

### LOOK! What do You Think of These Values:

One lot extra size bed sheets, the kind that is worth \$1, our price now is 85c, but this week a flyer as long as they last, special at **69c**



### Extra Special This Week

10-4 Pepperell Sheeting, the best sheeting made, and worth 35c a yard, here this week at the special price, per yard - **25c**

## Below We Tell of Tempting Inducements to Buy from this Store

EVERY department filled with fresh Spring Merchandise in anticipation of a big Spring business. Prices throughout the entire store were never lower. Each department shows its portion of bargains. This store's leadership in correct and most stylish attire for both men and women stands unquestioned. We have put forth every effort this season to make the Spring exhibition the most attractive ever attempted by this firm. Already this store has enjoyed a phenomenal business, despite the earliness of the season; yet we are not satisfied. We, like others, want to continue up the ladder and reach the highest notch possible. We can only make this a realization by offering to the trading public better values than you will ever dream of getting elsewhere. This we are now doing for you. Visit this store and see with your own eyes.

Notions	Wash Goods	Staples	Embroidery	Skirts
<b>The Needed Notions for Right-Now Use</b> The new Skirt Marker, something entirely new, a time saver. See them. The 50c quality this week for <b>25c</b> The new Ideal Needle, the kind that the thread won't slip through. Worth ten times the price asked. Per paper <b>5c</b> Extra good Hair Pins, full count in box, only <b>5c</b> Billiken Belt Pins, the famous luck pin and cornered only by Billikin, price 25c and <b>50c</b> Extra good pearl buttons and worth 10c a paper, only <b>5c</b>	32-inch English Rep Cloth, the regular 25c value, in natural, navy, copenhagen and white. <b>19c</b> 30-inch Linene in all colors and stripes, also the bordered effects, special per yard <b>15c</b> 36-inch white Linene, suitable for coat suits, worth 19c, here special per yard <b>15c</b> 300 pieces Red Seal Gingham in lengths from 8 to 10 yards, the 12c quality. Our price per yard <b>10c</b> 500 pieces bordered Fancies, worth 7c, per yard only <b>5c</b>	36-inch "Old Glory" Cambric, suitable for underwear, soft finish, worth 12c a yard, our price only <b>10c</b> 10-4 Pepperell sheeting, bleached—you know the quality, 35c grade, only, per yard <b>25c</b> 25-inch Cotton Check, for quilting purposes, round thread, per yard only <b>5c</b> A. F. C. Ticking, the best feather ticking made, per yard <b>15c</b> 30-inch Percale, in blue figure, grey, black and white, worth 8c, here, per yard, only <b>7½c</b>	<b>Pick While the Picking is Good</b> Thousands of yards of pure white, crisp Embroidery, in mill lengths from 2 1-2 to 10 yards, in Swiss, Hamburg and Nainsook, some open and shadow work, 3 to 10 inches wide. This lot will be put on a counter and sold for about half its worth. We bought it at a price and propose to give our customers the benefit. You must see these. Embroideries worth 7 1-2, 8, 10 and 12 1-2c will be sold at the price, per yard, of only <b>5c</b>	Some startling values in the Skirt section. Over four thousand beautiful models to select from. They are Voile in all colors, Chiffon, Panama, Worsteds and colored Brilliantines, in fancy colorings. You will find some rare values in the Skirt department. Buying as we do from New York's best Skirt makers, we are in a position to give you better goods and better values than you'll be able to get elsewhere. Look your Skirt stock over and if you need and contemplate buying soon, see what we have to show you. Immense line at <b>\$3.50</b> , \$10, 7.50, 5.00 and Misses' Skirts at \$5.00 3.50



### Brilliant Assemblage of Spring Suits.

HIGDON-MELTON-JACKSON Co. is the place to do your spring shopping. We say unhesitatingly that we offer the best values in the city and our goods are the kind you want. Note what we offer: lovely creations in spring suits. When you get a suit from us you are assured of getting full value for the money spent. We buy our ladies' suits knowing what the women of this section want, and through our careful selection we are enabled to offer them to you at prices much less than you would pay elsewhere. The materials are linen, rep and duck cloth, beautifully trimmed in lace insertions, buttons and braid. They are medium and long lengths. Colors are light blue, copenhagen, natural, pink, wisteria and many stripe effects.

Prices, \$12.50, 10.00, 8.50, and 6.50

### Stylish Creations in Spring Millinery.

A magnificent showing at such low prices that will suit all. Spring is here in all its splendor and this spring weather, no doubt, makes you think of the beautiful spring millinery. The new styles, color and shapes are here in great variety and it's just the time now to select your spring hat, simply because we have over one thousand from which to make your selection. We have the quaint flower-pot shape similar to those worn many, many years ago, also the scoop brim and graceful drooping brim as well as the demure and delightfully wearable little mushroom. But you must come and see for yourself for we could write a whole page concerning them and not due justice to such an array of spring millinery as you will find here. New arrivals daily in women's tailored hats. Every express brings to the store something new in millinery. First showing Saturday of fifty new arrivals at



Price, only \$7.50, \$6.50, \$5.00 and \$3.00  
 Children's Hats, \$3.50, 3.00, 2.00, 1.50, 1.00.

## WE WANT YOUR SHOE TRADE. COME TO SEE US.

We are always trying to get it. How? By selling at all times Shoes a trifle better and a whole lot cheaper than others. If you haven't bought from us, and would like to make your dollars go as far as possible, don't buy Shoes until you see the great values we are offering. Our policy of selling the best for the least has made **ours the greatest Shoe Store in Ballinger.** The three styles illustrated are three of the world's best makes. They are the Ultra style for ladies, and Stacy Adams Co. and Walkover for men. For style, fit and durability we unhesitatingly recommend to you these Shoes.



- LOT A. Ladies' Patent Leather Pump with pearl buckles with strap, high cuban heel A to E width. Price **\$3.48**
- LOT 537020. Ladies Tan Court Tie, plain toe blucher light soles, high cuban heels all widths size 2 to 7. Price **\$3.00**
- LOT I. Ladies' Patent Leather Oxford, blucher, high cuban heel, welted soles, all sizes. Strictly a walking shoe. **\$2.50**
- LOT 90. Ladies' Vici Kid Oxford, patent tip toe, solid throughout, medium cuban heel. Size 2½ to 8. Price **\$1.75**
- LOT 87. Ladies' Commonsense Oxford, plain toe, low heel, solid as a rock, extra good and very comfortable **\$1.50**

WE SELL THE BEST \$1.50 LADIES SHOE MADE.



- Lot 7492. Men's Stacy Adams Tan Russia leather, straight last, medium low heel, blucher style, neat and comfortable, B, C and D. Sizes 5½ to 10. **\$5.00**
- Lot D. Men's Tan Walkover Shoe, blucher style, swing last, cap toe, a world beater. Sizes 6 to 11. Price **\$3.50**

### What's in a Name?

We'll tell you. The Stacy Adams or Walkover's name on a shoe guarantees quality, comfort, wear, satisfaction and value. These shoes are sold only by us.



BY SHOE WE SELL IS GUARANTEED TO GIVE GOOD SERVICE, OR YOU GET ANOTHER PAIR

## TEN FEET FROM FIERY GRAVE

Ballinger Citizens Came Near Losing Lives in Midland Fire

H. Giesecke and Tom Gardner, who returned from Midland last Sunday, had an experience that will linger with them for years to come. They were guests at the Llano Hotel in Midland when the fire destroyed the large hotel and burned a long string of other business houses. The clerk at the hotel gave the alarm and aroused all the guests. Messrs. Gardner and Giesecke did not think the situation so serious and took time to dress and primp up before coming from their room and when they opened the door they were confronted with a dark cloud of smoke and had to pass through this smoke to get out of the building and were almost suffocated. They say that if they had been compelled to go ten feet further in the smoke they would have been overcome and burned to death. They were surprised when they had reached a place of safety to find other guests of the hotel in their night clothes, having lost all they had in the fire. One man who occupied a room just across the hall from Messrs. Gardner and Giesecke, lost all his clothes and \$75 in money.

## An Indigestion Remedy Free

Many people who are otherwise healthy suffer from indigestion, or dyspepsia. When you consider that the stomach and allied digestive organs are the most important organs of the body, it would seem that a disorder there is to be taken very seriously.

Dyspeptics cannot eat the things they like; food sours in the stomach; then chronic constipation begins, or, as is often the case, you have been constipated all along, and the stools are forced and irregular.

But there is no use letting indigestion go until it becomes chronic and undermines your health. It is good advice to suggest to you that you go to your druggist and get a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, the wonderful cure for stomach, liver and bowel troubles. That is what C. Fowler, of Carson City, Mich., did and he is well today. Others who did the same and are cured are Ida A. Fortune, of Grand Junction, Tenn., E. F. Thompson, of Shenandoah, Ia., who actually considers that it saved his life. You can obtain a 50-cent or \$1 bottle of the druggist, and, taken according to directions, it will probably be all you need. It is a liquid, acts gently, never grips, and besides the laxative effect, contains exceptional tonic properties which tone the stomach, and that is what is especially needed in indigestion.

All sufferers from indigestion who have never used Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin can obtain a free test bottle by writing the doctor. It will be sent direct to your home without any charge. In this way thousands have proven to their own satisfaction Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is the very remedy they needed to cure indigestion. When once you use this grand remedy you will throw violent cathartics, tablets, salts, etc., away.

If there is anything about your ailment that you don't understand, or if you want any medical advice, write to the doctor, and he will answer you fully. There is no charge for this service. The address is Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 509 Caldwell bldg., Monticello, Ill.



## CLOSE PASTURES TO TEXAS CATTLE

Osage County, Oklahoma, Secures Injunction Stopping Cattle Shipping

Guthrie, Okla., April 12.—The District court of Osage county will hear the application of County Attorney Roberts on Friday for the injunction against railroad companies to prevent them from bringing there Texas and other Southern cattle for grazing purposes. Osage county is above the State quarantine line, but heretofore having been under Federal control, Texas cattle were allowed to cross the line after being dipped and held three days for inspection.

Recently the Live Stock Commission of the State Board of Agriculture continued the State regulations governing importation of cattle from another year over the protest of some of the citizens who now challenge the board's authority in the premises. Their injunction petition is based upon the law of 1905, which Attorney General West ruled had been repealed by the law of 1908. In a lengthy opinion sent to County Attorney Roberts today Attorney General West upholds the board's authority to fix regulations.

It is claimed that in moving the herds to the Osage country, cattle tick and other diseases peculiar to cattle are brought into that section. Texas cattlemen are expected to contest the case.

More than 30,000 cattle have gone to the Osage nation from Texas already this season and four times that many more would probably have been taken in during the remainder of the season which will last until the middle of May.

There are probably 10,000 cattle in transit now from the South to the Osage nation and unless they can be unloaded may cause a loss to cattlemen that would, to a great extent, cripple the livestock industry.

### NEW GIN GOING UP.

The N. A. Perry Gin Co., of Brownwood, are building a new gin just south of the Ballinger oil mill. The gin will be equipped with eight stands and all other machinery to make it a modern plant, and will be ready for this year's crop. This company owns the gin near the river bridge, and the fact that they are building another shows that they are satisfied with the business they have been doing here. The building for the gin will be completed in a few days.

Full line of Chase & Sanbourn Coffees and Teas, fresh. Can grind coffee if wanted.—Miller Mercantile Company.

See Kinzer for post cards.

## BOY KILLED BY WOLVES

Hungry Beasts Attack two Boys Killing One and Wounding Another

Kingman, Kas., April 13.—Coyotes, usually considered the most cowardly of animals, attacked and killed a boy near Rago, a small town in the southern part of Kingman county last night. Another boy who was attacked was severely bitten but managed to escape.

The boys were Willie Hotchkiss and George Nichols, both 10 years old. David Nichols and his wife had come to Kingman to spend the night and their boy was on his way with Willie Hotchkiss to spend the night at the home of the Hotchkiss boy.

The boys started together. They were in a pasture about a quarter of a mile from the Nichols home when they saw the coyotes, five in number. It was almost dusk, and the sight of the five beasts sneaking along in the bushes and high grass frightened the boys. They turned and ran. To this action probably is due the fact that they were attacked. The coyotes, usually cowardly, were emboldened by the flight of the boys and gave chase.

More fleet of foot than a dog the coyotes quickly overtook the fugitives. Willie Hotchkiss, who was in the rear, was over taken first and was pulled to the ground. Some of the coyotes attacked George Nichols, but he fought them off, and they returned to the easier prey that had been pulled down.

George Nichols ran all the way to his home, from which his parents had gone already, and telephoned to the home of Arthur Hufford, who lives half a mile away.

Mr. Hufford hurried to the scene and found the coyotes fighting and snarling over the partly devoured body of Willie Hotchkiss. They took flight at once at the approach of Mr. Hufford.

George Nichols was severely bitten, but it is not believed his injuries will prove dangerous.

### HOW TIMES HAVE CHANGED

"How times have changed," remarked a Cleveland farmer in the Democrat office this week. "When I was young, people had bad colds, soaked their feet in hot water and got well. Now they have grip, take quinine and feel sick all summer, then they had sore throat, wrapped a piece of fat pork in an old sack, tied it around the neck at night and went to work the next morning. Now they have tonsillitis, a surgical operation and two weeks in the house. Then they had stomachache and took castor oil and recovered. Now they have appendicitis, a week in the hospital and six feet due east and west and six feet perpendicular. They worked then, they labor now. In those days they wore underclothes, now they wear lingerie. Then they went to a restaurant; now they go to a cafe. Then they broke a leg; now they fracture a limb. People went crazy then; they have a brain storm now. Politicians then paid good hard cash for support; now they send government garden seed. Yes, times have changed, and we change with them.—Morrison Democrat.

### CARD OF THANKS.

We take this method of expressing our heartfelt thanks to our many friend for their exceeding kindness to us during the recent illness and death of mother and grandmother, Mrs. A. M. Routh. The assistance and loving sympathy of every one of them is appreciated beyond the power of words to express.

Our hearty thanks are also extended to the ladies of the Eastern Star, Woodman Circle, Rebekahs and the Ladies' Aid Society of the First Presbyterian church, for their loving sympathy as well as for their gifts of beautiful flowers.

All that loving hands and medical skill could do was done for our loved one, and our grief is tempered by the memory of the tender sympathy of friends too numerous to mention. May the blessing of God abide with each one.

J. H. ROUTH AND FAMILY.

### HATS, HATS, HATS.

Old made new in 2 hours —A. J. oeklas, the Tailor and Hatter, phone 264.

## BIG PREACHER BACK TO TEXAS

Will be in Ballinger May 2nd. Some thing About the Man Who is Coming

Rev. Lockett Adair, the evangelist meeting at Taylor street Church Sunday preached two forcible sermons and made a strong impression upon the congregation. His morning theme was addressed to the Christians and was aimed to stir them up to the duty of "letting their light shine." The theme of his night address was that of the Christian being prepared at all times to give directions to the souls of the lost, the address being based upon the story of Nahaman and the captive Jewish girl.

Great interest was manifested at the morning service, and the attendance was large again at the night hour. The long service rendered by a large chorus choir, will be a feature of the meeting and will be conducted by Victor Howell of Dallas. Mr. Howell has just returned from Newark, N. J., where he assisted Dr. Adair.

The revival service will be continued through the week, holding forth at 7:30 each night, and it is likely that they will go on through the larger part of the month.—Fort Worth Record.

Rev. Adair is the man that has been engaged by the local churches to conduct the Union Revival. The meeting will begin the first Saturday in May and will be held at the skating rink. Preparations are being made for a great revival.

### GEORGE HULL BUILDING A NICE HOME.

G. W. Hull has under construction a nice cottage home on the hill West of the standpipe. Mr. Hull owns a nice chunk of ground on the site where he has been living for the last fifteen years and his friends will be glad to know that he is now to have a nice home.

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

SEE THE BANNER LEADER FOR JOB WORK

## Fortune Telling

Does not take into consideration the one essential to woman's happiness—womanly health.

The woman who neglects her health is neglecting the very foundation of all good fortune. For without health love loses its luster and gold is but dross. Womanly health when lost or impaired may generally be regained by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

*This Prescription has, for over 40 years, been curing delicate, weak, pain-wracked women, by the hundreds of thousands and this too in the privacy of their homes without their having to submit to indelicate questionings and offensively repugnant examinations.*

Sick women are invited to consult Dr. Pierce by letter free. All correspondence held as sacredly confidential. Address World's Dispensary Medical Association, R. V. Pierce, M. D., President, Buffalo, N. Y. DR. PIERCE'S GREAT FAMILY DOCTOR BOOK, The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, newly revised up-to-date edition—1000 pages, answers in Plain English hosts of delicate questions which every woman, single or married, ought to know about. Sent free, in plain wrapper to any address on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps to cover mailing only, or in cloth binding for 31 stamps.



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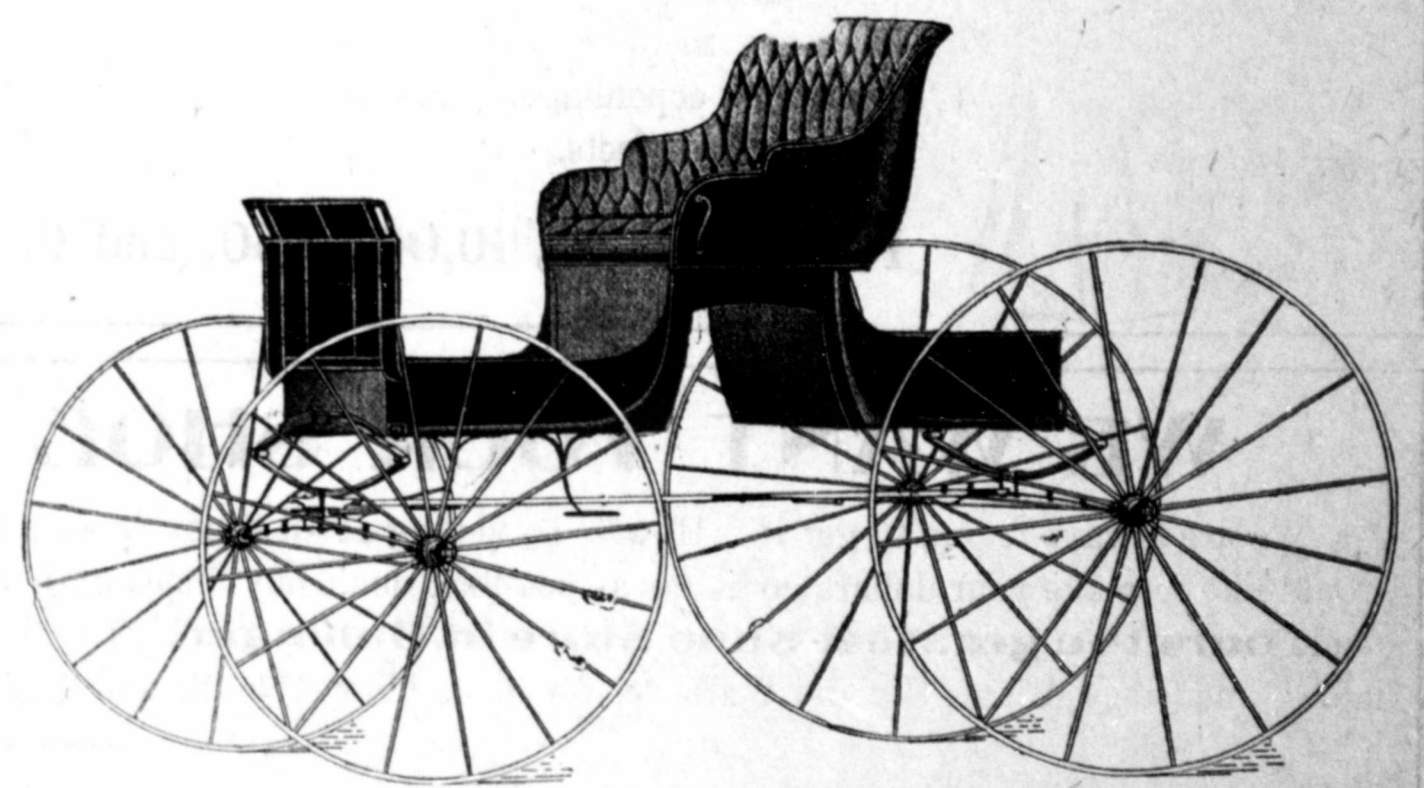
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A large host of satisfied customers patronize this store daily. If you are not among this list you are missing some good things. Fair treatment, prompt delivery.

## Miller Mercantile Company

## We Have Added a New Line

We have added to our stock of Saddles, Harness and Leather Goods a carload of Cole Buggies, Phaetons, Surreys. Etc.



We are in a position to save you money on this well known line of buggies, and we ask you to call and see them. The Cole Buggy has advantages that no other buggy can claim and we will be glad to show you these good features.

## R. L. Shaffer

"The Harness and Buggy Man"

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Your money is safe; every safe-guard and protection for the depositor is furnished. Your valuable papers may be stored in our fire and burglar proof vaults

### Free of Charge to You

Our centrally located offices are always at our customer's disposal. Our farmer friends are especially welcome; they will find our bank a handy place to write letters and transact their business. We want you to feel near enough to the officers so that when you want any advice regarding your business, or any investment you wish to make, you will freely consult with them and feel that any advice is gladly given, as it always is.

## THE WINTERS STATE BANK

Winters, Texas.

# DR. PRICE'S Cream Baking Powder

Made from cream of tartar derived solely from grapes, the most delicious and healthful of all fruit acids.

## NOT VOGELSANG BUT HATCHEL

Citizens Petition Postal Department Not to Change Name of Town on New Road

J. R. Holiday phoned The Leader the first of this week that the citizens and patrons of the Hatchel postoffice had sent a petition to Washington asking the postal department to retain the name of Hatchel for the new town to be established on the Abilene Southern road in the Cayote valley. The townsite committee had selected the name of Vogelsang for the new town and same had been submitted to the department for their acceptance or rejection. Mr. Holiday stated that the petition contained the name of over seventy signers, people who got their mail at the Hatchel office, and the name Hatchel suited and was now being used, and he could see no reason for making the change, and the patrons of the office agreed with him, and they are almost unanimous in asking for the present name to be retained.

Live Oak Flour, the best, at Miller Mercantile Company, guaranteed.

## Women as Well as Men are Made Miserable by Kidney and Bladder Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased. Kidney trouble has become so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If the child urinates too often, if the urine scalds the flesh, or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depend upon it, the cause of the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose.

Women as well as men are made miserable with kidney and bladder trouble, and both need the same great remedy. The mild and the immediate effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It is sold by druggists, in fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also a pamphlet telling all about Swamp-Root, including many of the thousands of testimonial letters received from sufferers who found Swamp-Root to be just the remedy needed. In writing, Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure and mention this paper. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

## GIVEN AWAY

For a Short Time Only at

## Dornberger & Hopkinson's

A Full Size Can of

## Calumet Baking Powder

with the purchase of a sack of flour

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.

Received highest award at World's Pure Food Exposition, Chicago.

Call early before all the cans are given away.

## Dornberger & Hopkinson

Phone 107 or 169

## M. D. CHASTAIN SELLS BUSINESS

Pioneer Grocery Man Retires From Business. Guion & Doose new Firm

After feeding the people of Ballinger and Runnels county for eighteen years M. D. Chastain turns the job over to others. A deal was made the first of the week, and closed yesterday, in which John Guion, Jr. and Arthur Doose buys the grocery business of M. D. Chastain. The stock sold for one hundred cents on the dollar and the doors were closed Wednesday and an inventory of the stock on hand made.

Mr. Chastain came to Ballinger about eighteen years ago, and has been in the grocery and grain business here during those eighteen years. He made his start in life as a "cow puncher." He recently sold his building on the corner for a good round sum of money, and moved his store to the present stand which building also belongs to him. He has been too busy this week to give the newspaper man an interview, and we do not know what he will do for passtime. We might say that he is going a-fishing, but his friends would know better for he never fished enough to know how to bait a hook, and he is too old to learn. However, he owns a nice home here, and we are not afraid to say that he will remain in Ballinger. He has been here so long that he would not know how to get away.

## LATE EVERY MORNING.

A Bad Back is Always Worse in the Morning. Ballinger People are Finding Relief.

A back that aches all day and causes discomfort at night is usually worse in the morning. Makes you feel as if you hadn't slept at all.

Can't cure a bad back until you cure the kidneys. Doan's Kidney Pills cure sick kidneys—make you feel better, work better, rest better and sleep better. Permanent cures in Ballinger prove the merit of Doan's.

H. R. Bradford, W. Sixth St., near school, Ballinger, Texas, says: "I have been using Doan's Kidney Pills off and on for three years with the best of results. For several years my back was very weak and often when I arose in the morning, I would be so stiff and lame that I could hardly stoop to put on my shoes. After walking around for an hour or two this lameness would wear off, but the next day would return with renewed severity. Doan's Kidney Pills, which I procured from the Walker Drug Co., relieved me at once but I still keep them on hand in case my trouble should return.

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.

## NEW ROAD BUILDING FAST.

Messrs. Broad and Jones were in Ovalo Thursday and we learned from them that the Abilene and Southern Railroad has been finished two miles this side of Iberis. This brings the road up to within ten miles of our city. One hundred and eighteen cars of steel have been shipped from the foundry and are due to reach Abilene in a few days. As soon as the steel arrives the road will be rushed then to Ovalo and scheduled to reach this city early next month. Passenger coaches have already arrived for the road and are now in the yards at Abilene, and as soon as the road is completed into this city passenger service will be inaugurated and maintained.—Ovalo Eagle.

## TO AFFILIATE WITH STATE UNIVERSITY.

Dr. Simond, head of one of the departments of the State University, spent Tuesday and Wednesday here inspecting the school with reference to the high school becoming affiliated with the University. The board met Wednesday morning and Dr. Simond was invited to address the board. He offered some suggestions that the board accepted as good, and will no doubt put into practice. Dr. Simond was very complimentary to our town and schools.

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

## INDIGESTION ENDS IN FIVE MINUTES

Misery from an Upset Stomach goes before you realize it

Every family here ought to keep some Diapepsin in the house as any one of you may have an attack of Indigestion or Stomach trouble at any time, day or night. This harmless preparation will digest anything you eat and overcome a sour stomach five minutes afterward.

If your meals don't tempt you, or what little you eat seems to fill you, or lays like a lump of lead in your stomach, or if you have heartburn, that is a sign of Indigestion.

Ask your Pharmacist for a 50-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin and take one tirangule after supper tonight. There will be no sour risings, no belching of undigested food mixed with acids, no stomach gas or heartburn, fullness or heavy feeling in the stomach, Nausea, Debilitating Headaches, Dizziness or Intestinal griping. This will all go and besides there will be no sour food left over in the stomach to poison your breath with nauseous odors. Pape's Diapepsin is a certain cure for all stomach misery, because it will take hold of your food and digest it just the same as if your stomach wasn't there. Actual, prompt relief for your stomach misery is at your Pharmacist, waiting for you.

These large 50-cent cases contain more than sufficient to cure a case of Dyspepsia or Indigestion.

## LETTER TO CURRIE- NOYES COMPANY. Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Sirs: The facts boiled down are these:

Every job painted Devoe takes less gallons than any other paint. And the paint that takes less gallons wears longest; always. We can't help it. Yours truly,

F. W. DEVOE & CO.  
P. S. Ballinger Lumber Company sells our paint.

## ONE MAJORITY FOR BONDS

Voters Fail to Express Themselves and Issue Has Close Call. Less Than Half Votes Polled

Notwithstanding that there is over 600 votes in the Independent School District only 263 was polled in the bond issue election last Saturday. Those who opposed the issuance of more bonds went to the polls and expressed their objections in no uncertain terms, and the opposition had some leaders in the field who saw that the most of their crowd voted, while the voters favoring the bond issue were negligent, careless and did not take much interest in the election, and only by the close margin of one vote can the bond issues claim the victory. It is conceded by the opposition that if a majority of the voters had expressed themselves the majority for bonds would have been greater. Many tactics were used to get the people to vote against the bonds, and one in particular, that we regret to report, be it true or not, is the report that was circulated that all the saloon men opposed the bond issue on the ground that the better school town Ballinger become the stronger would be the opposition to saloons. Things are coming to a pretty pass when the saloon interest is placed above the interest of education. We give the report for what it is worth, and we hope that no such stand was taken. However, we have the report from good authority.

This is a Democratic country, and a majority is a majority, and the school board will no doubt issue the bonds and place a sufficient quantity of them on the market to carry out the work they have planned.

J. W. Norman was here from Paint Rock, Monday. Mr. Norman is feeling rather jubilant over the outlook of his town and the prospect of getting a railroad. He thinks the road will be completed by fall.

Maurice Crews was here from Brownwood last Sunday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Crews.

## SUCCESS MAGAZINE

Striking Features in the May Number

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The soul-striking tale of two Irish girls and a man  
By Katherine Cecil Thurston

### THE FIRST INSTALLMENT OF

### The Sky Man

A brilliant new serial romance  
By Henry Kitchell Webster

### The Pit and the Grower

Manipulating the grain and market—How it is done, with some speculation as to who stands the cost  
By Will Payne

### "Five Hundred a Year"

What it means—a plain human document  
By the Wife of a Country Preacher

### "This Man Diehl"

The Champion Speed Painter of America  
By Charles Battell Loomis

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If you have visitors or if you know any item which would be of interest to our readers, please phone us, and if necessary we will send our reporter to get data. It is our endeavor to make the best paper possible, though we cannot learn the news unless you tell us.

Ballinger has a fine fire team and anybody likes to see a horse run, but it strikes us as being dangerous to practice the fire team on the main business street of the town. A street where there is not so much travel would be a better place to race the fire team.

The reports are that money is very easy in New York. Doubtless. But what would be the use for the rest of us to go there to get it when we are so ignorant of the principles of burglary, safe-blowing and purse snatching?—Houston Post.

Just a question. Which is the most essential to the upbuilding of a town, good schools or bad saloons? Another question. Is a good school town a good saloon town; or vice versa, is a good saloon town a good school town? Question No. 3. are saloons a help to schools or do schools help the saloons.

A Texas man shot a woman who refused to marry him. Alas, how old-time customs are being dispensed with in the Lone Star State. In day's gone by the fellow who was handed a lemon by a girl would have gone out and got half shot and been content to let it go at that.—Allentown Democrat.

Clean up! It costs a few dollars, of course; but the expense is a trifle when compared with the amount you may be called on to pay the doctors if you leave your premises in their present condition. Cleanliness means health. Clean up every nook and corner of your place, and if your neighbor doesn't do the same thing, don't associate with him.

Ballinger may not get the West Texas State Normal, but the locating committee will know we are on the map when the question is settled. We don't say so because we want to see the Normal located here, or from a selfish standpoint, but taking everything into consideration we can not see how the committee will pass up Ballinger for any other place in Texas. The location is central, which the committee will no doubt consider as important. Healthy climate, prosperous town and the inducements the town is offering will make it hard for the committee to turn us down.

Reports come in from different sections of the country to the effect that the farmers are going ahead with their crop, and are not standing back and waiting to see if it is going to rain. Planters are running and putting milo maize and corn seed in the ground. Most of the land is ready for cotton, and experience has taught the Runnels county farmer that the late crop is as good, and with average conditions, is better than the early cotton, and there is plenty of time for this crop. In fact the farmer that puts in his time grumbling about the weather is the man that expects the weather to make his crop. It is either dry or wet with him, and he is the man now that is waiting for it to rain before he prepares his ground for planting.

Thomas said things about the Texas Senate that were mild when compared with a message that Gov. Campbell sent in. Thomas was expelled for making his little talk, but the people re-elected him by a large majority and he is now filling his seat in the Senate hall. The people have said they believed what Thomas said, and Gov. Campbell endorses both the people and Thomas and questions the honor and integrity of the Legislature. He says: "Probably the boldest, most arrogant and the most formidable lobby that ever assembled at the capitol, gathered here upon the assembling of the Thirty-first Legislature to pester you and hinder and defeat the popular will. Just what they have done I do not know; but that they are still hovering about this capitol I do know."

Stop and think how indifferent some people are about things that are of great importance and of general interest to the community. Don't let your neighbor do his work and yours too. The bond issue election last Saturday came near being defeated, and that too just because the people are indifferent about the matter. There is no question but what a large majority of the voters in the district are in favor of issuing more bonds and building more school room, but they did not have the interest of the better school movement enough at heart to go to the polls and vote. Out of a voting strength of over 600 only 263 expressed themselves by voting. Such indifference is costly and each and every man should do his duty. It seems that the average man will not vote in an election unless he is personally interested and has an axe to grind.

After carrying out all the best planks in the platform upon which he made the race. Mayor Hoffer has turned the affairs of the city over to his successor, R. P. Kirk. An honorable retirement with the best wishes of the best people of the best town in Texas is sufficient to make an officer feel proud of the record he has left to honor the city's name for generations to come. In making the race for mayor Mr. Hoffer set out the work he proposed to do during his administration. Of course with limited means it was impossible for him to carry out the platform to the letter, but he has done sufficient to say that he has made good, and has made enemies, for no public officer can do his duty without making enemies. In his annual report at a recent meeting of the council Mr. Hoffer mentioned a few of the things that had been accomplished under the present administration and made suggestions, that if carried out, will mean much to the city. Mr. Hoffer would have no doubt been re-elected, and without opposition, if he had wanted the office again, but he declined to run, and he retires upon his own free will and accord. He has not made known what he expects to do, but his many friends will be glad to see him remain in Ballinger. He will visit his mother at Houston a few days in the near future.

## FARMERS SWEAR YIELD PER ACRE

53,000 Bales Received By Wagon at Ballinger. Compress Receipts 89,467

The Ballinger Business League, wishing to impress upon the outside world, the fact that Ballinger leads the entire South in point of wagon cotton receipts, and that this large amount of cotton is produced in a country that is excelled by none other, has secured from a number of prominent farmers an affidavit as to the yield per acre, and we publish herewith a couple of these affidavits, and others can be had by calling on the secretary, R. P. Kirk:

The State of Texas, County of Runnels: Before me the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared T. M. Curbo, who, after being by me first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that in the year 1908, off of fifty-five acres of cotton on his farm, three and one-half miles Southeast of Ballinger, Texas, he gathered sixty-one bales averaging over 500 pounds to the bale. T. M. CURBO.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this eighteenth day of March, A. D. 1908. C. A. Doose, Notary Public, Runnels County Texas.

The State of Texas, County of Runnels: Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Nick Stallworth, who, being by me first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says as follows: That during the year 1908 he had 125 acres in cotton in said Runnels County, Texas, off of which he gathered 100 bales of the average weight of over 500 pounds. NICK STALLWORTH.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this tenth day of March, A. D. 1908. C. H. Willingham, Notary Public, Runnels County, Texas.

Brady claims a total wagon receipts of 50,000, and there is no other town in the state that comes within ten thousand of the Ballinger mark. These should be facts sufficient for the most skeptical about the value of Runnels county dirt and the adaptability of the soil, climate, etc. for raising cotton, the greatest of all Southern crops.

### MRS. W. S. MADDOX DEAD.

News reached Ballinger early Sunday morning of the death of Mrs. W. S. Maddox. She died at her home near Lawn, in Taylor county, after an illness of several months with tumor of the stomach. All that the physicians could do was to give temporary relief and the trouble reached the point to where death was the victor, and another pure life crowned with old age and filled with usefulness and deeds of Christlike was transferred from this to a better world.

Mrs. Maddox was sixty-five years old. She was born Sept. 2, 1844, and was married on Sept. 12, 1861, to Rev. W. S. Maddox. Ten children were born to them and they are all living and all except one boy, Holmes, and a daughter, Mrs. Mary Stell, were present when death claimed this good mother. A remarkable thing is that this is the second death in this large family in 42 years, the first being the death of their little grand child, Joseph Maddox. The ten children have all grown to be useful men and women and are all highly respected in the community in which they live.

Mrs. Maddox was a pioneer settler of this country. The family moved from Grayson county to Runnels county in the early days and settled near old Runnels and built the home known as the Vogelsang place. The children have become scattered since becoming grown and there are only five now living in the county; Lee, John and Frank, who live in Ballinger; Price, who lives on a ranch eight miles from Ballinger, and Mrs. J. T. Billups, who lives at Triett.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Cole Sunday afternoon at four o'clock and the remains entered in the Lawn cemetery.

### NOTICE TO W. O. W.

Friday night of next week, April 23, all W. O. W. members and all members of the Ladies' Circle are invited to meet at the W. O. W. hall in a social meeting. Be sure and come or you might miss something good.

## RAILROAD OFFICIALS VISIT BALLINGER.

J. W. Broad and Percy Jones, of the Abilene Southern came in last Saturday and left Monday over their line for Abilene. The big auto of Mr. Broad was loaded up with fishing tackle and the gentlemen accompanied by R. P. Kirk, C. A. Doose, Will Dunlap and M. A. Traylor went fishing Saturday evening. They had a splendid outing of a few hours on the Concho. The fish did not bite extra well, but a few hours away from business is calculated to stimulate the energies of even a railroad man.

The officials left for Abilene Monday morning, going over the line on an inspection tour. Mr. Jones is chief engineer of the road and Mr. Broad the townsite man. There are several new towns springing up on this line, and the townsite man is about as busy as any member of the company. Mr. Broad stated that Ballinger would have trains long before the contract called for them. He stated that a force of about fifty men were laying track and that they were putting down about one mile a day. Trains are now running to a point about ten miles south of Abilene. The grading from Winters to Abilene has long since been completed and the grading between Ballinger and Winters will soon be completed and a large force of hands will be put on the terminus work here in town. The yards are to be built, depot, both passenger and freight turntable, etc., and this work will be pushed and made ready by the time the trains reach here.

### WILL TRY FOR THE NORMAL.

R. W. Bruce and Jo Wilmeth left last Monday for Austin, where they went to see the board that will select the site for the State Normal. Judge Smith went along to look after a case he has in the Supreme Court and will help out Mr. Bruce and Mr. Wilmeth in presenting Ballinger's claim for the Normal. These gentlemen went well prepared to present Ballinger's claim and if the locating committee turns a deaf ear it will be because they will not consider the best place for this school. We expect them to return feeling good over their trip.

### Man Dyeing at Stocklas' Shop.

May we dye for you. We dye to live, others live to dye. The longer we live the better we can dye. We are doing the latest methods of steam cleaning and dyeing. All work guaranteed—A. J. Stocklas, the Tailor and Hatter.

## OLD TIMER RETURNS HOME

T. J. Osteen Could Not Find a Place Like Ballinger. In Business Again

T. J. Osteen has rented the building now occupied by the Ballinger Installment Co., and as soon as he can get possession of etoain shr demf shr em sh emfwe cafe. The stock of goods of the Ballinger Installment Co. were recently sold to J. H. Patterson. Mr. Patterson is moving the shelf goods to his grocery store, formerly the Schawe store, and the other goods, stoves, etc., he is trading for other property.

Mr. Osteen is a pioneer restaurateur man and citizen of Ballinger. He has just returned to Ballinger after trying his fortune in other places, and he thinks Ballinger the best and can see the mistake made when he left here about two years ago. He has come back to stay; will perhaps live here the rest of his life. He will put in a first place vbkg to fed the hungry, and will be glad to see all his old friends at his table again. He will occupy the house on the corner under the opera house.

### A KNOCKER

is a man who can't see any good in any person or anything. It's a habit caused by a disordered liver. If you find that you are beginning to see things through blut spectacles, treat your liver to a good cleaning out process with Ballard's Herbine. A sure cure for constipation, dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache, biliousness, all liver, stomach and bowel troubles. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

## THE ORIENT CALLS ON ANGELO FOR MONEY

President Stilwell of the Orient, has made San Angelo a proposition to run a train over the Orient from Sweetwater to San Angelo by the first of August, provided that San Angelo buys \$50,000 worth of bonds and pays \$50,000 back subscription. This means that San Angelo must put up \$100,000 and do it quick if the road is built any ways soon. Mr. Stilwell does not say what he will do or how soon the road will be built if San Angelo fails to come up and meet his proposition. The citizens held an enthusiastic meeting Tuesday night, and decided to raise the money and committees were appointed and told to get busy. Dr. March offered to take \$50,000 worth of bonds at 60c on the dollar. This will leave \$20,000 for the citizens to put up and the \$50,000 back dues.

Col. R. L. Bennett returned from a week's visit to different points in San Antonio, last Sunday, where he attended to some business matters for some of his clients. He left again Wednesday for Abilene and other points on business.

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Respectfully,

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## SOCIAL EVENTS OF THE WEEK

BY MISS HERMIA SMITH

### BEAU NOT CLUB DELIGHTFULLY ENTERTAINED.

Miss Doria Suhre of Illinois, who has been visiting in our city since Jmas, the guest of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Pearce, and who possesses a most notable charm of manner, entertained, at the Pearce home Tuesday afternoon, the Beau Not Club, of which she has been made an honorary member.

The guests were met by the fair, sweet hostess in a pale blue crepe de chine princess, and by Madams J. Y. Pearce and Harry Thomson in white lingerie costumes, and ushered into the reception suit which had been transformed into an alluring palm garden and was a veritable bower to "Fair Flora," for the happiness of the occasion.

While the entertainment was quite sans ceremonie, it took on the air of a picture fete by the elegant gowns and the portrait hats worn by the young ladies, they being smart reflections of "La Made."

"Five Hundred" was the feature of the entertaining, the card tables being set amidst groups of palms, and the games were daintily scored by handsome Easter cards, each bearing a saucy, pert young chick.

The games came to a close over an elegant cream course, with Marshame cherries and a variety of cake.

The guests were then favored, with several classical piano solos, rendered by Misses Annie Baucknight, Lee Plummer and Armor McGregor.

All voted this as being the most delightful meeting of the Beau Not Club.

Those present were: Misses Lee Plummer, Georgia Vaughan, Kate Guion, Ellie Ward, Mae Johnston, Mamie Gregory, Armor McGregor, Lois Crews, Florence Westbrook, Bula Bealle, Annie Baucknight and Mrs. Harry Thomson.

### MISS DELIA DAY ENTERTAINS.

Miss Delia Day contributed one of the most delightful, though

strictly informal doings to the week's gaiety by giving a delightful "Whist" party Friday night.

No invitations were issued, simply the phone used to call up a few friends to "come and play Whist," and there was no attempt at decorations, just the crystals and proclaines of the handsome home were filled with fresh spring posies that seemed to harmonize with the charming interior, and which gave spicy odor in keeping with the go and gayety of the card games, and in the dainty lunch which was served at the close of the games. That this hostess believes in living to eat instead of eating to live was proven by the elegant lunch that was served, which consisted of sliced tongue, potato chips, pickles, tomatoes with mayonaise dressing, cheese and lettuce sandwiches and ice tea.

Those who had the pleasure of this pleasant evening of "Whist" were: Misses Estelle Underwood, Neil Guion, Mae Penn, Beatrice Hope and Messrs. Thad Thompson, R. G. Bogle, Eugene Risser, Fred Crook, and Tom Grace.

### MRS. A. S. LOVE ENTERTAINS.

One of the interesting and graceful events of the week was given complimentary to the Ladies' Aid of the Ninth Street Baptist Church by Mrs. A. S. Love, Friday afternoon, when she entertained this Society in her usual charming way. The hostess artistic home being in perfect harmony with the affair.

Clusters of beautiful flowers filled the crystal vases, and through the lace curtains, the spring sunbeams peeped. Every one present seemed attuned to pleasure, and the greatest enjoyment prevailed in the informality of reception and the congeniality of converse. Most delicious refreshments, of fruit, ice cream and cake was served.

All made their adieux with gracious thanks to their charming hostess for a most delightful afternoon.

Those present were: Messdames H. E. Preston, B. C. Kirk, J. W. Powell, L. E. Bair, J. H. Patterson, A. H. Glasscock, W. G. Bair, W. B. Ray, W. H. Bean, Tom Schaffer, J. F. Lusk, E. C. Moore, Forest Futch, Ed Futch, S. H. Perkins, Lee Norman, Z. J. Amerson, S. J. Carpenter, W. H. Williams, Madden, Adams, of Ennis and Miss Alpha Caperton.

### AN UNIQUE ENTERTAINMENT.

Monday night at the pretty home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sayle, Miss Minnie Lewis, our primary teacher, who is endowed with a rare charm and manner, entertained a few of her friends in a most unique and delightful manner.

Upon the arrival of the guests the young ladies were presented with an elegant bunch of sweet violets, which were to be used as "sweets to the sweet" (?) by the young ladies, in buying the handsome gentlemen, who amidst screams of laughter and merriment, were auctioned off by Mr. Sayle to the highest bidders.

Mr. Sayle proved to be very proficient as an auctioneer, as he readily got rid of all this old rubbish which God made for men, and Mr. Sayle really passed them as such.

Each young man was then given a hat and flowers, lace, ribbons and feathers with which to test their skill as milliners and when the hats were completed, to be presented to the young ladies to whom they belonged, by right of purchase from the auctioneer.

The most artistic hat proved to be that of Mr. Doss, and for his efforts and talents was presented with a beautiful box of bachelorette buttons.

"Forty Two" was then played and after several intensely interesting and spirited games, the tables were spread with dainty laces and most luscious strawberry cream and cake was served.

The remainder of the evening was very pleasantly spent with music furnished by Misses Bertha Rasbury, Griffin and Mamie Kidd of Talpa.

Those who were honored and had the pleasure of this most novel and enjoyable affair were: Misses Ethel Truly, Mamie Kidd, Maurice Truly, Bertha Rasbury, Goodwin, McCallum, Baker, Hamilton, Young, Katie Belle Gregory, Mamie Gregory, Messrs J. T. Lawrence, Dick Thorpe, Ralph Erwin, Eugene Risser, Doss, Fred Oliver, Carrol, Ever Hardgrave, Tom Watkins, Buck Shields and Fred Crook.

### MRS. D. REEDER ENTERTAINS.

One of the pretty and pleasant card doings of the week end, was given by Mrs. D. Reeder, Friday afternoon, when she delightfully entertained the "Five Hundred" Club at her elegant home on Eighth Street, which was daintily dressed up with blossoms that wafted a fragrant caress from Fair Spring. The game "Five Hundred" was very effectively scored and given a merry chase for three hours, when a choice ice course was served.

The high score was made by Mrs. Ira Hobby.

Those who had the pleasure of enjoying Mrs. Reeder's hospitality were: Messdames Ralph Risser, Bob Bennett, Geo. Holmen, Ira Hobby, Will Penn; Misses Neil Guion and Hermia Smith.

### WALLIS-SIMMS.

The friends of the contracting parties were surprised to learn last Friday that Dr. R. C. Wallis and Miss Lottie Simms had been quietly married in El Paso last Wednesday. Most every one looked for the marriage soon, but were not quite expecting the event to occur at the time it did. Dr. Wallis left here the Sunday previous, and after a stop in Austin, proceeded to El Paso, where Mrs. Wallis was engaged as a teacher in the public schools of that city. They reached home last Monday, and were met at the train by several relatives and friends, who accompanied them to their home.

Yesterday, Mrs. O. K. Phillips, a sister of the bride, tendered them a reception at their home, where the happy couple received the congratulations of numerous friends.

The groom is perhaps one of the best known, and most highly esteemed citizens of Rockdale. He has lived here for nearly twenty years, and has a large number of friends all over the county. A few months ago he left us to make his home in Ballinger.—Rockdale Reporter.

### BALLINGER CLUBS.

Ballinger holds a full hand of clubs these spring days and new ones are to follow, which is another evidence that our town is still growing and will likely do some interesting social stunts.

We have now with us the "Mystic Weavers," "Beau Nots," "Five Hundred Club," "Sans Pariel," "Terpsichorian Club," "Azelia Club," "Gentleman Social Club," "Shakespeare Club" and several study clubs.

The Banner-Leader has been fairly showered this week with social affairs, some of which, coming in too late for this issue, will be held over till next week.

### WEDDING ON VALLEY CREEK.

Mrs. Maud Rudder and Henry Walters were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Gaston, on Valley Creek, Wednesday evening at four thirty o'clock. Judge R. S. Griggs went out and performed the ceremony in the presence of a large number of friends.

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## HOT WEATHER

## FURNITURE TALK

We are not crowding the season nor do we want the season to crowd us, hence we are ready for hot weather with a nice line of things you must have to make summer weather pleasant. How about an ice box? We handle the

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The old timers know what we sell and we invite the new comers to come and see our store. No trouble to show goods and quote prices. Call on the big exclusive furniture store on Hutchins Avenue opposite the Court House.

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**SHERIFF'S SALE.**  
The State of Texas,  
County of Rannels.

By virtue of a certain Alias Execution issued out of the Honorable Justice Court of Precinct No. 1 of Brown County Texas, on the 6th day of March 1909, by G. B. Cross, Justice Peace Precinct No. 1 of Brown County Texas, against J. W. Habermacher, J. P. Ash and W. F. Borders for the sum of Two hundred Dollars (\$200.00) and costs of suit, in cause No. 4235 in said Court, styled Jackson-Hughes & Co., a corporation, versus J. W. Habermacher, J. B. Ash and W. F. Borders and placed in my hands for service, I, J. P. Flynt as Sheriff of Rannels County, Texas, did, on the 1st day of April 1909, levy on certain real estate, situated in Rannels County, described as follows, to wit:

Being all of the David Tabor Survey No. 14 Abstract No. 850 Patented to David Tabor April 8th 1856 Pat. No. 342, Vol. No. 18 containing 160 acres of land. The part herein conveyed being the

entire David Tabor Survey, save and except one acre of land conveyed to the County Judge of Rannels County, Texas for a schoolhouse site, said David Tabor survey described by metes and bounds as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a point 900 varas W. of the N. E. corner of survey No. 510 Wharton County school land stone mound a mesquite bears S. 30 degrees W. 41 varas, thence west 950 varas, stone mound thence N. 950 varas to stone mound, thence E. 950 varas ending on top of mountain, thence S. 950 varas to Baney's stone marked X. The same is situated on the waters of Elm Creek a tributary to the Colorado river, about 17 1-2 miles north 28 degrees East from the town of Rannels.

And levied upon as the property of said J. W. Habermacher. And on Tuesday, the 4th day of May, 1909, at the Court House door of Rannels County in the town of Ballinger, Texas, between the hours of ten a. m. and four p. m. I will sell said property at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said J. W. Habermacher, by virtue of said levy and said judgment.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Banner-Leader, a newspaper published in Rannels County.

Witness my hand, this the 1st day of April, 1909.

J. P. FLYNT,  
Sheriff of Rannels County Texas.  
By J. A. DEMOVILL,  
Deputy.

**SHERIFF'S SALE.**  
The State of Texas,  
County of Rannels.

By virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Rannels County on the 7th day of April, 1909, by R. A. Terry, Clerk of said court, against J. T. Willis, H. A. Montgomery and C. B. Johnson for the sum of \$509.60 with interest on \$463.46 thereon from the 15th day of March 1909 at the rate of 10 per cent per annum, and on \$46.34 from said date at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, and cost of suit, in cause No. 998 in said Court, styled Mrs. Virginia Phillips Versus J. T. Willis et al., and placed in my hands for service, I, J. P. Flynt as Sheriff of Rannels County, Texas, did on the 8th day of April 1909, levy on certain real estate situated in Rannels County described as follows, to wit:

Being Lots No. 7 and No. 8, Block A, in the Trout Addition to the town of Crews, Rannels County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of said C. B. Johnson.

And on Tuesday, the 4th day of May, 1909, at the Court House in the town of Ballinger, Texas between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. I will sell said real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said C. B. Johnson by virtue of said levy and said order of sale.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Banner-Leader, a newspaper published in Rannels County.

Witness my hand, this the 6th day of April, 1909.

J. P. FLYNT,  
Sheriff of Rannels County Texas.  
By JNO. B. PARKS,  
Deputy.

**SHERIFF'S SALE.**  
The State of Texas,  
County of Rannels.

By virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Rannels County on the 7th day of April 1909, by R. A. Terry, Clerk of said Court against W. H. Trout for the sum of \$1591.83 and against the said W. H. Trout, T. P. Weathered, S. L. Hick and C. A. Parker for the foreclosure of Vendor lien on the hereinafter described property and costs of suit in cause No. 979 in said Court, styled H. Giesecke vs W. H. Trout, T. P. Weathered, S. L. Hicks and C. A. Parker and placed in my hands for service, I, J. P. Flynt as Sheriff of Rannels County, Texas, did, on the 7th day of April, 1909, levy on certain real estate, situated in Rannels County, described as follows, to wit:

160 acres known as the Southeast quarter of survey No. 19, abstract 446 originally granted to the Southern Pacific Railway Company by virtue of certificate No. 16, 213 and patented to W. J. Hutchens, assignee, April 8th 1873, patent No. 426, Volume 6, said southeast quarter, being described by metes and bounds as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the original S. E. corner of said Survey No. 19, thence west S. B. line of same 954 varas stake for corner, thence east 954 varas, stone mound E. B. line of the survey for the N. E. corner of this tract, thence south 990 2-3 varas to the place of beginning, situated in Rannels County Texas.

And levied upon as the property of said Defendants, W. H. Trout, T. P. Weathered, S. L. Hicks and C. A. Parker.

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**A. S. LYON, Prop.**

## Social Events of the Week

Continued from Fifth Page

... of a few friends and the members of the two families.

Mr. Walters is the son of J. L. Walters of Concho, and is a deserving young man. The bride has been living in Rannels for several years and Mr. Walters is to be congratulated on capturing her as his bride.

### MADAMS J. F. CURRIE AND J. O. ROOTS ENTERTAIN.

One of the most pleasant and enjoyable events that has been chronicled in many days, was a picnic given by Mesdames J. F. Currie and J. O. Roots. The guests were invited to meet these ladies at a certain place on Elm creek, near Rannels, at nine o'clock Wednesday morning, and each guest was requested to bring a fishing pole.

The hostess had everything in readiness for the reception of their guests, who arrived promptly on time.

The morning was devoted to angling the finny tribe. Mrs. John Weeks proved to be the champion fisherwoman, having caught the longest string of trout. When the sound of the twelve o'clock whistles of our great manufacturers was borne to them, dinner was announced, which consisted of hot "Hopkins County Stew," made by Mrs. J. O. Roots, and other tempting vi-

ands. After the elegant dinner had been given ample justice, the guests were entertained with games of "Forty-Two," and "Five Hundred," and were refreshed all during the afternoon with delicious fruit punch. Old Sol then gave warning for time of departure, and all were homeward bound with a unanimous expression that this was the most pleasant day that was ever spent, and voting Madams Currie and Roots as ideal hostesses. Those who attended were Mesdames J. Y. Pearce, H. Winkler, J. O. Roots, H. Zadaril, Oscar Pearson, Jose, H. Giesecke, J. G. Douglass, I. Vaneil, Dan Moser, E. L. Hager, John Weeks, M. A. Traylor, C. P. Shepard, Will Dunlap, J. F. Currie, Robinson. Misses Buela Bealle, Dosa Suhre, Georgia Vaughn, Alice Morgan, Annie Van Doran.

### SANS PAREIL CLUB.

The members of the Sans Pareil club, which has recently organized, met with Miss Blanche Baker, Wednesday afternoon, to perfect the plans of the club, elect officers, etc.

The object of the club is one of pleasure.

A meeting will be held every two weeks to play cards, and occasionally large receptions, dances and banquets will be given. In other words it is to be strictly a social club, with a limited membership of fourteen.

The club colors are white and gold, and they are to have chips of gold with white monograms.

The officers are to be elected by ballot every six months. The following officers were elected for the present term: President Miss Neil Guion; Secretary, M. Hermia Smith; Treasurer, M. Katie Ray Ward. At the close of the meeting, the hostess served delicious fruit cream with wafers. The first social meeting will be held two weeks hence with Miss Delia Day.

Those who are members of the Sans Pareil Club are: Miss Neil Guion, Irene Guion, K. Guion, Katie Ray Ward, El Ward, Mae Penn, Hattie Hutt, Evadney Cady, Delia Day, I. telle Underwood, Blanche Baker, Louise Orgain and Herm Smith.

### AN ENJOYABLE DANCE.

The dance given Wednesday night by the Terpsichorean Club was as smart a little dance as has been given this season, and was enjoyed by about twenty couples.

An orchestra which sent for its sweetest strains and gaye airs for the dances were carried in souvenir of the event. The young ladies were in the daintiest lingerie frocks with fluttering ribbons and filmy laces.

The dancers were chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. U. P. Melton.

Those present were: Misses Louise Orgain, Blanche Baker, Katie Ray Ward, Ellie Ward, Neil Guion, Katie Guion, Helen Crosson, Estelle Underwood, Mary Glascock, Lee Plumer, Do-

## CITY COURT

### WINS CASE

Thee Smith Convicted for Selling Liquor to Minor. First Case of Kind for City Court

Charge was recently filed in the City Court against Thee Smith for selling whiskey to one Odie Clawson, a minor. Mr. Smith denied the charge and employed Judge Jno. I. Guion and Chas. E. Dickinson to fight the case. The case was called for trial Wednesday evening and consumed the entire evening to 12 o'clock at night. When the jury brought in a verdict of guilty and fixed the penalty at \$25 and costs, which will amount to about \$50.

W. E. Sayle represented the city and the case was a hard fought legal battle.

This is the first case of the kind that has come before the City Court. We failed to learn whether Mr. Smith will accept the verdict as final or whether he will appeal.

The jury was composed of W. L. Ellis, George Allen, B. T. Dowson, A. F. Voss, S. P. Stone, and Scott H. Mack.

sia Suhre, Hattie Hutton, Mae Johnson, Cobb, Florence Westbrook, Delia Day, Lois Crews Messrs. Leon Ward, Hamil Ward, Jimmie Morgan, Cecil Glenn, Arthur Wilson, Kleberg, Percy Davis of Miles, Herman Travers, Alex Saunders, Thad Thompson, Claud Stone, Alfred Luckett of Miles, Ivan Hamilton, Shaw, Jim Grant, Bob Stanton, David Guion, Eugene Risser, Victor Miller, Clinton

## SCHOOL BOARD

### PUSHING MATTERS

Will Issue \$10,000 Bonds and Build Two New Buildings

The trustees of the Balingier Independent School District are getting down to business. They met Monday and canvassed the election returns and found same to be in favor of the school bonds. They will get all necessary papers and submit them to the attorney general for his approval, and will issue and float sufficient bonds to build two school buildings; one in South Balingier and one somewhere in the western part of the city. It is their purpose to build two \$4000 buildings and furnish them. This will require the issuance of \$10,000 worth of bonds, which the board will do.

The board discussed the present financial condition of the school and plans for running the school the full term. The funds are about exhausted and unless the board succeeds in collecting up the delinquent taxes, the school will probably be supported by subscription and the full term taught out.

While in session the board ordered the election for the levy of the maintenance tax and fixed the date for this election. The maintenance tax will be 35c on the hundred dollars, which is 5c lower than the old rate. The election will be held on April 24.

### DEATH OF MRS. M. A. LAXSON.

Mrs. M. A. Laxson died at her home on Eleventh Street, Wednesday evening, where she and her son Hatton had been living for several years. Mrs. Laxson was sick only a few days, the cause of her death perhaps being due to the fact that she had ached that age where she was at strong enough to combat the disease of the body.

Mrs. Laxson was born on Sept. 1, 1838, and had lived a life of usefulness and Christianity. She had raised a family of two girls and four boys, all of whom were present at the funeral. The four boys all live in Balingier, P. K.

B. Mike and Hatton. The three former are married while Hatton has been making his home with his mother. One of her daughters, Mrs. Jim Bigby, accompanied by Mr. Bigby, came from Garden City, and reached here the night before Mrs. Laxson died. The other daughter, Mrs. Hunt, and her husband, arrived on the noon train from Hamilton, yesterday, just before the funeral.

Mrs. Laxson was a member of the Baptist church, and her life was that of a true Christian woman. The funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. Z. Amerson, and the remains were interred in the Ballinger cemetery yesterday evening.

The Leader joins the many friends of the families in extending sympathy to the bereaved ones.

### BIG RABBIT HUNT NEXT WEEK.

W. E. Allen Invites His Friends to Take Part in Big Rabbit Drive in His Pasture.

If plans being made are successfully carried out there will be several hundred less rabbits in Rannels county after the close of Wednesday, April 21st, than there is now. Arrangements are being made for a big drive in the W. E. Allen pasture west of Balingier, and all lovers of such sport, and all others who wish to come are invited to take part.

Several very successful rabbit drives were pulled off last spring when the rabbit population was reduced several thousand, but this is the first for the present year, and the territory where the drive will take place is well stocked with rabbits and the occasion will no doubt furnish sport for those who participate. Remember the date, and be on hand with your repeating shot gun and plenty of ammunition.

### 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.

## Have You Seen those New Oxfords at McG's

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## TWO MILLIONS IN TEXAS LAND

Kansas City Corporations Invest in Pecos County Land

Kansas City, Mo., April 13.—

Two million dollars have been paid out by corporations having headquarters in Kansas City for Pecos County lands within the last eighteen months. Pecos county is the second largest county in Texas, and the tracks of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient railroad will pass through it. Fort Stockton is the present county seat, and there the Orient railroad expects to establish a division point and build shops.

F. A. Hornbrook, land commissioner of the Orient, acting for Kansas City investors, was the first purchaser of land in Pecos county. He bought 25,000 acres. A company is spending \$250,000 to irrigate the land, most of which already has been sold to settlers. One Kansas City concern bought \$650,000 worth of land, and will place it under irrigation. Still another company bought the "Seven D" and the Rooney irrigated ranch and full water rights of the Comanche Creek Springs and will place about 30,000 acres under irrigation. Many homeseekers are settling in Pecos county.

### MAYOR HOFFER LEAVES BALLINGER.

Mayor Hoffer presided over the council meeting yesterday evening, and after swearing in Mayor Kirk, he started out to tell his many friends goodbye and left on the three-thirty train for Austin, where he will visit his mother. He will take a short vacation before settling down again and will visit relatives in different places in the State. Mr. Hoffer does not know what business he will engage in, or where he will locate, but we regret to say that he has left Ballinger. It is possible and very probable that Mr. Hoffer will return to Ballinger, and he will find a hearty welcome any time he might return.

## Church Announcements

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

### NINTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m., and at 8 p. m. Morning subject: "Dives Put on Trial." Evening subject: "Where Art Thou." Our revival meeting begins Sunday morning, which will continue two weeks. Rev. Street of Mineola will be with us from Wednesday to close of meeting. Prayer praise services will begin promptly each night at 8 o'clock. Come early and get the full benefit of all services.

### At the Methodist Church next Sunday.—Sunday school at 9:45.

The delegates to the Waco conference will make their report, and give us echoes from that great conference. Preaching at 11 a. m. Subject, "The man that is worse than an Infidel." Come see who he is. Be sure to meet with the Leaguers. The Juniors at 3 p. m., and the Seniors at 4 o'clock; they are doing good work. Preaching at 8 o'clock. Subject, "What will become of the heathen that never heard the Gospel, and what will become of the man who hears and does not obey." To all these services you will have a hearty welcome. Special music. Come and hear our choir sing.

### EIGHTH STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The usual services will be held at this church next Sunday. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Every member urged to be present and on time.

The pastor will preach at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Morning subject: "Sodom, Capernaum and Ballinger." Evening subject: "Two German Questions." Special music will be furnished by the choir at both services.

Everybody cordially invited to attend.

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

## Want Column

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

Gray hairs won't come ten years ahead of regular schedule time if you solve your little worries in the Want Ad way—an advertising column for the little wants.

The day you neglected to read the Want Ads you "dropped a stitch"—probably the stitch that would have "saved nine".

FOR SALE—Ten acre choice fruit land in South Balingier, also three houses and lots in West End and other properties at a low bargain. See E. A. Bean, Ballinger, Texas. 26 6t-H

PIANO—Good \$300 upright piano for sale for \$75 cash, or will trade for gentle young horse. Dr. T. L. Todd, Maverick, Texas. 3t

LOST—Coin purse with Jno. F. Drew name on outside, containing 25 cents. Finder keep money and return purse to Leader office.

WANTED TO BUY—A medium sized roller top desk, in good condition. Address Roper & McGregor, Winters, Texas. 2t H

WATCH LOST—Open face silver watch, Elgin movements, leather fob. Finder return to Green Nixon. 2t H

FOR TRADE—a New Century type writer in good condition for city property. See F. D. George at the Hub.

BOARD AND ROOMS—Reasonable rates apply at Mrs. Mack Smith on Ninth Street.

LOST—Pair 8 or 9 inch pliers, liberal reward for return to Leader Office.

## We Offer Specials for Next Week Commencing Monday, April 19th

- 10 in. Standard Talking Machine Records.....33c
- 9 in. scissors nickle plt. 19c
- Razors worth \$1.25 for 71c
- 10 qt. milk pail (with strainer).....25c
- 2 boxes 22 sh. cartridges smokeless for.....25c
- Nos. 1 and 2 chimneys.....5c
- Mennen's and Colgates Talcum Powder, box 14c
- Vaseline, plain and carbolated, bottle.....3c
- 7 spools best thread.....25c
- 8 bars Clairess soap.....29c
- Screen door hinges and Springs, each.....5c
- 33 Fish Hooks for.....5c
- Good fish poles, each.....5c
- 10 ft. minnow seine for 90c

- Good rubber tipped lead pencils for.....1c
- Suit cases reg. 1.50 kind 1.05
- 2 bars Grandpa's soap large size.....15c
- Finck's belt pants (with stripe).....89c
- Colgate's Shaving Soap.....4c
- Shinola, per box.....8c
- Nice Rugs and Art Squares very cheap.
- Canvassing worth 5c at 4 1/2c
- Ralston Oxfords in green wine and tan.....\$4.00
- Julia Marlowe oxfords in wine, tan, blacks, latest styles up to.....3.45
- Oil cloth, 1 wk. only, yd. 14c
- Stetson hats cheap at.....\$4.50
- Loaded shells, per box.....45c

### WILL BUY HOME.

Judge J. B. Wade, who recently formed a partnership with Judge B. B. Stone and moved to Ballinger, will buy a home as soon as he can find something for sale that suits him. At present Judge and Mrs. Wade are rooming at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Terry and taking their meals at the Massey hotel.

Mrs. Geo. Perce, nee Miss Francis Cady, is here from Fort Worth on a visit to her father, H. A. Cady. Mrs. Pearce was always a favorite in social circles and it was with deep regret that her many friends gave her up when she moved from here, and she is indeed welcomed home, even on a visit, with outstretched arms by all.

Mrs. E. L. Raspberry will leave Saturday for Marlin, where she will remain for the benefit of her health.

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**THE CAMPBELLS  
ARE COMING**

**Governor Campbell Accepts Invitation to  
Visit Ballinger this Summer**

Jo Wilmeth, R. W. Bruce and Judge M. C. Smith are at home from Austin, where they went to present Ballinger's claim for the West Texas State Normal. They have nothing to give out, as there is nothing to give out until the locating committee takes up the work and goes over the applications that have been filed. The law relative to locating the Normal does not go into effect until June 12th, and the committee will not take any action until after that date.

While in Austin the Ballinger committee extended to Governor Campbell an invitation to visit Ballinger this summer, which he accepted, and stated that he would be here unless death or some unavoidable accident prevented. It has been suggested that Ballinger celebrate her 23rd anniversary, which will be June 29th, and that we have Gov. Campbell here on that date. In fact this is the date he said he would come on. He stated to the committee that he would certainly be here, as he wanted to meet the Ballinger people and express his appreciation shown him by the large crowd that greeted him at the depot as he passed through here last summer.

Staple and fancy groceries at rock bottom prices.  
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Mrs. Homer Alexander is visiting friends in Brownwood this week. She returned home with her brother, Maurice, who was here on a visit last Sunday.

**NEW CITY OFFICERS  
TAKE SEATS**

The city council held a short session yesterday evening and adjourned to give some of the aldermen an opportunity to attend the funeral of Mrs. M. A. Laxson.

The minutes for the previous meeting were read and approved. City health officer, Dr. Blasdel, was allowed \$25 for waiting on the old lady who got her leg broken here several months ago, and who was in destitute circumstances.

An order was passed transferring \$200 from the general fund to the street and bridge fund to take up a deficiency in the street and bridge fund.

The new officers were sworn in and Mayor Hoffer turned his seat over to Mayor Kirk.

A motion was made and carried to extend, in the form of suitable resolutions, the thanks of the council to the retiring Mayor, and the attorney and secretary were instructed to draft such resolutions.

Mayor Kirk in accepting the office requested that the board assist him in every way possible and co-operate with him in looking after the best interests of the city.

The retiring mayor, Mr. Hoffer, thanked the other members of the board for their kindness and courtesies during the administration and asked the board to back up his successor and to assist him in his work.

**A Healing Salve For Burns Chapped Hands and Sore Nipples.**

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.

**SUE  
ELECTION VALID**

**Says Attorney General. Full Amount Will be Issued, and Half Sold.**

Judge M. C. Smith is at home from Austin where he went to appear before the court of appeals in a case and also as a member of the normal committee. While at Austin he called on the attorney general and explained to him the status of the recent bond issue election and secured the attorney general's opinion on same. In an interview with the Leader Judge Smith says, "The election of the \$20,000 worth of school bonds is valid. The attorney general says he will approve same if they are presented to his department in proper form. The people voted for that amount and the trustees have no discretion in the amount to be issued. Indeed an order for a less amount would be invalid, the election having been ordered for a given or stated sum, which carried by a majority vote, the trustees could not lawfully enter an order for one cent less. The Attorney General has been fully advised of the election and of the result, even to the minutest details, and the department has furnished the trustees with proper forms of all necessary orders and of the bonds to be issued which calls for \$20,000.

"Of course, after the issuance and approval of the bonds, the trustees may, in their discretion, negotiate same, from time to time, in such amounts as in their judgment, necessity demands. The bonds, however, will not draw interest until they are negotiated. To the end that the people may be fully informed as to the true status of the matter, as to what will be done, you may say to them that this statement is but the echo of the attorney general's department." So says Judge Smith.

**J. W. CLAMPITT MAY HAVE  
GOLD MINE**

J. W. Clampitt who owns considerable land six miles southwest of town, was displaying a piece of ore he picked up on his farm a few days ago. The ore had the appearance of containing both gold and copper and was very heavy. Mr. Clampitt said he picked it up on top of the ground, its appearance being so different from the other surface rock that it attracted his attention.

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**Will Build Additional Room By Private  
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While we have been advocating the bond issue and everything possible is being done to relieve the crowded condition of our schools, we must not overlook the little tots, whose preparation for the public school is so important.

We are informed that the Kindergarten school under the management of Miss Frank Baker has grown to the point to where she must have more room or turn the little children away. The patrons of the school can not afford to let this be done, and a move is on foot to provide more room. J. A. Weeks has called on a number of the patrons and they have subscribed liberally towards making the necessary improvements, and we understand that Miss Baker will give an entertainment sometime in the near future and the proceeds will go towards the betterment of the school. A nice Kindergarten school building would be a credit to our town and add a great deal towards the upbuilding of educational interest in the town. Those wishing to help in the matter are requested to see J. A. Weeks at the Walker Drug Co. as he has the subscription list started and any amount will be gladly received.

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- BLOOD POISON
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- URINARY DISEASES

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**REVIVAL MEETING.**

Revival meeting at the Street Baptist church will next Sunday morning at 11 a. m. The pastor will begin meeting and continue it until Tuesday night at which time H. H. Street of Mineola, will take charge of the services. The meeting will continue two weeks. The house will be opened so as to accommodate at 300 and it is earnestly requested that all these seats will be every night. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend and take part in these services. Rev. Z. J. Amerson filled regular appointment Sunday at Spring Hill. Although a sand storm was raging and congregation met him. At the close of the service took a collection for Home Foreign Missions, which amounted to \$5. This collection was appreciated all the more because it was given cheerfully. loves a cheerful giver."

**SNEAK THIEF  
MAKES VISIT**

**Stals Harness and Feed From Different Citizens. No Clue Left**

Thieves don't visit Ballinger very often, and it is seldom we are called upon to chronicle their visits, but the thief, or thieves were here last Saturday night, and from the work they done it seems that they are members of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and were out on the night above mentioned in the interest of their animals. J. L. McWhirter had just laded in a supply of meal and hulls for "Old Speck," and had used one feed from the supply. When he went to feed Sunday morning he found that his supply of feed had mysteriously disappeared. W. A. Tally lost a sack of oats the same night and C. B. Armstrong lost a set of harness. The thief made a nice job of the work and left no clue as to his identity.

**NEW INSURANCE AGENCY.**

Lee Maddox, who severed his connections with the Lee Maddox & Co. Insurance Agency a couple of weeks ago, has opened an office in the front end of the building occupied by the Crews Furniture Co. and is out after the insurance business again. He has been in the insurance business so long that the temptation to get back was too strong for him. This gives Ballinger five insurance agents and if a man gets his property destroyed without fire insurance it is his own fault.

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**GUN CLUB SHOOT.**

The score in the practice shoot of the Ballinger Gun Club on Tuesday evening was as follows:

- Scott, 25.
- Flynt, 23.
- Dunlap, 25.
- Hull, 21.
- Ward, 22.
- Godwin, 24.
- Stuart, 17.
- Patterson, 21.
- Hollingsworth, 18.
- Armstrong, 16.
- Olliver, 15.

The Club has two additions, in the persons of James Flynt and J. W. Godwin, who give promise of being able to shoot up with the best in the club, and if these gentlemen continue as in the past with their good scores the Club will challenge any Club of amateur shooters in the State

**GOES TO BEDSIDE OF DYING MOTHER.**

Rev. J. D. Leslie left Tuesday afternoon for Covington, Tenn., in response to a telegram bearing the sad intelligence that his mother was dying.

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**SHERIFF'S SALE.**  
State of Texas,  
County of Runnels.  
In the Justice Court of Pre-  
cinct Number One, Runnels  
County, Texas.

The Currie Noyes Co., Plaintiff,  
vs  
A. J. Gadbury & C. S. Woodward  
Defendants.

Whereas by virtue of an execu-  
tion issued out of the Justice  
Court of Precinct No. One, Run-  
nels County, Texas, on a judg-  
ment rendered in said Court on  
the 26th day of October, A. D.,  
1908, in favor of the said The  
Currie Noyes Company against  
A. J. Gadbury and C. S. Wood-  
ward, Number 772, on the docket  
of said Court, I did on the 1st  
day of April, A. D., 1909 at 9:30  
O'Clock A. M., levy upon the fol-  
lowing described traets and par-  
cels of land situated in the Coun-  
ty of Runnels, State of Texas,  
and belonging to the said C. S.  
Woodward to wit:

All that certain tract or par-  
cel of land situated in Runnels  
County, Texas, and being out of  
Lot No. 2, a subdivision of Block  
F. of the Thomas Largent Sur-  
vey, No. 366, Abstract No. 367,  
and more particularly described  
as follows to wit: Beginning at a  
stake in the West Line of Hamil-  
ton Street at its intersection with  
the North Line of Block F. of  
said Largent Survey No. 366,  
Thence N. 60 W. with said North  
Line of said Block F. to the N. E.  
Cor. of Lot No. 2, Block F.;  
Thence S. 30 W. with the East  
Line of Lot No. 1 Block F. and  
the West Line of Lot No. 2  
Block F. 1060 feet to a stake in  
said line; Thence South 60 West  
to a stake 50 feet N. 60 W. from  
the S. E. Cor. of Lot No. 7,  
Block No. 11, Woodward Hts.  
Addition to Ballinger and in the  
West Line of Hamilton Street;  
Thence No. 30 E. with said line  
of Hamilton Street 1060 feet to  
the place of beginning. Levied  
on as property of C. S. Wood-  
ward, on the 1st. day of April,

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house out of lumber  
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posts, etc.

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Lumber  
Company**

A. D., 1909, same being the first  
Tuesday of said month, between  
the hours of 10 O'Clock A. M.  
and 4 O'Clock P. M. on said day,  
at the court house door of said  
county, I will offer for sale and  
sell at public auction for cash  
all the right, title and interest of  
the said C. S. Woodward in and  
to said property.

Dated at Ballinger, Texas, this  
3rd day of April A. D. 1909.  
B. W. PILCHER,  
Constable Precinct No. One  
Runnels County, Texas.

**SHERIFF'S SALE.**  
The State of Texas,  
County of Runnels,

By virtue of a certain order  
of sale issued out of the Honora-  
ble District Court of Runnels  
County on the 8th day of April,  
1909, by R. A. Terry Clerk of  
said Court in favor of R. P. Pen-  
ny, plaintiff, against Hugh Hinds  
for the sum of One Hundred Sixty  
and 40-100 (\$160.40) and costs of  
suit, in cause No. 981 in said  
Court, styled R. P. Penny vs.  
Hugh Hinds, J. B. Barrett, Rach-  
el Barrett, Bettie Barrett, Matil-  
da Barrett, James Barrett, and  
Dee Barrett, defendants, and  
against all of the said defendants  
for the foreclosure of Vendors  
Lien on the hereinafter described  
tract of land and placed in my  
hands for service, I, J. P. Flynt  
as Sheriff of Runnels County,  
Texas, did, on the 8th day of  
April 1909, levy on certain real  
estate, situated in Runnels Coun-  
ty, described as follows, to wit:

Being four and one-fourth  
acres of land a part of the Dol-  
phin Floyd survey, No. 518, ab-  
stract No. 93, being out of a fifty  
and one-fourth acre tract in said  
Floyd survey, conveyed to S. L.  
Penny by W. H. Mullins and wife  
said 4 1/4 acres being bounded  
as follows:

Beginning at the S. E. corner  
of said 50 1/4 acre tract; thence  
west 65 1-3 varas to stake for S.  
W. corner of this tract; thence  
north 368 varas to a stake for  
corner; thence east 65 1-3 varas  
to S. W. corner of Grave yard  
Lot; thence south 368 varas to  
place of beginning; and levied  
upon as property of said defend-  
ants.

And on Tuesday, the 4th day  
of May 1909, at the Court House  
door of Runnels County, in the  
town of Ballinger, Texas, be-  
tween the hours of ten a. m. and  
four p. m. I will sell said land and  
premises at public vendue, for  
cash, to the highest bidder, as  
the property of said defendants  
by virtue of said levy and said  
order of sale.

And in compliance with law, I  
give this notice by publication, in  
the English language, once a  
week for three consecutive weeks  
immediately preceding said day  
of sale, in the Banner-Leader, a  
newspaper published in Runnels  
County.

Witness my hand this 8th day  
of May, 1909.  
J. P. FLYNT,  
Sheriff of Runnels County, Texas.  
By JNO. B. PARKS,  
Deputy.

**SHERIFF'S SALE.**  
The State of Texas,  
County of Runnels.

By virtue of a certain order  
of sale issued out of the Honora-  
ble District Court of Runnels  
County on the 8th day of April  
1909, by R. A. Terry Clerk of  
said court in favor of L. A. Bed-  
ford, plaintiff, against L. A.  
Thomason, for the sum of \$873.45  
and costs of suit, in the consol-  
idated causes, Nos. 967-968, in said  
Court styled L. A. Bedford vs. L.  
A. Thomason, M. E. Harrell, T.  
P. Weathered and M. M. Givens,  
defendants, and against all of  
the defendants for foreclosure of  
first Vendors Lien on the herein-  
after described tract of land, and  
in favor of L. A. Thomason, on  
his cross action, against M. E.  
Harrell for the sum of \$726.25,  
and costs of suit, in said consol-  
idated causes, in said court,  
styled as aforesaid, and in favor  
of said L. A. Thomason against  
the defendants M. E. Harrell, T.  
P. Weathered and M. M. Givens,  
for the foreclosure of a second  
Vendors lien on said land, which  
order of sale was placed in my  
hands for service, I, J. P. Flynt,  
as Sheriff of Runnels County,  
Texas, did, on the 8th day of  
April 1909, levy on certain real  
estate, situated in Runnels Coun-  
ty, described as follows, to wit:

Being 160 acres of land, a part  
of the George Ross survey, No.  
543, patented to George Ross, by  
patent No. 936, vol. 6, dated Dec-  
6th 1854, said 160 acres described  
by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning at the S. E. corner  
of said George Ross survey,  
thence north with east line of said  
Ross survey 1460 varas to a stake  
thence south 75 west 679 varas;

thence south 15 east 1460 varas;  
thence north 75 east 679 varas to  
place of beginning:

Said land levied upon as prop-  
erty of said defendants: And on  
Tuesday, the 4th day of May,  
1909, at the Court House door of  
Runnels County, in the town of  
Ballinger, Texas, between the  
hours of ten a. m. and four p. m.  
I will sell said land and premises  
at public vendue, for cash, to the  
highest bidder as the property  
of said defendants hereinbefore  
named, by virtue of said levy and  
said order of sale.

And in compliance with law, I  
give this notice by publication, in  
the English language, once a  
week for three consecutive weeks  
immediately preceding said day  
of sale, in the Banner-Leader, a  
newspaper published in Runnels  
County.

Witness my hand this the 8th  
day of April 1909.  
J. P. FLYNT,  
Sheriff of Runnels County Texas.  
By JNO. B. PARKS,  
Deputy.

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.

All kinds of fine tissues and  
ostrich plumes, kid slippers, silks  
and tissues made to look as good  
as new.—A. J. Stocklas the Tailor  
and Hatter.

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**See Morehead, the Tailor.**

Pot for your flowers at Kinzers.

Judge J. B. Wade is in Goldthwaite on law business.

Bartlett's Studio is the home of good photographs.

Miss Mary Phillips returned Monday from a visit to friends at San Angelo.

Pos cards for everybody at Kinzers.

I. O. Wooden is in Waco attending the State meeting of the fire boys.

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

Walter Duncan was here from Winters, Wednesday. Mr. Duncan formerly lived at Hylton.

Every phone in Runnels county is connected with phone No. 264. tf

Jumbo ten cent table at Kinzers—see it for bargains.

Mrs. Geo. Spidell went to San Antonio last Monday, where she will visit friends and relatives.

**Live Oak Flour guaranteed, none better.—Miller Mercantile Co.**

New dress goods sold for the least price. W. A. Gustavus & Son.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Voss moved to their new home on Eighth Street, yesterday.

The Sealy makes sleeping easy. Get the Sealy mattress at Ostertag Furniture Co.

**See Morehead, the Tailor.**

Sheriff Maddox, of Concho county, was a visitor to Ballinger yesterday.

Kodak work finished promptly at Bartlett's Studio. tf

Dr. A. S. Love left Saturday for New Orleans, where he will attend medical lectures till the first of May.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Van Pelt and little daughter returned from Mineral Wells, Tuesday, where they had been for the benefit of Mr. Van Pelt's health.

**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. 4t**

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wylie and children returned to their home at San Angelo, Tuesday, after spending several days in Ballinger. They made the trip in their auto.

Purify the blood and put the system in order for summer by using at this time a short course of **Prickly Ash Bitters**; it is the greatest blood purifier on earth. City Drug Store, Special Agts.

A. Schawe and two sons, Ed and Arno, and W. J. Miller are in Gaines county prospecting. Mr. Schawe owns a large body of land in Gaines county, and the boys and Mr. Miller are figuring on taking up a few sections of school land.

Prices are right at Bartlett's Photo Studio. tf



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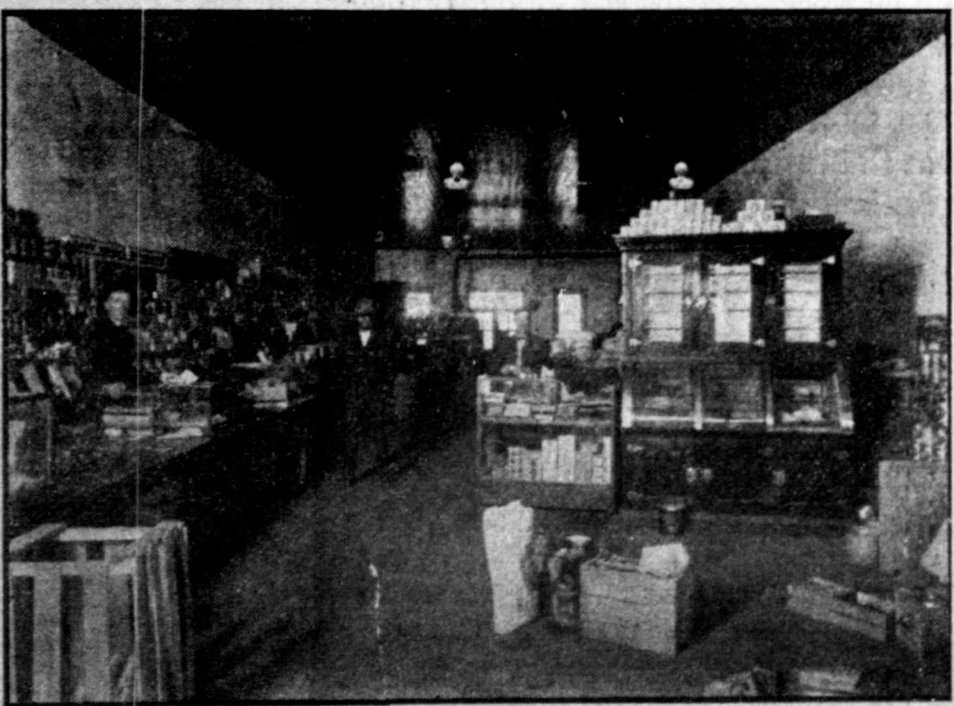
We sell these clothes because we believe they're that kind of clothes; because we want to keep in front. They're the sort of clothes that are a benefit and a profit to everybody concerned; to you who wear them most of all.

If you are in front and want to stay there; or if you want to get there, here are the clothes for it.

This store is the home of Hart Schaffner & Marx clothes.

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## GASH GROCERY CO.



One Price to All.

Miss Pink Jenkins of Amorilla, who has been a charming visitor in our city the past month, returned to her home Friday, accompanied by her aunt, Mrs. N. J. Morgan, who will be away for some time.

**See Morehead, the Tailor.**

Judge B. B. Stone was looking after legal matters in Miles, yesterday.

Mrs. S. E. Butler returned from San Angelo, Monday, where she visited Mrs. Sam Jones.

Mrs. T. M. Osteen, of Bronte, was here this week to attend the wedding of her sister, Miss Mayme Gressett to Platt Straley.

One of the largest stock shoes in Ballinger. W. A. Gustavus & Son.

Holt Smith, manager of the Radford Grocery Co. house will move his family here in a few days and occupy the house being built by Mrs. W. F. Sharp, near her home on the hill.

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

Indigestion is the direct cause of disease that kills thousands of persons annually. Stop the trouble at the start with **Prickly Ash Bitters**; it strengthens the stomach and aids digestion. City Drug Store, Special Agts.

Col. C. L. Morgan, of the Walker Drug Co., visited his daughter in Coleman last Sunday, returning home Monday.

Clubfellow clothing sold by W. A. Gustavus & Son.

Mrs. Bertie LaRu went to Athens, Monday, to spend a week with relatives. She will return home Monday of next week.

Tom Fowler came in from North Texas, Tuesday night, where he has been teaching during the last season.

Judge C. O. Harries returned from Fort Worth, Tuesday, where he had been to represent the Santa Fe in a damage case suit in the district court. The case was continued.

Pants made in six hours—A. J. Stocklas, the Tailor and Hatter.

C. K. Hutton went to Wolf City, last Monday, on business. Mr. Hutton formerly lived in Wolf City, but had not been there for over nine months and he thought it a good idea to go back before his old friends forgot him.

See the Jumbo ten cent table at Kinzers.

Mrs. Mike Boyd went to Brownwood Tuesday to be at the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Will Latham, who is reported dangerously ill.

C. R. Stephens returned from Abilene Monday, where he accompanied Mrs. Stephens on her way to El Paso to be with her sick brother.

O. R. Sellers, formerly of Ballinger, but now a livery stable man of San Angelo, passed through Ballinger Tuesday, en route to South Texas on business.

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

James Cockrell returned to his school at Brownwood, Sunday evening after spending a few days with home folks. His school will be out in about six weeks.

H. Giesecke and T. J. Gardner returned from a prospecting trip out over the Western part of the State, last Sunday. They were looking for some cheap land, where they could plant their money and watch it grow. They were in the fire at Midland, but came out without a scorch.

W. A. Talley, J. R. Lusk and Miss Mary Rutherford are in Waco this week attending the Sunday School convention. They went down Monday evening.

Park Smith and son, David, were here last Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Doose. They returned home on the train Monday.

Miss Emma Bennett will leave this evening for Houston, where she will remain for two or three months preparing herself for the duties of librarian. She has been elected librarian for the new library now being built, and she will be prepared to fill her place when the library is open to the public.

W. H. Harrison, of San Angelo, is here this week, having some improvements made on his property on Eighth street. Mr. Harrison owns the two story building occupied by the McCampbell shoe store and he is having the old awning torn away and a new modern awning put in its place.

Miss Marryatt Smith returned to St. Mary's College in Sunday, after spending a pleasant Easter with Mr. and Mrs. ...