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SCHOOL BOARD MAKES STATEMENT

Gives Facts Fully. Maintenance Tax to be Reduced to 35c. Bond Tax to Remain at 15c

Bond History.

To erect our present buildings were issued \$20,000 in bonds. For this issue an interest and sinking fund was provided by a tax of 15 cents on the hundred dollars of property.

This rate produced annually \$1,500 to apply on the bonds. But taxable values increased to over two million dollars, so that now the 15 cent rate gives twice the \$1500 fund necessary.

Therefore, some weeks ago the Board of Trustees reduced this rate from 15 cents to 7 1-2 cents. This 7 1-2 cent rate is sufficient for the outstanding bonds.

Bond Plan.

We wish to vote another bond issue of \$20,000, provided for by a rate of 7 1-2 cent tax. This will simply put back the old rate of 15 cents as it was this year. None can fail to understand this, and the present election is for its determination.

Present Tax will not be Increased

If the bond issue carries, the tax rate for meeting it will be 7 1-2 cents. This plus the rate of 7 1-2 cents for the issue already outstanding is a total of 15 cents, just what we have been paying.

Maintenance Tax History.

The maintenance Tax has been 40 cents until now. This is used for teacher's salaries and school running expenses.

Maintenance Tax Plan.

At some time in the next month or two, another election will be ordered to vote a Maintenance Tax of 35 cents instead of the 40 cents at present. This will reduce the tax by five cents, and we are enabled to run the present election has to do with the Maintenance and Present Taxes.

There have been 15 cents interest and sinking fund, and 40 cents Maintenance fund. Total 55c.

Future Taxes.

Will be 15 cents interest and sinking fund, and 35 cents Main-

tenance fund. Total 50 cents.

Issue in Present Election.
To vote new bond issue of \$20,000, to be provided for by the 7 1-2 cent tax which has just been removed by the Board.

Building Plan.

To erect one, two, or three additional buildings to accommodate the lower grade pupils. These should be "ward" buildings: one in West End, one across the river in South Ballinger, and one south of the railroad towards the oil mill.

Future Elections Avoided.

The intention is to provide at once for several years' need. Then citizens and homeseekers will feel secure. If the \$20,000 is not all used now, none will draw interest except the bonds that are sold.

Present Conditions

811 pupils have attended school this term. Between six and seven hundred are present daily.

There are sixteen teachers. We have thirteen class rooms. By partitioning off one corner of the auditorium we secured one makeshift class room which will accommodate eight pupils. By using another corner of the auditorium and the third story gable, we secured two more makeshifts.

There are 325 pupils for the four primary rooms. Half of these come in the morning and half in the afternoon.

There is great need for at least two more rooms to relieve crowding in the Intermediate rooms.

Thus, for the best work at present we could use to advantage 9 additional class rooms, and 5 additional teachers.

Present Remedying.

Impossible. If all the children were exactly alike, of the same advancement and mental capacity, and were graded by nature into squads of fifty for a half Grade, fifty for the next, and so on through to the fifty who would graduate this year, the problem would be simple enough. All that would bother would be the three short rooms and the fact that fifty is too many pupils per room.

Harebrained or antiquated schemes may look plausible in newspapers or sound well on street corners, but attempts at using them would injure hun-

dreds of children who are now quietly doing well and securing their rights in school. This does not attract the notice of the parents, because their children's interests are so well safeguarded even under the present difficult conditions.

There are seats for a few more pupils in the Ninth and Eleventh Grades. The seven-year-old from the crowded Primary room can not be transferred to another building and put in the graduating class, where his feet would not touch the floor and where the high school teachers are busy and not especially prepared to teach him.

Classification.

The board and superintendent and teachers have carefully worked out the present assignments and classifications, and believe them to be the best and the only practical solution possible with the present room and teaching force.

We, the Board, are conservative and we can not use the antiquated and permit no fads or frills, methods of half a century ago, with so many children and such different conditions. We favor neither wild fads or hide-bound old fogyism. We rejoice that our Ballinger schools are sanely and surely taking their place among the best in the state.

Ward School Plan.

To place two or more teachers in each ward building, to handle the beginners and carry them up through the fourth grade. All above that grade, and high school pupils, to attend the present central buildings.

An experienced teacher at each ward building will attend to the minor discipline matters there. The whole system will be under control and supervision of board and superintendent as at present. This is the plan in all towns that have outgrown their central buildings.

Overs and Unders.

At present there are 14 overs, including graduating class. All but two have become overs in our own schools. They are not in the crowded grades.

There are 9 unders, but a large number of unders have been refused admittance.

There are 5 non-residents.

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MORE BUILDING BETTER BUILDING

Order Placed for Nice Stone Business House on old Restaurant Lot

Judge Peters, of San Saba, was here last Saturday conferring with the Giesecke-Bennett Co., in reference to the building of a stone building on the lot adjoining the Miller Mercantile on Hutchins Avenue. This property belongs to Mrs. Clark of San Saba, and Judge Peters was here representing her, and while here instructed the local representatives, the Giesecke-Bennett Co., to let the contract and have erected at once a nice stone building on this lot. The building will be 34x120 feet with a sixteen foot, or double deck ceiling, and will be one of the best business houses in the town when finished.

Mrs. Clark also owns the adjoining building now occupied by Conn & Wylie and while here Judge Peters authorized the tearing away of the old wooden awning and the construction of a modern swinging awning. John Currie who owns the next two buildings will put up the same kind of awnings and these will correspond with the Citizens National bank corner, and give that half of block a much better appearance.

The little confection stand of Rossenwaser will be moved out and when that ugly place on our main street is filled with another nice building another eye-sore will be removed.

PAINT ROCK CELEBRATES.

The citizens of Paint Rock expressed their feelings in a way that could be heard for miles around Wednesday evening. The railroad matter assumed a shape that looked good to the Paint Rockers, and they did put on a show. Mr. Love, the railroad promoter, was present, the committee held a conference with him, and the question of securing the bonus and the matter of finance finally settled. Col. Love assured the Paint Rock people that work would start on the road at once and the line from Miles to Paint Rock completed in time to handle the 1909 crop. This caused a big jubilee and several pounds of powder burned in shooting anvils.

Col. Love passed through Ballinger yesterday enroute to Austin on business. He did not give out anything in Ballinger, but from general reports sent out from Paint Rock there is going to be something doing in our sister city on the banks of the beautiful Concho.

NEXT TUESDAY ELECTION DAY.

According to a proclamation that appeared in the Banner-Leader the required number of times, calling for an election for the purpose of electing city officers, such election will be held next Tuesday. The marshal's race and the aldermen are the only two offices in which there will be any scratching. There are to be elected two aldermen and there are three running, Jo Wilmeth, M. D. Chastain and Paul Trimmier, all three good men. For marshal there are three candidates, McKay, Lively and Justice. We believe the people will get "justice" if any one of the three is elected.

BALLINGER DEFEATS SAN ANGELO.

There is nothing doing in professional base ball circles, the High School teams are furnishing amusement in this line for the fans. The Methodist college team from San Angelo were here Wednesday and played the Ballinger High School team, and they got a little more than they came after. The weather was bad and attendance small and the game was full of errors and resulted in a long score, 16 to 17 in favor of Ballinger.

The Sealy and the Ostermoor, the two best mattresses in the world. The Ostertag Furniture Co., sells them.

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Library Association Elects Officers

The Meeting for Such Purpose was Held at the Eight Street Presbyterian Church Monday Night

A citizens meeting was called for last Monday night, and quite a number attended and elected officers and directors for the Library Association for the ensuing year. The library work was discussed and reports from the various committees heard. The building committee's report indicated that the building would be completed and ready for occupancy in four months.

In the election of officers the old board was retained. As this board have not had time to carry out the work started the people did not think it a good idea to make any changes. The parties who have been serving and will serve another term are:

Jo Wilmeth, president.
Mrs. B. B. Stone, vice president.
Mrs. W. J. Miller, secretary.
J. McGregor, treasurer.
Mrs. F. C. Miller,
W. A. Norman,
T. S. Lankford,
J. N. Adams,
L. E. Bair.

Miss Emma Bennett was elected librarian, and her salary fixed at \$40 per month. She is required to visit some good library in the state and spend some time in order that she may become familiar with the duties of her office.

NEW INSURANCE AGENCY.
W. E. Ballew came in from Fort Worth first of the week, and will locate in Ballinger and open up an insurance and collection agency. Mr. Ballew formally lived in Ballinger and held a position with Risser & Co. He went to Dallas and took a course in a business college and has held several responsible positions since then. We are glad to number him among our best young men friends and bespeake for him a liberal share of your business.

BALLINGER A SHOW TOWN.

We have often heard it said that Ballinger was the best show town in Texas, and judging by the number of shows that make this town, we are led to believe the statement correct. On Wednesday night of this week there were only four shows to draw on the show-going people. Two of these, the Vaudette and the White City, of course, are local attractions and home enterprises, but the Payton Sisters were here and a little cross-the-country show set up tent on the Santa Fe right-of-way and gave a free street parade, which consisted of an elephant and the brass band. The Payton Sisters are a clever set of players. This makes the second visit to our city during the season now closing. They play to good houses and never fail to please.

The Bollers have been putting on their black art mystery at the White City this week, and we understand that it is a pretty good attraction.

The Vaudette is making good in every particular and the patronage gets better as the show becomes better known, and has been good from the start.

FORMER BALLINGER MAN FOR MAYOR OF WINTERS

The Enterprise of Winters contained an announcement of A. T. Rider for Mayor of that newly incorporated city last week. Mr. Rider formerly lived at Ballinger. He is a true blue Democrat, a good man, enterprising and will make Winters a good mayor. Mr. Rider is now in the dry goods business at Winters, having purchased the Wm. Smiley stock of goods several months ago.

BUYS MORE DIRT.

R. A. Bishop was in from the Crews country, first of the week, looking after a deal in which he is buying 120 acres of land adjoining his farm. Mr. Bishop said he was not troubled in the least about the dry weather, and as proof of his statement we call attention to his investment in Runnels county dirt.

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LARGEST COTTON BANK IN TEXAS

Citizens National Bank Celebrates Closing of Successful Season by Entertaining Cotton Buyers

The Citizens National Bank of Ballinger enjoys the honor of having handled more wagon receipts of cotton for the past season than any other bank in Texas, and perhaps any other bank in the world. That is not merely a statement, but it is a fact. This was made easy for the bank by the fact that Ballinger received more cotton by wagon than any other town in the world, and the fact that this bank got out and went after the business.

As a token of appreciation for the splendid business given it by the local cotton buyers, and an appreciation of the pleasant relations sustained throughout the season, the Vice President, M. A. Traylor, and the Cashier, R. G. Erwin, planned and carried out the most successful affair of the kind ever given in Ballinger. As stated in last week's Leader, the local cotton buyers had received a message, "That the market was bullish, strong demand for presence, good picking at the Central hotel, etc., and the buyers, were almost unanimous in their response and there were about forty present, including a few friends and directors of the bank, last Friday night to help make merry and enjoy the hospitality of this strong and popular financial institution.

The guests were received at the hotel by Messrs Traylor and Erwin and each one was presented with a beautiful bouquet of violets, labeled with a cotton tag bearing a number with the duplicate torn off. The crowd mingled in the lobby of the hotel until dinner was announced and then the guests were informed that their places at the banquet table were to be determined by finding the number to correspond with the number on their cotton tags, and when the dining room doors were thrown open the buyers displayed a natural tact for locating lost bales and each one was soon seated at the table and held the number to correspond with their tag.

Each guest found by his plate a menu at which a glance was sufficient to create a bulsh market and cause the buyers to get their grades mixed.

- Oyster Stew Olives
- Fresh Tomatoes
- Baked Turkey Stuffed with Chestnuts
- Cranberry Sauce French Peas
- Club House Sandwich
- New Potatoes with Butter Sauce
- Cold Boiled Sliced Ham
- Irish Relish
- Fruit Salad with Tartar Sauce
- Fruit Punch Mixed Pickles
- Brick Cheese
- Long Branch Wafer
- French Drip Coffee
- Assorted Cakes
- White Mountain Ice Cream
- Fruits, Nuts and Bon Bons

Judge B. B. Stone, acting as toast master, called the assemblage to order and called upon R. W. Bruce to return thanks. This was the signal for a good time to follow and for about one hour and a half was devoted to the important part of the evening's entertainment. After each course on the menu had been served, Judge Stone again called for order and gave the crowd to understand that he was responsible for the good time. He claimed the honor of the occasion and said that he had permitted Messrs Traylor and Erwin to take the matter in hand and to make it appear that it was the bank that was footing the bill, etc. "But this is not the truth," said Judge Stone, "and it is not right not to tell the truth; the credit for the splendid time you have had is due me." The Honorable Toastmaster found it a hard jury to plead his case before, however, and the honor of the occasion could not be changed. Judge Stone stated that this was an unusual assemblage; that while it was a cotton buyers banquet and we had the bulls and

the bears present, we also had present representatives of different countries. The old Fatherland was represented. "We have with us," said Judge Stone, "an Englishman, a man who towers far above his fellowmen, a regular giant as it were," and Mr. Stone introduced R. L. Boog-Scott, who was assigned the topic "What I Think." Mr. Boog-Scott responded and after thinking a few thoughts said "I think I will quit" and took his seat.

The most humorous toast of the evening was that of Thos. J. Crow, his subject being "Capital and Labor." Mr. Crow proved himself quite an orator, and received a hearty applause. "A Tenderfoot's Impression of Ballinger's Cotton Business," by E. D. Futch, was an enjoyable feature of the program. Mr. Futch is a Mississippian and since coming to Ballinger had been styled a tendefoot, perhaps on account of the way some of the boys had been handling him. His toast was good, and enjoyed by all.

A practical and business sense talk from C. A. Doose, one of the directors of the Citizens National Bank, on "What the Directors Think of the Cotton Account" was appreciated by all those who have been carrying an account of the kind with this bank.

"Who is Entitled to the Loose"—W. V. Turner. Mr. Turner stated that he did not understand why he had been assigned this subject, and he felt that there were others who knew more about who was entitled to the loose than he did, but he handled the subject in a very intelligent way, and made a plain practical talk. He said where satisfactory arrangements had been made between the buyer and the weigher, in which the buyer was to pay the weigher so much per bale, for sampling and looking after the cotton, that the loose belonged to the buyer, but where no such arrangements had been made, he thought the weigher was entitled to some of the loose to pay this fee. "This is customary," said Mr. Turner, "but I think the best way is for the buyer to pay the weigher so much per bale for handling the cotton, and let the loose go to the purchaser of the cotton.

Douglas Crow was asked to tell "Why I invented it." Mr. Crow refused to give his motive for inventing anything and called for the cigars.

"The Press and the Cotton Crop"—J. N. Thornton. Mr. Thornton responded and after talking on his subject stated that he would help Mr. Crow out on why he had invented it, and would tell in his paper what Mr. Crow had invented.

Cotton Weigher Frank Stuart was called upon to tell what he knew about the loose. He looked guilty, and admitted the charge, but stated that he had not handled as much loose as he had been accused of doing.

M. A. Traylor, speaking for his bank, thanked the buyers for their patronage and expressed his appreciation for the splendid business relations sustained throughout the season. He invited them to all come back and he would extend to them every courtesy and favor possible within the bounds of safe and legitimate banking methods. He told the boys that if any of them should locate in a different town another season and wanted a recommendation from his bank, that all that was necessary was to make the fact known. He closed the very pleasant evening by bidding his guests good night. The following are under obligations to the entertainers for

the splendid banquet and pleasant occasion:

- E. L. Rasbury, R. W. Bruce, J. L. Nagles, W. L. Ellis, W. F. Buck, E. M. Eubanks, R. A. Nicholson, J. W. Godwin, Thos. J. Crow, Douglass D. Crow, W. V. Turner, H. Wilson, W. H. Taylor, Robt. Hardin, J. B. Alvis, Dan Moser, J. J. Yerby, I. L. Hobby, R. R. Jones, W. M. Wright, W. B. Ray, R. L. Boog-Scott, H. Laxon, T. J. Gardner, E. D. Futch, J. F. Stuart, G. W. Mathis, J. N. Thornton, A. W. Sledge, C. A. Doose, B. B. Stone, Fred Crook, A. H. Wagle, J. E. Witcher, T. A. Robertson.

ABOUT THE MAN WHO IS COMING

On May the second a man who served the city of Fort Worth a number of years as a policeman, will appear in Ballinger upon the invitation from the local churches to hold a union revival. The success that the ex-policeman is meeting with in his revival work is attracting attention all over the United States. At present he is in Newark, N. J., holding a meeting. Following is what the Clarksville, Texas, Times has to say about a meeting held at that place by Rev. Adair, some time ago:

"Few if any evangelistic meetings ever held in this state have borne more substantial fruits than has the Adair meeting now coming to a close at this place.

Clarksville has long been noted for her fine churches and excellent citizenship. It has been the boast of Clarksville that we have more money invested in churches than any other town of our size in the State; and yet there has been for some time an apathetic condition among the membership, that has been very noticeable, and it has been the dispeiling of this state and the reclamation and rejuvenating of church members themselves as much as the that has made the meeting far-reaching in its effect.

The meeting has been in operation 19 days and about 282 conversions and reclamations are reported and 2 out of every 3 of these were grown men."

DR. W. R. WALLIS

Has located in Ballinger and can be found at the office of Dr. Renfro, until he secures other office room.

BALLINGER LOSES GOOD CITIZEN

Geo. F. Schroeter Becomes Interested in Paint Rock and Will Move His Family to that Place

Geo. F. Schroeter, who recently sold his interest in the Jones-Walton Co., went to Paint Rock where he purchased a half interest in the Paint Rock Water and Power Co., and returned home last Friday to wind up his affairs and move to that place. He has placed all his holdings in Ballinger on the market, and as soon as he can get his business adjusted and dispose of his home he will move his family to Paint Rock and take an active interest in the business which he has just become connected with.

Mr. Schroeter is very optimistic over the future of Paint Rock and thinks he has made a good investment in getting in on the ground floor, as it were, and thinks with the advent of the rail road into Paint Rock that one of the best towns in the state will spring up at that place.

We regret to lose this family from our midst and must say that Paint Rock's gains is Ballinger's loss.

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Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

SUDDEN DEATH OF BABY.

The little two year old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Lilly died at their home in South Ballinger, last Saturday night and was buried in the Ballinger cemetery Sunday evening at three o'clock. The child died from flux, and was sick only a short time. The Leader joins the friends of the parents in sympathy.

See Morehead, the Tailor.

ELECTION NOTICE

By virtue of an order passed by the Board of Trustees of the Ballinger Independent School District, at their regular meeting March 13th, 1909, I L. C. Alexander, president of the Board of Trustees, order an election to be held at the Court House in Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas on Saturday the 3rd day of April, 1909, between the hours as prescribed by law, to elect three Trustees for said Ballinger Independent School District, provided by the amended special act of the 9th Legislature of Texas, creating and regulating said Ballinger Independent School District.

H. Zdaril is appointed manager of said election.

- L. C. Alexander, Pres. Board Trustees.
- E. D. Walker, Sec. Board Trustees.

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It is a popular mistake that only wealthy people who eat rich and highly-spiced foods suffer from dyspepsia, or, as it is also known, indigestion. The laborer in the street, the worker in the field also finds himself a victim of this disorder. Among the very greatest sufferers from it are women.

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Your very neighbors are probably lifelong users of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, but if you want to know without expense what it will do for you personally, send your name to Dr. Caldwell and he will be glad to send you a free trial bottle. He is actually anxious to have you make a test of his remedy.

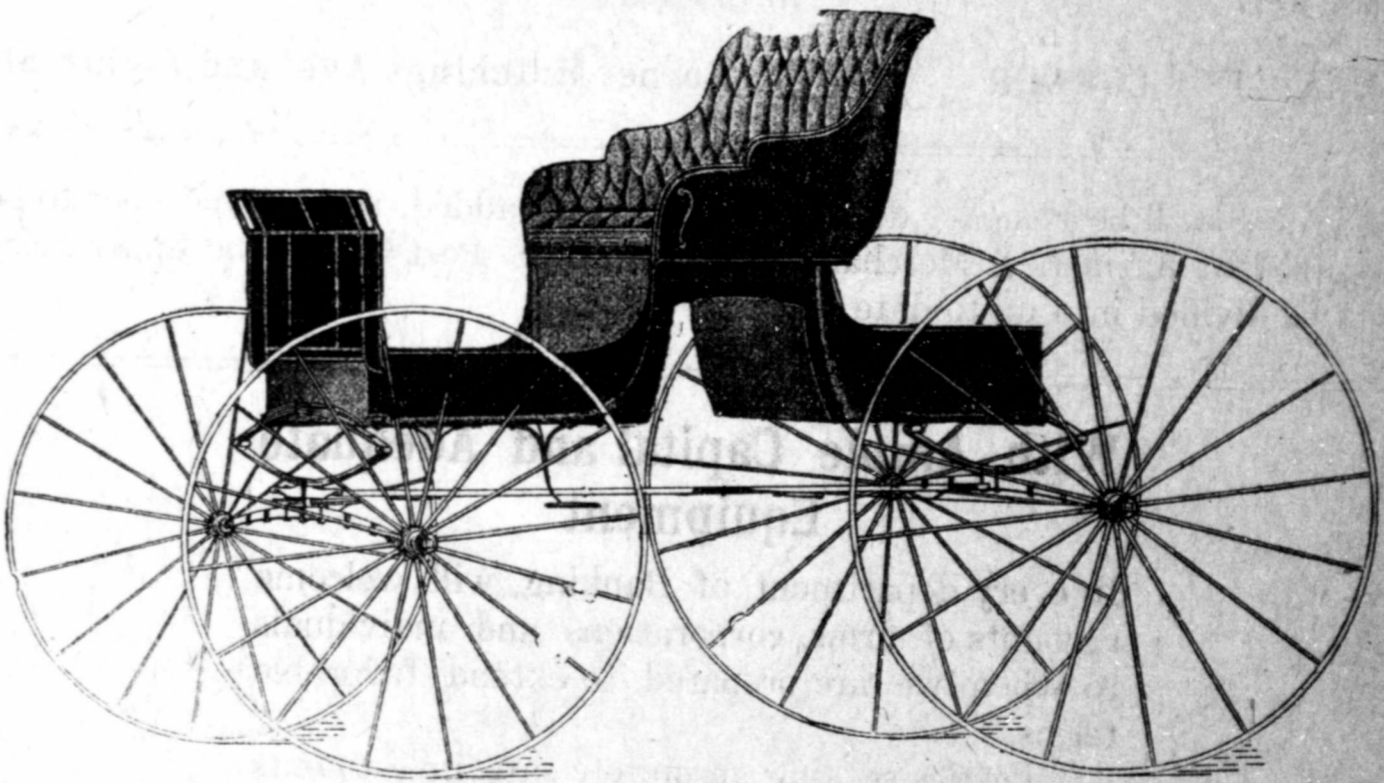
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THE TAILOR AND HATTER

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SCHOOL BOARD MAKES STATEMENT

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Overs, unders and non-residents pay tuition.

High School.

205 pupils have entered high school this term.

Splendid, accurate, well organized high school work has weeded these to 125 actual daily attendance. This averages 25 per teacher, there being 5 teachers.

The departmental plan is used, each teacher specializing on one subject, though teaching others as necessary.

Many unprepared pupils have been demoted to the grades; many pupils have discovered that the Ballinger High School demands work and have therefore ordered their parents to withdraw them.

All vicious pupils have either been conquered and reformed, or have been expelled.

Our high school pupils are a fine body of young folk, hard at work. The discipline is practically perfect, month after month passing without friction or trouble in the high school.

High School Cost.

This is more per pupil than in other grades, just as college costs more per student than high school. This is true everywhere in the civilized world. Something would be wrong if it were not true in Ballinger.

But the returns per pupil are greater. From careful statistics of the United States, the authorities sought to determine the actual worth of a school day to a pupil, measured in terms of his increased earning capacity in after life by reason of that day. Each school day in the grades was estimated to be worth four dollars to the pupil, each high school day ten dollars, and each college day twenty dollars. This represents returns not expenditures.

We are willing to maintain a high school, so that the poorest child in Ballinger may secure free the training worth ten dollars per day to him.

The most meagerly fitted teacher possible to use in a high

school should have four years more of college training than the most meagerly fitted teacher possible to use in the lower grades. Hence high school teachers cost more. They are specialists.

We have insisted upon grade teachers with the maximum of college training and are justly proud of our showing of grade teachers. It is to be regretted that we are unable to pay them commensurately with their training. So far, we have only been able to pay more to the primary teachers who are specialists.

We believe grade teachers and all should have college training; but out of more than 200 applicants for grade positions last year, there were only twelve who had finished a regular college course.

Economy.

We have economized in every way possible, even some times doing without badly needed supplies.

Nothing can be purchased unless allowed by supply committee. No bill is paid till endorsed by superintendent, allowed by board, a voucher issued by the secretary, and signed by the president, and this voucher honored by the treasurer.

Records minutes, stubs and checks are kept of the transaction. These are always open to the inspection of citizens, and reports are made to the state department at Austin by D. M. Baker and S. M. Byrd.

We doubt if a school this size anywhere in this state has been run with so little expense, especially this year. Few business establishments are so carefully and economically organized as the various features of our school work here.

False Economy.

To attempt building from any savings from the available school fund or from shortening of term would be impossible, foolish, and suicidal.

Our schools have already been vitally weakened, and the present children suffered beyond remedy, by shortened school terms.

The Maintenance Tax will be reduced from 40 cents to 35 cents. It is folly to look to this fund, for it will barely supply the requisite number of teachers. This

number increases with the number of pupils, faster than the fund.

Policies.

A niggardly policy, cutting salaries and terms and supplies, will weaken a school surely and effectively.

All worthy teachers will drop off in despair and disgust. Their places will be eagerly taken by pensioners, rounders, failures, fakirs, and the lame and halt of the profession—so called teachers whose services would be costly if taken free. A weak teacher is a calamity.

Our Excellent Schools.

Except for crowding we are glad to state that our schools are satisfactory. Quietly they have been developing and gaining strength. They have stability, and the confidence of the people in them is assured.

Their management is absolutely divorced from politics, vicious influences, and the pull of the interested self seekers.

We have been spared the violent changes, agitations, partisan meannesses, and school rows that are so fatal to good schools.

Absolutely nothing except merit and fitness of the applicant has counted in the selection of teachers.

Our people have found that by going to the city superintendent they get courteous consideration and a speedy remedying of any weakness or trouble that affects their children; and that teachers are sincerely interested in the welfare of all pupils.

Soreheads.

It is impossible that an able, active school management will not run counter to the whims of a few foolish parents and some lazy and rebellious children. There are persons who have failed for years with their own children, who loudly blame the schools for failure.

There are pupils who have to be forced to behave, to study, or to respect the rights of others. There are a few incorrigibles who must be expelled, to protect pupils from their influence.

Some of these pupils have a wholesome respect for the school authorities, and none whatever for their indulgent parents. What the school can do for them is undone as soon as they reach the street or the home.

Disgruntled parents, and pupils with whom the schools have failed of good, are fewer here at present than we have ever seen in any school.

Sensible people know that if a patron has a real grievance, he can get it speedily remedied by going to the superintendent or teacher; and they are quick to recognize the pique, spite, unfairness, ignorance, or meanness of those who air their disapproval of the schools.

Agitators.

One who has the good of the schools at heart will go to the proper authorities with his suggestions, offer his help, and improvement will result.

The agitator who talks or writes with intent to misrepresent, to criticize, to belittle, to reflect unkindly, and to pick at the schools always injures them to some extent and himself more. The public always penetrates his motives.

Earnest men and women—citizens, board, superintendent, and teachers—have contributed money and brains and by patient labor have built up our schools constantly.

The selfish, ignorant, or vicious should not pull down what they cannot repair. For by so much do the children, especially the poor man's children, suffer from these attacks or hindrances.

Happily the schools are so entrenched in the affection and pride of Ballinger's people, that there is no surer road to personal unpopularity and the loss of the respect of the community than to attack our city schools or to deny them support.

Our people, even to the most careless, are quick to recognize and resent any reflection upon our schools. The "knocker" quickly gains the contempt of our citizen, and loses his influence and standing.

Ballinger has no place for one who would hinder her schools.

Public Discussion.

We invite discussion or newspaper articles upon the bond question, by right-minded men who oppose them. Dignified, honest articles may be written which will not attack the schools but will explain the writer's judgment upon the bond issue. Such articles command respect, and will be carefully considered by the Board in carrying out the will of the people, whichever way the election goes.

But we deprecate and condemn

any discussion which gets its ammunition from attacks upon our schools or their administration.

The bond issue has to deal with school room, and not with personal views as to the goodness of the present administration.

If the bonds carry, we hope that no person will permit his disappointment to turn into enmity and spite against the schools.

Other Issues

The railroad and waterworks questions have nothing whatever to do with the school matter, and should not be mixed with it. Both are important, but neither so important as schools.

We hold out free school advantages to newcomers, and should provide them.

Bonded indebtedness for school purposes has never scared a single desirable investor. It attracts them.

But a sorry school system, lack of room, short term, antiquated methods, teachers who have no standing, school rows and agitation, and dead school spirit will scare investors more effectively than any agency in the world.

Plenty of good school buildings is a great advertisement and enhancer of property values.

Our Aims

To have plenty of room in lower grades. To see more of our young people enter life with a thorough high school education, and to see more of them leaving our high schools for reputable colleges and universities if this too can be afforded.

Information

We have tried to make everything so clear that no citizen need be deceived by those who would misrepresent the issues. If further information is desired upon any point, it will be cheerfully and accurately given by any member of the Board of Trustees.

Respectfully,

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
(Signed) L. C. Alexander, Pres.
E. D. Walker, Sec.

OUR NEW FOLDER.

The Banner Leader installed a new folding machine this week, our subscription having reached the point where the best was needed to handle the folding of papers, enabling us to get them in the office a few minutes after the forms are placed on the press. We do not say it boastfully, but out of about fifty exchanges that comes to our table there are none that print regularly every week ten, twelve and sixteen pages, and carry the advertising patronage that the Leader carries. A double page ad is a common thing to our force. The Leader is a "Leader" and goes to the homes of people who spend their money with Ballinger merchants, hence the nice line of advertising we carry. It pays to advertise in the Leader. We guarantee results every time, where the advertiser makes the advertising a part of his business and gives it proper attention. Our workmen are as good as money will secure. They know their business and will give you the best that equipment and skill will produce.

WILL HEAR BRYAN.

AN LECTURE.

A large delegation will go to Brownwood this evening to hear William Jennings Bryan lecture. Mr. Bryan is spending today in and around Brownwood studying the pecan industry. He will lecture tonight on his subject "The Prince of Peace". The West bound Santa Fe train will be held at Brownwood to give those from this side of Brownwood a chance to return home after the lecture. Will McLarin who is managing the affair, was here Tuesday selling tickets. He stated that he only had about three hundred tickets left and that he could have sold a good many more if he had them. Seats in the Christian Tabernacle at Brownwood have been arranged for 2000 people and they will all be filled.

MOTHER AND SON SICK.

Mrs. A. M. Routh and her son, J. H. Routh, are both sick at their home on Broadway. Mrs. Routh is dangerously ill and very little hopes of her recovery are given out by her physicians. Uncle Joe had a very severe attack of the lagrippe and was threatened with pneumonia, but is improving. Relatives of the family have been summoned on account of the condition of Grandma Routh. She is eighty-six years old, and the doctors say is not strong enough to hold out long unless there is a change for the better.

The Sealy makes sleeping easy. Get the Sealy mattress at Oster-tag Furniture Co.

BLASTING CAUSES DAMAGE

A blast put in by the workmen on the new railroad Tuesday made things rattle around in the vicinity where it was touched off. A force of men are at work cutting through the bluff on Elm creek, near the sanitarium. A blast threw a large rock several hundred feet falling on the roof of the sanitarium knocking a flue off the house and a hole in the roof. No reason is given for the unusual occurrence, but it is presumed the charge was too large and did more than the work expected of it. The explosion shook the surrounding houses for some distance away, and attracted the attention of the residents of that part of town.

Work is progressing nicely on the new road and the grading will be completed within the next month.

BURGLARY AT PAINT ROCK.

The mercantile establishment of V. D. Fuller at Paint Rock was burglarized Monday night, and the robbers escaped with several fancy handled razors, 100 pocket knives, 1000 cigars, scissors, candy and all the chewing gum and smoking tobacco in the store. The goods stolen is valued at

about \$250. A large number of copper cents were taken. Evidently the burglars thought these were nickels and quarters.—San Angelo Standard.

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Calumet Baking Powder is a high grade baking powder of rare merit and is sold at a moderate price. It should be in every home.

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Winters, Texas.

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MIXON & BAIR

OBITUARY.

“There is a Reaper whose name is Death
And, with his sickle keen,
He reaps the bearded grain at
a breath
And the flowers that grow be-
tween.”

Dan Van Pelt, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Van Pelt, born in Morrillton, Conway County, Arkansas, Sept. 15, 1883, and moved to Ballinger when only three years of age, was married to Miss Erna Brown Feb. 6, 1907, and entered into life eternal on March 26, 1909.

Between these dates of birth and death lies the record of a worthy life, brief as measured by the span of years, but complete in the sphere of duty.

When the liberated spirit took its flight and the bright light of his life went out, the mantle of grief shrouded the entire community. Old and young, the rich and the poor, alike bowed their heads in inexpressible sorrow, poured out tears of loving sympathy for the heart broken parents, wife and sisters.

In our sorrow we wonder why one so young, with the most of life before him and with so much to live for should be taken away.

Our narrow vision fails to discover the full purpose in this sad death and we will not know till we shall have crossed the

stream of death, and stand in the light of the celestial city, before which every dark mystery shall disappear.

“What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shall know hereafter.”

The home he left is desolate; and the loved ones from whom he is parted are crushed. May they be sustained and comforted with the blessed assurance that he has only passed over the mystic river, where on the sunny banks of sweet deliverance he awaits their coming.

Dan grew to manhood in our midst and among the many impressive qualities with which his life was charged was that of uprightness, sincerity, sympathy and integrity. The esteem and popularity of the deceased was fully testified by the beautiful floral tribute, from tender and loving hands, which covered the grave.

We tender to his family our earnest christain sympathy and humbly commend them to the care and consolation of our Heavenly Father, and may the sorely stricken ones be conscious of the comforting presence of Jesus with them, enabling them to bear this great grief and to watch for the blessing that is hidden from them in this great affliction.

“There is no death, the stars go

down,
To rise upon some fairer shore;
And bright in heaven's jeweled crown
They shine forever more.”

J. P. BEDDO DEAD.

J. P. Beddo, who fell from a windmill tower the first of the month and broke his neck, died last Sunday morning at six o'clock at his home about eight miles north of Ballinger. The funeral took place Monday under the direction of the W. O. W. Lodge, of which order Mr. Beddo was a member, and the remains were carried to Talpa for burial.

Deceased was a pioneer settler of this country. His father came here in an early day, and brought his son with him. The father died when cemeteries were few and far between and was buried in the yard of Forc Coffee at the mouth of the Concho river. Mr. Beddo made a strong fight for life, and displayed a wonderful strength in holding out so long in such a critical condition. His injury sustained by a fall from the wind mill was pronounced serious by the physicians at first and there was no hopes for his recovery, and the man realized his condition and said he was ready to die. He was a member of the Christian church.

A wife and five children, the oldest nine years and the youngest six months, are left to suffer the loss of a husband and father, and the other relatives and friends are made to sorrow.

A SWELL DRESSED WOMAN.

Miss Girelia Morosini, the beautiful daughter of an Italian millionaire is said to be the most expensively dressed woman in the world, however if the Ballinger girls should pay as trifling a sum for their wearing apparel as Miss Morosini, our merchants would be forced into bankruptcy as this young lady only spends about two hundred and fifty thousands dollars a year on dress.

She says that \$1000 is a “modest price” to pay for a dress.

She has a number of gowns that cost \$5000, and a few dresses that she wears when there is no one present but the immediate family, dresses in which to go fishing, as it were, that cost the trifling sum of \$200, and she would never think of wearing the same dress more than twice, or three times at the out side.

She wears only forty pairs of shoes in a year and pays no less than fifty dollars a pair.

Gloves are not at all an expensive article with her, as she never wears the same pair twice and yet they do not cost more than \$1000 a year.

We must accuse her of being a little extravagant with her handkerchiefs, for they cost quite a bit more than her gloves.

For lingerie, she never allows herself to buy more than \$15,000 worth a year, and her hose are only ten dollars per pair (that is the every day ones.)

She spends \$5000 a year for furs and her hats are from fifty to five hundred dollars apiece.

We trust that our young ladies will at least make an effort to emulate the example of Miss Morosini in the practice of economy in dress.

For Constipation.

Mr. L. H. Farnham, a prominent druggist of Spirit Lake, Iowa, says: “Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are certainly the best things on the market for constipation.” Give these tablets a trial. You are certain to find them agreeable and pleasing in effect. Price 25 cents. Sample free. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

SANTA FE IMPROVING.

A number of the higher officials of the Santa Fe were here one night this week. They did not give out any thing, but the way things are moving around something is going to be “diding” and that right now. An extra gang of workmen are here and running liens and taking levels around over the yards. The Santa Fe's business has grown until it is almost necessarily to keep a switch engine here all the time, and the yards being located right in town makes it very unhandy for the company and the public, to say nothing of the danger. With the advent of the Abilene Southern it will be necessary for the Santa Fe to put in more side track, and it is predicted that some of the present sidings will be removed, and placed elsewhere. Be it much or be it little, the time has come when more room is needed for the handling of Ballinger's business.

SWEETWATER VOTES

SCHOOL BONDS

Ballinger can not afford to lay down on the school bond issue. Ballinger is a better town than Sweetwater, and that place voted a \$30,000 bond issue for the building of more, and.. better schools this week. The opponents tell us that to vote more bonds will keep capital out on account of our tax rate. Bad schools will keep both capital and people out and the town will be made to suffer and the people will have to dig up to pay the doctor's bill. Let's have good schools first, last and all the time. It is the cheapest thing in sight at this particular time.

BUILDING GOOD ROADS.

The county commissioners are doing the proper thing in spending some of the surplus road fund on the building of public roads. A force of hands are now at work on the road leading up to the Colorado river south of town. The county has recently invested in a new road grader and this is being used to a good advantage. There is nothing that builds a town quicker than good roads, and good roads are an index of the enterprises of any community.

NOTICE TO CANDIDATES.

All parties desiring to have their names placed on the city election ticket are notified to have application filed with me not later than Saturday, April 3rd. The copy for the tickets will be turned over to the printers Monday.

JOHN HOFFER, Mayor.

Hats, Hats, Hats.

Old hats made new in 2 hours.
A. J. Stocklas the Tailor and Hatter. Phone 264.

WHITE STORE

LOOKS BETTER.

The old out of date front in the White Store is being moved out to give room to a plate glass front, and nice show windows are being put in. This will give this popular place quite a different appearance, enabling the store to display its goods in a much better way.

As a healing salve for burns, sore nipples and chapped hands Chamberlain's Salve is most excellent. It allays the pain of a burn almost instantly, and unless the injury is very severe, heals the parts without leaving a scar. Price 25 cents. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

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EXTRAORDINARY

SUCCESS

Our great Spring Sale, announced in last week's paper, is drawing immense crowds. People are astonished at the remarkable bargains we are offering. If you have not attended this wonderful exposition of spring merchandise, be sure to come next week. It is an event you can't afford to miss. A before-Easter sale that gives all an opportunity to buy their Easter apparel at prices that make buying a pleasure. Ask your neighbors—they'll tell you so.

We most earnestly solicit your patronage, Every transaction must be a satisfactory one.

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To the Farmers of Runnels Co.:

We will give absolutely free, A STANDARD AUTOMATIC BALANCE FRAME CULTIVATOR to the farmer showing the largest yield of COTTON on any ten acres of land in Runnels County cultivated with

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in the season of 1909-10. The award will be made by the President and Secretary of the Ballinger Business League.

We are exclusive agents of the celebrated STANDARD line in Runnels County and carry a complete stock of DISC PLOWS, PLANTERS, CULTIVATORS, HARROWS, and other time-tried and field-tested implements of this make.

Enter the Contest, it costs you nothing, and will be a matter of interest, as well as a means of furnishing to some one, FREE OF CHARGE, the best cultivator on the market.

Respectfully,

HALL HARDWARE CO.

JUDGE M. C. SMITH FAVORS BOND ISSUE

Answers Charges Made by Judge Guion and Gives Figures on Our School District

In view of an article recently published, contributed by one of our prominent citizens in opposition to the bond issue, and in view of the fact that certain statements therein contained are at variance with the conditions with which we are confronted, and are gross misrepresentations of the facts as they actually exist, and are misleading, and thereby calculate to deceive those who will not take time to make an investigation, I deem it proper that the people should be advised as to the true status and condition of our school affairs.

The article referred to is replete with reckless and unguarded statements and extravagance of figures. Whether the author thereof ever wandered in the labyrinth of Napierian-Logarithms, or ever slumbered under the shades of Calculus and dreamed of the perplexities of that branch of mathematics which treats of the forms of functions that shall satisfy given conditions, I know not. But I do know, if he has thus traveled, tested by the multifariousness of his statements, it would take more than the ordinary Algebraic-Equation to ascertain the relation between the co-ordinates of his meanderings.

I do not believe that any citizen, of Ballinger Independent School District, would wilfully and intentionally misrepresent the facts. But whether those who oppose the bond issue are actuated by sinister motives, or whether they have tarried too long in the back-ground and have innocently suffered themselves to be "doped" by jealous and designing advocates of the antiquated "Methods" of a century ago, is a matter of no consequence, as the fact remains, that the statements in the article referred to, fraught with bitter sarcasm, insinuations and innuendoes, are not sustained by the evidence.

In the year, 1905, when our population would not have exceeded more than one-half of what to-day, our enterprising and wide-awake citizenship, with the wisdom of the prophets of old, penetrated the future and took steps to provide for coming events. Upon their suggestion the 29th Legislature, by special Act, incorporated the Ballinger Independent School District, containing about 25 square-miles.

In virtue of this law we were authorized to issue bonds for the purpose of raising money with which to purchase school-sites and to erect, furnish and equip school buildings thereon. Seven Trustees were elected, Judge Jno. I. Guion, by reason of his legal ability, being chosen as one of them, and who acted as their legal adviser. Thereupon the Board of Trustees deemed it advisable and necessary to fix the rate of taxation at 15c on each One Hundred Dollars valuation of the taxable property within the district, and the issue of the levy of this tax was submitted to the people and, at a regular election, was carried, and bonds to the amount then required, Twenty Thousand Dollars, were issued and the magnificent high school building, on College Heights, and other valuable im-

provements on the old building stand to-day as monumental evidence of the appropriation of the proceeds of these bonds. This rate of taxation, as fixed by the first Board of Trustees, has been levied and collected annually since 1905. It is not the intention of the Board of Trustees to increase this rate of taxation, in fact, under our School Law, as amended by the present Legislature, they could not do so, even if they desired. The fact is the 15c rate will carry and authorize a bond issue of Forty-Thousand Dollars, Twenty Thousand Dollars having been heretofore issued. It is pleasant to note that assessed valuation of all the taxable property within the district, for the year 1908, is \$2,032,740.00. A simple calculation will demonstrate and verify the above statement as to the amount of bonds that may be issued at the 15c rate, the bonds bearing interest at the rate of 5c per annum from date and running forty years.

Our Board of Trustees, acting under the advice and suggestion of the Attorney General of the State, have adopted the method of dividing the rate, and to apply 7 1-2c to the outstanding bonded indebtedness, which is sufficient to meet the annual interest and the necessary sinking fund, to pay off said bonds at maturity, and to apply the remaining 7 1-2c to the payment of the annual interest and to provide the annual sinking fund, on the additional Twenty Thousand Dollars Bonds now proposed to be issued for the purpose of raising money with which to erect, furnish and equip additional school buildings, to be located within the district at such places as will be most convenient to the patrons, it having been suggested that the ward-school system be adopted, one of which to be located in South Ballinger, and one in the West End, and one on the South side of the Santa Fe Railway. This will relieve the congested condition of our school-rooms, and besides will furnish accommodations to more than one hundred pupils, including unders and overs, who are denied admittance for the want of ample school-room. That a necessity exists for additional school buildings within the district, to be located as above suggested, no fair-minded and liberal tax payer will deny. In our old school building there are eight class rooms and in the new there are five. The enrollment for the present term is 811, and the records of the school will show, approximately, 95 1-2 per cent attendance. But how are they accommodated? Here are the facts:

Taking the State University Bulletins as authority, I find that Class-rooms should be from 24x30 to 28x34, and that not more than 25 high-school students should be assigned to the room, and not more than 30 to 36 primary pupils should be assigned to the room.

With an enrollment of 811 pupils, without considering the probable increase of One Hundred pupils the next session, beginning in September, and without regard to classification of the pupils, we would have in each of the 13 rooms about 63 pupils, the dimensions of the 13 rooms not being in excess of of the size

above mentioned, and some are less.

We have eleven grades, designated as follows:

Low First Grade, Miss Minnie Lewis, teacher, room No. 1, 73 pupils, 35 attend in the forenoon and the remainder in the afternoon, salary \$70.00.

High First Grade, Miss Alphonse Caperton, teacher, room No. 4, 73 pupils, 35 attend in the forenoon and the remainder in the afternoon, salary \$60.00.

Low Second Grade, Miss Ethel Truly, teacher, room No. 2, 98 pupils, 40 attend in the forenoon and the remainder in the afternoon, salary \$55.00.

High Second Grade, pupils divided out in other rooms.

Low Second Grade, Miss Angie Butler, teacher, room No. 8, 81 pupils, 35 attend in the forenoon and the remainder attend in the afternoon, salary \$55.00.

High Third Grade, Miss Bessie Young, teacher, room No. 5, 55 pupils daily attendance, salary \$55.00.

Low Fourth Grade, Miss Maude Cartledge, teacher, room No. 3, 49 pupils daily attendance, salary \$55.00.

High Fourth Grade, Miss Jennie Bennett, teacher, room No. 6, 41 pupils, daily attendance, salary \$55.00.

Low Fifth Grade, Miss Katie Belle Gregory, teacher, room No. 7, 75 pupils, of an average attendance of 50, salary \$55.00.

The foregoing grades occupy the eight rooms in the old building.

In the new building we find the following:

High Fifth Grade, Miss Annie McCallum, teacher, no class room, but occupy the garret, a dark and gloomy room of small dimensions, 38 pupils, daily attendance, salary \$55.00.

Low Sixth Grade, Miss Grace Goodwin, teacher, 41 pupils, daily attendance, salary \$55.00.

High Sixth Grade, Miss Mary Hamilton, teacher, 31 pupils daily attendance, salary \$55.00.

The High School students are classified as follows: Total term enrollment 205. Belong now:

The Seventh Grade, 39 pupils. Eighth Grade, 41 pupils, no class room, but occupy one corner of the Auditorium.

Ninth Grade, 24 pupils; Tenth Grade, 8 pupils no class room, but occupy a small corner of Auditorium, 12x14 feet, separated from the main Auditorium by partition; Eleventh Grade, 6 pupils, no class room, but occupy the room containing the laboratory apparatus.

The High School teachers are: Miss Beulah Baker, Mathematics; Miss Olive Gatling, English; Miss Margaret Cofer, History and Civics; Miss Coral Clark, Science and Higher Mathematics; Miss Virginia Stith, Latin, and Physiology and Spelling.

They move from room to room in rotation, to the different grades, for their special studies. Besides their regular work, they divide out all other subjects in the course of study.

Thus it is apparent, without further details, and without considering the conceded fact that the enrollment next session, beginning in September, will reach between 900 and 1,000 pupils, that there exists an absolute necessity for the additional buildings, as above suggested, and the only remedy is the issuance of the additional Twenty Thousand Dollar-Bonds, without increasing the rate of taxation, as above shown, and thereby raise the necessary funds required for the purpose.

It has been wisely said that the right of taxation, vital to the existence of every civilized government, is one of the most important attributes of sovereignty, and taxes are exacted from individuals as their share of a public burden and for which they receive a corresponding benefit—by way of protection by the government.

The author of the well written article in opposition to the bond issue, evinces much of the spirit of Landlordism and Despotism, which I trust shall never find lodgment, to any great extent, in the bosom of the citizenship of the Ballinger Independent School District. For, quoting from an eminent author, "Despotism is the only form of government which may, with safety to itself, neglects the education of its poor."

In the Declaration of Independence of our State it was urged as one of the most serious grievances against Mexico that the government had failed to provide a public system of education; that it is an axiom in Political science that "where people see education and en-

lightened, it is idle to expect the continuance of civil liberty or the capacity for self government.

Indeed our public schools are averse to this spirit of Landlordism and Despotism; the policy being embodied in the following truism: "It is far better for the tax payers to support the public school, and thereby prepare the youth, intellectually and morally, for the duties of life, rather than to erect and maintain prisons and reformatories."

I know the author of the article, written in opposition to the progress of our school facilities, to be, in his normal condition, charitable in his views and a religious gentleman, and, therefore I sincerely hope he will follow the teachings of the Apostle Paul, in this school matter, wherein Charity will find a fitting application, keeping in

Often The Kidneys Are

Weakened by Over-Work.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

Weak and unhealthy kidneys are responsible for much sickness and suffering, therefore, if kidney trouble is permitted to continue, serious results are most likely to follow. Your other organs may need attention, but your kidneys most, because they do most and should have attention first. Therefore, when your kidneys are weak or out of order, you can understand how quickly your entire body is affected and how every organ seems to fail to do its duty.

If you are sick or "feel badly," begin taking the great kidney remedy, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root. A trial will convince you of its great merit.

The mild and immediate effect of Swamp-Root, the great kidney and bladder remedy, is soon realized. It stands the highest because its remarkable health restoring properties have been proven in thousands 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 by mail free, also a pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, and don't let a dealer sell you something in place of Swamp-Root—if you do you will be disappointed.



mind that "Charity is man's surest antidote against worldly pride and immoderate love of self."

Oh, my dear Judge, I know you to be a religious and devout christian; I would that it were so with me. But, my dear Judge, permit me to propound to you, in relation to our school affairs, the question asked by a wise philosopher, in days gone by:

"What is the office of Religion if not to supply, as it were, a Compass by which amid the blasts of passion, the aberrations of greed and delusions of a short-sighted expediency men may safely steer? What is the use of a religion that stands palsied and faltering in the face of the most momentous problems? "What is the use of a religion that whatever it may promise for the next world can do nothing to prevent injustice in this?"

Remember Judge! Oh, Remember!

M. C. SMITH.

Feed your cow Jersey Cream Cow Feed—cotton seed meal and hulls mixed in the right proportion, put up in 100 pound sacks. Manufactured by the Ballinger Cotton Oil Co.

YOUNG BATTLES HORRIBLY KILLED

Son of J. W. Battles Killed While Picnic Trip

Alpine, Texas, March 27.—George, the young son of J. W. Battles, fell to his death this afternoon, when he plunged headlong down an abandoned shaft in the old Bird silver mine. He was attending a school picnic, when he stumbled into the hole. His head was crushed and his ribs broken.

J. W. Battles moved away from this county about a year ago. He formerly lived on Valley creek, and has many friends in the county who will regret to hear of the death of his boy.

Man Dyeing at Stocklass Tailor Shop

May we dye for you? We dye to live, others live to die. The longer we live the better we can dye. We are doing the latest method of steam cleaning and dyeing. All work guarantee. A. J. Stocklass the Tailor & Hatter.

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	Novelties of every kind.	
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There's Money in Farm Lands

ASK THE MAN who lives on a farm if it pays to own farm land. He will say yes many more times than no. Most any good farming land makes a profitable investment, but you'll make more money if you buy unimproved good land and improve it.

We have some splendid bargains in unimproved farms to offer interested parties. It will pay you to see us.

C. A. DOOSE & CO.

Office Corner Seventh and Hutchins.

DR. PRICE'S Cream Baking Powder

is the most efficient and perfect of leavening agents.

MADE FROM PURE CREAM OF TARTAR

No alum, lime or ammonia.

ALL EYES TURNED ON HIGDON-MELTON



THIS STORE NOW

The Store That Made a Reputation Selling Honest Merchandise at One Price, Never

We Invite You to Our Store.

A little over one year ago we started in business in Ballinger in a small way. Now we have one of the largest Dry Goods Emporiums in Runnels Co. We are not ungrateful—we appreciate. It is your loyal patronage, your hearty support that has made this growth possible and we wish to show that appreciation in a most emphatic manner by offering to the people of Ballinger and its trade territory phenomenal values during the month of April, the month in which Spring goods are most desired. A visit will convince you.

With this week we begin another month. Last one was a very part. We have the most complete stock of pretty, new Spring Goods the surrounding country has ever seen. All we need is your co-operation, let it be your shopping guide, cut it out and bring it with you have just what they advertise. We are particular not to over-rate than you see them in this advertisement.

THE FASTEST GROWING STORE IN WEST TEXAS.

We Have, at Present, a Collection of One Thousand, Five Hundred Women's Misses' and Children's New Sport-Wear Departments are Stronger Than Ever, and We Are Prepared to Meet

Take Time

to read every word of this advertisement, for in these columns you might find something that will appeal to you and if you do you will get it at the right price.

Pearl Buttons

It's worth a dime but you buy it here at just one-half the price—5c. Extra good ten cent pearl buttons, dozens, only 5c

Collar Supporter

The newest idea for neckwear—supports the collar keeping it in the proper shape, suitable for Lingerie waists with high collars. Three styles...10c

Persian Beltings

Beautiful new belting material to be worn with any buckle you wish. In all colors, white, gold and persian effects. Per yard 75c, 50c and 25c

Billikin

The God of good luck and things as they ought to be. Billy and his throne complete in belt pin effect at 50c and 25c

Sash Pins

All that is new in Sash pins, pearl and gold effects, many set with pretty stones. They are extremely new. Price, 48c, 35c and 25c

Belts

In the Elastic and Gilt styles, beautiful color combinations, all colors in the elastic belt. Belt buckles in keeping. Price \$1.00, 75c and 48c

New Collars

The new Dutch collars first showing here. Also cuffs and turnover to match. They are white and eyelet effects. Run \$2.50 down to 25c

Hair Pins

Extra good hair pins in boxes in assorted sizes. Pins are the kind that usually sell for 10c. Box 5c

Silk Costumes, Lingerie Dresses, Coat Suits, Millinery, Exquisite Showing



Neat in Style, Elegant in Workmanship are These.

Women, your good taste will appreciate these striking creations in two and three piece suits of Linen. They come in white, blue, wisteria, pink, green, natural and lavender. The range of prices put them within the reach of all. For \$10.00 we show you a pretty two-piece suit consisting of gored skirt—with coat elaborately trimmed in lace bands in pink, light blue, and natural. Price **\$10.00** For \$6.50 we have a pretty white Frock suit, coat cut with a dash that the young people like, skirt full. Well tailored, touched up with blue material. Price **\$6.50**



Handsome Millinery

The bloom and beauty of spring-time is no where more lavishly displayed than in our elaborate showing of Spring Millinery. We have many lovely Pattern hats and Street hats. They are here—ready to see. Compare these with others that possibly you have taken a glimpse of in your round. The hats we show are lovely and distinctive and quite different from the hats usually sold. As to style they are in a class by themselves. As to price, you know our reputation well enough to know they are right. Saturday we will show you 25 new gauze hats and 50 New York hats **\$5.00** \$12.50, 10.00, 8.50, 6.00 and



With Easter Only One Week Off, We Suggest Early Purchases.

Embroidery Prices Decline

The saving's here, the worth will in most cases be twice what you usually pay. What an opportunity for hundreds of women who are planning their summer dresses, underwear and children's wear. Thousands of patterns on display, fresh, crisp and perfect. Nothing wrong but the prices and they have dropped to the limit. SEE the big line on table. Reap a harvest. They come in 2 1-2 to 5 yard lengths.

Muslin Underwear

A SAVING HERE

The vogue for Lingerie Dresses and Wash Suits of all kinds calls for dainty undermuslins. We are thoroughly equipped with this class of apparel in varieties ranging from the most moderate priced garments to handsome embroidered garments. Some strong values. Immense showing of gowns, neatly trimmed in embroidery and laces, V-neck and with collars at \$1.48, 1.00, 75c and **29c** Skirts of Soft Cambric, neatly trimmed with lace and embroidery, cut full, big line at \$2.00, 1.50, 1.00 and **75c**

The Sale of Sales---of Ladies' Lingerie and Tailored Waists



Starting Saturday morning and lasting until the following Saturday

A lucky purchase enabled us to place these beautiful waists on sale at a portion of their real worth. Nothing is prettier, more graceful, more eminently fitting for the Easter apparel of fair women than dainty Easter Lingerie Waists. A sale and a saving now.

- 1 lot beautiful Lingerie Waists. Values up to \$1.50. Choice **98c**
 - 1 lot \$2.00 Waists, all this season's goods. Every size from 32 to 40. Price **\$1.49**
 - 1 lot \$2.50 and \$2.75 Waists, all beautifully trimmed in laces and lace insertion. Special **\$1.95**
- Others at \$7.50, 6.00, 5.00, 4.00, 3.00, 2.48.



A Sale of Pretty Foulard Silk

In patterns of 15 yards. For Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday only. They are exquisite and the special sale price should induce you to buy in a hurry. Its a certainty that they can't last long at the price. It takes nerve to sell at these prices. 25 dark Foulard patterns in rose, red, navy, copenhagen, maize, bottle green, light tan and champagne, all are figured designs, bought and marked to sell at \$12.50 and worth it too. For Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, only **\$7.95**

Nineteen Nine Cottons Underpriced

- 40 inch white Lawn, sheer as can be and actually worth from 12 1/2c to 15c per yard, here only **10c**
- 200 pieces fancy bordered and plain prints, worth 6 1/2c yard, here, no limit at per yard **5c**
- 36 inch soft finish Lingerie, suitable for underwear and children's dresses, worth 15c, here only **10c**
- 150 pieces fancy and plain colorings batiste, the kind that we have heretofore gotten 12 1/2c for. Now per yard, only **10c**

Talcum Powder

Mennen's and Colgate's Talcum Powder, the very best that's on the market. It is worth and sells for 25 cents the world over. Here only, per box **19c**

Handkerchiefs.

One lot pretty embroidered Handkerchiefs that were bought to retail at 25c. Easily worth this price, on sale now **12 1/2c** as long as they last. at

McCall's

10c and 15c paper patterns are sold only by us. They are the best paper patterns made. That's why we sell them. Ask for fashion sheet. Free for the asking.



Why Not

The Customer Run the Show With You? You Win This Place.



American

The American set is sold only by our company. for every set at \$1.00

The Director

All up-to-date approve the Director. Of course it is a large extent of poses; but, nevertheless, grace, hip, the close line—these are the figure of fashion. Snug hip A sets produce to perfection all sizes, at 2.50, 2.00, 1.50

SON CO., THE STORE AHEAD—WATCH US GROW

IN SPRING ATTIRE



Deviating. Can You Wonder at Our Growth, Through Adopting Such a Policy?

very busy one here. Let's make this one busier still. We'll do our
s at the lowest possible prices the trading public of Ballinger and
eration. Of course, that will be forthcoming. Read this advertise-
t. We want you to see and know that Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co.
, consequently you will see goods in the store with better eyes

Now You Get the Pick—

Later You Get the Remnants

We have searched the Dry Goods market of the country to secure for our trade the most dependable goods possible in the way of new crisp Dress Goods, Ready-to-wear Suits, Lingerie Dresses, Millinery, Clothing, etc. Never before have we gone to such expense to gather together the most complete stock ever shown in the town of Ballinger. Have we been rewarded for our labor? Yes, we think so and we believe you will bear us out in this assertion. Come and criticise.

ASK YOURSELF THE REASON WHY IT IS SO.

ring Hats, with Easter one Week off. We Suggest Early Purchases. This Year Our Millinery and Ready-
meet Almost Every Demand as Regards Style Features, Material and Colors.

ot You?

In the Clothing and Furnishing Section for Men, Young Men and Boys
Look Everywhere, These are the Best Anywhere. Why?



Kuppenheimer & Co. and Society for Men,
Ederheimer, Stein & Co. for
Young Men and Boys

MADE BY TAILORS WHO KNOW

An Investment of Over Ten Thousand Dollars
in the Clothing Department

Carrying a stock as big as ours means a bigger investment than average stores like to assume; but this is no average store. Nothing about it is on the average. It doesn't average the ages of its customers and try to make one selection of styles and fabrics and fashions satisfy old men and young men and middle-aged men. The young man wants his own way, and he has it here.

The famous Kuppenheimer for men in all styles and color combinations at \$18.00 to \$25.00.

The Society line for the young man who cares, the coat with all silk lining, at \$20.00 and \$25.00.

Others at \$15.00, 12.50, 10.00, 8.50 and 7.50.

Ederheimer, Stein & Co. for young men and boys. They are best without being biggest in price; smart, but not ridiculous; a combination of uncommon style checked by common sense.

Young men styles at \$12.50, 10.00, 8.50 and 7.50.

Boys' two-piece Suits at \$5.00, 4.00, 3.50, 3.00, 2.50



The CORNELL
Ederheimer, Stein & Co.
MAKERS

WHY?

Why pay the long credit price elsewhere when you can buy it here at a great saving. Better think the matter over seriously. Buy for cash and make the saving.

Underwear

Spring underwear direct from the mills at a big saving. Flesh, white and fancy colorings. In balbriggan and Lysle thread Pants to match, \$1.00 down to 25c

25 Cents

Big line of Elastic and Imitation Guyot Suspenders in long and medium lengths. Good value at 35c but go at 25c

Hats

Hawes Hats \$3.00
Stetson Hats \$10.00 down to \$4.48
Get your head into a Stetson or a Hawes hat and you get one that is right. Big line here.

Gloves

That are made to wear and at the same time fit the hand perfectly. We sell Lucas & Kennedy's mocha and kid gloves at \$1.50, 1.00 and 75c
O. C. Hansen's driving and riding glove from \$2.00 down to 50c

Straw Hats

Now for the Easter Straw Hat. We are sure that you will want to don a new straw Easter Sunday. Take a look at our line. Nobby—and you'll agree with us. Prices \$1.00, 75c and 50c

Neckwear

In four-in-hands in silk and satin effects, stripes, plain, some narrow and some wide with flowing ends, bats in all colorings at 75c, 50c and 25c

Boys' Pants

We have every kind and color here for you boys, knickerbocker, plain or blouse style, with or without belt straps. The style and quality you like. Prices \$1.50, \$1.00 and 75c

This store welcomes you always, whether you see fit to buy or not. The store is yours—make use of it.

THE HOME OF GOOD CLOTHES. Try us Next Time

Shoes

---Good Values, Best Styles, Popular Prices---

Shoes



The line of Shoes we handle gives the best values, the best styles, at popular prices. This season we are showing a complete line of four of the best makes this country ever put out. We are the sole agents for the celebrated Stacy Adams & Co., which sell for \$5.00 and \$6.00
Walkovers at \$5.00, \$4.00 and \$3.50
Williams, Kneeland Co. at \$5.00
Howard & Foster at \$5.00, \$4.00 and \$3.50
We will back these against any in the world. All widths, styles and leathers.
FOR WOMEN. Spring oxfords and pumps for you, madam! The famous Ultra for style, fit and workmanship cannot be excelled. All widths and leathers, at \$3.98 and \$3.50
Brockport Slippers for Misses, 15 styles, all widths, at \$2.98
Moore-Shafer Shoes for Women, 20 styles, in tan, oxblood and patent leathers, sizes 2 to 7, price \$2.48



Shirts

Some 25 different styles and color combinations, in the famous Eagle Shirts. It goes without saying that this well-known Shirt is the best on the market. Prices \$2.50 down to \$1.00

Collars

The Arrow Collar, made by Cluett, Peabody & Co. We keep every style that comes out in the wing or band collar, all sizes, 12 to 14 for boys, and 14 to 18 for men. Price, 2 for 25c

Hosiery for Men

The kind that don't wear out soon. They are noted for strength in the heel and toe, because they are pure linen. All colors. They are the Cadet and Black Cat brands. Price 25c

MICROBES IN THE SCALP

The Latest Explanation is That Microbes Cause Baldness

Professor Unna of Hamburg, Germany, and Dr. Sabourand of Paris, France, share the honor of having discovered the hair microbe.

Baldness is not caused through a few weeks' work of these hair microbes, but is the result of conditions brought about by their presence. Baldness may not occur until years after the microbes began work, but it is certain to come sooner or later.

The microbes cut off the blood supply. They feed on the fatty matter about the root of the hair through which the blood is absorbed. Finally the fatty matter is wholly consumed, the food supply of the hair is gone and it starves and finally dies.

Resorein is one of the most

effective germ destroyers; Beta Naphthol is both germicidal and antiseptic; Pilocarpin, though not a dye, restores natural color to hair when loss of color was caused by disease. These curatives properly mixed with alcohol as a stimulant, perfect a remedy unequalled for curing scalp and hair troubles.

We want any one who has any scalp or hair trouble to try Rexall "93" Hair Tonic, which contains all these ingredients. If it does not grow hair on your bald head, stop your hair from falling out; cure you of dandruff; make your hair thick, silky, luxuriant; if it does not give you complete satisfaction in every particular, return the empty bottle to us, and we shall return every penny you paid us for it, without question or formality.

Of course you understand that when we say that Rexall "93" Hair Tonic will grow hair on bald heads, we do not refer to cases where the roots are entirely dead, the pores of the scalp closed, and the head has the shin-

ny appearance of a billiard ball. In cases like this, there is no hope. In all other cases of baldness Rexall "93" Hair Tonic will positively grow hair, or cost the user nothing. Two sizes, 50 cts. and \$1.00. The B. M. Hyde Drug Co., 202-206 Main St., 159 East Ave.

BALLINGER 8-3

COLEMAN 8-11

The Coleman High School baseball team came over last Friday to play the Ballinger High School team. Two games were played, one Friday evening and one Saturday morning. The Friday's game was won by a close margin by the visitors, the score standing 8 to 9. The game was interesting from start to finish and both teams played pretty good ball.

Saturday's game proved an overthrow for the Coleman team by a score of 11 to 3. The Ballinger High School team overmatched themselves in matching a game with the Coleman boys. It was reported on the streets that the visitors were not school boys but the Superintendent of the Coleman school accompanied the boys and he stated that they were every one in his school.

The Ballinger boys will go to Brownwood for a game with the High School at that place next Friday and will return by Coleman and play the Coleman boys again Saturday.

"One Touch of Nature Makes the Whole World Kin"

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

Election Proclamation

Whereas, the city council of the city of Ballinger, Texas, having failed to order an election for city officers in April next, therefore, I, John Hoffer, mayor, of said city, by virtue of the authority invested in me by the laws of the state of Texas, do hereby order an election to be held at the city hall in the opera house building in the city of Ballinger on the first Tuesday in April, 1909, same being the sixth day of said month, for the election of the following officers, viz:

Mayor,
City Attorney,
Secretary, Assessor and Collector, City Treasurer,
Marshal,
Two Aldermen.
And Henry Zdaril is appointed presiding officer to hold said election.

John Hoffer,
Mayor City of Ballinger.

Object to Strong Medicines.

Many people object to taking strong medicines usually prescribed by physicians for rheumatism. There is no need of internal treatment in any case of muscular or chronic rheumatism, and more than nine cases out of every ten of the disease are one or the other of these varieties. When there is no fever and little swelling (if any) you may know that it is only necessary to apply Chamberlain's Liniment freely to get quick relief. Try it. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

See Morehead, the Tailor.

UNCLE JOHNNY WEATHER PROPHET

Rains Will Come in Due Season to Make Big Crop.

The singing of the wind is heard in the land. Malaria can't stay up her where the sky remains blue and the little stars continue to shine. The new comers are getting a little nervous on account of the continued dry weather. In 1904 we had our first rain on the 6th of June. We made a good crop with little work.

We have learned now that the wind was made to blow. I wish it would blow the niggers away.

We got some maize and cotton up early in 1904, but the late crops were equally as good if not better than the early planting. We have 60 days or two months yet in which to plant cotton and at least 90 days in which we can plant maize, Kaffir and sorghum. Small grain is suffering. Some of it is past redemption. But our biggest yields and the largest per cent of our crops are made by the summer rains, which have always come and will continue to come. Year before last our first good rain fell May 28. We had only one more rainy spell after that during the growing season, namely, July 8th, 9th and 10th. That year I made 41 bales and 800 pounds of seed cotton, with my own force by paying out about \$50.00. So you can't scare me any more. I have had it and got over it.

We have great advantages this year over 1904. That year a large per cent of the land in cultivation was fresh sod, just broken out, and there was no season in the hard prairie to start on. I know that the ground was never wet deeper than 16 inches. I dug down to see. Under our fields this year, where the rains have been soaking in deeper and deeper for a number of years, the ground has at least 10 per cent of moisture for a depth of five feet, except, of course the dust mulch on top. With the water bottled up in our clay subsoil we can make a crop with four inches of rainfall. We will get it.

I wouldn't move a peg or even look askant if it didn't rain a drop till the first of June. Some of the best feed crops I ever saw here were planted in July. The thing to do is to work the land into a dust and then get a can of worms and go fishing. Then get up wood enough to last all summer.

Go to every picnic. Go to every farmer's meeting. Put away your tear jug. Store up your energies and when the season is far enough advanced for the cold northerners to quit coming, it is going to rain to beat the dickens. It always has. It always will. Then get your canopy topped cultivator and make it sing a tune.

We are in good company. Other sections are dry. No use to take the dry grins. Put up a liquid smile and be sure it don't wear off. For 90 days stay close to nature's warm side. When the liquid does fall, put your strong arm to the virgin soil and squeeze for all that's good.

UNCLE JOHNNIE.

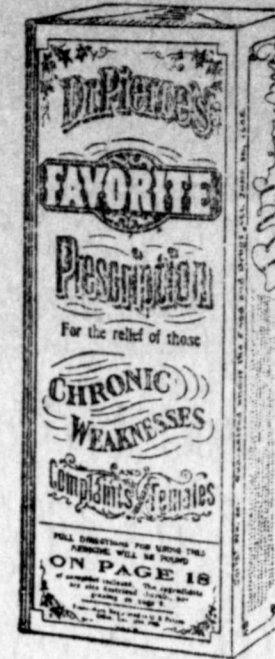
Rheumatism.

More than nine out of every ten cases of rheumatism are simply rheumatism of the muscles due to cold or damp weather or chronic rheumatism. In such cases no internal treatment is required. The free application of Chamberlain's Liniment is all that is needed, and it is certain to give quick relief. Give it a trial and see for yourself how quickly it relieves the soreness and pain. Price 25 cents; large size, 50 cents. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

FAIR WARNING

TO EVERYBODY I positively will not allow any one to hunt, fish or trespass in my pasture. This means everybody—friends and all. No one will be permitted and I will prosecute to the limit all trespassers. Fair warning, take notice, stay out and avoid trouble. Pasture located on Mustang Creek.
H. VANDERVANTER.

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



Honored by Women

When a woman speaks of her silent secret suffering she trusts you. Millions have bestowed this mark of confidence on Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y. Everywhere there are women who bear witness to the wonder-working, curing-power of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription—which saves the suffering sex from pain, and successfully grapples with woman's weaknesses and stubborn ills.



IT MAKES WEAK WOMEN STRONG
IT MAKES SICK WOMEN WELL.

No woman's appeal was ever misdirected or her confidence misplaced when she wrote for advice, to the WORLD'S DISPENSARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, Dr. R. V. Pierce, President, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets induce mild natural bowel movement once a day.

GO RIGHT AT IT.

Friends and Neighbors in Ballinger Will Show You How.

Get at the root of the trouble. Rubbing an aching back may relieve it, But it won't cure it. You must reach the root of it—the kidneys. Doan's Kidney Pills go right at it; Reach the cause; relieve the pain. They cure, too, so Ballinger people say.

J. S. Collins, carpenter, living south of court house, Ballinger, Texas, says: "Upon two occasions Doan's Kidney Pills have relieved me when having trouble with my kidneys. These organs seem to be the weakest part of my body causing me a dull aching through the small of my back. The kidney secretions would also become frequent in action at such times, and cause me to get up three or four times during the night. When Doan's Kidney Pills were recommended to me I procured a box from the Walker Drug Co. and found soon after beginning their use, that they were just what I required. My advice to anyone afflicted as I was is to give Doan's Kidney Pills a fair trial.

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.

Ballinger's Gain.

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 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 has opened one of the most up-to-date dental parlors in Ballinger that the town has ever had, and is now in a position to do work for those wanting first class work. He extracts teeth without "hurting" and his method for treating teeth is the latest. Call and see them. tf

Eminent Authorities Say

that out door exercise is needed by the American people. That's all very well, but how can the people with rheumatism follow that advice? The answer is very simple—use Ballard's Snow Liniment and the rheumatism will go; leaving you as spry as a colt. Gives quick and permanent relief from rheumatism, neuralgia, lame back and all pains. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

VEGETABLES—E. A. Jensen & Co., handle the best the market affords. See them for produce of all kinds.

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. tf

DR. U. E. G. DYER

Practice limited to diseases and surgery of the Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat, and Glasses.

Office over Bennet Abstract Co., Ballinger

PILES RUDDY'S SUPPOSITORY

A cure guaranteed if you use Ruddy's Pile Suppository. Dr. Matt. Thompson, Sup't. Graded Schools, Stateville, N. C., writes: "I can say they do all you claim for them." Dr. S. M. Devere, Ravin Rock, W. Va., writes: "They give universal satisfaction." Dr. S. M. Devere, Ravin Rock, W. Va., writes: "In a practice of 25 years, I have found no remedy to equal yours." Price, 50 Cents. Sample sent free by Druggists. MARTIN RUDDY, LANCASTER, PA.

Sold in Ballinger by The Walker Drug Co. CALL FOR FREE SAMPLE

MADAME DEAN'S FRENCH FEMALE PILLS.

A SAFE, CERTAIN RELIEF FOR SUPPRESSED MENSTRUATION. NEVER KNOW TO FAIL. Sold by The Walker Drug Co. Price, 50 Cents. Sample sent free by Druggists. UNITED MEDICAL CO., BOX 74, LANCASTER, PA.

Sold in Ballinger by The Walker Drug Co.

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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.

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

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AMERICAN BEAUTY CORSETS

"GAINTY 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 RUB, Ballinger, Texas

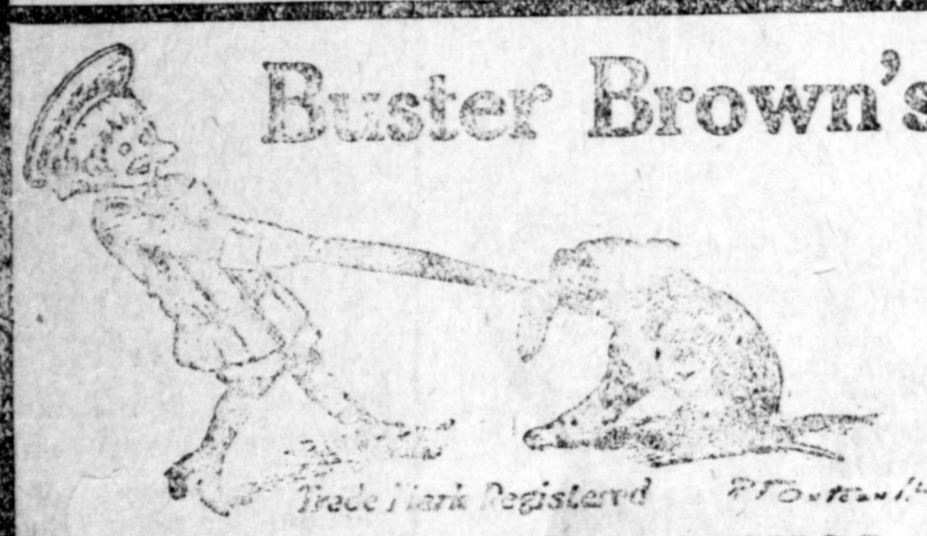
Equipment Comes First

Skill can do the work, but it takes the equipment to turn out skillful work. We have both equipment and skill, and our shop turns out the BEST. Why? Because we have the best equipped shop in Ballinger, combined with skillful labor. We have the best carriage painter in this section of the state. We do the best horse shoeing. If you want the best go to the shop prepared to do the best. That's us. A modern shop and experienced workmen combined give you the very best.

Opposite Court House Square

HICKS & MOORE

YOU CAN GET THEM FROM US



GUARANTEED STOCKINGS FOR MAN, WOMAN OR CHILD

The Best-Looking, Best-Feeling and Best-Fitting as well as Best-Wearing 25 cent Stockings made. They are sold four pairs in a box at ONE DOLLAR PER BOX

and we will replace FREE any pair that wears to holes in heel or toe within four months from date of purchase. Let us show them to you—show you how to stop the drudgery of darning.

WINKLER, DRY GOODS CO. EXCLUSIVE AGT.

Jones, Walton & Co.

The Hardware and Implement People of Ballinger

We want your business and will give you value received for every dollar you spend with us. We sold 55 Sanders Disc Plows during December and January. Are selling Lone Star Cultivators, R. I. Special Sulkies, Weber Wagons and Yale Buggies and Hacks every day.

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Easter post cards at The Globe.
R. A. Tery is in San Angelo this week.

See that new line of Lace and Embroidery at The Globe.

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

See Morehead, the Tailor.

Sleep on an Ostermoor mattress; none better. Osterstag Furniture Co.

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Another lot of men's clothing just arrived and still there's more to follow.—The Globe.

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Give your house a new coat of Sherwin-Williams paint.—Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co.

Give us a trial when others fail. A. J. Stocklas the Tailor and Hatter.

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A kidney remedy that can be depended on will be found in Prickly Ash Bitters.—City Drug Store, Special Agents.

Mr. and Mrs. Tipton and two little boys came in from Menardville Tuesday on a visit to Mrs. Tipton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Schuchardt.

Ostertag Furniture Co., sells the best mattress in the world. The Ostermoor and the Sealy.

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.

Miss Hermia Smith was among the excursionists to Brownwood today to hear William J. Bryan speak. She will visit relatives in Brownwood until Monday.

Pant made in six hours, A. J. Stocklas the Tailor & Hatter.

J. T. Preston of Bryan, a relative of Lewis Reed, who died here several weeks ago, came in first of the week, to look after the estate of the deceased Reed.

Prettiest line of post cards ever shown in Ballinger.—The Globe.

Miss Van Ness, of Belton, came in yesterday to accept a position with the Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co., the store ahead.

It covers the earth—Sherwin-Williams paint—and is fully guaranteed.—Higginbotham Currie, Williams Co.

Dr. C. S. Jackson, veterinary surgeon, of Brownwood, will be in Ballinger Friday and Saturday, April 9 and 10. Bring in your sick stock.

Did you see those beautiful court sets at Osterstag Furniture Co.

Chemical compound put up for all cleaning & dyeing purposes. See A. J. Stocklas the Tailor & Hatter.

Judge J. W. Powell attended court at Paint Rock this week, and faced the norther coming home yesterday. He said it did not feel much like spring to him facing a cold blizzard in an open hack.

Are you going to paint your house? Let us sell you the paint.—Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co.

W. H. Gill, who lives seven miles south of Winters, carried off C. Komegay's premium of a good hat for the largest number of bales gined at the latter's gin. Mr. Gill brought in 55 bales.

If you want a nice rug or art square, the Globe is the place to buy it and save money.

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Bed rock prices on buggies and carriages.—Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co.

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W. T. Caldwell, deputy tax assessor for this end of the county, informs us that he is getting along all right with his work. Mr. Caldwell seems well fitted for this kind of work and we predict that his end of the rolls will show up O. K.—Menardville Messenger.

All sorts of fishing tackle, Loaded shells, per box 45c; 2 boxes 22 short 25c; Shimola, 2 boxes 15 c; Wine and Tan shoe polish 10c; Gilt Edge polish 20c at The Globe.

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See Dr. Baskin for safe, conservative dentistry. Ten years experience. tf

PRAYING FOR RAIN.

A special from Victoria to the state papers says that the people are holding prayer meetings and praying for rain, and that it has not rained but half an inch in three months. That sounds funny to people in Runnels county. It is all right to pray for rain, and we expect if the Victoria people would do more praying they would not get so dry. The funny part is in the statement that it has not rained in three months. If it does not rain at least three times in two weeks down in that country, the frogs begin to die and the people to pray. This should be consolation to the new comers in Runnels county; to know that they do not live in a country where the people have to hold special prayer meetings to get rain.

TOM THUMB AT TRACTS ATTENTION

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ARRESTED FOR SWINDLING

Sheriff Flynt arrested a man by the name of Bleavens Monday who is wanted in Jones county for disposing of mortgaged property. He was placed in jail and his bond fixed at \$500.00 and it is thought he will make this bond and will be released.

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Lost Manhood

Seminal weakness sexual debility spermatorrhoea, night losses, day oozing, nervous debility etc. cure after the repeated failure of other physicians, and when I have cured a case of this kind there will never again be a sign of weakness except brought on by imprudence.

Blood Poison

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