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BALLINGER, TEXAS

WOMAN BOOTLEGGER EXHIBITS BIG ROLL

Gainesville, Texas, April 6.—Francisco Bododa, a Mexican woman, was arrested a few days ago by Sheriff Nat Arnold, charged with selling liquor in "dry" territory. The woman gave out the impression she was a pauper and her appearance fit the part. Consequently the sheriff and other officers were touched in sympathy and their purses were almost touched, for the officers were about to make up a contribution to the woman.

They believed she was totally ignorant of the law or that she had been doing wrong. Then when the men were diving into their pockets for nickles and dimes the prisoner slowly brought to view from recesses of her clothing \$600 in bills.

"See Meester," she said, "please let poor woman put these money in bank. Senor, I have me \$2,250 at home and fear robber men will get it. Let me go there and get it and also put in bank. Please meester"

The "senors" did not increase the poor woman's wealth, but began to envy her.

LIGHT VOTE IN CITY ELECTION

As predicted in yesterday's Ledger, the vote polled in the city election was light. No issue was before the people, and it was merely a matter of personal choice in the casting of votes, and about one-half of the voters of the city seemed to have no choice, and left the election of three aldermen up to the other half of the voters. C. H. Willingham, W. L. Ellis were re-elected and J. A. Weeks was added to the board as a new member. There were 242 votes polled.

Following is the vote polled for each candidate:
L. C. Alexander 64; W. L. Ellis 173; W. C. Jones 143; J. A. Weeks 148; C. H. Willingham 181.

RESULT SAN ANGELO CITY ELECTION

In the city election held at San Angelo Tuesday T. P. Bell was elected mayor by a majority of 314 votes over the present mayor W. T. Bishop. Carroll Bates was elected marshal by 300 majority and Judge Cox was elected city attorney by 280 majority. Dr. Delong and Mr. Noltie were elected aldermen.

FETERITA BOYS

GET FREE SEED

R. W. Bruce has been busy this week collecting money with which to pay Ballinger's prorata of the cost of Feterita seed which are distributed to the members of the Boys' Feterita Club throughout Runnels county. On account of being unable to secure seed at the price the first lot were bought for it was necessary to raise more money.

1481 pounds of seed were purchased from the following parties and at following prices:

- C. H. Willingham, 250 lbs. at 4c.
- J. H. Taylor, 423 lbs. at 3c.
- Aug Vogelsang, 238 lbs. at 4c.
- Radford Grocery Co., 570 lbs. at 5 1-2c.

Following are the contributors to the fund that made up the money with which to buy the seed:

- F. & M. Bank \$2.50, Wade & Doss \$1.00, Ballinger Printing Co. \$1.00, City Barber Shop 50c, Ballinger State Bank and Trust Co. \$1.50, J. W. Powell 50c, A. J. Zappe 50c, Globber Market 50c, U. P. Melton 50c, M. Rosenwasser 25c, R. Reeder \$1.00, First National Bank \$2.50, Walker Drug Co. \$1.00, Cash 50c, City Cafe 50c, Jack Nichols 25c, J. L. McWhirter 25c, Paul Trimmier \$1.00, Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co., \$2.50, Feb McWilliams \$1.00, J. Y. Pearce 50c, Elder & Son 50c, Ballinger Dry Goods Co., 50c, Van Pelt, Kirk and Mack, \$1.00, R. P. Conn 50c, Walker-Smith Co., \$1.00, Hall Hardware Co. \$2.00, H. L. Wendorf 50c, City Drug Store 50c, Winters Commercial Club \$12.50, The Hub \$1.00, C. A. Dooze \$1.00, L. B. Stubbs \$1.00, L. Daugherty 50c, U. E. Hartman 50c, Wm Cannon & Co., Inc. \$1.00, E. L. Hagan 50c, M. Kleberg \$1.00, O. L. Parish \$1.00, Ballinger Lumber Co. \$1.00, F. F. Moore 50c.

H. GIESECKE LETS CONTRACT FOR TWO SILOS

H. Giesecke has let the contract to Chas. Eisenhuth for the erection of two concrete silos on the Osborn farm east of Ballinger. The work is to commence at an early date and the contract calls for two silos of 300 ton capacity each. Mr. Giesecke says since it has been discovered that silos are good for something more than to preserve feed for cattle he will have these equipped with faucets at the bottom, and he hopes his friends will not pass a law prohibiting the use of them.

DEMO. COMMITTEE

TO BE APPOINTED

As per call issued by C.R. Crews, Democratic precinct chairman of Precinct No. 1, the Democratic Executive Committee of Runnels County met at the court house in Ballinger Monday afternoon.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Crews, who stated that object in calling the meeting was for the purpose of electing a county chairman. S. D. Williams was elected temporary chairman and C. R. Crews secretary.

Upon motion Judge J. B. Wade was elected chairman, C. R. Crews permanent secretary by a unanimous vote. By a unanimous vote the chairman and secretary were given power to fill all precinct vacancies by appointing precinct committeemen.

Judge Wade was out of town, but he has agreed to serve as chairman, and as soon as it can be ascertained what precincts have no chairmen, the secretary and county chairman will appoint men for the vacancies. There are quite a number of voting precincts in the county where the chairman has moved to some other precinct in the county or moved out of the county.

Those present were Chairman R. P. Taylor, Precinct 17; J. S. Reese, Precinct 3; S. D. Williams, Precinct 2; J. S. Mills, Precinct 20; C. P. Prewitt, Precinct 10; C. R. Crews, Precinct 1; and a number of visitors.

Some Statistics

From Dallas Town

(From Dallas Dispatch.) One person out of every 80 in Dallas was arrested by the police last month, according to the report of the chief of police.

There were 1,529 persons arrested. They paid \$5,526 in fines. Of this number only 231 were women. The police say \$4,863 was stolen during the month and \$3,278 of this amount recovered.

The police arrested 309 persons for violating of traffic ordinances. Most of these favorites were turned lose when they showed a little card to the arresting officer.

Not counting several hundred people who moved to Dallas last month, from other less desirable places, the population increased 48.

The report of City Health Officer Nash shows that in March, 201 babies were born and only 153 persons died—a natural increase in population of 48.

It's pay in three departments of the city. City Paymaster John Cullom is paying off 156 men in the street cleaning department, \$4760; 106 in the street and bridge section, \$3426, while 66 in the garbage removal section get \$2721.75. This is the semi-monthly pay period.

A total of \$20,907 is to be disbursed.

SEND FOR SEED.

Ballinger, Texas, April 6, 1914. To All Club Members:

In and on connecting lines with Ballinger can get your seed at the City Hall, by calling or sending, be quick, time to plant.

Very truly yours,
Geo. P. McLelland, Agent.

Son of Former

Ballinger Man Killed

Lockhart, Texas, April 2.—Clarence, the 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Brown Jr., was instantly killed about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon by the accidental discharge of a pistol.

The accident occurred in an upstairs room at the home of his uncle, M. C. Jeffrey, and it is not known exactly how it happened. A boy of 12, cousin of the dead boy, carried him downstairs and phoned for assistance.

When the parents and the physician arrived at the house the boy was sitting in their chair dead, the bullet having penetrated his heart.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Brown were citizens of Ballinger for some time. Mr. Brown came here with L. E. Bair ten years ago, and established the Globe store. After living here for some time Mr. Brown sold his interest in the business to R. P. Conn and moved to Lockhart. They are kindly remembered by many in Ballinger who will be grieved to learn of the sad accident.

THERE WILL BE A RABBIT HUNT AT OXLEN.

C. W. Clayton was here Monday and informed us that there would be a rabbit hunt in the Oxien neighborhood Friday of this week, March 10th. The crowd will meet at the Oxien post office and go south until noon, and another drive will be made in the afternoon. "Everyons is invited to come out and participate in the hunt," said Mr. Clayton.

DEPOSIT HERE CHECK ON US.

A bank account is both a necessity and a convenience to the farmer. With a check book in his pocket and his money in this bank, he can pay out in any amount he has occasion to use, make exact change and know the proper party will receive his money.

During the busy season, he may send his checks by mail often saving a long trip to town.

Likewise, such checks as he may receive can be mailed to us and his account credited. These sums are then subject to his order or check.

The one fact that his checks, when cancelled and returned to him, are receipts for each payment made, make a check account with this bank an important factor in the proper management of the farmer's business.

We will be glad to have your account at this bank.

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WHEN ALL ELSE DESERTS YOU IT IS THERE. HAVE IT SAFE IN THE BANK

There are some people who will assure you of their friendship, but who will have another engagement when you need them badly.

Your money if it is safe and growing in our bank will never forsake you. It is a comfortable feeling to know that you have it there for any emergency or BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY.

If you make one DEPOSIT you have a start and you will soon have it looking big.

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You Have Nasal Catarrh Not Very Bad, But--- It Bothers You a Good Deal.

Some people have nasal catarrh and know it. Not only the patient knows it, but all of his friends know it. Many people know it that are not his friends. Just those people who happen to meet him in the street car or on the public square.

That sort of a nasal catarrh need not be described. Everybody knows the symptoms without their disgusting recital.

Peruna helps such cases every day. Thousands have attested to this fact unsolicited. Peruna benefits even the worst cases of old nasal catarrh.

But there are cases of nasal catarrh not so evident. One nostril is stopped today. The other nostril is stopped tomorrow. Cannot breathe freely through the nostrils. Easy to sneeze. Mucus in the nose too thick. Sometimes forms brownish lumps. Catch cold easily. Never quite free of a cold. These symptoms describe a case of subacute nasal catarrh. Many people have it, and some who would not admit they have nasal catarrh.

He knows he must blow his nose freely. He remembers that he does not breathe easily through the nose.

He recalls the fact that he snores some now, whereas he did not previously.

Subacute nasal catarrh! Or we might call it incipient nasal catarrh. Or, still better, nasal catarrh just beginning and becoming chronic.

Now is the time to take Peruna. A little Peruna will do wonders at this stage of the disease. Snuff a little weak salt water every morning (see "Tills of Life," sent free by Peruna Co., Columbus, Ohio), just enough to clear out the nose. Take a dose of Peruna before breakfast. Hold it in the mouth. Let it trickle down slowly and breathe the fumes of it out through the nose as you swallow it.

This will stop an incipient case of nasal catarrh in a few weeks. Stop it entirely. The nose becomes clear again. The breath is sweet. The breathing free. No more snoring, or snuffing, or sniffing, or catching cold easily. All of these things are in the past.

An army of men and women have been benefited by Peruna. You might as well become one of the benefited ones as to allow it to go on any further.

MAYOR EXPECTS FOUNTAINS SOON

The three sanitary drinking fountains which were awarded Ballinger in Holland's clean-town contest a few months ago, are expected to arrive within the next ten days, by J. W. Powell Mayor Powell has not received any statement from the donors as to the exact date of the arrival of the three fountains, but a few weeks ago he received a letter to the effect that the fountains would be shipped immediately. It is believed in Ballinger that they are now en route.

Holland's Magazine will not send a man here to erect the fountains and put them into use for the students of the Ballinger schools. However, the magazine will pay all expenses incurred by the City of Ballinger in erecting them. The work of installing the large drinking fountains will be done, probably, by a local plumbing firm.

Two of the fountains will be placed on the main school grounds while the third will go to the West End school. This will give a sanitary drinking fountain to each of the three schools within the corporate limits of Ballinger. The South Ward school will not be served by a prize from Holland's Magazine because this school is outside the city limits.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

to Appropriate Public Waters

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that A. F. Aycock, whose postoffice address is Ballinger, Texas, did on the 10th day of March, A. D., 1914, file an application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, in which he applies for a permit to appropriate—acres of water per annum or 2 3/4 cubic feet of water per second of time for the period of—days in each year, for the purpose of irrigating certain lands, hereinafter described from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas, to be diverted from the Colorado River by means of a pumping plant, located on the Francis Helmer Survey No. 417, on the south bank of the Colorado River, five miles west of the city of Ballinger.

You are hereby further notified that the land to be irrigated consists of 40 acres out of the northeast corner of the Francis Helmer survey No. 417, and 60 acres out of the northeast part of the August Kleinecke survey No. 418, aggregating 100 acres, all in said Rannels County, Texas, about five miles west of the City of Ballinger.

A hearing on the said application of the said A. F. Aycock will be held by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at its office, in the City of Austin County of Travis, said State, on Saturday, the 18th day of April, A. D., 1914, beginning at 10 o'clock, A. M. at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under, and by virtue of, an order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas at the office of said Board, in Austin, Texas, this 11th day of March, A. D. 1914.

J. C. NAGLE,
JOHN WILSON,

(Seal) Board.
Attest: W. T. POTTER,
Secretary.
20-27-ap13-10.

T. A. Wiginton, one of the successful farmers out on route No. 2 was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday and took advantage of our magnificent clubbing offer while in the city. He reports the rain light but will be of big benefit as it all went into the earth without running off.

To Prevent Blood Poisoning

apply at once the wonderful old reliable DR. PORTER'S ANTISEPTIC HEALING OIL, a surgical dressing that relieves pain and heals at the same time. Not a liniment. 25c. 50c. \$1.00

C. C. Thomas, one of the Valley creek farmers, was in the city Saturday and says the recent rains made the moisture meet nicely and that his oat field of 130 acres is looking fine.

FLOATING ON BIG LAKE OF OIL

There has been more or less talk of oil throughout this section of the state for a long time, but not until recently has there been real business talk. It seems that the big oil companies have selected a strip of country extending South from the Electra oil fields North of Wichita Falls to Ballinger. Geologists have been put on the job, and after making a number of surveys at different points, their reports have caused drills to begin to puncture the earth, and there is much enthusiasm where splendid oil indications have been found.

During the last few weeks, at least a half dozen representatives of oil companies have visited Ballinger and without making known the object of their visit they have made inquiries that lead those who are on the inside to believe that the territory around Ballinger is under investigation. At present there is a man in the field, but we have been denied the privilege of an interview with him, at least an interview for publication.

It will be remembered that we published an account of the visit of a prominent capitalist and Ballinger property owner to this town a few days since, and also a statement he made while here, to the effect that he would begin at an early date the sinking of a test well near here.

The Abilene Reporter in publishing an account of the progress being made in developing the fields in the Moro country says:

"That there is oil in abundance in a strip of territory in the Moro country has not been doubted. A geologist employed by B. M. Burks upon whose place the indications appear so prominently rendered a report in which it was shown that there is a considerable fountain of oil under the ground at a depth of between 900 and 1,000 feet, which is of very fine quality and could easily be transformed into lubricant. This geologist has determined that there is considerable oil in places about the Moro country other than that upon which specific testing has been made."

Parties returning from Stamford report that there is considerable excitement in that town over the discovery of a splendid grade of oil, and a press reports from Stamford says:

The big oil companies of the state are taking a live interest in the oil developments in this section. There will be seen in the fact that a deal has just been consummated whereby a representative of one of the largest companies of the state secured a lease upon a twenty-five hundred acre tract just east of the Colbert ranch, upon which well No. one of the Jones County Oil Company has a well with a good showing of oil is located. The usual one-eighth royalty was given by the company and in addition to this an appreciable bonus was paid, development to begin within ninety days. The lease was given by John D. Hughes of Georgetown, Texas.

In speaking of the matter Mr. Hughes said, "I have every confidence in the belief that pay oil or gas, or both, will be found, and I gave the lease upon my tract of land, because I wanted to see immediate development."

The Jones County Oil and Gas Company has one-half of the R. V. Colbert ranch of fifteen thousand acres under lease, and representatives of the big companies are now negotiating with Mr. Colbert for the other portion. Many other deals are pending, and there is the greatest activity and interest in the developments.

Straight at It.

There is no use of our "beating around the bush." We might as well out with it first as last. We want you to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the next time you have a cough or cold. There is no reason so far as we can see why you should not do so. This preparation by its remarkable cures has gained a world wide reputation, and people everywhere speak of it in the highest terms of praise. It is for sale by all dealers.

W. A. Craig, the irrigation farmer, down the Colorado river, was in the city Saturday and is feeling good over the recent fine rain and also is rejoicing over the fact that he had all his feed stuff planted before the rain.

HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

Catron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair.

At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without its tiring me, and am doing all my work."

If you are all run down from womanly troubles, don't give up in despair. Try Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped more than a million women, in its 50 years of continuous success, and should surely help you, too. Your druggist has sold Cardui for years. He knows what it will do. Ask him. He will recommend it. Begin taking Cardui today.

Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. 1-60

NEWS FROM FORMER BALLINGER FAMILY.

We are in receipt of a letter from A. T. Tuerpe, who now lives at Benton, Atascosa county in which Mr. Tuerpe says he and his family are getting along nicely, and that the country down there is in pretty good shape. They have many friends here who will be glad to know that they are doing well.

Buy Good Seed. Carefully selected, hand cleaned maize seed at \$2.00 per bushel at my farm, Fork or Colorado river and Valley creek. S. B. Howard. 27-4twpd

Dr. Siller, of Rowena, had business in Ballinger between trains Saturday.

WE ARE NOT ALLOWED TO TALK

Mr. Beard, a prominent oil man and capitalist is in Ballinger. Mrs. Cicero Smith, of Mineral Wells, who owns considerable interest in this county, is here, and there are some oil developments underway, but we are not allowed to talk. In other words we can't confirm a rumor that is in the air.

Cures Old Sores, Other Remedies Won't Cure. The worst cases, no matter how long standing, are cured by the wonderful, old reliable Dr. Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil. It relieves Pain and Heals at the same time. 25c. 50c. \$1.00

Mrs. Cicero Smith, of Fort Worth who had been looking after property interests in our city and county the past week, returned home Saturday afternoon.

My Horse McKinley

I will stand my horse McKinley at my place 11 miles from Ballinger, northwest, on Valley Creek. Those wanting his services see me. Price to Insure \$8.00

A. J. TYREE

Ballinger, Texas

STALLION, BULL and BOAR

Will make the season with my half Percheron and half Cleveland Boy Stallion, an all purpose horse, also my Registered Jersey Bull and Berkshire Boar as my place 8 miles North-East of Ballinger. Also have pigs for sale.

Service for Horse \$10.00 Guaranteed
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Mr. Farmer, If your house or barn needs screening, painting or repairing, come to see us, we can supply your wants. We keep a full supply of paints, screen doors and all kinds of building material.

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OPERATES 2 THROUGH TRAINS DAILY AND GRANTS STOP OVER AT NEW ORLEANS ON ALL THROUGH TICKETS WITHOUT EXTRA COST

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Asst. Gen'l Passenger Agent Gen'l Passenger Agent

NEGRO ARRESTED ON THEFT CHARGE

Jim Scott, a negro coming to Ballinger from Fort Worth last Sunday, was arrested Saturday by Sheriff J. P. Flynt. Scott is charged with theft. He was placed in the Rannels county jail to await the action of the grand jury.

Scott is charged with having taken a watch valued at \$85.00 and \$1.05 in silver from the person of W. D. Anderson of Leaday. Mr. Anderson was in Ballinger doing some trading Friday and had occasion to remain over night in Ballinger. He stopped at a local wagon yard. He was sleeping in the camp house of the yard when the watch was taken from his trousers which were lying near the bed. Mr. Anderson told the officers Saturday that he did not know at what time of the night the theft was committed.

The watch, although an old one, was valued highly by Mr. Anderson. He purchased the timepiece for \$85 when it was new.

Strengthens Weak and Tired Women.

"I was under a great strain nursing a relative through three months' sickness," writes Mrs. J. C. Van DeSande of Kirkland, Ill., and "Electric Bitters kept me from breaking down. I will never be without it." Do you feel tired and worn out? No appetite and food won't digest? It isn't the spring weather. You need Electric Bitters. Start a month's treatment to-day; nothing better for stomach, liver and kidneys. The great spring tonic. Relief or money back. 50c and \$1.00, at your druggist.

Prof. Huffins, of Winters, had business in Ballinger between trains Saturday.

FOR SALE—Duroc Jersey red pigs, apply to Lon Muncy. Phone connection Ballinger 20-5twpd



Today is always yesterday--tomorrow. The man who waits to buy a Ford until tomorrow robs himself of just another day's opportunity to enjoy life--The Ford way. The light, strong Ford is the car of today. Why delay? Buy now!

Five hundred dollars is the new price of the Ford runabout; the touring car is five fifty; the town car seven fifty—all f. o. b. Detroit, complete with equipment. Get catalog and particulars from

R. L. HARWELL

Ballinger, Texas.

PERSONALS

Will Legg, the Crews merchant, was among the large crowd in the city Monday.

O. S. Johnson, of Crews, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

F. G. Hoelscher, the Olin merchant, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

Arch Brookshire, of the Benoit country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

Edgar Jayroe, the county commissioner of Crews, was among the visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

H. W. Heniger, of the Winters country, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Connor, of Benoit were transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

E. C. James, one of the substantial citizens of the Maverick country, was supplying in Ballinger Monday.

W. A. Esmond, one of the the successful citizens of the Wingate country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

F. Blumintritt, one of the prominent real estate men of the Miles country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

Sam Brookshire, the big sheep man of the Benoit country, was transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday.

J. S. Gamble, one of the successful farmers on the Embury place, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

M. E. Harrell, one of the substantial farmers of the Hatchel country was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

S. D. Williams, the mayor of Hatchel, was among the visitors in Ballinger first Monday for a few hours.

J. W. T. Bishop, one of the hustling farmers of the river country 12 miles below Ballinger, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

A. J. Loika, of the Pony creek country and J. L. Jordan, of the Coyote creek country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

J. D. Reynolds, one of the substantial farmers of the Maverick country, was transacting business in Ballinger first Monday and reports his section in fine shape.

Max Zechang left Monday at noon for San Angelo, where he goes to receive \$1,300 worth of fine hogs which he recently bought at that place.

Maleomb Wardlaw was in the city from his ranch in Concho county and was in fine spirits on account of the recent two inch rain which fell at his place.

A. J. Byers and S. W. Baggett, two of the prosperous farmers a few miles east of Ballinger, were among the visitors in the city Saturday afternoon.

J. W. Bigsby, one of the pioneer and successful stock farmers of the Pony creek country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger first Monday.

Mrs. R. M. Trammell and daughter left Monday afternoon for Temple where they go to join Mr. Trammell to make their future home.

Rev. Jim Mayhew and wife, of Killeen, who had been visiting his parents and attending a meeting at Draseo, left from this point Monday afternoon for their home.

G. W. Sellers, one of the highly esteemed and successful stock farmers of the Wingate country, was transacting business in Ballinger first Monday.

W. A. Wells, one of the successful young farmers of the Wingate country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger first Monday.

J. R. Wiesenbacker, the barber is now holding down a chair at the City Barber Shop and will likely locate permanently in our city.

Tom McCutcheon, the Winters stock dealer, passed through Ballinger Tuesday en route home from a business trip to points west.

G. W. Ray and S. S. Grantham of the Maverick-Norton country were among the first Monday crowd looking after business affairs a few hours.

W. W. Paschal, of the Wingate country, was in Ballinger Tuesday to meet his daughter, Miss

Perlie, who came in from a visit to her brother at San Angelo the past few days.

Wm. Davenport and Dick Parker, two of the representative citizens of the Coyote creek country, were transacting business in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

G. Goetz, one of the highly esteemed citizens of Rowena, and also Editor Kubela, wife and baby of the same city, were among the visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Rev. J. K. Wright an evangelist of the Nazarene church, who had been here and points west the past week or ten days, left Monday afternoon for his home at Brooksmith.

Miss Jessie Routh Nash spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Emma Nash and Ballinger friends and left Monday afternoon to resume her school work at Baylor University at Belton.

Wm. Shannon, one of the pioneer citizens of Concho country was in the city first Monday and was exhibiting his beautiful Haekney stallion which is a perfect model in form and an all round purpose horse.

O. Voglesang, one of the highly esteemed citizens of the Hatchel country, passed through Ballinger Sunday afternoon en route to Brownwood and other points in South Texas to visit with relatives and friends at his old home a few weeks.

J. O. Roots left Monday afternoon for Austin and Mrs. Roots

AGRICULTURAL AND LIVESTOCK EXPERTS COMING

Next week will mark a new epoch in the agricultural and live stock industry in this county. On Tuesday at noon Wm. Ganzer, C. C. French, Wm. Connell and A. D. Tinsley, four of the most prominent agricultural and livestock experts in Texas will arrive at Ballinger, and will spend the remainder of the week in the county, giving the farmers the benefit of their services and experience.

On Tuesday afternoon at Ballinger the Runnels County Hog Association will be organized, and these men will be present to help in any way they can. On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday they will tour the county, and deliver addresses at the various school houses in the county. The route and hours for each day are being mapped out by a committee of prominent Ballinger business men, and a large delegation of Ballinger citizens will accompany the experts on their respective routes.

Mr. Ganzer is in the employ of the United States Agricultural Department, and is general agent for Texas. His reputation as an

agricultural expert is unquestioned.

Wm. Connell is in the employ of the State Agricultural Department of Texas, and is a man with a state-wide reputation.

C. C. French is well known in this county, having been with the Fort Worth stock yards for many years. He is an expert on livestock and hogs, and he will talk baby beef and hog culture.

A. D. Tinsley is also well known here. He is the agricultural agent for the Santa Fe. He was formerly with the state agricultural department of New Mexico.

These men are coming here to spend nearly a week for what benefit they might be to the farmers of this county. Their services will not cost the farmers one cent, and the old saying that "man never gets too old to learn" might prove true in your case, and it is up to the farmers of this county to encourage the gentlemen in their work by meeting with them at the places and at the hours advertised and take advantage of what is profitable to you. Open at Ballinger Tuesday evening at 2:30 p. m., afterwards probably travel in two sections.

Wednesday, April 15th

Maverick, 9 a. m. Norton, 12:30 p. m. Old Norton, 2:00 p. m. Mazeland, 3:30 p. m. Wingate, 5:00 p. m. Poe, 7:00 p. m. Pony, 9 a. m. Olin, 10:30 a. m. Rowena, 12:30 p. m. Miles, 4:30 p. m. Rabbit Hunt.

Thursday, April 16th.

Crews, 9:00 a. m. Truitt, 10:30 a. m. Winters, dinner. Baldwin, 4:30 p. m. Pumphrey, 7:00 p. m. Hatchel 8:30 a. m. Goolsby, 11:30 a. m. New Home, 10:00 a. m. Winters, dinner. Cochran, 3:30 p. m. Stone, 5:00 p. m. Pumphrey, 7:00 p. m.

Friday, April 17th.

Benoit, 9:00 a. m. Dietz, 10:30 a. m. Pearce, 2:30 p. m. Barnett, 4:00 p. m. Spring Hill, 8:30 a. m. Dry Ridge, 10:00 a. m. Cross Road, 11:00 a. m. Greenwald, 2:30 p. m. Union, 4:00 p. m. Walthall, 6 p. m.

Miss Jesse Wilke, of Kansas City, came in Wednesday at noon on a visit to her aunt, Mrs. Emma Nash and family for a few weeks.

THE RABBIT HUNT

The first of the two days series rabbit hunt scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday was pulled off yesterday and about 425 rabbits was reported killed the first day. The start was made at the Bill Routh place and on into the Old Runnels neighborhood. About forty guns were in evidence the first day and those present from Ballinger were: Green Nixon, A. J. Voelkel, Geo. Stokes, John Thurman, Sam Baker, John Phillips, J. A. and Louie DeMerville, John Perkins, C. C. Schuehard, Edwin Day.

The individual score was: Sam Baker 26, John Phillips 23, Oscar Routh 23, John Thurman 20, Ed Day 21, Sherod Mathis 18, C. C. Schuehard, Louis Milliken 18, Roy Gilliam 14, Louie DeMerville 17, J. A. DeMerville 14, George Stokes 17, Charlie Shum 11, Gus Nunn 12, Willard McMillan 12, L. P. Woods 6, Geo. Milliken 3, Green Nixon 3 R. W. Gilliam 1.

A splendid dinner was served at the noon hour and greatly enjoyed by all present, but owing to the cold weather the ladies of the neighborhood were not in evidence on this occasion.

The hunt was renewed Wednesday, beginning at Mrs. Pape's place a report of the same will appear later.

HOG CLUB ORGANIZATION

We are requested to call attention to the organization of the hog club in our city which meets here April 14th at 2 o'clock p. m. and Mr. J. H. Taylor, says Hon. C. C. French, the greatest hog raiser in the state will be here on that occasion. Turn out and make the organization a big success.

Mrs. John DeLong of Bay City, who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Weeks, and her brother, Jno. A. Weeks and family the past several weeks, left for her home Tuesday after noon.

YOUTH

"A rose with all its sweetest leaves yet unfolded." Young friend! With your future before you what will you make it—success or failure. With youth and health you have the power within you to possess the blessing of practical knowledge, the joy of achievement, the content of of success, but only thru intelligent effort. If you have within you the love of higher things and better days; if you have ambition, energy and determination; if you are free from bad habits that dwarf your intellect and unfit you for consideration by business men, we can train you in business methods—Book keeping, Short hand, Typewriting, Writing, Business Arithmetic, Business Law, Business English, Telegraphy, and Station Work, and secure you a good position. You have no time to lose. The Spring and Summer months should be used in securing a practical knowledge that you may accept a good paying position when the busy fall season begins. In our years of experience as teachers we have watched our students unfold and blossom into superior manhood, awaken to the responsibilities of business life, and crown their labor with success. What we have done for others we can do for you. The business world is seeking everywhere for young men and women who are able to do the work the business office demands. Let us impress upon you in the language of Narado, a Hindoo sage. "Study to know, know to comprehend, and comprehend to judge." Young friends, use your youth in the pursuit of knowledge. We could give you no better advice than to join our industrious band of students; they are here from many different states, and are going out daily as their courses are finished into splendid positions secured thru our employment department.

Our large catalogue containing the statements of young people who have traveled the road we are advising you to travel would be interesting reading to you. The letters from business firms with whom they are now engaged would be encouraging to you, and our low tuition rates, together with the short time taken to complete the course would be a pleasant surprise to you. Fill in your name and address and mail today for catalogue. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

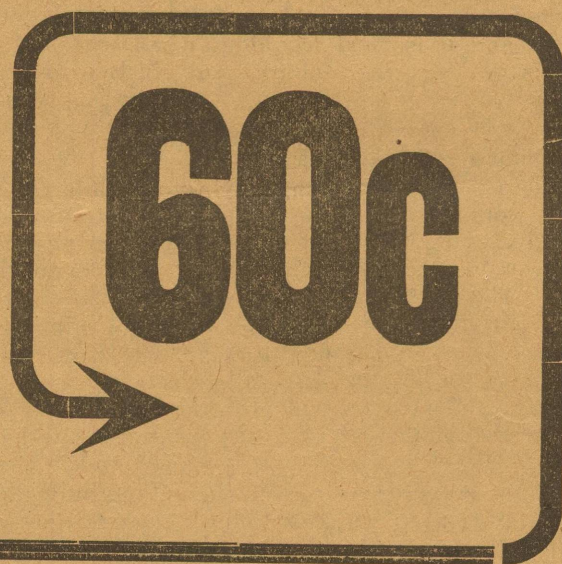
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accompanied him as far as Temple and will go on to Sulphur Springs to visit relatives a few weeks. Mr. Roots will likely go to Amarillo to adjust some banking matters before returning to Ballinger.

J. J. Crockett, one of the substantial and successful farmers near Ballinger was looking after business affairs in the city Saturday afternoon and ordered the Banner-Ledger, Farm & Ranch and Holland's to the address of his son, T. H. Crockett.

Messrs. Tobe Little and Harvey Grimes, of the Maverick country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger first Monday.

L. G. Bills and daughter, of Coleman county, came in Monday to visit Ballinger friends a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Webb and John Simmons, of the Pony creek country, came in Monday and enjoyed the dinner with the ladies of the M. E. church at the City Hall. Also Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Porterfield and daughters of the same neighborhood were shopping in the city Monday.

G. G. Odom, the big ranchman, after a pleasant visit the past week to his family, left Monday morning for his ranch near Fort Chadbourne. Mr. Odom is delighted over the recent splendid rains in his section and says grass will now come with a whoop.

W. E. Middleton, Lottie Farish and his father, J. W. Farish returned home Sunday from an overland trip to Menard county where they bought a big bunch of Jersey cattle and drove them through home. They saw the ad about these cattle in the Ledger and went down and closed the deal. The Ledger ads brings results.

Price Maddox, the stockman of the Hatchel country, passed thru Ballinger Friday en route home from the Will Currie ranch at the mouth of the Concho river, where he had been to look after his cattle in that section. He reports good rains all along the route to Ballinger.

R. L. Carleton one of the prominent diversification farmers of the Crews country, was marketing eggs, butter and poultry and supplying in Ballinger Saturday. Mr. Carleton reports the rains very good in his neighborhood and farm operations moving along very nicely at present. G. W. Ash of the same section was also among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

Judge M. C. Smith and C. A. Doose returned home Monday night in Mr. Doose's auto from San Angelo, where they closed up a \$25,000.00 loan for a big ranchman in the Ballinger trade territory, which goes to show that capitalist still have faith in Runnels county dirt.

Mrs. H. M. Jones, who was operated upon at the Halley & Love Sanitarium late Tuesday afternoon stood the operation well, and will be able to leave the institution in five or six days.

L. C. Voelkel, of San Saba, who had been visiting his father, A. J. Voelkel and family, left Wednesday at noon to visit his brother between trains before returning home.

J. S. Thompson, one of the substantial citizens of the Hatchel country, passed through Ballinger Tuesday afternoon en route to Lockhart, Texas, where he goes to be at the bedside of his mother who is seriously ill. His mother is in her 74th year and growing very feeble from old age.

Walter Murray, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Tuesday afternoon en route to Zephyr where he goes to attend the meeting of the Brownwood Presbytery as a delegate from his church.

Rev. A. C. Flemister, of Brownwood, who preached for his people at Paint Rock, passed through Ballinger Tuesday en route home. Rev. Flemister informed us that he was figuring on locating in our city to be more centrally located in his church work.

Prof. S. M. Jonas, who had been teaching near Mercury, Texas, came in Wednesday at noon and will spend the summer with his parents six miles down the Colorado river.

Will Currie, the Concho stockman, had business in Ballinger a few hours Wednesday.

Mrs. C. J. Green and two children left Wednesday afternoon for Abilene, after a pleasant visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cockrell and Ballinger friends. They go to join Mr. Green at Abilene to make their home again after having lived at Amarillo the past year.

Miss Proctor, of Belton, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. P. Codgill and family for some time past, left from this point Tuesday afternoon for her home.

BIG SPRINGS LAD KILLS HIS AGED FATHER

Big Springs, April 6.—William Hale, aged 74, living three miles north of Big Springs, was accidentally killed by his son, Robert, when a gun carried by the youth was discharged. The boy had gone into the house to get the gun to kill a rabbit. Mr. Hale was seated on the steps of the porch, and as Robert went out of the door the gun, a rifle was caught in the screen door and was discharged. The bullet struck Hale in the back and pierced his heart, causing instant death.

George Reeder, of Miles, had business in Ballinger between trains Thursday.

M. C. SMITH. Attorney-at-Law. Office up-stairs in C. A. Doose Building. Examining Land Titles a Specialty.

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Has Torreón fallen, if so, who did she fall on?

It looks very much like Jim Ferguson is going to be the nominee of the antis.

It is now claimed that a man can get drunk on ensilage. Just another boost for silos. Watch 'em go up.

The political pot is bubbling over, but the politicians offer nothing to settle it. In fact they continue to punch up the fire.

All Texas is congratulating Dallas upon her winning the reginal bank for the eleventh district of the United States.

The rains last week were partial and skipped some localities, but the country as a whole is in splendid condition, and the farmers are a busy set of people.

The prospects for a good crop year justify the effort for a county fair and agricultural exhibit this fall. By all means we should have it.

The 1913 cotton crop sold for a billion dollars. The Coleman Democrat says that the producer only received 40 per cent of the money and the other was lost in transit.

Jerome received \$25,000 from New York for representing that state in its chase after Thaw. Its a big price, but you must remember that Thaw is a smart crazy man.

The S. A. Standard says that San Angelo is going to be the cleanest town on earth. That's all right, go ahead and copy after us, we don't care. You started right by beginning on your red light district.

The business men of Ballinger—the advertisers, should get together and organize an "Ad Club". By their failure to do so they are wasting money for worthless advertising. Organize and co-operate for the extermination of the grafter. Other towns are doing it.

A consular agent in Mexico was arrested a few days ago charged with passing bogus rebel money. What we cannot understand about this Mexican money is how one can distinguish fiat currency from the genuine.

Man is continually criticizing the way the fair sex dress. Fortunately the fair sex have too much sense to allow men to dictate to them what they shall wear. Let the men set the pace for dame fashion and what would the women wear.

Dr. Frank Crane says that of all forces that drive human beings, the greatest is personal influence. The doctor is immanently correct, and he should have said that a man's wife wields that influence in a way that drives some husband at a two-forty gate.

The Waco Morning News congratulates Will Mayes and says that there is more honor in training the future governors of Texas than in being governor, all of which reminds us that there is work and honor for every man who makes the effort.

"No, they are not biting," says a hungry fisherman, as he wearily wends his way homeward from the grass covered banks of

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the cool Colorado. But this is something in which the people refuse to become discouraged in, and they continue to go fishing.

Eighteen candidates for governor have been eliminated and the work goes merrily on. Many voters have been left without a candidate by the elimination process and have lost their voice in matters political.

Says the Ballinger Ledger: "If you own a piece of ground large enough to build a silo, you should build the silo. Certainly. Even if you have no farm, you can fill it with straw votes this summer.—Cland Callan.

The man that does the things he can do well, and does not worry about the things he can not do, is the man that is a success in life. We are not all made to fill the same place in the world, hence we are endowed with different abilities. You will find your work easy and pleasant if you are equal to the job.

The Erath county officers passed up a good quiet town like Comanche and carried a negro prisoner to Brownwood to prevent lynching. Some one has asked why the officers did not put the negro in the Comanche jail for safe keeping. The answer is simple, even the jail is not a safe place for a negro in Comanche county.

"This rain is worth a billion dollars," remarked a farmer. That's a mighty big price to put on anything, but we are not going to question the value of it. We know just from the way that farmer was smiling that he felt good, and it is hard to value a man's feelings in dollars and cents.

Tomorrow is election day in Ballinger. You are expected to show your interest in school matters by going to the polls and helping to elect four school trustees. The full ticket is published elsewhere in this paper. They are all good men, and you can't go wrong, but a healthy vote will encourage the men that are elected, even though their majority is small. Vote.

Ballinger, and Runnels County should be proud of her daily paper at Ballinger, The Daily Ledger, and should do all they can towards making it a strong factor in the upbuilding of the county, and the promulgation of news. We, for one, wish it all success and extend, for it's effort to give the news and accomplish good, the glad hand and the happy smile—may her sail continue to be sunny, and her subscribers grow in number.—Rowena Review.

Runnels county looks like one great big bouquet. The prairie is a carpet of green decorated with flowers of rainbow color. The birds are singing, the farmer is as busy as he can be and the bee is as busy as the farmer. The fish are a-bit 'in, and the man with both legs to do is finding business good. The candidates are all smiles, and according to their own story every seeker of an office will find the office. A man can live longer or less and enjoy it better here than any place on earth. We know it! Its a great country. Come to it.

Now that Torreón has fallen into the hands of General Villa, Mexico City will, doubtless, be the next objective point of the rebels. Then will come the siege of all. The eleven days of terrible fighting at Torreón would fade in to insignificance when compared with that of the capital siege. In the event the rebels do storm Huerta's stronghold and are un-

successful, it will be up to Carranza, Villa and the remainder of the rebel chieftains to carry out their threat of some time ago—that a northern republic would be established independently of the Huerta regime.

Says the Ballinger Ledger: "Reports from the various schools over Texas say that the sweet girl graduate this year will wear simple clothes. It shows that the graduates are being taught common sense as well as book learning." This is a decided improvement. It saves the poorer classes some humiliation and is far better even for the wealthy. Real fine clothes will attract too much attention, and the minds of the audience will be diverted from the essay, which is intended to point out the evils of society and give brief, though sure, remedies for them all.—Callan in Star Telegram.

The Brenham Banner says: "Villa took Torreón, but to have his skin, he nor any of his men, could tell why they are fighting. Huerta. It is simply a big row which nobody in Mexico understands, and which is devastating and ruining the country. A lot of ignorant and dangerous fools too sorry for h—; too lazy to work and too ignorant for anything under the sun." Yes, and Villa's action in departing 600 Torreón citizens and confiscating their property just because they were Spaniards should cause other nations to rise up and put a stop to the uncivilized warfare being waged by these gorillas. The 600 men rounded up and sent to El Paso under threats of death at the hands of Villa were full blood Spaniards but they were Mexican citizens and entitled to the protection of the government, but this is just a fair sample of what is taking place in that country.

While in Winters recently we were informed by a prominent citizen of that town, who was in a position to give facts in the case, that the merchants of that town were shipping an average of \$1500 worth of eggs per week, and the money making work had been going on for several weeks. Judging from the way eggs were piled around in the grocery stores, and being unloaded from the farmer's buckets, boxes, dish pans, etc., we could not question the prominent citizen's statement. John Jost, who lives five miles south of Rowena, was in Ballinger Monday. Mr. Jost stated that his wife had seventy hens and during the month of March she sold \$20 worth of eggs. These were not fancy eggs from fancy chickens, but just common old hen eggs, and sold to the produce buyer at the market price. Yet, we know men who will stand up and look you in the face and say there is no money in chickens.

The representative of a certain shoe polish house, was here this week, pushing nothing but shoe polish. He made the Ledger a pleasant call, and in speaking of advertising results he said that the people who put the shoe polish he was selling on the market had built up an enormous business and their success was due to the liberal use of printers ink. Within ten years the company has built three large manufacturing plants and have 109 salesmen on the road at present, and they are selling nothing but a ten cent article—shoe polish. The 2-in-1 people made a contract with this paper for a certain amount of space. Their contract expired last Saturday. They got results and have renewed the contract, increasing their order for more space. The man who says advertising does not pay is the man who is neglecting a very important part of his business.

TAKE KEER O' Y'SELF

In dealing with matters of news it is not the purpose of this paper to show partiality, and those who get the idea that they are slighted are laboring under false impression. We work from twelve to fifteen hours every day to give our readers the news, and there is a way in which you can help us.—Ballinger Ledger.

In working twelve to fifteen hours a day you work too long. Ten hours is as much of the twenty-four as should be devoted to the serious business of making a living. Indeed, eight hours is ample, if each of the eight is earnestly applied to the task in hand. For himself, State Press would choose about four hours a day, with two hours of that for lunch, but possibly he is too conservative of his strength—theoretically. No newspaper man ought to work more than eight hours a day, and when you work fifteen hours you pay dividends from your physical reserve which will in time, if persisted in, deplete your working capital to the point of bankruptcy. There is a saying that hard work never kills anybody, but, like many other presumptively truthful axioms, it lacks fact in its fundamental. Hard work does kill. It has killed many a good newspaper man of nervous temperament, many a financier, many a lawyer, many a captain of industry who gave to his business an intensity of service which sapped his strength and wrung him dry in a few years' time. Out there at Ballinger you have the advantage of a mild climate and abundant sunshine, therefore you can hold your own longer than if you were subject to long periods of depressing weather. But with all that in your favor, you can put in too many hours at your office. If you will say to yourself that, come what may, you will work ten hours a day and no more, pretty soon you will find yourself accomplishing as much in ten as fifteen. System is mighty. There fore, be systematic, and you will save time. Take keer o' y'self.—State Press, Dallas News.

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SWEET ALICE UP-TO-DATE

O, don't you remember sweet Alice, Ben Bolt, Sweet Alice who lived in the glen? She then was as slim and as spry as a colt, She now weighs two hundred and ten. —Nebraska State Journal.

Oh, don't you remember sweet Alice, Ben Bolt, Sweet Alice who lived by the pond? She was then a brunette, but of late years has been Peroxided into a blonde. —Los Angeles Express.

Oh, don't you remember sweet Alice, Ben Bolt, Sweet Alice who lived in this town? She then was as modest as violets blue, But now see the slits in her gown.

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CANDIDATES

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For County Superintendent: E. L. HAGAN, J. N. KEY, S. C. HARRIS.

For Sheriff: JOHN D. PERKINS, J. A. DEMOVILLE

For Tax Assessor: MIKE C. BOYD, WILL L. STUART, C. C. SCHUCHARD, SAM H. McPHERSON, JIM McWHIRTER, R. L. (Bob) SHAFFER.

For County Judge: M. KLEBERG.

For County Treasurer: W. L. BROWN.

For County Clerk: O. L. PARISH, C. C. COCKRELL

For District Clerk: JOHN THOMASON, GEO. M. STOKES, Miss MARY PHILLIPS.

For Tax Collector: T. L. TODD, M. D. CHASTAIN, EDWIN DAY, W. T. PADGETT.

For Commissioner Precinct No. 4: E. M. SETSER.

For County Attorney: C. P. SHEPHERD.

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1: FEB McWILLIAMS.

a gash on his head Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Crews was walking out the door at the store when his foot slipped on the steel door sill, throwing him backwards against the iron column. The wound was dressed and aside from a little soreness he is not injured.

RABBIT HUNT SCHEDULED

ED FOR 15TH.

We are requested to announce that there will be a rabbit drive up the river above Ballinger on Wednesday, April 15th. The drive will start at the Allison rock house. Everybody cordially invited to come and participate in the drive.

Fore Sale.

Pure Mebane and Rowden planting cotton seed. Apply to Henry Seipp, the one-horse farmer, Maverick, Texas. 8-3twpd

WILL TAKE WOMAN TO RESCUE HOME

Rev. E. W. Wells and wife will leave next Tuesday for Pilot Point where they go to place an unfortunate woman in the Nazarene home. Rev. Wells was called to Coleman county first of this week to investigate the case, and he reports that he found one of the most pitiful cases that he has ever had to deal with. An unfortunate girl had been ruined by her father, and according to the girl's statement the father had been committing the awful crime for nearly three years.

Just Received.

A big line of Men's and Boy's low quartered shoes at A. J. Zappe's. 91td1tw

For Sale.

Jersey cow fresh in milk, giving right at four gallons day, also two pounds butter daily, descendant of Prof. Foster's registered herd, he brought to Ballinger some years ago. She will be six years old next June. Milks without calf. Calf don't go with cow. She is gentle, has no bad traits, man or woman can milk. She eats all waste from kitchen. Mrs. S. D. Williams, Phone 88 2-rings. 1tw

Kelsy Wylie, of San Angelo was among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

Dr. Fred Tinkle's
ANTISEPTIC HEALING OIL
FOR MAN OR BEAST.
Is an External Remedy for wire cuts, wounds of any nature, eczema and all skin troubles.
You can get a bottle at Owens Drug Store, use it and if not satisfied bring the empty bottle back and get your money, or if it pleases tell your friends about it and get another bottle.
FRED TINKLE, WINTERS, TEXAS.



DELICATE APPETITES

need a variety to tempt them. This Store has, for many years, always lead in this respect.

Fresh vegetables, good butter, fruit and the very highest class of Groceries are always to be found in our store.

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FIRST MONDAY VERY BUSY DAY

One of the busiest First Mondays spent within the past several months was the one today. Merchants who were seen today stated that their business was very good in fact, better than it had been within the past six months. All day long country people flocked to the city to make purchases of Ballinger business houses.

The day had been extensively advertised, nearly every farmer in the county knowing of the bargains which were being offered to the citizens of Runnels County by the Ballinger merchants on the first Monday of April. Several merchants had scattered advertising matter over the county especially in the smaller towns, featuring special sales in various departments.

The rain which fell last week over the county seems to have had a pleasant effect upon the agriculturists of Runnels County. Many of those living in the rural districts had broad and pleasing smiles on their countenances during their stay in the county site. All spoke of the splendid prospects that Runnels County has in the way of making abundant grain crops this season. Some stated, however, that a little more rain would be appreciated, but that the moisture which fell last week supplied an amount that will do untold and unimaginative good to the Colorado section of Texas.

One prosperous farmer of the southern part of the county said, "Not within the past several years have I seen such excellent prospects for good crops in Runnels County. I sincerely believe that the Old County will make all the grain she needs this year. The rain of last week will do an immense amount of good. A few pessimists will tell you that the fall was not sufficient to insure a good grain crop, but I am here to tell you that more rain fell than is thought by the average farmer. The ground was badly in need of moisture and the rains came in time. A good seasoning has been put into the ground for the fall crops. With the necessary rainfall during the summer months Old Runnels will establish another record in the production of cotton. Here's hoping. Anyway we will put out a little grain during 1914."

Clears Complexion--Removes Skin Blemishes.
Why go through life embarrassed and disfigured with pimples, eruptions, blackheads, red rough skin, or suffering the tortures of Eczema, itch, tetter, salt rheum. Just ask your druggist for Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. Follow the simple suggestions and your skin worries are over. Mild, soothing, effective. Excellent for babies, and delicate tender skin. Stops chapping. Always helps. Relief or money back. 50c, at your Druggist.

BLACK LEG; HOW TO CURE SAME.

Dr. McKinney, the veterinary surgeon says in view of the fact that Black Leg among the cattle is prevalent over the country and says he has a sure cure or prevention and it does not cost you one cent to try it and he has thoroughly tried the remedy and knows it will cure, from actual experience. Take equal parts of common salt and air slacked lime and mix with bran, a handful grab to each animal. Let them lick it if still up but when too low to get it themselves put it in the mouth, a hand grab to each animal. It not only will cure them but is sure preventive for the disease.

Found a Cure for Rheumatism.

"I suffered with rheumatism for two years and could not get my right hand to my mouth for that length of time," writes Lee L. Chapman, Mapleton, Iowa. "I suffered terrible pain so I could not sleep or lie still at night. Five years ago I began using Chamberlain's Liniment, and in two months I was well and have not suffered with rheumatism since." For sale by all dealers.

John Hardigree of Crews, was among the visitors in Ballinger first Monday.

Sudan Grass.
A few pounds for sale at W. B. Wood & Son. 1td1tw

PLANT SUDAN GRASS SAYS DR FOWLER

Editor Ledger: Our farmers are not yet aware of the fine qualities of Sudan Grass as a hay making crop for this climate. It is a sure grower and stock are fond of it. It is a sweet miniature sorghum of solid stem, abundant foliage, drouth resistant and will produce three to four cuttings each year from five to seven feet tall. It is harmless, will not reproduce itself by root stock like Johnson grass. It yields best planted in three foot rows, cultivated and harvested by row binders.

On April 25th, 1913, I planted two and two-third pounds on one and one-tenth acres of thin, stony land. In spite of the hot dry summer and thin land I harvested two tons of cured hay out of three cuttings, and a fourth smaller cutting was heading when the frost came. This year I am planting only one and one-half pounds per acre on better soil.

Plant Sudan and you will have the best of hay. Be sure you do not plant it near Johnson grass, and thus contaminate your own seed. W. W. FOWLER, M. D.

There are others in this county who planted an experimental patch of Sudan last year and they are well pleased with the results of the experiment. What Dr. Fowler and the other gentlemen have accomplished any farmer can accomplish. Get out of the rut, quit your one crop idea, diversify, profit by the experience of your neighbor, and take advantage of the opportunity offered you by the greatest government in the world. Uncle Sam's agricultural department spends millions of dollars every year in assisting the farmer, furnishing him seed, and educating him, giving him the benefit of experiments and trying to get him to adopt scientific methods in his farm work.—Editor.

Look to Your Plumbing

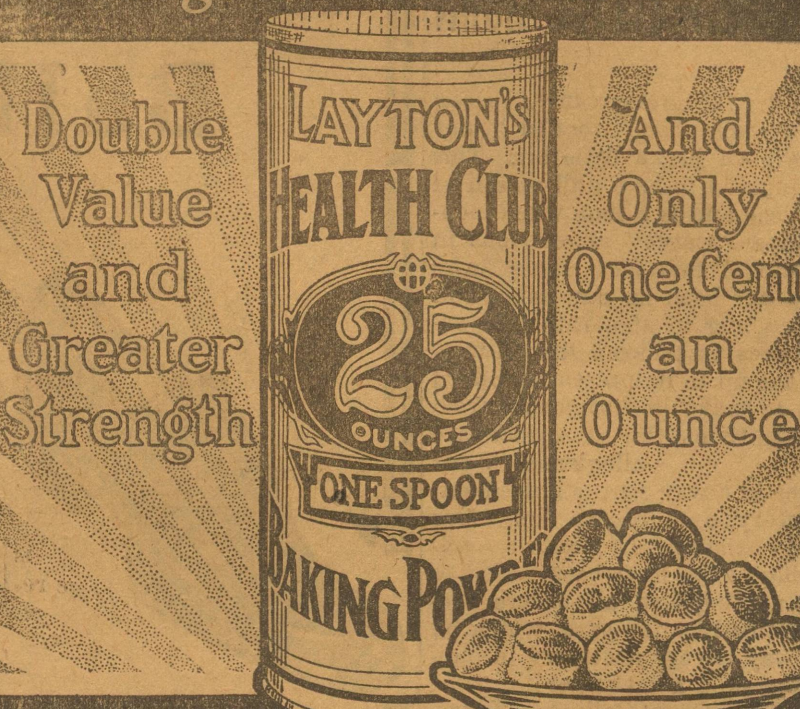
You know what happens in a house in which the plumbing is in poor condition—everybody in the house is liable to contract typhoid or some other fever. The digestive organs perform the same functions in the human body as the plumbing does for the house, and they should be kept in first-class condition all the time. If you have any trouble with your digestion take Chamberlain's Tablets and you are certain to get quick relief. For sale by all dealers.

C. W. Swartz, one of the pioneer citizens of the Crews country and R. P. Taylor, one of the substantial citizens of Norton, were among the business visitors in Ballinger first Monday.

Skin Diseases Cured.

Hunt's Cure is the name of the remedy which is absolutely guaranteed to cure all forms of skin disease or the purchase price promptly refunded. Wonderful results are obtained by its use, curing cases that would not yield to other treatment. Ask your druggist.

Try It on the Most Difficult Things You Ever Bake



In 10, 15 & 25 Cans At All Good Grocers

FOUND GUILTY WHITE SLAVERY

Fort. Worth, Tex., April 4.—"We, the jury, find the defendant, Ludie Arnold, guilty on counts one, two and three of the indictment," was the verdict rendered by a jury in the federal court late Friday afternoon in the case against Ludie Arnold, charged with white slavery. The jury was not out more than twenty minutes when they returned the verdict.

Thus ended a white slave case of extraordinary interest, with ramifications extending into many states, which had occupied the center of attention in the federal court since early Wednesday.

The prudent mother is always on the watch for symptoms of worms in her children. Paleness, lack of interest in play, and peevishness is the signal for WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE. A few doses of this excellent remedy puts an end to the worms and the child soon acts naturally. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

W. P. Jones and son Clarence, two of the substantial citizens of the Valley creek country were transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

A valuable dressing for flesh wounds, burns, scalds, old sores, rash, chafed skin, is BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT; is both healing and antiseptic. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

S. B. Caperton, the Maverick stockman, had business in Ballinger first Monday.

R. M. Bales, J. R. Harris and J. O. Phelps, of the Hatchel country, were among the visitors in Ballinger first Monday.

I. C. Browder, of the Miles country, had business in Ballinger a few hours first Monday.

OVER TWO DOZEN EGGS IN EVERY CASE BROKEN

Washington, D. C. April 3.—Nearly seven per cent. of all eggs packed in crates and shipped arrive at their destination in bad order, according to figures just obtained by the Food Research Laboratory of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. This means that on an average 24.96 eggs out of every 30 dozen packed and shipped arrive at the market either as cracks, dents, leakers, or mashers. These figures were obtained as a result of the individual examination of 6,000 dozen eggs before and after shipment, and a further general study of the condition of 71 carloads, or over 500,000 dozen eggs shipped from 36 packing houses in the corn-belt to 10 different markets on the eastern coast. The results of this study have been formulated in a preliminary report which is submitted to the point committee representing the egg shippers, the railroads and the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

These figures mean that in New York City alone 116,668,267 eggs arrive at the railroad and other terminals in bad condition. This represents a breakage of 24.96 eggs in each of the 4,666,117 thirty-dozen cases of eggs which represent New York City's annual egg receipts. Careless packing is responsible for over 5-1-3 per cent. of breakage.

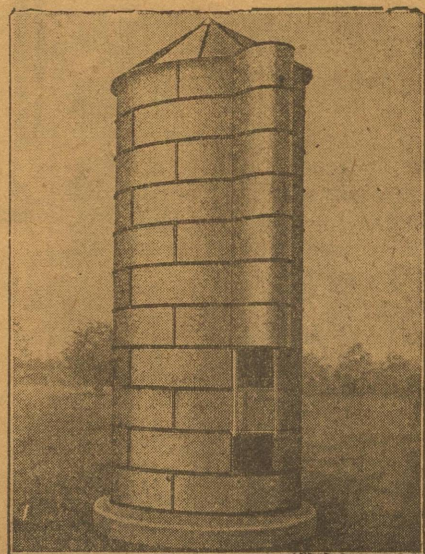
Rub the joints with Ballard's Snow Liniment to relieve rheumatism. It penetrates the flesh to the bone conveying its soothing and restorative influence to the spot where the pain exists. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

E. F. Edwards, of Winters, was among the large first Monday crowd in the city.

For Weakness and Loss of Appetite
The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILI TONIC, drives out Malaria and builds up the system. A true tonic and sure Appetizer. For adults and children. 50c.

Perfection Metal Silo

THE SILO for this country. Permanently proof against cracking, shrinking and blowing down. They are air-tight and water tight Fully guaranteed. Insurance with each silo against wind storms including cyclones. First cost is last cost. You owe it to yourself to investigate this silo.



Several in use in Coleman County, among the owners are J. E. Boog-Scott, B. F. Robey, Jno. Pearce, Gray.Hicks Co., W. H. Jarrell and A. E. Young. Write them. Get the facts.

W. A. GRAY
COLEMAN, TEXAS

A LOUD BLAST FROM A LITTLE HORN

Under the circumstances we can not refrain from "toot'in" our little horn just a little bit. This is supposed to be a dull season of the year and is a time when money is a "scarce" article, but in despite of this fact those who have not been on our honor roll are coming in at a rate that encourages us to keep the Banner-Ledger up to its present standard and to make improvements from time to time. Our subscribers are

- allegiance to our paper in a way that is indeed satisfactory, and for the first five days of the present month the following names have been added to our mailing list, all orders accompanied by the cash, which by the way is very necessary in publishing of a good paper:
- Mrs. M. J. Conn, Ballinger, Texas.
 - W. A. Tyson, Ballinger, Texas.
 - P. H. Cheves, Ballinger, Texas.
 - J. H. Wilbourn, Ballinger, Texas, Route 1.
 - B. B. Middleton, Ballinger, Texas, Route 1.
 - C. E. Gilliam, Ballinger, Texas, Route 2.
 - L. J. Jordan, Ballinger, Texas, Route 3.
 - W. F. Farmer, Ballinger, Texas, Route 3.
 - J. A. Nunn, Ballinger, Texas, Route 4.
 - M. D. Holshouser, Ballinger, Tex., Route 4.
 - Ross Smith, Ballinger, Texas, Route 4.
 - Mrs. O. B. Corbett, Teague, Tex.
 - T. A. Wigham, Ballinger, Texas, Route 4.
 - T. H. Crockett, Ballinger, Texas.
 - M. W. Bryan, Miles, Texas, Route 2.
 - W. V. Tubbs, Ballinger, Texas, Route 3.
 - N. H. McDonald, Winters, Texas.
 - J. T. Brown, Winters, Texas.
 - W. S. Riddle, Winters, Texas.
 - J. V. Davis, Winters, Texas.
 - J. W. Adams, Winters, Texas, Route 2.
 - E. A. Shepherd, Winters, Texas, Route 2.
 - G. E. Seagler, Winters, Texas, Route 2.
 - B. A. Dobbs, Winters, Texas, Route 3.
 - J. W. Copeland, Winters, Texas, Route 3.
 - J. R. Cooke, Winters, Texas, Route 3.
 - J. W. Simpson, Winters, Texas, Route 3.
 - W. H. Avery, Winters, Texas, Route 3.
 - E. J. Cathey, Winters, Texas, Route 3.
 - W. A. Fort, Winters, Texas, Route 2.
 - D. E. Bartlett, Winters, Texas, Route 2.
 - W. T. White, Winters, Texas, Route 2.
 - W. D. Donham, Winters, Texas, Route 3.
 - J. H. McDaniel, Paint Rock, Tex.
 - J. W. Kinard, Paint Rock, Texas
 - Ernest Marshall, Maverick, Tex.
 - W. A. Simmons, Victoria, Texas.
 - J. T. Hardagree, Crews, Texas.
 - W. T. Crockett, Ballinger, Texas.
 - O. H. Green, Winters, Texas.
 - G. W. Hanna, Paint Rock, Texas.
 - J. L. Queen, Winters, Texas, Route 3.
 - A. F. Lee, Maverick, Texas.
 - A. P. Serratt, Norton, Texas.
 - W. T. Brown, Ballinger, route 4.
 - I. L. Dietz, Ballinger route 4.
 - John Reese, Ballinger
 - H. O. Jones, Winters.
 - J. F. Goetz, Thrall, Texas.

Notice To Litigants.
In view of the crowded condition of the County Court docket, notice is hereby given to all interested parties that I have ordered juries for the first and third weeks of the May term of the County Court.

The Jury Civil Docket will be called for trial the first week and the criminal docket will be taken up the third week, and when all criminal cases shall have been disposed of I shall proceed to dispose of any jury civil cases, not disposed of the first week.

M. KLEBERG,
County Judge of Runnels County,
Texas. 1d1tw

SILVA-MARTINES.

His Honor Judge Kleberg spoke the solemn marriage vows Monday afternoon at the Mexican restaurant on 8th street, which united in marriage Andrew Silva and Miss Rosa Martines in the presence of the relatives and a few friends.

Ten Reasons Why You Should Buy Your Shoes From Ballinger Dry Goods Co.



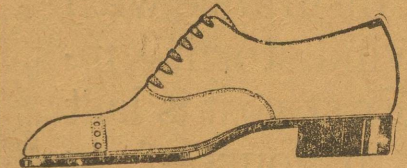
2 in 1, Bixby's and Whitmore polishes, for sale here in all colors.



We recommend Hose for all the family. 4 pair for \$1.00. They are guaranteed.



Kidney heel colonials in patent leather and satin at \$3.50 and \$4.00.



Barefoot sandals for children, women and men. We are head quarters for these goods.

1. We buy the best styles and values from fourteen of the foremost manufactures of shoes in the country.
2. We depend on the volume of business for our profit, believing in quick sales and small profits.
3. We always carry a large and well assorted stock, you will always find the newest styles here.
4. Our turn over is from 2 to 2 1-2 times a year which insures a new stock at all times,
5. We dye free of charge all white, tan or red shoes bought here.
6. We Viscolize free boots and work shoes if requested. This keeps them soft and absolutely water proof.
7. We put star heel plates on heels free on request.
8. We keep buttons braded on button shoes bought here. Laces, buttons and shoe horns furnished free to our customers.
9. We will gladly adjust any claim on shoes that do not prove satisfactory to customer.
10. We take pains to fit customers properly and will gladly order shoes for people that need speceial sizes.

We especially recommend the following lines:

FOR MEN

- Strong and Garfield . . . \$6 to \$6.50
- Regal . . . \$3.50, \$4, \$4.50 and \$5
- McElwain . . . \$2.50, \$3 and \$3.50
- Whitcomb . . . \$3 and \$3.50
- Star Brand . . . \$2 to \$3.50

FOR WOMEN

- Red Cross Shoes . . . \$3.50 and \$4
- G. Edwin Smith \$2.50, \$3 and \$3.50
- Thomson Crooker . . . \$2 to \$3.50
- Star Brand . . . \$1.50 to \$3.50

FOR BOYS

- Tess and Ted . . . \$2.50 to \$3.50
- McElwain . . . \$2 to \$3

FOR MISSES AND CHILDREN

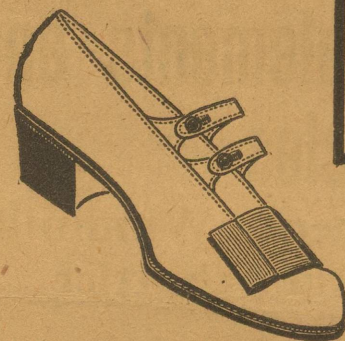
- R. T. Wood Shoes . . . 75c to \$3
- Star Brand . . . 50c to \$3



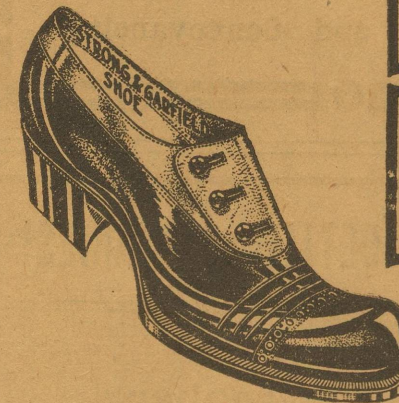
Strong and Garfield black Calf and Mohogany, English Oxfords with new narrow decede toes at \$6.00.



Misses, Ladies, Boys and Mens' tennis shoes. All sizes just received.



We have Baby Doll and Mary Jane Pumps in all sizes, Patent leather, White Buck and canvas.



Rubber sole tan biucher Regal Oxfords at \$4.50.

REV. DOSS' AUNT DIES IN DALLAS

Mrs. Serena Caroline Knight, aged 91 year 7 months and 6 days, probably the oldest resident of the county, died at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the home of her son, Arch J. Knight, 4725 Swiss avenue. The funeral will take place this afternoon, leaving the residence at 2 o'clock. The service will be held at Oak Lawn Methodist Church at 2:30 o'clock. It will be conducted by Rev. H. A. Bourland, assisted by Rev. J. L. Morris, pastor of Grace Methodist Church; Rev. New Harris of Trinity Methodist Church and Rev. Claud M. Simpson of Oak Lawn Methodist Church. Burial will be in the family burying ground at Cochran's Chapel, north of the city.

Serena Caroline Hughes was born in Stokes County, North Carolina, Sept. 30, 1822. When she was 4 years old her parents moved to Columbia, Manry County, Tennessee, where she was reared and educated and where she married Obediah W. Knight. In 1846 she and her husband came to Texas, settling in Dallas County four miles north of the site of the present city of Dallas.

Mrs. Knight was 46 years old when Mr. Knight died, April 1, 1868. She had lived since that time forty-six years, rearing the children then in their minority. She raised five step-children, twelve of her own, gave a home to three orphan girls, and raised ten grand children. For sixty-eight years her home was in or near this city.

The family left Tennessee early in September, 1846, and it was Nov. 30, when they made their last camp at Cedar Springs. The party of immigrants consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Knight, her sisters, Mrs. Wm. M. Cochran and her husband, Mrs. Isaac B. Webb and her husband, Mrs. T. C. Williams and her husband and several children, and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Walker and a number of children, and some fifty slaves. William M. Cochran was the first County Clerk of Dallas County, Isaac B. Webb was the first postmaster in the county, and T. C. Williams was the first Tax Assessor of the county.

The five step-children, each living to a ripe old age, have passed away. Of her own children, six survive her. She also leaves fifty nine grandchildren.

Mrs. Knight had thirteen brothers and sisters. Rev. W. H. Hughes, the only one of them surviving her, was with her when she passed away.—Dallas News.

Deceased was an aunt of Rev. W. H. Doss, pastor of the local Methodist church. She was the only surviving sister of the mother of Rev. Doss, and the sad news of her death was received by him Tuesday.

Chickens! Chickens! Chickens! White Orpingtons. If you want a good general purpose fowl you can't beat White Orpingtons. In order to make room for my growing youngsters I am offering my breeding stock for sale. One and two year old hens for \$1.50; cocks \$1.50. This stock will be in the very best condition for breeding this and next season. Your choice of the bunch. Come look and pick what you want. Walter Parker, 308 Strong Ave., Ballinger, Texas. d4t w2tpd

VISITS LOCAL POSTOFFICE

Miss Ata Appleman, assistant Postmaster at Clovis, N. M., was a visitor to Ballinger Monday, and remained over until Tuesday morning when she went to Brownwood. Miss Appleman was en route to Fort Worth and other places on a vacation and visit to relatives, and stopped off for a few hours in Ballinger. While here she visited the local post-office and Postmaster Erwin carried her through the office and in speaking of the way Uncle Sam's business was handled at Ballinger the young lady was very complimentary.

METHODIST LADIES SERVE 220 DINNERS.

The ladies of the Methodist church realized \$55 from the public dinner served at the City Hall Monday. At two bits per head it would require 220 quarters to make \$55, and the receipts show that at least that number of people dined with the ladies.

Whenever better shoes than the above lines are made you will find them at

BALLINGER DRY GOODS CO.

"QUALITY FIRST"

Sheriff's Sale.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, of the 7th day of April 1914, by the District Clerk of said county for the sum of two thousand seven hundred twenty six and 20-100 dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment and foreclosure, in favor of Mrs. C. S. Herring in a certain cause in said court, No. 1626 and styled Mrs. C. S. Herring vs. J. W. Taylor, and E. T. Stobaugh, the said judgment is also a foreclosure against J. W. Taylor, E. T. Stobaugh, M. F. Pierce and J. M. Radford Grocery Co. a corporation, placed in my hands for service, I, J. P. Flynt as sheriff of Runnels County, Texas, did, on the 8th day of April 1914, levy on certain real estate, situated in Runnels County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: 177 acres of land out of two certain surveys situated in Runnels County, Texas. The first tract of which said 177 acres is a part is described as follows: Being one acre of land out of survey No. 135 originally granted to the E. T. R. R. Co. by virtue of certificate No. 97 known as abstract No. 151, patent No. 241, volume No. 8.

Second tract out of which the 177 acres is part, being 59 acres out of survey No. 129 originally granted to E. T. R. R. Co., by virtue of certificate No. 94, known as abstract No. 149, patent No. 254, volume 8.

Third tract of which the said 177 acres is part being 117 acres of land out of the George Clayton 320 acre survey No. 130, abstract No. 645, located by virtue of E. T. R. R. Co., certificate No. 94 and patented to J. E. McCord, as assignee, patent No. 235, volume No. 12 the said three tracts to-wit: the said one acre, the said 59 acres and the said 117 acres comprising the said 177 acres in the aggregate and which is described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at a stone mound and fence corner 526 varas north of the northeast corner of survey No. 135, this point is the northwest corner of a 114 acre tract out of survey No. 129; thence east following a fence 625 varas to stone mound under fence for northeast corner of this tract; thence south of 526 varas cross north line of survey No. 130 and south line of survey No. 129 at 1518 varas stone mound under fence on south line of a 238 acre tract out of said survey No. 130; thence south 77 west 642 varas to southwest corner of said 238 acre tract; thence south 74 varas to center of Mustang creek, where west line of survey No. 130 crosses said creek; thence west with the center of creek 60 varas; thence north 90 varas; thence north 77 east 62 varas to stone mound in west line of said survey No. 130; thence north at 1096 varas pass over northeast corner of survey No. 135 and northwest corner of survey No. 130, 1622 varas to place of beginning and levied upon as the property of J. W. Taylor and E. T. Stobaugh and that on the first Tuesday in May 1914, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the court house door, of Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell said above described real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said J. W. Taylor and E. T. Stobaugh.

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-Ledger, a news paper published in Runnels County.

Witness my hand, this 8th day of April 1914.
J. P. FLYNT, Sheriff,
Runnels County, Texas.
10-17-24

Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

By Virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, on 6th day of April 1914, by the clerk thereof, in the case of H. W. Lynn and The First National Bank of Ballinger versus J. S. Patterson and W. C. Douglass No. 1614, and to me, as sheriff directed and delivered I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales, on the first Tuesday in May A. D. 1914, it being the fifth day of said month, before the court house door of said Runnels County, in

the town of Ballinger, the following described property, to-wit:
Lots numbers one, and two (1 and 2) in block number eight (8) in College Heights Addition to the town of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas. Levied on as the property of J. S. Patterson and W. C. Douglass to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$2466 in favor of H. W. Lynn and \$588 in favor of First National Bank of Ballinger and cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this 7th day of April 1914.
J. P. FLYNT, Sheriff.
10-17-24.

Sheriff's Sale.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, of the 7th day of April 1914, by the District Clerk of said county for the sum of \$3077.19 in favor of plaintiff J. A. Hood, against defendant J. B. Poole; \$2307.87 in favor of defendant T. L. Shepherd, against defendant J. B. Poole, and \$1538.19 in favor of D. E. Ussery against defendant J. B. Poole and costs of suit, under a judgment and foreclosure in a certain cause in said court, No. 1398 and styled J. A. Hood vs. J. B. Poole et al.

It is provided in said judgment and order of sale that plaintiff J. A. Hood recover from defendant J. B. Poole the sum of \$3077.19 interest and costs of suit and that Defendant T. L. Shepherd recover of and from defendant J. B. Poole the sum of \$2307.87, with interest and costs of suit.

That Defendant D. E. Ussery have and recover of and from Defendant J. B. Poole the sum of \$1538.19 with interest and costs of suit.

That the vendors lien held against the hereinafter described land by virtue of the notes described in judgment and order of sale, be and the same are hereby foreclosed in the order indicated as follows:

First. In favor of plaintiff on his judgment of \$3077.19 and secondly, in favor of T. L. Shepherd and D. E. Ussery, prorated in accordance with the respective sums herein adjudged to them, placed in my hands for service, I, J. P. Flynt as sheriff of Runnels County, Texas, did, on the 8th day of April 1914, levy on certain real estate, situated in Runnels County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: The east one-half of the Green DeWitt survey No. 719 in Runnels County, Texas, the said east one-half being 240 acres and levied upon as the property of J. B. Poole and that on the first Tuesday in May 1914, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the court house door, of Runnels, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell said above described real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder as the property of said J. B. Poole.

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-Ledger, a news paper published in Runnels County.

Witness my hand, this 8th day of April 1914.

J. P. FLYNT, Sheriff,
Runnels County, Texas.
10-17-24.

NOTICE OF HEARING

To Appropriate Public Waters.

STATE OF TEXAS.

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that Emmitt A. Brookshire, whose postoffice address is Tennyson, Texas, did on the 1st day of April, A. D., 1914, file an application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, in which he applies for a permit to appropriate . . . acre-feet of water per annum, or 2 1-4 cubic feet of water per second of time for the period of . . . days in each year, for the purpose of irrigating certain lands hereinafter described, from the unappropriated waters of the state of Texas, to be diverted from the Colorado River by means of a pumping plant located on Joseph Plessman survey No. 394, on south side of the Colorado River in Runnels County.

You are hereby further notified that the lands proposed to be irrigated consist of certain portions of the Joseph Plessman survey No. 394, and Freidreich Mehman survey No. 395, lying on the south side of the Colorado River in said Runnels County, Texas, amount-

ing in the aggregate to 125 acres. A hearing on the said application of the said Emmitt A. Brookshire will be held by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at its office, in the city of Austin, County of Travis, said State, on Monday, the 11th day of May, A. D., 1914, beginning at 10 o'clock, A. M., at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under, and by virtue of, an order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at the office of said Board, in Austin, Texas, this the 3rd day of April, A. D., 1914.
(Seal)
J. C. NAGLE,
JOHN WILSON,
E. B. GORE, Board.
10-17-24-may1.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District court of Runnels County Texas, on the 3rd day of April, A. D. 1914, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of S. W. Young vs. L. G. Strawn and J. W. Payne, No. 1604 on the docket of said court and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff Sales, on the first Tuesday in May, A. D. 1914, it being the fifth day of said month, before the court house door of said Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger, the following described property, to-wit:

Situated in Runnels County, in the State of Texas, and being 167 1-4 acres of land more or less, out of the southwest quarter of E. T. R. R. Co., survey No. 123 abstract No. 143, certificate No. 91 levied on as the property of said L. G. Strawn and J. W. Payne to satisfy a judgment amounting to two thousand four hundred eighty seven (\$2487.25) and 25-100 dollars in favor of said S. W. Young and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 4th day of April, A. D. 1914.
J. P. FLYNT,
Sheriff, Runnels County, Texas.
10-17-24 May 1

SHERIFF'S SALE.

STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District court of Runnels County, on the 3rd day of April, 1914, by the clerk thereof, in the case of J. M. Edwards vs. Jo Wilmeth et al No. 1528 and to me as sheriff directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales, on the first Tuesday in May, 1914, the same being the 5th day of May, 1914, before the court house door, of said Runnels County in the town of Ballinger, Texas, the following described property, to-wit:

Situated in Runnels County, in the State of Texas and being the David Tabor 160 acre survey No. 14, abstract 805, patented to David Tabor, situated in the north east portion of said Runnels County and more fully described in deed from J. M. Edwards to Jo Wilmeth of record in volume 70 page 306, deed records of Runnels County, Texas, to which reference is here made levied on as the property of Jo Wilmeth to satisfy a judgment amounting to the sum of \$2840.50 in favor of J. M. Edwards and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 4th day of April, A. D. 1914.
J. P. FLYNT,
Sheriff, Runnels County, Texas.
10-17-24 May 1

SHERIFF'S SALE.

STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District court of Runnels County, on the 3rd day of April, 1914, by the clerk thereof, in the case of Mrs. Lee C. Fulton, a feme sole, vs. Orient Milling Company et al, No. 1602 on the docket of said court, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales, on the first Tuesday in May, A. D. 1914, it being the fifth day of said month, before the court house door of said Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger, the following described property, to-wit:

Situated in Runnels County, in the State of Texas and being the

J. B. Childress pre-emption survey No. 36 of 160 acres, patented the 26th day of February, A. L. 1896, patent No. 353, volume No. 28 levied on as the property of Chas. Bogart, B. F. Bogart, J. T. Dawson and W. F. Whitaker, to satisfy a judgement amounting to one thousand one hundred and six (\$1106.80) and 80-100 dollars in favor of said Mrs. Lee C. Fulton and cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this 4th day of April, A. D. 1914.
J. P. FLYNT,
Sheriff, Runnels County, Texas.
10-17-24 May 1

Sheriff's Sale.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, of the 7th day of April 1914, by the District Clerk of said County, for the sum of \$3946.25, less a credit of \$790.90 and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of The Ballinger Cotton Oil Co., a corporation in a certain cause in said court, No. 1545 and styled The Ballinger Cotton Oil Co., vs. T. H. Wright, Emma Wright and the firm of Woodrow and Hood, composed of J. Hood and C. F. Woodrow, placed in my hands for service, I, J. P. Flynt as Sheriff of Runnels County, Texas, did on the 8th day of April 1914, levy on certain real estate, situated in Runnels County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: An undivided one-half interest in and to that certain tract or parcel of land situated in Runnels County, Texas, being two acres of land out of a six hundred forty acre survey located for the common school fund by virtue of certificate No. 28-20 63 issued to the H. & T. C. R. R. Co. and originally granted to H. E. Baggs, known as survey No. 100, abstract No. 753 patent No. 109, volume 10, said two acres being out of the northeast part of the south one-half of the said survey and is described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at an iron pin in the ground in the center of the Pumphrey & Wingate public road on the north boundary line of the south one-half of said survey No. 100 which iron pin is set 363 1-2 varas west of the northeast corner of the south one-half of the said survey No. 100, thence south 118 1-2 varas to stake for southeast corner of this tract west 95 1-2 varas to stake for southwest corner of this tract; thence north 118 1-2 varas to an iron pin in the center of the said Pumphrey and Wingate public road in the north boundary line of the south one-half of said survey No. 100; thence east 95 1-2 varas to the north boundary line of the south one-half of said survey to the place of beginning. And second: For the foreclosure of deed of trust line on the following described parcel of land to-wit: Being all that certain parcel of land out of lot No. 4 in block D, in Murray's East End Addition to the town of Winters, situated in Runnels County, Texas, being more particularly described as follows to-wit: Beginning at the northeast corner of said lot No. 4; thence south along the east line of said lot, 150 feet; thence west 60 feet on a line parallel to the north line of said lot; thence north 150 feet on a line parallel with the east line of said lot to the line to the north line of said lot; thence east 60 feet on the north line of said lot to the place of beginning and levied upon as the property of T. H. Wright and that on the first Tuesday in May 1914, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the court house door, of Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. by virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell said above described real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said T. H. Wright.

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-Ledger, a newspaper published in Runnels County.

Witness my hand, this 8th day of April 1914.
J. P. FLYNT, Sheriff,
Runnels County, Texas.
10-17-24.

Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

By Virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court of Runnels County, Texas by the clerk thereof, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 23 day of March 1914 \$1006.30 and cost of suit said costs amounting to \$29.55 in favor of C. S. Miller, J. W. Powell and C. O. Harris, plaintiffs against W. C. Hammons personally and against the said Hammons, H. F. Hanks, E. P. Hall, G. T. Hall and Jno. L. Poulter for the foreclosure of a Vendor's lien on the hereinafter described land, in suit No. 1606 on the docket of said court, and said order of sale to me directed as sheriff, I did on the 9th day of April, 1914, at 9 o'clock a. m. levy upon the following described property, to-wit: 80 acres out the east part of the northwest one-fourth of a section of land situated in Runnels County, Texas, in the name of S. P. R. R. Co., located by virtue of certificate No. 16-213, abstract No. 446, survey No. 19, patented to W. H. Hutchings April 8th 1873, patent No. 429, volume 6; beginning at a stake 475 varas east and 5 varas south of the original northwest corner of this survey; thence 475 varas, east with north boundary line to a stake for northeast corner of the 80 acres; thence south

Witness my hand, this 8th day of April 1914.
J. P. FLYNT, Sheriff,
Runnels County, Texas.
10-17-24

Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

By Virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, on 6th day of April 1914, by the clerk thereof, in the case of Jack McGregor versus J. L. Allen, J. C. Moore, J. D. Silman and Jo Wilmeth No. 1558, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales, on the first Tuesday in May A. D. 1914, it being the fifth day of said month, before the court house door of said Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger, the following described property, to-wit: A tract of land situated in Runnels County, Texas, being three hundred and fifty six acres, being a part of H. D. Blume survey No. 104, abstract No. 26, certificate No. 1049, and a part of David Witkoff survey No. 102, abstract No. 519, certificate No. 1048, bounded as follows: Beginning at a point in the north line of David Witkoff survey No. 102, 819 varas east of its Northwest corner for the northwest corner of this tract; thence south 1128 varas to a stake in the south line of H. D. Blume survey No. 104; thence east with said south line 1427 varas to the southeast corner of said Blume survey; thence north 456 varas to the northeast corner thereof in the south line of said survey No. 102; thence east 846 varas to the southeast corner of said survey No. 102, on the west bank of the Colorado River; thence up the river with its meanders to the northeast corner of said survey No. 102; thence west 1583 1-2 varas to the place of beginning. Situated about three miles easterly from the town of Ballinger. Levied on as the property of J. L. Allen, J. D. Silman, J. C. Moore and Jo Wilmeth or either of them to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$1704 in favor of Jack McGregor and cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this 7th day of April 1914.
J. P. FLYNT, Sheriff.
10-17-24.

Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

By Virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable Dis-

trict Court of Runnels County, on 6th day of April 1914, by the clerk thereof, in the case of Jack McGregor versus J. L. Allen, J. C. Moore, J. D. Silman and Jo Wilmeth No. 1558, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales, on the first Tuesday in May A. D. 1914, it being the fifth day of said month, before the court house door of said Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger, the following described property, to-wit: A tract of land situated in Runnels County, Texas, being three hundred and fifty six acres, being a part of H. D. Blume survey No. 104, abstract No. 26, certificate No. 1049, and a part of David Witkoff survey No. 102, abstract No. 519, certificate No. 1048, bounded as follows: Beginning at a point in the north line of David Witkoff survey No. 102, 819 varas east of its Northwest corner for the northwest corner of this tract; thence south 1128 varas to a stake in the south line of H. D. Blume survey No. 104; thence east with said south line 1427 varas to the southeast corner of said Blume survey; thence north 456 varas to the northeast corner thereof in the south line of said survey No. 102; thence east 846 varas to the southeast corner of said survey No. 102, on the west bank of the Colorado River; thence up the river with its meanders to the northeast corner of said survey No. 102; thence west 1583 1-2 varas to the place of beginning. Situated about three miles easterly from the town of Ballinger. Levied on as the property of J. L. Allen, J. D. Silman, J. C. Moore and Jo Wilmeth or either of them to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$1704 in favor of Jack McGregor and cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this 7th day of April 1914.
J. P. FLYNT, Sheriff.
10-17-24.

Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

By Virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, on 6th day of April 1914, by the clerk thereof, in the case of Gus Glass versus C. A. Zachray, Albert Gully, J. D. Loika, F. Blum entritt and A. R. Douglass No. 1624, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales, on the first Tuesday in May A. D. 1914, it being the fifth day of said month, before the court house door of said Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger, the following described property, to-wit: An undivided one-third interest in lots numbers eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen and fifteen (11, 12, 13, 14, and 15) in block number one (1) in the town of Rowena, Runnels County, Texas, levied on as the property of C. A. Zachray, Albert Gully, J. D. Loika, F. Blumentritt and A. R. Douglass, or either of them to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$3866.70 in favor of Gus Glass and cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this 7th day of April 1914.
J. P. FLYNT, Sheriff.
10-17-24

Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

By Virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, on 6th day of April 1914, by the clerk thereof, in the case of Gus Glass versus C. A. Zachray, Albert Gully, J. D. Loika, F. Blum entritt and A. R. Douglass No. 1624, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales, on the first Tuesday in May A. D. 1914, it being the fifth day of said month, before the court house door of said Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger, the following described property, to-wit: An undivided one-third interest in lots numbers eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen and fifteen (11, 12, 13, 14, and 15) in block number one (1) in the town of Rowena, Runnels County, Texas, levied on as the property of C. A. Zachray, Albert Gully, J. D. Loika, F. Blumentritt and A. R. Douglass, or either of them to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$3866.70 in favor of Gus Glass and cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this 7th day of April 1914.
J. P. FLYNT, Sheriff.
10-17-24

Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

Whereas, by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court of Runnels County, Texas by the clerk thereof, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 23 day of March 1914 \$1006.30 and cost of suit said costs amounting to \$29.55 in favor of C. S. Miller, J. W. Powell and C. O. Harris, plaintiffs against W. C. Hammons personally and against the said Hammons, H. F. Hanks, E. P. Hall, G. T. Hall and Jno. L. Poulter for the foreclosure of a Vendor's lien on the hereinafter described land, in suit No. 1606 on the docket of said court, and said order of sale to me directed as sheriff, I did on the 9th day of April, 1914, at 9 o'clock a. m. levy upon the following described property, to-wit: 80 acres out the east part of the northwest one-fourth of a section of land situated in Runnels County, Texas, in the name of S. P. R. R. Co., located by virtue of certificate No. 16-213, abstract No. 446, survey No. 19, patented to W. H. Hutchings April 8th 1873, patent No. 429, volume 6; beginning at a stake 475 varas east and 5 varas south of the original northwest corner of this survey; thence 475 varas, east with north boundary line to a stake for northeast corner of the 80 acres; thence south

Witness my hand, this 8th day of April 1914.
J. P. FLYNT, Sheriff,
Runnels County, Texas.
10-17-24.

Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

By Virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable Dis-

950 varas; thence west 475 varas; thence north 950 varas to place of beginning.

Now therefore, notice is hereby given that I will on the first Tuesday in May, same being the 5th day of May 1914, before the court house door of Runnels County, between the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales, offer for sale and will sell at public auction the above described land to the highest bidder for cash.

J. P. FLYNT, Sheriff
Runnels County, Texas.
10-17-24

Notice of Final Account.

No. 349.
THE STATE OF TEXAS,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting:

H. Giesecke, administrator of the Estate of Wm. Glass, deceased having filed in our County Court his Final Account of the condition of the Estate of said Wm. Glass, deceased, together with an application to be discharged from said administration.

Your are hereby commanded, that by publication of this writ for twenty days before the return date hereof in a newspaper regularly published in the County of Runnels you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate, to file their objections thereto, if any they have, on or before the May Term, 1914, of said County Court, commencing and to be holden at the court house of said County, in the town of Ballinger on the 4 day in May A. D. 1914, when said account and Application will be considered by said Court.

Witness O. L. Parish Clerk of the County Court of Runnels County.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at my office, this 3rd day of April A. D. 1914.
(Seal)

O. L. PARISH, Clerk,
County Court Runnels County.

A True Copy, I Certify:
J. P. FLYNT, Sheriff,
Runnels County.
By J. D. Perkins, Deputy Sheriff.
10-17-24

SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC

A. L. Kerley, one of the successful citizens of the Hatchel country, and superintendent of the M. E. Sunday school at Hatchel, was in the city Friday and paid the Ledger an appreciated visit.

Mr. Kerley requested us to again announce that they would have a M. E. Sunday school picnic at the J. A. Davis place on Bluff creek Saturday, April 11, at which time Prof. Seerest, of the Hatchel day school will entertain with a 45 minute exercise by his school and Judge R. S. Griggs will speak on Woodcraft and Rev. Thomas pastor of the M. E. church would speak on "The Sunday school." S. D. Williams will introduce the speakers and extends everybody a cordial invitation to be present, whether they be Methodist or not. Refreshments consisting of ice cream and lemonade will be served.

CANNOT COMPEL VIOLATION OF LAWS.

The right of express companies to refuse to deliver C. O. D. shipments of liquor into restricted territory was upheld by the Missouri Supreme Court. The decision of the court was based on the Texas law prohibiting such shipments. The case was that of Abraham Rosenberger, a liquor dealer of Kansas City. He claimed that he had delivered shipments of liquor to the Pacific Express Company and Wells, Fargo & Co., Express for Texas. Before the shipments were delivered the Texas law prohibiting such shipments became effective. The express companies refused to deliver the liquor, but offered to return it to Rosenberger. He refused to accept the liquor and brought suit for the conversion of property. He won in the lower court, but this decision has now been reversed by the Missouri Supreme Court, which held that he might bring suit for violation of contracts, but could not compel the express companies to make the shipments.

J. H. Nease and Will Gallia, two of the prominent real estate men of Rowena were looking after land matters in Ballinger Monday and report their section moving along very nicely at present.

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If you are bilious, languid, constipated, suffer from indigestion, sour belching, bloated feeling, bad breath, headache, wind in the bowels, dizziness, you need

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FISHING GOOD IN COLORADO

According to fishermen who have returned from outings spent on the Colorado River and its tributaries, angling has never been better on the Runnels County streams. Large catches are reported on practically all streams in this county within the past week or two.

Almost every night finds some crowd on the river banks enjoying an evening's outing. Many clerks in stores who are housed up during the day hours leave the city immediately after work hours for some stream where they spend the night fishing. During the early hours of morning they return with their strings, loaded to capacity.

The large quantity of fish in the streams of this section of the state are accounted for by the recent rises in the streams. The rains over Western Texas during the past ten days have caused many fish to come down stream. It is claimed by the fishermen that the water is neither too muddy nor too clear for angling.

It is very probable that tonight will find many lovers of the sport of fishing on the Colorado with lines running across the stream every other yard or two, in an effort to make big hauls of the finny tribe.

Check Your April Cough

Thawing frost and April rains chill you to the very marrow, you catch cold—Head and lungs stuffed—You are feverish—Cough continually and feel miserable—You need Dr. King's New Discovery. It soothes inflamed and irritated throat and lungs, stops cough, your head clears up, fever leaves, and you feel fine. Mr. J. T. Davis of Stickney Corner, Me., "Was cured of a dreadful cough after doctor's treatment and all other remedies failed. Relief or money back. Pleasant—Children like it. Get a bottle to-day. 50c. and \$1.00 at your druggist.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve for All Sores.

Mrs. W. S. Harmon, of Bangs, who had been spending the past week or two with her daughters Madames Cline and McKinney and other relatives and friends, left Monday morning for her home, Mrs. Bud Cline accompanied her home to visit a few weeks.

J. M. Johnson and C. M. White, of the Tennyson country, were looking after business affairs and supplying in Ballinger Monday.

Hardy Parrott, of Valera, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

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The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is Equally Valuable as a General Tonic because it Acts on the Liver, Drives Out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. For Grown People and Children.

You know what you are taking when you take Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic as the formula is printed on every label showing that it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It is as strong as the strongest bitter tonic and is in Tasteless Form. It has no equal for Malaria, Chills and Fever, Weakness, general debility and loss of appetite. Gives life and vigor to Nursing Mothers and Pale, Sickly Children. Removes Biliousness without purging. Relieves nervous depression and low spirits. Arouses the liver to action and purifies the blood. A True Tonic and Sure Appetizer. A Complete Strengthening. No family should be without it. Guaranteed by your Druggist. We mean it. 50c.

DALLAS GETS REGIONAL BANK

Washington, April 3. — After three months of consideration the reserve banks organization committee last night announced that it had divided the continental United States into twelve banking districts and selected twelve cities for Federal reserve banks under the new currency law. This was the first decisive step toward the establishment of the new system. The cities and districts are:

District No. 1, Boston: Reserve bank will have capital of \$9,931,740, with 446 National banks as members.

District No. 2, New York: Capital \$20,678,616; with 478 National and a number of State banks (not given) as members.

District No. 3, Philadelphia: Capital, \$12,993,013, including 800 National banks and several State banks.

District No. 4, Cleveland: Capital, \$11,621,535; with 724 National and several State banks.

District No. 6, Atlanta: Capital, \$4,702,780; with 372 National banks, etc.

District No. 7, Chicago: Capital, \$13,151,925; with 984 National banks, etc.

District No. 8, St. Louis: Capital, \$6,219,323 with 424 National banks, etc.

District No. 9, Minneapolis: Capital, \$4,702,864, with 687 National banks, etc.

District No. 10, Kansas City: Capital, \$5,594,916, with 835 National banks, etc.

District No. 11, Dallas: Capital, \$5,634,091, with 726 National banks, etc.

District No. 12, San Francisco: Capital, \$8,115,524, with 514 National banks, etc.

Bad breath, bitter taste, dizziness and a general "no account" feeling is a sure sign of a torpid liver. HERBINE is the medicine needed. It makes the liver active, vitalizes the blood, regulates the bowels and restores a fine feeling of energy and cheerfulness. Price 50c. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

David Holliday, of Hatchel, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

Charlie Ransbarger, one of the successful young farmers of the Pony creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday and renewed with the Banner-Ledger for another year.

Mrs. H. J. Blackburn, who had been at home to ship out their household goods, left Friday afternoon for Comanche, where they will make home for a while.

LOCAL BANKERS WELL PLEASED

Ballinger bankers expressed themselves today as being well pleased over the announcement made Thursday night that Dallas was chosen as one of the twelve places in which would be located a regional reserve bank. It has been known here for some time that Dallas was one of the places in Texas that had an excellent opportunity to land the reserve bank. Local bankers feel that the committee which had charge of the selection of the various places over the country for reserve centers could not have arranged a better district for the Dallas bank. There seems to be a little speculation among local circles over the fact that San Francisco was the only Western city that secured a federal bank. Denver was a strong aspirant for the Western location.

Reserve Banks by July 1st.

Washington, April 4. — Although various steps still must be taken before the new Federal reserve banking system begins operation, Treasury officials declared that the twelve regional reserve banks would open for business within three months and that the revolutionary change in the Nation's financial machinery would be an accomplished fact within that time. With the designation of the reserve centers the organization committee took the first decisive steps toward perfection of the system.

The first work was official certification to Comptroller of the Currency Williams of the selections, and Mr. Williams began the task of notifying every one of the 7548 National and State banks which have applied for membership. It was the general expectation that member banks in the twelve districts would immediately begin preparing for the establishment of their reserve bank. Every bank, under the law, must begin payment of a subscription of 6 per cent of its capital stock and surplus to the stock of its reserve bank within thirty days after notification.

Eczema, Ring Worm, Itching and Tetter.

Sold under a positive guarantee to refund the purchase price if it does not cure itch, ringworm, tetter and all other skin diseases. Hunt's Cure has proven itself the standard medicine for skin diseases. Ask any druggist and read the positive guarantee that goes with each package. Price 50c. A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

L. C. Little, one of the prominent young stock farmers of the Maverick country, was among the large crowd in the city first Monday.

Mrs. W. S. Davis, of Winters, who had been visiting relatives and friends in the Pony creek country, left for her home Saturday afternoon. Her son W. J. Davis accompanied her home to visit a few days.

J. Y. Witherspoon, one of the successful stock farmers was in the city first Monday and sold 8 shoats for over \$120 and had a wagon load of pigs left over. He has the red Jersey stock and makes them weight out at 400 pounds at 12 months.

SCHOOL BOARD GETS THREE NEW MEMBERS

The election held last Saturday for the purpose of electing four trustees for the Independent School District of Ballinger resulted in the election of three new members and the re-election of one of the old ones. The ticket contained the names of five men, and it was supposed that the four trustees would be elected from this number, but those who desired the retention of Jo Wilmeth on the board got busy and by a little electioneering the voters inserted the name of Wilmeth and elected him. The new board will be made up of the following gentlemen: Scott H. Mack, H. W. Lynn, E. D. Futch, Jo Wilmeth, E. D. Walker, W. B. Ray, Dr. W. W. Fowler. Following is the vote polled last Saturday:

Ed D. Futch 110; U. E. Hartman 62; H. W. Lynn 115; N. J. Wardlaw 32; Jo Wilmeth 67.

A scattering vote was polled for several other gentlemen, whose names were written on the ticket by the voters.

NOTICE OF HEARING To Appropriate Public Waters THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that E. C. Clinger, whose postoffice is Maverick, Texas, did on the 30th day of March, A. D., 1914, file an application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, in which he applies for a permit to appropriate ... acre feet of water per annum, or 2 cubic feet of water per second of time for the period of days in each year, for the purpose of irrigating certain lands hereinafter described, from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas, to be diverted from Oak Creek, a tributary of the Colorado River, by means of an impounding dam and pumping plant located on E. W. Bull Survey, No. 333, Runnels County, Texas; said dam and pumping plant minutely described in application.

You are hereby notified that the land proposed to be irrigated is West 60 acres of Block 73, of E. W. Bull Survey of the Houghton & Robinson Ranch, in said Runnels County, and is described by metes and bounds in the application now on file in the office of the Board of Water Engineers.

A hearing on said application of the said E. C. Clinger will be held by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at its office, in the City of Austin, County of Travis, said State, on Monday, the 4th day of May, A. D., 1914, beginning at 10 o'clock, a. m., at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper. Given under, and by virtue of, and order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at the office of said Board, in Austin, Texas, this the 31 day of March A. D., 1914.

J. C. NAGLE,
JOHN WILSON,
E. B. GORE,
Board.

Attest:
W. T. POTTER,
Secretary.

Charlie Hanzel, one of the prominent real estate men of Rowena was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

Cough Medicine for Children

Too much care cannot be used in selecting a cough medicine for children. It should be pleasant to take, contain no harmful substances and be most effectual. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy meets these requirements and is a favorite with the mothers of young children everywhere. For sale by all dealers.

R. Gattschalk, and son, of the Valley creek country, were shaking hands with Ballinger friends first Monday.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years

Always bears the Signature of *W. C. Little*

BALLINGER MAY HAVE TRACK MEET

The track team of the Ballinger High School has been successful in raising a sufficient amount of money to make the trip to Brownwood next Saturday, when the interscholastic meet is to take place. The money was donated by the business men of Ballinger.

The entry blanks have been sent into the Brownwood end of the line and a reply is expected within the next day or two by the boys who will make the trip.

Captain Mangum of the team states that an effort is being made by the Ballinger team to hold another meet, this time to be in Ballinger. If arrangements are made, the meeting of the athletes of this section of the state will be held next month. It is pointed out by the local squad that a meet in Ballinger will bring a large number of athletes to this city, giving the city much fine advertising free of costs. The matter of the second meet will be determined after the gathering at Brownwood has been brought to a close.

Spring Laxative and Blood Cleanser

Flush out the accumulated waste and poisons of the winter months; cleans your stomach, liver and kidneys of all impurities. Take Dr. King's New Life Pills; nothing better for purifying the blood. Mild, non-gripping laxative. Cures constipation; makes you feel fine. Take no other. 25c at your Druggist.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve for All Hurts.

CHICAGO WOMEN TO VOTE

Chicago, April 6.—The political campaign here was brought to a close and Chicago women prepared for the first time to exercise their right of franchise at the election Tuesday. There are 217,614 women eligible to cast their votes, and election authorities persist that at least 175,000 will go to the polls and aid in the election of thirty-six aldermen and express themselves on the twelve questions of municipality submitted.

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism, and bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Texas testimonials with each bottle. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo Sold by druggists.

FINE JACK SELLS FOR \$1,000.

Robert Lee, Tex., April 4.—That the raising of fine stock is proving to be one of the important industries of this section of the state was evidenced when a fine jack was sold here for \$1000. F. S. Scarborough of this town purchased the animal from Stanley Turner paying the large price for him. The jack has won many blue ribbons at various fairs held over Texas.

To have a fine healthy complexion—the liver must be active, the bowels regular and the blood pure. All this is brought about by using Herbine. It thoroughly scours the liver, stomach and bowels, puts the body in fine condition and restores that clear, pink and white complexion so much desired by ladies. Price 50c. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

H. L. WENDORF,
THE SADDLE AND HARNESS MAN
Everything in the leather goods line. All kinds of repairing done neatly and promptly. Shoe shop in connection.
Hutchings Ave. Ballinger, Texas

NOTICE
Now is the time to make your application for land loans. I loan money on land in Runnels County at 8 per cent. interest and extend Vendors Lien Notes bearing 8 per cent. interest, and charge no commission for placing your loans. For further information write or call on
H. Giesecke Ballinger, Texas.



Rheumatic Twinges

yield immediately to Sloan's Liniment. It relieves aching and swollen parts instantly. Reduces inflammation and quiets that agonizing pain. Don't rub—it penetrates.

SLOAN'S LINIMENT

Kills Pain

gives quick relief from chest and throat affections. Have you tried Sloan's? Here's what others say:

Relief from Rheumatism
"My mother has used one 50c. bottle of Sloan's Liniment, and although she is over 83 years of age, she has obtained great relief from her rheumatism."—Mrs. E. E. Lindquist, Gilroy, Cal.

Good for Cold and Croup
"A little boy next door had croup. I gave the mother Sloan's Liniment to try. She gave him three drops on sugar before going to bed, and he got up without the croup in the morning."—Mr. W. H. Strang, 321 Elmwood Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Neuralgia Gone
"Sloan's Liniment is the best medicine in the world. It has relieved me of neuralgia. Those pains have all gone and I can truly say your Liniment did stop them."—Mrs. C. M. Dowler of Johannesburg, Mich.

At all Dealers. Price 25c., 50c. & \$1.00
Sloan's Instructive Booklet on
Horses sent free.
DR. EARL S. SLOAN, Inc., BOSTON, MASS.

PROHIBITION IN NAVY.

Washington, April 6.—Absolute prohibition will prevail in the United States navy after July 1 next. Secretary Daniels Sunday night made public a sweeping order which not only will abolish the traditional "wine mess" of the officers but will bar all alcoholic liquors from every ship and shore station of the navy. This order, constituting one of the most notable victories ever won by prohibition forces was issued on the recommendation of Surgeon General Braisted. It was brief and to the point:

"The use or introduction for drinking purposes of alcoholic liquors on board any naval vessel or within any navy yard or station is strictly prohibited and commanding officers will be held directly responsible for the enforcement of this order."

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by druggists. Price 75c. per bottle.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Moreland, who live east of Ballinger, were among the shoppers in the city Monday.

Fawn and White Indian Runned duck eggs \$1.00 per 12. Mrs. L. A. Schonert. Phone 530 3-rings Ballinger, Texas. 20-4twpd

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A PURE VEGETABLE REMEDY
Conquers RHEUMATISM and BRIGHT'S DISEASE. Why suffer? Renal T is guaranteed to bring relief after a reasonable trial or money will be refunded.
SOLD BY
J. Y. PEARCE

**FLEMING RE-ELECTED
SUPT. SCHOOLS**

The School Board of the Ballinger Independent District met in regular session Tuesday. The first work of the board was the canvassing of the returns of the recent election and delaying the result of same, and the installation of the new members of the board. The official count shows that the following vote was cast: C. R. Stephens 1, R. T. Williams 2, R. W. Bruce 2, N. J. Wardlaw 32, U. E. Hartman 62, Jo Wilmeth 67, E. D. Futch 110, H. W. Lynn 115, Scott H. Mack 123. Futch, Wilmeth, Lynn and Mack were declared elected and the new board was organized by the electing of Mr. Mack as president; W. B. Ray, vice president; E. D. Walker, secretary and the following committees were appointed:

Finance: E. D. Walker, H. W. Lynn and W. B. Ray.
Teachers and Course of Study: E. D. Futch, W. B. Ray and Dr. W. W. Fowler.
Building, Purchasing and Repairs: E. D. Walker, W. B. Ray, and Jo Wilmeth.
Greivance: H. W. Lynn, Scott H. Mack and Jo Wilmeth.
Sanitary and Hygiene: Dr. W. W. Fowler.
Superintendent W. S. Fleming was unanimously re-elected as superintendent of the Ballinger schools. The teachers to make up the faculty for the 1914-15 term will probably not be elected until after the present term closes.

A. S. WHITTEN FINDS A WIFE

Mr. A. S. Whitten and Miss Olive McConnell were united in the holy bonds of wedlock at the Grogan hotel Tuesday, 6:30 p. m., Rev. J. C. Moore officiating.
Mr. Whitten was formerly connected with the editorial department of Texas Farm and Ranch, but is looking after property interests in the Pecos country where he owns an irrigated farm. He is a writer of splendid ability and is well known to many of the craft who hold him in high esteem.
The bride is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McConnell of San Angelo. She was employed in the Roby school to teach Latin and resigned the first of the week to become Mr. Whitten's companion and chief adviser. They left Wednesday afternoon for Pecos where they will reside. The Reporter joins their many friends in extending happy congratulations. — Sweetwater Reporter.
Mr. Whitten made his home in Ballinger for quite a while about a year ago, and is remembered by quite a number of Ballinger citizens. While here he devoted most of his time to contributing articles to various papers, several of which appeared in The Ledger. He was a great booster in matters pertaining to farm development and agriculture.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC AT HATCHEL.

There will be a Sunday school picnic Saturday, April 11th, in the J. A. Davis pasture. A short program by the pupils. Address on Sunday school work by Mr. E. D. Walker of Ballinger. Dinner on the ground. Address on Woodcraft by Judge Griggs. Introduction of candidates by S. D. Williams. Easter egg hunt and ball game.

HEISKELL'S OINTMENT
One application soothes and heals a rough pimply skin and, when repeated, quickly effects a cure. Eczema, Erysipelas, Tetter, Ulcers and all skin diseases yield to its curative properties. 50c a box. At all Druggists. Send for free sample and book, "Health and Beauty."
JOHNSTON, HOLLOWAY & CO.,
1730 Spring Garden St., Philadelphia, Pa.

SPRING HILL NEWS.
Health in our community remains good.
Farming operations are progressing nicely. Lots of maize and cane are up to a stand, while the rain was very helpful about twice that much more would have helped conditions materially.
Mr. Claus and Mr. Cal Allison were elected as trustees for our district at last Saturday's election, held at Spring Hill school house.
Mr. and Mrs. Claude Compton are rejoicing over the arrival of a wee little girl at their home.
Brother Elliott, the Missionary Baptist minister of Rummels county, preached to us Saturday night and Sunday morning at 11 and at 4. The house was well filled at each service by an attentive audience. Brother Elliott is a fluent speaker and delivered his sermons with the power of the spirit. We hope for his return again in the near future.
Brother Wells of the Nazarene church will preach at Spring Hill next Sunday afternoon. Everybody is invited. Come early for Sunday school and preaching after Sunday school. "Knox."

NEGRO MOVED FROM GOLDTHWAITE JAIL

The negro, Alexander Channer, who has been the subject of so much discussion and the cause of so much excitement during the past four days, was brought here last night from Goldthwaite by Sheriff Denman and Deputy Daniels, with Sheriff Deaton and Deputy Cresswell of Erath county, and their prisoner wherever they jail here was taken to some point west this morning by Sheriff Deaton, Cresswell returning to Stephenville.
Sheriff Denman says everything was quiet at Goldthwaite last night. A crowd of curiosity seekers surrounded the officers and their prisoner wherever they went, but no hint of violence was made. It is believed that all danger of mob violence is past, and that the negro can be held in some western jail unmolested until his case is called for trial.
The only additional facts in the case today are: The alleged victim of the negro's brutality is Mrs. Phib Mefford, 25 years old. The Channer farm is four miles north of Stephenville and the Mefford's have been tenants for Channer for some time. The negro himself is regarded as a wealthy man and has always been respected in the community. He is a bachelor. — Brownwood Bulletin.

WATCH OUT FOR BAD COTTON SEED

Washington, D. C. April 8. The attention of the Department of Agriculture has been called to the very unsatisfactory condition of a large part of the cotton seed which has been reserved for planting in Oklahoma and in parts of Texas and Arkansas. Weather conditions during a large part of the picking season were unfavorable and a large percentage of this seed has been injured in vitality. Unless germination tests are made on all seed to be used for planting purposes it is believed that many very unsatisfactory stands will result.
The attention of the Department has also been called to the fact that an active campaign has been undertaken to introduce into portions of this territory a variety of cotton which is represented as producing fifty per cent of lint, or a five hundred pound bale of cotton from a thousand pound load of seed cotton.
The Department's representatives have examined this cotton in the field, and have grown it in experimental planting during the last two seasons. The lint has been found to be exceedingly short, the large proportion of lint to seed apparently resulting from the fact that the seeds are very small and light. It has not been found a heavy producer of lint cotton per acre. The Department has always refrained from recommending it because it was believed that its very short-staple would soon be recognized by the mills, and that there would be consequent discrimination against it.
During the past season several of the largest cotton buying firms in Oklahoma and Arkansas issued orders to their agents not to purchase this cotton at any price. They stated that its lint was so far inferior to that ordinarily grown in their territory that they knew it would not be acceptable to any of their regular customers. The Department has, within the last few weeks, received several letters from planters in Arkansas, asking advice concerning this cotton, and stating that the local buyers were warning them against it because the mills were discriminating against the localities in which it is being largely grown.
In view of these facts the Department warns the farmers of Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas that the introduction of any new variety of cotton producing fiber of less than seven-eighths of an inch in average length will be likely to seriously damage the reputation of their local markets, and may result in a few years in basing the price on this inferior cotton. These same districts are now receiving a slight premium over the regular quotations for short staple. The Department will particularly regret to see the result of the campaign which has been waged in Oklahoma in behalf of pure Triumph Cotton jeopardized by the promiscuous introduction of a cotton of greatly inferior staple. Such a policy must result in very serious losses to all the growers in the communities where the poorer types become common.

HERE'S GOOD NEWS FOR DYSPEPTICS

We have good news for every person in this town who has any form of stomach trouble. It is about a remedy for indigestion and dyspepsia that we have so much faith in as to offer it to you with our personal guarantee that if it does not relieve you and satisfy you in every way, we will refund the money you paid for it without question or argument of any kind. You risk nothing; either Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets will relieve your stomach ailments or the money you paid for them will be handed back to you. There is no red tape about our guarantee. It means just what it says. Your word is enough. If Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets don't satisfy you, the money is yours and we want you to have it.
Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets soothe the inflamed stomach, check heart burn and distress, stimulate a healthy secretion of gastric juice, aid in rapid and comfortable digestion of the food, and help to quickly restore the stomach to a comfortable, easy-acting, healthy state. They also aid greatly in promoting regular bowel action. Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets are sold only at the 7000 Rexall Stores, and in this town only by us. Three sizes, 25c, 50c, and \$1.00—The Walker Drug Co., Ballinger.

PREACHING AT JAMISON.

We are requested to say Rev. G. W. Newman will preach at the Jamison school house the third Sunday in April, at 11 o'clock a. m. and at 3 o'clock p. m. Everybody cordially invited to attend the services.

YOUR OWN DRUGGIST BACKS THIS LAXATIVE

If you only knew as much as we and those who have used them do about Rexall Orderlies, you would be as enthusiastic about recommending them as we are. They taste just like candy and act so easily and pleasantly that taking them is a pleasure.
Rexall Orderlies have a splendid tonic, cleansing and strengthening effect upon the bowels. They help free the system and keep it free from ailments that result from irregular or inactive bowels. They do this quietly, without griping, nausea, purging or excessive looseness. In a short time they usually make unnecessary the continued use of physics. We don't ask you to take our word for this. We want you to make us prove it, and at no cost to you.
Buy a box of Rexall Orderlies. If not thoroughly satisfied, tell us, and we will return your money without question. In vest pocket tin boxes; 10c, 25c, 50c.
You can buy Rexall Orderlies only at The Rexall Stores, and in this town only of us.—The Walker Drug Co., Ballinger, Texas.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

Editor Ledger:
Wingate Route 2.
We Socialists are advocating the only prohibition that will ever prohibit or stop the sale of intoxicants. We say, "do away with profits, not only on liquors, but on everything else." Our conclusions are that no person good or bad, will want to deal in such a blighter of human lives as Dem-on Demijohn is, when he can no longer make an enormous profit. Why should any one sell intoxicants which wreck the lives of millions and destroys homes by the thousands if there were no profits? When no one sells whiskey for profit every one can make their own whiskey at home, if they want to. Why, then, would they make poisonous "dope." They wouldn't do it. If any one wanted to make himself a "dram" why, he could do so, and of course he would make good pure whiskey, which if used in moderation won't do the average person any harm to speak of. The higher the profits or price of liquors are, the more of it will be consumed. Because, the harder you try to drive a man, the harder he will "back up" and kick. So if you make cheap whiskey (say 9c per gal.) and sell it for a big profit, also make laws to prohibit him from using it he will go through fire and water and spend the last cent he has for a drink. Make the laws tighter and tighter and so much harder will he fight for his "liberty to do as he pleases."
Do away with profits and we will have no more saloons, bootleggers, drunkards, wrecked homes and starving wives and children.
Well every thing is moving along nicely in this "neck of the woods." We had a nice rain the last day of March, and several have begun their planting. The small grain has revided and is looking fine. We have the best "underground season" we have had in years, and with just a few rains now and then, with plenty of cultivation, and we are reasonably sure to make a bumper crop. Let's believe there are bright things in store for this division of Terra Firma.
Rev. A. S. Hamilton of this community is very ill with an attack of appendicitis. With that exception health is generally good.
We have two high schools near Shep, each of which seem to be running smoothly and doing nice work. Valley Creek high school has a literary society, and Shep high school is preparing to give an entertainment at its close.
Mr. Ralph Carrington has built a drug store at Shep and will also re-establish a postoffice here.
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ROOTS APPOINTED LIQUIDATING AGENT

J. O. Roots accepted the appointment as liquidating agent for the First State Bank of Amarillo, and is now in that city taking charge of the defunct bank's affairs. Mr. Roots accompanied Mr. Roots as far as Dallas and went on to Sulphur Springs where she will visit before joining Mr. Roots in Amarillo.
This appointment was made by Commissioner of Insurance and Banking Collier at Austin first of the week, and Mr. Roots wired to go to Amarillo at once. The First State Bank at Amarillo was closed several days ago, but Commissioner Collier stated that he thought the bank would be liquidated without loss to the guaranty fund.
This makes the fourth bank that Mr. Roots has served as liquidating agent during the last two years. He closed up the affairs of a bank at Miles, one at Paint Rock and recently completed the liquidating work of the Farmers and Merchants bank at Winters. His ability in handling such matters in a way that is satisfactory to all parties interested has won for him a reputation in such matters, and it seems that as fast as he closes up the affairs of one bank another appointment is waiting for him.
Mr. and Mrs. Roots friends at Ballinger trust that they will soon be able to return to Ballinger, the place they call home.

DR. NEWMAN PLEADS GUILTY IN ANGELO COURT

Dr. J. M. Newman, the originator of Newmanopathy, formerly a practitioner in San Angelo and now having an office at Hico, Hamilton county, pleaded guilty to two charges of practicing medicine without a license in Tom Green county, which cases County Attorney Milburn McCarty was preparing to vigorously prosecute before the county court. As a result of the plea he was fined \$50 and costs and sentenced to one day in jail in each case. At the October term of court he received the same sentence and the higher court upheld this decision. — San Angelo Standard.
C. L. Carter, H. W. Calloway, and Mr. Stevens, representative citizens of the Wilmeth country, were transacting business in Ballinger Thursday.
Judge W. H. Gross, of Mineral Wells, who is looking after his ranch interest up the river in the R. K. Wylie old ranch section, was among the visitors in Ballinger a few hours Thursday.

PROGRAM OF LAYMEN'S MEETING AT MILES

- April 18th and 19th.
7:30 P. m.—Devotional exercises —W. A. Esmond.
7:45 p. m.—The Laymen's part in financing the church.—Rev. W. Bion Adkins.
Sunday.
9:30 a. m.—Business meeting of the Laymen's Committee.
10 a. m.—Sunday School.
11 a. m.—The Laymen's Move—(Song by the Choir.)
11:15 a. m.—Laymen's opportunity in his home church.—Hon. W. T. Bishop, Mayor of San Angelo.
2:00 p. m.—Devotional—Prof. J. C. Wells.
2:15 p. m.—Who are Laymen? —J. T. Garrett.
2:25 p. m.—Special selection (vocal)—Miss Maudie Albritton.
2:30 p. m.—Laymen and Loyalty—E. M. Bond and W. A. Esmond.
3:00 p. m.—The Lord's Claim of our Laymen—Hon. R. S. Griggs.
3:30 p. m.—Trained recruits for Laymen.—H. L. Voss, A. L. Curry.
4:00 p. m.—Adjournment.
7:30 p. m.—Songs and devotional—J. P. Brooks.
8:00 p. m.—Our Laymen and their field.—Dr. T. L. Todd.
8:20 p. m.—What Does God expect of the Laymen?—Prof. J. C. Wells.
8:50 p. m.—Local organization.
L. C. Voelkel of San Saba, who had been in our city on a short visit to his father, A. J. Voelkel and family, left Thursday morning for his home.

Old People Need A Bowel Stimulant

The Ideal One is a Mild Laxative Tonic that Will Keep the Bowels Gently Active

Healthy old age is so absolutely dependent upon the condition of the bowels that great care should be taken to see that they act regularly. The fact is that as age advances the stomach muscles become weak and inactive and the liver does not store up the juices that are necessary to prompt digestion.
Some help can be obtained by eating easily digested foods and by plenty of exercise, but this latter is irksome to most elderly people. One thing is certain, that a state of constipation should always be avoided, as it is dangerous to life and health. The best plan is to take a mild laxative as often as is deemed necessary. But with equal certainty it is suggested that cathartics, purgatives, physics, salts and pills be avoided, as they do but temporary good and are a shock to a delicate system.
A much better plan and one that thousands of elderly people are following, is to take a gentle laxative-ionic like Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which acts as nearly like nature as is possible. In fact, the tendency of this remedy is to strengthen the stomach and bowel muscles, and train them to act naturally again, when medicines of all kinds can be dispensed with. This is the opinion of many people of different ages, among them Mrs. Mary A. P. Davidson,

of University Mound Home, San Francisco, Cal. She is 78 and because of her sedentary habits had continual bowel trouble. From the day she began taking Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin she has had no further inconvenience and naturally she is glad to say kind things of this remedy.

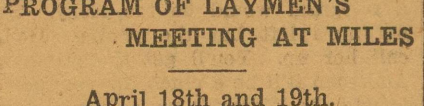
A bottle can be bought of any druggist at fifty cents or one dollar. People usually buy the fifty cent size first, and then, having convinced themselves of its merits they buy the dollar size, which is more economical. Results are always guaranteed or money will be refunded. Elderly persons of both sexes can follow these suggestions with every assurance of good results.
Families wishing to try a free sample bottle can obtain it post-paid by addressing Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 419 Washington St., Monticello, Ill. A postal card with your name and address on it will do.

MRS. SCHOOLEY ENTER-TAINS LADIES AID.

The Ladies Aid and Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian Church enjoyed an afternoon of unusual pleasure Monday with Mrs. R. H. Schooley at her home across the river. The drive out in itself was a treat, and when the thirst, occasioned by the drive and the warm afternoon, was quenched by a refreshing draught of fruit punch, Tongues and needles flew until the president rapped for order with her thimble for a gavel. A short business session to arrange the final details for entertaining the Missionary Presbyterial was held, after which the social committee took charge. Pencils and slips of paper containing three lines of a poem were passed and the members instructed to complete the poem. Gales of laughter greeted the reading of the finished products for some were ungrammatical, some were lame in both feet, but all "rhymed" most harmoniously.
The laughter had scarcely subsided when cake and fruit relatine, with whipped cream, which made all wish to live in the country, were served. Music completed the afternoon of perfect pleasure and only the approach of night drove the guests to reluctant adieus.
Mrs. Schooley was assisted in dispensing hospitality by her three charming daughters.
"A GUEST."

DON'T DREAD WINTER'S COLD

Prepare to enjoy its exhilarating frosts by making your blood rich, pure and active to prevent colds, gripe and rheumatism.
Good blood prevents sickness and Scott's Emulsion will energize your blood and create reserve strength to endure changing seasons.
Scott's Emulsion is not an experiment but has served humanity faithfully for forty years; it contains the purest cod liver oil—free from alcohol or stupefying drugs.
Scott's Emulsion is nature's greatest blood-maker and furnishes the elements necessary for body warmth, rich blood and healthy circulation.
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(Continued from last week)

"Excuse me, son," interrupted Blake. "But I'm not doing a single one of those terribly dramatic things. Standish is doing it—or, rather, he has done it. Not I. Catch the idea? If Standish committed a murder and I found the body, would you call me a murderer? Hey? Well, that's what has happened this time. When Standish took the lady on that little left-handed wedding trip, five years ago in March, he rendered her liable to all that and worse. A man doesn't think of such things at the time. Neither does a woman, I guess. This one sure didn't, or she'd never have thrown over her one hope of safety by jilting him."

"Listen, dad," returned Tom, choking back a hot answer. "Ever since you brought me here into the thick of the fight, you and I haven't agreed about politics. But I've stood with you, through and through. I've worked hard for the party, because I felt I was working for you. But—well—this time I'd rather be working for the other side. Because I believe they're right and we are wrong."

"Well, then," blazed his father, in a dry gust of unwonted wrath, "why don't you work for the other side? Go ahead! It's no great loss to us."

"You know perfectly well why I don't. It's because you are on this side—the wrong side just now."

"Go over to them!" snapped Blake, his rare anger still unspent. "They'd be glad enough to get you. Not that you'd be worth a hoot in hell to them in actual value. But the fact that you're the worthy son of your unworthy blackmailing father would make you welcome. Go ahead! Lord, but I wonder what I ever did in the old days to be punished by having a canting reformer for a son! Well, why don't you go over to them?"

"Just as you say," answered Tom with a philosophic shrug of the shoulders. "Good night."

"Where are you off to, now?" grunted Blake indifferently, albeit there was a glint of wistfulness in the half-shut, steely old eyes.

"To the club. To dinner," said Tom, moving away.

"To the club, hey?" growled Blake, detaining him. "Huh! Afraid it'll hurt your spotless reputation to be seen dining here with a 'black-maller'?"

"You have a positive genius for choosing the rottenest, most disagreeable thing to say," remarked Tom; and there was a note of hurt in his voice that somehow reached the far-hidden and tortuous recesses where Jim Blake's battered old heart was supposed to be.

"Well," vouchsafed the father grumpily, "maybe that was just a trifle

swift. Look here, lad," he went on, a soft, almost tender tone creeping into his dry voice, as he laid his hand on Tom's shoulder, "I'm the only father you've got. And you may as well make the best of it."

"You're the only father I want, dad. But—"

"There! There!" hastily admonished Blake. "Don't go spoiling it with 'buts'! You know what you are to me, boy. I guess I don't need to get mush-headed and try to tell you. And—and," he repeated, hiding his momentary



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tenderness under a cloud of master-order impatience, "that's why I hate to see you loading up your alleged brain with these fool ideas about—"

"Let it go at that, dad," laughed Tom.

"Oh, all right. I will, if you like. And you'll stay to dinner?"

"Why, of course," quickly assented Tom.

"That's better," approved Blake. "Now, run in and start with Mark. I'll be with you in a minute or two. And—say—if Mark and I should get to talking politics at dinner—"

"Don't worry," returned Tom, smiling. "I'm getting quite used to my muzzle. But Mark won't be as likely to be wrapped up in politics as he usually is. Grace is coming down."

"No!" cried Blake, his face alight with pleasure. "Good for her! When?"

"At eight o'clock. But she didn't bother to mention whether it was eight this evening or eight tomorrow morning. Mark was just going to call her up on long distance to find out, when we happened to meet Standish. And I suppose the prospect of a clash with Standish quite drove a minor matter like his wife out of his thoughts."

"You're wrong there," dissented Blake. "There's nothing on earth can drive Grace out of Mark Robertson's head. He's as crazy in love with her as he was the day he married her. If he didn't telephone her before he went in to dinner it's a cinch he'll do it the minute he comes out. Queer old Mark. Grace is the one thing that makes him human. Chase on in, and order for me."

Dismissing his son with a slap on the shoulder, Blake strode across to the telephone above. Wanda Kelly looked up inquiringly from the novel she was reading between telephone calls.

"Miss Kelly," said Jim, "will you kindly connect me with the hotel office?"

He sprawled into a vacant seat at her side, caught up the extra receiver and called:

"That the office? Perry? Hello, Perry. This is Blake, Jim Blake. Yes. In two minutes I want you to send word to Mr. Standish that he's wanted on the phone here. Yes. Here. Not in his room. Here at the phone booths. Fix it any way you like. Only get him here inside of five minutes. No, no! Do as I say, I tell you. Good-by."

He hung up the receiver, rose and stood lounging against the rail, looking down at Wanda from between his half-closed lids.

"Now, then, Miss Kelly," he began abruptly.

"Yes," Mr. Blake?" she interrogated as he paused.

CHAPTER VII.

The Trap.

For a moment Blake did not an-

swer. Nor could Wanda read anything from his utterly expressionless face. Then he said:

"Do you know why I did that?"

"Probably," replied Wanda gravely, "because you wanted Mr. Standish to come here."

He eyed her searchingly. But her face gave no sign that her reply had been intended as impertinence.

"H'm!" he vouchsafed. "You're a bright girl."

"Thank you, sir," she replied demurely.

Again he glanced at her moveless features in quick doubt. Then, evidently making up his mind, he went on:

"You heard the story I was telling those men over there? The story about Standish and the Woman?"

"I—I happened to catch part of it."

"You happened to catch every word of it," he corrected. "And now, why do you suppose I told such an all-important secret loud enough for a telephone girl to hear it?"

"That's just what I've been wondering," she said frankly. "But I can't figure it out."

"Then I'll tell you," retorted Blake, nodding approval at her unembarrassed candor. "What's the one thing we need to turn that story from a windy piece of campaign gossip into the deadliest weapon ever forged in Washington?"

"The Woman's name," replied Wanda, at once.

"Good!" applauded Blake. "You've got a real brain under that metal receiver you wear. You seem to have this situation worked out as clear as I have. Maybe, now, you can guess what that Woman's name is worth to us. How about it?"

Wanda rolled her big eyes ceilingward after the manner of a stupid child who seeks in space the answer to a teacher's question.

"Maybe—maybe a—a million dollars," she hazarded timidly, at length.

Blake grinned appreciation of the bit of acting, and was not in the very least deceived by it—as Wanda had perfectly well known he would not be.

"Nothing stingy about your ideas, young lady!" he commented. "Maybe I'd better put them straight. Do you want to make a hundred dollars?"

"A hundred dollars?" she echoed in a wide-eyed wonder of innocence that Saint Cecilia at her best could not possibly have equaled. "A whole hundred dollars? Why, how could a poor telephone operator like me make so much money?"

"Here's the idea," replied Blake, wearying of matching a cudgel against a hatpin, and coming straight to the pith of the matter. "I've sent for Standish to come here because I want to have a talk with him. When I'm through, I'll go away. And the chances are that he'll go straight to the telephone and call up some one. It's that 'some one's' number I want."

"Oh!" exclaimed Wanda, smiling brightly at her own comprehension. "And that's worth a hundred dollars?"

"Yes. And if you can hear what he says on the phone I'll make it two hundred."

For an instant the innocent wondering smile again illumined Wanda's upturned face. Then, like Blake, she evidently wearied of futile word-fencing, for she said, incisively:

"I see. I've got the idea. You'll spring this story of the Woman on him. You'll make him think you've almost got her in your net. You'll try to scare him into hustling to the nearest telephone and warning her. He'll know you're having him watched. So he won't dare to go to her in person with his warning or send her a letter."

He's got too much sense for that. And a telegram would be too risky. So nothing's left but the phone. He'll call her up. You'll get the number. And then it'll be a cinch for your men to find the Woman's name in no time, and all about her. The full story—names and all—can be circulated on the floor as soon as the house sits, tonight. And good-by then to Mr. Standish."

"Say!" drawled Blake in genuine admiration. "You've sure got a brain. We'll have to get you in the secret service. Or, if you want a job in my office at double what you're getting here—but we can talk about all that afterward. Will—?"

"You're sure the number will give you the clue to the Woman?"

"Absolutely."

"And don't you think one little hundred dollars is a pretty cheap price to pay for information that will bring you millions?"

Sheer innocence had reached its towering acme—the summit whereon

rests pure wisdom. Blake regarded the girl from under his bushy brows.

"Well?" he demanded, "if a 'whole hundred dollars' has shrunk so quickly into a 'little hundred dollars,' what price strikes you as fair?"

"Let's see!" pondered innocence's fair apostle, "how about ten thousand dollars?"

"Ten thousand dollars!" repeated Blake. "Rot! Ten thousand dollars for—for one measly telephone number!"

"No!" contradicted Wanda, and her voice and face were like chilled steel, "for a victory that saves your leadership of the machine, that puts your son-in-law in the speaker's chair, that smashes your enemy and that means millions of dollars to you! That's what the telephone number means to you, Mr. Blake. That and a man's career—a woman's shame—a girl's self-respect. Throw all that into the balance and the price won't look so fancy."

"My dear young lady," counseled Blake with his most fatherly air, "believe me when I warn you that there is such a thing as being just a trifle too ambitious. Still, there's no time to argue. Standish ought to be here by now. Shall we say a thousand dollars?"

"I—I'll have to think it over," said Wanda confusedly. "And, anyway," she added, "there's no use making a price till I've got what you want, is there? Besides," with an easy lapse into sweet innocence, "Mr. Standish seems to be such a nice man. It's a pity to—"

"Oh, he's a nice man," laughed Blake. "Hell's full of 'nice men.' But there's no time, now, to haggle about prices. You get that number for me, and you won't lose by it. And every word you can overhear is worth a three-carat diamond. Steady there! He's coming."

Standish came toward the switchboard, from the dining-room whither a page had at last tracked him. He saw a most unruffled telephone girl absorbed in a novel. Jim Blake was leaning negligently against the switchboard rail, looking with dreamy half-shut eyes along the nearly deserted corridor. Standish hurried across to Wanda.

"Some one wants me on the phone?" he asked.

"No," drawled Blake, before the girl could reply. "Some one wants you over there in the amen corner for a minute or two, if you can spare the time. I took the liberty of sending that message about your being wanted on the phone, because," leading the way to the amen corner, "I have a matter of private business to talk over with you."

"Private business?" echoed the puzzled Standish, instinctively following Blake to the corner. "Private business? Between you and me?"

Blake looked at him with gentle pity, then shook his head.

"My boy," said he, "the game is up. The whole show is over. We've found out all about that pretty little affair of five years ago."

"What affair?" asked Standish, unmoved. "Please explain. My time is limited."

"If you're referring to your time in politics, it is. It ends tonight. There! Don't get huffy. You've got here all right. I grant you that. 'What affair,' hey? Why, the affair with the Woman whom you registered as your wife, under the name of Fowler, at a country hotel up in New York state. That's all. Hardly worth mentioning, hey?"

As he had talked, Blake had let his gaze wander over the ceiling, the walls—anywhere except at Matthew Standish. Yet he had missed not one detail of the younger man's expression. There was nothing, however, to be read in that expression. Standish's heavy face was mask-like, blank, save for a faint tinge of polite bewilderment.

But Blake was far too wise a reader of men to go by the sign in a face. He let his mildly wandering glance shift, as if by accident, to Standish's hands. They were tight-clenched. So tight that the knuckles showed white from the convulsive pressure.

"Another campaign yarn," smiled Standish, and his voice was as inexpressive as his face. "Isn't it rather old-fashioned to spring lies of that sort? The public doesn't stand for them nowadays. Proofs are needed."

"Really?" drawled Blake. "Why, Standish, sometimes your knowledge of up-to-date conditions simply dazzles me. That's what it does. Dazzles me."

"And now—" pursued Standish, turning to go.

"And now," echoed Blake, "we've got you with the goods. Don't bluff, man. No bluff ever won a penny after the cards were laid face upward. And they're face upward now. You know what I mean. And you know we've got you dead to rights. Five years ago you spent a week with a woman at a hotel whose proprietor can and will identify you. Any expert can swear that the registered name, 'Fowler,' is in your handwriting. It was in March. Congress was still in session. But you gave out word that you'd gone to the mountains to rest. We've got the dates. We've got ever fact proved. Man, can't you see I'm trying to help you? Give me a chance to—"

Standish, his face still a mask, was staring at the floor. At last he raised his eyes—the dark tired eyes in whose depths Self and Love and Happiness had so long ago burned out. And turning to Blake, he said evenly:

"So you have dug all that up, have you? I might have expected it. In fact I have expected it. But it hasn't worried me. Because you can't harm me with such a story."

"No?" asked Blake, with real interest. "Why not?"

"You know perfectly well why not," answered Standish, "the story won't amount to the paper you would print it on unless you can supply the name of the Woman. And you can't do that."

"What makes you think we can't supply the Woman's name?" demanded Blake. "What makes you think we haven't found her?"

"Because," began Standish; then he checked himself and said somewhat lamely, "because—I have good reasons for knowing you haven't."

"H'm! Still keep as close in touch with her as all that? Mark's detectives must be foolish-house graduates. Well, I'll admit we haven't found her—yet. But we will before midnight. You left some pretty easy clues and they're being followed. That's the trouble with a man who has something to hide. He'll look and double-bar nine doors to discovery; and leave the tenth wide open with a 'Welcome' sign over it. And that's just what you did. Why, son," he went on, noting Standish's half-smile of incredulity, "if I wasn't dead sure of getting her, would I be such a fool as to tell you all this? And whatever else Jim Blake's been called, no one's yet tied 'fool' to his name. I tell you once more, we'll have her name by midnight at the very latest. Of course she doesn't know we're tracking her," he continued, chuckling as at his own shrewdness. "I've seen to it that she hasn't the slightest suspicion. And that makes our work all the easier. She doesn't know. And there's no one to warn her. It's a cinch!"

His voice trailed off into a self-satisfied laugh. Nor was the laugh wholly assumed. For he saw Standish's hands slowly clench again. And a few beads of sweat were beginning to show themselves upon the insurgent's forehead.

CHAPTER VIII.

The Trap Is Sprung.

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"The Woman, too," he added. "Think of her!"

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He strolled off toward the dining-room. As he passed Wanda he glanced covertly at her through his lowered lids. She was raptly absorbed in the novel she was reading. And her dainty lower jaw moved slowly up and down in a gum-chewing cadence that bespoke years of practice.

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Yes. Oh, have you? Good! Let the other party wait, and give it to me, won't you? Thanks. I've got one already," she added, glancing over her shoulder at Standish. "What number, please?"

"One thousand and one, Plaza," he answered, looking up from the directory.

"Plaza one—o—o—one!" she droned into the transmitter. "Any name, Mr. Standish?"

"No," he answered huskily. "Just the number."

"A'r! Here you are—number one booth, please. H'lo New York!" she continued into the transmitter, shoving a plug in and out of the switchboard three or four times, "Plaza one—o—o—one. Yes, Plaza one—o—o—ONE!"

Standish had gone to the first of the numbered booths. At its door he paused.

"Miss Kelly," said he, "would you mind taking that receiver off your head while I'm telephoning?"

"Certainly," she answered in evident ill-temper at the slur implied by the request.

She carefully removed and hung up the metal crescent that held the receiver to her left ear. Standish had closed the booth door and, from the corner of her eye, Wanda could see

him through the glass pane, speaking into the transmitter. But she had barely noted the first movement of his lips when Blake and Mark Robertson appeared from the dining-room. She turned her attention to them.

Blake glanced unobtrusively toward the row of telephone booths and his half-shut eyes lighted ever so little as he made out Standish's figure behind the glass. But he made no other sign that he noted the successful springing of the trap he had so painstakingly set. In fact, he was talking interestedly to Robertson on indifferent topics.

"Tom tells me," Wanda heard him say, "that Grace is coming down."

"Yes," answered Robertson, his face brightening at mention of his wife's name, either tonight or tomorrow morning. And that reminds me: I meant to call her up and ask which I want to meet her at the station. Miss Kelly," he went on, "can you get me a New York wire?"

"Yes, sir," said Wanda; "but it'll take a few minutes to get the connection."

"All right," replied Robertson, as she busied herself amid the labyrinth of switchboard plugs, "I'll wait here for it."

He stopped as Standish came out of the booth and laid down a bill for Wanda to change. Robertson, the happy light of anticipation dying out of his face at sight of his foe, turned his back ostentatiously upon him. Nor did he speak again till Standish had gone away. Then he looked around, to find his father-in-law in eager conversation with the telephone operator.

"Well," Blake was saying. "Could you hear anything?"

"No," answered Wanda, still deeply offended at Standish's request. "Not a word. He made me hang up the receiver."

"Huh!" grunted Blake. "He's got more sense than I thought. But the number? You got the number, of course. Didn't you?"

"Oh, yes," she returned, "I got the number, all right."

Blake unceremoniously reached over the rail and picked up the pad on which a list of numbers was jotted down.

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**PROBABLY GAME
ON APRIL 21ST**

An effort is being made by Supt. W. S. Fleming of the Ballinger High School to arrange a game of basket ball here on April 21st, San Jacinto Day. The girls of the local club are very anxious to play on this date some five from the nearby towns. It is understood that Miles desires to come down here on that date but no arrangements have, as yet, been made definitely. Ballinger fans are assured by the Ballinger High club that they will have some kind of a game on San Jacinto Day.

TRESSPASS NOTICE

You are hereby warned not to trespass on my ranch on the Concho in wise contrary to law, in the way of fishing, hunting, cutting wood, or gathering pecans, etc. You will take due notice or will be prosecuted as the law directs.

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**REV. J. C. JESTER CALLED
TO BALLINGER CHURCH**

Rev. J. C. Jester, of the South-western Baptist Theological seminary has accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Baptist church of Ballinger, and will leave for there Saturday morning, where he will fill the pulpit in the Sunday services. Rev. Mr. Jester will succeed Rev. Bartow Broome, who recently resigned and accepted a call to the Baptist church of Granger.

For the last three years Rev. Mr. Jester has been a student at the local Baptist seminary, and is taking his T. H. M. degree this term. Although he will be pastor of the Ballinger church he will continue his course at the seminary, being in Ballinger only on Sunday. About June 1, he with his family, will make Ballinger their headquarters.—Fort Worth Record.

MONEY LOANED—6 percent on farms, orchard lands, city resident or business property, to buy, build, improve, extend or refund mortgages or other securities, terms reasonable, special privileges. Correspondence invited. Commonwealth Securities Loan Company, R. 767 Gas and Electric Bldg., Denver, Colorado. 749 Henry Bldg., Seattle, Washington. 3-4tw d 4-11-18-25

WINTERS SCHOOL BOARD.

At a meeting of the board of trustees of Winters Independent School District held Monday night, R. L. Shaffer resigned as trustee and D. E. Bartlett was at once elected to fill his place. Mr. Bartlett has since qualified and now filled by them.

At the same meeting Misses Hyder, Curry, Williams, Bilbo and Jones and Mr. S. C. Harris were elected as teachers for the next term in the same capacity now filled by them.

Messrs. Wood & Wright, the ranchmen near Crews, were supplying in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

**POINEER STOCKMAN
LAID TO REST**

From San Angelo Standard:

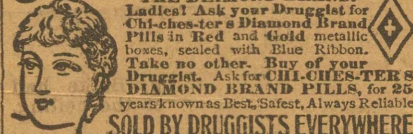
Seldom if ever before in the history of San Angelo has a more representative citizenship been present than that which attended the funerals of Henry Clay Wylie and G. Berry Ketchum in this city Wednesday afternoon. Coming within an hour of each other, many who attended the funeral of Mr. Ketchum also joined in the long procession way from the Wylie residence on West Twohig avenue to Fairmont. Both the deceased being pioneer cattlemen of the West and beloved and honored citizens of San Angelo, men in every walk of life, not only from San Angelo but from many of the surrounding town gathered to pay their last respects to the honored dead.

At 3 o'clock, one hour earlier than had at first been announced, services over the remains of Berry Ketchum, the Pecos county cattleman who died Tuesday morning, were conducted at the parlors of the C. A. Robinson Undertaking Co., by Rev. A. J. Weeks, pastor of the First Methodist church. Friends from all sections of the country gathered about the bier and among them the following acted as pall bearers: W. A. Bell, Clint Johnson, C. H. Powell, John R. Nasworthy, Jerry Y. Rust and Ed Russell.

Scarcely had the last of the beautiful floral offerings been placed on the grave until the casket which bore the remains of Henry Clay Wylie were carried by the following to a waiting hearse: W. P. Humphrey of San Angelo, W. E. Allen, C. H. Williamson, D. M. Baker, J. Y. Pearce and J. F. Currie of Ballinger. Previously impressive services had been conducted in the home by Rev. Robert E. Joiner, pastor of the Harris Avenue Presbyterian church. The funeral procession which followed was one of the longest in recent years, while floral offerings at the grave were the most beautiful to be procured.

Seized with illness only last week, Mr. Wylie slowly sank until the end and his death Tuesday proved a great shock to his friends, many of whom were informed of his illness. Having resided in Ballinger for many years a large concourse of friends from the Runnels county metropolis attended the funeral.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS



THE ONE-HORSE FARMER.

Henry Seipp, the one-horse farmer near Maverick, was in the city last Thursday and placed an adv. in the Banner-Ledger about his pure Mebane and Rowden cotton seed and while here also had us send the Banner-Ledger to his school boy friend, Paul Loeffler at Mason, Texas. Mr. Loeffler is the father of Miss Loeffler, one of the popular trained nurses at the sanitarium of our city.

Mr. Seipp says he had seven-eighths of an inch of rain at his place first of the week and says his ground is in fine shape for planting and the prospects for a good crop is splendid at present.

Mr. Seipp also took occasion to compliment us on the splendid newsy county paper we are now giving our readers and is always proud of sending his home paper to friends in other sections.

W. J. Davis and Jim Knight, of the Pony creek neighborhood were transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

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**RAIN FALL OVER
ALL WEST TEXAS**

Good rains have been reported to the West Texas Telephone Co., at this place, from all points over Western Texas. Blackwell and Fort Chadbourne reported each two inches of rain during the last eighteen hours. The rainfall seems to have begun with the Runnels County line to the north and run south, since no rain fell at Abilene.

Ballinger has this week received considerably over one inch of rain. The weather man says there are good chances of another heavy rain falling within the next twenty-four hours. The following places reported the precipitation during the past twenty-four hours:

Brownwood, good; Blackwell, two inches; Bronte, one inch; Bradshaw, light; Crews, good; Coleman, good; Concho one one-half inches; Eden, one and one-half inches; Fort Chadbourne, two inches; Hatchel, one-half inch; Leaday, good; Millersview, one inch; Maverick, one-half inch; Menard, good; Miles, good; Norton one-half inch; Pumphrey, Paint Rock, one one-half inches; Rowena one-half inch; Stacy, one inch; San Angelo, good; Santa Anna, light; Truitt, one-half inch; Talpa, big; Valera, one inch; Winters, good; Wingate, good; Wilmeth, good; Moro, good; Burkett, shower, Shep, good; Brady, one inch.

**NOTICE OF HEARING TO
Appropriate Public Waters.**

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that W. E. Blair whose postoffice address is Ballinger, Texas, did on the 11th day of March, A. D., 1914, file an application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, in which he applies for a permit to appropriate—acres of water per annum, or 6-10 cubic feet of water per second of time for the period of — days in each year, for the purpose of irrigating certain lands, hereinafter described from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas, to be diverted from the Colorado River by means of a pumping plant, located on the C. D. Fromm survey No. 421, on the south bank of the Colorado River, one mile west of the City of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas.

You are hereby notified that the lands proposed to be irrigated consist of 30 acres of the C. D. Fromm survey No. 421 and situated one mile west of the City of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas.

A hearing on the said application of the said W. E. Blair will be held by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at its office, in the City of Austin County of Travis, said State, on Saturday, the 18th day of April, A. D., 1914, beginning at 10 o'clock, A. M. at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under, and by virtue of, an order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas at the office of said Board, in Austin, Texas, this the 12th day of March, A. D. 1914.

J. C. NAGLE,
JOHN WILSON,
Board.
Attest: **W. T. POTTER,**
Secretary.

**OSCAR SEAGLE TO SING
AT TEMPLE.**

Oscar Seagle, the noted American baritone singer, is billed to sing in Temple on April 13th. Mr. Seagle is now making his home in London, where he has a large conservatory. He is well remembered in Ballinger, having spent about three weeks here several years ago, at that time being with Evangelist Fitzgerald in a revival. It was in the early days of his career as a singer, and he has rapidly pushed to the front. His singing while in Ballinger was the comment of every one and he drew large crowds. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jo Wilmeth while here, and Mr. Wilmeth is making an effort to get Mr. Seagle to again visit Ballinger.

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**VILLA CAPTURES
TORREON AT LAST**

Juarez, April 2.—Torreón fell completely into the hands of the rebels at 10:20 o'clock tonight, according to announcement made here tonight by Gen. Venustiano Carranza.

The news first was announced to the world when the bugler in front of Carranza's residence blew the staccato notes of victory. The paen Carranza said was sounded here even before it was heard in Torreón. Villa delaying out of compliment to his captives.

The meagre bulletins excitedly announcing victory after the bloodiest series of battles known to modern Mexico said that Villa captured a large number of prisoners and that the fleeing federal remnant was being pursued. Whether Velasco, the federal commander was captured was not stated. There was heavy fighting today, it is understood, and the end came when, after capturing the three remaining barracks held in the city by the federales, the rebels stormed the trenches and harped wire entanglements of Canyon Del Guarache.

The prisoners captured are believed to have been the defenders of the barracks while the troops in the canyon which forms an egress from the hill-girdled city, were able to escape.

SPANIARDS DEPORTED

Torreón, Mex., April 6.—(Via El Paso, April 5.—General Francisco Villa Saturday ordered that the six hundred Spaniards of this city be deported. He issued instructions that trains be provided immediately and that the exodus to El Paso, Texas, should begin Sunday. Their property will be confiscated, temporarily at least.

It is the tragedy of Chihuahua over again and is said to express the deep rooted suspicion and even hatred with which the native Mexican, and particularly the peon, looks on the Spaniard.

Villa expelled the Done from Chihuahua four months ago and since then repeatedly has said other Spaniards must get out of Mexico. His abiding conviction that they were working as one man against the revolution found frequent expression while he was in Juarez, when he asserted he would execute every one that he found in Torreón.

The Spanish government was aroused and Washington descended on the constitutionalist chiefs with words of warning and admonition.

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I. A. Currie, the Miles stockman had business in Ballinger a few hours first Monday.

E. H. Voelkel, the Rowena stockman, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

**COLQUITT HOLDS UP
MAYES RESIGNATION**

Austin, Tex., April 2.—Until Governor Colquitt ascertains just what his rights are under the law for accepting the resignation of Will H. Mayes, Lieutenant Governor, he stated last night that he would take no action in the matter. The Governor does not know whether he has the authority under the law to accept the resignation of Lieutenant Governor Mayes, or whether the same must be tendered the Senate.

Mr. Mayes wrote his resignation yesterday and gave it to the Governor. It will probably be several days before it is acted upon. The Governor stated "it may be thirty days."

In the meantime Mr. Mayes' position is a peculiar one. He is still Lieutenant Governor of the State, which position carries no remuneration except when the Senate is in session or when the Governor is absent from the State. He has accepted the position of dean of the school of journalism of the University effective to both parties at midnight last night.

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RABBIT HUNT NEAR BENOIT

Another one of the enjoyable rabbit hunts was pulled off Thursday in the Benoit country and on this occasion it was estimated that about 450 rabbits were killed by the thirty odd hunters that took part in the days' event.

At the noon hour about 150 or 200 persons assembled at the tank near the home of Mr. Cox on the J. S. Reese plantation and enjoyed the hospitality of the good people of that neighborhood made possible by the following citizens of that section: Joe Huffman, J. S. Reese, Max Zechang, R. B. Ingle, J. E. Salmon, John Huffman, Willard Reese, E. O. Lange, E. A. Werner, F. T. and B. J. Clayton, C. M. Gibson and Mr. and Mrs. Marian Taylor. Of course the good ladies of the heads of families and quite a number of the young ladies prepared the feast and every one present enjoyed to the fullest extent the delicious repast of barbecue, fried chicken, home-made ham and the many accessories that go to make up a first-class picnic dinner.

Those from Ballinger making a good score were Hamil Ward 25, Will Dunlap 25, C. M. Gibson 31, Edwin Day 22, J. M. Garlington 28. There were other large scores that we failed to learn. At a late hour the hunters returned home, all carrying a green spot in their memory of the pleasant day and hospitality of the good people of that neighborhood.

J. W. Matthews and son of the Wingate country, were among the first Monday crowd in Ballinger and reports fine rains in his section and prospects for crops looking good.

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were merely a scouting party. It may be that the men, with reinforcements, will return to Goldthwaite tonight and make a determined effort to secure the negro. Sheriff Deaton of Erath county is expected to reach Brownwood this afternoon, and he and Sheriff Denman will go to Goldthwaite to assist in guarding the prisoner if need be, and if not, to probably bring him back to the Brown county jail.

The strangers made no demonstration here last night, confining their movements to an inspection of the jail grounds. Some of their plans had evidently miscarried, and no demand for the negro was made. One of the cars had an accident just before reaching Brownwood, and was brought to a local machine shop for repairs. While in the shop it was noted that the car carried a number of guns of all sorts and sizes—a regular arsenal as it were.

The negro, Alex Channer, does not deny the charge against him, but declares that his relations with the white woman were not of a criminal intent, and that such relations had been established between them for some time. The family of the woman have been tenants on the Channer farm near Stephenville for some time. The negro, it is said, has lived at Stephenville for a number of years, and has been regarded as a well-to-do and respectable negro. He maintains that he has repeatedly assisted the woman and her husband financially, and that his relations with the woman were not unknown to a number of people.

EASTER BLIZZARD COVERS ALL OF TEXAS.

Telegraph reports from different points in the state show that the cold wave covered the entire state. It reached the coast, but was not so severe as through central and North Texas. It is feared that considerable damage was done by the blizzard in North Texas.

J. S. Reese, of the Benoit country, and A. D. Barnett, of the Valley creek country, were among the large crowd in Ballinger Monday.

FIVE DEALS TOTAL 51,000 DOLLARS

J. C. Tankursley and wife to Ira E. Sewell and Henry B. Sewell being 300 1-6 acres of land out of the T. & N. O. Ry. Co., consideration \$8,300.33.

E. C. Brand to L. J. Brian, being 141 1-10 acres of land out of the south end of the J. M. Young survey No. 8, also the northeast one-fourth of survey No. 81, also 160 acres, the southeast quarter of the H. & T. C. Ry., Co. survey No. 93, consideration \$14,000.00.

J. L. Hoffman and wife to Arthur Hoffman, being 173 1-5 acres of land out of the E. T. R. R. Co., survey No. 161, consideration \$3,464.00.

E. T. Childress and wife to R. R. Seymour, being 408 1-2 acres of land situated in Runnels, Taylor and Nolan counties, consideration \$16,000.

John W. Smith and wife to J. B. Moreland, being 154 9-10 acres of land out of the T. & N. O. Ry., Co. survey Nos. 81 and 82, consideration \$10,000.

J. F. Coffield and wife to J. A. Phillips being 320 acres of land, the south one-half of 640 acre survey No. 146, consideration \$1.00 and other valuable consideration.

Marriage Licenses.

J. B. McDaniel to Miss Vera Dalton.

R. Luma Booth to Miss Josie James.

Andrew Silva to Miss Rosa Martines.

The United States Express Company was organized in 1854 and its withdrawal from the express field means that 15,000 employes will be dismissed. These men drew \$8,180,000 in salaries and wages annually. More than 300 of these men are in Texas and their yearly pay roll amounts to \$94,550. The company operates over 1,203 miles of Texas railroad and their Texas company operates over 1,203 miles of Texas railroad and their Texas earnings amount to a quarter of a million dollars per annum.

CARRIED TO B'WOOD TO PREVENT LYNCHING

Alex Channer, a negro 50 years old, was brought here this morning by Sheriff Dave Deaton of Erath county and lodged in the Brown county jail for safe keeping. Channer was arrested Saturday near Stephenville on a charge of criminal assault upon a white woman, and was at first lodged in jail at Dublin. As soon, however, as citizens of that town learned the alleged facts in the case there was considerable talk of mob violence, and Sheriff Deaton was advised to remove his prisoner to this city, where he is being held.

Channer is a land owner of Erath county, and his victim, whose name is not known here, is the wife of one of his tenants. The negro was seen Saturday to enter the home of the woman, and a few minutes later was discovered with the woman in his clutches. She was considerably bruised by the negro's assault. Channer was immediately placed under arrest and spirited away from Erath county. No trouble is anticipated here.—Brownwood Bulletin.

FAT SHEEP.

M. D. Chastain and Dee Oliver, shipped out Tuesday a car load of fat mutton to the Fort Worth market. Mr. Oliver had 42 head of lambs in the bunch that weighed from 60 to 80 pounds each and all who saw them say they were the best ever shipped from this point.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

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MOB FOLLOWS NEGRO TO BROWNWOOD

Brownwood, April 8.—Mob rule was threatened here last night at midnight, and at noon today at Goldthwaite, in the case of Alex Channer, the Stephenville negro who is accused of assault on a white woman near Stephenville. Following his arrest at Stephenville Channer was placed in the jail at Dublin, and soon after was removed to the Brown county jail on account of threatened mob vengeance. Last night Sheriff Denman was warned that a number of men were en route to Brownwood to take the negro from the jail here, and on the arrival of an auto load of strangers, carrying a large assortment of guns, with them, Sheriff Denman and Deputy Sheriff Hard Daniel placed Channer in an auto and hurried with him to Goldthwaite, where they turned him over to Sheriff Preddy.

At noon today a telephone message stated that a mob of Stephenville men had surrounded the jail, and demanded the negro. Upon inquiry it was found that the mob consisted of but five men, the other members of the party having failed to reach Goldthwaite. When the men stopped in Brownwood there were twelve in the party, and three of four other cars had stopped just outside the city. Sheriff Preddy at Goldthwaite talked with the men, and told them he would guard the negro against any attempt at mob violence. "He's here," the sheriff said, "and if you think you can get him just try it." The men told him they did not intend to lynch Channer at Goldthwaite, but would return with him to Stephenville and there take their vengeance. When the remainder of the party failed to arrive and the sheriff repeated his challenge, the mob of five announced their intention of returning to their homes. "The others have gone back on us, they said, "and we will have to let the matter drop."

Sheriff Preddy fears, according to telephone advices, that the announced withdrawal of the mob is but a ruse and that the five men



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