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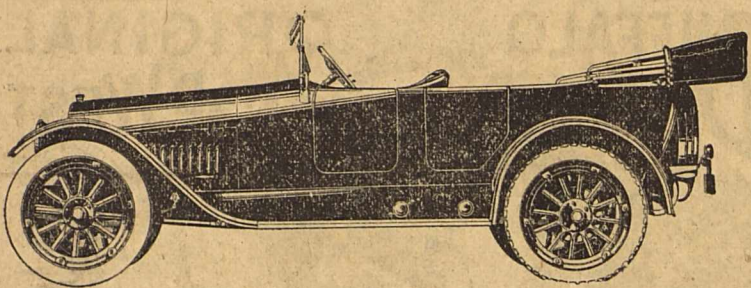
## THE OVER-BOUGHT SALE IS STILL IN FULL BLAST AT

## A. J. ZAPPE'S

H. Giesecke left Tuesday afternoon for Dallas on a short business trip. He says he is enjoying the profits on his 10-cent-buy-a-bale cotton bought last year, having sold the same Tuesday at 11 cents to the Ray-Penn Co.

Jeff Riggs of the Wingate country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

Crawford Golden of the Truitt country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.



### Bargains In Second Hand Cars

We have some bargains in second hand cars, not junk piles, but cars that will give good service.

1 two passenger Mitchell with electric starter and lights, new tires all round, will sell for \$350.00  
Half Cash, Rest on Time.

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Opposite Court House Lawn

### EIGHT MUST ANSWER FOR 1500 LIVES

CHICAGO, Sept. 22.—The Federal Grand Jury returns indictment against eight steamship company officials and steamboat inspectors, officials and steamboat and criminal negligence as a result of the Eastland disaster, in which fifteen hundred excursionists were killed in July.

Those indicted include six officers of the Chicago and St. Joseph Steamship Company and Indiana Transportation Company and two inspectors employed by the corporations.

The Eastland turned turtle just as it was leaving the docks with more than 2,000 employees of the Western Electric Co., who were en route to attend their annual picnic. 1,500 of the passengers were drowned, and for two months the Federal Grand Jury has been investigating the cause of the accident.

#### LEFT TO ENTER SCHOOL

The following young people left Monday afternoon to attend college the ensuing year: Miss Melba Walker, Eugene Kipp and Jo Egan to the State University, Austin; Misses Helen Williams, Corene Jones, Margaret Futch, to Baylor College, Belton; Edwin Futch, Elmer Allison, Edward Giesecke and Edgar Rasbury, to A. and M. College.

### 6 KILLED; 200 HURT; IN SUBWAY

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—Six persons were killed and more than two hundred injured when a subway collapsed this morning. The accident occurred on New Seventh Avenue between Twenty-third and Twenty-fifth Street, and was caused by a cave-in following a dynamite blast on a subway nearby which was still under construction. All the bodies have not been recovered and there is great confusion and excitement.

#### ALLEN-MEEK.

Frank Allen, a prominent business man of Winters and Miss Mildred Meek, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Meek, of Winters, were married in Winters Thursday and passed through Ballinger in the afternoon for San Antonio and other points in the state on their bridal tour. They will return to make home at Winters in a week or ten days.

W. W. Witherspoon of the Tennyson country, passed thru Ballinger Wednesday en route to his home from a business trip to Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Davenport, of the Hatchel country, spent Thursday night with relatives in Ballinger and returned home Wednesday.

### MEXICANS WOULD FIGHT FOR TEXAS

BROWNSVILLE, Sept. 22.—Five hundred soldiers and armed civilians are hunting the bandits who killed Donaldson and Smith, two Americans, three weeks ago in the Fresnos district.

Six hundred influential Mexicans today swore allegiance to Texas and have volunteered to help the soldiers and officers in eliminating Mexican bandits from the state.

### COTTON PRICE 11.25; RECEIPTS 800 BALES

Up to noon Wednesday about 800 bales of cotton had been received at the two yards in Ballinger. The receipts for the last week have been light, due to the wet weather.

The highest price paid this season was paid Wednesday when cotton brought 11.25 on the local market. The market continues to climb and it is believed that little cotton will be held as long as the price remains near the present figures.

Mrs. Wesley Gray, of Winters, came in Tuesday to visit her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Secret.

### MORE WAR WITHIN NEXT 48 HOURS

LONDON, Sept. 22.—Bulgaria is expected to declare war on Serbia within the next forty-eight hours. The Bulgarian government has sent out one hundred and sixty thousand men to the Serbian frontier, and has issued a recall for all Bulgarians in Austria and Germany, calling them to colors.

The Greek cabinet is reported to be in special session and is preparing an order for mobilization of her troops preparatory to entering the war.

### EGG SHORTAGE

#### BULLS MARKET

Eggs—common old hen eggs, are worth 20 cents per dozen in Ballinger today. Not 20 cents in trade, but the local buyers will give you the real coin for them, so we are informed by the produce firm of E. A. Jeanes & Co.

Carl Jeanes, the junior member of the produce firm, says the market has recently been cleaned up by the shipping of a large consignment of eggs to the eastern markets. A couple of weeks ago shipments aggregating more than \$4500 were made from this place. Most of this shipment consisted of cold storage eggs concentrated here by the Jeanes produce house.

Three weeks ago eggs were selling for ten cents on the local market. The price has rapidly doubled, and the prospects are good for the highest market ever experienced during the fall and winter season. The Southwest will be expected to supply the millions of dozens of eggs that is required for the Northern and Eastern markets. Modern egg shipping, coupled with the developed of the infertile egg industry, has created a better market for eggs in the eastern cities, and the farm with a few dozen good industrious hens will find that egg money is real money.

Miss Idie Voelkel left Tuesday afternoon for Austin, where she will enter the State University, the ensuing year.

Dr. Smith of Talpa, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Wednesday.

### METHODIST SCHOOL

#### BEGINS FIRST YEAR

DALLAS, Sept. 22.—The Southern Methodist university opened its first year's work today. The event will be commemorated by a big banquet in the Scottish Rite cathedral tonight, which will be attended by the student body, together with the faculty, Methodist officials and municipal officers.

Among the speakers will be Bishop McCoy of Birmingham, Ala., Dr. Fitzgerald S. Parker of Nashville, general secretary of the Epworth League; Mayor Lindsley; S. J. Nay, vice-president of the Chamber of Commerce; and probably Bishop Key of Sherman. The latter has signified his intention of attending if his health will permit. J. Roscoe Golden, president of the Dallas District Epworth League, will act as toastmaster.

# Sale Extraordinary

## Which Means Thousands of Dollars to Cash Buyers

To confine my stock to men's goods exclusively I offer my entire stock of piece goods, notions, ladies' and children's ready-to-wear, shoes, and etc. All new Fall stock bought for cash at a saving of twenty-five to fifty per cent less than regular price. Sale to begin

**Saturday, September 25th** To Continue Until Stock Is Closed Out

#### Sale Covers

10 bales outing, worth 10c and 12c at - - - 7c  
225 pieces best gingham, 10c value for - - - 7c  
Complete stock woolen dress goods. Fall line silks and waisting. Wool and cotton flannels. Bleached and brown domestic. Linings, prints, pecals and sheeting. Complete notion stock. Ribbons, lace and embroideries.

This includes every department except men's goods.

#### New Fall Line

Ladies skirts, suits, coats and petticoats. Ladies' and misses' dresses. Full line kimonos, house dresses, sweaters and underwear for ladies and children. 10 bales quilts and blankets. Full line of furs from \$5.00 to \$40.00. All new, just opened.

This sale includes goods only in stock and lines closed out will be discontinued. This is to give me room to carry the best stock of men's goods in West Texas. SPECIAL—400 men's and boy's sample suits this sale. Remember sale opens SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 25TH.

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NACO CORSETS are fitted over living models by experts and are correct.

The National Corset Co., Kalamazoo, Mich., makers, warrant Naco Corsets not to Rust, Tear or Split. Your money back if not satisfactory after four weeks actual wear.

Sold by A. Rosenberg, Ballinger, Texas

## NEGROES REFUSE TO WORK IN WINTERS

The secretary of the Young Men's Business League has several bunches of negroes here who have expressed willingness to pick cotton in fields in Runnels County adjoining Ballinger, but they do not care to go to Winters. Notwithstanding the fact that over a hundred negroes are living in and around Winters, these aforesaid negroes were loath to make the journey to the northern section of the county.

"Boss you is mistaken," one of the blacks declared. "They ain't no niggers in Winters." Only four negroes were prevailed upon to try the picking near Winters.

It is said that the officers in Ballinger are having trouble with negroes who wont work, and who are living off their neighbors and by various and sundry means. Farmers have asked these negroes to work for them and have been refused, but it is thought some way will be determined on to make them work.

**To Drive Out Malaria**  
And Build Up The System  
Take the Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS chill TONIC. You know what you are taking, as the formula is printed on every label, showing it is Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form. The Quinine drives out malaria, the Iron builds up the system. 50 cents

## ONLY 1400 CHILDREN IN ANGELO SCHOOLS

The public schools opened at San Angelo last Monday. When called on by a reporter of the San Angelo papers for a statement as to the number of pupils enrolled the superintendent said, "I can not say exactly, but I would suppose that the first week will show an enrollment of about 1400." That's less than double what Ballinger will show.

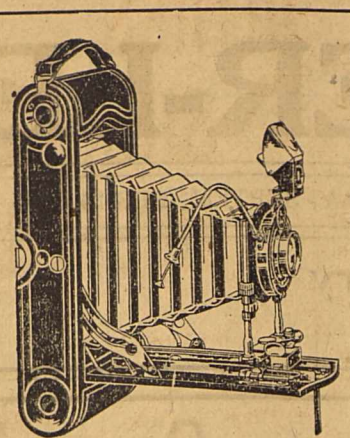
Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Jones of the Valley creek country, passed thru Ballinger Saturday at noon en route home from Fort Worth. Mrs. Jones visited relatives in that section while Mr. Jones visited his mother at their old home in Missouri.

## POULTRY PACKING PLANT ENLARGES

E. A. Jeanes & Co., produce dealers, of Ballinger, are busy building a new cold storage vault, which when entirely completed will hold six or seven carloads of dressed poultry or eggs over 140,000 pounds capacity, and will take up all surplus eggs and produce in Runnels County. This immense vault will be 18 by 75 feet in dimension and will be divided into three parts, surrounded by air-tight walls, and cooled with a dry-cooling process which eliminates the necessity of ice. Ice will be manufactured by the Jeanes Co., to furnish their cars when shipments are made.

The first of the three vaults will be finished this season in time to take care of the dressed turkey and chicken production, which will have steady demand during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. The two other vaults will be completed some time near the first of the next year, to make what is probably the largest cold storage plant west of Fort Worth. This Ballinger plant is being constructed with an eye to quality as well as quantity, and it is said that Ballinger eggs shipped by Jeanes & Co., are bringing more than any other Texas eggs, not taking into consideration the infertile variety. "Kansas eggs now bring a \$1.00 a case more than Texas eggs," said Mr. E. A. Jeanes, "and I intend that our eggs will equal that market if not beat it."

Of course to supply the demand that the new storage plant creates more poultry will have to be raised in this county, and more room will be required to keep chickens and turkeys while waiting to be dressed. Realizing this the Jeanes Co. have already planned to increase their already modern pens, and will build pens to hold a car load of birds at a time. Concrete floors, cleaned once a day, sanitary feed troughs, well ventilated coops, and a house easy of access by three doors, with a runway that prevents chickens from escaping to the streets if one pen happens to be open—all that does not tell all of the new poultry building which will be enlarged soon. A packing and dressing plant on a larger scale will soon be used to fill daily the big vaults. New patent chicken coops, invented by Mr. Jeanes, are now used by this firm to ship their live poultry. The new coops are twenty-five per cent lighter than those in common use, and are much easier to clean and handle.



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## BALLINGER BOY SETTLES IN GOTHAM

Jno. Hoffer Jr., a former Ballinger boy, and now living in New York, writes to a Ballinger friend that he would like to glimpse the old town again. Mr. Hoffer has many friends here who will be desirous of hearing of his whereabouts, and hope he is enjoying as full measure of prosperity as his communication would seem to indicate.

Mr. Hoffer once worked in a Ballinger drug store, acting as soda dispenser, and has held other positions in this city. He states in his message that he has since traveled over the entire United Kingdom, and has toured places of renown in Europe and large resorts of America. He is now with the accounting department of the Southern Pacific Co., steamship lines, and resides at 238 West 122nd St., New York, City. Mr. Hoffer Jr., sends felicitations to the "bunch" and asks them to remember old times.

**Notice to the Farmers**  
We have purchased the Farmer's gin, and now have it in good repair. We have had 23 years experience in the ginning business, 8 years at Norton, and 15 years in Guadalupe County. We will begin ginning Sept. 1st, and will certainly appreciate some of your ginning.

HOLLOWAY GIN CO.  
aug. 27-w-1f.

## RECEIVES NEWS OF MOTHER'S DEATH.

A telephone message received at ten o'clock Saturday night brought the sad news of the death of Mrs. L. J. Moore, mother of Mrs. W. T. Routh, which occurred just a few minutes before the message was received, at the home of her son at Golthwaite.

While deceased had lived to a ripe old age, being near eighty years old, the news of her death came as a surprise and a shock to the relatives here, because a letter received just a few hours before the telephone message came, stated that Mrs. Moore would arrive here this week to spend a few weeks with her daughter.

Mrs. Moore made her home with her children, spending part of the time here with her daughter, and the remainder of her time with her sons at Golthwaite. She is survived by one daughter and four sons, and quite a number of grand children and great grand children.

The remains were carried to Fayette county Sunday afternoon where they will be laid to rest by the side of her husband, and the burying ground where other relatives are at rest. Mrs. Routh, and two children, Miss Eveyln and Clarence, went down on the Sunday afternoon train from this place and joined the funeral cortege at Golthwaite.

**Wanted.**  
Will pay best possible price for all good dry head maize. See E. L. RASBURY, before you sell 23-2td tfw

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. James, of South Texas, came in a few days ago on a visit to his brother L. B. James and family and will prospect in this section. Mr. James expressed himself delighted with Ballinger and Runnels County.

F. F. Ernst, of the Rowena county, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

## COMMISSIONERS ALLOW ACCOUNTS

The commissioners' court at the last meeting September 1st, allowed the following accounts, all of which were in full excepting one:

- A. H. Van Pelt, for hardware, amount allowed \$34.15.
- J. D. Perkins, 9 days county court, \$18.00.
- J. T. Burns, road work, \$9.75.
- C. W. Kiser, road work, \$9.00.
- R. M. Saylor, road work, \$7.50.
- B. M. Smith, road work, \$874.90.
- M. H. Williams, damages, \$30.
- H. P. Powers, road work, \$3.00.
- O'Kelly & Walton, hardware, etc. \$14.75.
- C. J. Lynn & Son, moving safe in district clerk office, \$10.00.
- C. J. Lynn & Son, coal, \$2.45.
- Burroughs Adding Machine Co. repair of machine, \$3.50.
- Z. A. Snell et al, road work, \$59.90.
- E. S. Redwine, road work, \$1.50.
- J. L. Compton, road work, \$1.50.
- Nat Erwin, road work, \$1.50.
- W. T. Padgett, binding delinquent tax records, \$3.00.
- W. S. Maddox, road work, \$21.55.
- W. D. Gregory, drayage, \$1.53.
- W. A. B. Patton et al, road work \$36.00.
- H. H. Barnes, road work \$3.75.
- W. D. Gregory, drayage, 25c.
- South Texas Lumber Co., lumber for roads, \$28.60.
- San Angelo Typewriter Exchange, half-dozen typewriter ribbons, \$3.00.
- H. P. Powers, road work \$6.75.
- J. N. McKay, auto service ex parte Reuben Clark, \$16.00.
- Joe Ketcher, hauling trash from jail, \$1.00.
- W. A. B. Patton, road work \$21.00.
- T. S. Lankford, mattress, \$2.50.
- Z. A. Snell, et al, road work \$64.50.
- Duncan & Oliver, blacksmithing \$12.65.
- T. L. Chapmond, road drainage, \$27.00.
- H. H. Burns, road work, \$3.75.
- E. M. Cathey, road work, \$40.50.
- Hargreaves Printing Co., Boston pencil pointers, \$2.61.
- Exline Reimers Co., 6 thousand sets tax receipts, \$63.75.
- Exline Reimers Co., 1 loose leaf minute book, \$22.00.
- Clark & Courts Pig. Co., one thousand envelopes, \$4.40.
- Geo. D. Banard Mfg. Printers, 1 auto register, etc., \$23.84.
- Magnolia Petroleum Co., oil, \$2.70.
- Z. A. Snell et al, road work \$75.
- J. D. Perkins, conveying Aeben Clark to asylum, \$34.10.
- J. D. Perkins, conveying Mrs. T. C. Liddell to asylum, \$52.50.
- O. L. Parish, fees for three lunacy cases, \$6.00.
- M. Kleberg, stamps, \$2.96.
- J. D. Perkins, board prisoners, \$139.60.
- Walker Drug Co., drug supplies stationary, etc., \$5.30.
- Ballinger Dry Goods Co., dry goods, county patients, \$28.95.
- H. F. Nutt, road work, \$100.00.
- Jno. Hudson, road work, \$1.50.
- J. D. Perkins, posting election notices, \$31.50.

## WINTERS HAS SECOND MONDAY.

You may put it down so you will not forget that Winters' regular trades day is an established institution and that hereafter the second Monday in each month will be to Winters what the first Monday is to Ballinger and other towns that have come to regard this day as one of the most important in the month.

The reason we are in position to announce that the day is an established institution in Winters is that last Monday proved beyond any doubt that the people who usually frequent these towns on such occasions were here in great numbers. They had along with them "hosses," mules, etc. in all grades and seemingly from all walks of life. Many good hoes were here and trading was brisk throughout the entire day—Winters Enterprise.

**Notice to the Public.**  
"I feel that I owe the manufacturers of Chamberlain's Colic, Choltra and Diarrhoea Remedy a word of gratitude," writes Mrs. T. N. Witherall, Gowanda, N. Y. "When I began taking this medicine I was in great pain and feeling terribly sick, due to an attack of summer complaint. After taking a dose of it I had not long to wait for relief as it benefited me almost immediately." Obtainable everywhere.

Dr. Sander and wife and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Patterson of Winters, passed through Ballinger Monday in the doctor's car en route to points west. They were accompanied by C. E. Jordan, a real estate dealer of Winters. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Poe of the Winters country accompanied them in Mr. Poe's auto.

Aug Spill, Jr., of the Winters country, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday afternoon and renewed with the Banner-Ledger for the ensuing year.

**Whenever You Need a General Tonic**  
Take Grove's  
The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

E. F. Edwards, one of the prominent cotton buyers of Winters, passed through Ballinger Monday from a business trip to Coleman.

## Ballinger Oct. 8 FRIDAY

**FREE TWO MILE STREET PARADE 10:30AM**

# SELLS FLOTO CIRCUS

600-PEOPLE--600 PRESENTING ALL NATIONS  
3-HERDS ELEPHANTS-3  
SPLendid MENAGERIE  
425-HORSES-425  
3-RAILROAD TRAINS-3  
11-ACRES OF TENTS-11  
10,000-SEATS-10,000  
1,001-WONDERS-1,001

**TWO BIG INSTITUTIONS JOINED TOGETHER AT ONE PRICE OF ADMISSION**

**BUFFALO BILL'S ORIGINAL WILD WEST**

**RAIN OR SHINE**  
2 PERFORMANCES - 2:15 and 8:15  
2 DOORS OPEN ONE HOUR EARLIER 2

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**RUNNELS CO., PECAN NURSERY**  
S. B. Howard, Mgr.  
107 N. 12th Street

Do you realize that an orchard of paper shell pecans properly started and cared for on your home ground will usually begin bearing nuts at three years from putting out? And in ten years time you may reasonably expect them to be paying 10 percent interest on a valuation of one thousand dollars per acre? Can you beat it as an investment? Set out at least a few this fall. We have them for sale.

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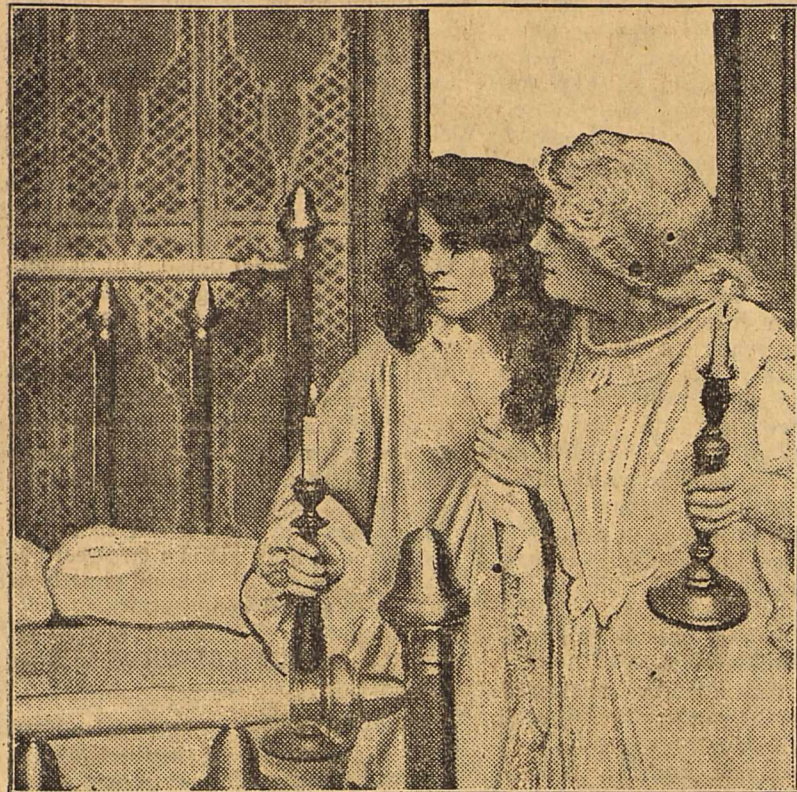
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As good as the best, as cheap as the] cheapest.  
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is just as easy as can be if you go the right way about it. The first and most important step is to use only the best flour. Ask the friend who is famous for her biscuits what flour she uses. It is dollars to doughnuts she mentions ours. Shall we send you a sack?  
**Missouri Milling Co.**

**BUILDING MATERIAL**  
WE ARE SHIPPING LIME  
cement and other building materials all the time to many of the most prominent builders in town. We hold their trade by merit alone. We rely entirely on the quality of our products to win and retain favor, and the fact that we do so among experts is proof that our qualities are best.  
**Wm. Cameron Lumber Company**



**Miss Eugenie Besserer Arrived in New York City With Just 25 Cents—Now a Star in Pictures**



Miss Eugenie Besserer, the French emotional actress, had a long experience in the spoken drama before she became a star in motion pictures. She has appeared in the support of Nance O'Neil, Wilton Lackaye and Frank Keenan. Miss Besserer is perhaps the most versatile of motion picture stars, and her appearance in the leading role in Selig Diamond Specials "The Smoldering" and "The Melody of Doom," created world-wide attention. In the following article Miss Besserer tells over her own signature her experiences as an actress.—Editorial Note.



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By EUGENIE BESSERER.

You may talk all you please about the "dignity of the stage," but do not forget the "dignity of the motion picture." Not so long ago it was considered undignified to leave the spoken stage for the silent stage. Those having the temerity to leave the stage for the movies were cause for commiseration. "Miss Jenkins, I see, has gone to the movies, well, well!" Now the shoe is on the other foot. The exclamation may soon be heard: "Miss Jenkins, the well-known movie actress, has returned to the stage, well, well!" To paraphrase an old song: "It shows what a difference just a few years make!"

I was born in Paris, but was taken by my parents to Ottawa, Canada, early in life and I spent my girlhood in Canada. Unfortunately I was left an orphan and later, at the age of 12 years, I escaped from my guardians and found myself an absolute stranger in the great city of New York, in the Grand Central Station, with 25 cents in Canadian money in my pocket. Through the kindly aid of a street car conductor and a directory, I succeeded in locating a former Governess whose name I happily remembered. This kindly lady was delighted to see me and with her aid, I discovered the residence of an uncle, with whom I took up my abode.

"I continued my studies and became quite proficient in athletics. I took lessons in fencing and became rather proficient. I shall always remember that I held my own with no less an accomplished swordsman than the late Alexander Salvini.

I had always an ambition to go on the stage, and my first theatrical experience was with McKee Rankin, when he was starring Nance O'Neil. Following this I played engagements with Wilton Lackaye and Frank Keenan, and then came a season in stock at Pike's Opera House, in Cincinnati. Another season I played in drama opposite Henry J. Kolker.

I became wearied of stage life, with its hardships, traveling and hotel life, and again took up the art of fencing at the Berkley Lyceum in New York City. Alice Roosevelt Longworth was one of my pupils. I then again returned to emotional roles on the stage, was fortunate enough to attract the attention of Margaret Anglin and was taken by her as an understudy to Australia.

When I was eighteen years of age I tried my hand at play writing and wrote a drama which was successfully produced. I am also the author of a number of vaudeville successes, notably a fencing playlet, called "An Accident."

The illness of my sister brought me to California. There I became interested as a professional in the artistic

possibilities of the motion picture and concluded to locate in the Golden State, naturally selecting the Selig Polyscope Company as the most desirable association.

It is not only good looks that count for success in motion picture work, one must have physical endurance, a capacity for the hardest kind of labor, and a willingness to follow the mandates of the Director. No matter how long an experience one may have had in dramatic work, no matter how versatile the artist may be, the Director's word in motion picture production is law.

I remember one versatile actor in the cast of "The Circular Staircase," released in five acts as a Selig Red Seal Play. This actor has had many years of experience in the spoken drama. He came to the screen with knowledge of his own importance. He was not inclined to observe the orders of the Director. The Director selects the types, he selects the costumes to be worn, he orders the entrances and the exits, and little is left to the artist. This particular actor could not understand this procedure. He had been accustomed to having his own way on the stage and there was many a tilt before he could appreciate that movie action must be done as the Director orders, for the Director of Motion Picture production is all responsible and all supreme.

I was delighted to be assigned the character lead as "Aunt Ray Innis" in Mary Roberts Rinehart's great mystery story, "The Circular Staircase." I felt that I was fitted to such a part. As you will probably remember, "Aunt Ray" leases a banker's home. She is a woman with the courage of her own convictions, and when warned to remain away from the summer house she is more resolved to remain right there.

"Aunt Ray" and her servant are aroused at 3 a. m. by the sound of a revolver shot. They venture forth, find the men folks have disappeared, and "Aunt Ray" is horrified to discover a lifeless body huddled in the dark shadows at the foot of the circular staircase from which the five-part production takes its name. The action starts right then and there and is never finished until the final scene where the lovers are reunited.

There is a scene in which I am supposed to do battle with a mysterious stranger in a secret room which I have discovered by means of a tape measure. There is nothing supposititious about this conflict, either. "Put the pepper into this fight," ordered the Director. When it was finished the unfortunate actor in the struggle had his shirt partially torn from his back. To all intents and purposes it was a real fight, and the actor had difficulty in escaping my clutches and springing to the circular staircase. Then to top it all off, the unfortunate individual had to plunge headfirst down the staircase to his supposed death, and he certainly had earned his money after the day's work was concluded.

I think I have put my very best art into the character of "Aunt Ray Innis" in the Selig Red Seal Play, "The Circular Staircase." I have always been a great admirer of Mrs. Rinehart's writings, and there is every opportunity to put forth one's best endeavors in this story.

A majority of the artists say that motion picture acting is the hardest kind of work. I never deemed it so. I try to forget myself in my part, throw my entire personality into the roles I create and I love the work.

However, it is an art that cannot be acquired by any "school" other than the school of long experience. Actors of years of experience on the stage are the more successful because they have a foundation upon which to work.

**'ROUGH-NECK YANKEE SOLDIERY'**

BROWNSVILLE, Sept. 23.—The army dragnet for Mexican-American bandits worked steadily yesterday giving rise to sensational reports of man hunts. Officers denied emphatically that any bandits had been caught but refused to adopt the suggestion of some ranchers in the interior to reduce the size of the army rural patrols. Evidence is accumulating that the activity of the United States soldiers is keeping the bandits scattered in groups of two or three. Three Mexicans, posing as bandits, appeared yesterday on the J. J. Young ranch in Hidalgo County. They proved to be the tamest "bad men" encountered in this section in several weeks, as the ranch manager, single handed, got them off the place by the use of firm language. They said they wanted a horse.

Joshia Turner, an American aged 89, owner of the ranch where American soldiers were ambushed and two killed, last week, has issued to the news papers a protest against the treatment of three Mexicans captured as witnesses on his ranch and turned over to the civil authorities, who shortly afterward announced the Mexicans had been killed while trying to escape. One of these Mexicans, Turner said, was Y. Ricones, a boy of 16 whose mother was a widow living on the ranch. Turner accounted for the presence of the other Mexicans by saying one had come to visit his mother and sister and the third lived on the ranch. Turner announced also that the other two Mexicans captured with these three, Daniel and Bentura Longoria, have been released from the Brownsville jail, where they had been held pending investigation. The lives of these two Longorias were saved when their companions were killed through United States soldier's stories of their friendliness to the Americans during the fight.

El Democrita, a Matamoros newspaper published an attack today on "bandits," rangers or irresponsible rough necks and savage Yankee soldiery." This paper has several times printed imaginative accounts of fights on the American side of the river.

Colonel P. A. Chapa, chief of the staff of the Carranza forces at Matamoros, said today the Carranza officers had tried to make the paper more moderate in its tone but it had not been suppressed because they were trying to permit a free press in their territory.

**WILL BUY NEW CONVICT FARM.**

Governor Ferguson returned to Austin yesterday after making a trip to Houston in the interest of purchasing some land for the penitentiary system, involving an expenditure of about \$350,000. The purchase of the new farm will give employment to about seven hundred convicts of the 1,000 now idle.—Austin Statesman.

Dr. W. W. Mitchel and wife of Norton, came in Wednesday afternoon to accompany Mrs. T. N. Stevens, Mrs. Mitchel's mother, who left in the afternoon for her home at Lampasas.

T. L. Huggins of Winters, and H. A. Mitchell of the Winters country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

Mrs. Lon Mapes and son Fred, of the Pony Creek country, were shopping in Ballinger Thursday.

Mrs. Aug. Voglesang and two children of the Spring Hill neighborhood, were shopping in Ballinger Thursday.

Fred Prusser of the Hatchel country, was transacting business in Ballinger Thursday.

**Trespass Notice.**

All parties are hereby forbidden under penalty of the law, to hunt, fish, gather peans, haul wood, or otherwise trespass upon my Pecan Mott farm, or upon any and all other properties owned or controlled by me in this (Runnels) County.

C. A. DOOSE.

**A FEW BARGAINS**

In nice residence property, close in. Terms to suit. Apply to C. W. NORTHINGTON, Ballinger. 21-5td-1tw

**DENIES SINKING HESPERIAN**

By United Press. BERLIN, Sept. 23.—A memorandum report submitted to the foreign admiralty declares positively that no German submarine attacked the liner Hesperian. The memorandum suggests the possibility of British mines, intended for the destruction of German submarines sank the Hesperian.

**CZAR CALLS RESERVES TO COLORS**

By United Press. ATHENS, Sept. 23.—The Greeks have been drawn closer to a break with the Roumanians by a new mobilization decree just issued by the Czar Ferdinand. The decree just promulgated by the Czar calls to colors twenty-seven different classes of reserves.

P. Michaelis of the Hatchel country, was in Ballinger Tuesday to take out a five passenger Dodge auto, recently bought of W. F. Buck of San Angelo.

Looney Duncan and Charlie Dean left Wednesday at noon for Rowena where they will finish up a silo.

Mrs. H. O'Bannon, of San Angelo, who had been visiting in Ballinger the past week or two, returned home Tuesday.

**GERMANY RESERVES RIGHT TO DESTROY CONTRABAND SHIPS**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—Germany today presented to the State Department a note in the Wm. P. Frye case. The German government says in the note that orders were issued to the German navy not to destroy American merchantmen carrying conditional contraband, but to permit them to proceed if impossible to take

them into port. However, the note goes further, and says that Germany reserves the right to destroy American vessels carrying absolute contraband. Germany consents to arbitration in settling the loss of the Wm. P. Frye, but denies that the sinking of the ship was in violation of any treaty.

**OUR PUBLIC FORUM**

**Henry N. Pope**  
On Where Is the Money?



The bankers of this state have undertaken the patriotic duty of providing money to relieve the distress of the present cotton crop. Conventions have been held, committees appointed and resolutions adopted which make a good beginning.

Most every kind of information has been given out on the subject except the amount of money available and rate of interest demanded on the cotton fund. The farmers would like to hear this phase of the subject discussed by the bankers. The crop is beginning to move, where is the money?

Will the bankers, who are willing to lend money, at the rate of six per cent per annum, on cotton stored in an interior warehouse the loan to terminate at the option of the farmer, please state the amount they have available for such purposes. We are fast approaching the time when the Texas bankers must fish or dig bait, and the farmers of this state want to know what they can depend upon.

I recall the \$135,000,000 cotton pool of last year that spent its energies in discussing plans, organizing committees, hurrying across the continent, sending telegrams and giving out newspaper interviews but no money was available for lending purposes. Cotton is the thing and a movement that exhausts itself before it gets the money to the farmer had better never be started. A broken promise is worse than a drought. I am not questioning the integrity of that movement but the results were disastrous to the farmer for the cotton was held down to a low price until it left the hands of the producer and every effort should be made to prevent repetition of that calamity.

Lending money on cotton at a low rate of interest is as much the part of the warehouse system as the warehouse itself. Building warehouses will not solve the problem and warehouses without money would be of little use to the farmers. The purpose of the warehouse is to make the loan of the banker more secure. If a banker would lend money to a farmer on cotton held on a farm there would be little necessity for a public warehouse except as a safe and convenient means of storage.

The farmers will patronize the warehouse if it is to his interest to do so. The interest rate, storage and insurance charges will determine largely whether or not he will store his cotton. What are the rates? We now have on deposit in the banks of Texas about \$200,000,000. Is any part of it available for handling the Texas cotton crop?

It is time to get down to business. How much money have the bankers available for cotton loans and what do they want for it? That is the question and its answer determines the prosperity of the farmer of the South.

The farmers are depending upon the Texas bankers to handle this year's crop and I have no doubt they will do so for they have announced a willingness to do it and are thoroughly capable of the task, but the danger of all public movements is that we urge and expect the other fellow to put up the funds, hence the question where is the money?

**Santa Fe Farmers' Special to California October 14**

Go this fall—on the Santa Fe Farmers' Special—spend two weeks seeing by auto the farms and homes of Southern California and San Joaquin Valley. Also take in the two great expositions at San Diego and San Francisco.

Do this in company with a comfortable, sociable party of rural folks who, like yourself want to inspect the home-making inducements of sunny California. Take your wife along, too

We are getting up a Special Limited Party of people interested in the business of farming to make this trip under personal escort of Mr. C. L. Spargraves, General Colonization Agent, Santa Fe Lines because we believe we can best prove to you, by this method, what the Santa Fe has so long been trying to tell you about this country.

We want you to see the San Joaquin Valley and talk to the people about the greater production per acre, the balmy, healthful climate, the year-round growing season. You will be the guest of many communities in Southern California and San Joaquin Valley. You will be taken on auto trips to see their farms, orchards and homes. We have no land to sell. We just want you to see and know California.

Let me tell you at what small cost this trip will be made. Party will live on their own special cars most of the time, so saving hotel bills. Go on the Santa Fe, stop a day at Grand Canyon and return Santa Fe or any direct route.

Santa Fe Farmers' Special will leave Chicago, October 14, reach San Francisco October 30. Return from there at your pleasure up to December 31. Connections from Texas and Oklahoma will be made at Newton, Kansas. Train leaving Texas October 14. A second party will leave on date to be announced later. You'll see rural California—as you could see it in no other way. You'll see the two great world expositions. Also you'll see the Grand Canyon of Arizona.

Write me today for itinerary, particulars and rates

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GALVESTON, TEXAS



**Bulgarians Armed But Neutral**

LONDON, Sept. 23.—Each new event in the war movement brings Bulgaria and Greece near to war. The attitude of the Roumanians remains in doubt.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—The attitude of the Bulgarians towards the Allies and the Teutons seemingly remains in doubt. Late reports received here by the Bulgarian ambassador brings the news that the Bulgarians are on the move, but that the nation has not cast her lot with one side or the other, and is still neutral, waiting but armed.

J. W. Lindley of the Spring Hill neighborhood, and J. H. Taylor of the New Home section were among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday and the latter renewed with the Banner-Ledger while in the city.

Louis Jamison, one of the prominent stock men of the Talpa country, was transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Voglesang and daughter, of the Hatchel country, came in Friday at noon from an extended visit to their daughter, Mrs. Frank Marburger of San Antonio.

**CARNEGIE LIBRARY HAS PURCHASED NEW BOOKS.**

Invoices have been received by the librarian of the Carnegie Library for a new list of late novels, with two new juveniles in the list. Following is the title and author of each book:

"The Lovable Meddler," by Leona Dalrymple; "Michael O'Hallowran," by Gene Stratton Porter; "Anne of the Island," by L. M. Montgomery; "The Rose Garden Husband," by Rose Widdemeyer; "Why Not," by Rose Widdemeyer; "The Fying U's Last Stand," by B. M. Bower; "The Rainbow Trail," by Zane Grey. Then there are two books paid for and selected by the little girls who gave a play at the High School this summer, which are suitable for girls or boys of ages near 12 to 16 years, entitled, "Boodles," by Emma C. Doud; and "The Princess of the Clan," by Margaret R. Piper.

Most of the novels above for adult readers will be placed on the "rent" shelf and will cost readers ten cents, until paid for, when they will be placed on the "free" list. All children's books are free.



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Buy-a-bale cotton is selling for 11 cents. Now laugh.

Truth in the hands of some, seems to be an elastic substance.

Don't get the idea that a man's head is out of water just because he can float a debt.

What would you do if you were called upon to prove everything you told.

The secret of success is not so much in knowing how to get a job as in knowing how to hold one.

Let it rain. Don't worry. The maize will not all rot. A good part of it is in the barn.

Because you have never been in jail is no sign that you are better than some of those in the lock-up.

The mule does his part in the uplift of his race. There is a breed of men that undertake it in the same way.

Many a storm in life could be so easily averted if we only watched the barometer that hangs on the wall of the human heart.

Half day sessions please the children, but what about the mother who must conduct the study period at home?

You know now that it is folly to wait for the city to cut the weeds in front of your home. Do it your self.

The mail order houses are not entitled to a share of the prosperity of this country. What have they done towards helping the people of this country over the bad places in life?

The commissioners passed an order giving permission for the construction of a band stand in

A gossip is invariably a scandal totter. He or she bears the same relation to society that a scavenger wagon does to a city government. They may be a necessity but you should merit a better business than one that requires only a lantern and a pail of lime.

With high price cotton, and good prices for all farm products, and the American government free from war entanglements next year, the political party that overthrows the Democratic party will have to work overtime. Teddy can't do it.

The Mexicans in South Texas are having lots of fun at the expense of the officers. The San Antonio police wired Fort Worth and Waco banks notifying them of a plot made by the Mexicans to rob the banks in these cities. It must have been another Mexican joke.

Judging from the way the political pot is simmering the red hot boiling point will be reached early in the game. Tickets are being slated and political leaders are spotting certain men to make the race for the various offices, while some of the candidates are doing the "spotting." The early bird are too many early birds and not but one worm.

The demand for residences in Ballinger is responsible for quite a number of "Home for Sale" ads in the Ledger. When could you give possession? is the first question the prospective buyers ask. Where would you go? There is not a vacant house in Ballinger.

News now comes from Germany that metal formerly used to make toys will be used to make bullets. That's one of the most cruel blows of the whole war. Not satisfied with robbing the innocent children of their toys the war leaders will use the toy material to murder their parents with: Yes, Sherman, old man, you were right.

Half day sessions in the Ballinger schools are probable, but if the proper rules are enforced at home there is no reason why the child should not go right ahead

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take on new growth. A good live pastors' association with co-operation between the various pastors their work will not only be made easier but greater success attained. We hope to see it.

**CITY SHOULD SET EXAMPLE.**

"You have no right to boost weed cutting," said a progressive citizen, "as long as the city allows weeds to grow as high as a man's head in the streets. That's just the condition of some of the streets in Ballinger. Cuss the council and let them set the example, and maybe that will encourage the private citizen."

We plead guilty. We made a mistake. Let 'em grow until the city takes the lead.

**DID YOU BUY A BALE?**

Where is all that "buy-a-bale at ten cents" cotton? Under the

their recent visit there. The hospitality extended was truly in keeping with the appearance of the city, and as you say "that was the best." Abilene has always had and since this return will continue ever stronger, to have the best of feeling of fellowship and friendship toward Ballinger. Ballingerites have proved themselves tried and true entertainers.—Abilene Reporter.

**POLI-TICKS.**

Ballinger Ledger: The question of tick eradication in this county is an important one, but so little is being said about it the average voter will forget that a tick election will be held in this county on the 9th of next month.

Don't let the average voter forget about the forthcoming tick election. Keep him reminded of it; tell him from time to time how much the cattle tick is costing the stock raisers, and how easily it could be eradicated. Not only does the tick heavily tax the stock raisers, but, of course, every other interest. Any influence that makes for the scarcity of meat makes for loss to the cotton raiser, just as anything that makes for loss to the cotton raiser makes for loss to the cattle grower. All our interests are interdependent. One can not prosper continuously unless the others prosper. Therefore all hands should unite at every opportunity to put the kibosh on the tick. The way to do it is well known, the work is not overly arduous nor costly. Many so-called "poor States" have accomplished it. Texas as a whole and Runnels County in particular are too progressive and intelligent and thrifty to go on forever raising ticks at great expense. It would really be more sensible to raise snakes, for snakes are inexpensive to board. Ticks, on the other hand, eat the best of the beef and chew up whole acres of leather, thus increasing the price of our steaks and our boots. Not to make trouble for us by the tick. Which shall we choose?—Dallas News.

**JUST FOR ARGUMENT'S SAKE**

The boll weevil has struck the cotton fields of a portion of Tex-

And now he is trying for a solid black cotton, which causes the Dallas News to remark that black cotton ought to be in great demand by the black powder manufacturers. Personally, we are interested in the growing of fire-proof cotton—that might end the war and restore the old-time cotton-whiskered Santa Claus.—Brady Standard.

What about the price? Ten cent cotton is the kind of cotton that is the most popular in this country. Fire-proof cotton would no doubt be popular with undertakers and shroud makers.

How much an acre can you get for the farm, or how much can you realize on your house and lot it town? Fair price, eh? Well, just suppose every store in this town should be suddenly closed up and moved away. WHAT WOULD YOUR FARM OR TOWN PROPERTY BRING ON THE MARKET THEN? Your own intelligence tells you that the nearer a piece of property is to a live and prosperous town the more valuable that property becomes. Now, just why do you try to kill off the life and prosperity of this town and reduce the value of your own holdings by sending your money out of town for goods you can buy just as cheaply at home? Perhaps you can see some wisdom in such a course, but we can not.—Brenham Banner.

That's easy answered. We have them in every town who depend on the other fellow to keep up those enterprises that build for a better town and enhance the value of property. They profit by the other fellow's work. You know who they are in your town and we know who they are in our town. If you don't know them just get out and pass around the list to help carry on any line of public work, and you will form the acquaintance of those who ride and never pay. We have 'em right here in Ballinger. And, be it said to our shame, we have in our midst men in business who patronize mail order houses. What are they worth to the town?

Arbitrator Flour makes baking a pleasure. **W. B. WOOD & SON.** 16-6d-2w.

**LOOK OUT FOR THE CAR!**

County Attorney C. P. Shepherd is now sporting a new five passenger Maxwell with all the modern attachments, just bought from Ike Honig, the local dealer. Mr. Honig is expecting a car of the Maxwell autos to arrive in a day or two.

**WEALTHY SOCIETY FOLK SEEN IN ESSANAY PLAY**

Wealth to the amount of \$100,000,000 was represented in one scene from Essanay's photoplay, "Affinities," written by Mary Roberts Rhinehart. Most of the scenes from the photoplay were taken in and near Chattanooga. Society became interested in the taking of the picture and more than a score of the wealthiest families of Chattanooga appeared in some of the scenes. The included several persons of national character, among them being C. Z. Patten, Mrs. C. E. James, the Ross Faxons and Montagues. Many of the scenes were taken in their homes and on their lawns. "Affinities" is the story of the young married people who all went to a picnic with someone's else husband or wife only to discover that they loved their own spouses best. It is a two-reel production to be released shortly on the General program.

**STORM POISONS FISH**

By United Press. HOUSTON, Sept. 23.—Fresh water fish are being poisoned as the result of contamination of southern Texas lakes through sweetgum trees being blown into them, according to local sportsmen. Thousands of fine bass, perch, and trout have died.

Mrs. Ethel Bibb of Paint Rock, was visiting friends in Ballinger Wednesday.

Ira L. Sims, the Pony gin man, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.

J. L. Little of Cleburn, came in from San Angelo Wednesday afternoon and will spend a few days in Ballinger looking out for a location. He is contemplating going in business in this section if

**Holding Cotton Is Risky** Unless you cover it with a good fire insurance policy. Why take the risk?

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the City Park. It's a little late, but the new fixtures will keep and be ready for next season. Who'll furnish the money.

That man who willfully neglects his own, or woman who deliberately refuses the crown of motherhood—those are the shoals upon which the home is sure to wreck. It has never failed.

Even the city of Miles is asking for a traffic ordinance. Only a little while and the whole country will be under the traffic law and joy riders will have to use a little common sense.

The Mexicans did not celebrate their Independence Day by killing all male Americans in Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Mississippi and a few of the other Star Spangle Banner states. There's a reason.

Cotton, oats, wheat, milo maize, feterita, eggs, chickens, cream, melons, peaches are some of the products that are being shipped from Ballinger this week. Do you wonder that prosperity abounds here.

We have always contended that a man is not a man when he kicks about rain in this country, but the rule should be suspended just for a time, and the farmers given a chance to put in their orders for a spell of dry weather. We need it.

President Wilson says, "We are hoping and praying that the skies may clear." Mr. Wilson's prayers may be answered for he is working as well as praying. In dealing with the Mexicans he may have to do like the rangers, shoot and then pray.

with his studies and come up with a good report at the end of each month. Too many parents depend on the school teachers to raise their children for them.

One year ago today cotton was begging on the market at five cents per pound. Today buyers are bidding actively and cotton is bringing ten cents. This after a year of war, and in face of other excuses the bears would like to take advantage of. The crop is short and the coming of another season will find the world short on cotton. Yet some farmers are planning to plant the whole thing in grain.

For some time Runnels County has been facing a problem in caring for pauper convicts—men convicted of misdemeanor crimes and who have no money with which to pay the fines assessed against them. The commissioners court have never provided a way to work such convicts on the public works, or public roads, consequently they are a burden to the county, heavy board bills from the jail resulting. Why not inaugurate some plan to work the roads of Runnels County with convict labor? The peace officers can not afford to let a man go free when he has violated the law just because he has no money with which to pay his fine, and yet to assess a fine against such parties places a burden upon the county. Other counties work convict labor on the roads, why can't Runnels County do it?

**EVERY CHURCH A PASTOR.**

With the calling of pastors by the First Presbyterian church and the Christian church, every church in this city will now come under the care of regular pastors. With ten preachers on the job all the time, in this city church life should

pledge that was made to hold the cotton until it brought ten cents many bales should show up on the market now. The buy-a-bale movement was started to bull the market, and quite a lot of people were gulled into tying up fifty dollars in a bale of cotton just to help the farmer out. The scheme served as an advertising proposition for the big firms with the cash to tie up, but many little "fish" jumped in and made the sacrifice. Roll out your cotton now and get your dime back—minus the penalty assessed by the buyer for the damage from holding.

**CHILDREN WILL SHOW APPRECIATION.**

We have confidence in the fine body of young men and young ladies that make up the High School for the present term. We believe they will make good and show their appreciation of the kindness shown by the Library board and the adjoining property owners in permitting them to use the library building for school purposes until Central school building is completed. H. L. Mobley, proprietor of the Central Hotel, has very kindly proffered the use of certain conveniences in his hotel. The only consideration asked is that no damage be done, and the children take care of the property. We predict that they will make good.

**MORE KIND WORDS.**

The Abilene boosters left Ballinger with a feeling that will cause them to remember their visit most kindly. They declared Ballinger hospitality in keeping with the appearance of the town, and that the best.—Ballinger Ledger.

Ballinger can be assured that the Abilene boosters returned with only the pleasantest memories of

as. This is deplorable, especially at a time when the yield already promised to be very short, and the price good. But the boll weevil is an unfeeling, cowardly bug—he always jumps on a fellow when he's down.—Temple Mirror.

It is a might dirty trick in the little bugs. Out here where everything is lovely the boll bugs do not show such unfriendliness. We have out here a climate that is healthy for man, but very unhealthy for boll weevil.

The boy that stole a bicycle and dropped it from the bridge into the Colorado river is no doubt some mother's darling, but he is traveling a road that will make him a fit subject for the penitentiary, and that in a hurry.—Ballinger Banner-Ledger.

A boy ought to appreciate even a stolen bicycle better than to throw it in the river; that was adding wastefulness to theft. Perhaps the mother of that young Ballinger law-breaker was busy looking out after somebody else's business. If you are a man or a woman and have as much sense as a bat you will know where your young hopeful is after nightfall.—Temple Mirror.

No good can come to the "young hopeful" who is loafing around town at night. The boy who stole the bicycle and threw it into the Colorado river committed a crime that is a few degrees blacker than theft. If he keeps up his pace murder will have no horror for him in just a little while.

If the manufacturer cannot make the dyes to color cotton goods, the farmers will come to their rescue by raising colored cotton. A Georgia farmer has raised cotton in seven distinct colors.—Temple Telegram.

**MILES PERSONALS**

(Miles Messenger)

James B. Harris returned to Beaumont Tuesday after spending several days here with his parents. His father, Mr. J. N. Harris, is improving from his severe illness, we are glad to state.

Editor Perry of the Sweetwater Reporter and little daughter spent Sunday and Monday here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Perry. Mrs. Perry has been quite sick, but is improving, we are glad to state.

H. O. Rhodes of Ballinger, spent Saturday in Miles. He is thinking of making the race for tax assessor next year and was interviewing his friends here on the subject.

L. K. Parr, the watermelon and potato man, was in town again Monday and Tuesday with two wagon loads of these products and found ready sale for them. Mr. Parr is par-excellence when it comes to bringing the Miles people good things to eat.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wilbourn and little baby girl left Thursday morning for Brownwood, where Mrs. Wilbourn and baby will visit a few weeks while Mr. Wilbourn goes on to Georgetown to accept a position with a photo studio. Their many friends in Ballinger wish them success in their new location.

Uncle John Hoffman, of the Benoit country, was marketing cotton in Ballinger Thursday.

Jesse Stacy of Post City, came in Wednesday night to visit his sister, Mrs. C. A. Doose, and Ballinger friends for a few days.

W. A. Summers of the Talpa country, and R. C. Henniger of the Hatchel country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

he finds a location to suit him.

Use "Arbitrator" and solve the bread question. **W. B. WOOD & SON.** 16-6d-2w.

Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Elder, who had been visiting their son, E. F. Elder, and family, for several weeks, left Wednesday afternoon for Temple, where they will visit a son awhile before going on to South Texas for the winter.

The man who knows that he is wrong and admits it, is right.

The ice man should not expect to be the most popular man in town all the time.

The average boy approves of the half day school sessions, but it is different with mother.

The war game will have to be played faster if it eclipses the world's baseball series.

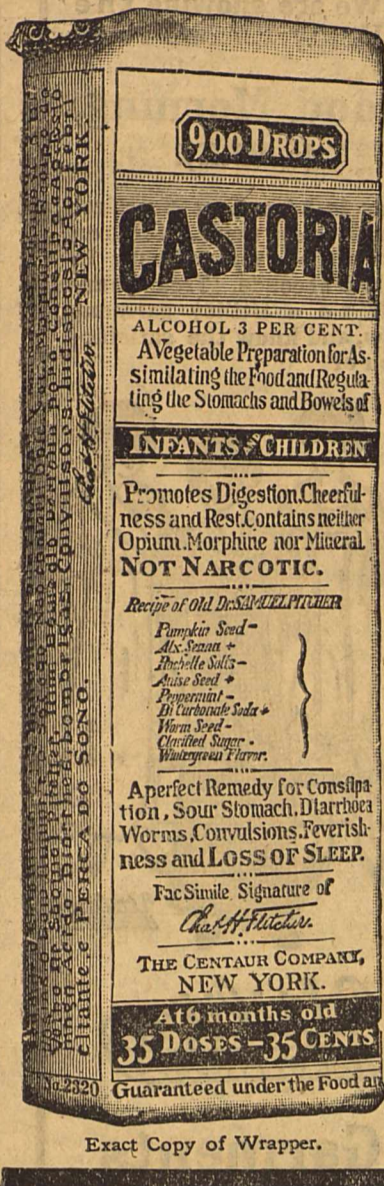
The mail carriers declare that we do not need any more rain at the present.

Border citizens say it will be safe now for the United States to withdraw the troops from border duty. Perhaps the citizens think the officers can shoot with better aim.

In the official report of the number of Mexicans killed in border trouble, the officers report so many killed, so many taken prisoners and more than 100 "gotten." We presume that the 100 "gotten" were made "good Mexicans."

Austria can not question our hospitality for demanding that Dumba be recalled from our country. Dumba's behavior was unbecoming that of a guest.





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## YOUNG COUPLE HELD ON SCANDAL CHARGES

Acting upon the advice received from the girl's father and upon a warrant sworn out in justice court, Sheriff Perkins arrested a young man, and a sixteen year old girl and placed them in the Ballinger jail Thursday afternoon. The girl was released Friday morning, but the young man has been detained on adultery charges, and the father of the girl has been notified, and the young man has also called on his father for help in his trouble.

The parents of the young people live at Uvalde, Texas. They left that place about a month ago, and the father of the girl has since been searching for her. The Runnels county sheriff located the couple picking cotton south of Ballinger. When he visited the farm where they had been employed he found that they had left, becoming suspicious that the officers were on their trail. The sheriff followed them and made the arrest at Rowena and brought them to Ballinger.

When first arrested the young people claimed that they were married, but soon confessed their guilt. The father of the girl is expected to arrive here within the next day or two. As the girl is only sixteen years old the clerk can not issue marriage license without the father's consent.

## CALLED TO BROWN WOOD CHURCH

Elder A. R. Holton, of Ballinger, has been called to the pastorate of the Church of Christ. Elder Holton is the son of P. P. Holton, who lives south of Ballinger, and the young man has many friends in this county who will be glad to read of his success as is shown in the following from the Brownwood Bulletin:

Elder A. R. Holton of Ballinger, began his work for the Brady Avenue church last Sunday. Large crowds greeted him at both services. One young lady confessed her faith in Christ and was baptised at 5:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

The Brady Ave. church has had a most wonderful growth during the past three years and every one is very enthusiastic over the present prospects.

Mr. Holton is a graduate of Thorp Spring Christian College, Thorp Springs, Texas. He has spent several years in the evangelistic field with great success. His work in Brown county prior to coming to Brownwood for the local work shows this to be true. His meeting at Ricker alone resulted in thirty-three baptisms. His earnestness and simplicity in the presentation of truth always has a deep and lasting impression on the hearts of his hearers. He is loved by the brotherhood at large for his unselfish devotion to the cause of Primitive Christianity.

## ROBBERS BREAK IN ANGELO POST OFFICE

(San Angelo Sun.) Shortly after 12 o'clock this morning the local post office was entered by some one evidently intent upon robbery, and had it not been for the vigilance of G. W. Utt night janitor at the Federal building, your Uncle Samuel might have been shy a bunch of shekles, as well as having one of his big safes blown to smithereens.

Mr. Utt was in the work room adjoining the mailing room when he heard a glass smash on the floor of the registry department. Hastening to this room he saw a man make his exit through the transom where entrance was effected. Upon the floor were fragments of a glass shade which had been knocked from a chandelier hanging just inside the room on a level with the transom.

There being no telephone accessible in the building, Mr. Utt ran across the street to the Sealy Flats and notified the officers. Sheriff Allen and Marshal Bates and their deputies responded promptly, but up to press hour no arrest had been made.

### 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, on 16th day of August, A. D., 1915, by the clerk thereof, in the case of G. G. Odom versus C. S. Guin No. 1701, and to me as sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the first Tuesday in October, A. D., 1915, it being the 5th day of said month, before the court house door of said Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger the following described property, to-wit:

Being situated in Runnels County, Texas, to-wit: One acre of land out of a one hundred acre, part of John Early League and Labor survey No. 449, patent No. 280, volume 12, said acre bounded as follows: Beginning on the east boundary line of said Early survey, 1803 3-10 varas south 30 east of the northeast corner of said Early League for northeast corner of this acre; thence south 30 east 75 varas to southeast corner of this acre tract; thence north 60 west 75 varas to southwest corner of this acre; thence north 30 west 75 varas to northwest corner of this acre tract; thence north 60 east 75 varas to place of beginning, levied on the 7th day of September, 1915, as the property of C. S. Guin to satisfy judgment amounting to \$344.35 in favor of G. G. Odom and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 7th day of September, A. D. 1915. J. D. PERKINS, Sheriff Runnels County, Texas. 10-17-24

## NOTED HUNTER HAS EXCITING EXPERIENCE

The San Angelo Standard gives an account of the ramblings of John Corbett, a veteran trapper and hunter, as follows:

"Ofttimes in the still of night John Corbett, a veteran trapper who drew down \$189 the past month for scalps of predacious animals he had taken the scalps from, sits in his wagon far removed from the wake of civilization and plays his 'fiddle' to amuse himself, while a tame lobo wolf howls incessantly and attracts the attention of wild wolves to the traps which are set and baited to ensnare the wily animals upon which the government has set the price of \$2 on each one's head.

John Corbett has trapped all his life, having followed the lone-some occupation in many states. He is unmarried and his only companions are the two horses that draw his wagon from place to place and the pet lobo wolf, a blood hound and a water spaniel. At present Mr. Corbett is plying his chosen vocation in what is known as the Troth ranch south of Water Valley. He is making money, each month bringing in more scalps than any other trapper, and in fact as many, if not more, than all others engaged in the vocation combined.

The past week Trapper Corbett had quite an exciting experience with a big rattler, or rather with three of them. One of the diamond-back rattlers had either bitten itself or had been bitten in a free-for-all scrap with other rattlers. The snake was in a veritable state of intoxication from the poisonous bite, and fought like the deadly reptile it is.

One of the three rattlers Trapper Corbett killed was eight feet in length and its body at the thickest point measured twelve inches in circumference.

Trapper Corbett is 55 years old. He does not use tobacco and rarely ever imbibes anything stronger than coffee. His home for many years, in fact since he was a very young man, has been in the open and his face is as ruddy as a boy's and his limbs are as supple as a child's.

Asked if he was not afraid to sleep in his wagon out in the regions where rattle snakes, other deadly reptiles and ferocious animals roam, he said that his protection while he is in the arms of Morpheus are the blood hound chained to the fore wheels of the wagon and the pet lobo wolf chained to the rear wheels, these keeping him free from such harm that might befall him were it not for the presence of the dog and the wolf.

Asked by a Standard representative if he had ever been married, Trapper Corbett said, "No, my wife is the loveliest woman in the world—she has never found me."

### Worth Their Weight in Gold.

"I have used Chamberlain's Tablets and found them to be just as represented, a quick relief for headaches, dizzy spells and other symptoms denoting a torpid liver and a disordered condition of the digestive organs. They are worth their weight in gold" writes Miss Clara A. Driggs, Elba, N. Y. Obtainable everywhere.

J. E. Rogers and little son, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Saturday afternoon en route to Killdeer to visit relatives.

J. B. Porterfield, of the Pony creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

### Wanted.

Will pay best possible price for all good dry head maize. See E. L. RASBURY, before you sell 23-24d tfw

W. G. Chapman of South Ballinger was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday and said the recent heavy rains did not damage his crops materially, only retarded cotton picking for a while.

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R. W. Greenwell of the Jamison neighborhood east of Ballinger reports quite a good deal of the cotton dying in his neighborhood and thinks it is caused by the recent excessive rains.

## "BUSTED" STOCK HOLDERS GET BUSY

Editor Ledger:

Our city is like most cities, much work needed to be done and no money to pay for it.

The heavy rains have torn up the streets badly and weeds and grass is getting beyond control. Something must be done. I suggest that each individual take pride in keeping the weeds and grass cut in front of their own premises or gutters open so the water will have clear right-of-way to flow through the gutters. That will aid very much in having better streets. The city has graded and repaired and placed most streets in good shape each year as far as the money would enable them, and by each property owner and renter spending \$1 or three or four hours work aiding the city in keeping the gutters in proper shape we would have far better streets and save much labor and money. I would not ask this if the city had money to do the necessary work. Each alderman has his ward to look after and has spent the money on hand to the best advantage, as he saw it and when he must stop for the lack of money the citizenship must carry it on individually if we have a clean, well kept city. When I came into office two years ago I called an auditing committee to go over the books and make report as the law required and it was found that the city had reached its tax and bond limit and owed \$4500 for machinery (rock crusher, wagons and etc., half worn out) which was then four or five years past due. It owed many other debts \$500 to \$1500, and had borrowed from the banks the full amount of the taxes for that year using the money on streets and other purposes. A year in advance of the collecting of the tax. With work to be done and no money on hand to do it is the condition each new council faces and we have not bettered it much with the present council. We find it will take \$12,000 to clean up the city's debts, the burden of raising this money is usually placed on the mayor and the burden of spending it is on the shoulders of the aldermen. Under our present form of government our city officers have been faithful and each new board has tried to improve on the former one. There has been a less income from the water works the past two years on account of raining seasons, cutting off one-third and a lower tax value one-third off with an increased expense as to up keep of streets on account of much rain. So it is a task to pilot a city safely under these conditions. San Angelo reports last week is like this as to her finance, but she has changed her charter and may find a way out. I write this that the citizenship of Ballinger may know the condition and not expect too much of their aldermen, and that they may individually take hold on streets, alleys and premises owned by them, thus jointly and individually co-operation, we will maintain a clean up-to-date city.

Ballinger is a big corporation and each owns a share and as we are all partners, cut the weeds fix up the streets and watch us prosper.

J. W. POWELL, Mayor.

The above statement from the mayor makes plain the standstill condition we are in, and shows the condition of the city's affairs from a financial standpoint. It will be noted from Mayor Powell's statement that the city owes \$12,000. We presume that this is on open accounts, as the city's bonded indebtedness is several times that amount.

The mayor suggests that the city is a big corporation, and that her citizens are the shareholders and every one should get busy and help make the city clean and up-to-date. The suggestion is a good one as far as it goes, for in co-operating in this way the little matter of cleaning up the city would be a small job, but what about that debt?

Mayor Powell also calls attention to the fact that our sister city San Angelo was in a similar plight, but had changed its form of government and would probably find away out. In this the mayor is correct. San Angelo has adopted the commission form of government. The first thing the new mayor did was to hold an investigation. He found, the expenses of maintaining the city government far in excess of its

## The Three Blind Men and the Elephant

They were taken to "see" the elephant. The first one touched the trunk and said that the elephant was like a snake. The second one grasped a leg and said, "How like a tree!" The third passed his hand along the side of the huge beast and said, "Just like a wall." As is frequently the case, they didn't combine their knowledge.

Take three engineers and their lubricating problems. One has achieved perfect valve lubrication. Another has reduced wear and trouble on his guides. The third knows how to make gears last longer.

The combined knowledge of the three would increase the value of each one to himself, and to his employer. How can they exchange experiences?

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The engineers who have benefited by our service cover the country, and embrace every industry—yours included.

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income, and being a successful business man himself he applied business remedies to begin with.

How is Ballinger going to pay the \$12,000 debt and maintain its government in a manner that will be half way satisfactory with the tax payers? With the average business man and progressive citizen it is not so much what he is paying for, but what he is getting for his money.

### HOW'S THIS.

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO. Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm. National Bank of Commerce, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally acting directly upon the blood mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

### BIG CIRCUS COMING.

A wave of the hand for emphasis. Then "Comin'—Circus."

For this morning there came to town William E. Haines, contracting agent for the Sells-Floto Circus and Buffalo Bill's Original Wild West to announce that the two big united Shows would be in this city for an afternoon and night engagement Friday, October 8th.

And while he made contracts and talked about feed and licenses and the size of lots, Mr. Haines also talked about the size and qualities of the show for this year. "It is to be a mass of novelties," Mr. Haines said. "It's also to include the very best of real wild west that possibly could be procured. And when that Wild West is put on in the show, it will be

personally directed by Col. William Frederick Cody (Buffalo Bill) himself.

By the way—Mr. Haines kept right on talking circus—you'll want to see the clowns this year. They've got more travesties, more funny stunts than in all the years of the past combined. The reason for it? We offered a prize of \$100 this winter for the clowns who could furnish the funniest acts. As a result, we received more than 3,000 suggestions, and out of these we picked the best.

"But that's a part of the show. By contracting early, we obtained the pick of the talent in the United States and—but wait and see the parade, circus morning, led by Buffalo Bill himself. That'll give an idea. And, by the way, don't forget the two big institutions joined together at one price of admission, including a seat. Huh? I beg pardon. Forgot all about that contract, talking circus. Yes. Just sign on the bottom line."

Jadie T. Wiley of the Elm creek country, east of Ballinger, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday and was exhibiting some fine peaches raised on his hard land and they were as good as we have seen this season.

REMEMBER Pe-ru-na

When You Call At Our Drug Store

Mr. Robert H. Norris, No. 1333 Henry St., North Berkeley, Cal., writes: "We have never had any other medicine but Peruna in our home since we have been married. I suffered with kidney and bladder trouble, but two months treatment with Peruna made me a well and strong man. My wife felt weak and was easily tired and was also troubled with various pains, but since she took Peruna she is well and strong."





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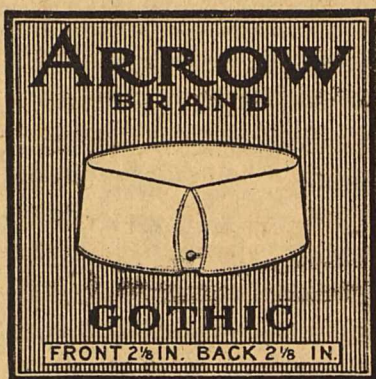
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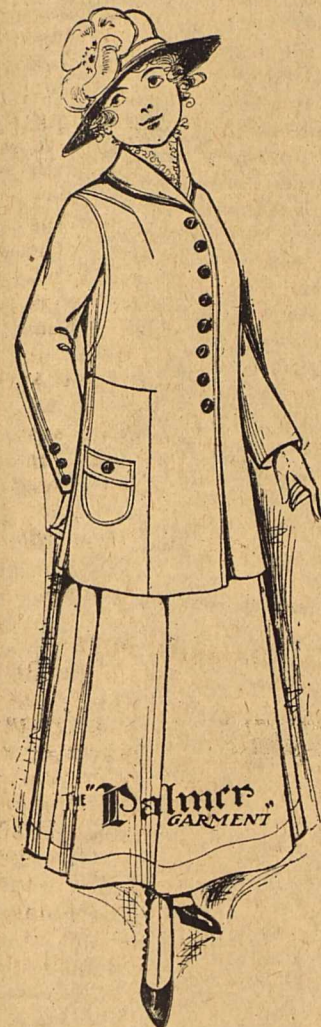
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is the one big asset for which we strive. We want you to feel that what you buy here is bought on faith—that you pay for it merely as a deposit until worth is proved—other wise the money awaits your demand.

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**INSANE COMMISSION BUSY BODY**

The insane commission—not a body of insane men, but men appointed to pass upon the mental condition of others, was called together Saturday morning for the fifth time within the last two months. After an hours' session and after hearing the evidence in the case the commission adjudged Ed Rogers of unsound mind and recommended that he be placed under restraint.

Sheriff Perkins took charge of the man, and accompanied by the brother-in-law of the unfortunate man, Dr. McKeen, of Lometa, the sheriff left on the afternoon train Saturday or Austin, where the man will be placed in the asylum.

As stated above, this is the fifth insanity case to come up for Runnels County to handle within the last two months, and like the four cases prior to this, the subjects were all non-residents of this county, either being here on visits or passing through the county en route to some other place.

The unfortunate man in this case has been living at Lometa for a number of years. With his mother he came to this county first of this week to visit relatives at Winters. It was known by his relatives that his mind was unbalanced, and for several months he has been under treatment. He came to Winters with the hopes of being benefited, but grew worse and it was necessary for his family to call on the officers to help them in handling the man. A brother-in-law, Dr. McKeen, of Lometa, was communicated with Friday and came up to Ballinger on the midnight train and went out to Winters early Saturday morning, and accompanied by Dr. Saunders and Jim Flynt, Rodgers was brought to Ballinger and his case speedily passed upon.

Rodgers is a man of about forty-five years of age. He has never married and for some time has

been living with relatives, having a sister and other relatives at Winters. According to the evidence introduced before the commission his mind has been overthrown by dissipation. There is no record in the history of the family of insanity.

The mother of Rodgers is seventy-odd years old, and she has protested bitterly to plans heretofore made by relatives to place the man in the asylum. She and the other relatives have the sympathy of friends in their trouble and sorrow.

According to the testimony of physicians, as stated above, this man's wasted life is due to dissipation. It offers a lesson to young men.

**BAILEY REPORTS IMPROVED CONDITION**

Ft. Worth, Texas, Sept. 23rd, 1915. "I have lately been in a very much run down condition and suffered from catarrh of the head and stomach," said Mr. C. S. Bailey, who lives at the Olive Hotel, Ft. Worth.

"My appetite was poor," continued he, "and my sleep was not refreshing. I saw the many testimonials that have recently been published in the Ft. Worth papers and had a talk with the Tanlac demonstrator at Covey & Martin Company's store and decided to try a bottle. I am no longer nervous and never felt better in my life. Tanlac has done me a world of good and it certainly is a God-send and I will heartily recommend it to all people who are suffering as I was."

"I have lived in Ft. Worth for ten years and I can truthfully say that it is absolutely wonderful what Tanlac has done for me."

Tanlac will continue to be explained at the Walker Drug Company's store.

Miss Rosa Schooler returned home Tuesday at noon from an extended visit to relatives at Golphwaite.

Charlie Ransbarger of the Fuzzy Creek country, was supplying in Ballinger Monday.

**MYSTERY BURGLARY AT BROWNWOOD**

(Brownwood Bulletin)

What is supposed to have been an attempted burglary Sunday night is shrouded in mystery, no other case of the kind having ever occurred here. A man, supposed to have been a burglar, entered the residence of A. B. Bishop on West Lee street last night between eight and eight-thirty o'clock, and left a trail of blood behind him when he left the house. Nothing was stolen and the cause of the blood trail is unknown.

Mrs. Bishop, whose husband was recently transferred to the Underwood typewriter agency at San Antonio, was entertaining neighbors in the parlor of her home about eight o'clock. Her baby was asleep in the bed room, which was closed and dark. Soon the baby was heard crying, and about the same time a noise was heard in the rear of the house. Mrs. Bishop went into the bedroom and picked up the child without turning on the light. Not until bedtime did she notice that on one side of the bed there was a great quantity of blood, a part of which had dripped to the floor. A bloody thumb print was seen on the foot of the bed. Following a trail of blood on the floor, the steps of the burglar were traced into the kitchen, where more blood was found on a table. The burglar apparently had sat down on the table legs. The bloody trail led on into the yard and was lost. A man's tracks were found in the soft earth of the back yard.

Officers were called as soon as the blood trail was found, and a vigilant watch was maintained by the night police, but without avail. The little Bishop baby had not been touched by the intruder, but it is believed that the child's cries had frightened him away. Whether the man was wounded before entering the house or accidentally cut himself with a knife after entering the bed room is not known. The gruesome blood trail, however,

showed conclusion that he was bleeding freely when he left the home.

**Colds Do Not Leave Willingly**

Because a cold is stubborn is no reason why you should be. Instead of "wearing" it out, get sure relief by taking Dr. King's New Discovery. Dangerous bronchical and lung ailments often follow a cold which has been neglected at the beginning. As your body faithfully battles those colds germs, no better aid can be given than the use of this remedy. Its merit has been tested by old and young. Get a bottle today. 50c and \$1.00.

Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Craft and children, came in from Eden Monday afternoon to make Ballinger home to take advantage of our splendid public schools.

Clarence Routh returned home Tuesday from Fayette County, where he had been to attend the funeral of his grandmother.

**GO TO—Ballinger Saddlery Mfg. Co., successors to T. S. Lankford for Saddles, Harness, etc Complete line of Saddlery goods and accessories. Shoe work and general repairing our specialty.**  
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A. C. Homan, the state bank examiner, came in from Eden Monday and will spend a week or two at home while taking his summer vacation.

**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

**Sheriff's Sale THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels:**

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Honorable Justice Court of Jones County, on fourth day of February, 1915, by the Justice of Peace thereof, in the case of Brown & Orr versus J. M. Scoggins, No. 1186, and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on Tuesday, the 5th day of October, A. D. 1915, at the court house door in Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas the following described property, to-wit:

All that certain tract, lot or parcel of land, lying and being situated in Runnels County, Texas, and being a part of a certain 6 1-5 acre tract of land sold to W. H. Mullin by W. M. Smiley and wife, said larger tract being out of the D. Floyd Survey No. 518, Abstract No. 193, located by virtue of Certificate No. 8091, and patented by the State of Texas to Dolphin Floyd, November 9, 1854, by Letters patent No. 900, Volume 6, and more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point the intersection of Main Street in the City of Winters, Texas, with Roberts Street, said point being the intersection of the W. line of Main Street with the North line of Roberts Street; Thence West to a point in the West line of Roberts Street, directly opposite and South of a certain well located in the boundary line of this property and another lot adjoining owned by L. H. Suggs; Thence North, passing through the center point

of said well 210 feet; Thence East to the West line of Main Street; Thence South 210 feet to the place of beginning.

Levied on as the property of J. M. Scoggins, to satisfy a judgment amounting to Thirty-nine and Fifty-five one hundredths dollars (\$39.55), in favor of Brown & Orr, and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 3rd day of August 1915.

J. D. PERKINS, Sheriff, Runnels County, Texas. By J. A. DeMOVILLE, Deputy. 10-17-24

Mrs. L. C. Jackson of Miles, spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Thos. A. Rape, and left for her home Monday.

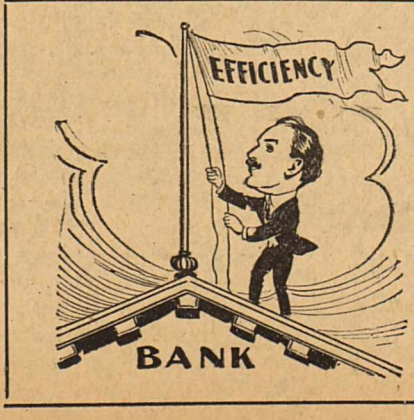
**TRESPASS NOTICE**

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.

GODFREY MASSEY, wtl Concho county, Tex.

R. R. Reams of the Hatchel country, and his friend J. M. Bean of Hastings, Okla., were among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday. Mr. Bean is prospecting in this section with the view of locating.

**Wanted.**  
Will pay best possible price for all good dry head maize. See E. L. RASBURY, before you sell 23-2td tfw.



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is very high in the management of this bank. Its affairs are directed by men of wide experience in finance. They are keenly alive to their responsibilities and make "safety first" their rule in all investments. An account here is an assurance of safety for your funds.

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# 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. 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, "The Treatment for Women" sent in plain wrapper. 10c

## EGGS CONTINUE TO SOAR

Eggs are worth twenty cents, but it is not often they bring that price so early in the season. The local market holds up to this price with no indication of a decline for the present year. It is probable the price will rapidly advance as the fall and winter months and the shipping season

comes in. It is estimated that the largest output of eggs in the history of the county will be realized for the coming season.

### Wanted.

Will pay best possible price for all good dry head maize. See E. L. RASBURY, before you sell 23-2td tfw

# 41 CIVIL CASES IN SIX MONTHS SHOWS 15 DIVORCE SUITS FILED

The civil court docket for the coming term of District Court, which is scheduled to convene in Ballinger on Monday October 11, is the heaviest for this county in many years. The docket shows litigation to be on the increase, the increase over the previous twelve months being one hundred per cent, and the end is not yet. For the six months extending from the spring term of 1914 to the fall term of 1914—March 15 to October 15th, 1914, there were only 20 civil cases filed. For the following six months from the close of the 1914 fall term—Oct. 1914 to March 1915 there were only 21 civil cases filed. Since the last term of court—March up to date there has been filed 41 cases on the civil docket and the docket will not be closed for several days. This does not include the old cases carried over from the last term.

Of the 41 cases filed 15 are divorce suits.

The criminal docket is light.

### SILLO DAMAGE SUIT

Among the suits filed in the district court, and one which the Ledger reporter overlooked in reporting cases on docket, is a suit filed by Judge C. L. McCartney, of Brownwood, and Judge Q. Victor Miller, of Ballinger, for Tom Lively against H. Giesecke and Wm. Shirtz, in which the plaintiff is suing to recover damages he claimed on account of a silo belonging to the defendants

bursting after the plaintiff had filled it with ensilage. Lively is asking for \$1500 damages.

### TWO NEW SUITS FILED THURSDAY.

Two new suits have been filed recently in the district court of this county, both of which date September 16th. Doss & Baugh filed a suit for H. Giesecke against Jo Wilmeth et al, for foreclosure of vendor's lien, amounting to \$1,500.00.

J. P. Cogsdell of Winters filed suit for O. H. Green of that place, against C. L. Green, on a promissory note to the amount of \$1,624.20.

Among suits lately filed in the District court of this county, the below are the important of the docket. Several divorce suits were filed lately.

Herman Clemens vs. J. T. Russell, foreclosure of debt, amount \$1,500, filed September 10.

Elgin Davidson vs. T. L. Hugkins, et al, application for receivership of telephone line, Sept. 10. Amount of holdings involved \$2,500.00.

G. T. Zimmerman & Travis Sweet for J. Gordon Brown against H. E. Jackson et al, suit for debt and foreclosure and trespass, to try title as well as for damages, amount damage asked \$1,270.00, filed September 13th.

Doss & Baugh filed suit for T. J. Webb against C. A. Doose, suit for trespass to try title, filed Sept. 14th.

## GRAND JURY WITNESSES SENT TO JAIL

ROBERT LEE, Coke County, Tex., Sept. 22.—The Coke County grand jury was in session yesterday in the Odd Fellows building, not far from the court house, but up until noon, when court adjourned at 2 o'clock, no indictment had been returned in connection with the killing last May of T. A. Griffith. Between twenty five and thirty witnesses have been summoned in the case. Ed Rawlins is foreman of the grand jury.

Because they refused to answer questions asked before the grand jury in various cases, several young men have been sent to jail. It was understood that an investigation of the Hickman-Griffith case had not been begun at noon.

### COKE COUNTY GRAND JURY BUSY.

The grand jury at Robert Lee is investigating the killing of T. A. Griffith at Bronte last spring. Bob Hickman is alleged to have shot Griffith, but no bill has yet been returned against Hickman. At the time Griffith was killed, he was under a \$10,000 bond for killing Will Hickman, ex-sheriff of Coke County and brother of Bob Hickman. Interest in the case is keen and developments will be watched closely by friends of both parties.

### The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head

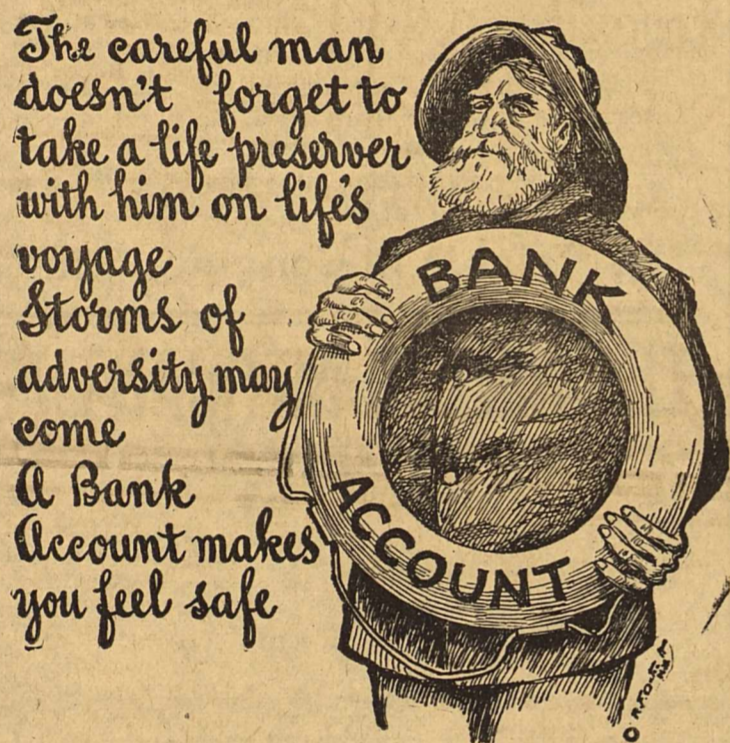
Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness nor ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE, 25c.

### DR. McKINNEY GROWS HOT PEPPER.

Dr. E. R. McKinney, veterinary, was exhibiting a few stalks of pepper from his pepper patch Tuesday morning, and the pepper carried the taste of real fire. Of the Tabasco variety and the pepper presented a deceitful beauty. When ripened into red and yellow pods the pepper made a pretty bouquet. When pickled with vinegar it makes the best sauce going, if hot counts for quality in pepper sauce. There is a good market for the pepper and when grown on a scale large enough to justify shipping it makes a profitable crop.

### Wanted.

Will pay best possible price for all good dry head maize. See E. L. RASBURY, before you sell 23-2td tfw



The careful man doesn't forget to take a life preserver with him on life's voyage. Storms of adversity may come. A Bank Account makes you feel safe.

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Ballinger, Texas

## New Pastor is Called By the Christian Church

Rev. J. F. Montgomery and family will arrive this week from Big Springs, coming to Ballinger to make their home. Rev. Montgomery having recently accepted a call to the pastorate of the Christian church at this place.

The local church extended the call to Rev. Montgomery some time ago, and he will enter upon the work in the local church on the first Sunday in October. He comes to Ballinger with the best wishes of the people of Big Springs, and where his people commend him most highly.

Rev. Montgomery's family consist of himself, wife and two children. The local church is arranging to receive them and they will be at home in the parsonage near the church on Tenth Street.

### Have You? Got your Free chance on the Saddle, Bridle, and Spurs at H. L. Wendorf's, the Busy Shop!

### SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS.

M. Barbee left Tuesday for Eldorado to visit his daughter a few days.

Mrs. R. G. McCamey and brother, Lawrence Wardlow, after a pleasant visit with their parents Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Wardlow, left Monday for their ranch near Sonora.

Miss Ethel Baxter returned to her home in Winters, after a stay with friends and relatives in South Ballinger.

Malcolm Wardlow and family, from down the river, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Wardlow, Saturday.

E. B. Jackson returned home Friday from Hempstead, Galveston and other places, where he had been on business.

Mrs. Gray (nee Miss Isabella Secret) of Winters, is visiting her father and mother in South Ballinger this week.

Prof. T. D. Mullins and wife opened school Monday with 54 present.

ELBERTA PEACH.

### BRIDE AND GROOM HERE.

L. P. Henslee, editor of the Cross Plains Review, accompanied by his bride, spent the time between trains in Ballinger Wednesday morning, coming in the early morning Santa Fe and going out on the A. and S. en route to their home. The happy young couple were on way from San Angelo where they were married.

## DALLAS COMPANY SELLS THE DESKS

The Tarrant County Board of Trustees have received bids for desks to be used in rural schools of this county, and announced today that the lowest bidders as C. A. Bryant & Co., of Dallas. This company has contracted to supply desks at prices from \$2.60 to \$2.00 f. o. b. Ballinger. These desks are of a plain steel, with oak top and seat, and are said to be procured at a much less figure than the old fashioned filigreed kind, also they are more sanitary. Three or four carloads of the desks have been ordered and are on the way to Ballinger.

Saturday afternoon the county board will meet in Ballinger to appoint the state school fund to the different districts.

### LITTLE GIRL IMPROVING TODAY

We are glad to report that little Miss Dorris, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Conn, is reported to be improving today. She has been seriously ill for several days, and while she is not yet out of danger, the physician reports that she is some better.

### Women.

The safest Liver Medicine which you often need, is Po-Do-Lax. Headaches, biliousness and dizziness caused by constipation readily yield to this "May Apple" laxative. Remember that it is non gripping and easy in action. It arouses the liver and increases the flow of bile without sickening effects. Get over that irritableness by removing the cause—constipation. No gas, no fermentation, no pain. Po-Do-Lax, the perfect woman's laxative. 50c a bottle.

Will C. Tuckey of South Ballinger, returned home Monday from a visit to relatives in Oklahoma, and says Rannels County looks better than any other section he visited while away from home.

### OLDER BUT STRONGER

To be healthy at seventy, prepare at forty, is sound advice, because in the strength of middle life we too often forget that neglected colds, or careless treatment of slight aches and pains, simply undermine strength and bring chronic weakness for later years. To be stronger when older, keep your blood pure and rich and active with the strength-building and blood-nourishing properties of Scott's Emulsion which is a food, a tonic and a medicine to keep your blood rich, alleviate rheumatism and avoid sickness. No alcohol in Scott's. Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.



## UGH! CALOMEL MAKES YOU SICK! CLEAN LIVER AND BOWELS MY WAY

Just once. Try "Dodson's Liver Tone" when Bilious, Constipated, Headachy—Don't lose a day's Work.

Liven up your sluggish liver. Feel fine and cheerful; make your work a pleasure; be vigorous and full of ambition. But take no nasty, dangerous calomel because it makes you sick and you may lose a day's work.

Calomel is mercury or quicksilver which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel crashes into sour bile like dynamite, breaking it up. That's when you feel that awful nausea and cramping.

Listen to me! If you want to enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced just take a spoonful of harmful Dodson's Liver Tone tonight. Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone under my per-

sonal money-back guarantee that guarantee that each spoonful will clean your sluggish liver better than a dose of nasty calomel and that it won't make you sick.

Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working; headache and dizziness gone; stomach will be sweet and bowels regular.

Dodson's Liver Tone is entirely vegetable, therefore harmless and can not salivate. Give it to your children. Millions of people are using Dodson's Liver Tone instead of dangerous calomel now. Your druggist will tell you that the sale of Calomel is almost stopped entirely here.

## Leases Pistol for 38 Years; Charged with Wife Desertion

While participating in a game of pool Friday morning Chas. Jones exposed a pistol he had just purchased — leased, and consequently he is now registered at the hotel de Spoons. Constable Ben Allen happened in at the pool hall while Jones was enjoying the game of pool, and having his attention called to the gun that Jones was wearing, Mr. Allen sought the man's acquaintance. First the man posed as a constable from South Texas. Later he stated that he was a deputy sheriff under his brother, who was serving a South Texas county as sheriff. In still a later story he said he was a detective. So many stories in so short a time did not tally with the local constable and Constable Allen invited the man to come go with him, and as he did so took charge of the gun.

After being placed under arrest Jones admitted he was in bad, but claimed that he had just leased the gun (it is against the law to sell six-shooters in Texas, but contracts are made for life time leases) and was en route to his home wit it. This brought on more talk and it developed that Jones

arrived in the city from Milan county Thursday night and some time during the early part of the day he visited a local second hand store where he leased the gun for a period of thirty-eight years, paying \$3 "lease" money. The explanation that he was en route home with the gun did not stick with the officers and Jones was locked up.

Later it developed that Jones was not a stranger to all the people in this county. He spent several months here last year, coming here with his wife during the rush of cotton pickers to this county. He secured employment on the farm of N. F. Snowden west of Ballinger, where his wife helped him to accumulate cash amounting to more than fifty dollars. Jones came up missing and also the cash his wife helped him to make was missing. Efforts were made by the unfortunate woman to have her husband prosecuted for deserting her and the two little children, and the officers sent out notices to other officers over the state and attempted to locate Jones. Mr. Snowden and other friends interested themselves in the sad plight in which the woman and two children were left, and money was made up to defray the expenses of the woman in making the trip to relatives in Leon County.

After the arrest of Jones Friday morning, and after the facts developed, the sympathy for the man in trouble shifted to the little woman, and Jones is in jail, and if the evidence as related is true he will add \$127 more to his leased pistol trouble.

### WAIT PAINT.

There are painters and waiters. Which am I going to do? Paint or wait?

Which is better? How much am I worth with my property waiting? How much if I paint? Will my house be worth more or less if I paint?

Say it costs \$2 a gallon Devoe—I wouldn't paint any other—and \$3 or \$4 more for putting it on. That's \$50 or \$60 a 10-gallon job.

The money is gone. Is it in the house? Is it all in the house?

Suppose I were selling; what should I get for that house fresh-painted and what should I get for it needing-paint?

I wonder why men paint before selling!

DEVOE

BALLINGER LUMBER CO. sell it

J. T. McNeely returned to Ballinger Saturday afternoon from an extended stay at many points in Texas and says he already feels better after a day or two in the ozone of Runnels county. He says the crops are far ahead of anything he saw while on his rounds.

### Biliousness and Constipation

It is certainly surprising that any woman will endure the miserable feelings caused by biliousness and constipation, when relief is so easily had and at so little expense. Mrs. Chas. Peek, Gates, N. Y., writes: "About a year ago I used two bottles of Chamberlain's Tablets and they cured me of biliousness and constipation." Obtainable everywhere.

J. A. Watkins, one of the pioneer and successful farmers near Norton, was greeting friends and transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

## SUCCESSFUL OPENING OF SCHOOLS WITH 850 PUPILS

With about one hundred and seventy-five young men and young ladies present and quite a number of visitors, the High School opened with a brief, but very appropriate exercise in the auditorium of the Carnegie Library at eight-thirty Monday morning.

As is usually the case in the high schools, the young ladies were carrying the heavy end of the roll, but the division was so near equal a count was necessary to determine the difference. It was a splendid body of young men and ladies and this fact was commented.

Prof. J. M. Skinner, principal of the school, presided and the opening exercises were made impressive by the reading of a chapter in the Bible and a short talk by Rev. T. C. Jester. Rev. Jester, without dwelling at length on any particular line of advice, emphasized the importance of preparation for life, and used the scripture that he read to show that it did not pay to take near cuts in school—neglect duty and skip studies to hurry through school. "Determination," "Preparation," "Concentration," and "Consecration" were four important and essential thoughts the speaker left with the high school pupils in his brief talk.

Rev. Doss was called upon and invoked the divine blessings upon the school throughout the term. Miss Velma Walker favored the pupils and visitors with a selection on the piano, a solo by Miss Louise Doss, accompanied on the piano by Miss Maxie Chastain, a reading by Miss Towns were enjoyed by the large crowd that had assembled in the auditorium. Miss Doss has recently returned from school where she equipped herself for vocal teaching and is opening a class at her home. Miss Chastain is teaching piano in the high school building again this year, while Miss Towns is the new expression teacher and will be a member of the faculty throughout the term.

Messrs. Futch and Mack, members of the school board, were present at the opening of the school and made short talks. Prof. Skinner told the pupils of the prospects for a successful term, and solicited their support in making it the most successful term of the Ballinger school. He said that it was a pleasure for him to help the boys and girls who tried to help themselves, and he pointed out how important it was for the boys to make good use of their time and help themselves. Prof. Skinner told the boys that if they were bright, ambitious and industrious it was an easy matter for them to complete their high school work in three years, and not take the four years so commonly believed necessary.

### Ward Schools Busy Scenes.

Without any preliminary delay and with a vim that is characteristic with the young American, the ward schools all opened on time Monday morning. The children to occupy the Central school building were transferred to the High School building where they will be cared for in their school work until the Central school building is completed, the High school pupils having been transferred to the Carnegie Library.

At the various school buildings the pupils were assigned to their respective classes, given a list of books necessary and dismissed for the day. In quite a number of grades it was realized almost from the tap of the first bell, or even before the day for opening school arrived, that it would be necessary to adopt the half day session plan. This was announced, as will be seen from a statement published elsewhere in this paper from the superintendent of the schools.

The enrollment at all the schools will be greater than for many years past, and perhaps for any opening in the history of the local schools. It is impossible to give the exact enrollment at this time, as the rolls have not been made up, but it will total about 850.

Opening with a total enrollment of 323, the Central Ward school children were assembled in the High School building, pending the completion of the new Central building. Prof. C. P. Peters is principal of the Central children, and an able faculty is composing the teaching force. Owing presumably to the fact that many pupils were trying to enter the Central building when they should

have entered West Ward, the rooms in Central were over crowded and many were forced to sit two-on-a-seat.

Following is the enrollment by rooms: low first, 50; low second, 56; low third, 40; high second, 21; high fifth, 52; low and high sixth, 52; low and high seventh 52.

The course of study was laid out for the ensuing term, and course of study was mapped out by the teachers. Only a half-day session was done today, but studies for the second day was given the pupils. Prof. W. S. Fleming states that to hold promotions, children must enter in the first two or three weeks, or their promotions will be declared void.

### KEEP THE KIDNEYS WELL.

Health is Worth Saving, and Some Ballinger People Know How to Save It.

Many Ballinger people take their lives in their hands by neglecting the kidneys when they know these organs need help. Weak kidneys are responsible for a vast amount of suffering and ill health—the slightest delay is dangerous. Use Doan's Kidney Pills—a remedy that has helped thousands of kidney sufferers. Here is a Ballinger citizen's recommendation.

D. C. Claypool, contractor, 500 13th St., Ballinger, says: "My kidneys were out of order. I had soreness and dull pains across the small of my back. I used Doan's Kidney Pills, which I got from the Walker Drug Co., and they soon strengthened my back.

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Claypool had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

### BROWNWOOD FREE FALL FAIR COMING EVENT.

The Brownwood Free Fall Fair, October 6-7-8-9 promises to be one of the greatest entertainments events in the state. The agricultural and livestock exhibits promise to exceed all former shows. There will be also art, textile, poultry, horticultural, educational, culinary, exhibits Baby Beef and Pig Clubs exhibits and a Better Babies Show.

The entertainment features will be numerous and varied, including a goat roping contest in which a new Ford automobile will be given away, football games, dances, gorgeous parades, band concerts, novelty contests, performing elephants, lions and horses and the Great Patterson Shows, consisting of 30 cars of equipment and 16 high-class shows and many free acts.

Two big bands will furnish music for the Brownwood Fair and there will be something doing every minute of the day and night.

The railroads have granted low rates and special trains. The rates from this section are as follows: one one-third fares for the round trip from all stations. Tickets to be sold October 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th, limited to return to the original starting point on October 10th. On Friday, October 8th the following round trip rates will apply: Bangs 30c, Ballinger \$1.75, Coleman 90c, Miles \$1.75, Rowena \$1.75, San Angelo \$1.75, Santa Anna 65c, Talpa \$1.40, Valera \$1.10. 1tw

Miss Mary Lou Conger, deputy district clerk of Tom Green county, accompanied by a sister, Miss Kate Conger, also her father and Mr. and Mrs. Beasley, all of San Angelo were in Ballinger Sunday, while here visiting Miss Mary Phillips. Miss Mary Lou Conger is probably in line for district clerk at the next election, having been urged by friends to make the race. It was stated that nearly every member of the Tom Green County bar are in favor of Miss Conger.

### CASTORIA

For Infants and Children  
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W. P. Vaughn, the Crews gin man, had business in Ballinger a few hours Monday.

## New Cornice Brake Installed. CONTRACTORS

Get your cornice, gutters, ridgeroll, or any kind of special tinwork from us. Save trouble and time and get it at home.

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Repairing pumps, windmills, tanks, troughs, etc. is done by men who know. Call us for your trouble.

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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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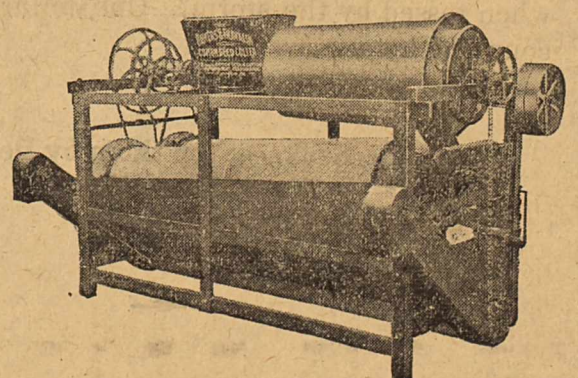
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### A Word to Cotton Growers

Cull your  
Seed and  
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the Yield  
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25 per cent



I have installed a cotton seed culler for the benefit of the farmers who wish to cull out the faultier seed and plant nothing but pure-well developed seed. Well developed seed will produce more than a faultier seed. By planting the best seed the plants are more vigorous and fruit full and will stand drouths and produce more. This machine will be in operation at the Ballinger Wagon Yard on Eighth Street. Drop in and see me about it and take advantage of the benefit offered you for culling your seed. The price amounts to little.

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THE Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other States. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2326 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv.

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**FOR SALE**—Two acre block and four-room residence, three porches and hall, cement storm house and underground cistern, barn and sheds. A. H. Hill, Ballinger. 24-3tw.

**FOR SALE**—A nice bunch of Poland China pigs. A. E. Brunson, Rt. No. 2, Ballinger, Tex. 23-2wpd

**FOR SALE**—Two good small farms, fair improvements, close to Ballinger, if sold within next thirty days, price \$15, terms to suit at 8 per cent. C. W. NORTHINGTON, Ballinger, Texas. 22-4td-wt.

**WILL SELL OR TRADE** my place for smaller, desirable location, also auto for sale or trade. T. F. Bridwell. 13-1tw3td

**FOR SALE**—One scholarship in Tyler Business College. If you contemplate going to a business college, you can not beat this one. For particulars call on or address The Ballinger Printing Co. 10fw

**FOR SALE**—20 acres with improvements, two miles south of Ballinger. Apply at 709 Fourteenth street, or phone 495. 146d

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**POSTED KEEP OUT**—No fishing, hunting, pean gathering, wood hauling, or trespassing of any kind. I will prosecute everybody found on this ranch without a written permit. Max Russell, Grape Creek ranch. 7-3dwtf

**LOST.**

**LOST**—Masonic emblem cuff button, between river bridge and South Ward school. Finder return to Ledger office. 20-2d-1tw

**LOST**—or strayed, one dun horse no brand, wire cut across breast shod all round, was found in my field east of Norton, J. W. Rhodes wt.

**ANOTHER NEW LUBIN PHOTOPLAY DIRECTOR**

Lubin of Philadelphia, announces the engagement of Edward McKim, who was identified with various different companies, and whose last play, "The Confession," in five acts was filmed by him in the record breaking time of twelve days and scored an instantaneous success.

Mr. McKim was born in Pittsburgh, and made his professional entrance on the speaking stage as Philistus in "Damon and Pythias." His success on the speaking stage was such that soon he became leading man for Mary Wainwright and made a tour of the country in Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night."

After being leading man in various plays, especially leading man in "The Man of the Hour," Mr. McKim turned his attention to the direction of photoplays, and succeeded in making an enviable record for himself.

At Lubin's he makes a specialty of comedies, but not of the "slapstick" kind.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Elder and little daughter of Victoria, who had been visiting relatives and Ballinger friends the past few weeks, left Wednesday afternoon for Houston, to visit a few days before going on home.

**COTTON PICKERS READY TO COME**

Mayor Powell is in receipt of a telegram from an employment agency in San Antonio which says: Tell the farmers we can get all the Mexican cotton pickers they want. Those wanting to communicate with the employment agency can get either address either from the mayor or by calling at the Ledger office.

It is not believed that the farmers of this county will have to go to any expense or pay railroad fare and employment agency commissions to get pickers to help gather the present crop. Every train coming into Ballinger brings cotton pickers and as fast as they arrive they are distributed over the county. The noon train Wednesday brought about twenty-five Mexicans. These only remained in the city a short time and left for the Northern part of the county where they have been engaged.

So far the big percent of the imported labor has been whites and Mexicans. Some few negroes who were here last year, and who have been keeping in touch with the farmers they worked for last year, are returning. These negroes made good last year, and are experiencing no trouble in finding work with people who they worked for last season.

The cotton crop is not the largest ever produced, in this county, but it is a good crop, and when compared with other sections of the state the crop is an unusually good one, and the prospects for a good market throughout the season is already telling on local financial conditions.

**Sorghum Syrup**

I have placed on sale at the Cash Grocery Store a supply of my pure sorghum syrup. It's the best. Try it. JOE CALDER 23-w2t-pd.

**WILL THE ANTIS IMPOSE ON PROS?**

**WILL THE ANTIS**... We understand that the antis of Runnels County are figuring on having an election called with the coming of the first severe cold weather. We consider this a down right imposition on our good friends, the pros.—Miles Messenger.

We had heard it hinted that the November term of the commissioner's court would be presented with a petition asking for an election to be held along about Thanksgiving, but when prominent antis were called on to verify the report there was nothing doing.

Again we are told that news you get away from home is not news. It is possible this is a scheme on the part of the antis at Miles to start something. It will be remembered that the move that made Runnels dry originated at the other end of the county, and it would be natural for the wet wave to come from towards San Angelo.

Mrs. Jones and two children of Blanket, who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nath Allen and family the past few weeks, returned home Tuesday morning.

Miss Willie Dell Schawe left Tuesday afternoon for New Orleans to enter Tulane University where she will graduate the ensuing year with B. A. degree.

Urban Y. Smith, a prominent business man of Brownwood, was looking after business interests in Ballinger between trains Tuesday.

Judson Baldwin, Jas. F. Holiday, Jerry Cox and Tad Richards, prominent citizens of Winters, motored over to Ballinger Monday afternoon to look after business affairs a few hours.

J. E. Rogers and little baby son of Winters, who had been visiting relatives east, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route home.

Mr. and Creighton, representing Walter Tipps, of Austin, was looking after the interests of his company in this section this week and left for the East Tuesday afternoon.

**SEVERE RHEUMATIC PAINS DISAPPEAR**

Rheumatism depends on an acid which flows in the blood, affecting the muscles and joints, producing inflammation, stiffness and pain. This acid gets into the blood through some defect in the digestive processes, and remains there because the liver, kidneys and skin are too torpid to carry it off.

Hood's Sarsaparilla, the old-time blood tonic, is very successful in the treatment of rheumatism. It acts directly, with purifying effect, on the blood, and through the blood on the liver, kidneys and skin, which it stimulates, and at the same time it improves the digestion.

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**SUMMER 1915 DIED AT 4:20 THURSDAY**

At exactly 4:20 this (Thursday) afternoon Summer 1915 passed into history and the Fall minutes began to flicker by in the make-up of time.

According to the fixers of time, today was half sunshine and half shadow, above the clouds, the sun being twelve hours above the horizon and twelve hours below, night and day being equal.

Perhaps you did not observe the exact change in the season, but the change has been recorded on the face of Father Time. The good old summer has left its mark upon the world that centuries of time only can erase. Especially is this true with the European nations.

In our own fair land we are enjoying peace, prosperity and happiness and other nations are looking to us for help. Some are ready to stab Uncle Sam in the back, and what the next season will bring depends on how this nation deals with such assassins. You are now living in the fall. If the summer has not been what you wished for, forget and strive to profit by the mistakes made.

**DON'T APPRECIATE RUNNELS LAND**

"The farmers of this county don't appreciate the value of their land," said C. A. Doose in talking with a Ledger man Thursday morning.

Mr. Doose has just returned from an extensive trip through a number of counties, including the good old black land of Collin and Denton County. He traveled through these counties in an auto and had every opportunity to observe and compare crop conditions, and his business was of such nature that he was given an opportunity to get a line up on the financial condition of the country he visited when compared with Runnels County, and the territory surrounding Ballinger. Returning home, Mr. Doose passed through Dallas, Tarrant, Parker, Palo Pinto counties, and made notes on the condition of the country and the yield of the land that made him feel proud that he had his money invested in Runnels County land instead of in land in any of the counties mentioned.

"I found," said Mr. Doose, "that taking one year with another that the \$125 land in Collin County is not producing any more revenue than the \$25 land in Runnels County. Much of the \$125 and \$150 land is not paying two per cent on the investment this year. The farmers of this county do not appreciate the real value of their land, and if they will hold on to it the time will come when they will profit by the increase in value."

Mr. Doose stated that in some places he visited the corn crop is good, and much better than our corn crop, but other crops are short, and the general condition of the country below what we have at home.

Miss Aubyn Bransford was the guest of Miss Mary Sue Spill while en route to Santa Anna from Fort Stockton. She left Wednesday afternoon for Santa Anna.

Misses Eunice and Josephine Havenhill of Winters, and Miss Mary Egan of the New Home neighborhood, left from this point Wednesday afternoon for Austin, where they will enter the State University for the ensuing school year.

**FT. STOCKTON RANCH BRINGS \$155,000.00**

Deeds filed with County Clerk Frank Rooney at Fort Stockton last Friday recite that Robert C. Paxton, of Glasgow, Scotland, had sold to T. M. Pyle of Clarendon, Texas, 93,381 acres of Pecos County ranch lands, lying in the south part of the county near the Terrell County line. Of this 30,184 acres are patented and 63,197 acres are school land, the consideration being \$155,052.24.

The ranch is well stocked with high-grade stuff, among which is a herd of 5,500 thoroughbred Polled Angus cattle, which is said to be the largest single herd of this breed in the world.

It is not known what price was paid for the stock but it is estimated that it brought not less than \$300,000, which runs the total consideration in the deal to about a half million dollars.

The parties instrumental in consummating this deal were John K. Donnan, of Austin, attorney for Mr. Paxton, and John Young Jr., a prominent real estate man of Alpine.

Mr. Paxton is well known in that section, having come to Pecos county about thirty years ago from the Scottish Highlands. He resided in that county continuously for over fifteen years. He went to the Fort Stockton country a poor man but before returning to his native heath he had amassed a fortune in the stock business.

Since his return to Scotland he has made yearly visits to his Texas ranch.

Mr. Pyle, who came into possession of this splendid Pecos County property, is a wealthy and prominent stockman of Clarendon, Texas, who will move to his new ranch holdings in the near future.

**The Colds of Mankind Cured by Pines!**

Have you ever gone through a typical pine forest when you had a cold? What a vigorous impulse it sent! How you opened wide your lungs to take in those invigorating and mysterious qualities. Yes, Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey possesses those stimulating qualities and overcomes hacking coughs. The inner lining of the throat is strengthened in its attack against cold germs. Every family needs a bottle constantly at hand. 25c.

**LOCAL CONTRACTOR GETS CONCHO JOB**

Contractors from Fort Worth, San Angelo, Stephenville and Ballinger, with a number of lumber and material men, met at Concho Wednesday of this week to secure the contract for the building of a \$4500 stone school building at that place.

The trustees were present and opened the bids. J. A. Kelley, of Ballinger, was selected by the school board as the contractor for the job and Mr. Kelley will build the building.

The new school building will be of stone and a modern structure throughout. Work will begin at an early date, and will take from Ballinger a number of workmen, besides the local material dealers will probably supply the most of the material for the new building.

**JILNEY PROVES FINANCIAL FAILURE**

**DALLAS, Sept. 23.**—The average jitney driver in Dallas makes less than \$2 a day.

Figures compiled by the local union, based on a carrying capacity of six persons, show that the average jitney carries only half its capacity usually.

The schedule for the day is: Receipts, \$5.50. Distance, round trip, five miles. Time, round trip, 40 minutes. Continuous run, 13 hours. Total stops, 19.

Expense—Gasoline, 75 cents; oil, 25c; tires, \$1.20; depreciation, \$5c; license, 22c; repairs, 28c; interest on investment, 10c. Net income, \$1.85.

There are now 245 jitneys in operation here. Of the 415 original members of the union when it was organized, 215 have dropped out, and but few others have been added.

**Here You Are!**

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Demand the genuine by full name—nicknames encourage substitution.

**Negro Lad Prefers Death to Lashes at Hands of Sister**

A little negro boy by the name of Sherman Johnson, made an attempt to commit suicide, this morning, by taking a part of a can of lye. The reason given for the act was that his sister, Rosa Jones, had been thrashing him for running away.

It seems that Sherman had been absent from home for some three or four days, and turning up last night his sister proceeded to "lay on McDuff" with no unusual severity. Feeling wounded over the way he had been treated, and remembering a similar beating the day before by white boys, trying to force him to dance, Sherman went out in the back yard and picked up a partly filled can of

lye, swallowing at least three tablespoonfuls of the stuff. A little later the potash began to burn him terribly, causing him to cry out to a neighbor negro that he was dying. The negro woman quickly gave him some "cooking oil" which seemed to give but small relief, and so a rush call was sent in for Dr. Watson.

When last heard from Sherman was asleep and apparently resting nicely, with good prospects for recovery. His throat was badly burned, but otherwise was unharmed. The family live in the "flat", in what is known as the old Richard Anderson place. Sherman is a boy about 13 years old, and is of a family numbering ten.

**WAR ODDITIES IN EUROPE.**

**LONDON**—One result of the submarine war is that Grimsby, a British fishing city has been obliged to import fish, the Grimsby trawlers feeling safer in port.

**LONDON**—Because of the necessity for Sunday harvest work, due to scarcity of labor on account of the war, the rector of Thornham Magna, Suffolk, first conducts brief Sunday service in the fields and then lends a hand to the work.

**LONDON**—A mother at Sudbury, Norfolk, learned of the death of her two soldier sons in Northern France, killed by the same shell.

**MANCHESTER**—One of the pontoons with which the Turks made their famous attempt to cross the Suez canal is now doing duty as an ornament in a Manchester park.

**CAIRO**—Arrangements are in progress to furnish Egypt with a new coinage to mark its independence of Turkey.

**LONDON**—Lord Kitchener has advised British medical students now in their fourth or fifth year not to join the army but to finish the medical education in order to qualify as soon as possible.

**ZURICH**—Peasant wood carvers of Switzerland have turned their industry almost completely into the manufacture of artificial limbs for mutilated soldiers.

Coal bills are a large part of your living expense—reduce both by using Cole's Hot Blast Heaters.

Mrs. A. S. Love left Wednesday afternoon for Fort Worth to attend the opening of the Training School of the Baptist Ladies Association.

New stock Cream White meal made from new corn. W. B. Wood & Son. 16-6d-2w

**ADVERTISED LETTERS.**

List of letters advertised, Sept. 18, 1915.

- Cratt, B. A.
- Day, A. P.
- Dickson, Oseval
- Elkins, W. B.
- Greene, Mrs. Rosa
- Hagle, G. W.
- Hamilton, J. D.
- Houston, Raymond
- Jansa, Jno.
- Johnson, Miss Beatrice
- Kilman, K. W.
- Nixon, W. H.
- Pool, John
- Semmier, Paul
- Sifert, J.
- Warren, H. I.
- White, Prof. Martin

When calling for the above letters please say advertised, and give the date of this list. After two weeks these letters will be sent to the dead letter office. JAMES J. ERWIN, P. M.

Arbitrate the bread question by using "Arbitrator Flour." W. B. Wood & Son, Phone 25 and 26. 16-6dt-w2t.

Miss Hunt of Miles, who had been the guest of her friend Miss Alice Smith the past day or two, left Monday afternoon for Belton, where she will attend Baylor College the coming school year.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Davis, of the Crews country, passed thru Ballinger Tuesday en route home from Plainview where they had been visiting relatives and attending the fair the past several weeks. Mr. Davis says the irrigation farms around Plainview are the finest he ever saw.

Class in Physical and Health Culture will open at Mrs. L. H. Bacons, 400 Broadway, Monday 9 a. m., Sept. 20th. Ms. R. O. Griswold, Graduate University of Mississippi. Phone 394. 18-6tdltw



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We are now showing some really wonderful values in suits and dresses. New creations from the style cutters. Every day's express leaves us some new styles. Ladies' suits \$10 to \$50.

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Come in today and see this exceptional display on second floor. Prices \$5.00 to \$10.00.

### Clever Fall Waists and Blouses

Received with in the past few days—smart new styles in waists and blouses.

**Crepe de Chine Waists** made of fine quality all silk crepe de chine. Many colors, all sizes. \$2.50 and up.

**Georgette Crepe Waist** are quite the right thing. Some exceptional combinations, complete assortment, \$4.00 to \$6.00

**Candy Stripe Sport Blouses**, wonderful patterns, silk and silk mixtures \$1.25 and up.

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120 dozen ladies' handkerchiefs at an astonishingly low price. These are all bordered with pink and blue with an embroidered corner to match.

Think 1440 handkerchiefs to be sold in one week. These are all regular 15c values.

Saturday and All Next Week **5c** EACH

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The most complete stock of men's shoes to be found in Ballinger is ready for your inspection.

Edwin Clapp Celebrated Shoes \$6.50 to \$7.00

All our men's shoes are made under our own brands and guaranteed by us.

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We have a design to please the wants of every individual  
You will be surprised at the moderate price, too



### Novelties and Shell Goods

Our New York buyer is constantly sending in novelties and fads. Our stock of these inexpensive articles that add so much to your costume is complete. Pierceless ear bobs, English accot pins, braid and casque barrettes and forehead combs . . . 25c and 50c

### Beautiful Dress Goods

The most beautiful goods ever shown in Ballinger is the verdict of all who have seen them. Garbardines 36 inches wide, all wool, Green, Red, Tan, Brown Purple and Gray. Just the thing for inexpensive skirts or suits—special, the yard . . . 50c  
22 inch silk finished

### Men's Hats and Caps

Look and see the best dressed men on the streets of Ballinger. See the new two-tone hats, shown only by us. Every week we will receive the novelties as they are shown in the large cities, all the assured fall styles for . . . \$3.00



### New Fall Boots

Never have we been better prepared to take care of your shoe wants. Here can be found all that's new. Patents, dull kids, crav-anette and leather tops. Lace and button styles.

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Are You a Woman?

Take **Cardui**

The Woman's Tonic

FOR SALE AT ALL DRUGGISTS

**REMEMBERS TASTE OF BALLINGER JUMBO**

Miss Mary Phillips, district clerk of Runnels County, is in receipt of a letter from Stuart T. Todd in Omaha, Nebraska, asking Miss Mary to ship him a big Ballinger "jumbo" watermelon. Mr. Stuart conducted a subscription contest for the Houston Telegram last year and Miss Phillips was among the number of solicitors. Note what Mr. Todd has to say of a Ballinger melon shipped to him by the district clerk:

"No doubt you will be considerably surprised to receive this from me, but I still have the taste of those delicious "jumbo" watermelon which you so thoughtfully sent me last year while on the Telegram in Houston. This note is to beg you to try, if not too late, to send me one of the biggest melons you can locate in that part of the country noted for its big melons. I have forgotten exactly the time of year you sent those last year—rather I do not know whether it was earlier or later than this. However, if they are good and you will take the trouble to get one for me and will send it by express to the address on this letterhead I will be a thousand times obliged to you.

"Mrs. Todd and I have often spoken of you since leaving Texas and our one regret is that we did not have the pleasure of meeting you personally. I do not believe I shall ever forget the incident, if there were no other reason, has indelibly stamped "Miss Phillips" on our memories.

"I do not know whether I am asking too great a favor of you at this time but I have told so many people of those melons and they have never seen one in this country, so I thought it would be a nice opportunity to demonstrate the fact that Ballinger and Runnels County grow 'real' melons and also make it known my statements are at least within the bounds of reason."

Here is a man, though only having tasted one Ballinger grown melon, is an ardent enthusiast for the fruit. It is needless to state that Ballinger watermelons are known all over the old United States, and that this particular S. O. S. for melon will be answered.



You can play P. A. both ways!

Prince Albert is a regular double-header for a single admission; a two-bagger with the bases full and two out in the ninth! Yes, sir, it pleases the jimmy pipe smoker just as it satisfies the cigarette roller! You can't put P. A. in wrong, because it has everything any man ever hankered for in the tobacco line! The patented process fixes that—and takes out the bite and parch!

Now, you listen to this nation-wide smoke news, men, because we tell you P. A. will come across like it was an old friend. You'll get fond of it on the first fire up, it's so good, and so cool, and so chummy!

**PRINCE ALBERT**

the national joy smoke

just let's you go-to-it all the day long without a come-back! And you don't have to take a correspondence course in tobacco smoking to understand how to smoke P. A. You take-to-it, natural like!

We tell you Prince Albert will put new joykinks into your palate! If you roll 'em, P. A. will sound a new note as to just how good the makin's can be! Realize that men, everywhere—all over the world—are smoking Prince Albert tobacco. That certainly ought to put a lead-me-to-it whisper in your ear!

Prince Albert is sold everywhere in tippy red bags, 5c; tidy red tins, 10c, and in handsome pound and half-pound tin humidors; also, in that dandy pound crystal-glass humidor with the sponge-moistener top that keeps the tobacco at the high point of perfection.

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**ALVARADO MAN RESTORED BY WONDERFUL REMEDY**

Gets Appetite and Comfort Back After Taking First Dose.

T. A. Hensley of Alvarado, Texas, suffered for a long time from derangements of the digestive tract. He had colic attacks and indigestion. His liver was inactive and he was in pain after eating.

He took Mayr's Wonderful Remedy. From the very first dose it brought swift results. He wrote:

"I have taken your treatment for stomach trouble and consider it a Godsend to suffering humanity. I have been suffering from stomach troubles for a long time, such as colic attacks, bloating after eating, sick spells, indigestion, constipation and inactive liver and gall stones. Now I do not feel like the same man. I can cheerfully commend this remedy to all stomach sufferers."

Mayr's Wonderful Remedy gives permanent results for stomach liver and intestinal ailments. Eat as much and whatever you like. No more distress after eating, pressure of gas in the stomach and around the heart. Get one bottle of your druggist now and try it on an absolute guarantee—if not satisfactory money will be returned.

Jesse McDonald has just completed the modern up-to-date bungalow for Mrs. Cicero Smith on her ranch up the river, and the design was selected by Mrs. Smith from the summer homes of the Pacific Coast and she was so well pleased with the job that she will have Mr. McDonald come to her Fort Worth home and assist in the construction of other residences.

Invigorating to the Pale and Sickly  
The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out Malaria, enriches the blood, and builds up the system. A true tonic. For adults and children. 50c

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Low, of Wilbarger County, who had been visiting friends in the Lipan Flat country, passed through Ballinger Saturday en route home.

**MEXICAN MELEE FIVE IN FRACUS**

Justice court was called upon Monday morning to pass on the cases of a bunch of Mexicans for "raising a rough house" Saturday night. Constable Ben Allen run in five Mexicans and charges of drunkenness, fighting, disturbing the peace, etc., were filed against them.

The little melee took place at the Mexican chile "joint" on Seventh Street, where the question of who should rule in Mexico Villa or Carranza, was up for discussion. To make the argument interesting a little Angelo fire-water was used, which in the course of time started things in a merry-go-round way and American intervention became a necessity.

Three of the Mexicans were locked up and the other two will be called to account later. The court in session Monday morning reduced the various charges to one charge each participant and the Mexicans were remanded to the jail until they could arrange to pay their fines, all of which adds more burden to the county by the conviction of prisoners without money to settle the bill and without a place to pay the county in labor.

**None Equal to Chamberlain's.**

"I have tried most all of the cough cures and find that there is none that equal Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It has never failed to give me prompt relief," writes W. V. Harner, Montpelier, Ind. When you have a cold give this remedy a trial and see for yourself what a splendid medicine it is. Obtainable everywhere.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pape, of the Crews country came in Saturday to visit his mother, Mrs. E. Pape and family near Ballinger, over Sunday.

E. Harris of Hamilton, who had been visiting in this section for some time past, left Saturday afternoon for home.

**COUNCIL IS ASKED TO FIX STREETS**

Noel Penn, secretary of the Young Men's Business League, stated to a Ledger reporter, Friday that he had asked the city council of Ballinger to take up the matter of fixing mud holes and sinks in the business streets. All aldermen approached on the subject stated that they would be willing to take up the matter at the next meeting and the holes would be filled.

Several places in the downtown district near the Santa Fe depot, the Cameron Lumber Co's yard, and the Abilene and Southern station, are said to need work badly.

**Rheumatism and Allied Pains—They Must Go!**

The congestion of the blood in its flow causes pain. Sloan's Liniment penetrates to the congestion and starts the blood to flow freely. The body's warmth is renewed; the pain is gone. The man or woman who has rheumatism, neuralgia or other pain and fails to keep Sloan's Liniment in their home is like a drowning man refusing a rope. Why suffer. Get a bottle of Sloan's. 25c and 50c. \$1.00 bottle hold six times as much as 25c size.

Edgar Jayroe of the Crews country, W. D. Lacy of the Wilmeth country and Forrest Vanlaningham of the Spring Hill neighborhood, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

**Warning—Keep Out.**

I hereby warn all parties, under penalty of the trespass law, not to hunt, fish, gather pecans or trespass in any manner on my place on Valley creek.

J. W. RABY.

C. C. Robason of Benoit, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Saturday. He reports a freight wreck near Benoit Friday night in which four cars of merchandise was damaged to some extent, but no one hurt, in the wreck.

**MAN SLEEPS 48 HOURS AND DIES**

(Temple Telegram.)

After sleeping for eighty-four hours, during which time he woke only to open his eyes, turn over and fall into another lethargic sleep, the unknown man who was found in the gutter near the Santa Fe station Thursday morning, died yesterday at 1 o'clock, never having regained consciousness. The police and city health department are as much at loss now as ever to know who the man was, where he came from and what kind of narcotic he took to produce the sleep of the dead.

The letter written on the stationery of William H. Cole, Sugilla, Ala., was not legible, being being scrawled with a pencil. The markings had become blurred and unreadable, even to the address on the envelope which showed signs of having been carried in a pocket for weeks, possibly months the corners being worn away and the paper throwing off stench caused by perspiration. It is believed that some person in that town wrote the man.

**Wanted.**

Will pay best possible price for all good dry head maize. See E. L. RASBURY, before you sell 23-2td tfw

A. J. Edwards, of Alpine, came in Saturday afternoon to look after business affairs in Ballinger a few days.

**WALTHAL DISTRICT VOTES \$4500 BONDS**

An election held in the Walthal district Saturday evening for the issuance of \$4500.00 worth of school bonds, was carried by 37 votes. Fifty-seven votes cast resulted in 47 for and only 10 against. This is the election held for three combined districts to build a rural high school, probably the finest rural building in Texas. Additional funds to the amount of a little over \$1,000 will increase the expenditure to about \$5,000. The County Board of Trustees will meet at the Bethel church Saturday of this week at 9:30, to locate the Walthal building. Walthal district trustees are in session today at the court house to formulate plans for further work and take up bids and plans for the erection of the school house.

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A Week of Bargains

Now is the time to prepare yourself for fall. No where in Ballinger or Central West Texas will you find a more complete stock of ladies ready-to-wear, millinery, dry goods, notions, clothing, shoes and furnishings than right here at Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co. No where in all Texas will you find a firm more willing to serve you in the best way possible. This season especially have we given our purchases our careful attention and we do candidly believe that we will show you a stock of merchandise equal to most towns many times the size of Ballinger. We urge you to come and see the merchandise we have to offer. Certainly it will well repay you to buy at home rather than send your money to a city and pay 20 to 50 per cent more. Come, we welcome you.

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The most wonderful suit values this store has ever offered. The fame of our suits has not been earned in a day, or week, it has been built up through years of giving to the women of this town and vicinity the best styles, the best fabrics, the best tailoring, the best values. This is a logical store for your fall suit because here you will positively find the best suit values anywhere in this section at \$10.00; \$12.50; \$15.00; \$20.00 and up.

### See New Dresses

The newest of new in up-to-date dresses. Every one of these dresses left the dress makers hands less than three weeks ago. Serges, Silks, and silk and wool combinations. Also the Mary Pickford. Prices \$3.50; \$4.95; \$7.50; \$10.00 and up.

Come here expecting to find a wonderful assortment of coats for women, misses and children. Coats for dress up wear, street wear and school. All sizes. Prices \$2.50 to \$45.00.

## Smart Millinery

STYLES MAY BE SEVERER, BUT IT'S STYLE AND STYLE IS WHAT EVERY WOMAN WANTS-



THE hats border on the severely plain this season, but the plainer the style the more the artist that creates it. Its the touch here and there, the proper portions, the correct contour, that makes for perfection in millinery art.

Come and see how we have gathered tailored and dress hats at the wonderful low price of \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$5 and up to \$10. 50 new arrivals first showing Saturday



### New Corsets

La Carmille front lace, new models at \$2.00 to \$5.00. American Lady, the world best corset at \$1.00 to \$5.00.

These Specials Will Make a Busy Store Busier All Next Week. Read Carefully Prices Here Quoted. Go In Effect Monday Morning and Last Through The Week

New Hosiery	Special	Special	Special	Hosiery Special	Special	Special	Special
Everything that's good in hosiery is here: Onyx and Cadet. Silk and cotton. Price 10c to \$2.50 per pair.	50 dozen ladies fancy bordered handkerchiefs, just in. Worth 15c One week only <b>5c</b>	50 bolts hair bow and sash ribbon 5 to 8 inches wide, 50c to 75c values 1 week, yd. <b>25c</b>	3000 yards light colored outing. Values 8 1-3c the yard One week only the <b>5c</b>	30 dozen ladies black silk hose bought as seconds with a slight imperfection in manufacturing. Sold at 50c to 75c. One week <b>23c</b>	90 inch union linen sheeting. Worth 75c to 85c the yard. One week only <b>59c</b>	10 dozen newest style Dutch, long sleeves waist worth \$1.50 to \$2. One week only <b>99c</b>	Chaunet French kid gloves, black only. Every pair guaranteed, one week only <b>99c</b>

### New Neckwear

Attractive Dutch collars, also the cuffs and belts to match. Pretty indeed are this new neckwear for women at 25c to \$1.00.

### New Veils

Crepe, Auto and face veils. All the new shades are here at 50c to \$3.50.

### New Hand Bags

You should be sure to see our new purses. You will be delighted with the new styles. Prices 50c to \$5.00.

### New Gloves

Ladies new gloves are here. The famous Chaunet, French kid guaranteed glove will be found here for the first time. \$1.00 to \$3.50.

### Wool Dress Goods

Whip Cords, Serges, Prunelles, Broadcloth, Panamas, Novelties, Plaids. In fact all the new wool goods will be found here.

36 inch all wool serge in a variety of colors, the yard 50c, novelties at 25c to \$2 the yard.

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### Cotton Goods

Last season when cotton was 6c a pound we bought practically every yard of goods we own; and as you know cotton is selling above 10c today. Hence you can readily see that if you buy here it means a great saving.

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### Pretty Silks

Let us show you the silks. The stock is well nigh perfect; every yard in the shelves or lying on the counter is justified in being here by the dictates of good taste and good fashion. Waists silk and dress silk and new plaids at 50c to \$2 a yard.

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### Corsets

Graceful new corsets; La Carmille front-lace corset \$2.50 to \$5. American Lady corset laces in back \$1 to \$5. These corsets are famous for their styles, lines, their comfortable fit and unusual wearing qualities.

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Men---Dress Up! You Can Do It Best at Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co.

## Clothing For All Man Kind

Tailor made or ready made. See our Frankel Fifteen \$15.00 all-wool guaranteed suit, worth \$20.00 everywhere. We will positively guarantee to you the suit we sell at \$15 to give absolute satisfaction or you get a new suit free. The suit we offer at \$15.00 is worth a \$5 bill more than the price asked. Over 500 men's and young men's suits ready to try on at \$5.00, \$8.50, \$10.00, \$12.50, \$15.00, no more. Suits made to order from \$15.00 to \$40.00. See our samples—now on display.

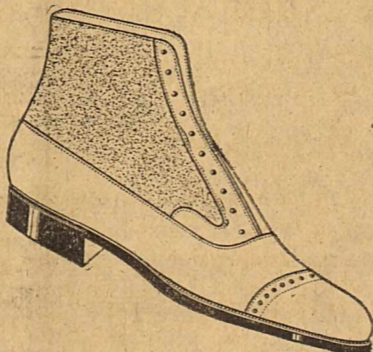
### Boy's and Young Men's School Suits

Get the boy ready for school. Bring 'em down and let us show you hundreds of boys' suits to select from. Every age, style and color at \$1.50 to \$15.00.

### Boy's School Suit Special \$5.00

Boys school suits, double breasted styles, novelty material ages 7 to 18. Two pair pants with suit Special **\$5.00**

### SHOES FOR MEN



## SHOES For Men, Women and Children

An Investment of Over \$10,000.00 In All That's Good and Stylish In Fall Footwear

We mention lines of shoes sold exclusively by us in Ballinger and we positively guarantee them to be as good for the price quoted as any made in America today. These are made especially for us by the best manufacturers in the country.

For men Howard & Foster, 20 styles, all widths and leathers. Price **\$5.00**

The famous Weber shoes for men, Brockton make. Every wanted size at \$2.50, \$3.50 and **\$4.00**

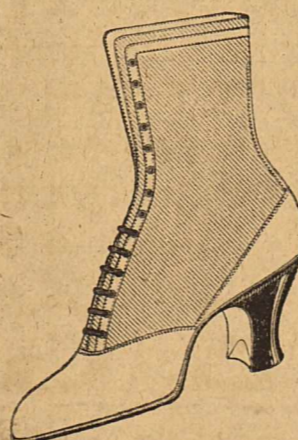
The Dutches for women, made by Val Duttonhafer Sons. The seasons best styles, lace and button \$2.50 to **\$4.00**

The Wickert for women, made by Wickert & Gardiner, Brooklyn. This country's best ladies' shoes at \$5.00 and **\$6.00**

Mrs. King's Don't Slip children's shoes, at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00 and up.

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### SHOES FOR WOMEN



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