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W. T. C. C. CUTS COTTON PICKING

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce is using the following story sent out under a Ballinger dateline, and which is appearing in practically every paper in West Texas, and throughout our counties where much cotton remains in the field:

"Immediate reduction of prices for cotton picking is essential if the farmer is to get gain from his crop and the remainder of it in the field to be picked, according to a statement by a representative of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce here today.

"A number of cotton growers at Bronte have petitioned the organization to agitate a movement for downward prices, declaring that at \$2 per hundred they will be forced to turn away their present hands and leave the cotton unpicked. One farmer reports that before he will pay \$2 a hundred under prevailing price of cotton he will have his family pick as much of it as possible and leave the remainder. This seems to be the sentiment generally in the Bronte neighborhood. In order that the reduction may be general the organization has already begun its publicity campaign to that end. In urging this step the organization does not wish to be placed in the attitude of desiring to cut the price simply because the farmers have asked for such action, but because it is reasonable, sane and right," said the representative."

TEMPERATURE DROPS TO TWENTY DEGREES

The temperature dropped to the lowest point of the season Tuesday morning when twenty degree weather prevailed for the early hours of the day. The country was covered with a white frost, and those who had not prepared for winter were made to see the error of their way. The temperature dropped to twenty-eight degrees Monday morning.

Arno Schawe is at home for a few days stay with home folks.

FLOUR MILL WILL BE LOCATED IN BALLINGER

HOOVER GIVES LABOR OFFICIALS HIS VIEWS ON INDUSTRIAL PEACE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—The questions of industrial peace relations problems were discussed in a conference of leaders of organized labor and Herbert Hoover, former Federal Food Administrator, and a member of President Wilson's second industrial conference board, today. Mr. Hoover, who came to the conference of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor, at the request of President Gompers, said that he had made the transcontinental trip from San Francisco to discuss "the whole industrial employment situation." He said that he had no definite program to offer but expected to advise and discuss with labor officials the general conditions as they existed today.

Differences of opinion appeared among the members of the council as to the real purposes of Mr. Hoover's appearance. Prior to his arrival William Green, secretary of the United Mine Workers, declared that the council had not got any person to discuss industrial peace. He said that Mr. Hoover had come for a discussion of technical engineering questions, the nature of which he did not disclose.

When Mr. Hoover entered the council room he had with him a sheaf of data. The data, it is understood, included the results of scientific investigation and research into the production problems. It indicated that Mr. Hoover would be asked to discuss the means of reducing the waste of production including a discussion of the question from both a labor and management viewpoint.

Labor leaders are free to admit the evils of the labor situation, but place the blame on inefficient management. Organized labor's program for the coming year is being framed at the meeting of the executive council.

Officials attending will outline the policy of reconstruction stipulating a repeal of the existing laws and opposition to proposed laws requiring compulsory arbitration of industrial disputes.

and opposition to laws restricting the right of workers to quit work, the enactment of legislation placing drastic restrictions upon immigration from all parts of the world with most rigid control of immigration from Central and Southeastern Europe.

The program will also include an intensive campaign of Americanization to counteract the influence of the political theories that these countries hold, not in harmony with the principles underlying the government of the United States, and will insist that the present standard of living be not reduced and that wages be maintained on a level with the wages of 1914.

POULTRY SHOW BEING BOOSTED

Considerable interest is being manifested in the Rannels County Poultry Show which will be staged at Ballinger, December 3rd. Secretary Williams of the Y. M. B. L. and County Agent Eaton are arranging an attractive premium list and sending out advertising matter to poultry growers in the county, and it is expected that a nice lot of fine poultry will be on display here for the two days.

The exhibit will be held in the building next to the Hall Hardware Company on Eighth Street. The association owns a nice lot of coops and these will be made ready and additional coops will be provided if there is a demand for them.

GIN MAN IN SERIOUS CONDITION SUNDAY

J. M. Wilkinson, a young man employed at the Sims gin at Pony, was reported to be in a serious condition Sunday as the result of infection of some kind. Mr. Wilkinson was suffering with what seemed to be blood poison, the infection breaking out on different parts of his body.

COTTON GINNINGS FOR TWO YEARS

The government's cotton ginning report compiled up to Oct. 18th, and made public on Oct. 25th, shows a wonderful increase in cotton ginned in West Texas counties up to this date as compared with the 1919 ginnings.

Following is a comparison of Rannels and neighboring counties:

	1920	1919
Brown	10,122	4,170
Coke	4,023	2,069
Coleman	20,692	5,633
Comanche	6,706	5,633
Concho	6,510	1,227
Jones	17,377	12,458
McCulloch	9,999	2,375
Nolan	5,955	2,847
Rannels	20,608	6,266
Taylor	13,971	11,330
Tom Green	2,905	1,617

Williamson county leads the state with a ginning of 130,034, as compared with 34,717 for the same date last year. McLennan comes second with 87,156, against 21,086 last year, and Bell county comes third with 70,147 against 3,382 last year. Dawson county shows the lowest figures with the total ginning up to the above date of 220 bales against one bale for the same date last year.

EATING HOUSE CHANGES HANDS

H. L. Weddle, a farmer from the Pony Creek country, is now proprietor of Hopper's Cafe, a deal having been closed on Armistice Day in which T. R. Hopper sells this business to Mr. Weddle for a consideration of \$3,500.

The business consists of the cafe in the lower floor of the building next door to the Ballinger State Bank, and the furniture in several lodging rooms in the second floor of the same building.

Mr. Hopper came here about a year ago, and engaged in the restaurant business. Mr. Weddle will abandon his farm life and try feeding the people awhile.

A. McClelland, who works on the Zappe farm West of Ballinger, trapped a monster eagle last week. The eagle had been seen a number of times in that vicinity, and Mr. McClelland set about to trap the big bird and his efforts were crowned with success when he went to the trap and found a bird which measured seven feet from tip to tip.

Plant Will Be Moved Here from Royse City at Once

Secretary Williams of the Young Men's Business League is in receipt of a telephone communication from J. B. Ballard, of the Sweetwater Mill and Elevator Company of Sweetwater, to the effect that Mr. Ballard has decided to locate his Royse City flouring mill in Ballinger.

The only conditions attached to the proposition are that a site is to be procured on the Santa Fe right of way, and that a loan is to be arranged by the League, which will be secured by the flour mill itself. Arrangements have already been made to secure the site from the railroad company.

The League has been in communication with Mr. Ballard for some weeks, and by diligent effort was able to bring him to Ballinger on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week to look the situation over. At that time, Mr. Ballard was seriously considering Cisco and Lubbock, both of which cities had made him attractive propositions. Before coming to Ballinger, Mr. Ballard had no idea of the possibilities here and was not attracted to the place, according to his statement.

During his two days stay here, he was shown over the city and adjoining territory, by Secretary Williams, Mayor Guin, County Agent Eaton, Agent J. J. Beck of the Santa Fe, and others, and was given a complete insight into the agricultural and transportation resources of the city. Before leaving the city, Mr. Ballard expressed himself as being astounded at the amount of grain and other products raised in Rannels County.

Mr. Ballard is highly recommended by bankers and business men in both Sweetwater and Royse City. He is the sole owner of the Sweetwater plant, which is a 200 barrel mill. He went to that city a year ago, and built the plant there without saying a word to the Sweetwater people about his plans, according to the statement of Geo. Shephard, Mayor and Secretary of the Board of Development there.

200 Barrel Mill
The Royse City mill which Mr. Ballard proposes to move to Ballinger is a 100 barrel mill, and it is planned to erect a building here which will accommodate 200 barrel machinery, should the business justify it at a later date. The approximate investment here will be over \$40,000.00.

Will Employ 16 Men
Some idea of the magnitude of the new industry is to be gained from the fact that the mill will employ eight men when running half time, and fifteen or sixteen when operating both day and night. When working full time, the mill will turn out over 2,000 barrel of flour monthly, as well as 1600 sacks of bran, 500 sacks of shorts, 10,000 sacks of meal, 500 sacks of chops, and will buy and sell grains of all kinds in large quantities. Mr. Ballard plans to handle exchange accounts for the wheat raisers, storing their product in elevators, and allowing them to draw flour against their account, settling with them at stated intervals as the wheat is marketed.

New Market for City

In a statement to The Ledger, Secretary Williams said, "The building of a flour mill and grain elevators in Ballinger will give us a grain market which will be on a par with our great cotton market. It is evident that this section will have a bumper grain crop next year, and the fact that we are to have a mill here will assure us that the bulk of this product will pass thru Ballinger. The fact that there is a move on foot to reduce the cotton acreage for next year, means a corresponding increase in grain acreage, and the flour mill could not have been secured at a more auspicious time. Nothing remains to be done now, except for the moneyed interests of the city to give Mr. Ballard a little assistance, which will be well secured. With a flour mill, a new ice plant, and a new light and power plant in sight, Ballinger is on the verge of a miniature boom, and the prospects for the future are flattering indeed."

UNITED COTTON GROWERS WILL HOLD MEETING HERE

The United Cotton Growers Association will hold a meeting in Ballinger on November 24th for the purpose of organizing a county association. Local organizations in some sections of the county have been perfected. D. C. Dove will be here to address the farmers, and the cotton growers are urged to be present at the meeting.

Bill Collins left for South Texas to visit relatives Monday.

Banks and Banks

Have you ever thought how strong a connection there is between this word and a bank's service to depositors. Advice is given, and loans made when CONFIDENCE is mutual between a bank's Officers, its Directorate and Depositors.

Your CONFIDENCE and ACCOUNT cordially invited.

The Winters State Bank
Winters, Texas

One-Fourth Off. Tubes Free With Every Casing

Ten Thousand Dollar Stock of Tires to Sell at 10 and 5% Off

This will figure a saving to you of one-fourth on casings. We have a \$10,000 stock of casings that we are going to sell this way. Come in or phone at once and get yours. We have Goodrich, Ajax, Pennsylvania, Brunswick and Hibb tires. All fresh stock. We also have a twenty-five thousand dollar stock coming and we are going to make this sacrifice to run all we have out before they get here. During this sale we will sell you storage batteries at a big reduction.

Gasoline, All You Want at 26 Cents Per Gallon

Complete stock of supplies at a big saving to you. About January first we will open up in our own building now occupied by Ballinger Auto Co., and will keep this place for tee accomodation of customers in this part of town. You can get gas, oils and supplies at a big saving at either place.

NANCE-STROBLE AUTO ELECTRIC CO.

P. S. Remember you get 10 and 5% off and a tube free with every casing making one-fourth off of list. One-fourth off on batteries during tuis sale.

LIGHT PLANT MANAGER QUILTS

(San Angelo Standard)
George R. Hall, manager of the San Angelo Water, Light & Power Company since December 1919, has severed his connections with the Interstate Electric Corporation of New York, owner of the local property. His successor is M. F. Treadwell, a resident of San Angelo for fifteen years, who has been connected with the local firm since March, 1906.

This announcement was made Thursday by W. C. Sharp of New York city, president and chief engineer of the Interstate. The change in management becomes effective immediately. Mr. Hall leaves within a few days for New York, where he was associated with the New York & Queens Electric Company before coming to San Angelo.

In assuming control of the local water and light plant, Mr. Treadwell also became general manager of the branches at Ballinger and Winters. For six years, he has been secretary of the local company as well as vice-president and secretary of the Ballinger Light & Power Company, the Winters Light & Power Company and the Texas Electric & Power Company, which governs the high power transmission line that furnishes Miles, Rowena, Ballinger, and Winters, with current. All are subsidiaries of the Interstate.

Mr. Treadwell came to San Angelo from McAlester, Okla., in 1905. During the two years before he became an employee of the San Angelo Water, Light and Power Company, he was associated for awhile with C. A. Broome & Company and then with the Ions Insurance Co. In 1916, 1917 and 1918, Mr. Treadwell was manager of the Ballinger plant.

When he became identified with the public utility in the spring of 1906, the company was then raising its capital stock from \$150,000 to \$225,000. Today the capital stock is a half million dollars, the value of the local plant has tripled, it is stated, and its volume of business has doubled.

\$100 Reward, \$100

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 Medicine 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 Medicine that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all druggists, 75c.

Special Trips

To the Lower Rio Grande valley every two weeks, leaving on Saturdays, at very low rates. If you ever figure on going to this wonderful valley this is a good opportunity. Will only be gone five or six days. These trips are under the direction of private party and has no connection with the big land companies. If you like the country and care to buy you can buy direct from the owner and save money. Phone or wire me if you care to go.

J. D. Perkins, Ballinger, Tex. 16-1td-4w.*

No Worms in a Healthy Child

All children troubled with worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will cure the worms, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off or dispel the worms, and the child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. 60c per bottle.

Rev. S. W. Hampton left for San Antonio Monday afternoon, where he goes to attend the conference of the Nazarene church. Rev. Hampton has been very successful in his pastorate here since being called to the local church.

J. N. Wells, of the Wingate country, passed thru Ballinger Sunday en route to Waco to attend the United Cotton Growers Association.

J. S. Neely, of the Winters country, passed thru Ballinger Sunday en route to Waco, where he goes to investigate the merits of the United Cotton Growers Association.

\$18 PROFIT ON 2 DOLLAR BILL

"I's dont has to work, I's got plenty money," is about the way a negro expressed it as he handed his colored landlady a twenty in settling his board bill amounting to \$18.50 and received \$1.50 in change.

The colored landlady used the "frog-back" to pay for groceries to feed her boarders on and the groceryman used the bill in swelling his bank account in order that he might check on the account and buy more groceries to sell.

The twenty, however, failed to get by the bank, and now the Federal officers are hot on the trail of the negro who added the cipher.

to the two which made the "20" and which netted him \$18 profit.

According to the colored landlady the negro was well fixed with tens, twenties and fifties, and she observed that he had been remaining up in his room late at nights, and it is presumed that he was using the paste brush in sticking on the naught figures, clipped from some catalogue, which when placed by the side of the one, two or five, apparently increased the value of the bill, ten times.

Deputy United States Marshal Crawford is due to arrive here today from Abilene, and he will soon have the negro in the lock-up, and if the evidence in the case comes up to what it is expected to do, the negro will soon be doing service in Uncle Sam's prison at Leavenworth.

Be Wise and Advertise—

REV. CURRY GOES TO CLEBURNE

Rev. J. B. Curry, for four years pastor of the Methodist church here has been assigned to a church at Cleburne, and is en route home to begin arranging to move to his new charge.

This information came in a phone message from Rev. Curry to friends Monday morning. He was enroute home, expecting to get here Monday noon to fill engagements which he had here for Monday afternoon, but missed connections at Brownwood, and had to remain over there until Monday night.

Rev. C. E. Simpson will succeed Rev. Curry as pastor at Ballinger,

according to the phone message. Up to noon the assignments made for the Brownwood district had not been received at Ballinger, further than the above local appointment.

Rev. Curry came to Ballinger from a church in Fort Worth four years ago, and his work covering a period of four years here was crowned with such success as to cause the board of stewards of the local church to ask that he be returned here, but holding to the rule which is seldom broken, the conference did not see fit to return Rev. Curry for the fifth year, and he goes to Cleburne with the best wishes of many friends here.

Rev. Curry will probably begin packing up as soon as he arrives at home, and will leave for his new field the last of this week, and it is expected that the new

pastor will be here for the services next Sunday.

For a Disordered Stomach

When the stomach fails to perform its functions the bowels become deranged, the liver and kidneys congested. The important thing is to restore stomach and liver to a healthy condition and for this purpose Chamberlain's Tablets are excellent. Give them a trial. They only cost a quarter.

Mrs. O. B. Corbett, who went to Pint, Texas, last week in response to a message that her sister was very low, reached her bedside a short time before death came. A message announcing the death was received by Mrs. Lennie Harris, daughter of Mrs. Corbett, Friday.

This is the ONE Reason Why You Should See and Hear the Pathe Phonograph NOW

We lay this proposition down as the naked truth, that sooner or later every cultured and well-conditioned home will own a phonograph. The question is—which one?

The purpose of this demonstration sale is to prove that the jeweled Pathe is the one to own.

The Pathe phonograph is superior, because it differs from other talking machines.

It has invaluable features which other phonographs do not possess.

With the Pathe phonograph, you do not have to worry with needles. Needles scratch and wear out your records, to say nothing of the inconvenience in having to change them every time you change a record.

The Pathe plays with a Sapphire Ball. The Sapphire Ball is round and smooth, is ground under a microscope to exactly fit the grooves in the records and is indestructible.

You can play a thousand records with a single Sapphire Ball, without injury to the records or to the Sapphire Ball itself.

And the tone! You have never heard such marvelous, lifelike tone reproduction in a phonograph, unless you have listened to the genuine Pathe.

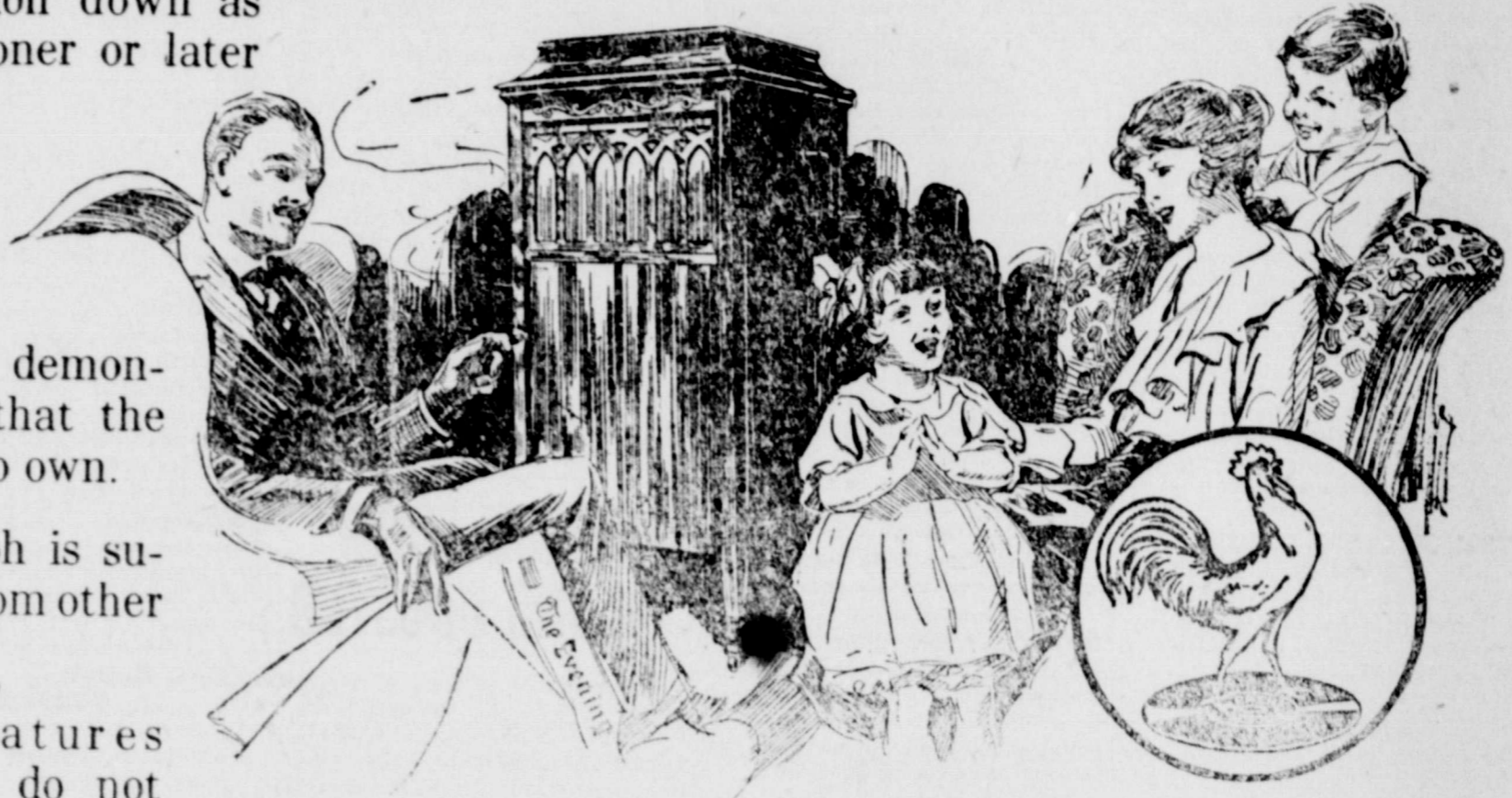
Yet the PATHE costs no more than the Ordinary Phonograph

And it is to more thoroughly demonstrate this fact, this marked superiority, that this sale is being held; that 50 genuine Pathe phonographs (Model 10), with their complement of \$25 worth of FREE Pathe records, have been allotted to us for this purpose in Ballinger and vicinity and that this same identical sale has been planned for a nation-wide demonstration which will embrace approximately 1000 cities of the United States.

Lankford Furniture & Undertaking Co.

Ballinger, Texas

The Pathe plays all makes of Record



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1. The phonograph offered in this sale is the 1921 genuine Pathe Phonograph Model No. 10, 43 inches high, 20 1/2 inches wide and 20 1/2 inches deep, as shown in cut, in Mahogany, Walnut or Oak, 5-ply, absolutely the most substantial cabinet construction on the market today, equipped with:
 - One indestructible genuine Pathe Sapphire Ball (full tone), and one indestructible genuine Pathe Sapphire Ball (half tone) for playing Pathe Records.
 - One Universal tone arm and sound box for playing all makes of records.
 - \$25 WORTH OF GENUINE PATHE RECORDS — YOUR OWN SELECTION—FREE.
 - One hundred steel needles.
2. The total price for this entire outfit is \$150.
3. You may practically name your own terms. Tell us what you want to pay down on your first or initial payment. THE BALANCE MAY BE PAID IN WEEKLY OR MONTHLY PAYMENTS EXTENDING OVER ONE YEAR.
4. This equipment, including the \$25 worth of records will be delivered to your home, immediately, upon receipt of your initial payment. Freight or Express charges will be prepaid to all points within fifteen miles.
5. The Pathe Phonograph included in this sale is guaranteed for one year, both the manufacturers and ourselves agreeing to replace any defective parts without charge during this period. Written guarantee to this effect furnished with each phonograph.

Tear this out, fill in and mail to us at once

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Without any obligation whatsoever on my part, you may send me photographs and other descriptive matter of the Pathe Phonograph you are offering upon special terms.

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REMEMBER to ask your grocer for Calumet Baking Powder and be sure that you get it—the Indian head on the orange label. Then forget about bake day failures. For you will never have any. Calumet always produces the sweetest and most palatable foods. And now remember, you always use less than of most other brands because it possesses greater leavening strength.



Now Remember—
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CALUMET BAKING POWDER

There is no waste. If a recipe calls for one egg—two cups of flour—half a cup of milk—that's all you use. You never have to re-bake.

Contains only such ingredients as have been officially approved by U. S. Food Authorities, is the product of the largest, most modern and sanitary Baking Powder Factories in existence.

Pound can of Calumet contains full 16 oz. Some baking powders come in 12 oz. instead of 16 oz. cans. Be sure you get a pound when you want it.

Calumet
Columba
Muffin
Recipe
—4 cups sifted flour, 4 level teaspoons Calumet Baking Powder, 1 tablespoon sugar, 1 teaspoon salt, 2 eggs, 2 cups of sweet milk. Then mix in the regular way.

Jones-Sherry

Otis Sherry, of Sand Springs, Oklahoma, came here this week and carried away one of Runnels county's girls in the person of Miss Jewel Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jones, of this city. The ceremony was performed last Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Judge O. L. Parish officiating.

The happy young couple were the recipients of many nice presents, and a crowd of friends gathered at the station Friday afternoon to see them off for their home in Oklahoma, where the parents of Mr. Sherry reside, and the best wishes of these friends go with them to their new home.

years he was with the Santa Fe and held a position as conductor on that railroad, retiring to engage in business. At present he is at the head of a successful transfer business in Temple, and has provided a nice home for his bride.

Kill the Blue Bugs

and all blood sucking insects by feeding Martin's Wonderful Blue Bug Killer to your chickens. Your money back if not absolutely satisfied. Guaranteed by A. Weeks, and J. Y. Pearce. 5-40tw.

BUZZARD TRAP GETS 225 BIRDS

A record of 225 buzzards captured in a trap built by him on the Lewis Brook pasture, 9 miles East of Brady, was hung up by W. H. Caldwell, who is employed with Jamie Brook in operating the ranch. Not only this, but in the three weeks that the trap has been in operation a total of 400 birds have met their doom as a result of the device. At one time the buzzard enjoyed the protection of the state laws, because they were considered the scavengers of the air, and therefore a benefit to the country. In recent years, however it has been asserted that the buzzard is one of the causes for the spread of charbon. Also it is proven that these monsters of the air will kill pigs, young calves and lambs, several losses of this sort having occurred on the Brook ranch.

In designing the buzzard trap, Caldwell used 6-ft. high poultry netting, enclosing and covering a space 15 feet square. The opening to the trap was made 18 inches high and 14 inches wide, and was made four feet long, running to the center of the trap, the opening tapering down to about 12 inches. A cage for the bait was placed in the center, and when food or a carcass is placed in this cage, the trap is ready for business. After entering the converging opening and getting inside the trap, the birds become confused and are unable to find their way out.

While the trap has rendered highly efficient service in the past three weeks, its usefulness is not yet ended, and stray buzzards continue to meet their doom in the simple device. —Brady Standard.

Rubbed into the skin for rheumatism, neuralgia, contracted muscles, sprains or lameness. Ballard's Snow Liniment goes right through the flesh to the bone easing pain and removing the cause. It is a powerful pain relief. Three sizes, 30c, 60c, and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Herring received a baby girl at their home Sunday night.

WOMAN DESERTS ARMY DESERTER

(San Angelo Standard)
Betrayed by his common law wife, during her recital to an officer regarding his alleged mistreatment of her, led to the arrest in San Angelo of August Redeker, a native of Germany, upon a charge of desertion from the United States army. Redeker is in the Tom Green county jail, awaiting the arrival from Fort Bliss, El Paso, of a military police guard. The work of Ira C. Green, deputy police chief, caused his undoing.

Redeker and the woman lived for two months at a local hotel, where Redeker served as cook, under the assumed name of Rudolph Lala. The couple came here from Sutton county, where they worked for a short time on the ranch of T. B. Adams of this city. Redeker steered clear of large cities fearing recognition.

Early this week, his supposed wife called at the city hall and asked protection from Redeker, who, she said, had beaten her. Ira Green expressed sympathy for the woman, then at the close of the interview, abruptly asked her what it was she was withholding and why. The reply was that the man accepted by the public as her husband was a deserter from the army, that his name was not Lala but Redeker, and that they were not married.

Army headquarters at El Paso were immediately notified by telegraph and the answer came back: "Hold August Redeker until guard arrives."

A Reliable Remedy for Colds and Croup.

It would surprise you to know the number of people who use and recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Mrs. J. N. Rose, Verona, Pa., writes "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been used by myself and husband for a number of years for coughs and colds. I also gave it to my little granddaughter three and a half years of age when she had croup last winter. It broke up the attack at once. I have recommended this remedy to many of my friends and neighbors who have also used it with good results."

FLAG AT HAL MAST FOR ARMISTICE SUNDAY

Acting under orders issued by the government, all official flags were dropped to half mast throughout Sunday in honor of those who died in service during the recent war. The flag over the local post office floated at half mast throughout the day. Some time ago the president issued a proclamation proclaiming Sunday, Nov. 14th, as Armistice Sunday, and many churches of the nation held memorial services and the day was otherwise observed. Flowers were placed on the graves of many of those who died in this country while in the service or who died over there and whose remains were shipped back to this side for a final resting place.

You Do More Work.

You are more ambitious and you get more enjoyment out of everything when your blood is in good condition. Impurities in the blood have a very depressing effect on the system, causing weakness, laziness, nervousness and sickness. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC restores Energy and Vitality by Purifying and Enriching the Blood. When you feel its strengthening, invigorating effect, see how it brings color to the cheeks and how it improves the appetite, you will then appreciate its true tonic value. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC is not a patent medicine, it is simply IRON and QUININE suspended in Syrup. So pleasant even children like it. The blood needs QUININE to Purify it and IRON to Enrich it. These reliable tonic properties never fail to drive out impurities in the blood. The Strength-Creating Power of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC has made it the favorite tonic in thousands of homes. More than thirty-five years ago, folks would ride a long distance to get GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC when a member of their family had Malaria or needed a body-building, strength-giving tonic. The formula is just the same today, and you can get it from any drug store. 60c per bottle.

DR. PHILLIPS LINGERS LOW

Dr. R. T. Phillips, pastor of the 8th Street Presbyterian church, continues very low with apparently no change for the past several days. He was removed from one room to another Sunday afternoon. Dr. Phillips has been ill nearly four months, and was occupying a room where it was more comfortable in hot weather, but the change in the weather made it necessary to move him.

E. S. McWilliams had business in Ballinger Monday.

TEXAS GLEE CLUB MAY COME HERE

AUSTIN, Nov. 12.—The University of Texas Glee Club plans a trip through Northwest Texas during the Christmas holidays, which will probably include concerts at Brownwood, San Angelo, Abilene, Ranger, Mineral Wells, Fort Worth, Wichita Falls, Denton and Dallas.

L. W. Jones, adjutant professor of music and director for the club, said that "prospects are bright for a successful season and that this year's group is the largest and includes the best voices that ever have been heard at the university. Carradine R. Hooten of Mineral Wells, former manager of the Southwestern University Glee Club, has been selected as manager for the Texas Club.

The above dispatch sent out today by the Associated Press is to be supplemented by the fact that strong representations have been made by Secretary Williams of the Young Men's Business League to have the Texas Glee Club brought to this city for an engagement. It is thought that the newly reorganized American Legion post here might be interested in sponsoring this move to secure an attraction of such extraordinary merit.

Ex-students of the University in Ballinger and Runnels county will also be asked to get behind the proposition and push it to a successful purpose.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND. Medical Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold wrapper. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Act for the relief of PAINFUL URINARY AFFECTIONS. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

OLD BRIDGE CLOSED TO TRAVEL TODAY

It was announced today that the Colorado river bridge would be closed after today. It was reported that the bridge would be closed today, and that Sunday would be the last day the old structure would serve the public, but cold weather and other hindrances prevented the wrecking of the old bridge. The floor will be removed tomorrow and the temporary bridge about a half-mile below the old bridge will be open to those who do not want to cross at the gravel crossing.

Cold's Cause Grip and Influenza
MAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets remove the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 30c.

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Charles H. Fletcher

In Use For Over 30 Years

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TEXAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PLANS A BIG BUILDING CAMPAIGN

DALLAS, Nov. 11.—An organization to relieve the house shortage in every part of Texas is being planned by the Texas Chamber of Commerce, according to the announcement of Stuart McGregor, who is at work on the plans. Mr. McGregor says that to attain this end ten of the largest building and loan companies in the state have already joined the Texas Chamber of Commerce. In addition, he declared, valuable advice and information have been received from national housing

bureaus and building associations.

Statistics received from 51 towns in Texas show that 12,625 houses are needed at present. These towns comprise practically one-fourth of the population of Texas and as the reports are only from the larger cities, it is estimated that at least 50,000 houses are actually needed in the state.

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John A. Weeks, Druggist

Temple Man Comes to Ballinger for Bride.

Miss Willie Lankford became the bride of Luke Hobbs, of Temple, at two-thirty o'clock Monday afternoon. Dr. Alvin Swindell, pastor of the Baptist church, performed the ceremony in the presence of the members of the family and a few friends at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Lankford, and after the usual greetings and congratulations with best wishes from those present, the happy couple were accompanied to the train and left for their home at Temple.

Miss Willie Lankford was born and raised in Ballinger, being a member of one of the city's pioneer families, and is one of Ballinger's best young ladies. She has a host of friends here who regret to see her leave, but wish for her every happiness possible.

Mr. Hobbs is a successful business man of Temple. For several



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BLANTAN HERE ON BUSINESS

Congressman Thomas L. Blanton spent Saturday night in Ballinger and conferred with a number of friends here on matters of local interest.

Mr. Blanton was en route to the deer field on his annual hunt. He arrived here from Abilene late Saturday afternoon, accompanied by Lloyd Thomas, an Abilene news paper man, and Dr. L. W. Hollis of Abilene, and Sam Webb, an uncle of the congressman from Albany, Texas. The party expects to spend a week in the Rock Springs country.

The congressman stated that he had been in Washington since the primary election, with the exception of the time he was on the stump for the Democratic ticket, checking up the various departments and preparing to carry on his campaign against government extravagance.

When a friend remarked to Mr. Blanton that "the Republicans now have you down and you can't do anything," the congressman stated that he "would always be found on the floor of the House, prodding them for failure to keep promises made during the recent campaign. And," said Mr. Blanton, "did you know that there never has been a Democratic majority in the House since I went to Washington."

Mr. Blanton stated that President Wilson had sacrificed his life for his country, and that if he lived to serve out his term he would go out of the White House a physical wreck. According to Mr. Blanton the president's mental vision is as clear as it ever was, but that his hair was white and the strain brought about by his devotion to duty could be read on the face of the president even at a distance.

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You are not feeling fit. Your food does not seem to agree. Have headaches, dizziness and sleepless nights after a night's rest. Bowels constipated. Nothing very serious the matter, you think, but you know you are not there with the punch and the pep. The symptoms are those of systemic catarrh, which must not be neglected.

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NEW OFFICERS FOR A. LEGION

The annual election of officers for the American Legion was held in the Carnegie Library, following the Armistice Day celebration at the library Thursday evening. While their friends were feasting on doughnuts and hot chocolate downstairs, the members of the local post were holding a business session in the auditorium and transacting other important business in addition to electing officers for the ensuing year.

Troy P. Simpson was elected Post Commander; Will Mountz, Vice Commander; Stuart L. Williams, Adjutant; Pat Mape's, treasurer; James Skinner historian; Judge J. H. Baugh, chaplain.

The Legion passed a resolution pledging to raise the remainder of this county's quota for the ex-soldiers tubercular hospital. The drive is now in progress in other cities, and this county will complete its quota at once. It will be remembered that R. P. Kirk was appointed county chairman and raised most of the money during his last days' patriotic work on this earth. \$200 has been allotted to Ballinger and \$200 to Winters.

This is a most worthy work, and no trouble will be experienced in raising the amount. One man has volunteered to give \$100.

The local post of the American Legion begins the new year with brightest prospects for a greater year's work. Quite a number of

new members came into the post at the meeting Thursday evening, and all ex-service men—soldiers, sailors and marines, will be welcomed into the post.

Notice—Warning—Keep Out!
My Wire Hollow Pasture, 14 miles East of Ballinger is posted. Parties caught trespassing in any way will be prosecuted. This applies to everybody, and you are hereby warned to keep out.
B. J. CLAYTON.

D. L. Tucker, of the Mazeland country, attended the Methodist conference at Fort Worth this week as a delegate from the Mazeland church.

Coal! Coal! Coal!
Keep the home fires burning with Texas coal—the clean sort—the smoke less kind.
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Mrs. Monroe Hartman is here from Brownwood to attend the marriage of her sister, Miss Willie Lankford.

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Dye right! Don't risk material. Each package of "Diamond Dyes" contains directions so simple that any woman can diamond-dye a new, rich, fadeless color into old garments, draperies, coverings, everything, whether wool, silk, linen, cotton or mixed goods.
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ICE PLANT TO GO OVER THIS WEEK

The local ice plant proposition is receiving special attention this week, and those behind the work say it will be put over, or will be abandoned and the people left to suffer through many another summer. We feel safe in saying that the deal will go through, because the need of such an institution is so keenly felt here.

L. Cohen has interested himself in the proposition and subscribed for a nice block of the stock, and in all probability will accept a position with the new company. Mr. Cohen sold his picture show business here some time ago, and has been prospecting since. He has made a careful investigation and study of the ice making business for the past many months, and declares that he sees the real opportunity for investment in the company being formed here and he has stepped in and will do what he can to put the proposition over.

"We will devote special attention to the ice plant this week," stated Secretary Williams of the Young Men's Business League, Monday morning, "and will make it a go or call off the hounds." About \$32,000 has been subscribed, and in order to give the city a modern plant with a capacity for

handling the business of the entire trade territory, the capital stock will be fixed at \$50,000, it is stated at the Y. M. B. L. offices.

The promoters have gone so far as to secure a 99-year lease on a location for the plant on the Santa Fe railroad right-of-way, and have quotations on machinery, and many of the preliminaries have been looked after and no time will be lost in calling a meeting of stockholders and perfecting the organization by the election of a board of directors, as soon as the stock is subscribed, and that must be this week.

Parties who subscribed to the issue have volunteered to take stock in larger blocks, but it is the purpose of the promoters to distribute the stock to as many ice consumers as possible, and thereby gain the support and influence of the entire citizenship. The company will consist entirely of local capital, people who are interested in the development and welfare of the city, and with the good field and demand for an ice plant here, the business should pay a good return on the investment.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Turberville and little son left for their home at Gainesville, Sunday afternoon. They had been here visiting Mrs. Turberville's parents, Judge and Mrs. M. C. Smith.

ORGANIZING BOY AND GIRL SCOUT

About a dozen boys met with Stuart L. Williams of the Young Men's Business League Friday afternoon and discussed plans for reorganizing the Boy Scouts, and it was decided to reorganize the troop here next week.

A meeting will be held next Tuesday afternoon, at which time the Scouts will be reorganized and put in working order at once.

There is a good field here and good material to build a splendid scout troop, and Mr. Williams says he will put the move on foot and will call on some of the older heads to assist him in the work.

There is also a move on foot to organize the Girl Scouts. The nation is observing scout week, and the work of the Girl Scouts is along the same or let as that of the Boy Scouts. Mrs. J. M. Simmons, who has had experience in the Camp Fire Girl work, has the matter under consideration and may take the lead in organizing the Girl Scouts.

This is a splendid work for both boys and girls and the parents should lend every assistance possible in the move, giving it all the moral and financial support necessary to make the work a success.

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For Infants and Children
In Use For Over 30 Years
Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

D. F. Eaton is at home from Sweetwater, where he attended a district meeting of county farm agents. There were about fifty cents present from the various counties comprising this district, and matters of interest to the work were put over in good shape.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days
Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure itching, bleeding or protruding Piles. Instantly relieves itching Piles, and you can get useful size for the first application. Price 60c.

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NOTICE

The Parramore pasture of 5000 acres of unimproved land has been subdivided into small tracts and is now on the market at reasonable price and terms. For sale by
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THE "OLD RELIABLE" THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

White Haired Alabama Lady Says She Has Seen Medicines Come and Go But The "Old Reliable" Thedford's Black-Draught Came and Stayed.

Dutton, Ala.—In recommending Thedford's Black-Draught to her friends and neighbors here, Mrs. T. F. Parks, a well-known Jackson County lady, said: "I am getting up in years; my head is pretty white. I have seen medicines and remedies come and go but the old reliable came and stayed. I am talking of Black-Draught, a liver medicine we have used for years—one that can be depended upon and one that will do the work."

"Black-Draught will relieve indigestion and constipation if taken right, and I know for I tried it. It is the best thing I have ever found for the full, uncomfortable

feeling after meals. Sour stomach and sick headache can be relieved by taking Black-Draught. It aids digestion, also assists the liver in throwing off impurities. I am glad to recommend Black-Draught, and do, to my friends and neighbors."

Thedford's Black-Draught is a standard household remedy with a record of over seventy years of successful use. Every one occasionally needs something to help cleanse the system of impurities. Try Black-Draught. Insist upon Thedford's, the genuine.

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Money back without question if HUNT'S Salve fails to cure treatment of ITCH, ECZEMA, KINGWORM, TETTER or other itching skin diseases. Try a 75 cent box of our risk.

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500 CALVES TO GET FAT HERE

W. O. Shultz arrived here Friday from his ranch in Concho county with five hundred calves, and the calves have been placed on feed here.

Mr. Shultz will feed the calves here for a couple of months or more and then place them on the market. They are quartered in feed lots in the Wilke pasture North of the city.

On account of the high price of feed very little cattle feeding has been done here during the last three or four years. The local oil mill turns out feed sufficient to feed a large number of cattle here, and feeders will no doubt be attracted here again.

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Farm Tractor

The after-service that goes with the Fordson tractor is second to none. Fordson dealers are located in every community with stocks of repair parts and employing skilled mechanics who know just how the Fordson should be repaired and taken care of to do its best work.

This Fordson service means that your tractor can be kept busy every working day during the entire year; that Fordson repairmen are ready to show you how to get the best results from the tractor.

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Let us tell you all about the Fordson tractor and Fordson service. Let us demonstrate the Fordson on your own farm. Come in and let us prove everything we say.



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Buy at home from
Wagner Bros. Co.
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Utz & Dunn Shoes Warner's and Redfern Corsets
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Ladies' Ready-to-Wear
Only High-Class Merchandise at the most reasonable prices
Knickerbocker Hats. Buster Brown Hose for Children

Have you come in on our deal yet, so you can buy auto supplies at about one-half price. If not, come in and we will explain at once and tell you how you can buy a \$40 storage battery for about one-half. Also inner tubes and some things more than half off.

Nance-Stroble Auto Elec. Company

Get It Where They've Got It

If it belongs in a Drug Store we have it. We carry the biggest stock of drugs in West Texas. Mail orders given prompt attention.

Ballinger **WEEKS** Phones Texas 12 and 13

Fresh Fruit the biggest assortment ever carried in Ballinger. Sweet potatoes and everything expected at a first-class grocery.
E. A. Jeanes & Co.

If it is new, you will see it first at Lankford's

LANKFORD Furniture & Undertaking Company.

Our first anniversary sale starts Friday, Oct. 8, 1920. Come if possible the very first day and save money.

A. HEIDENHEIMER
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The Bank behind the Farmers

FARMERS & MERCHANTS
BALLINGER STATE BANK TEXAS

Meeting the Situation

Much has been said and is being said about the downward tendency of the markets, particularly the dry goods, clothing and shoe markets. Most of these items originate in the North and East, and are a part of a sympathetic propaganda being sent out by manufacturers and jobbers. It appears to be a long story; too long to be told here, but suffice it to say the Ballinger merchants are in close touch with the markets and are adhering to every price reduction made, in many cases accepting losses, having bought at a time when wholesale prices were at their peak. They have realized for a long time that a break was coming and that regardless of what they paid for the goods, prices would have to be reduced, and they are accepting the situation philosophically, only asking that every one "sit steady in the boat." Ballinger merchants are good business men; they are not profiteers, and they are not alarmists. They have carried the burden thru "thin" years; helped the men who needed help, and they believe now that the people should stand by them, and not be stampeded by the numerous reports, that are being circulated from day to day. You will find price reductions advertised daily in The LEDGER. Read the ads and BUY IN BALLINGER.

Another Commodity We Should Buy at Home

Much has been said in the past, and more will be said in the future about buying in Ballinger, but there is one commodity being offered over the state daily which does not receive the proper attention of the buying public. This is INVESTMENTS. During the past three years, more promotion stocks have been offered than ever before in the history of West Texas. Stock in oil companies; refineries; brick plants; soap factories; foundries; automobile plants; and other promotion schemes have become as common as wall paper.

If all of the money which has been thrown away on these projects, had been invested in ice plants, light plants, flour mills, creameries, abattoirs, canneries and other enterprises of Ballinger, this city would be the industrial center of this section of the state catering to the producing public which needs a local market for its products.

"Get-rich-quick" promoters should receive cold shoulder from every loyal Ballinger citizen, and our money kept at home to build Ballinger's enterprises.

This space generously contributed to the Young Men's Business League by the merchants whose ads appear hereon, for the purpose of advertising Ballinger as the best marketing and trading center in West Texas.

Buy a Good All-Wool Overcoat
\$35.00
Southside Tailoring Co.

Chase & Sanburn Coffee
Live Oak Flour
Currie Mercantile Co.

We Fit Glasses We Grind Lenses
We have just received a nice assortment of silverware, cut glass and clocks on which we are making attractive prices. Will be glad to show you.
We sell the **Sonora** that wonderful toned phonograph
Phone 68 **JAS. E. BREWER** 709 Hutchins Avenue

A Good Place to Trade

and where every piece of merchandise you buy is a real value.

THE HUB

Lee Puncture Proof, and Racine extra tested Tires and Tubes

Willard Storage Battery Service Station for Runnels County. Complete stock of automobiles accessories
Ballinger Auto Company

SAVE---by buying at

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DRY GOODS

Special Lot of Men's Suits to Be Sold at Half Price

Stone & Thorp
The Men's Store

COTTON IS KING, and

The J. Y. Pearce Drug Co. is king of the Drug Stores when it comes to a complete stock of drugs. First-class Soda Fountain. School Supplies. Home of the VICTROLA. Call and see us. Accuracy-Service-Courtesy.
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International full line, Perfection Oil Stoves, Majestic Ranges, Bridge and Beach Cook Stoves

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The First National Bank of Ballinger
'The Old Reliable'
since 1886

When in need of anything in the Ranch, Farm or Truck Farm line, city property, either Business or Residence it will be to your interest to see us before closing a deal elsewhere

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We will appreciate your patronage
Hall Hardware Company

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**Our Original Conservative Prices On Our
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High-Grade Shoes

For Men, Women and Children

One-Third Off

*On Our Choice Stock of Ladies' French Heel Boots,
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*Howard & Foster, Cartes and All Other Men's
Shoes. All Ladies' Low and Military
Heel Boots, and Everything In
Children's Shoes*

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"The Store for You"

Death of R. P. Conn Was Due to An Accident

Coming like a thunder bolt out of a clear sky, Ballinger was shocked at three-thirty Tuesday afternoon when it was reported that R. P. Conn had killed himself. The first report circulated left the impression that Mr. Conn had committed suicide. An investigation left the tragedy in doubt circumstances showing that death was either caused by accident or on purpose with suicidal intent. A later investigation removed all doubt and friends and those familiar with Mr. Conn's inside life, say that there is no doubt but that it was an accident which cost him his life.

The tragedy occurred in the servant's house at the Conn home. Mr. Conn had just returned from town, where he transacted business, got his mail and visited a barber shop. He remarked to his wife that he believed that he would go to the school house and get Dorris, their daughter, as it was his custom to often take her to school and to go get her in his car when school closed for the day.

A few minutes later Mrs. Conn was attracted by the report of the gun and rushed out to the servant's house to find Mr. Conn seated on the floor, leaning against the wall in a prostrate condition with his head blown to pieces and blood flowing over his body. A thirty-three automatic high powered rifle had done its work. The gun was lying nearby, indicating that it was either dropped after being fired, or was fired by being accidentally dropped to the floor.

Screams from the grief stricken wife attracted neighbors, but there was only work for the undertaker. Friends made a thorough investigation of the surroundings and decided beyond a doubt that death was caused by the accidental discharge of the gun found by the dead man's side.

Mr. Conn came to this city about fifteen years ago. He engaged in the racket store business, and later added a grocery line, and was successful in business. He established what was known as the Globe Store, and used a novel method of advertising by quoting prices in odd figures, and made it a rule to always give pennies in change. He established a jitney line and later opened a jitney garage and bought and sold autos.

A short time ago Mr. Conn retired from the racket store and grocery business, selling the stock of goods to Spann & Co. Since that time he has been buying and selling autos, visiting cities where Ford cars were available and buying them and driving them to Ballinger where he sold them at a premium on account of the inability of the regular dealers to fill all orders.

As far as the closest friends and business associates knew, his business was in good shape, and no cause could be assigned for the man taking his own life. He was of a jovial disposition, always accepting any loss he might have made in a business transaction in good spirit. His home life was ideal, and he was a devoted husband and father, in apparently good health and on good terms with his fellowmen.

Those who had business dealings with Mr. Conn declare that his business affairs were in good shape. He was in comfortable circumstances financially. He had just called at a local bank and paid a note, paying the note promptly on the date which it fell due. He was negotiating for a lease on a building in which to conduct his auto and garage business and had been in communication with a mechanic over the long distance phone, and had agreed to take the building for a period of two years provided the

mechanic with whom he was negotiating accepted a proposition to join him in the business.

"I do not think there is any question but what it was an accident," said R. W. Bruce, who was among the first to reach the scene of the tragedy, and R. T. Williams, who was also among the first to reach the place, says that everything indicated that it was an accident.

Mr. Conn was dressed in his coat and cap as though he was ready to get in his car and go to the school building after his little daughter. He had about \$130 in his pocket. It is the opinion of those who were present when the examination was made, and who took charge of the body, that Mr. Conn stepped into the servant's house where he kept his guns, and was trying to extract a shell from the gun when it was accidentally discharged. The gun was examined and it was found that an empty shell was jammed.

Mr. Conn enjoyed hunting and it was his custom to go deer hunting every fall. He had planned a trip to New Mexico, and had accepted an invitation to visit Preston Dunn at Artesia, N. M., and spend a time in the mountains of that state hunting deer. He and Mr. Dunn had been on hunting trips before and proved themselves successful hunters, always bagging the limit. In the house where the accident occurred, Mr. Conn kept his guns and hunting outfit. It is the opinion of friends who made the investigation, that he was handling the gun which took his life, and carelessly struck the gun against the door facing, or handling it in such a way as to accidentally discharge it, and the high powered bullet struck him under the chin and plowed its way through his head.

Deceased was a member of the Baptist church, and also a member of several secret orders. He is survived by his wife and two children, Dorris, a daughter, and C. B., a son, and his mother, Mrs. M. J. Conn, and a sister, Mrs. L. E. Bair, all of this city; and relatives at Gonzales, from which place Mr. Conn moved when he came to Ballinger.

The tragedy cast a gloom over this city, and the sympathy of many friends is mingled with the grief of the heart broken family.

The remains of R. P. Conn, who accidentally shot himself, dying instantly, Tuesday afternoon, will be laid to rest in Evergreen cemetery. The funeral will be held from the family residence on 8th Street Thursday morning at ten o'clock.

The remains are being held awaiting the arrival here of relatives from San Antonio and Yoakum. The father and mother of Mrs. Conn are en route here from Yoakum, and R. C. Botts, an uncle of Mr. Conn, is en route from San Antonio.

Dr. Alvin Swindell will conduct the funeral services and interment in Evergreen cemetery will follow.

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No "cure"—but helps to reduce paroxysms of coughing.
VICKS
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Over 17 Million Jars Used Yearly

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT
HERE FOR WRITE-UP**

Staff correspondent for the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram, Silliman Evans, arrived in the city Wednesday at noon, and will be here for a day or two compiling data for an article on Ballinger and Runnels county.

Mr. Evans has the reputation as a big news writer, having covered some of the big events of the country for the Star-Telegram, including the National Democratic convention, and he is just back from the State Baptist Convention at El Paso. He was in conference with County Agent D. F. Eaton, Secretary S. L. Williams of the Y. M. B. L., and other local boosters while here.

Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic
restores vitality and energy by purifying and enriching the blood. You can soon feel its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. Price 60c.

M. E. Harrell was in the city Tuesday from the Winters country, and called to racket with the Ledger for failure to visit him regularly.

Conflicting Testimony



WE AWAIT YOUR DECISION WITH CONFIDENCE

The Days of Rival Claims of Superior Goods and Lower Prices is Upon Us—

You pick up your local paper and turn from page to page and read the same old story on every page, "Quality Better—Prices Lower."

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Aside from considering such conflicting claims, you should ask yourself: "Who is better able to make me lower prices on goods of Quality?"

FOR 13 YEARS in Ballinger we have been distributing high grade merchandise at Satisfactory Prices to all. We have proved beyond a doubt that we are able to successfully cope with the most adverse conditions in buying and selling merchandise.

WITH OUR COMBINATION of 15 stores and lumber yards under one general management, our buyers go in the markets with the spot cash and by buying in immense quantities they secure prices far below normal.

We Claim, and You Cannot but Believe

that we hold a position in the South unusually favored and that we can therefore sell you merchandise in greater variety and at lower prices than those less favored. That being the case, (and you can't doubt it) why spend valuable time in useless shopping around?

Why not drive direct to our store, where you can supply all your needs at uniformly low prices—where you know you will be treated right, regardless of whether you are posted or not? **WE WANT YOURS BUSINESS!**

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Ballinger, Texas **Brothers & Company** Ballinger's Greatest Store

Harvest time for **CORNS**
Any time is harvest time for "Gets-It," the great corn and callus remover. Takes them right off any toe or foot, easily, quickly, painlessly.
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CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Bridwell celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary Wednesday evening. Fifty years ago they were married and the Golden Wedding was celebrated with most of their children present making the event a happy one.

At the noon hour, the four children who reside in Ballinger, W. A., T. F., Misses Myrtle and May, with their families and a few friends, gathered at the Bridwell home on Broadway, where they enjoyed an anniversary dinner. Other friends were invited for evening hour, and the golden wedding of these two happy old people was made a pleasant one.

Mr. and Mrs. Bridwell were remembered with presents in gold and enter upon their fifty-first year of married life with new wedding presents and with many friends to wish them a longer life of happiness.

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Cotton pickers are making time count and after being knocked out for a few days, are now trying

to make up for lost time. There is much dissatisfaction among farmers, and many claim they can not continue to pay the high price for picking, will let their hands go and pick only what the farmer and his family can save. Renters and share workers are jumping the job and turning the entire crop to the landlord, as they have nothing left after paying the picking, rent etc.

To Our Customers—

We will close at five-thirty instead of six balance of the Winter. Thanks in advance to our customers if you will call for lumber and feed before five-thirty. J. K. Hutton Lumber & Feed Co. 17-11d-2tw

HERE LOOKING UP WOUNDED SOLDIERS

B. O. Murph, of the Federal Board for Vocational Education, was in Ballinger Thursday in the interest of vocational work, and the division of rehabilitation. He was in conference with the officers of the American Legion. Several wounded soldiers in Runnels county have taken advantage of the vocational training offered by the government, and are attending school or taking a home training course.

Finds Unexpected Sometimes Happens

"I suffered for 10 years with stomach trouble and doctored a way a lot of money before I found a medicine that was a real benefit to me. Since taking one dose of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy 14 weeks ago, I have had more real joy out of living than I had in 10 years before." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. At druggists everywhere.

N. J. WARDLAW BACK BACK WITH THE BOYS

N. J. Wardlaw was able to be on the streets Thursday, after a visit right up to the very brink of the grave. Mr. Wardlaw was stricken down with appendicitis, underwent an operation, and for several days he was more dead than alive. "Good!" said Mr. Wardlaw when a friend asked him how he was feeling when he appeared down town Thursday.

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SEEKING DATA FOR HERO MEDAL

Mr. Snell representing the Carnegie Hero Fund, is in Ballinger, coming here for the purpose of investigating the rescuing of three young ladies who came near losing their lives in the Colorado river more than three years ago, and in which Clint Penn played the part of the hero. Shortly following the near tragedy and the heroic rescue of the young ladies, friend, called the attention of the Carnegie Hero Foundation to the case and it was docketed for investigation, and a representative has finally been sent here to compile data in the case looking to the awarding of a proper medal.

It was in July 1917, and while a party of young folks were enjoying an outing on the Colorado river a few miles above Ballinger, that Misses Lois Crews, Ona Hartman and Eunice Brown, were bathing in the Colorado river, and losing themselves in the deep current were in a drowning condition when Mr. Penn plunged into the deep water and singled handed rescued the young ladies from a watery grave.

Mr. Snell spent Armistice Day here conferring with parties who are familiar with the circumstances, and in company with Mr. Penn visited the scene of the near tragedy.

If you are subject to attacks of heartburn, or indigestion, it may do you good to learn that Prickly Ash Bitters is a prompt and efficient remedy. It strengthens digestion, relieves heartburn, tones up the stomach and by its agreeable cathartic effect, it empties and purifies the bowels. Try it. Price \$1.50 per bottle. John A. Weeks, special agent.

ELECT OFFICERS; CONVENTION ENDS

Dr. J. M. Nichols, of Bangs, heads the Fourth District Medical Association as president for the coming year, and Dr. J. W. Blasdel, of Ballinger, is the secretary. These two officers were elected to handle the affairs of the medical association before the convention in session here adjourned Wednesday afternoon.

San Angelo was selected as the place for holding the 1921 convention, and Angelo promises the doctors a good program when they go to that city next fall.

The doctors departed for their respective homes Wednesday afternoon and Wednesday night. Dr. A. C. Scott Jr., who came to the convention in his airplane from Temple, left for Brownwood about five o'clock Wednesday afternoon, where he expected to spend the night with friends and resume his journey home Thursday morning, or perhaps remain over for the American Legion barbecue in that city. The trip from Temple to Ballinger was about three hours, flying time.

The physicians expressed themselves with the full meaning of appreciation for the hospitality accorded them during their stay in Ballinger and declared the convention one of the most successful held in the life of the association. The entire time was devoted to discussing important subjects concerning the advancement of the medical profession and for the best interests of the health of the people.

Card of Thanks

I am taking this method of thanking my friends for their kind assistance and sympathy rendered to me at the death of my beloved husband and for their beautiful floral offerings which decorated the casket and the last resting place.

I also wish to thank Rev. Father Goldbach for the well formed services in the home and at the graveyard and his kind word, of sympathy. May God bless you one and all.

Mrs. A. J. Leika.

Mrs. T. J. McCaughn was in the city from Norton, Tuesday, attending to business and shopping.

Mrs. M. B. Singletary returned from San Angelo, Tuesday afternoon, where she visited her daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Sherry left Friday afternoon for Oklahoma, where they will make their home.

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MANY ATTEND FAREWELL SERVICE

The high esteem in which Rev. J. B. Curry and his family are held was not only attested to by the splendid program arranged in his honor Wednesday night, and so successfully carried out at the Methodist church, but the large attendance at the service was a token of appreciation for the faithful service rendered by Bro. Curry during his four years stay in Ballinger as pastor of the Methodist church.

Rev. Curry will leave with his family Friday or Saturday, going to Cleburne, where he was assigned by the Methodist conference last week. The best wishes of many Ballinger people go with him.

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J. E. Davis, of McAlester, Okla., who has been with her mother since the beginning of her illness, has returned home. — Temple Telegram.

Joe Nash came in this week to join his wife who has been here on a visit for several days. Guests of Mr. Nash's mother, Mrs. Emma Nash.

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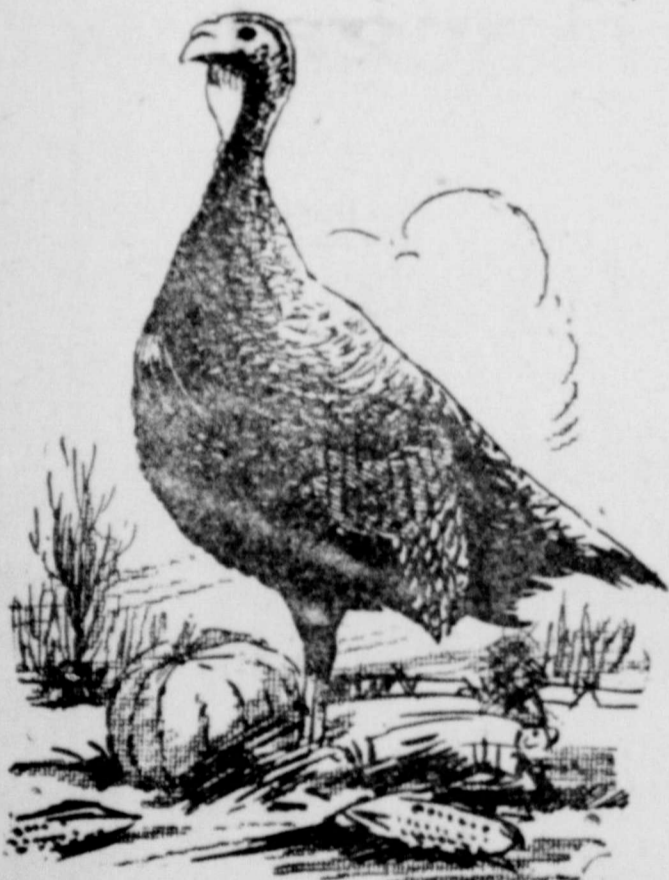
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"Pape's Diapepsin" puts Sour, Gassy, Acid Stomachs in order at once!

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If your stomach doesn't take care of your liberal limit without rebellious; if food is a damage instead of a help, remember the quickest, surest, most harmless antacid is Pape's Diapepsin, which costs so little at drug stores.

Banner-Ledger Want Ads

FOR SALE—at my farm seven miles North West of Ballinger on Valley Creek; 4 horses, 2 mules, grain drill, reaper, mower, rake, row binder, disc harrow, Sulky plow, Overland car, organ, separator, Oliver typewriter. H. S. Sellers, Ballinger, Texas. 19-4tw.*

FOR SALE—All my farm machinery, consisting of plows, disc harrows, grills reaper mower, rake, middle busters, wagons, hoes, etc. Also good mares and mules to be sold. Will sell to the highest bidder at my place ten miles South of Ballinger on Dec. 1st. W. T. Nichols. 13td-4tw.

FOR SALE—300 bushels fine blue Mediterranean stem seed wheat for planting, guaranteed free of smut, and Johnson grass, price \$2.75 per bushel. I live near Red Bank School house in Baker Flat, Route No. 1, Miles, Texas. Joe Debus. 29-4tw

LADIES — Switches, Puffs made of your combings. Rellie Loika, Ballinger, Texas. 17-10tw.*

FOR SALE—Six head of work horses, one wagon, harness and farming implements. See E. H. Hammond, 12 miles Northwest of Ballinger, Ballinger-Wingate road. 3-3tw.*

WANTED—to make a crop on shares. Can run farm myself. Write R. D. Pitts, Benoit, Texas. 12-2tw.*

FOR SALE—800 acres good farm and stock ranch, 4 1-2 miles Northeast of Miles, five miles West of Rowena. For information, write, J. M. Williamson, Miles, Texas. 10-4tw

FOR TRADE—Pair of Work Horses for Ford Car. Ages five and six years old, weights 1100 pounds. A. W. Hill, Benoit, Texas, Phone 3921. 12-2w*

WANTED—To lease a pasture of section or 1500 acres, with good grass and water. Phone 239 or see Hubert Zappe. 15-1td-1w

LOST—17 jewel Elgin Watch, silver case, plaited hair fob, lost on Wingate road between Ballinger and 9-mile Lake. Return to E. S. McWilliams or Ledger office. Reward. 15-1d-1w.*

FOR SALE—Red rust-proof see Oats, clear of Johnson Grass, 85c per bushel at farm. Mrs. A. J. Loika, Phone 3811. 19-3w.*

FOR RENT—100 acre farm—plenty wood, water and grass, Coke county. Kyle Dickinson, Bronte, Texas, or phone Fort Chandbourne. 19-3w.*

LOST—Bunch of keys on trouser hook, on old Coleman road about 4 miles East of Ballinger. \$5.00 Reward. O. Stalley, c/o. American Nat. Bank, Austin, Texas. 16-7d-4w

FOR SALE—My Essex car; \$1100 will get same if sold at once. James A. Wear, Phone 240. 13-6td-1tw

IMPORTANT MEET LIBRARY BOARD

The Library Board met in called session in the Carnegie Library Monday evening. The resignations of Mrs. C. R. Stephens and Mrs. F. C. Miller were accepted. Mrs. R. A. Nicholson and Judge J. H. Baugh were elected to fill the vacancies.

The committee appointed to devise ways and means of handling the business of the Library generally, brought the following report:

1. We recommend that a joint committee of three persons, two selected from the Library Board and one from the Shakespeare Club, to have full control of funds and handling the finance generally.

2. We recommend that Miss Wilmeth be held over as official Librarian and the one that is to be employed be known as Assistant Librarian, said assistant to be responsible to the Librarian for things trusted in her care, and that all reports be made by or through the Librarian.

3. We recommend that the Board appointed to handle and safeguard the finance of the institution, prepare a budget and set aside out of the funds now on hand, to take care of the expenses that will naturally come in amounts as follows:

Asst. Librarian	per month \$40.00
Janitor service	15.00
Fuel	15.00
Light	2.00
Possible repairs	8.00
Making a total of \$80 per month.	

4. We recommend that a committee of two be appointed from the Library Board for a house committee, said committee to have full control of the building and its usage.

5. We recommend that a vote of sincere thanks be tendered the ladies of the Shakespeare Club for their untiring efforts in raising money and for other services rendered.

Respectfully submitted,
E. Shepperd,
Mrs. C. R. Stephens,
Dr. W. B. Halley.

The above resolutions were accepted by the Library Board. The president appointed Mr. G. M. Vaughn, Mrs. J. G. Douglass, to act on the joint committee with the Shakespeare Club. Mr. E. Shepperd and Mrs. R. A. Nicholson were appointed as the house committee. (Signed) See. Library Board.

The Shakespeare Club, after hearing the above recommendations from the Library Board, voted to approve them as a wise plan for co-operation in handling the joint trust fund for the Library, with the one reservation that the attention of the Board and of the joint committee be called to Section 6 of Article 3, in the Club by-laws. This section reads: "The Library Committee shall represent the Club in co-operating with committees of the Carnegie Library Board."

Mrs. Dan Moser was appointed on the joint Club and Library Board committee to serve with G. M. Vaughn and Mrs. J. G. Douglas.

The standing library committee consists this year of Mrs. G. M. Vaughn, Mrs. R. A. Nicholson, Mrs. A. Schawe, and Mrs. J. H. Baugh. This committee together with the Librarian, Miss Wilmeth, is working faithfully on orders for new books, and invites suggestions from every one who is interested enough to make recommendations of desirable books for immediate addition to the library.

TEMPORARY BRIDGE IS OPEN FOR TRAFFIC

Commissioner Bruce announced Wednesday afternoon that the causeway bridge would be open to traffic Thursday morning. The bridge has been constructed at a cost of less than \$1,000 and is to serve until the new bridge is completed, or until high water sweeps it away. Mr. Bruce stated that the bridge was not built for a race track, and the public is warned to drive slowly when crossing the temporary structure.

The public is also warned that two cars cannot pass on the bridge, and proper signals should be given in approaching the bridge in order that parties coming in opposite directions might be observed.

Judge A. K. Doss left Friday afternoon for Austin, where he will be for a day or two on business.

FIVE DEAD IN COAL MINE FIRE

EARLINGTON, Ky., Nov. 17.—Ten miners were rescued today from the burning Arnold coal mine near here. The bodies of five others have been recovered, one other person is known to be entrapped and nine are missing. The rescue of the ten miners was effected in tunnelling around the fire, which shut off the single entry to the mine and came twenty-four hours after the flames broke out.

CONFESSION IN CHICAGO TARGEDY

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—Police said today that the confession of the two men held in connection with the death of two actresses, who were found dead in Grant Park, here, Sunday morning, cleared up nearly all the details of the tragedy and established the cause of the death of the young ladies. According to the confession of the two men the girls died from alcohol and exposure, and death was not due to violence.

TWO BODIES SHIPPED AWAY FOR BURIAL

The remains of D. L. Connor, and the remains of a young man by the name of Allen were shipped from this point by the Lankford Undertaking Co. Friday afternoon, the former going to Henderson county for burial and the latter being shipped to Santa Anna for burial.

Both of the men died at the sanitarium here Thursday night, Mr. Allen expiring from the results of fever. He was brought here a few hours before he died. The young man came to this county to pick cotton and had been at work in the Miles country.

Mr. Connor was a middle aged man and lived in Concho county. He was brought here for treatment on Nov. 8th, but had waited too long, and physicians could do nothing to save or prolong his life.

Dave Fentress returned to his home in St. Louis Monday, after a visit to his sisters, Meedames Jno. I. Guion and J. McGregor, of this city, and Mrs. Clara Spence of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Turner returned to their home at Santa Anna Tuesday afternoon, after a visit to Mrs. Turner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Miller.

Martin Frick was here from the Winters country Monday. He came out from Bay City a short time ago to look after his interests in this county.

TOWN BUILDERS IN ANNUAL MEET

FT. WORTH, Nov. 18.—The annual convention of the Commercial Executive Association of Texas, opened here today with all the larger cities represented, and at least one hundred smaller cities and towns in Texas represented. Publicity men and several secretaries of state commercial organizations are in attendance.

Secretary Williams of the local Young Men's Business League is attending the convention and school, and is to confer with heads of regional commercial bodies for the advancement of Ballinger's interests. Mr. Williams will also read a paper at the convention and take part in other affairs of the meeting.

SPANISH SHIP CALLS FOR HELP

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—The Spanish steamship, Yute, bound for Dunkirk from Baltimore, sent a wireless call for help today, giving as its location 240 miles off Cape May, New Jersey. The "S. O. S." came through naval communications with other ships.

Roy Sharp of Brownwood, is here looking after business for the insurance company which he represents in this district, and is taking advantage of the opportunity to visit his mother and family.

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FARMERS MAY GO ON STRIKE

KANSAS CITY, Kan., Nov. 18.—A nation wide producers' strike is threatened for the purpose of combatting the falling prices of farm products.

A call urging all members of the various agricultural organizations to join in the strike, was sent out today by the National Farmers' Producers', grain, cotton, wool and livestock associations. It is said that the membership of these organizations number eight hundred thousand, and should they stop production the nation would feel the effect of a shortage in all lines within a very short time.

R. B. Creasy of the Creasy Botany Filer Company, returned home Saturday at noon from points in East Texas and the "frog-ponds" of Arkansas. Mr. Creasy was on a business trip for his company, and stated that it was cold traveling weather.

E. H. Sherrill passed thru the city Monday en route to Boerne, where he will be with his daughter, Mrs. W. B. Oliver. He had been visiting at Winters.

Mrs. W. B. Halley of Ballinger, is here to attend the bedside of her mother, Mrs. J. L. Bailey, who has been very ill for the past several weeks at the family home on North Ninth street. Although very much improved, Mrs. Bailey is still confined to her bed but her many friends hope that she may soon be able to be out again. Another daughter, Mrs.

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Will you answer to the Red Cross Roll Call?

Mr. Harding is being treated rough by Texas weather.

American coal is \$40 per ton in Paris. That should help America's fuel supply.

Thousands of bales of cotton in Rannels county are returning to the earth which gave it.

A Temple dog made five trips with his master in an airplane and was then killed by an auto.

The bankrupt nations of Europe must get on their feet financially, before the Southern cotton farmer gets what is due him.

The man who howled the loudest about the warm weather can now be found trying to punch the grate out of the stove.

It was very nice and thoughtful in the business men to close up shop in honor of the ex-soldiers, but we know some ex-soldiers who couldn't so honor themselves.

We trust it will not prove true; but we predict that there will be more idle men and women in the United States before Harding serves his first term, than at any time during Wilson's eight year reign.

It seems that some people are slow about learning that it is a violation of the traffic laws to cut corners and turn their autos around just any old place on the business streets.

We are experiencing that season in the year when some men pause and wonder how their summer wages got away from them. We should learn to lay by in store something for a cold day.

There is always some sweet in the bitter. Sugar continues to slide down the list of high prices, and we will soon forget the sugarless days through which we passed.

Congressman Blanton, who was here Saturday, predicted that the Republicans would undo President Wilson's policy in selecting postmasters, and by the undoing would sweep 11,000 postmasters off their feet and fill the offices with Republicans.

President Wilson has not announced what line of endeavor he will engage in after he loses his present "job." Since school teachers are now receiving slightly better salaries, he might be able to get back in the school room.

The winter weather carries us back to the good old days of a few years ago, when everybody was not trying to skin everybody else, and the editor's friends dropped in occasionally with a mess of sausage and spare ribs.

It was Henry Ward Beecher who said, "There are many troubles which you can not cure by the Bible or hymn book, but which you can cure by systematic exercise and fresh air." Henry is right; try it.

President-Elect Harding, traveling through Texas, on Sunday, stopped long enough to make a short talk from the platform of his private car. He made a plea for "Sabbath observance and for an awakened religious reverence in America." Harding is a Baptist.

"G. O. P. is in no hurry to cut taxes," says a headline. The G. O. P. realizes that it takes money to run the government, especially when there are so many leaks, and before the G. O. P. gets very far with its administration the people will be made to realize that political promises are seldom fulfilled.

The call for funds with which to build a tubercular hospital in Texas should be answered voluntarily. It should not be necessary for the American Legion to solicit any one to contribute to this most worthy cause. It was for your safety that the soldiers contracted this awful disease.

There are farmers in Rannels county who have their farms modernly equipped with electric light plants, and are enjoying the conveniences of city life. Yet Ballinger can not make her own lights and is at the mercy of a foreign corporation. When will the people wake up?

Harding no doubt realizes by this time that Texas is against him. After being buried under the avalanche of the usual Democratic majority, the president-elect came to Texas on his vacation only to be mud bound and marooned on a bleak gulf coast by a storm.

Water on the high seas is not cheap, according to evidence brought out in the shipping board probe. Water furnished by tug boat, and costing but 15 cents per ton, was sold to the shipping corporation vessels at \$1 per ton at Savannah, Ga. That could hardly be classed as profiteering. Common grafting sounds better.

The next three months will be taken up by politicians in speculating on who will get the reserved seats at the Republican pie counter. If favoritism and political patronage could be eliminated and the government employees selected according to their ability to deliver the goods, we would have a more successful and economical government.

We should build for the future. Ballinger is managing to get by with the present lighting facilities, but the consumers of light and power are paying a price which would soon build a municipal plant. A little debt created could soon be paid off, and the city build an asset worth while and at the same time solve a world of troubles.

This is the time of all times that the farmer should stay on his job. The low prices and unprofitable farming conditions this year will drive many men from the farm and just such driving will reverse matters, and the man who leaves the farm will regret it. Remember it is very unsatisfactory trying to live out of tin cans and paper bags.

TIT FOR TAT

One of the Presidential candidates spoke in Clarksville Saturday afternoon. We'd hate to live in a cross-roads village like Bonham or Honey Grove, where Presidential candidates don't even look out thru the window when they pass on the train.—Clarksville Times.

Yep. And we'd hate to live in a town where Jim Ferguson thought he had enough followers to make it worth while to speak.—Bonham Favorite.

It is time to forget dead issues and dead politicians. Why continue to discuss the dead? Talk about Pat's inaugural ball, or what will be a good substitute for the nog in the egg-nog when that season rolls around.

REPUBLICAN CRUELTY

The Ballinger Daily Ledger drops the following very casual remark: "It has been four days since the election, and so far only one postmaster has committed suicide."

That is indeed a tribute to the Democratic postmasters of this county, that they were able to keep their heads above the waves during the Republican deluge which swept away their jobs like so many birds' nests on Tuesday, Nov. 2. But no nervous person should ever apply for a post office, especially if he or she be a Democrat. It's too slippery and uncertain.

The Republicans break in upon one's arrangements before he has hardly got to the job. It is just once in a great while that they get careless and let the Democrats capture the post offices, and when they do they never quit scheming until they get them back. It came near breaking their hearts, because the Democrats kept them eight years this time and you see what they did Tuesday. It was cruel, absolutely cruel.—Temple Telegram.

POSTMASTERS

Prospective candidates for postmasterships throughout the country are busying themselves in an effort to line up their friends, and get the political wires to working in such a way as to bring them into an easy seat at the Republican pie counter.

The Democratic administration removed the post office from the spoils system. Under the present system inaugurated by the Democrats, postmasters are selected under the civil service system,

all applicants being subjected to an examination and the most competent man appointed.

The Republicans have already put on foot plans for returning the postoffice patronage to the spoils system, and such plans will have to be perfected and the Democratic order repealed before post office seats at the pie counter will be vacated.

B. N. Timmons, staff correspondent to the Houston Chronicle says in a story from Washington, that it is believed around the nation's seat of government that President Harding, shortly after his inauguration, will remove the post office from civil service jurisdiction and fill them with deserving Republicans.

The opening wedge for placing the post offices on the spoils system has already been driven by Republican newspapers, which are asserting that it was a trick of the Democrats to rob them of the patronage by filling the offices with Democrats and then putting into effect the civil service system.

In the meantime the question will hob up from time to time. "Who will be our next postmaster?" There will perhaps be at least three applicants, and under the spoils system of course the man who can prove to the powers that be, his superior loyalty to the party over his opponents, will knock the persimmon.

IT IS MAKING GOOD

An inventory of the work being put over by the Young Men's Business League of this city will convince the most skeptical "knocker" that the organization is giving value received for the money invested, and is one of the city's most valuable assets.

It has been announced that a flour mill will be built here at once. It was strictly through the influence and efforts of the Y. M. B. L. that this institution was brought here. Secretary Williams advertised the field and got in touch with the man who is coming with the mill and presented the facts which landed the institution. If the league should do nothing else for the first year, it would have paid well the cost of maintaining it. But that is not all.

The Y. M. B. L. has acted as a labor bureau and has been of great benefit to the farmers in bringing cotton pickers to this country. Hundreds of hands have been received here and distributed thru the League, and the publicity campaign carried on by the League has attracted others here. That is not all.

Column after column of publicity matter is being sent out by the business organization and Ballinger and Rannels county is receiving valuable advertising which money could not buy directly from newspapers all over Texas and other states. Every Ballinger "dateline" is an advertisement for Ballinger, and we are getting many datelines in both small and large daily papers of the state. That is not all.

Since organizing the Y. M. B. L. this city has become affiliated with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, the largest regional commercial organization in the world, and through that organization co-operating with the local chamber, we are receiving valuable publicity and are able to share in these benefits. That is not all.

The Y. M. B. L. recently had charge of the entertainment of the Fourth District Medical Association convention, and relieved any individual of the responsibility and work of looking after what is everybody's business. That is not all.

The Y. M. B. L. is now busy looking after and arranging for the Rannels County Poultry Show to be held here early in December. That is not all.

The Y. M. B. L. is devoting special effort this week to putting over the ice plant proposition, which will be successfully organized and put in operation by next season. That is not all.

The Y. M. B. L. program of work calls for aiding in the securing of a municipal light plant, a proposition which is of great importance to the progress and development of this city.

The Y. M. B. L. program has been published in this paper, and if the citizens will co-operate with Secretary Williams the money pledged for the support of the work for the first year will be the best money ever spent in Ballinger.

astic worker, untiring in his efforts, and never lets a little knock from some disgruntled citizen discourage him. He has made the work he has in hand a special study and he knows how to plan a program and knows what it takes to put it over and then he goes out and delivers the goods.

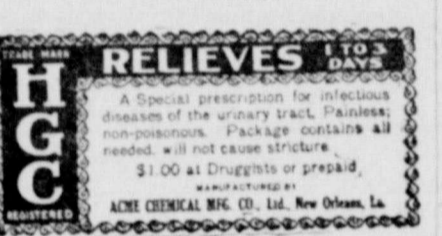
Let's keep the good work going.

Colds not only cause a tremendous financial loss but are also a serious injury to every one who contracts them as they lower the vitality and prepare the system for the more serious diseases. It is not at all unusual for people to have serious lung trouble to say, "I had a hard cold last winter." Why not take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and cure your cold while you can.

RETURNS FROM VISIT TO THE FATHERLAND

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gottschalk, of the Norton country, are at home from a visit to Germany, where they spent a couple of months. Mr. Gottschalk's father lives in Germany and he went to receive his part of the estate. On account of the unsettled conditions between this country and the European countries, Mr. Gottschalk did not transfer his part of the estate to this country. He received about 20,000 marks, but would not have received more than \$2,000 in American money, he stated, and he left his investment in Germany until German money has a greater value in the United States.

Mr. Gottschalk says, that the war has left Germany in a bad condition. The country's industries are at a standstill for the want of credit and money. The cotton mills are idle because Germany has no money to buy our cotton, and many workers are idling away their time drinking beer and eating saur kraut.



RAILROAD MAN SAYS RANGER ROTTEN TOWN

Jake Hamon, a railroad builder, can not be classed as a knocker, but if some folks would talk about their town like Hamon talked about Ranger they would be charged with knocking. At a banquet of business men in Ranger last week Jake was one of the speakers, and in part he said: "Ranger is the wickedest, most corrupt city on the face of the continent, with the possible exception of a few cities in Mexico. The streets of your city are unfit for decent women to walk thru. Your streets are lined with bootleggers, open saloons, gambling houses and cabarets. Hi-jackers find a haven here. Unless you business men get together and clean up the morals of Ranger, I am going to pull out. The shops of my railroad are to be located somewhere. The general offices of my railroad are already temporarily located here, filled with high salaried employees. But I can't keep men here when their wives and children are surrounded by vice. During the last month 27 of my employees were held up and robbed in the yards of my company."

If you child eats ravenously at times and at other times has no appetite at all, look out for worms. White's Cream Vermifuge is the remedy to use. It clears them out. Price, 35c. Sold by all druggists.

RETURN FROM EL PASO

Dr. and Mrs. Alvin Swindell, and Rev. Dewees returned Sunday night from El Paso, where they attended the State Baptist Association convention. Dr. Swindell says the delegates took advantage of the opportunity to visit Mexico and spent some time in Juarez where they had the privilege of observing the great contrast between a modern city and the semi-civilized condition which prevails in Juarez, with only the river as the dividing line.

The Baptist convention was a very successful one. Dr. J. D. Sandefer, of Abilene, being elected as president and the convention voted to go to Waco next year. The reporter in sending out the figure, given in the statistical report made at the convention reported 37,000 Baptist churches in

Texas when he should have reported 3700 churches in Texas and 2700 Sunday schools.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect the Head Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness nor ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE, 30c.

COMMISSION INVESTIGATES PINK WORM IN OLD MEXICO

DALLAS, Nov. 13.—With the approval and by the request of Governor W. P. Hobby, the Texas Chamber of Commerce will appoint a committee representative of all branches of the cotton industry, to visit the cotton growing districts of Torreon, Mexico, and make a careful investigation of the damage done by the pink boll worm during the past season. The results of this investigation will be laid before the people of Texas for their guidance in further dealing with this infestation.

The committee will assemble at San Antonio November 26, and the trip to Mexico will consume about twelve days.

Warning. Anyone caught hunting, fishing or gathering pecans, on our Valley Creek place, known as the J. W. Raby ranch, will be fined. E. A. JEANES. 4-21-d-tw

FOR POLL TAX RECEIPT PUBLIC WEIGHT TICKET

CLEBURNE, Texas, Nov. 12.—One of the aspirants for the presidential chair received a vote in Cleburne at the recent election cast on a public weight ticket instead of a poll tax receipt. The error was not discovered until several hours after the vote had been accepted. The voter was

not disqualified. Earlier in the day the man has some hogs weighed and thrust the weight ticket into his pocket, where he kept his poll tax receipt. At the polls he handed the ticket, thru error, to the election judge who did not notice the difference and accepted the vote. As he was legally entitled to a vote he did not notify the judge when later he discovered the mistake.

If the bowels do not act regularly, assist them with an occasional dose of Herbine. It is a fine bowel tonic and laxative. Price 60c. Sold by all druggists.

WINTERS OIL MILL USES HULLS FOR FURNACE FUEL

Indicative of the prevailing low prices for cotton seed hulls is the action of the Winters Oil Mill in using them for feeding their furnaces in generating power for their plant in handling this by-product of cotton.

H. W. Lynn, manager of the plant, stated this week that he could not say how long the hulls would continue a drug on the market as to make them the most desirable fuel for the mill, but the comparative value of fuels at this time made it an economic consideration. Akin to this action is the announced determination of the growers in the corn belts of the country to use corn for fuel in preference to any other sort of fuel at present prices. The local oil mill is advertising hulls at \$5.00 per ton.—Winters Enterprise.

If it is a Bilious Attack Take three of Chamberlain's Tablets and a quick recovery is certain. Be Wise and Advertise—

A Real Bargain Sale of Groceries

Nothing Charged—Nothing Delivered under \$3.50. Old Time price like you bought Groceries a long time ago.

- 15lb Monarch Flour, best Hour made, per sack\$3.55
15lb Quality Flour, per sack \$3.90
25lb sack of Meal95c
25lb Pure cane Sugar\$3.35
Santos Peaberry Coffee, lb30c
Rio Coffee, lb15c
4-14 lb Banner Brand Coffee, per bucket\$1.40
4lb Big Chief Coffee, per bucket here\$1.35
10lb Pink Beans\$1.00
Pinto Beans, per lb9c
Navy Beans, per lb9c
Lima Beans, per lb12-1-2c
Full head Rice per lb10c
D. S. Bacon, per lb24c
Second grade wrapped Bacon, per pound, 30c and40c
Gallon Cooking Oil\$1.40
Gallon Peanut Oil\$1.50
4lb bucket Lard90c
5-12lb White Swan Lard\$1.50
8lb bucket Lard\$1.60
6lb bucket Crisco\$1.60
Barrel Vinegar, per gallon25c
No. 1 can Tomatoes, per dozen cans\$1.05
No. 2 can Tomatoes, best grade heavy pack, per dozen cans \$1.50
No. 3 can Tomatoes, heavy pack, per dozen cans\$2.00
No. 2 can Corn, second grade, per dozen cans\$1.50
No. 2 can Corn, very best grade, per dozen cans\$1.60
No. 3 Pa-Ma can Sweet Potatoes, per dozen cans\$2.25
No. 3 can Hominy, per dozen \$1.40
No. 3 can Kraut, per dozen\$1.75
No. 2 can sifted Peas, per dozen cans\$1.75
No. 2 can, Chum Salmon, per dozen cans\$1.50
No. 2 can Pork & Beans, per dozen cans\$1.50
No. 1 can Pork & Beans, per dozen cans\$1.25
Potted Ham, per can5c
30c Tuna fish now25c
Pimientos, per can20c
Sweet Pickles, per bottle15c
Can Chili, per can15c
35c size Chili powder for25c
No. 2 can Blackberries, per dozen cans\$2.40
25c size Prepared Mustard15c
35c size Blackberry Jam25c
2 packages Coconut25c
2 packages White Swan Mince Meat for25c
Sargaw Matches, per dozen75c
Package Sage, only15c
1lb Black Pepper, per lb35c
3 cans 2 ounce size Black Pepper for
1-2lb Black Pepper for
3 cans Red Pepper, 2 ounce for
3 cans Mustard
3 cans Ginger
3 cans Allspice, 2 ounce size
2-1-2lb bucket Peanut Butter
35c Vanilla Flavoring
35c size Lemon Flavoring
35c size Pineapple Flavoring
35c size Strawberry Flavoring
2 packages large size Arm Oatmeal
1lb Calumet Baking Powder
2-1-2lb Calumet Baking Powder now
5lb Calumet Baking Powder
25c size K. C. Baking Powder
2 cans
35c size Good Luck Baking Powder only
Fresh Cheese, per lb
\$1.50 Brooms now
\$1.35 Brooms, now
\$1.25 Brooms, now
\$1.00 Brooms, now
Gallon Green Velva Syrup
Gallon Brer Rabbit Syrup
Gallon Everybody's Syrup
Gallon White Star Syrup
Gallon Koo Koo Syrup
Gallon Red Karo Syrup
Gallon White Karo Syrup
Gallon Mary Jane Syrup
Gallon Lasses Syrup
Gallon Blue Ribbon Syrup
1-2 gallon French Market for
Gallon Crockett & Weils Cane Syrup
1-2 gallon Crockett & Weils Cane Syrup
Gallon Helmer Syrup
Evaporated Apples, California brand, lb
California Peaches, per lb
California Prunes, per lb
White and Red Onions, per 2 packages Puffed Wheat for
3 packages Faultless, Starch
3 packages Arm & Hammer now
10lb-bucket Arm & Hammer for
16 bars Joy Soap
Good White Laundry Soap bars for
13 bars Crystal White Soap
13 bars White Naptha Soap
Can Milk per dozen cans
2 full quarts Acme Bluing ..

We pay 60 cents per dozen for Eggs. We could write prices all day—but our time and space is so scarce. \$15,000.00 stock of Groceries to make your purchases from.

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Begin Right Now to Conquer Your Rheumatism

If you are going to again rely upon the liniment bottle to try to rub your Rheumatism away, you will be doomed again to nothing but disappointment. A disease that can cause so much pain and suffering is not on the surface of the skin, and cannot be rubbed away.

Many forms of Rheumatism are caused by a tiny disease germ in the blood, and in such cases the only logical treatment is to search out and remove these germs from

the blood.

For this purpose there is no more satisfactory remedy than S.S.S., the fine old blood remedy that has been in use for more than fifty years, and has given such general satisfaction for Rheumatism.

Begin taking S.S.S. today, and if you will write a complete history of your case, our medical director will give you expert advice, without charge. Address Chief Medical Director, 160 Swift Laboratory, Atlanta, Ga.

Y.M.B.L. BOARD HAS BUSY MEET

At the Monday night meeting of the Board of Directors of the Young Men's Business League, it was voted to send Secretary Williams to the Convention School of the Texas Commercial Executives Association which will be held in Ft. Worth on the 18th, 19th and 20th of this month. Mr. Williams will leave Wednesday afternoon.

The Board also voted to take out a one year's membership for the League in the Texas Chamber of Commerce. This organization has been assisting the local body, and it is the belief of the Board that the alignment with the larger chamber will be of material value to the city.

A. J. Thorp was made chairman of the Finance Committee to complete the work on the flour mill proposition.

The ice plant situation was discussed, and it was the general opinion of the Board that all matters of smaller importance should be dropped until this project was put over. Committees who had been engaged in soliciting stock subscriptions reported some progress, but stated that more interest would have to be shown if Ballinger was to have ice next summer.

The Secretary reported that assistance had been given in making the Armistice Day celebration a success; that a banquet had been tendered the Medical Convention by the League and others; and that considerable publicity had been given to the December Runnels County Poultry Show. It was also reported that efforts to secure free road signs from tire concerns was being continued. A letter was read from Mr. Blah-ton in regard to the Federal building. The Secretary stated that in response to an invitation from the League that Silliman Evans, special staff correspondent, would be in Ballinger soon to write up this section.

Data for a model tourist camping ground had been furnished the League by the Texas Chamber of Commerce, and it was announced that the Lanford Block had been tendered to the League for that purpose. A letter from

the West Texas Chamber of Commerce was read stating that farm exhibits had been shown by them at 19 state fairs, and that at the Cotton Palace, West Texas had won all first prizes, together with the \$1,000.00 exhibit prize won in competition with the Rio Grande valley chamber of commerce.

Habitual Constipation Cured in 14 to 21 Days

"LAX-FOS WITH PEPSIN" is a specially-prepared Syrup Tonic-Laxative for Habitual Constipation. It relieves promptly but should be taken regularly for 14 to 21 days to induce regular action. It stimulates and regulates. Very Pleasant to Take. 60c per bottle.

MRS. F. M. MURPHY DEAD

Mrs. F. M. Murphy died at her home on Sixth Street in Ballinger at noon Wednesday. Death was due to old age, deceased having rounded out a long life of usefulness and peacefully passed out into the world beyond.

Deceased came to this country quite a number of years ago, and with her husband located in the Norton country, where they lived up to the time of Mr. Murphy's death a few years ago, when Mrs. Murphy came to Ballinger, and has been making her home here.

Among the surviving relatives is a daughter, Mrs. O. L. Parish. Arrangements for the funeral were perfected shortly after the death, and the remains will be carried to Winters for interment Thursday morning, where they will be laid to rest by the side of her husband.

If your bowels do not act regularly, you feel uncomfortable, and the longer this condition exists the worse you feel. To put an end to the misery, take Herbine. It purifies the bowels, restores energy and cheerful spirits. Price 60c. Sold by all druggists.

Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. T. J. McLaughlin were here from Norton Tuesday to see J. M. Osborn and family off to their new home at McAllen, Texas.

Jesse McAdams, oil peddler for the Texas Co. was working the Ballinger dealers Tuesday, and returned to his home at Brownwood Tuesday afternoon. Jesse made his start in Ballinger and we are glad to note is adding to it in Brownwood.

NO LANGUAGE QUITE PURE

Words Expressing New Ideas and New Things Are Passed From Nation to Nation.

If by "a pure language" is meant one that does not contain words adopted from another language, then there are none among civilized nations. A language is not something made to order, and that once made ends there so far as development is concerned. A language grows in many ways. Take modern English for example. It differs considerably from the English of the time of Queen Elizabeth, and it is so different from the language spoken in England at the time of the Norman conquest that could one of those old Saxons come back he would not understand us and we would not understand him. And yet the language he spoke is the basis of modern English. Since the time of the Saxons there has been great growth. The Normans brought in French, and scholars since then have brought in thousands of words derived from Latin and Greek. These are English words today, but the roots from which they sprang are to be found in other and in many cases in older languages. It is because of this that the English vocabulary is so extensive and the language so expressive.

Italian, Spanish and French are largely derived from Latin, which was the language of ancient Rome, and for centuries Rome was the ruler of continental Europe. And the Latins borrowed from the still older Greek.

A living language is always growing. For example, science is introducing new words to express new ideas and to name new things.

TRACING HISTORY OF BED

Many Varieties Have Been Used, Not All of Them Conducive to Healthful Sleep.

Iron beds were first made for ordinary use a couple of hundred years ago, and gradually people saw the advantages of this metal bed, until nowadays they are almost universally in use. The Romans used rough framework beds, interlaced with thongs, although, of course, the idea was much improved upon in the beds of some of the emperors, ornamented with jewels. After the thong-and-framework bed came the first idea of a mattress, in the shape of the "chest bed." This was a kind of shallow box stuffed with dry moss or feathers, and although it must have been comfortable, it must, at the same time, have been extremely insanitary. Later on came the big four-poster canopy bedsteads. These pieces of "sleeping furniture" were hung with curtains which did little else but collect dust and keep away fresh air. One had to be wealthy to sleep at all comfortably in those days, for although there were plenty of vermin about, there was no effective insect-killer. So when the bed of a rich man became infested, he moved to another of his houses, and let the vermin die of starvation. The poor man, with only one house, merely grinned and bore it—or, rather, them.

Inventor of the Letter-Box.
The inventor of the letter-box was Anthony Trollope, the novelist, who was a surveyor of the post office, in England, from 1841 to his retirement from the service in 1887. One sure way of arousing Trollope's ire was to suggest that he neglected his post office work for the sake of his novels. He took, as a matter of fact, an intense pride in his official work, or, as he put it, he had a passion for letters. In his autobiography he enumerated various benefits for which the public had cause to be grateful to him. First came the arrangement by which the people living in little villages could buy postage stamps; secondly, the free and early rural delivery, and the putting up of pillar or letter-collecting boxes. Of that accommodation he says: "In the streets and ways of England I was the originator, having, however, got the authority for the erection of the first at St. Heller, in Jersey."

Caves Always of Interest.
None of the peculiar formations of the earth are more interesting than caves, and many are the adventures that have been had by the explorers of these often mysterious caverns. The very word "cave" seems to have a strong attraction for everybody. Some of the best and most interesting stories have been written about adventures in caves, so they have always been well advertised on library shelves. And then we must remember that caves were the only homes of many people who lived in the undiscovered parts of the world thousands of years ago, and this in itself adds much historical interest to these natural tunnels under the surface of the earth.

Historic Building.
In the older part of the city of Kingston, Canada, is a small frame house which was occupied by Governor Simcoe in 1792-93 immediately after his arrival in Canada. Here he composed the proclamation calling the first parliament of Upper Canada (now Ontario) to meet in the summer at Newark (now Niagara). In that parliament he not only laid the groundwork of government but planned liberally for religious and educational work. The small "government house" has been modernized a bit by a cheap porch, but is still primitive as well as eloquent in historic interest.—Christian Science Monitor.



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Perhaps you have delayed buying that much needed suit because of high prices. We don't blame you. But, buy now, prices are down. Markets have tumbled and a man can buy a suit that is good from every angle at a fair price. All-wool suits, made on the new lines, of fine durable fabric, good for long hard wear are obtainable.

- \$35.00 men's and young men's suits, during this sale **\$27.50**
- \$45.00 men's and young men's suits during this sale **35.00**
- \$50.00 men's and young men's suits during this sale **45.00**
- \$52.50 men's and young men's suits during this sale **42.50**
- \$55.00 men's and young men's suits during this sale **45.00**
- \$57.50 men's and young men's suits during this sale **47.50**
- \$60.00 men's and young men's suits during this sale **49.50**
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Select your suit now before your size is gone. Boys suits at the same reduction.

Men's Winter Shoes Fairly Priced

\$4.00 Shoes	\$3.00	\$9.00 Shoes	\$6.75
\$4.50 Shoes	\$3.38	\$9.50 Shoes	\$7.13
\$5.00 Shoes	\$3.75	\$10.00 Shoes	\$7.50
\$5.50 Shoes	\$4.13	\$12.50 Shoes	\$9.38
\$6.00 Shoes	\$4.50	\$13.50 Shoes	\$10.13
\$6.50 Shoes	\$4.88	\$15.00 Shoes	\$11.25
\$7.00 Shoes	\$5.25	\$16.50 Shoes	\$12.38
\$7.50 Shoes	\$5.63	\$18.00 Shoes	\$13.50
\$8.00 Shoes	\$6.00	Ladies' and Children's Shoes	at the same reductions.
\$8.50 Shoes	\$6.38		

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