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MEXICANS RAID TEXAS RANCHES

LAREDO, Texas, June 12.—Three Mexicans have been reported killed and five captured, out of a band that attempted to burn a bridge near Webb, in this county, today.

The whole country is alarmed at the audacity of the marauders in venturing so far from the border. Ranchers are bringing their families to this city for safety, and several bands of cowboys are being organized for raid pursuit.

SAN ANTONIO, June 12.—Private Saunders of the United States army, was wounded in the leg today when Mexicans fired across the border at Hachita, New Mexico. A detachment of cavalry was immediately ordered in pursuit and have crossed the line, riding hard on the trail of the bandits.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., June 13. Four companies of the National guards concentrated here will be sent at once to Eagle Pass at once, as a result of anti-American demonstrations near that point. Delegates arriving in San Antonio to attend the Merchants' Convention

report that the attitude of the Mexicans towards Americans is very ugly at Eagle Pass, and at Piedras Negras considerable hostility is manifested. In Piedras Negras the Mexicans are insulting and threatening towards the United States and a general outbreak is expected.

Washington Fears the Worst
WASHINGTON, June 13.—With 1,500 additional regular troops ordered to the Mexican border tonight and reports of the rapid spread of anti-American feeling continuing to pour in from consuls all over northern Mexico, administration officials made no attempt to disguise their uneasiness. It was officially admitted that there is growing alarm over what the agitation may produce and the possibility of an attack on General Pershing's expedition.

Part of the increasing apprehension here is due to the renewed raids in the Laredo region. Several reports dealing with the situation there have been received. Officials declined to reveal details, but they gave the impression of having reason to believe a serious purpose was behind the bandit raid on the Coleman ranch. Three raiders were killed and three captured, one report said, adding that they attempted to burn a railroad bridge near Laredo but failed.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Stuart are rejoicing over the arrival of a nine pound baby boy, born to them Monday night, June 12th.

STOLEN CAR RECOVERED NEAR EDEN

A phone message from Elmer Shepperd to The Ledger at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon (Tuesday), stated that the Chalmers auto abandoned eight miles out of Eden, was Mr. Shepperd's car. The car is in good shape, comparatively, according to the message, with only a small spring broken and no gas in the tank, and Mr. Shepperd will drive the auto back to Ballinger this evening.

Last word of the missing mechanic who is reported to have stolen the auto from Mr. Shepperd's garage, was that he was seen in Eden Friday night, but he has disappeared since that date. Sheriff Perkins, City Marshal Pilcher and Elmer Shepperd left about noon Tuesday for Eden, where it is reported that the Chalmers automobile stolen from Mr. Shepperd here last week had been located. Full details could not be secured over the phone, but it seems that the car was located by parties ten miles out from Eden. The parties reporting the matter stated that they suited the description of the one stolen here, bearing the number of the stolen car, etc.

It is reported that the thief left the car at the spot where it was found, after the car went dead, perhaps on account of the gasoline supply becoming exhausted. The thief employed a boy to take him to Eden, proposing to give him \$5 so the report goes, and after reaching Eden the man told the boy he had no money, and made his escape.

According to the report received here it is probable the thief has made his escape, and while this will be regretted, the many friends of Mr. Shepperd will be glad to know that the car has been recovered.

IN INTEREST OF FATHER'S CANDIDACY

Judge Tarlton Morrow, of Hillsboro, and a son of the senior Judge Morrow, was in Ballinger Friday in the interest of his father's race for the office of Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals.

Young Morrow claims increasing interest is being taken in his father's race by jurists all over Texas, and is distributing pamphlets giving endorsements from the bar of thirty-three counties.

REVIVAL AT HATCHEL JUNE 23.

D. E. Caudle of the Hatchel country, was in Ballinger Friday and requested us to announce that Elder C. D. Record, of Arlington, Texas, formerly of Ballinger, will begin a revival meeting at Hatchel on Friday night, June 23rd, and will hold over two Sundays. Services each day and night. A cordial invitation extended to everybody to attend the revival.

Take your cream to Jeanes Produce Co. on Wednesdays and Saturdays. 14-d&w2t.

ASKS \$5000 DAMAGES IN TELEPHONE SUIT

Two suits were filed in district court at Ballinger Monday morning which come as an outgrowth of a "scrap" between the Independent Telephone Co., of Wingate and the West Texas Telephone Co., of Ballinger. Damages in the sums of \$2500 in each case is asked for by the plaintiffs.

The first suit filed is styled on the docket J. A. Suggs vs Sam L. Eason et al., representing West Texas Telephone Co., T. P. Childers, A. L. Smith, L. D. Ashley, and Chas. Pruitt, while the plaintiff Suggs is the owner of the Wingate Telephone Co., an independent system.

The plaintiff alleges in his petition that the defendants entered upon the lands and premises occupied by the telephone lines of the plaintiff, unlawfully and constructed poles, wires, etc., in such way as to greatly damage the property of the plaintiff, and prays for actual damages to the amount of \$2000 and exemplary damages to the amount of \$500.

The other suit filed at the same time of the above filing is styled C. L. Harter vs. Sam L. Eason et al, the same defendants being named in the second suit with the name of W. D. Rogers added. The petition alleges that the plaintiff owns and operates the Wingate Rural Telephone Union, and that the defendants have unlawfully entered upon the premises and constructed poles, wires, etc., in such manner as to damage the plaintiff's line prays for \$2500 damages.

The plaintiffs in both cases are represented by Judges Jas. P. Cogdell, of Winters, T. T. Crosson and R. B. Truly, of Ballinger. Sam L. Eason, one of the defendants has employed Judge M. C. Smith to represent him in the case.

TWO BOOTLEGGERS LEAVE BALLINGER

Jailor Armstrong returned home from Abilene Saturday afternoon where he went to meet the penitentiary transfer agent and turn over to the agent two prisoners from the Ballinger jail, who will spend a couple of years each in the pen unless their conduct in that institution is rewarded with a decrease in sentence and a pardon.

Grover Williams, a white man, and Simon Brown, a negro, both convicted of bootlegging, were added to the string of men picked up at other points. Chained together the men were carried to Rusk where they will be put on

the job of paying the penalty for violating various laws.

The two prisoners from this county were convicted after fair and impartial trials. The negro was convicted more than a year ago, and is the last one of the bunch who broke jail shortly after his conviction and before he could be carried to the pen. He was recently caught at Brownwood, where he was recognized by a negro woman who turned him in to the officers. Williams was convicted at the last term of court, and would have been carried to the pen with nine others, but claimed a two day respite due him by the regular process of law, and has been enjoying jail life in Ballinger since his trial.

BUYS LIVERY STABLE.

J. C. Nix closed the deal a day or two ago in which he bought the J. R. Deen's Livery Stable on Seventh street and took charge of the same first of this week. We do not know what Mr. Deen will do but hope he will see fit to remain in our city.

H. E. Brooks, of Miles, who had been in our city to visit his uncle Jarvis Jones the past day or two, returned home Wednesday at noon. We are sorry to note that Mr. Jones is still in quite feeble health.

BALLINGER MAN IN TRAINING CAMP

Ralph Willingham, for quite a number of years connected with the Santa Fe at Ballinger, left Sunday for San Antonio, where he will enter the United States training camp for a couple of months training.

When the government announced that it would open a number of training camps and called for volunteers to enter and prepare for actual service, in case this country should become evolved in war and need a large army, many volunteered to take advantage of the opportunity to become real soldiers.

The people were appealed to for support in carrying on the work, and the various commercial and industrial enterprises were called on to furnish men. The Santa Fe volunteered to furnish fifteen men from their Texas lines, and Mr. Willingham was one of the fifteen selected, or offered the "vacation." He accepted and goes to Fort Sam Houston for a two months stay with all his expenses paid and his salary paid by the Santa Fe, just as though he was on duty for the road.

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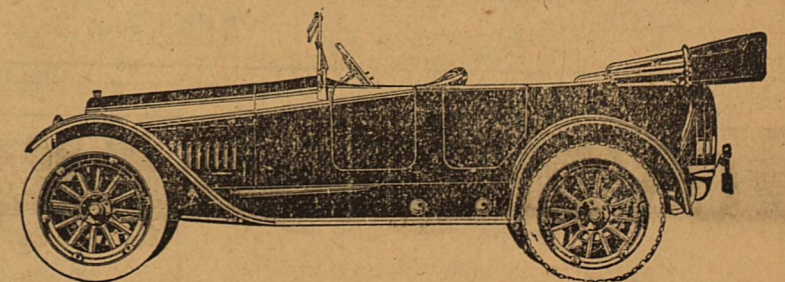
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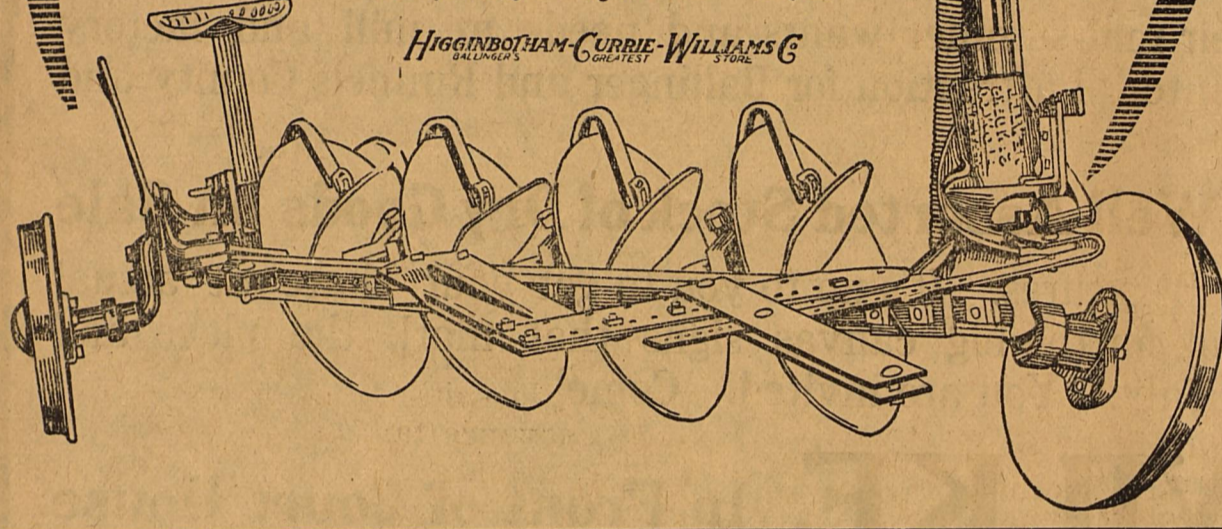
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SECOND CROP IRISH POTATOES.

By G. H. Garren, Agronomist Extension Service Agricultural and Mechanical College.

It is a growing practice throughout the Southern States to grow a second or fall crop of Irish potatoes. The increasing popularity of the Irish potato as a staple article of diet and the ease with which this second crop can be kept through the winter should commend to the Texas farmers the growing of a fall crop of Irish potatoes.

The second crop is usually planted on the same land where the first crop grew or where cucumbers or some other early crop grew. Many use seed from the first crop, but seed from other sources can be used. Use an early variety. Irish Cobbler is one of the popular early varieties. It will require from 90 to 120 days to mature a crop, much depending upon the amount of rainfall during the growing period. Plant to take advantage of the rainfall of the season. Some growers in Texas recommend June planting. Such early planting, it is claimed tends to overcome the seasonal

disadvantages.

The greatest disadvantage to overcome is the lack of moisture. The planting and the cultivation of the fall crop will differ from the planting and the cultivation of the first crop only in the efforts necessary to overcome the handicap of a lack of moisture. Overcoming this handicap will be materially aided by:

1st. Sprouting the seed before planting. Place the seed on the ground in a shady place. Cover with straw or other coarse litter. Keep moist until sprouted. Plant before the sprouts are long enough to break off in handling. Sprouting the seed hastens early growth.

2nd. Plant and cultivate on the level. Level cultivation the better enables the grower to maintain a mulch to conserve his moisture. Plant about six inches deep on deeply prepared land and roll the soil in covering, if possible. If covered with a hoe, walking behind the hoe will serve the purpose of rolling the soil.

3rd. At all costs, maintain a good mulch. Success depends upon conserving the moisture. Harrow frequently before planting and after planting until the potatoes come up. Then, if obtainable, cover the whole field with a

mulch about three inches deep of straw or other coarse litter. Then all future cultivation will consist in hand pulling what few weeds may come through the mulch. If a litter mulch is unobtainable, a soil mulch will have to be depended upon.

Those who are interested in growing fall potatoes, but are not in a position to grow them on a field scale, should grow half a dozen rows or so in the garden for home consumption. It would be easy to secure sufficient litter to mulch a few rows. In addition, growing a few rows in the garden will give that practical experience and skill that would later insure success in growing them on a larger scale.

\$100 Reward, \$1.00

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Catarrh being greatly influenced by constitutional conditions requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in the curative powers of Hall's Catarrh Cure that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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FEED CROP PROSPECTS.

COLLEGE STATION, Tex., June 9.—Crop conditions in Texas at the moment are not as promising for food and feed as they were at this time last year.

The five District Agents of Farm Demonstration Work of the A. and M. College and United States Department of Agriculture, met for conference at College Station last week. It was the consensus of opinion of these men, whose districts cover all part of the State, that there is a probability of a short feed crop this year. One fact in evidence is the increased acreage in cotton and another is that the sentiment for feed crops this year for some reason is not as strong as last year. The next three weeks is a very critical period with the corn crop. The stalk is small, and even the best cultivation cannot produce a maximum crop. Also weather conditions have not been favorable this spring for a full crop of corn. Therefore, the necessity arises for planting peas, sorghum, peanuts and June corn to make up this prospective shortage.

It is good business in farming to hedge against a loss, either partial or total, in one crop by planting a substitute. These substitute crops can be planted with safety up to June 25th. The farmers of the State will make a crop cheaper this year than in several years past, because they have plenty of their own feed, and they should profit by this year's experience.

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.

Miss Hattie Miles of San Angelo, came in Tuesday at noon to visit her sister, Mrs. J. D. Norwood and family and Ballinger friends a few days.

Watch the Fords Go By.

WOOL GROWERS GET HIGH PRICES FOR NEW CLIP

The annual wool sale held here Monday brought most satisfactory returns to the thirty-five or forty wool growers who had concentrated 160,000 pounds of wool here. The buyers representing a half dozen firms arrived Sunday and the bidding for the clip was keen and the sales pretty well divided up among the various buyers on the ground.

Mr. Cummings, representing Brown & Adams, of Boston, was perhaps the heaviest buyers on the ground, receiving 408 bags, while Mr. Rainier, also representing a Boston firm, received 250 bags, and the remainder of the clip held in storage here was pretty evenly divided up among McCully & Co., of Brownwood; and Roddie & Co., of Brady, two independent buyers. The W. O. Shultz clip of 280 bags was purchased by Cummings and McGuirk, Boston buyers, each buyer receiving 140 bags each of this clip.

All the wool stored here was sold in the Monday's sale, the first time in several years when one days sale cleaned up all wool stored here, and the wool is being loaded today for shipment to Boston, going by rail to Galveston and from there to Boston by water. Following are the names of the wool growers, and the names of the buyers together with the price paid in Monday's sale. It will be noticed that the lowest price paid was 20c, which was for seven months clip, while the 12 months clip brought as high as 30 3-4c.

Max Russell sold to Cummings 20 1-4c.
W. F. McShann sold to McCully 30 3-4c.
Robt. Herring sold to Rainier 28c.
Joe Vancil sold to McCully 30 3-4c.
A. J. Zappe sold to Roddie 25 1-2c.

1-2c.

J. E. Fowler sold to Roddie 23 1-2c.

Dee Oliver sold to Roddie 27c.

E. Jayroe sold to Rainier 25c.

W. W. Fowler sold to Roddie 25c.

Feb McWilliams sold to Rainier 28c.

W. L. McMillan sold to Roddie 25c.

O. O. McWilliams sold to Rainier 27c.

H. A. Grimes sold to Cummings 24c.

W. A. Coffey sold to Cummings 25 1-2c.

Robt Spreen sold to Cummings 27 3-4c.

E. F. McWilliams sold to Rainier 28 3-4c.

M. H. Gearhart sold to Roddie 25c.

R. E. McWilliams sold to Rainier 27c.

B. R. King sold to Cummings 25 1-8c.

B. F. Kemp sold to Roddie 23c.

W. P. King sold to Cummings 25 3-4c.

N. J. Allen sold to Rainier 30 1-4c.

W. A. Hall sold to Roddie 25 1-4c.

J. R. Harris sold to Rainier 29c.

M. H. Witt, sold to McCully 28 1-2c.

Edgar Littlefield sold to Cummings.

W. O. Shultz sold to Cummings and McGuirk 27 3-4c.

W. B. Currie sold to Cummings 23c.

H. H. Ratchford sold to Rainier 22 1-2c.

W. P. Hearrell sold to McCully 25c.

Geo. Onken sold to Roddie 20c.

Aug Stoecker sold to Roddie 20c.

Mr. Meeks sold to Roddie 20c.

J. G. Goetz sold to Roddie 20c.

Total 770 bags, 160,000 pounds, \$45,000.00.

TRUSTEES FINISH NEW BUSINESS

At the last regular meeting of the school board of trustees of the Ballinger Independent School District, A. W. Sledge was appointed to fill the term of R. P. Kirk, resigned, as trustee. While Mr. Sledge has not been notified of the fact, being in attendance at the Texas Press Association in El Paso at the time, it is believed he will accept the office.

Miss Marguerite Gregory, who has been teaching near Miles, in the Sweet Home district, was elected a member of the faculty at this meeting, making the last teacher to be employed for the next term. Miss Gregory is a Ballinger young lady, and has had several years experience, and her election is in line with the policy to get good teachers at home before looking for foreign talent.

Henry O'Quinn was also elected janitor for the two central ward schools for the 1916-17 session, at this meeting. Mr. O'Quinn hopes to be able to do all the work himself and is a deserving man for the place, having made good at everything he has attempted.

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THE MAVERICK PICNIC

The big W. O. W. picnic at Maverick will be held next Thursday June 15th and we are requested to remind everybody in Ballinger, and this neighborhood that they are cordially invited to attend the picnic.

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COMMISSIONERS' COURT IN SESSION

C. N. Craft, of Miles; W. D. Meadows of the Winters country; J. D. Smith, of the Wingate country and Feb McAdams of precinct No. 1, were at their post of duty at the regular June term of the court Monday.

Miss Mattie Richardson of Moody, who had been the guest of relatives, returned home Monday afternoon and was accompanied by her nephew Collis Dooze, who will visit in that city a week or so.

TELLS HOW THEY GET THE BUSINESS

"How a Texas Firm has Developed a Business Aggregating \$10 Annually from Every Man, Woman and Child in their Territory" was the caption placed by the editor of the Merchants Journal, a national publication, over an article by a local business man, published in the magazine this month. Said local business man was none other than Roy F. Sharp, advertising writer for the Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co., here.

The article was really a good explanation of how this store has made this possible, credited mainly to advertising in the local newspaper, hints gleaned from trade journals, adapted to their own requirements, and a co-operation between all salesmen of the store and its patrons. Illustrated by five photographs of show windows, interior views, and a picture of the Higginbotham-Sherwin Williams clean-up contest, dump pile with reproduction of a recent ad in The Banner-Ledger, the story has a very attractive reading appearance and contains good news.

MAY BANNER AUTO MONTH IN RUNNELS

Runnels county now has registered on the County Clerk's record books the total of 858 automobiles. While this is short of what some people believed it would show, it is a good record and is being added to daily.

May was the banner month for motor cars, with 49 gas driven vehicles registered, and the month of June looks even better so far. Eleven autos were recorded on June 8th, and several have not yet been set down.

Wallace E. Hawkins, who is candidate for representative from this district, was No. 858, the last one down, representing a Ford car which Mr. Hawkins thinks will make a fast "race."

A bilious, half-sick feeling, loss of energy, and constipated bowels can be relieved with surprising promptness by using Herbine. The first dose brings improvement, a few doses puts the system in fine, vigorous condition. Price 50c. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

GOOD CROWDS SATURDAY.

The big closing out sale at H. C. Wilke's attracted large crowds Saturday and the house was full from morning until night and Monday found the crowds gathering at that place again. Mr. Wilke says the double page advertisement in the Banner-Ledger is bringing the results looked for and with a few more days like the past two will find his stock considerably reduced.

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HUGHES AND FAIRBANKS REPUBLICAN NOMINEES

CHICAGO, Coliseum, June 10. — Republican delegates this afternoon, nominated Charles E. Hughes, of New York, as candidate for President of the United States, on that ticket. Justice Hughes received 940 1-2 votes out of a possible nine hundred and eighty-seven, beating by far his nearest competitor, Theodore Roosevelt.

Closely following the nomination of Justice Hughes for president, Charles Fairbanks was declared winner of the Republican nomination for vice-president. Thus the Republican ticket for the big race is Hughes-Fairbanks. "Buttermilk" Fairbanks will for the second time in his life race for the vice-president's chair.

Roosevelt came second in choice of the Old Guard delegates, with only eighteen and a half votes to his credit. Hughes was then declared the nominee unanimously.

It was learned that the Bull Moosers nominated Teddy by acclamation despite his last minute Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts compromise candidate.

Colby of New Jersey, made the speech nominating Colonel Roosevelt.

Hughes is expected to issue a formal statement from Washington this afternoon, declaring his intentions. Official notification has been sent the Justice. Hughes was nominated on the third ballot.

Vice-presidential nominations by the Republicans began this afternoon, following Hughes' nomination. Wannamaker placed the name of Charles Fairbanks in the lists for the executive's nomination-Burkett of Nebraska was also nominated.

HUGHES ACCEPTS NOMINATION AT ONCE

WASHINGTON, June 10.—Justice Chas. E. Hughes of the Supreme Court accepted nomination shortly after he had been officially notified of same.

After accepting the nomination Mr. Hughes resigned from the Supreme Court and sent his resignation to President Wilson this afternoon. The resignation was accepted at once.

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LOST.

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN—\$10 reward for two sorrel mares, one three-year-old filly, no brands, no marks, 14 1-2 hands high; 7 years, other 15 hands, blaze face, one small wire mark on right legs, large hips, little taller behind than before. Notify W. W. Brownlee, Sylvester, Tex. 16-1twpd.

LOST—sorrel mare, tall, long bodied, wire cut on left hind foot, branded on one shoulder. Phone Street & Middleton and get reasonable reward. w1tpd

TEDDY NOMINATED BY PROGRESSIVES

Auditorium Theatre, Chicago, June 10.—Theodore Roosevelt, for the second time, was nominated by the Progressive party as their candidate for president of the United States. Roosevelt was unanimously acclaimed Bull Moose nominee this afternoon by acclamation.

Children that are affected by worms are pale and sickly and liable to contract some fatal disease. White's Cream Vermifuge expels worms promptly and puts the child on the road to health. Price 25c, per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

MORTUARY.

MRS. BLACKBURN DEAD.

Mrs. Elizabeth Blackburn died at the home of her daughter Mrs. R. E. Lane on Sixth street Thursday night at 11 o'clock. She was 84 years of age last December and was born in Tennessee and had been making home with her daughter the past 21 years. She was a constant member of the Primitive Baptist church. The funeral services were conducted at the residence and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the city cemetery at 5 o'clock Friday afternoon. Her son John Blackburn, of Abilene and her sister Mrs. Sarah Copeland of East Texas, were at her bedside at time of death.

The Ledger joins many friends in sincere condolence and sympathy for the sad ones in the hour of bereavement.

SELLS MARION HANDLY AUTO

Will Doose sold to W. F. Gorman of the Dry Ridge neighborhood Tuesday a six cylinder seven passenger Marion Handy auto and delivered the auto that day and Mr. Gorman is now in the happy class of autoists.

Mid Summer Sale

Commences Friday, June 16 Lasting Till July 3

We place on sale previous to taking stock, all listed stock to clean up for the season. Stock is complete. New seasonable goods at much less than cost today. Our motto: No Goods Carried Over. Many items at actual half value.

Seasonable Wash Dress Goods and Waistings. Hundreds of the very latest spring novelties in all the new fabrics. Ranging in price from 15¢ to \$1.00 per yard. We place entire line on sale at just One-Half regular price.

All our Silks, Messalines, Taffetas, Chinas and Wash Silks, worth more today than marked price. We plan sale on entire line at One-Half marked prices.

Fine line Laces and Embroideries covering all the matched sets. All latest novelties, over 500 styles to select from One-Half price.

Balance spring ladies' Suits, Skirts and Dresses and Kimonos, Clean up sale One-Half price. All marked in plain figures.

304 Bunsen Aprons, good gingham 25¢.

All children's Dresses, clean up One-Half price.

STAPLE GOODS

16 yards 10¢, 36 inch soft bleached domestic\$1.00

12 yards 12 1/2¢ 36 inch soft bleached domestic \$0.00

12 yards 12 1/2¢ 36 inch cambric finish \$1.00

20¢ Irish linen finish suiting, the yard 10¢
25¢ Irish linen finish suiting, the yard 12 1/2¢

All light colored prints5¢

All light colored percalas and gingham 8¢

MEN'S READY-TO-WEAR

All Palm Beach Suits, genuine, now\$5.00

All Silk Mohair \$15.00 value suits.....\$7.50

All worsted Suits, spring weight \$15.00 value \$7.50

1000 pairs pants, all styles, great value, 2

Good \$1.50 wash pants, 1000 pairs, all styles, great value75¢

Boy's suits just One-Half Price.

We guarantee a saving of One-Fourth on Trunks, Suit Cases and Bags.

HIGH-GRADE SAMPLE SUITS

80 sample suits, finest grade, medium weight, advance fall styles. Just opened. These values are up to \$25.00. Will discount any one One-Fourth.

MEN'S FURNISHINGS

4 good Blue Work Shirts 50¢ kind\$1.00

300 high-grade Dress Shirts, Cluett Monarch and Arrow, and several high-grade brands up to \$1.50 value, clean up sale to discontinue, choice table50¢

300 odd lot Hats, values up to \$3.50, choice\$1.00

Our \$1.25 Wilson Bros. spring dress Shirts, 6 for\$5.00

Our \$4.00 Wilson Bros. silk dress Shirts now\$2.50

Great cut on Neckwear, Hosiery and etc. See them.

Complete stock ladies', men's and children's shoes and slippers, clean up prices.

Chances like this seldom come. When you can buy up-to-date seasonable merchandise at half regular price. Not an item has been marked up from original price. See us—we will convince you. Sale is for stock on hand and can't be supplied after closed out. Better call early. No charges or approvals.

D. REEDER

DEMOCRATS WILL BE FOR WOMAN SUFFRAGE

(By United Press) starts at eight o'clock. COLISEUM, St. Louis, Judge Westcot of New Jersey, has been selected to place in nomination the name of Woodrow Wilson. The Democratic convention was called to order by Temporary Chairman Martin Glynn at 11:49 this morning and at 12:05 Chairman James began his speech. Mr. James departed from the text of the speech given the press.

The platform will be represented tonight, and it is considered by many of the delegates as being a little radical in some respects. It favors a big navy and a big army, also favors woman suffrage, a merchant marine, and denounces "hyphenated" American citizens.

CONVENTION HALL, St. Louis June 14.—National Democratic Chairman W. F. McCombs called the National convention to order today promptly at one thirty-one. Fifteen thousand delegates join in one great chorus, singing National Anthems and at the same time waving thousands of flags. The scene was the most enthusiastic and inspiring ever witnessed at a Democratic convention. Rev. James stepped to the edge of the chairman's platform as he

singing stopped and offered the invocation, thanking God for the conservatism of our president.

At twelve forty-three Mr. McCombs began the opening address, and perfect order prevailed while the speaker briefly outlined the work at hand.

It is the opinion of the Democratic platform leaders that the platform will contain a string bid for the support of the Progressives who are not in harmony with the Republican platform, or there will be a hard fight for such a platform.

W. J. Bryan's appearance in the newspaper reporter's stand started a great ovation, and for several minutes the convention hall rang out with cheers for the Nebraskan.

Will appreciate your oil and cedar post trade. Independent Oil Co. 15-2td-1tw

Remember we do not handle second grade oil, but price is right on the best. Also cedar posts. Independent Oil Co. 15-2d-1w

THE BANNER-LEDGER PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY BY THE BALLINGER PRINTING COMPANY

The Banner-Ledger and the Daniels County Ledger were consolidated January 28, 1913.

We understand that locks on garage doors have become very popular in Ballinger during the last few days.

The man who is making hay while the sun shines is not crying dry weather. It will rain when we need it.

One of the candidates for the legislature from this country has moved his residence, so we are informed, and that too without saying "adios" to his friends.

Every farmer in Runnels county is invited to the Farmers' Short Course school to be held at the South Ward school building next week. It's free.

Texas is a mighty big state and there is much to be done before the resources of the state are developed, and if the people do not keep an eye on the political game, we predict that politics will get as rotten as the rankst.

When a man leaves his jug of ice water and the cool buzz of his electric fan and hikes himself away to the banks of the river to fight chiggers, gnats and mosquitos, and swealter in the hot rays of the summer sun, lounge in the dirt and drink branch water, he is entitled to a vacation before being required to "hit the ball" again.

While the crime committed and the injury done by Mexican bandits along the border has been great, the American government should not intervene with a mo-

conventions. Aside from the enjoyable social benefits the editors received at first hand the true conditions that prevail in Mexico, and the trip was educating to those who had never had the privilege of visiting the border city. We must tell you something of the doings of the editors' convention as well as the people who so splendidly entertained them, but we must defer the story until we gain our equilibrium—recover, if you please.

Why Endure Summer Colds? All It isn't necessary to have a stuffed head, running nose. To cough your head off as it were. All you need do is to use Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar Honey. The soothing and healing balsams open the clogged air passages and in a short time you get relief and start on the road to recovery. Your nose stops running, you cough less and you know you are getting better. Get a bottle, use as directed. Keep what is left as a cough and cold insurance.

TREE DOCTOR VISITS HERE NEXT WEEK

At the request of a number of the orchard owners of South Ballinger, who have been losing fruit trees from some disease they could not account for and knew not how to handle, we addressed a letter to the agricultural department and asked that department to send a man here to investigate and if possible stop the loss of valuable fruit trees.

We are in receipt of the following letter, which is self explanatory: College Station, Texas, June 5th, 1915. Mr. A. W. Sledge, Ballinger, Texas. My Dear Sir:—Your favor of

Mr. Went-And-Cut-It -Here's Mr. 'Gets-It'

The New Plan Corn Cure That's as Sure as the Rising Sun. "Glad to meet you!" says the razor to the corn. "I'll bleed for you!" says the corn to the razor. Razors and corns love each other. Corns love to



Why, O Why, Did I Do It? 'Gets-It' for Me After This—If I Live! be cut, picked, gouged, saved, plastered and jerked out,—they grow faster. Mr. and Mrs. Went-and-Cut-It realize it now,—they use 'Gets-It' instead—It's the wonderful, simple corn-cure that never fails. Stops pain. You apply it in 2 seconds. It dries at once, the corn is doomed. Nothing to stick to the stocking or press on the corn. It means good-night to plasters, salves, diggers, razors and toe-bundling. You can wear smaller shoes. Your corns will come right off, "clean as a whistle." Never inflames healthy flesh. The world's biggest selling corn cure. "Gets-It" is sold by druggists everywhere, 25c a bottle, or sent direct by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill. Sold in Ballinger and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by Walker Drug Co., J. Y. Pearce and City Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenzie Routh, who were married at Midland last week and spent a few days with relatives and friends in this section, left for Mr. Routh's ranch in Reagan county, where they will make their future home.

Why is coal oil cheaper in the Ballinger territory than other parts of Texas. We also sell cedar posts. See ours before you buy. Independent Oil Co. 15-2d-1w

Commission, the West Texas Telephone Company and other similar companies, have been required to install a new system of accounting, which adds about a thousand dollars per year to the cost of accounting for the system. The company's business comes under the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission because of the few hundred interstate telephone messages handled each year, from which no revenue is derived because the Southwestern Company handles the out-of-state business. The accounting system outlined by the Interstate commission requires the company to keep a record of all materials purchased, their cost, the cost of freight or express, and from whom such materials were purchased along with other data of a similar nature.

Worth the Money General Manager F. W. Greber said this morning that while the burden of making the reports and following the system of accounting demanded by the Interstate Commerce Commission is rather heavy, he is inclined to believe that the system may ultimately be worth the money. "There is no doubt," he says, "that the system is good. It was devised by experts, and we may ultimately find that it is worth the cost. The burden falls heaviest upon the smaller companies, having only one or two exchanges and a small wire mileage. The only question is as to how far the supervision of the Interstate Commission may go. The information given in our report will, we suppose, be used in compiling the statistical reports of the government, and this account much information has been demanded which is of little or no value except for statistical use."

Jeanes Produce Co. buys cream on Wednesdays and Saturdays. 14-d&w2t.

Watch the Fords Go By.

Study Food Values

Food provided for the family table deserves the careful thought of every housewife. Do you use thought when buying baking powder?

The quality of cake, biscuits and all quickly raised flour foods depends largely upon the kind of baking powder used.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder is made from cream of tartar derived from grapes. It is absolutely pure and has proved its excellence for making food of finest quality and wholesomeness for generations.

There is no alum nor phosphate in DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER MADE FROM CREAM OF TARTAR DERIVED FROM GRAPES

SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS.

Mrs. F. Knowles and children of Hugo, Okla., came in Tuesday to spend some time with her mother Mrs. T. O. Brown.

Willard Wooten, of San Angelo, who had been visiting his aunt, Mrs. Ed Eubank and family left Tuesday for his home.

M. Barbee is visiting his daughter in Paint Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McShann who live down the river and report a very pleasant time fishing.

We are glad to know Miss Hulda Pagles is able to be at home after a recent operation for appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Hood visited their daughter, Mrs. Cobb near

ERROR IN WOOL SALE REPORT

Our attention has been called to a slight error in the report made in this paper of the wool sale last Monday. We should have stated that the Edgar Littlefield clip was sold to H. M. Cummings for 24c per pound, and the E. S. McWilliams clip to S. D. Ranier for 28 3/4c per pound.

SHEFFY ROOMING HOUSE

On Eighth street is now open for business, nice clean, comfortable beds and courteous treatment. Give us a trial. 14-3td3w

We are little folks, but handle only Best grade of oil—and cedar posts. Independent Oil Co. 15-2d-1w.

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If not, call The Ballinger Insurance Agency for full information as to how to prepare against these evils

Ballinger Insurance Agency

T. J. GARDNER, Manager

Is the livest national issue of the day. The meaning of the word "PREPAREDNESS" is the state of being ready for any emergency which may arise. Are you prepared for the fire demon or cyclone?

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tive for revenge, but intervention should take place at once for humanity sake. Conditions in Mexico are deplorable and are growing worse every day. Nothing short of intervention will suffice.

The Fourth of July, 1916, should be the greatest of them all since the event which made that day glorious transpired. America is the leader of nations today, and the next twenty-four months will no doubt be the history making period of the present century. With the Wilson administration to pilot the country through the coming period named we believe every citizen will again and again feel thankful that he is an American.

We oppose the repeal of the Robertson Insurance Law. In the first place we can't understand why there is such an effort on the part of certain politicians to kill this law when there are so many worthless and bad laws on the statute books that should be knocked out. The Roberson law has benefited the state by keeping money paid out for life insurance invested in Texas securities, and home companies have been developed that are a credit to the state, and are now on a basis that will make them worth more to the state. If a foreign company can net come into Texas, the greatest state in the union, and do business on the same basis with the Texas companies, they should stay out. To say the least of it we are opposed to making laws for the benefit of the foreign companies.

RETURNED TO HARD LABOR. About three hundred Texas editors are on duty again today, after spending a week together, at El Paso, and in making the trip to that wonderful western city. Just as predicted, it was the greatest convention ever held by Texas newspaper men, and the hospitality served to the editors by the El Pasoans, and citizens of other towns where the editor's special train made stops, was the most liberal and excelled by far all previous

the 31st ultimo has been referred to the writer.

I expect to be in Ballinger the 20th and 21st of June with the regular short course. I am scheduled the first time in the afternoon of the 20th and I shall try and arrive either early in the morning of the 20th or late in the evening of the 19th and I would be glad to have an opportunity of looking over these diseased trees the morning of the 20th. If this does not give enough opportunity for investigating I shall try and arrange to stay a day or two after the short course is over and make a complete investigation. I regret very much that our men are scheduled full for the present, so we cannot come and investigate your trouble immediately, however, I imagine that a few days intervening between now and the short course will make very little difference. If you can conveniently do so I wish you would be kind enough to send me immediately some portions of the infected trees, fruit, leaves, branches and roots.

I am inclosing you herewith program for the Moveable School mentioned above. Anticipating the pleasure of meeting you personally and assuring you that I shall be very glad indeed to render any service to your community possible, I am Very truly yours, W. B. LANHAM, Horticulturist.

We are anxious to sell you best grade coal oil and cedar posts. Prices right. Independent Oil Co. 15-2td-1tw

SEVERE RHEUMATIC PAINS DISAPPEAR

Rheumatism depends on an acid in the blood, which affects the muscles and joints, producing inflammation, stiffness and pain. This acid gets into the blood through some defect in the digestive process. 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 improves the digestion. Don't suffer. Get Hood's today.

TELEPHONE COMPANY MAKES DETAIL REPORT

(Brownwood Bulletin) The West Texas Telephone Company has just completed the preparation of a report which covers seventy-five pages and contains data on every department of the company's business. The report is made for the Interstate Commerce Commission, under the rules and regulations adopted January 1, 1913. The figures and other information given are taken from the records of the calendar year 1915. The report cost the company about two hundred dollars worth of time in its accounting departments.

Among the items which are given in the bulky report are the names of the officers, directors and stockholders of the company, with the amount of stock owned by each. A division of the capital stock of the company into amounts invested in buildings, switch boards, pole lines and cable wire is another portion of the report. A detailed statement of the revenues and expense of the company for the year is given together with data as to the mileage of pole lines and open wire in the entire plant of the company. Immense Wire Mileage.

The report shows that the West Texas company has a total of 1,158 miles of pole lines, with 4,940 miles of wire in cables, and 3,668 miles of open wire. The number of local exchanges in the thirteen exchanges of the company last year—there are fifteen local exchanges this year—averaged 1,250,310 per month, or about 40,000 daily. The report shows that there are 115 persons in the employ of the company, and other details of a similar nature, including the total number of days each employe worked during the year, are given.

New Accounting System In order to be able to make the reports required by the Interstate Commerce Commission, and to meet the demands made by the

LIGHTNING STRIKES WHOLE TOWN

(Paint Rock Herald) There was a light cloud gathered in the vicinity of Paint Rock Saturday afternoon about 5:30 that was heavily charged with electricity. There was one bolt or current that expended itself right over and in the town of Paint Rock. The flue at the home of Mrs. Fullerton was struck, with damage but slight, knocking off a few bricks. At the same time nearly every business house seemed to serve as a pathway for the currents to pass through. Fire balls played in the yards of the homes, and several persons on the streets were slightly shocked. Miss Winnie Currie, the operator at the switch board, had the head "gear" used in operating at the board knocked from her head and she suffered nausea from the shock, though she soon was alright. The flue above the roof of the Masonic building was shattered and one prong of the bolt went down the flue on the outside and ripped the ceiling and set it on fire, reaching the floor in masonic hall it followed a seam in the linoleum covering the floor to near the Master's stand, striking a pane or two of glass as it passed out of the building. One bolt passed down the flue into the lower room where is located the Herald plant and the postoffice. It scattered the joints of stove pipe, blew suet all over one portion of the room, leaped to the telephone wire and burned it practically all, passing out the open window in the east of the postoffice. D. C. Broyles, the postmaster, and his daughter, were in the post office sitting near the delivery window and directly under the telephone wire but they escaped without even a shock. Fortunately no one was hurt.

THE BUS YSHOP

The dog muzzle law has been repealed, but their is no law against having your shoes repaired at H. L. WENDORF'S. 13-ftd

Rowena Sunday and attended church at Dry Ridge.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Branch spent Saturday in Bronte looking after their farm.

Miss Emmie Pagles came in Sunday from Winters, where she has been nursing a patient the past week.

We are glad to report Mrs. E. C. Bailey, who has been very sick for some time, much better.

There will be an old folks singing at the South Ballinger school house Sunday beginning at 2 o'clock. Everybody invited.

COTTON INSTITUTE

I wish to say that I attended a term of the cotton institute, which was taught by Mr. Kennedy, and take pleasure in saying that they have a grand method of instructing their students. Any one contemplating taking up the cotton business will make no mistake in attending their school. O. E. KNOX.

For further information, address, COTTON INSTITUTE, Box 514, Ballinger, Texas. d&w1t.

EDITORS CAST STRAW VOTE IN SENATORIAL RACE.

While traveling on a special train between El Paso, Texas, and Clouderoft, New Mexico, last Friday, a vote of about 400 newspapermen was cast in the senatorial race. Before leaving El Paso the originator had some cards printed, representing the ticket, the name of each senatorial candidate being printed on the ticket with instructions that the voter, vote as to how he thought his respective county would go, and not as to what his preference was in the matter. The result of the vote was as follows: Brooks first, Culberson second, Colquitt third, Campbell fourth, Henry fifth, and Riddle sixth. In the runoff between Brooks and Culberson, the two high men, Brooks defeated Culberson by the narrow margin of four votes.

Take your cream to Jeanes Produce Co. on Wednesdays and Saturdays. 14-d&w2t.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

All Copy for Political Announcements must be accompanied by Cash.

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 22nd.

For District Judge of the 35th Judicial District: JOHN W. GOODWIN. J. O. WOODWARD.

Representative 11th District: WALACE E. HAWKINS. C. R. STEPHENS.

For County Attorney: C. P. SHEPHERD. SAMUEL C. HARRIS.

For County Clerk: W. C. McCARTHER. C. C. COCKRELL. A. L. SPANN.

For Tax Assessor: C. C. SCHUCHARD. T. H. CURRY. JOE TURNER. WILLIE STEPHENS. H. O. RHODES.

For County Treasurer: W. E. BROWN

For Tax Collector: W. T. PADGETT. M. D. CHASTAIN

For Sheriff: J. D. PERKINS. E. F. (Earl) EDWARDS. J. P. FLYNT

For County Judge: O. L. PARISH. C. H. WILLINGHAM. W. D. JENNINGS.

For District Clerk: (Miss) MARY PHILLIPS.

For County Superintendent of Schools: E. L. HAGAN. L. S. BIRD. JNO. C. WELLS

For Commissioner Prec. No. 1: E. C. MOOR. R. P. KIRK. R. W. (Bob) GILLIAM.

For Commissioner Prec. No. 3: J. D. SMITH. J. G. (JOEL) SMITH.

For Commissioner Prec. No. 4: C. N. CRAFT. J. W. JONES



The Strange Case of MARY PAGE

The Great McClure Mystery Story, Written by FREDERICK LEWIS in Collaboration with JOHN T. M'INTYRE, Author of the Ashton Kirk Detective Stories. Read the Story and See the Essayay Moving Pictures

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SYNOPSIS

MARY PAGE, an actress, is accused of the murder of James Pollock, and is defended by her lover Philip Langdon. Pollock has been pursuing Mary for many months endeavoring to win her love and her hand in marriage, but his attentions have been very unwelcome to her.

Knowing her stage aspirations, he has, unknown to her, financed her starting tour under the management of Daniels.

On the night of the murder, Mary leaves the banquet hall in the Hotel Republic and enters the Gray Room alone expecting to meet Langdon. She has been lured there by Pollock, who has been drinking.

A few moments later a shot is heard and Langdon and others, upon entering the Gray Room find James Pollock shot through the heart and Mary Page lying in a faint beside him with Pollock's revolver not six inches from the ends of her fingers.

At Mary's trial she admits she had the revolver. Pollock had

invaded her dressing room at the theatre. Langdon had come to her rescue, the revolver had been knocked from Pollock's hand and Mary had seized and retained it. She had put it in her hand bag the night of the murder intending giving it to Langdon.

Her maid testifies that Mary threatened Pollock with it previously, and Mary's leading man implicates Langdon.

How Mary disappeared from the scene of the crime is a mystery. Brandon tells of a strange hand print he saw on Mary's shoulder.

Further evidence shows that horror of drink produces temporary insanity in Mary.

The defense is "repressed psychosis." Witnesses described Mary's flight from her intoxicated father and her father's suicide.

Nurse Walton describes the kidnaping of Mary by Pollock, and Amy Barton tells of Mary's struggles to become an actress, of Pollock's pursuit of her and of another occasion when the

smell of liquor drove Mary insane.

There is evidence that Daniels, Mary's manager, threatened Pollock. Mary faints on the stand and again goes insane when a policeman offers her whisky.

Daniels testifies that Pollock threatened to kill Mary and Langdon and actually attempted to kill Langdon.

Two witnesses describe Mary's flight to the street from the hotel and her abduction by men from a gambling place near by. Further evidence seems to incriminate Daniels.

Maggie Hale, inmate of a gambling den, testifies that she was at the hotel and heard two men quarreling in the Gray Room a short time before the murder. Her evidence seems to increase suspicion against Daniels.

Daniels privately informs Langdon that Mary Page did not kill Pollock and that if Mary is in danger of going to the electric chair he will tell all he knows of the case.

"Now," he said, "what about the guns?"

"Well, it's this way, sir," said James, twirling his hat in his nervous fingers. "I used to be in Mr. Pollock's room a lot, sir, and I knew all his guns. He had a lot of them—they were a sort of fad of his. There was two pairs of re-



"I could see that she hated him." volvers—duellin' pistols, he called 'em—but that there gun in court ain't one of those.

"It was his own special one. He had the barrel sawed off extra short so it would fit easy in his pocket. He showed it to me, and said that if anybody ever did for him, they'd have to move quicker than he did. And then, sir, it was his own gun that killed him. Life's a queer thing, ain't it?"

Langdon nodded vaguely, too disappointed at the failure of this new hope to pay much attention to what the man was saying.

"I suppose," he said drily, "you won't mind telling that fact in court, will you?"

He looked sharply at the waiter.

"No, sir."

The waiter hesitated a moment, then flushed and stammered, "I—I wish it might have been one of a pair, sir, if it would have helped the young lady; my wife and I admired her picture so. I took quite an interest, you see, being as how I knew him, sir. I'd seen her photograph in his room, too, and—I know what sort of a man he was. I ain't sorry he's dead, and I'd like to help if I could."

"One night I saw him grab her by the arm and I could see that she hated him and that he was makin' her life miserable by his attentions."

"I saw her that night, Mr. Pollock gimme a pass, and afterwards I saw him—"

He broke off abruptly, then leaned forward staring up at Langdon, the life-long servility of the man who serves falling from him for a minute as he said sharply:

"Mr. Langdon, Mr. Pollock had a fight with somebody over the telephone at the club that night, and he didn't go to the Hotel Republic alone!"

"What?" Philip's exclamation was shrill in its excitement but before he could ask any questions that rushed to his lips, the bailiff rapped at the door, announcing that His Honor was ready to reopen court.

With a shrug of impatience Langdon gathered up the papers he had flung upon the table.

"I shall have to put you on the stand, and ask the questions I would like to ask now," he said to the waiter. "You don't mind, I suppose?"

There was a note of anxiety in his voice. "That is what I am here for, sir," said the little man with a calmness that was not without dignity. "My wife is in the court, sir, waiting to hear me."

He spoke rather proudly; the attitude of a waiter seemed suddenly to leave him.

He was like a soldier who has hesitated, and then, having made up his mind to fight, goes invincibly to battle. Langdon smiled, and clapped him on the shoulder in a friendly fashion that



"I'll have them here, sir, don't you fear."

brought a flush of pride to the face of the older man.

Then he led the way out into the corridor again.

At the door of the witness room he paused a moment and opening it, called to Brennan, the detective, who had figured in the trailing of Daniels, and said quietly:

"I want James Pollock's chauffeur. If possible, have him in court within an hour or two."

"Yes, sir."

"And Brennan—get the carriage man at the Hotel Republic, too. The man who was on duty in front of the hotel on the night Pollock was killed. It's

important. We must work quickly. There isn't a moment to lose."

"I'll have them here, sir, don't you fear."

And, snatching up his hat, Brennan set off down the corridor at a brisk trot, the waiter staring after him and nodding with pleasure at being able to comprehend the orders that the lawyer had given.

"They can prove all I say, sir," he said to Langdon. "I hope it will help. Shall you put me on the stand at once?"

"Yes," said Langdon. "I'm going to call you the first thing. You mustn't be nervous about it, though. It's not really such an ordeal as it sounds."

"I shan't be nervous, sir," said the waiter, but his face did pale a little when he saw the crowded room and the judge.

He acted like a man who had never been in a court-room before.

He took the oath firmly, however, and his voice, though a bit shaky, was



"I ought not to tell that, though."

clear as he answered Langdon's questions.

His name, he said, was James Watson. He was forty-three years old and was employed as a waiter at the Criterion Club.

"You see, sir," he went on confidentially, "there is not enough work in the dining-room to keep us busy except at meal times. They keep one or two men on duty on account of orders for drinks, but the rest of us serve only at breakfast, luncheon and dinner. That leaves us some free time and we mostly have one or two of the gentlemen who live at the Club to look after. I was man for Mr. Pollock. That is, I looked after his clothes and attended to his wants in the way of valeting."

"Watson, when was the last time you saw Mr. Pollock?"

"After the theatre, sir, on the night when he was—when he died."

He uttered the last phrase almost in a whisper, and there was the awe in his voice of the uneducated at the mention of death.

"Did he dine at the club?"

"Yes, sir."

"Did he seem uneasy about anything?"

Langdon was gaining confidence in this unheeded witness.

"Well, he had been drinking pretty heavily, and he was always ugly, if I may say so, sir, when he had been drinking. Maybe I ought not to tell that, though," the witness added, nervously putting his hand to his mouth. "He seemed excited, but I thought it was probably about the performance, sir."

"Did he say anything about carrying a gun that night? Think now, before you reply."

"No, sir," the waiter answered with out the slightest hesitation. "But he swore when he came home that afternoon, sir, because his pet particular revolver had been taken away from him."

"Did he tell you where or how he lost it?"

"No, sir, he did not. There was no reason why he should, sir, for I was only his servant."

"Was it one of a pair of revolvers?"

"No, sir. It was one he had had fixed especially to carry, sir."

"Watson, did Mr. Pollock telephone to anyone before or after dinner, that you know of?"

"Yes, sir. He went direct to the phone booth when he came in, and talked for a long time. He seemed very angry, and suddenly he shouted, 'Dash you, you'll do as I say or by—I'll send you up. I've got the goods on you.'"

"Then he seemed to realize that somebody might hear, and lowered his voice. There was another call for him while he was eating and he went out, and answered it. He seemed angry at first, then pleased. He was in a much better temper when he came back."

The witness wiped his brow, and glanced down at the spectators, as if looking for the sympathetic face of his wife.

In his excitement, and because the next question came so fast, he did not have a chance to see her.

"Watson, you say you saw Mr. Pollock after the theatre—where?"

"I had been to the show, sir, and was coming out when I saw Mr. Pollock just ahead of me. I thought he was looking for his limousine. I saw it and hurried up, intending to tell him where it was, when he caught sight of it himself. I was just behind him, therefore, when he stepped into it."

"Was there anyone in the automobile?"

"Yes."

"Could you see them?"

Langdon was overjoyed at the ready answers he was receiving.

If he had trained this man for a couple of days he could not have asked for better results.

"No. I could see an arm as somebody opened the door for Mr. Pollock, and I heard a voice say, 'It's all right, chief. It's a cinch.'"

"Then the engine made such a noise I couldn't hear any more. You know how those machines do drown out everything sometimes, sir."

"Had you ever heard the voice before?"

"I couldn't say, sir. I didn't notice."

The bailiff came and whispered a word in Langdon's ear, handing him at the same time a slip of paper.

On it was scrawled: "Pollock's chauffeur, Carter, is in court. You can call him right away. I'll have the other here in a jiffy, Brennan."

With a smile of relief Langdon turned back to his witness.

"Was that the last time you saw Mr. Pollock?"

"Yes, sir."

"That is all, thank you, Mr. Watson."

And as the waiter stepped down with a smile on his face, Langdon said clearly:

"Call Frank Carter."

There was a stir through the courtroom, and some commotion as the chauffeur got to his feet in confusion, and stared at Langdon.

"D'you mean me?" he asked bluntly; and when the court crier repeated the name, "Frank Carter!" he scrambled over the intervening spectators and went down the room excitedly.

He did not seem happy over the prospect of being made so conspicuous.

"You were Mr. Pollock's chauffeur, were you not?" asked Langdon, and the man nodded.

"Then will you please take the stand?"

Still looking somewhat bewildered at the sudden call, Carter took the oath, and Langdon, after the preliminary questions, said slowly, as if seeking to make a definite effect:

"Mr. Carter, you drove Mr. Pollock continually, did you not?"

"Yes, sir."

"Then you must have known most of his friends?"

"I did, sir, and some of his enemies," said the chauffeur grimly.

"Did you drive the limousine on the night Mr. Pollock was shot?"

"I did, sir," the witness answered readily.

He saw that he was important now, and, like most of his class, he rather

enjoyed his sudden plunge into the limelight.

"Did Mr. Pollock take anyone to the theatre with him?"

"No, sir."

"Did he give you any instruction about what to do after the theatre?"

"Yes. He said that I was to wait for him near the corner, instead of coming back after the show. 'I may need you,' he said, 'and I'd rather you'd wait. If you stay at the corner I can see you, whether I come out at the front of the theater or through the stage door.'"

"He took a guest back to the hotel with him after the performance, did he not?"

"No, sir."

The chauffeur was very emphatic.

"Do you mean that there was no one in the car except Mr. Pollock?"

"Oh, no—there was Shale. I thought you meant somebody else."

"Who is Shale?"

"Well, he's a sort of a pal of the chief's—that is, he used to be. I dunno exactly how to describe him. He and Mr. Pollock were in on some deals together, and when the chief wanted anything special done, he allus sent Shale. Folks called Shale 'Jim's jackal.'"

"Mr. Pollock seemed to think a lot of him, though, and took him around a good bit. When he was good humored, he used to say he took Shale along because he knew what he was up to when he was with him."

"When did this man Shale join Mr. Pollock?"

"After the show, or, rather, during it. I had been off to get a snifter, and when I came back Shale was sittin' in the car smokin'."

"I'm waitin' for Jim," he says; and I says, 'Go as far as you like.' So he give me a cigar, and we sat there smokin' till the show was over and Mr. Pollock came out."

"Was Mr. Pollock surprised to see this man in the machine?"

"No. He was used to it. He seemed to have been expectin' him. I saw him looking about in the crowd as if he was huntin' someone, and when he saw Shale in the car he looked relieved."

"Did you drive direct to the Hotel Republic?"

"Yes, sir, we did."

"And Mr. Shale went in with Mr. Pollock?"

"Oh, no, sir. As soon as the car stopped he went off down the street and Mr. Pollock went into the hotel alone."

There was no doubt that both these unexpected witnesses had made a good impression.

The district attorney was not pleased; but Langdon, happy in the knowledge that the terrible ordeal for Mary Page was drawing to an end, left the courtroom that day feeling younger and full of power.

Soon—soon— But he hardly dared to dream his wonderful dream.

[To be continued.]

F. G. Hoelscher, the Olfin merchant, motored over to Ballinger Monday on a short business trip. He has just returned home from Marlin, in his auto, and reports the hail did damage in some places along the route and other places the stand is bad and taken as a whole Runnels county is ahead of any county he passed through.

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NEW CLEWS

"If you please, Mr. Langdon, may I speak to you a moment, sir?" The deferential voice halted Philip as he was on his way from court to Mary's cell, and he swung about with the frown of one whose days are made up of unpleasant interruptions by strangers.

Langdon had been at the office most of the night looking up certain points of law and his temper was none too good.

"Well?" he snapped, and the pallid-faced man with the stooped shoulders winced and drew back a little.

"I'm sorry, sir, but I thought I ought to tell you, sir. It's—it's about the guns."

"The guns?" The frown faded from Langdon's face, and he looked down at the man with a sudden interest. "Who are you?"

"James Watson, sir. I am a waiter at the Criterion Club where Mr. Pollock resided. I also acted as his confidential man during my off hours, sir."



Langdon Had Been at the Office Most of the Night.

You see, I am an extra, not a regular waiter in the dining-room."

Langdon drew a deep breath and laid his hand on the other's stooped and servile shoulder.

"This is not the place to talk," he said quietly. "You'd better come down to my office with me. I have a few minutes yet before the recess is over."

The man bowed, and Langdon, turning, led the way into the private room beyond the court-room, and waving the waiter to a chair, sat down himself on the edge of the table.

What Would We Do Without Sugar?



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We are so used to sugar that we are likely to forget to give it its properly important place. Right now if somebody asked you what sugar was good for you'd probably say—"Oh! to put in coffee and tea and for making candies and desserts." That's it—we all think of sugar as a sweetener and overlook its value as a food.

The chemists classify sugar as a hydrocarbon—that name may or may not be interesting to us, but what is interesting is their statement that it has, as a hydrocarbon, equal food value with the starchy foods and by digestion largely adds to the fatty tissues of the body.

Why do we eat sugar anyway? Your first answer might be, "Because it is sweet and tastes good." Of itself the answer would be correct, but the more important fact is that the body craves sugar because it needs it. And when the body craves something it gives us an appetite for it. So primarily that's why we like sugar and things made with sugar and not just because they are sweet.

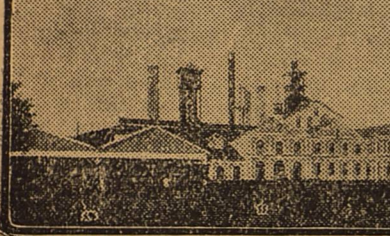
In view of the fact that sugar has gone up so tremendously of late these facts

HOW SUGAR CANE GROWS

are interesting because we find that instead of the luxury sugar having gone up it is the FOOD sugar that has raised its price. Yet—even though the price is up we have to have our sweet food just the same.

Certainly the makers of that delicious beverage Coca-Cola must have discovered that sugar is up, because one of the principal ingredients in making Coca-Cola syrup is fine cane sugar. Think of it!—they use an average of 80 tons of sugar a day—about 4 carloads. But unlike many manufacturers that company has itself borne the raise and so you and I pay just the same today for our bottle or glass of Coca-Cola that we've always paid. Incidentally, this phase of the situation is a good reminder of the benefits one gets from drinking a beverage as pure and good as Coca-Cola. Not only do we please our palates and derive wholesome refreshment from the drink but we also give our systems that bit of sugar sweetness that they crave and which is necessary to health and tissues. Is it any wonder then that Coca-Cola is so popular and so universally drunk that it has been called "the drink the nation drinks"?

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TYPICAL CUBAN SUGAR MILL

U. S. FURNISHES RED BUG REMEDY

WASHINGTON, June 13.—If a bath in hot water, or in water containing salt or strong soap, is taken within a few hours after exposure in shrubby and weeds infested with "chiggers," or "red bugs," no ill effects will be experienced. After a long exposure, however, a bath has practically no effect, and direct remedies are necessary.

After irritation has set in, and small red spots appear the application of a moderately strong solution of ammonia to the affected parts is recommended by the Department of Agriculture's entom-

mologists. A supersaturated solution of bicarbonate of soda, or common cooking soda or saleratus will afford relief. Liberal applications should be made until the irritation subsides. If the suffering is severe, a dilute tincture of iodine of colloidian should be lightly applied.

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MORRIS ACCUSES FERGUSON OF GRAFT

For some reason the speaking date for Chas. H. Morris, candidate for governor, had not been announced in Ballinger, and that gentleman arrived in Ballinger unhealed Tuesday, and began at once to advertise his speaking. He addressed between fifty and one hundred men at the court house, Tuesday afternoon, speaking for about two hours, during which time the majority of the crowd listened very attentively to what Mr. Morris had to say.

Mr. Morris stated that it was the first time in his life he had ever asked for any kind of political favor. He declared that he was a business man, and a successful one, having worked his way from the very bottom. In speaking of his private record he stated that he was the son of a Methodist preacher and had lived up to the teaching taught him by his father, and had never taken a drink of whiskey in his life, did not know one card from another and never appeared on the ball room floor in his life. He said he was a pro in all that the term applies, and considered the open saloon one of the greatest curses to the American people.

Before taking up and discussing the various planks in his platform, Mr. Morris devoted considerable time to exposing the wasteful extravagance, as he termed it, of the Ferguson administration. He exhibited charts and tax tables showing that the amount paid by the tax payers of Runnels county during the Ferguson administration was double the amount paid during two years in the history of Texas. He stated that the tax rate for the Ferguson administration was double that of any two years in the history of the state, and he referred to the appointees filling the new offices created under the Ferguson administration, as tax eaters, and a burden to the tax payers.

The speaker exhibited quite a number of certified bills which he had secured at considerable expense, showing how Gov. Ferguson was checking on the various appropriations made by the legislature for his personal expense. He exhibited grocery bills, auto bills, gasoline bills, candy bills, and an item of \$50 per month which was being paid for salary for social secretary for Mrs. Ferguson, and criticized the governor for paying out the people's money for such items, claiming that they were being paid out of appropriations made by the legislature for other purposes. In discussing the penitentiary system Mr. Morris criticized Gov. Ferguson for buying another convict farm at a cost of \$350,000 after the commission had declared that the penitentiary farms were being operated at a loss, and stated that the new farm was bought on a credit, taxing the tax payers a big interest, and stated that Jake Wolters and two other lawyers received \$50,000 for putting over the deal.

Mr. Morris declared himself in favor of the Robertson insurance law, and criticized Ferguson for opposing this law. He said Ferguson's argument in favor of the repeal of the Robertson law was that it would bring cheap money into Texas was a good deal like his tenant law, was made only to catch votes, and he asked where the tenant law had benefited any one. He said Ferguson was posing as a friend to the tenant class he was not practicing what he preached and was oppressing the tenant class, and stated that Ferguson had purchased another farm since he was elected governor, and the first thing he did was to kick out all the tenants and employ hands to work on the farm.

The candidate for governor ridiculed the people who referred to the Ferguson administration as a business one and stated that it was for big business interest and against the tax payers of Texas, and exhibited a chart showing how the revenue from taxes had been increased during the Ferguson administration and the revenue from big business decreased.

It was not an enthusiastic crowd who head Mr. Morris speak, and only when he stated that if he was elected governor he would not leave Austin and take the stump in the interest of some local campaign, that he was applauded.

Mr. Morris stated that Ballinger was one of the towns in which he was not acquainted, and it was

some time after he arrived here before he met any one who was personally acquainted with him. His supporters here were not very active, and it began to look like he would have trouble getting before his crowd, when Judge J. H. Baugh volunteered to introduce the speaker, and he was given a respectful hearing, and no doubt made a favorable impression on those who heard him, or quite a number of them at least.

YOUNG FOLKS, IT'S COMING AND YOU CAN'T HOLD IT BY THE TAIL.

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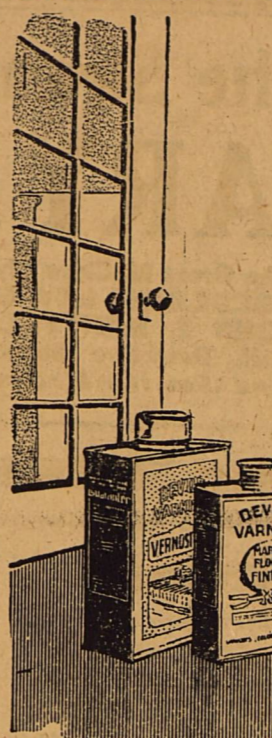
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The time has come when no man can or should hold any of the offices and be a "boose fighter." Any man who has sense enough to fill an office has sense enough to know this, and the people cannot be fooled. Hence I desire to say unto my people that I have absolutely quit the use of strong drink; have dissolved partnership with "John Barlecorn," and here and now honestly and conscientiously promise and pledge myself to them my unwavering fidelity to my own manhood, and to their public interest, if I should be elected.
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DELINQUENT LIBRARIES BLOCKING PROGRESS

The Carnegie Library Association has turned down a petition from the City of Dallas for the location of a library in that city for the negroes. Not only does the Carnegie Library Association turn down the request, but in a letter addressed to Mayor Lindsley of Dallas, notice is given that there will be no more Carnegie Libraries located in Texas until the cities now being ornamented with library buildings come up with their pledges and support the libraries as promised and upon which promise the money was appropriated for the building of the libraries.

Secretary Bertram in his letter to Mr. Lindsley says that only nine libraries in Texas are being properly maintained, the people filling their pledges. The cities are Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, El Paso, Comacana, Cleburne, San Antonio and Waco.

The cities which have not fulfilled their maintenance pledges are as follows: Ballinger, Belton, Clarkeville, Jefferson, Stamford, Sulphur Springs and Winnsboro, and the following cities have not yet reported on their pledges: Brownwood, Franklin, Greenville, Houston (negro library), Memphis, Pecos, Temple, Terrell, Tyler and Bryan. Texas stands at the bottom of the list of States supporting their libraries, the letter declared, and asserted that no more libraries would be given Texas until a better showing is made.

This is believed to be the first step in bringing to time the fulfillment of the obligations the people made when the money was donated for the library at Ballinger, and other places. The people are repudiating this obligation, which in business life would be

considered dishonorable, and as a result we are depriving other towns of a benefit they want, need and no doubt would get if we were living up to our contract. We are blocking progress by not supporting the library.

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E. W. McMillan came in from Fort McKavitt Monday to visit relatives over night and left Tuesday afternoon for Sherman.

Mrs. Adolph Wilke and little daughter returned home Monday afternoon from a visit to her son, Leroy Wilke, at San Angelo.

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Joe Turner returned home Monday night from an extended business trip to points in South Texas.

J. D. Reynolds and Harvey Grimes of the Maverick country, and Ed Kornegay, of Miles were among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

Ed Coffey of Leaday, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday afternoon.

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The farmers short course instructors will arrive at Ballinger next Sunday and at nine o'clock Monday morning the school will convene at the South Ward school building. Everything is being arranged for the three days work and every farmer in the county who is interested in the betterment of farm conditions and who wants to keep abreast of the times should arrange to attend this school. The instructors are coming here free of all expense to the farmers. The Business League is footing the local expense bill and the lecturers and demonstrators come at the expense of the agricultural department. Following is the program for three days, and other matters will be discussed if the farmers will attend and ask any question on any subject they wish to be enlightened on.

JUNE 19.

Joint Session of Men and Women in Forenoon.

9:00 to 9:30 Registration with the Secretary.

9:30 to 10:30 Judging Cattle—D. T. Griswold.

10:30 to 11:15 Kitchen Conveniences—Mrs. G. M. Garren.

11:15 to 12:00 Growing Legumes for Soil Improvement—G. M. Garren.

Afternoon Session—For Men.

1:30 to 2:30 Feeding Cattle—Silos and Silage—D. T. Griswold.

2:30 to 3:30—Exchanging Cotton Seed at Oil Mills for Meal—G. M. Garren.

Afternoon Session—For Women.

1:30 to 3:30 Bread and Yeast—Mrs. G. M. Garren.

JUNE 20.

Joint Session of Men and Women In Forenoon.

9:00 to 10:00 Value of Foods—Mrs. G. M. Garren.

10:00 to 11:00 Horse Judging—D. T. Griswold.

11:00 to 12:00 Preparation of Seed Bed—G. M. Garren.

Afternoon Session—For Men.

1:30 to 2:30 Orchard Planning and Cultivation—W. B. Lanham.

2:30 to 3:15 Sheep Raising—D. T. Griswold.

3:15 to 4:00 Conservation of Moisture—G. M. Garren.

Afternoon Session—For Women.

1:30 to 3:30 Canning and Pickling—Mrs. G. M. Garren.

JUNE 21.

Joint Session of Men and Women In Forenoon.

9:00 to 10:00 Milk and Eggs—Value as Food—Mrs. G. M. Garren.

10:00 to 11:00 Hog Feeding—D. T. Griswold.

11:00 to 12:00 Corn Growing—G. M. Garren.

Afternoon Session—For Men...

1:30 to 2:30 Pruning: Insect Disease and Control—W. B. Lanham.

Afternoon Session for Women.

1:30 to 2:30 Fireless Cooker Demonstration—Mrs. G. M. Garren.

2:30 to 3:30

3:30 to 4:00

4:00 to 4:30

4:30 to 5:00

5:00 to 5:30

5:30 to 6:00

6:00 to 6:30

6:30 to 7:00

CAMPBELL TAKES CROWD BY STORM

Arriving in Ballinger Saturday morning from San Angelo, former Governor of Texas, and at present candidate for U. S. senator, Tom Campbell, repaired to the Central Hotel, remaining there to receive friends until time set for his address about 2:45 that afternoon. Judge Campbell was met here by his son, T. M. Campbell, Jr., who is acting as his father's secretary for the campaign.

The Ballinger Concert Band rendered several selections on the down town streets, after which the crowd that had assembled was drawn over to the court house. A large crowd of farmers were in town and quite a representative part of the crowd gathered in the district court room to hear the candidate. Among those who acted as Mr. Campbell's "jury" and sat on the case, were Ed Dickinson, D. P. Moser, Rev. Montgomery, Rev. Rives, Dr. T. A. Rape, M. D. Chastain, Grandpa Spann, J. W. Powell, Rev. Bost, J. J. Erwin, N. J. Wardlow, and T. S. Lankford.

Mayor Powell, with a few well chosen sentences, introduced Gov. Campbell, as the man who was a "native Texan all Texans should be proud of one who reflects great credit to a great State." The introductory talk was roundly cheered, and Mr. Campbell rose amid much applause.

Gov. Campbell expressed his pleasure at being able to meet Runnels county citizens, thanked them for past support for him, and said he believed he would always have warm friends in this county. Wherever he was known best, he received his best support, always, he claimed; and he believed that was a big endorsement for any man.

Referring to his past record as governor of Texas, Mr. Campbell said he believed when he stepped down from the state executive's chair after a term of four years and two day, that he would not be a candidate for any office again. Later events, he said had caused him to make a change of mind.

President Wilson's administration was endorsed in warm terms by the speaker, who said Wilson was the "greatest president we have ever had," and reviewed the beneficial legislation passed by present congress under his guiding hand. He said many great reforms have been put over by the Wilson democratic congress, including the tariff acts, the federal reserve bank laws, agricultural acts, and other industrial regulations.

Mr. Campbell said he was a firm believer in a better navy and army and wants a merchant marine owned by the United States supplement the navy. He said he thought the products of our farm and factory should be transported by our own commerce, not by that of some foreign nation.

The national anti-trust law was one of the best laws ever enacted, but he would place even more power in this law, said the ex-gov-

enor, and give the attorney general the right to subpoena before him, or his commission, any officer of a trust company for questioning, would give the right to delve into records, papers, etc., to decide whether the trust had been violating the law. If said officer of trust company refused the summons, he would be held guilty of conspiracy to evade the law, with a fine and imprisonment imposed. Mr. Campbell said he would invest in the United States attorney general the same powers that are now invested in the Texas attorney general in this regard.

Mr. Campbell claimed that the law he had passed in Texas in 1905, made it possible in 1915 for the state's attorney general to prosecute the "cotton oil trust." "I do not say that your local cotton oil mill was in that combine to hold down prices on cotton seed." He asked his audience if they remembered last year while cotton seed was selling for \$17 a ton in Texas the same time sold for \$35 a ton in Alabama and other states. Only ten days after a suit was begun in Texas courts against this cotton seed monopoly, according to the speaker prices jumped from the \$17 a ton level to \$35 and \$40. This illustrated the power the Texas attorney general has over illegal combines in this state, he said.

Another example of the efficiency of the Texas anti-trust laws, passed by the Campbell regime, according to the speaker, was the recent suit against the breweries at Sulphur Springs and the big fine paid into this states' treasury. Here the ex-Governor digressed from the trust issues to come out strongly in favor of prohibition. He said he was in favor of prohibition, "without regard to area, quantity, or any other qualification. I am in favor of pre-emptive prohibition, county prohibition, state-wide prohibition, national prohibition," was the positive utterance. Mr. Campbell did not believe the wet or dry question should enter into the race for United States Senator, but he was only trying to place himself in the correct column, not to dodge the issue. A greater part of his speech was then devoted to a discussion of what the former state executive thinks is a great evil. He aptly compared the saloon and its interests with a "snake." He said Ballinger had missed a great opportunity a few



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El Paso, Texas, June 12, 1916.
Ledger,
Ballinger, Texas.

Gentlemen:—If you have not already done so please drop my name from the announcement column.

Yours very truly,
M. LESTER CHAMBERS.

WHY WOMEN SUFFER.

Many Ballinger Women are Learning the Cause.

Women often suffer, not knowing the cause.

Backache, headache, dizziness, nervousness,

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Each a torture of itself.

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Strike at the root—get to the cause.

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Here's convincing testimony from a Ballinger woman:

Mrs. G. W. Newman, 906 Sealy Ave., Ballinger says: "My kidneys didn't act regularly and I was bothered by pains in my back. Doan's Kidney Pills relieved this trouble. I consider them a very good medicine and don't hesitate to recommend them."

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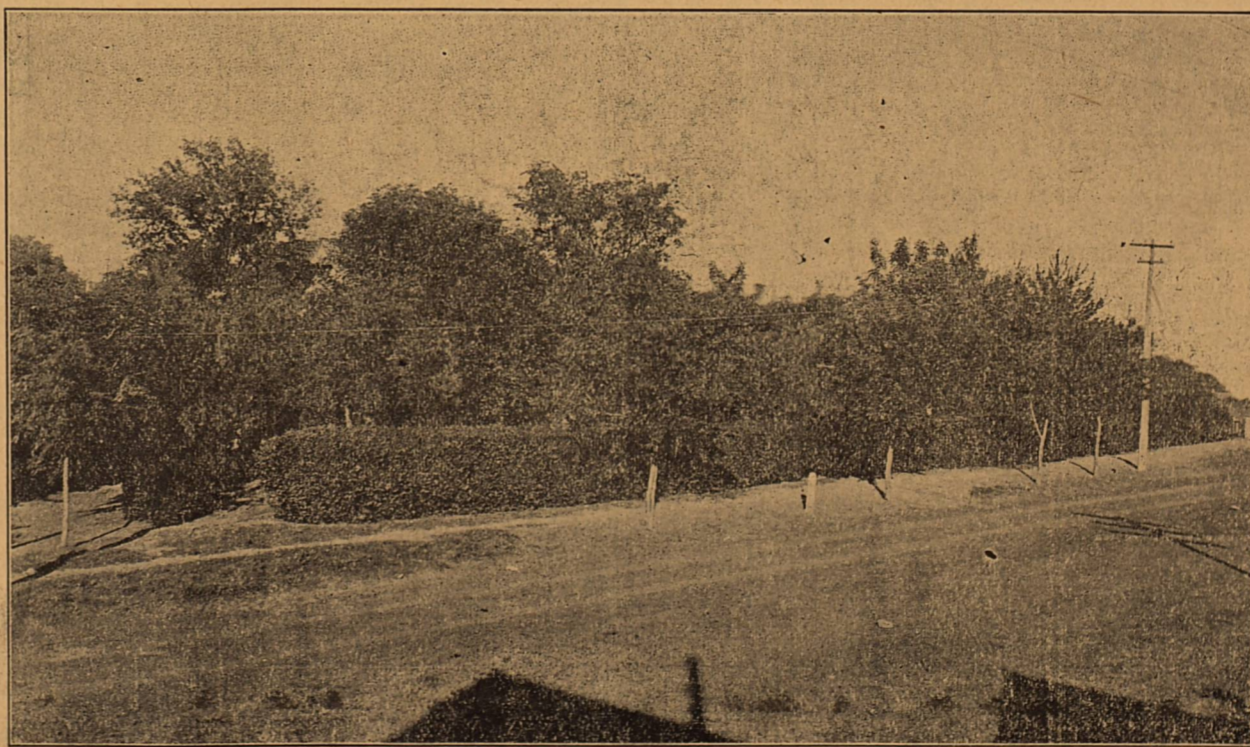
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J. S. Reese, of the Benoit country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday and reports crops clean and in growing shape, but feed stuff beginning to need rain.

Prof. J. C. Wells, of Miles, was looking after his candidacy for school superintendent in Ballinger Friday and was accompanied home in the afternoon, in his auto, by Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Harris who had been visiting their daughter, Mrs. R. A. Nicholson and family of West End.

Fred Montgomery returned home Friday from an auto trip to Brownwood, Comanche and Stephenville and was accompanied by I. S. Agee, of Belton, who was installing gas plants. Fred accepted a position with the Harwell Motor Co., and will begin upon his duties in a day or two.

THIS BEAUTIFUL HOME FOR SALE!



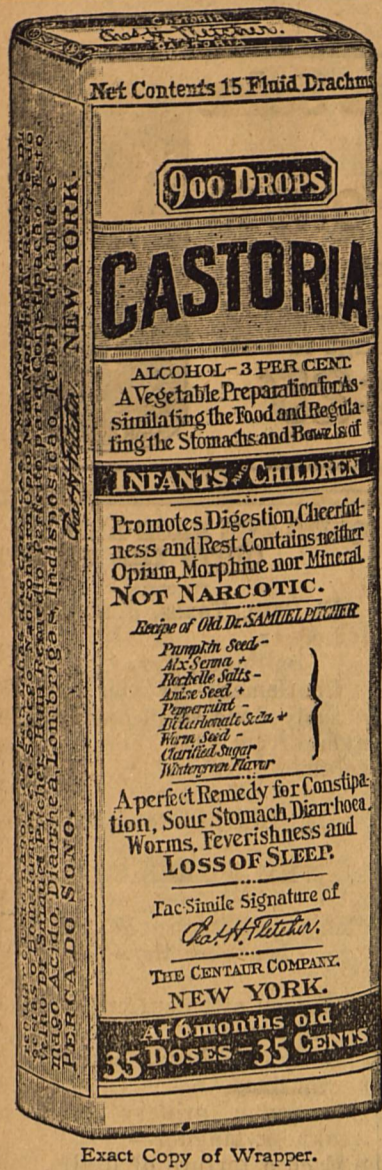
The pecan, walnut, ash, elm, hackberry, sycamore, maple, a California privet hedge eight feet in width, are among the varieties in this grove.

Three large lots, fronting 180 feet on Sixth street and running back 140 feet. The cottage con-

tains five large rooms, each equipped with electric light fixtures. A new 60 barrel cistern, barn and other improvements have been recently made. This home is supplied with two separate water connections with four hydrants conveniently situated.

The owner, M. C. Smith, being desirous of erecting a new home on his Broadway property, upon which he has heretofore planted trees, will sell the above premises on reasonable terms, which may be obtained from either H. Giescke or C. A. Doose & Co.

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35 Doses—35 CENTS

300 Texas Newspaper Men Spend Afternoon in Juarez

The following articles were written from El Paso by A. W. Sledge, who attended the Texas newspaper men's convention in that city last week:

EL PASO, Tex., June 7.—Under the personal escort of Mexican Consul Garcia and the mayor of Juarez, whose name I cannot recall, or pronounce, 300 newspapermen of Texas and their wives, spent three hours in Juarez yesterday afternoon. The editors were assured to begin with that there was no danger, and they were given every liberty and accorded every courtesy accustomed to in Texas.

For the entertainment of the Texas editors Gen. Francisco Gonzales, commanding the Juarez garrison gave a concert on the Juarez plaza, the military band, under the leadership of Rafael Ordonez, rendering a special program, throughout the entire stay on the Mexican side of the river.

The band is composed of 68 pieces, and the music was far ahead of the general surroundings, and altogether out of harmony with the awful conditions that exist so close to the land of happiness and plenty. As for war we must say that the reports sent out from this place are considerably exaggerated, but as for the results of war, the half has never been told. Juarez today is as peaceful as El Paso. Mexican soldiers, it is true are patrolling the streets of that ancient city, but American troops—protest guards are also patrolling the streets of El Paso.

But there is a difference between the two places that causes one to stop and wonder. With only the Rio Grande between the two cities, El Paso, perhaps not half as old as Juarez, is a busy city of 72,000 people, modern and progressive in every particular, while the latter place is tottering in wreck and ruin, filthy, poverty stricken and her little children begging in the streets. Why is it?

We visited the old Mission where quite a number of Mexican women and children were kneeling at the altar and performing a ceremony we could not understand, but we also could not understand why God was keeping his face from shining upon these pitiful souls.

We visited the jail. The gates were thrown open to us, and here we found a condition that is impossible to realize that could exist so close to the borders of a Christian land. At present there is about 200 prisoners of war in the Juarez jail. They represent the various revolution bands, are being held in a pen of vermine and stench that sickens you at a glance. The majority of these, Mexicans will no doubt, be taken out and shot when Gen. Carranza finds time to meet out punishment to them.

We visited the old bullet riddled barracks and saw the wall where only within the last few months men have been "backed up" against the wall and shot to death, blood stain-marking the place where the bullet pierced their body and lodged against the walls. With such condition within a "pebbles throw" of American soil, where it looks like these unfortunate people would at least absorb some civilization, what must it be in the interior.

Juarez is not that place of prosperity it was in the days of horse racing, bull fighting and gambling, open and above board, when the lawless man with his ill-gotten gain spent his money freely. The American—the man with money to play the game and keep such lawlessness prospering, has been cut-off and the Juarez citizen has no money to carry on such fun. With her ancient adobe buildings shot to pieces, and her better buildings vacant, the ten thousand or more citizens are living in from hand to mouth fashion, and off of the defacto government through the scant rations issued to the soldiers and passed out to the helpless.

Little children, as young in age as six years, little girls meet you at every turn in Juarez and with out stretched hands beg you for pennies. We were told by an English speaking Mexican that these children's parents had been killed in war or put to death for taking part in some revolution. In Juarez today are small boys, not over 13 and 14 years old armed for service in the army. They walk the streets with muskets on their shoulders, dirks or six-shooters in their belt, and in this way what else can be expected of them but to fight and ignorant of what they are fighting for.

Peace will not reign in Mexico until our Uncle Sam does the reigning.

The attendance at the Texas press meet is said to be the largest for several years, and El Paso is doing the great thing for the social amusement of the "gang." As guests of the El Paso Chamber of Commerce the editors will spend Friday at Cloud Croft, stopping for luncheon at Alamogordo. Gen. Bell commanding the Fort Bliss garrison, appeared before the convention this afternoon and announced that his entire aggregation of fighters with the full equipment of the various corps, would put on a show for the entertainment of the visitors as well as the citizens of El Paso tomorrow.

EL PASO, Texas, June 8.—That Uncle Sam has an eye on the safety of the Americans along the Mexican border was demonstrated most vividly here Thursday when Gen. Bell, in command

of the 4,500 soldiers stationed at Fort Bliss brought "into action" almost the entire fighting equipment under his command for the entertainment of the Texas editors.

It was the first parade since the recent concentration of troops here and the preparedness was quite a surprise for the El Paso citizens who did not realize that such move had been made for the protection of the people at this point on the border.

400 soldiers participated in the parade including the artillery, cavalry, heavy field guns, machine guns, hospital corps, mounted autos and motors. It required one hour and ten minutes for the parade to pass the hotel where the newspaper men were stationed to view the display.

This army display thrilled the citizens who thronged the streets in the down town district and continuous cheering prevailed throughout the more than an hour's time, and the feeling of safety, as well as pride was greatly strengthened among the American people. Many Mexicans—claiming their allegiance to the stars and stripes—joined in the demonstration of American patriotism as the soldiers passed through the streets keeping steps to the patriotic music of the half dozen or more bands.

The people are peaceable, but of one mind when discussing the Mexican situation, Intervention is as certain as the Rio Grande continues to furnish the dividing line between the two countries, and the day that President Wilson sends the American troops into Mexico to "clean up" and establish a government will be the day when his stock will rise to the higher point since his presidential boom was launched in 1912.

The civilians of Mexico will welcome intervention, when they learn the real meaning of it. There is a longing for peace among the lower class in Juarez today, and only the Mexicans who are profiting in a financial way by the continued oppression of the peons, and the slavery of the ignorant, are responsible for the awful condition that prevails right at our back door.

There is no comparison between the American troops stationed at Fort Bliss just north of this city, and the Carrancista troops stationed at the Juarez garrison, not more than a mile south of the city, and firing upon the Carrancistas would be nothing short of murder of irresponsible boys wearing Mexican uniforms; yet some day the firing must be done. While the Carrancista officials at Juarez tell you there is no danger in visiting that city, you feel that you are among suspicious, irresponsible boys, armed to kill on the least provocation, and any hostile move or remark by an American might cause an instant riot, and recipitate murdering for which only Uncle Sam's troops could, or would meet out vengeance.

There is just such a feeling of uneasiness among the people of El Paso, and when the entertainment committee of the Chamber of Commerce sent three hundred Americans across the river, they used every precaution possible to prevent any friction that might cause a regret. An army officer was stationed on the top of the Paso del Norte Hotel overlooking Juarez and with a large telescope he kept a constant eye on the Americans, during their stay on Mexican soil. The newspaper men did not know that this precaution was being carried out until after their return from Mexico, or perhaps some of them would have thought twice before permitting their curiosity to lead them among a people who are semi-hostile.

We were informed today that the appropriation set aside by the Chamber of Commerce for the entertainment of the Texas Press Association had not been exhausted and the real good times were yet in store. Aside from the splendid business sessions the association, every minute of time has been taken up in entertaining the editors. A 30 mile ride over the asphalt roads in the Rio Grande Valley, and a trip to Ysleta, and through the irrigated district, was enjoyed by the editors yesterday afternoon. The editors have been supplied with tickets to Cloud Croft, and a special train will be furnished them tomorrow and the day spent above the clouds, with an hour's stop at Alamogordo.

Bowel Complaints in India.

In a lecture at one of the Des Moines, Iowa, churches, a missionary from India told of going into the interior of India, where he was taken sick, that he had a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy with him and believed that it saved his life. This remedy is used successfully in India both as a preventive and cure for cholera. You may know from this that it can be depend upon for the milder forms of bowel complaint that occur in this country. Obtainable everywhere.

PARK KEEPER WANTS CAGE FOR ANIMALS

A. Wilke, keeper of the square and also manager of the zoo, has a scheme on foot to give him more room for taking care of his rapidly increasing animal family. Mr. Wilke has selected a large mesquite tree just out from the corner of the court house towards the business district of the city, and will ask the court to permit him to build a large screen wire cage around this tree, and of course will call for voluntary donations to carry on the work. It is his purpose to build the cage surrounding the big mesquite and arrange the smaller cages inside of the large cage and from time to time allow the different animals the liberty of the large cage.

CALOMEL IS MERCURY, IT SICKENS! CLEAN LIVER AND BOWELS GENTLY

Don't lose a day's work! If your liver is sluggish or bowels constipated take "Dodson's Liver Tone."

You're bilious! Your liver is sluggish! You feel lazy, dizzy and all knocked out. Your head is dull, your tongue is coated; breath bad; stomach sour and bowels constipated. But don't take salivating calomel. It makes you sick, you may lose a day's work.

Calomel is mercury or quick-silver 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.

If you want to enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone tonight. Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone under my personal money-back guar-

antee 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, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and your bowels regular. You will feel like working; you'll be cheerful; full of vigor and ambition.

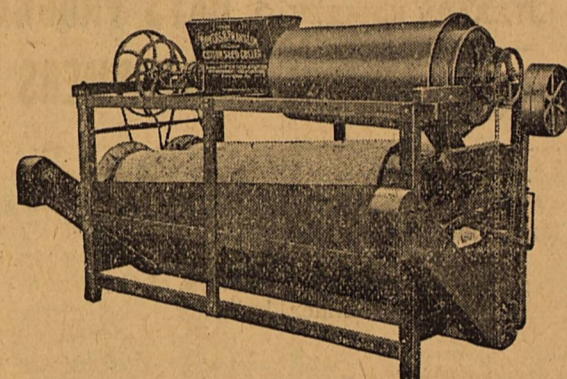
Dodson's Liver Tone is entirely vegetable, therefore harmless and can not salivate. Give it to your children. Millions of people are using Dodson's Liver Tone instead of dangerous calomel now. Your druggist will tell you that the sale of calomel is almost stopped entirely here.

COURT HOUSE IMPROVEMENTS

J. S. Collins has the contract for making some improvements in the district clerk's office at the court house. The windows were in bad

shape, and are being remodeled and repaired in a way that will make this office much more comfortable as well as giving it a better appearance.

Watch the Fords Go By.



Plant Sound Seed---You'll Get Good Stand.

Bring your cotton seed to us and let us cull them for you with a machine that takes out all falter impure seed, leaving only the large healthy seed for your planter.

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

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H. Giesecke Ballinger, Texas.

ONLY ONE TEACHER NEEDED TO COMPLETE FACULTY

The school board will meet within a few days to select a science teacher, the faculty being completed with the exception of this place. Unless some of those who have been elected, and who have not yet accepted, decline to accept, the board's work of selecting teachers will be completed at the next meeting.

Drives Out Malaria, Builds Up System
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.

Watch the Fords Go By.

PICNIC AT CREWS SATURDAY

W. W. Rainwater and W. T. Priddy, of Crews, were transacting business in Ballinger Monday and requested us to remind every body about the big picnic at Crews next Saturday, June 17. A grand time is expected and a cordial welcome awaits every one.

GIN FIRST 1916 BALE, MAKING NEW RECORD
Lyford, June 8.—Breaking all records for early production by seven days the first bale of 1916 cotton was gined here tonight and immediately thereafter forwarded by express to Houston. The bale was grown on the farm of R. F. Deyo of this city.

"A Time of Plenty"

The time to save is when you have. This holds good with money as well as with other property. War times, and hard times do not worry people with a bank account, like those who have made no preparation for the days to come.

Our bank is a good place to start an account and be prepared for times of needs.

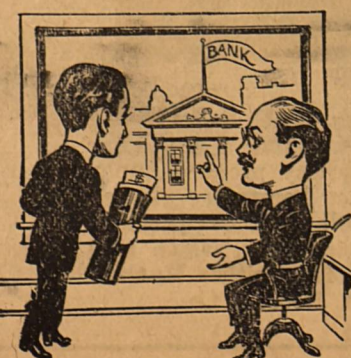
Our operations are conservative, and all times keep the interest of our customers in mind.

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER

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Picture this Bank

with its fire, burglar and damp proof vaults in comparison with your own little safe. Think also of the value and convenience of a bank account as compared with the risk and inconvenience of paying with currency. Then come and open an account.

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"Blue Back Abstracts" and Conveyancing.

Many Are The Attractive Prices Afforded By The

PRE-INVENTORY SALE

LADIES' READY-TO-WEAR DEPARTMENT

You Know what the advertising of special prices means—at this store—you who have attended these advertised specials in the past, a place where it is not hard to know and feel that each price quoted, each garment offered, is really being sold under value, a real sacrifice of prices. Nothing but the most seasonable, desirable and reliable merchandise is included in this special price reduction. We urge you to visit our store because you will be handsomely repaid for the coming.

THIS DEPARTMENT WILL BE CLEARED

With a definite purpose in view—its clearing our cases of all garments, even at a sacrifice—our loss—your gain. The first season every garment, every style brand new. No accumulations, but desirable clean merchandise, at money saving prices. With the season just starting for the wearing of these summer garments, with summer vacations in view, this forward early sale movement comes at the right time.

Skirts

Sport,
Wash,
Wool,
Silk.

Wash Skirts

A splendid variety from which to make selections, in the popular tub fabrics, gaberdines, piques, diagonals, linen, in whites and fancy awning stripes, best flare styles, trimmed with pearl buttons, every skirt absolutely new.

- All \$1.25 grades for95¢
- All \$2.00 grades for\$1.65
- All \$2.50 grades for\$1.95
- All \$3.50 grades for\$2.68
- All \$4.50 grades for\$3.65
- All \$5.00 grades for\$3.95

Sport Skirts

Here is an opportunity to buy the skirt that you have been wanting—wool sport skirts and taffeta skirts—they are skirts that will do for any occasion, styles that are absolutely modern, materials that have merit in them:

- All \$6.50 sport skirts for \$4.95
- All \$7.50 sport skirts for \$5.68
- All \$8.50 sport skirts for \$5.95
- All \$10.00 sport skirts \$6.65
- All \$8.50 silk skirts for \$6.10
- All \$10.00 silk skirts for \$7.15
- All \$12.50 silk skirts for \$8.45
- All \$13.50 silk skirts for \$9.95

Other Skirts

Every skirt that is in this department is included in these special prices—there's no reserves. Light summer materials, such as serges, poplins, gaberdines, in black and novelties, also fancy weaves in black and white, full styles, with trimmings of buttons, braids and pockets:

- All \$3.50 grades for\$2.95
- All \$4.75 grades for\$3.95
- All \$5.00 grades for\$3.95
- All \$6.50 grades for\$4.95
- All \$7.50 grades for\$5.68
- All \$8.50 grades for\$6.10

Skirts

Sport,
Wash,
Wool,
Silk.

Silk Dresses

Soft Taffeta,
Georgette,
Pongee

Silk Dresses

A satisfactory season, that is the version of our first season in selling dresses—the ones that are offered are late shipments, that are modern in style, properly made, and the prices at which they are being offered—they're exceptional values, soft taffetas, natural silk pongee and combinations:

- All \$12.50 grades for\$8.95
- All \$15.00 grades for\$9.45
- All \$17.50 grades for\$9.75
- All \$25.00 grades for\$17.45

Wash Dresses

Beautiful garments, that are made with care, marquesettes, voiles, lingerie in white colored stripes, dainty figures solid colors in pastel shades. Some of these garments are late shipments, having arrived this past week. Note the smallness of prices:

- All \$6.00 grades for\$3.95
- All \$6.50 grades for\$4.65
- All \$7.00 grades for\$5.15
- All \$7.50 grades for\$5.35
- All \$8.50 grades for\$5.95
- All \$10.00 grades for\$7.85

House Dresses

Good fitting styles, made of good quality wash gingham, in checks and stripes; some are trimmed with piques, others in embroidery or lace, some in solid colored cambry and pearl buttons, all sizes 36 to 46, extra well made:

- All \$1.25 grades for95¢
- All \$1.50 grades for\$1.29

Children's Dresses

Well made garments in solid colors, also colored suitings and gingham, checks and stripes, styles, plain waists with pleated skirts others with separate gimps and pleated skirts, materials are washable and fast colors, ages 6 to 14 years:

- All 65¢ grades for43¢
- All 75¢ grades for58¢
- All \$1.00 grades for85¢
- All \$1.25 grades for95¢
- All \$1.50 grades for\$1.29

Wash Dresses

Voile,
Marquesette,
Lawn

House Dresses

Gingham,
Percalé

Middy Blouses

Linene,
Galetea

Ladies' Waists

Lawn,
Lingerie,
Silks

Ladies' Waists

No reserves, every waist included, georgettes and wash silks, white lingerie and voiles

- All 65¢ grades for48¢
- All \$1.25 grades for95¢
- All \$2.00 grades for\$1.78
- All \$2.50 grades for\$1.95
- All \$3.25 grades for\$2.75
- All \$4.25 grades for\$3.30
- All \$4.50 grades for\$3.45

Boy's Wash Suits

Wash suits for the little fellow in ages of 3 to 6. Some are made of tiny stripe washable materials, others plain white linen and also palm beach, some are plain styles, others Russian blouses:

- 75¢ grades for65¢
- \$1.00 grades for89¢
- \$1.25 grades for95¢

Colored Petticoats

Gingham underkirts that are the very thing for everyday wear, well made with full flounce at bottom, solid color and fancy stripe satine petticoats, fancy pleated and tucked ripple at bottom:

- 50¢ grades for43¢
- \$1.25 grades for95¢

Muslin Underwear

Nainsook, cambric, and crepe, gowns, petticoats, drawers and combination suits:

- All 50¢ grades for39¢
- All 75¢ grades for59¢
- All 85¢ grades for63¢
- All \$1.00 grades for79¢
- All \$1.25 grades for95¢
- All \$1.50 grades for\$1.29

Skirts

Silk Dresses

Soft Taffeta,
Georgette,
Pongee

Wash Dresses

Voile,
Marquesette,
Lawns

House Dresses

Gingham,
Percalé

Middy Blouses

Linene,
Galetea

Ladies' Waists

Lawns,
Lingerie,
Silks

Boys' Wash Suits

Palm Beach,
Galatea,
Suiting

Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack

"Tell The Truth Advertisers"

EL PASO AND T. & P. LEAD THE WAY IN MAKING PRESS MEET GREAT SUCCESS.

OUR OPINION OF EL PASO.

There is more hospitality to the square block in El Paso, than in any city in the world.

At the speed she is making today, El Paso will be the largest city in Texas in less than two years.

The people of El Paso are not hostile towards the Mexicans, and show no anti-Mexican feeling, but they realize the true condition of things, and are eager to help their neighbors to a better way of living.

For cleanliness, civic pride, and progressive boosting, we will put El Paso against any place on the map. The people work in harmony and through active co-operation they are building a great city.

El Paso has many things to make sure its first place in the list of Texas cities. Mining, manufacturing, irrigation, livestock, a great gateway for tourist, and the greatest of all the T. & P. railroad.

Malcolm A. Fraser, secretary of the El Paso Chamber of Commerce holds the big job building the largest city in Texas, but he is doing his work well.

The El Paso Morning Times and the El Paso Herald are metropolitan all the way from the devil up. The two papers made the visiting editors feel at home, and kept them posted on "what's doing."

Some four hundred Texas newspaper men are busy this week telling of the greatness of Texas, and El Paso, one of the big gateways to the big state, and the Texas & Pacific railroad, where the Sunshine Special races daily with time.

We recently had the pleasure of attending the annual convention of the Texas Press Association at El Paso, as most of our readers already have heard much about.

The trip to El Paso was made on a special train furnished by the T. & P. The editors concentrated at Fort Worth, where they were the guests of the chamber of commerce of that city at a breakfast served at the Metropolitan Hotel, and the Texas Press Special in personal charge of Geo. D. Hunter, general passenger agent of that excellent railroad, left the Panther City at 9:30 Monday morning, June 5th, and arrived at El Paso at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

The writer and his wife joined the party at Abilene and for six days we enjoyed the company of about three hundred Texas newspaper people, the remainder of

the crowd making up the total attendance at the press meeting from South Texas points, traveling over the Southern Pacific.

Texas is noted for her hospitable people, and especially are the people of West Texas known for their hospitality of the genuine kind, we found that the further west one travels the more he is impressed with the hospitality that brings the people so close together in the work of developing a wonderful country.

When the editors learned that they were to be the guests of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce at breakfast before boarding their train, they readily realized that elaborate plans had been made for the success and pleasure of the annual meet. When they boarded the train and were confronted with the conveniences provided for their comforts on the long trip to El Paso they were doubly assured that Mr. Hunter had not overlooked a single detail in equipping his train.

The train stopped for one hour at Abilene, where the citizens of that progressive city received the editors with a real West Texas welcome and an auto excursion over that city served as rest from railroad travel, and was quite a revelation for the editors from the East who had never visited the Abilene city.

The train was again held up for more than an hour at Sweetwater where a feast fit for the kings had been prepared by the young ladies of that city—natives of Nolan County, and the editors and their wives were the guests of the chamber of commerce. The menu served here was one of the best feeds given the editors on the entire trip. Only Nolan County products were served at this dinner. Each visitor was presented with souvenirs of Sweetwater.

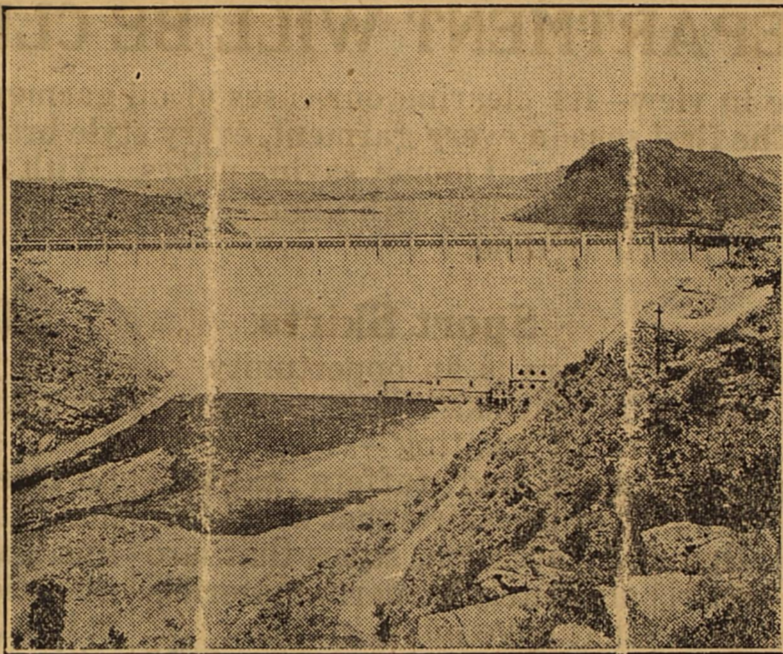
The reception given the editors upon their arrival at El Paso was appropriate for the entertainment that followed. A large reception committee were waiting with autos to escort the newspaper delegation to the Hotel Paso del Norte and the Sheldon Hotel, where the large crowd were given assignment to comfortable quarters at a rate that made them feel like all hotels were not "highway robbers" on such occasions. El Paso has just cause to feel proud of her hotel facilities.

That hospitality characteristic with western cities (and especially El Paso, kept the editors busy, and executive sessions of the association were often cut short in order that the convention might make way for social entertainment.

The newspaper men and ladies were not in El Paso but a few hours before they found themselves en route to Juarez under the personal escort of Mexican Consul Garcia and the mayor of the Mexican city. What we found in Juarez is told in another story published in this paper, and we will perhaps have something

else to say about this later. Suffice to say here, it was a great treat to those who had never visited on the other side of the Rio Grande and we received at first hand information the real condition which exist at our back door. All this took place on our first day's stay in the gate way city, the entire newspaper delegation spending about three hours in Juarez.

On the second afternoon in El Paso we were the guests of the progressive citizens for an auto trip down the Rio Grande valley, making the trip of fifteen miles through the irrigated orchards and alfalfa fields, over the as-



ELEPHANT BUTTE DAM, NEAR EL PASO, TEXAS, 1310 FEET LONG AT TOP, 16-FOOT DRIVEWAY, LARGEST CONCRETE GRAVITY TYPE DAM IN WORLD. CAPACITY 115,098,000 CUBIC FEET OF WATER.

phalt roads to Ysleta and return. Ysleta is a Spanish town and makes the claim of being the oldest town in Texas, San Augustine and Nacogdoches also claiming this honor. We visited the old two hundred year old mission at Ysleta. An auto drive through the residence district of El Paso upon our return to that city convinced us of the rapid growth of the city, where houses are being built by the mile.

The government's count of people in 1910 rated that city's population at 39,279. Since that date the city has secured two special census reports made by the government, one having just been completed, showing the city to have a population of 71,860—some growth for five years.

A banquet on the roof garden of the Del Norte was an important feature on the entertainment program. Covers were laid for more than four hundred, and the El Paso Chamber of Commerce arranged an excellent program for after dinner speeches.

As the guests of the El Paso Chamber of Commerce, the editors and ladies—numbering more than four hundred, visited Clouderoff, N. M., Friday. For this trip the editors were furnished a special train, and the trip made over the El Paso & Southwestern, and on this occasion, as on all others, our money was counterfeited, the chamber of commerce furnishing all necessary transportation as well as serving a delicious luncheon at the Lodge, where we arrived at twelve o'clock, after a five hours run across the New Mexico prairie and climbing the mountain to an elevation of 9000 feet.

We found on this trip that New Mexico hospitality was on a par with Texas hospitality. At the beautiful little city of Alamogordo, at the foothills of the Sacramento mountain, we were met by the people with armfuls of fruits, while the Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce sent aboard the train men with baskets of sandwiches, cigars, etc.

Returning to El Paso at eight o'clock Friday evening we found our special train ready for the homeward journey and it was a pleasure to learn that we were still in the hands of that whole-souled, big hearted, jolly good fellow George Hunter, and that he had taken particular pains to see that our train had been replenished with every luxury a man could wish for on such a trip. Mr. Hunter accompanied the newspaper delegation to El Paso, and also made the trip to Clouderoff with them and returned home with them, leaving nothing undone that might hinder in the least the pleasure of the trip.

It was with no little reluctance

adios to three hundred of the best people in Texas, when our train arrived at Abilene on the homeward journey, and where we had to quit the crowd and catch the Abilene & Southern, and now we are on the job again for another twelve months hard labor before we can meet the boys at Texarkana.

The Texas editors will never forget the courtesies of the T. & P. railroad, and of the El Paso Chamber of Commerce, and others who aided so substantially in making the recent meet of the Texas Press Association one of the most, if not the most successful from every standpoint in its thirty-seven years history.

As a token of appreciation for his kindness the editors presented Mr. Hunter, of the T. & P. with a handsome suit case and traveling bag, at a cost of about \$75. During a busy session of the press meeting a committee was appointed to go out and capture Mr. Hunter and bring him in, and a

that we said Buenas Noches y member of the association delegated to present him with the gift.

Others who added to the pleasure of the trip were Sanger Bros. of Dallas. This firm furnished a large Victrola and a choice selection of records for the observation car on the editor's special train. The Coca Cola Bottling Works of Dallas; Welch Grape Juice Co., of Dallas; Artesian Bottling Works of Waco; Brown Candy & Cracker Co., of Dallas; also are most kindly remembered by the Texas editors. These firms made it possible for the special train to be equipped with a baggage car, where we are glad to say the ladies on the train could go without violating any rule of propriety, all drinks being of the soft variety.

The above enterprising firms co-operated in making the editor's annual vacation a pleasant one, and the Texas editors stand ready to co-operate with such enterprising people in making Texas a greater Texas.

Buy your cedar posts from the Independent Oil Co. 15-2d-1tw.

PAIN HITS ROOSEVELT IN LEFT SIDE

NEW YORK, June 14.—Theodore Roosevelt was taken ill with a severe pain in his left side this afternoon, and arrangements are being made for an X-ray examination. The physicians report that severe coughing strained the ligaments.

On account of the sudden illness Mr. Roosevelt has been forced to cancel all his engagements for the next week.

Just unloaded car of cedar posts. Independent Oil Co. 15-2d-1tw.

Jeanes Produce Co. buys cream on Wednesdays and Saturdays. 14-d&w2t.

Will Stephens, one of the candidates for tax assessor and his father-in-law, J. N. Harris motored over from Miles Monday to spend a few hours in our city.

Kerosene oil is cheaper in the Ballinger territory than in other parts of Texas. Why? See us before you buy oil again. Independent Oil Co. 15-2d-1tw.

LET US BE PROFITABLE

to establish first-class banking connections with this modern, conservative, up-to-date bank where every courtesy consisting with sound banking principles will be extended to you. The officers and directors of this institution are all well known local business men, whose integrity and business ability are beyond question. Each day brings us new accounts, which is proof of the confidence bestowed upon this institution and an inspection of our statements will show that our surplus has gradually increased, which shows that it is conservatively managed. We solicit the account of firms and of individuals and we can assure them of courteous and liberal service in every department.

The Farmers and Merchants State Bank

The Bank that HELPS YOU Do Things

WILL ATTEND SPECIAL TERM CHICAGO UNIVERSITY Misses Maryvate Smith and Jennie Ludwig left Wednesday afternoon for Chicago, going by the way of St. Louis. The young ladies are two of the successful teachers in the Ballinger schools, having just been re-elected. They go to Chicago for a special course in a summer term of the Chicago University, and will visit points of interest after completing their special work, and better preparing themselves for teaching.

Among the number who were in Ballinger Monday to attend the annual wool sales were noticed, R. S. Bowden, of Maverick; Alf Young and Joe Vancil, of Winters; W. F. McShann and Marshall Witt, of the Pony creek country; Edgar Jayroe, of the Crews country; A. C. Herring of Talpa; C. G. Siebel of the Hatchel country and Bennett R. King of the Marie country.

J. S. Flanagan, of the Valley creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday and says he is enjoying life to the fullest extent and growing fatter every day in the healthful zone of Runnels county.

All sizes cedar posts and only best grade of oil at Independent Oil Co's. 15-2d-1tw.

B. F. Curry, of the Norton country, came in Saturday to accompany his niece Miss Maud Grossclose, who was en route to her home at Aransas Pass, after a visit to her uncle and family the past several weeks.

SHIPPING ROOSTERS BY THE CAR LOAD

E. A. Jeanes, of E. A. Janes & Co., stated Wednesday that after much work his firm was at last realizing a better trade and co-operation from the poultry growers in the infertile egg business. Mr. Jeanes has been preaching infertile eggs for several years and pays a better price for this class of eggs, and as a result the poultry growers are learning the importance of ridding their poultry yards of the roosters after the breeding season.

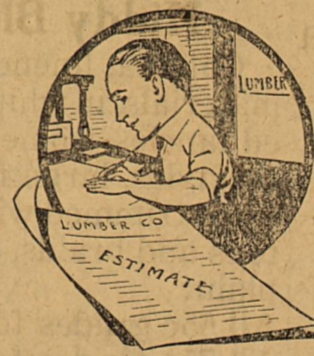
As an evidence of the increase in infertile eggs Jeanes & Co., have recently shipped a carload of roosters. They made a special offer for roosters, realizing that if they could get the people to thin out the roosters the eggs would be improved and many sold off their roosterstock.

There is a demand for pure eggs, and the infertile eggs are the only kind that can be handled at this season of the year and the stamp of purity placed upon them after a period of two or three days.

Best oil and cedar posts. Independent Oil Co. 15-2d-1tw.

Harle Osborn of Winters, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

LET US MAKE YOU AN ESTIMATE



for furnishing the lumber for your proposed building or improving plans. When you get our figures you'll be surprised at their littleness, considering the fact that we deal in high grade lumber only. We shall be glad to furnish figures for any quantity of lumber your plans call for.

Wm. Cameron Lumber Co



HOTEL PASO DEL NORTE, HEADQUARTERS TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION CONVENTION, EL PASO, 1916.

E. C. Allison and Son

Successors to The Hall Hardware Company in

Plumbing Goods and Plumbing Supplies
Dandy and Eclipse Windmills

Pullman Car Agency

Let us demonstrate to you the best car on the market for the money.

Prices and Specifications Gladly Furnished

The Coming Baby! Hooray! Hooray!

Nothing else can so completely endeavor us to the present and the future as the



expected arrival of a baby. But in the meantime the comfort of the mother is of vast importance. There is a splendid external remedy known as "Mother's Friend" which exerts a wonderful influence upon the expanding muscles. They become more pliant, stretch without undue pain, make the period of pleasant anticipation instead of apprehension. In a series of splendid letters from all over the country mothers tell of the great help "Mother's Friend" was to them. Even grandmothers tell the wonderful story to their own daughters about to enter the state of motherhood. Get a bottle of "Mother's Friend" today of your nearest druggist. Use this splendid help with your own hand guided by your own mind. For a free book of interest and importance to all mothers write to Bradford Regulator Co., 409 Lamar Bldg., Atlanta, Ga. It relates the personal experiences of many happy mothers, it tells many things that all women should be familiar with; it is at once a guide and an inspiration. Write for this book.

BALLINGER BOY MARRIES SAN ANGELO GIRL

Mrs. R. A. Anderson announces the marriage of her daughter Viola Helen

to Mr. Leroy A. Wilke on Sunday, the Eleventh of June one thousand nine hundred and sixteen

San Angelo, Texas
The above announcement was received in Ballinger Monday and comes as quite a surprise to the many friends of the young man. We are not acquainted with the girl of his choice, but nothing short of calamities can keep Leroy from making life happy for her. Leroy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Wilke of this city. He has spent the greater part of his life here, and those who know him will join the Ledger in best wishes.

To the Public.

"I have been using Chamberlain's Tablets for indigestion for the past six months, and it affords me pleasure to say I have never used a remedy that did me so much good." Mrs. C. E. Riley, Illion, N. Y. Chamberlain's Tablets are obtainable everywhere.

OLD SACRED HARP.

Pink Brown requests us to announce that there will be singing out of the Old Sacred Harp song books Sunday evening at 2 o'clock at South Ward school building and the singing will be conducted by C. Y. Roberts of Coke county. Everybody cordially invited to attend and take part in the singing.

Look—look—look

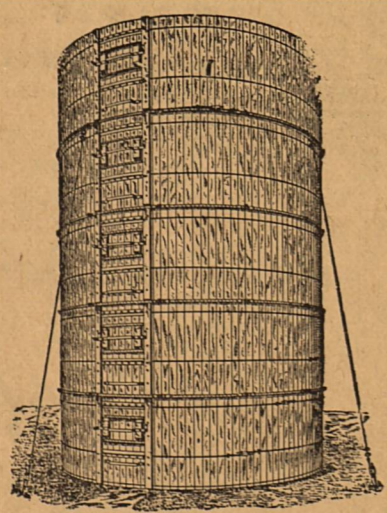
I. Tubbs, the tree man, is here with the Austin Nursery and will sell all Standard peach, plums, and apricots, at fifteen cents delivered. Leave name at Ledger office and Mr. Tubbs will call on you. 19-Stw-pd

A. L. Boyd left Tuesday at noon for Fort Stockton on a business trip of a week or ten days.

ATEXAS WONDER



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, 2228 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists—Adv. 6



The Small Farmer's Friend

The farmer who buys a Tulsa Silo has the advantage over his neighbor in saving his feed and converting it into cash at a time when there is a demand for ensilage. We make in sizes from 50 to 150 tons. Get our figures.

Ballinger Lumber Co.

LIGHT COMPANY BOOSTS WHITE WAY

Manager Treadwell and Electrician Cherry, of the Ballinger Light & Power Co., are soliciting support from the merchants and business men for the installation of what will no doubt be the lead for a great white way on the main business streets of the city.

The light company proposes to install and maintain for a certain consideration, a number of ornamental lights on Hutchins Ave., and Eighth street. Two of the lights have been contracted for as a starter, the First National Bank and the Walker Drug Co., signing up for a post to be placed in front of their places of business.

The post used, or to be used, are specified as eight feet high, pressed steel and equipped with 1000 candle power lights. The two lights contracted for have been ordered installed and as soon as the post can arrive they will be put on the job and will serve to show others what the enterprising idea amounts to.

Aside from a business standpoint, Mr. Treadwell stated that the lights would serve as great civic benefit. The average citizen likes light better than darkness, and Mr. Treadwell contends that a man seeking a place to trade will naturally be attracted where there is light, and from a civic standpoint everybody knows what a white way means.

While the present proposition is strictly a private move, the city not being financially able to handle the lighting plan on such an extensive system, it is to be hoped that some day in the near future the lights can be paid for by the city and the white way extended along all the business streets.

Forethought.

People are learning that a little forethought often saves them a big expense. Here is an instance: E. W. Archer, Caldwell, Ohio, writes: "I do not believe that our family has been without Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy since we commenced keeping house years ago. When we go on an extended visit we take it with us." Obtainable everywhere.

State of Texas, County of Runnels.

Whereas, by virtue of an execution issued out of the County Court of Dallas County at-law, State of Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 4th day of January, 1916, in favor of Higginbotham Millinery Company and against I. L. Baker and F. F. Moore, No. 23279 on the docket of said court, I did, on the 30th day of May, 1916, levy upon the following described lots of land situated in the County of Runnels and State of Texas, and belonging to the said F. F. Moore and I. L. Baker, to-wit: Lots Nos. one (1) and two (2) in block No. Seventeen (17) of the original town of Ballinger, as same appears upon the map of the plan of said town now on file and of record in the office of the County Clerk of Runnels County, Texas; and on the 4th day of July, 1916, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, at the Court House door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said F. F. Moore and I. L. Baker in and to said property.

Dated at Ballinger, Texas, this the 30th day of May, 1916.

J. D. PERKINS,
Sheriff of Runnels County, Tex.
w-3t-2-9-16.

Paschal Armstrong was operated upon at the Halley and Love Sanitarium Saturday for appendicitis and we are glad to learn he is convalescing very nicely at present.

ANOTHER COTTON MAN RECOMMENDS COURSE.

I took the cotton course of standard grading under Mr. Kennedy and wish to say that I am well pleased and can consistently recommend him as fully qualified to handle a position of this kind.

J. R. ELROD,
Public Cotton Weigher, Sunset, Texas.

(Mr. Kennedy will assist in the Cotton Institute to be held in Ballinger in July. For further information write, COTTON INSTITUTE, Box 514, Ballinger, Texas.) 12-1tdw

CHECK FORGER GETS \$87.50 AT TALPA

Sheriff Perkins is calling on his fellow officers over the state to help him locate a young man going under the name of Willard Jones, who is wanted in this county for forgery, and describes the crook as being about 21 years old, about six feet tall, weight about 170 pounds, medium dark complexion with blue eyes, small scar over right eyebrow, has "W. J." tattooed on right arm below elbow, appears to be laborer.

Jones signed another man's name to a check and succeeded in getting by the bank with it, and made his get-away with \$87.50 of the bank's money, as the bank will be held responsible for the loss. It seems that the forger passed the check on the Talpa bank, after a phone message to the Ball-

HAVE YOU WEAK LUNGS? Do colds settle on your chest or in your bronchial tubes? Do coughs hang on, or are you subject to throat troubles?

Such troubles should have immediate treatment with the strengthening powers of Scott's Emulsion to guard against consumption which so easily follows. Scott's Emulsion contains pure cod liver oil which peculiarly strengthens the respiratory tract and improves the quality of the blood; the glycerine in it soothes and heals the tender membranes of the throat. Scott's is prescribed by the best specialists. You can get it at any drug store. Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.

ger bank brought the information that the name of the party signing the check had the money in the Ballinger bank. After the Talpa bank had honored the check and it had been presented to the Ballinger bank through the usual clearing house process, it developed that the check was a bad one, and the officers put on the job.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Lankford and younger children and Dr. Gustavus, wife and little son, left

Monday for the Concho, where they will spend a few days in camp fishing and recreating.

Mrs. W. J. Coulson and daughter, Miss Mary. Mr. and Mrs. Douglass Allen and baby, and Miss Elizabeth Leeper, of Coleman were the guests of their relatives, Mrs. Jno. A. Weeks and Col. C. L. Morgam Sunday and motored home in the afternoon.

BALLINGER MARBLE & GRANITE WORKS

We are opening a marble yard in Ballinger and will have a car of marble here and be ready to deliver goods at an early date. In the mean time we are ready to quote you prices and take your orders. Until we can get a permanent location and get our stock here please leave your name at W. B. Wood & Son grocery store and we will call on you.

WELLHAUSEN & CORNELIUS
17-wf.

A WOMAN'S HEAD is level and her judgment good when she puts her faith in Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.



There is no beauty without good health. No body expects to become really beautiful from the use of complexion beautifiers. Bright eyes, clear skin, and rosy cheeks, follow the use of the "Prescription."

All women require a tonic and nerve at some period of their lives. Whether suffering from nervousness, dizziness, faintness, displacement, catarrhal inflammation, bearing-down sensations, or general debility, the "Prescription" is sure to benefit.

Mrs. JULIA A. DOSS, of Paris, Texas, says:

"I was in bad health, was suffering from weak and nervous spells, and tried several kinds of medicines but got no relief until I took 'Favorite Prescription.' I found that it did me more good than anything I ever took. It cured me."

Mrs. Chas. S. Miller returned home Monday night from La-Grange, where she attended the marriage of her son. She visited at other points in that section before returning home.

Progressive Ballinger

JEWELRY

Let us fit your eyes—grind your lenses. We guarantee accurate work.
JAS. E. BREWER
Everything in Jewelry and Repairing
709 Hutchins Ave. Phone 68

LAUNDRY

HOME STEAM LAUNDRY
Our workmen spend their money in Ballinger. Our work is as good as the best.

WASHBURN PIANO.

Responsive touch, Durable Action, Beautiful Design. Prices and Terms to please you.
Come and see them.
J. P. MARTINDALE.
120 Eighth Street.

FURNITURE.

For the best in—
FURNITURE
See T. S. LANKFORD.

GROCERIES

W. B. WOOD & SON
We cater to people who care.
Phones 25 and 26

LUMBER YARD.

HARDIN & BATEMAN
Clean up, paint up, build up. We can furnish the material.

ICE CREAM

"Eat a plate of Ice Cream every day"
ALTA VISTA CREAM
the best in the world.
J. Y. PEARCE

DRY GOODS

A. J. ZAPPE
Get in on our June bargains in Dry Goods, Clothing, Ladies' and Gents' Furnishings and Millinery

GOOD EATING

CITY CAFE
Quantity, Quality, and good Coffee is our motto. If you eat we want your business.
J. L. Stroble, Prop.

INSURANCE

TORNADO SEASON
We have paid out for tornado losses in the last five years more than double the amount of premiums collected. A hint to the wise is sufficient.
E. SHEPPERD & CO.
Ballinger, Texas

BARBER SHOP

BANK BARBER SHOP
Send your children to our shop. If you pay for the best, why not get it?

REAL ESTATE

C. A. DOOSE & CO.
The man who gets a home in Runnels County now will see his land values grow. Talk to us about it.

HIDES AND JUNK

I. O. WOODEN
Bring me your hides and bones, bottles and metal. Warehouse on South Eighth Street.

MEAT MARKET

STROBLE'S
is the place to get meat that you can eat. Open to inspection all the time.
Phone 114

COLD DRINKS

SIDES & SMITH
Get refreshed at our fountain. Cream made and delivered.
Telephone 56

AUTOMOBILES

We sell everything for Autos for less. If you pay to have it fixed, why not have it done right.
BALLINGER AUTO CO.

TAILOR SHOP

C. C. GILLIAM
The Old reliable caters to the particular. Let him dress you.

POCKET BILLARDS

G. W. DUNLAP
Pleasant pastime in clean games, strictly according to law.

VACATION NECESSITIES

Bath Caps, Ansco Cameras and films, Fishing Tackle. Ever-ready Flashlights, Cold Cream, Cigars, Cigarettes.
Johnston Chocolates
THE WALKER DRUG CO.

PRODUCE

E. A. JEANES & CO.
We want your infertile eggs. We are the largest poultry shippers in West Texas.

BLACKSMITH

F. F. MOORE
Universal Tractor, will plow your cotton and corn and will do any other work on the farm. See one before you buy others F. F. MOORE for wagons

SECOND HAND GOODS.

JEWEL CUNNINGHAM
Buys and trades for anything.
Violins Repaired

RACKET GOODS

THE FAIR
Save money on the little things in life.
We keep what you want.

SHOE REPAIRING

BALLINGER SADDLE & HARNESS COMPANY
We work all kinds of leather goods and maintain a quick Shoe Shop.

HATTER

Old panamas and felt hats cleaned and reblocked for \$1.00
Ladies' hats a specialty.
See SOL DEVAULL at Bank Barber Shop.

PLUMBING.

DUNN & GLENN
We build tanks, and do anything in tin work and plumbing all the time.
Phone 22

CREAMERY

We buy fresh cream and sell ice cold cream, made from cream produced in Runnels County.
J. C. COOK.

PRINTING

BALLINGER PTG. CO
News while it's news and printing when you want it.

Send Us Your Mail Orders
Special attention given to mail orders. Our expert shippers fill your orders the same day they are received.

HIGGINBOTHAM-CURRIE-WILLIAMS Co
BALLINGER'S GREATEST STORE

Good Service—Good Treatment
These are the basis principle of this great business. Thru these alone we have gained the confidence of the people.

This Store Is Economy Headquarters for Dependable Merchandise

Each Department is So Complete You Can Pick and Choose Exactly What You Want.

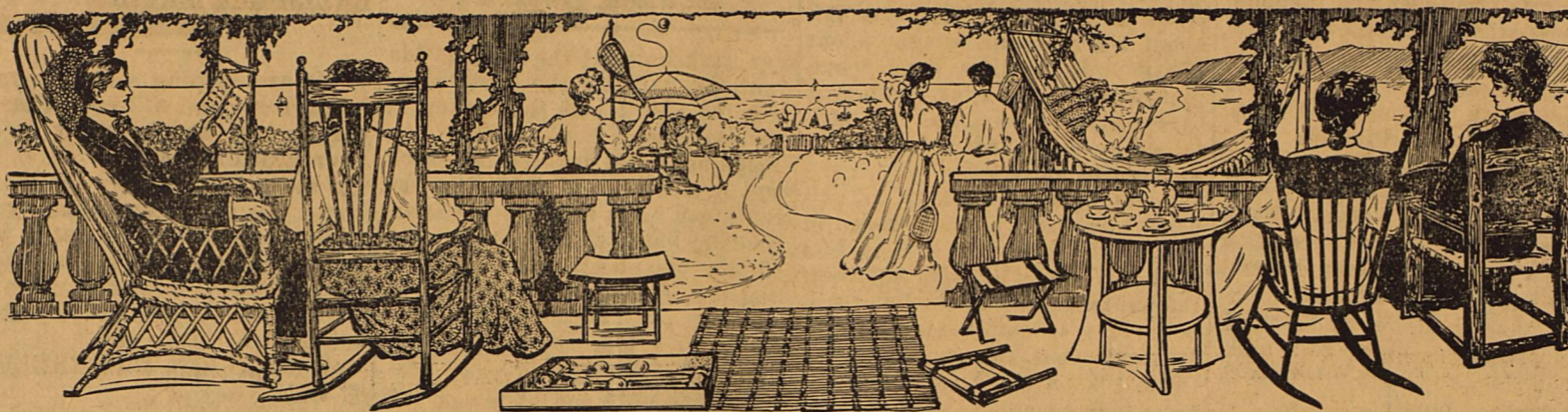
Mason Fruit Jars

Can you afford to experiment in fruit jars. Think of the time and money wasted if your fruit should be spoiled by using some cheap inferior fruit jar. Buy the celebrated Mason and avoid all the worry. They have been the standard for years. We are making some very attractive prices on quantity purchases

Best Cane Sugar

We are in position to quote a very close price on sugar for preserving purposes. Only A 1 quality for sale.

Special 9¢ Pound



Why You Should Buy Your Furniture Here

It is logical to select your home furnishings from the concern which best meets your every want and need. The completeness and extensiveness of our stock, the economy and ability to serve that this establishment offers, has put us in a class alone. We are so confident that our offers will convince you of our claim, "Greatest values for the least money" that all we ask is intelligent investigation and comparison. Our wonderful stock and our reasonable prices both combine in making an opportunity which offers greater comforts and increased household luxury. Pay us a visit this week. We are ready, able and willing to prove every statement we make to your satisfaction. This is the store of standardized merchandise. You will be offered only goods of proven merit and known quality. Our prices you will always find to be reasonable.

Simmon's Bed Springs

"The springs with a backbone" On this wonderful spring two sleepers do not roll together. This spring virtually make two single beds of one double bed. Made with Simmon's Patent Link, the original spring fabric. Elastically comes from oil tempered helical springs at ends; comfort from side and center helicals, weight does not gape link fabric. Rustless corners to fit beds of various widths. End angles smooth; won't tear, bed clothes. The springs you have seen advertised in your magazines. Price \$3.50

YOUNG FOLKS ENJOYING CAMP LIFE

Chaperoned by Rev. and Mrs. T. C. Jester and Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Williams, the young people of

the First Baptist church are enjoying camp life at the mouth of Mustang on the Robert Herring ranch, east of the city. The campers went out Monday morning, equipped with everything neces-

sary for a great time, and those going and coming from the camp daily, remaining on duty in town during the day and going out to spend the night, report lots of fun and plenty to eat. Following are

the names of those composing the party, with visitors from town daily:

Misses Bernice Ross, Mildred Hering, Beatrice Kipp, Nadine Currie, Pauline Van Pelt, Helen Wil-

liams, Elois Allison, Zora Gaines, Pauline Hardin, Ela Richardson, Abby Snell, Patsy Richardson, Virginia Wood, Maurine Weeks, Erie Stuart, Zula McKay. Messrs. Diaz Wood, Troy Simpson, Eugene Kipp, Sid Hale, Robert Lewis Williams, Robert Stephenson, Arteak Stuart, Arthur Giesecke.

NEW DEPARTMENT OF TELEPHONE COMPANY

The West Texas Telephone Company has established a new department, to be known as the general inspection department. The purpose of this department, which is under the supervision of N. H. Sharp, is to make a careful inspection of every telephone apparatus in the home or business. The telephone apparatus in the home or business house of each patron will be examined and what ever repairs are necessary will be made.—Brownwood Bulletin.

TRESSPASS NOTICE

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

GODFREY MASSEY,
Concho county, Tex

RECEIVES \$250 SHEEP

R. E. McWilliams, who was here attending the wool sale Monday, received perhaps the finest ram ever brought to this county. Mr. McWilliams purchased the ram from Dan Hink, of San Angelo, the Angelo man having just received a shipment of fine sheep from Utah, and this was one of the lot. The ram tips the beam to 250 pounds and cost Mr. Williams just one dollar per pound. He is two years old and the wool recently clipped from him measured six inches.

The Strong Withstand the Heat of Summer Better Than the Weak
Old people who are feeble, and younger people who are weak, will be strengthened and enabled to go through the depressing heat of summer by taking regularly Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It purifies and enriches the blood and builds up the whole system. 50c.

OFF TO BA-KIRK

Mr. and Mrs. Malcom McGregor and her two friends Misses Byrd Smith and Ruth McTae, of San Antonio, Alex McGregor and Cecil Glenn left Monday afternoon for a few days outing at Ba-Kirk on the Concho.

Stomach Troubles and Constipation

"I will cheerfully say that Chamberlain's Tablets are the most satisfactory remedy for stomach troubles and constipation that I have sold in thirty-four years' drug store service," writes S. H. Murphy, druggist, Wellsburg, N. Y. Obtainable everywhere.

PHILATHA CLASS

The Philatha Class of the Baptist church, will give a box supper at the Woodmen Hall at Hatchel Thursday evening, June 15th. Everybody cordially invited and especially the candidates.

Announcement!

A Great Free Demonstration of Scholl's Foot Comfort Service **JUNE 21st**

Consult the Chicago Foot Specialist FREE

On this day Free examination and advice will be given by an expert under the direction of Dr. Wm. M. Scholl, the famous foot specialist. He will also give demonstration of foot appliances necessary in the correction of foot troubles. This important event was arranged at great expense principally for you who have weak, tired, aching, calloused feet, for you who suffer from bunion pains and corns or who have broken down arches, crooked toes, and hammer toes, for you who have tried fruitlessly to get relief. Not obliged to buy shoes here.

If you have flat foot, weak feet or broken down arches, no matter if you are already wearing arch supports, have your feet scientifically examined by this specialist and let him advise you what to do. If you have been using bunion and corn remedies that furnish temporary relief without correcting the cause be sure to get this scientific advice.

If you are one of the many thousands who have always had trouble in being properly fitted to shapely footgear come to our store. The difficulty will be solved easily and simply and perfect foot comfort will be given you.

WARNING: You may not realize it but those slight aches at the heel and ankles, those painful cramped toes, that body weariness and brain fog are typical of weak arches and likely to result in a serious derangement of the whole nervous system. Many people have mistaken these pains for rheumatism of the feet and have tried internal remedies to correct them when all they really needed was proper support of the foot arches.

Reason for this Demonstration

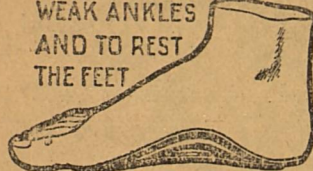
It has been our ever constant aim to make this the progressive shoe store in town. For months we have thoroughly investigated the efficiency of the service rendered users of Dr. Scholl's Foot Specialties and wearers of his appliances. We have seen people who previously walked with great difficulty now able to stand the most rigorous exercising of the feet, enduring long walks and long standing without the slightest annoyance. We have found every one of Dr. Scholl's corrective devices anatomical correct and scientifically perfect. To give our patrons and friends the fullest benefit of the Scholl Foot Comfort Service we have arranged this demonstration and will henceforth conduct in our store an orthopedic department for continued service of this character. We are headquarters for Scholl's Foot Comfort Specialties and Appliances.

There's a Scholl Appliance for Every Foot Ailment or Deformity

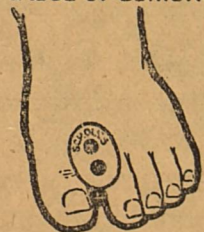
Whatever your foot trouble may be, there is a Scholl appliance or device which will correct permanently the trouble from which you are suffering. Consult this noted specialist and let him advise you about your trouble.

HIGGINBOTHAM-CURRIE-WILLIAMS Co
BALLINGER'S GREATEST STORE

SCHOLL'S FOOTEAZER
FOR TIRED ACHING FEET,
WEAK ANKLES
AND TO REST
THE FEET



SCHOLL'S BUNION RIGHT
STRAIGHTENS CROOKED
OVERLAPPING TOES,
THE CAUSE OF BUNIONS



SCHOLL'S ANTERIOR METATARSAL
FOR CRAMPS
AND PAINS
IN TOES
AND BALL
OF FOOT.
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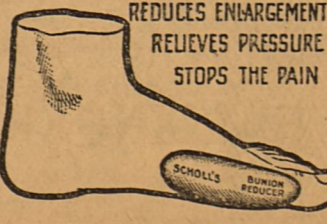


SCHOLL'S FIXO CORN PASTER
A DIFFERENT KIND OF CORN REMEDY

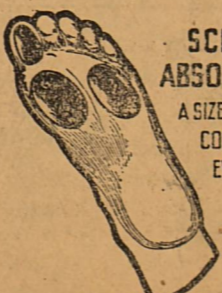
SCHOLL'S TOE-FLEX
FOR OVERLAPPING TOES
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SOFT
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BETWEEN
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SCHOLL'S BUNION REDUCER
REDUCES ENLARGEMENT
RELIEVES PRESSURE
STOPS THE PAIN



SCHOLL'S ABSORBED PADS
A SIZE FOR EVERY TOE-
CORN AND FOR
EVERY CALLOUS
ON BOTTOM
OF FOOT



SCHOLL'S BUNION SPRING
ACTS AS A LEVER FOR DRAWING
CROOKED BUNION
TOES STRAIGHT.



MAYR'S WONDERFUL REMEDY FOR STOMACH TROUBLE
ONE DOSE WILL CONVINCE

Gall Stones, Cancer and Ulcers of the Stomach and Intestines, Auto-Intoxication, Yellow Jaundice, Appendicitis and other fatal ailments result from Stomach Trouble. Thousands of Stomach Sufferers owe their complete recovery to Mayr's Wonderful Remedy. Unlike any other for Stomach Ailments. For sale by Walker Drug Co and druggists everywhere.

Should Sloan's Liniment Go Along?

Of course it should! For after a strenuous day when your muscles have been exercised to the limit an application of Sloan's Liniment will take the soreness and stiffness away and get you in fine shape for the morrow. You should also use it for a sudden attack of toothache, stiff neck, backache, stings, bites and the many accidents that are incidental to a vacation. "We would as soon leave our baggage as go on a vacation or camp out without Sloan's Liniment." Writes one vacationist: "We use it for every thing from cramps to toothache." Put a bottle in your bag, be prepared and have no regrets.

SOCIALIST TO NAME COUNTY CANDIDATES

As county chairman of the Socialist party I hereby call a meeting of the Socialist party to be held at Ballinger on June 24th at one o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing men to make the race for county office for 1916.

I also hereby call precinct conventions to be held on the above date to elect delegates to the county convention to be held at Ballinger on the Saturday following the primary election.

D. W. PAYNE,
Chairman.

If you have the itch, don't scratch. It does not cure the trouble and makes the skin bleed. Apply Ballard's Snow Liniment. Rub it in gently on the affected parts. It relieves itching instantly and a few applications removes the cause thus performing a permanent cure. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

R. J. Irvine and Ed Burrow, of San Angelo, came in Tuesday morning to look after the light plant improvements just beginning in our city.

Watch the Fords Go By.