resident of Ballinger for some time. He is a good citizen and is competent of serving the city in the capacity of marshal. He was on special police duty for some time during the past fall, and as he made good under that appointment so he promises to make good if elected. He will try to call on every voter in person, but in case he fails to solicit your support in person he ask you to consider his claim and when you go to the polls, remember that it is his first time to ask for office, and give him a trial.

100,000 DOLLAR LAND DEAL

E. Schumm Fifteen Section Ranch in Crane County Sold. Ballinger Parties Interested.

A deal was closed this week in which E. L. Rasbury, of Ballinger, W. F. Barnes and A. L. Higdon, of Lampasas, get the Schumm ranch of 9600 acres located in Crane county, and all stock, consisting of hogs, horses and about 550 head of cattle. The price paid is private, but is supposed to figure about \$100,000 and terms cash.

This land is located about 25 miles South of Odessa, and is said to be a fine body of land. Mr. Schumm bought it over a year ago from a man by the name of white.

Judge C. O. Harris, W. F. Barnes and others interested went to Odessa, Wednesday and closed the deal.

Plant Good Cotton Seed

I have the Mabene cotton, which makes more lint to the hundred pounds of seed cotton than any other kind. The per cent of lint is 36 to 41 pounds to the 100 pounds. It makes as much seed cotton to the acre as any other cotton.

I also have the celebrated Rowdon Big Boll cotton which produces well. All my seed were saved early in the fall.

Price, 50 cents a bushel. I live on the G. B. Nixon farm, seven miles north of town.

J. A. PATTERSON,
Ballinger, Texas.

T. M. Ingle, who was here last summer from Tennessee visiting his brother, R. B. Ingle, came in from Tennessee again last night, and comes this time to stay. It is thought that he fell in love with both the country and a Runnels county girl.

UNION REVIVAL FOR BALLINGER

Plans Being Arranged for a Big Meeting in May.

The churches of the town have agreed to hold a union revival, and plans are being made to have the meeting held in May, perhaps the last of May. The place has not been definitely decided upon, but it is probable that a large tent will be secured for the occasion.

Rev. Lockett Adair, an expoliceman will do the preaching. Rev. Adair is one of the most successful evangelists in the south today. He has just closed a revival at Sterling Colorado, in which over 300 people were converted, most of whom were men. He goes from Colorado to Alabama where he will hold meetings before his date in Ballinger.

The churches will all join in the revival and it is expected the meeting will be the most successful ever held in Ballinger.

To Much Face.

You feel as if you had one face too many when you have Neuralgia. Don't you? Save the face you may need it; but get rid of the Neuralgia by applying Ballard's Snow Liniment. Finest thing in the world for rheumatism, neuralgia, burns, cuts, scalds, lame back and all pains. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Caught in the Rain

then a cold and a cough--let it run on--get pneumonia or consumption that's all. No matter how you get your cough don't neglect it--take Ballard's Horehound Syrup and you'll be over it in no time. The sure cure for coughs, colds bronchitis and all pulmonary diseases in young and old. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

MUSIC DEALER LOCATED HERE

Ballinger Gets New Business With Strong Backing.

T. S. Lankford leased his brick front building on Eighth Street, yesterday, to J. S. Aldridge, formerly of Oklahoma, but recently from Austin. Mr. Aldridge left immediately after closing contract for market to buy his goods, and expects to be open for business by the middle of Feb. He will put in a big stock of musical instruments, and will be in shape to care for the music trade of this section of country, and to meet all foreign competition.

Mr. Aldridge is a man of family and will be an addition to our town.

For Rent.

I have for rent a 100 acre farm 5 miles north of Ballinger, 65 acres in cultivation, two room house, stable feed house, 20 acre pasture fenced off to itself for horse pasture and milk cow. A good one team proposition for some man wanting to rent a farm. Will rent on the third and fourth basis. If you want to rent apply early.

C. P. Shepherd,
Ballinger, Texas.

Notice.

The firm of Davis & Co. have closed their doors and are taking stock, preparatory to closing out their business. They have placed the winding up and disposing of the business in the hands of J. W. Powell who will sell their stock of Dry Goods and Groceries for cash at private sale within 10 days. Bids are called for. J. W. Powell.

MORE OFFICE ROOM SUPPLIED

J. Y. Pearce to Build Another Story to Drug Store Building.

Ballinger is growing by the addition of new buildings and by the addition to old buildings. J. Y. Pearce will let the contract within the next few days for the addition of a second story to his drug store building. Like all new buildings, the addition will be modernly equipped, and supplied with every convenience. The new story will be used for office rooms.

Mystic Weavers

On last Wednesday afternoon occurred a social event and an afternoon of such genuine pleasure that will be forever calendared within the memory of the Mystic Weavers and other guests. This Club, at this time being entertained by Mrs. Betty Boil at the home of her daughter Mrs. Ralph Risser.

The Mystic Weavers is purely a fancy work club and the weaving of threads and exchanging of happy thoughts always furnishes diversion par excellence.

The weather man was even generous on this occasion and pretended an ideal spring day, this together with a large attendance, the unsurpassing hospitality of the hostess, and delicious refreshments of ice cream and cake all tendered to make a perfect afternoon.

Leave taking came with sunset and many expressions of pleasure were left with the hostess and Mrs. Risser.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Frank Miller two weeks hence.

NO BETTER TIME



This Season to Order Your New
**Spring Suit
Fancy Vest AND
Trousers**

Than **SATURDAY, FEB. 6, '09**

While the Representative of the
RIVERSIDE TAILORING CO. is at THE HUB

With a full line of samples of the very latest styles, and prepared to take your measure just right.

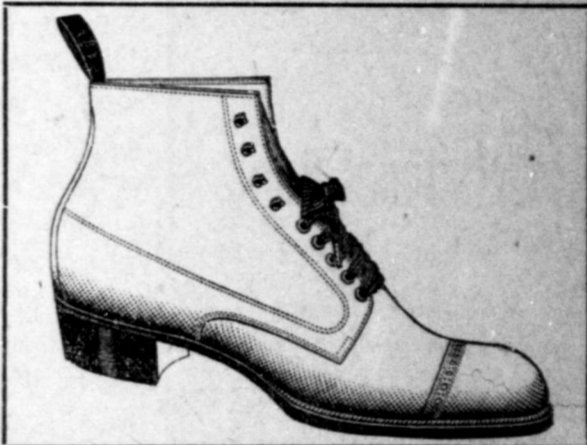
5% Discount allowed on all Clothing ordered through us from THE RIVERSIDE TAILORING COMPANY, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1909. Satisfactory fits guaranteed.

Now is the accepted time to buy OUTINGS while--

5 cents buys the 8 1-3 cent kind. 7 1-2 cents buys the 10 cent kind.
8 1-2 cents buys the 12 1-2 cent kind.

Prices throughout have been revised. Reductions in prices applies to our entire stock. We sell guaranteed qualities.

On That Day---Saturday, February 6,
\$4.10 will buy our **\$6.00** Man's Shoe
the Best in Ballinger



THE HUB

DR. U. E. G. DYER

Practice limited to diseases and surgery of the Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat, and Glasses.
Brewer Building (Up Stairs), Ballinger

B. F. Allen

The House Moving Man.

I am prepared with a new and up-to-date outfit to move your old house without damage. Work promptly done. Let me figure on the job.

Phone 227. B. F. ALLEN.

YOUR LUMBER BILL

Will always be satisfactory if the Ballinger Lumber Company sells you. If you want to build a house, let us figure on your lumber and building material. We carry Lumber, Paint, Cement, Lime, Common and Fire Brick, Cedar Posts, etc., etc.

BALLINGER LUMBER COMPANY

Did You Get Any of That 5 ct.

Sugar This Week?

We Didn't

Everything we sell bears a small margin of Profit. That's what we are in business for--its the Profit. We are not selling at cost, but we are enjoying the best business that we have ever had.

Quick sales, small profits and **ONE PRICE TO ALL.**

Cash Grocery Co.

J. T. DAWSON, Manager

Phone 19

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