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Boy Kills Little Brother While Loading Shot Gun

The home of Lee Weddle, about a mile West of the city, was the scene of an awful tragedy about seven o'clock Monday evening when D. H., the two and a half year old baby son of Mr. and Mrs. Weddle was accidentally killed by his ten year old brother, Darwin, with a shot gun.

The tragedy occurred in the room where the baby boy was playing, and where the elder boy was loading a pump shot gun. The charge from the gun at close range, struck the baby about the center of the body inflicting a terrible wound. The child lived about thirty minutes.

Mr. Weddle recently moved from the Concho county to Ballinger and purchased the Hopper Cafe, and is living at the C. S. Woodward place on the river bluff about a mile West of town. Mrs. Weddle was at home at the time of the tragedy, and other children were present.

For several years Mr. Weddle had been farming in Concho county, and only a few months ago he and his wife lost another child who died from sickness. The second death coming in this home, and under such circumstances, is sorrow indeed, and the friends of the family sympathize with them.

Mr. Weddle's father and mother arrived here from Santa Anna at noon Tuesday, and Tuesday afternoon the remains of their baby boy were carried to the Concho cemetery, where they were laid to rest. Dr. Alvin Swindell conducted the funeral services.

FLYNT MAKES RAID ON STILL RUN BY NEGROES

Two negroes are in the Ballinger jail waiting for a Federal officer to come and take charge of them, and they will be forced to answer to charges filed in the Federal court charging them with operating a liquor still.

Sheriff Flynt arrested the negroes and captured the rudely constructed still and a small quantity of the finished fire-water on Valley creek, a few miles West of Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

It was clever work by the sheriff, who learned that the negroes had been buying an unusual amount of sugar, and who had left their tracks uncovered in other ways as to place them under suspicion.

The still and two barrels of mash were captured and brought to this city, and will be used as evidence against the negroes. The mash of corn meal and other ingredients had been prepared in two barrels, and pipes and troughs arranged in such a way as to bring out the drippings which answered for booze, and for which it is claimed the negroes were working up a trade, having several customers who were patronizing the home made booze plant.

This is the first still discovered in this county since the prohibition law went into effect, but several suspicious places have been raided. It is believed that the negroes had associated with them a white man, but this fact has not been established to a point justifying an arrest.

White Men Arrested Charged With 'High-jacking' Negro Poker Game

Charges were filed at Paint Rock this week against Joe Collier and Geary Adkins, of Stacy, charging them with robbery by firearms. The crime with which the two men are charged is more commonly known in the present day parlance as "high jacking."

The complaints against the two white men were filed by five negroes, who allege that the white men held them up at the point of a gun and robbed them while they were engaged in a game of poker in Concho county.

According to the negroes' statements the white men were not engaged in the game with the negroes, but appeared on the scene and forced the negroes to "hands up" while the two men raked in the "pot" amounting to about \$200.00.

The negroes claim that the white men appeared at the house where the gambling was in progress, knocked on the door and asked for admittance. Thinking

it was another negro who wanted to join the game the door was opened and the white men stepped in waving their guns and lined the negroes up against the wall with their hands pointing heavenward. In the meantime, the second white man entered the room and raked in the coin, and the men disappeared leaving the negroes with only a deck of cards to continue the game.

The negroes claim that the two men were heavily masked, but they recognized them by their voices, and otherwise, being acquainted with the two men. The white men will contest the charges against them and have employed Doss & Baugh, of Ballinger, to defend them. They state that they will be able to prove an alibi and declare that they were no ways near the scene of the "high jacking." The men are out under bond to await the action of the grand jury.

SHERIFF HERE TO GET NEGRO

Sheriff Kemp, of Wharton county, came to Ballinger Thursday and returned with John Timmons, a negro, wearing handcuffs. The negro is wanted in Wharton county on assault and attempt to murder charges.

According to the Wharton county officer, the negro shot another negro, seriously wounding him. The wounded negro has about recovered, and Timmons will be tried for attempt to murder. The negro was trailed to this place by the South Texas sheriff who wired Sheriff Flynt to arrest him. He was arrested by Deputy Ed Lehr at Rowena and brought to Ballinger.

Mr. Kemp says that his country is too wet and has been so for two years. He stated that farmers paid as high as five dollars per day for negroes to chop cotton last spring and of course played a losing game.

BANKRUPTCY FILED HERE

Representing three creditors, Wright & Harris, of San Angelo, filed two petitions in bankruptcy Wednesday. Castor Bros., a firm composed of Louis and John Castor, and doing an auto accessory business at Ballinger and operating a vulcanizing plant here up to a short time ago, were made defendants in one case, and Pat Fox, who purchased the Castor Bros. shop, was made defendant in the other case.

An inventory of the assets and liabilities has not been made, but it is estimated that the assets will amount to about \$5,000 and the liabilities about \$10,000.

This is the first business to be thrown into bankruptcy in this city in some time.

Concho Officer Arrests Two for Violation of Pro Law

Two Mexicans are in jail here charged with violation of the prohibition law in Concho county. Details of the trouble are not known. The Mexicans were brought here and placed in the county prison after a Federal officer spent a few days in Concho county.

It is also reported here this afternoon that prominent citizens of Concho county have been

Taylor county line, or to the point where the Taylor county road is completed.

COTTON GINNED UP TO NOV. 22

The government's ginning report compiled showing the number of bales of cotton ginned in each Texas county up to Nov 22, has just been issued, and following is the standing of Runnels county and her neighboring counties:

	1920	1919
Brown	15,398	8,574
Coke	5,606	3,500
Coleman	32,184	15,634
Comanche	9,344	7,962
Concho	11,608	5,846
McCulloch	16,918	8,253
Nolan	10,390	7,951
Runnels	30,840	17,670
Taylor	21,731	21,023
Tom Green	5,119	4,213

Up to the above date this year, 3,160,960 bales had been ginned in the state of Texas as compared with 1,677,648 for the same date last year.

REORGANIZE Y. M. B. L. ON JANUARY 1ST

At the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Young Men's Business League Monday night, it was decided to stage a re-organization campaign immediately after the first of the year. Porter Whaley or W. T. Wheeler of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will be asked to assist in the campaign. It is planned to revise the system of collections and of subscriptions, and to add many new members during the week.

The suggestion of Noel Penn was unanimously adopted that thirty Advisory Directors be appointed from communities within the Ballinger trade territory, to assist in county wide moves such as the Poultry Show, County Fair, Rat Extermination Campaign, rabbit drives, and other similar enterprises in which the entire county is interested. It is possible that these Directors will be brought to Ballinger for quarterly conferences.

The Board voted to start a County-wide Rat Extermination campaign the contest to begin January 3rd and end January 15th. The Secretary was instructed to place propaganda and publicity articles in the county papers during this month. It was reported that R. H. Reppert of College Station would assist in organizing the county.

The Secretary reported that the contest had been closed in the "Trade at Home" Campaign and prizes awarded.

The Board unanimously voted the Poultry Show a success.

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PIONEER CITIZEN SERIOUSLY ILL

T. J. Stocks, one of the early settlers in this county, is seriously ill at his hotel on Hutchings Avenue. Mr. Stocks suffered a stroke of paralysis Wednesday. He came to this country when Ballinger was in its infancy and served the county as treasurer for a number of years. His friends will regret to hear of his illness and wish for his recovery.

Sheriff Flynt and Deputy United States Marshal Baylor Crawford left for San Angelo Tuesday morning where they went to take two Mexicans and two negroes, charged with transporting and selling liquor in Runnels and Concho counties.

The two Mexicans were arrested in Concho county by a Federal prohibition officer and the two negroes were arrested in this county by Sheriff Flynt. Mr. Flynt caught the negroes on a farm near Ballinger Sunday, where he raided a still and captured the outfit together with a small quantity of home made liquor. The officers declare that the liquor was genuine corn whiskey.

In addition to the four prisoners carried to San Angelo from this place Tuesday, Bob Miller, the new sheriff of Concho county and a Federal pro enforcement officer from Brownwood, arrested two Mexicans Sunday afternoon near Millersville and carried them to San Angelo where they are being held on charges of transporting tequila.

The Mexican who was arrested here Monday morning, charged with selling liquor to four young men of Ballinger, and who made his escape after being brought to Ballinger, is still at large. The officers have not been able to get a trace of the Mexican since he leaped from the court house and got out of sight before the officers could come down the steps and make chase.

MEXICAN ESCAPES

Jose F. Espinosa, Mexican, charged with selling whiskey, made a sensational get-away from the officers shortly after noon Monday. The Mexican was arrested by a Federal prohibition officer on the Dierschke farm ten miles South of Ballinger Monday morning and was brought to Ballinger by the secret service man. He made his escape from the office of C. P. Shepherd, county attorney, while the dry enforcement officer was conferring with the county attorney and while a statement of a witness in the case was being taken. The Mexican was seated in the office in the presence of the officers, and while their heads were turned for a minute or two, the alleged bootlegger skipped out the door and "beat it," and an hour or two after his escape he was still at large with the officers securing the city and surrounding country.

The witness in the case are four prominent young white men of this city. It is alleged that the four young men, on or about Nov. 1st, purchased four quarts of tequila (Mexican whiskey) from Espinosa, paying the Mexican \$50 in good United States money for the liquor. One of the consumers, or purchaser, of the booze very readily "fessed up," and made a clean statement of

the transaction when the Federal officer placed his hands on the boy's shoulder and told him that he had in goods on him, and wanted the story told correctly.

COUNTY WILL TAKE OVER OLD ROAD BUILDING

By mutual agreement the county has taken over the road work on the Ballinger-Rowena highway and the road is being completed under the direction of U. Stephens, county engineer. The contractors agreed for the county to complete the highway and deduct the cost from the contract price. The county's crew completed a concrete culvert on the road this week, and are making good headway with the road, having perfected places which were incomplete.

Work started on the highway through Winters Wednesday morning. This strip of road extends from a point three and half miles South of Winters, through the town to a point two and a half miles North of the town. J. P. Wherung is assistant county engineer and is in charge of this piece of work, and Ed Shelton, of Waco, is contractor.

When these two strips of road are completed it will leave a bad gap from Ballinger to two and a half miles South of Winters and a bad gap from two and a half miles North of Winters to the

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Cotton ginned prior to December 1, amounted to 10,144,921 running bales, including 191,687 bales of American Egyptian cotton, and 1,111 bales of Sea Island cotton, according to the report made public by the census bureau today.

Last year, to December 1, ginnings amounted to 8,844,368 bales of lint, including 99,686 round bales, 23,725 bales of American Egyptian cotton and 5,356 bales of Sea Island cotton.

Arkansas ginned to December 1, 812,912 bales, and Texas ginned 3,423,111 bales.

BOYERS RAMPEY

Miss Virgie Boyers and Clarence Rampey were married Sunday afternoon, Rev. W. H. Doss performing the ceremony at his home in South Ballinger. The happy young couple will make their home in the New Home community.

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HARDING CHIEF CENTER CONVENING CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Sitting in separate session the House and Senate received President Wilson's annual message today. Mr. Wilson did not deliver his message in person as had been his custom.

Immediately after receiving the message the House adjourned while the Senate continued in session for a short time to transact routine business.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—President Wilson's concrete recommendations to Congress in his annual message today only covered a few of the more important laws to be presented to Congress before the new administration goes into power. He recommended a revision of the tax laws with simplification of the income and profits tax. He recommended independence for the Philippines, a loan to Armenia, economy in government appropriations and expenditures and the creation of a workable budget system, passage of cold storage and other laws affecting the cost of living, and the licensing of corporations as recommended in a previous message, rehabilitation and training of disabled soldiers and sailors. The president did not mention the proposed bonus for ex-service men.

Nowhere in his message did Mr. Wilson refer to the League of Nations or peace treaty fight, except perhaps by inference in his opening remarks when he quoted Abraham Lincoln by saying, "let us have faith that right makes might and in that faith let us dare to do our duty as we understand it."

At the close of his message the

president wrote a paragraph which might be regarded as his valedictory and said, "I have not so much laid before you a series of recommendations as I have sought to utter a confession of faith and expressed a faith to stand by until my last fighting day. I believe this to be the faith of America's future and of all victories which await national action in the days to come whether in America or elsewhere."

"Democracy," said the president, "is being put to its final test. The old world is just now suffering from the wanton rejection of the principles of democracy and the substitution of the principles of autocracy as asserted in name, but without authority and sanction of the multitude. This is the time of all others when democracy should prove its purity and its spiritual power should prevail. It is surely manifest destiny that the United States lead in the attempt to make this spirit prevail throughout the world."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—After a conference between Senator Harding and the Republican Senate leaders today, it was indicated that Mr. Harding would prob-

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ably make a brief address before the Senate some time during the afternoon.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The third and final session of the Sixty-fifth Congress began today with President Elect Harding in his seat in the Senate. The galleries began to fill early in the day and were crowded when the gavels of Vice President Marshall and Speaker Gillett fell promptly at noon.

Senator Harding was given a round of applause as he entered the Senate chamber just before noon. Spectators rose all over the galleries to obtain a better view of the president elect, who entered the Republican cloak room with Senator Lodge, Republican leader.

Mr. Harding was immediately surrounded by a crowd of senators who shook hands and clapped him upon the back. Harding welcomed his admirers with a broad smile.

Later Mr. Harding delivered a short address from the floor of the Senate and forecasted a day of co-operation and friendly relations between the White House and Congress. He disclaimed any desire to criticize the present administration and declared that his ambition was to insure team work between the two branches of the government.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Another peace time estimate of nearly five billions of dollars for the government's expenses during the fiscal year 1922 faced Congress when it assembled today.

The exact figures as transmitted by Secretary Houston were \$4,653,856,759 an increase of nearly one billion dollars over the appropriation for the current year, but \$211,000,000 less than the estimates submitted a year ago.

Continuing war costs were directly reflected throughout the estimates, indicating that the government might be on a four billion dollar basis for some years to come, compared with the one billion dollar maximum preceding the war. The single item of interest on the public debt was almost the pre-war maximum of all appropriations, this total being \$922,650,000. In addition there was an estimate of \$265,754,864 for the war debt sinking fund.

Of the individual departments, the army and navy, as usual asked for the greatest amounts, the estimate for the military establishment being \$699,275,502, and for the naval establishment \$658,522,231.

These estimates, prepared by the Democratic administration, are for the operation of the government during the coming and first fiscal year of the new Republican administration. Republican leaders in the Senate and House have already forecast a sharp cut in the total and within the week the House committees will begin the work of shaping the bill, which will carry the sums for the various departments.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—A favorable report of the Johnson bill prohibiting immigration will be reported out by the committee and Chairman Johnson said that the measure would be given preference in the House.

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KILLING RABBITS BY SPOT LIGHTS

Loy Clayton was here from the Benoit-Talpa country Saturday and told a rabbit story which should cause every sportsman to want to shoulder arms and march against the mule-eared tribe. Mr. Clayton stated that jack rabbits were so thick in his neighborhood that he and Chas. and Milton Clayton killed 401 during the week in the grain fields, using two cars to hunt rabbits with at night. The parties drove out in the grain fields and shot the rabbits by the light of the autos. About six hundred shells were used in killing the 401 rabbits.

Mr. Clayton stated that the rabbits were damaging the grain crop, and that they looked like sheep in the fields when the lights are thrown on them at night. If the pests are not exterminated, observers say, during the winter they will increase to such number by planting time next spring that the farmers will experience heavy loss to their crops. Different methods are suggested for ridding the country of the rabbits during the winter, and a concerted drive over this county and adjoining counties, is being talked to abolish this rapidly increasing pest.

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REVISED COUNT GIVES ANGELO 10,060 PEOPLE

The population of San Angelo, under the 1920 decennial census, is 10,060, a decrease since 1910 of only 261, or 2.52 per cent.

A telegram received here at noon Wednesday by the Board of City Development from the Bureau of Census at Washington made this official announcement. Thus, San Angelo, has maintained its position in cities of the 10,000 class, despite reverses suffered during the three years' drought, ending in October, 1918.

The canvass made during the first week in January and announced from Washington on September 30, showed the population to be only 9,392, a decrease in ten years of 929 persons or 9 per cent. A re-check was granted on October 5, after the Board of City Development had submitted data tending to show that hundreds of persons were absent from their homes during mid-winter.—San Angelo Standard.

COUNTY HAS NEW COMMISSIONERS' COURT

The new Commissioners' Court will be organized at its next regular meeting. R. J. Deens, Commissioner for the Ballinger precinct, and George Miller, Commissioner for the Wingate precinct, qualified this week and are now on the job. W. D. Yeager, of the Winters precinct, succeeds W. D. Meadows, and with I. A. Curry of the Miles precinct, who holds over, constitutes the new court. R. W. Bruce, of the Ballinger precinct, and W. E. Puckett, of the Wingate precinct, are the other retiring members.

C. C. Gilliam is here from San Antonio on business. Mr. Gilliam was in the tailoring business here for a number of years, selling out about a year ago.

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While unloading a car of coal at the coal bins of C. J. Lynn & Son recently, the hands found a canteen containing eight pounds of blasting powder. Mr. Lynn took charge of the powder and sold it to a local hardware store for 96 cents.

The canteen was numbered No. 17. It is believed that the powder found its way into the car of coal through carelessness or by accident, and it was not placed there with intent to harm anyone. However, it was a careless piece of work on the part of the miner, and had the coal been handled for fuel in firing a railroad engine, or a furnace, and been shoveled in without being detected, the damage would have been great and probably the loss of life, as this quantity of powder would have wrecked a battleship.

The car of coal came from a mine in Arkansas, and the matter has been reported to the place of origin, together with the number of the tag on the can, and no doubt the party responsible for the carelessness will have to offer some explanation.

LADY DIED AT SAN ANGELO BURIED HERE

The remains of Mrs. W. L. Phillips arrived at Ballinger at 4:14 Thursday afternoon and were laid to rest in Evergreen Cemetery, the funeral taking place from the train, Dr. Alvin Swindell conducting the services.

Deceased had been at San Angelo for her health for several weeks. Her home was formerly in Oklahoma, where a father and other relatives live. The family had been living more recently in the oil fields in Stephens county, until the husband carried his wife to San Angelo in the hopes of finding some relief from the disease which caused her death.

Mr. Phillips was a friend of the family of D. A. Alexander, of this city, and when she was taken to San Angelo, the children, two sons and a daughter, ages twelve, fifteen and eighteen, stopped here and have been staying with the Alexander family. While the mother had no other relatives or friends here, and while she was a stranger in this city, never having lived here, she requested that she be buried at Ballinger, and her husband is complying with that request.

Deceased was about thirty-six years old. She was a member of the Baptist church.

H. Giesecke arrived from San Antonio Friday night, reaching here in time for early supper after leaving San Antonio in a Ford car after breakfast Friday morning. He was accompanied by his brother, Charley, who will spend a few days in Ballinger.

PASTOR COMING TO LOCAL CHURCH

Rev. James will arrive here early next year to serve the First Presbyterian church as stated supply, and probably become pastor of the church. Rev. James is now living in Tennessee. He will be accompanied here by his family and will occupy the Presbyterian manse on Fifth St. Lee Butler, who has been occupying the manse, has purchased a home on Tenth Street, near the Methodist church and is vacating the manse.

The First Presbyterian church has been without a pastor since Rev. H. P. Bates resigned a few months ago. The death of Dr. R. T. Phillips, pastor of the Eighth Street Presbyterian church, last week, left the city without a Presbyterian minister.

Rev. E. D. Messer came in from Austin Saturday and will preach at the Nazarene church Sunday. Rev. Messer is here conferring with the Nazarene church with a view of accepting the charge here.

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JAZZ MINSTREL NETS BIG MONEY

There were 117 more people in the Maeroy Theatre Saturday night to see the Jazz Jamboree minstrel show, than there were seats. The receipts from the sale of tickets amounted to \$454, and the American Legion here received \$130 as their part of the proceeds.

The entertainment was staged here by "home talent" of San Angelo about seventy people taking part in the program. The jamboree was staged two successive nights at San Angelo and was a great success.

The American Legion of San Angelo put on the play at that place for the purpose of raising money for the Legion and the affair met with such applause that the Pat Williams Post of Ballinger engaged the troupe to come here, and a large delegation came down from San Angelo Saturday afternoon.

While the program was a long one, the large crowd seemed to get their money's worth and enjoyed the singing, dancing, and the regular minstrel program presented by the white comedians made black.

Several special vaudeville numbers were greatly applauded. A feature of the vaudeville was the presentation by a small girl, who danced her way across the stage holding a card announcing the participation and title of the act.

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TO GIVE FARMERS RADIO REPORTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The wireless telegraph as a means of carrying to the farmers agricultural-market news such as prices and conditions is to be tested by the Department of Agriculture in co-operation with the Bureau of Standards.

The experiment is to be tried in half a dozen Maryland and Virginia counties adjacent to the District of Columbia, and if successful will be extended over the country.

The plans contemplate the eventual use of 17 wireless stations over the country. The wireless news of market conditions and prices will be sent broadcast and arrangements will be made with numerous private licensed operators who would aid in distributing the reports to farmers and others interested in the territory covered.

Present plans for the system provide for the use of ten wireless stations with a 250-mile radius, eight in the East, where market centers are more numerous and closer together, and two in the far West; two 300-mile radius stations to reach the outlying points of Maine and New York, to be placed in the northeastern part of the country, and five 500-mile radius stations west of the Mississippi river.

Each of the distributing radio stations would be connected with the Washington headquarters and other distributing stations by leased telegraph wires of the present market news service of the Department and twice a day would receive for immediate release by wireless a summarized report of market conditions and quotations at the principal market centers, and shipping points. Detailed reports of market conditions in the immediate territory served would also be released, as well as crop and weather reports issued by the Department of Agriculture.

Symptoms of kidney disease should receive instant attention, as neglect is dangerous. If your back aches or you have trouble with the urine, begin taking Prickly Ash Bitters. It is a dependable kidney remedy, particularly beneficial for elderly men. Price \$1.50 per bottle. John A. Weeks, special agent.

TEACHERS HEAR STATE NURSE

About sixty teachers in Runnels county schools met at Ballinger Saturday afternoon to attend the teachers' meeting. In addition to other important matters discussed by the teachers, Miss Pearl Hyre, State Health Nurse, was here and addressed the teachers in health and sanitary work in the schools of this county. Schools are proving of great benefit in making for better health in the home.

While the school teachers were here to attend the teachers' meeting, there were seven before the county board of examiners for certificates to teach.

Mrs. Bullock Recommends Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

"Last winter when my children were sick with colds and were coughing a good deal I gave them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," writes Mrs. C. M. Bullock, Gotham, N. Y. "It relieved them at once and under this treatment all symptoms of the cold gradually disappeared. My experience with this medicine warrants my recommending it to others."

TEXAS RAILROAD SUSPENDS TRAINS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The Eastern Texas Railroad Company today was authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission to abandon its branch line between Lufkin and Kennard, Texas. The order was given after the railroad company showed that the traffic did not justify the operating of trains between the two points.

It was stipulated in the order granted by the commission that the railroad company must offer the property for sale for a sum not exceeding \$50,000.

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-4tw.*

DALLASITES PRACTICE UP FOR THE ROBBERS

DALLAS, Dec. 6.—Alarm over the increasing number of hold-ups and robberies in North Texas, has led hundreds of Dallasites to turn to revolver practice as a precautionary measure, according to the police.

A score of employees from the American Exchange National Bank here recently obtained permission to use the local police target range and since then dozens of others have sought the same privilege, police officials say.

"Men who handle thousands of dollars daily cannot afford to take chances," said one of the embryo bankers.

EGG MARKET DROPS DIME

Eggs, dropped from ninety to eighty cents per dozen on the local market Saturday when eggs began to roll in by the bucket and basketful. The market was boosted to the high point during the week when local dealers paid as high as ninety cents for eggs and sold them to the consumers for one dollar per dozen. Eighty cents was the price paid Saturday and the consumers were charged 85 cents. It is the opinion of dealers that eggs will decline as the holidays draw near as there are many chickens in the country, and the moulting season is about over.

W. J. Sayre, the pioneer citizen from Talpa, had business in Ballinger, Saturday.

TO CUT ACREAGE 50 PERCENT OF FIFTY PERCENT THE CHILDREN UNDERWEIGHT

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 7.—

Measure, to make effective a fifty percent reduction in cotton acreage to be devoted to food crops and livestock raising, is under consideration at a meeting here of all Southern representatives of banking, commercial and farming interests of all the Southern states.

The leaders of the movement declared that action will be taken to insure a cut of at least one-half of the cotton acreage next year, which they declare is imperative as a means of stabilizing the cotton market and restoring the price to a stable figure to give the farmer a reasonable return on his labor and investment for the 1921 crop.

If you have no appetite for your meals, something is wrong in your digestive organs. Take a dose or two of Prickly Ash Bitters, the medicine for men. It cleanses the stomach, liver and bowels, creates appetite, vigor and cheerfulness. Price \$1.50 per bottle. John A. Weeks, special agent.

INSURANCE AGENCY MOVES

Estes Lynn was wearing unionalls Thursday, making a full hand in moving the office of the Ballinger Insurance Agency from the Hall Hardware Co. building to the Bennett Abstract Co. The insurance agency has been merged into the latter named company and Mr. Lynn will continue at the head of that department of the business.

SAILOR BOY GETS HIS VICTORY MEDAL BUTTON

Frank Kre, who served as Fireman in the United States navy during the war, received a Victory Medal Button recently. Mr. Kre was on the U. S. S. Rhode Island, and he will be awarded an Atlantic Fleet clasp for duty on that vessel. He made several trips across the waters.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

Now is the time to lay in a supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is almost sure to be needed before the winter is over. You will look a good while before you find a better remedy for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough or one that is more pleasant to take. It meets with favor everywhere. Buy it now and be prepared.

REV. DOSS TO PREACH AT EIGHTH ST. CHURCH

Rev. W. H. Doss has consented to preach at the Eighth Street Presbyterian church at eleven o'clock each Sunday until this congregation is supplied with a regular pastor. There will be no services at this church at the evening hour. Rev. Doss was pastor of the local Methodist church for several years and is now retired from regular work and his willingness to preach for the congregation without a pastor shows the right kind of a Christian spirit. The Eighth Street church is to be congratulated in getting this good man to occupy their pulpit.

L. E. Low and Mrs. Bert Low and children, of Winters, were here Saturday.

L. E. Bair is at home from Breckenridge, where he has been in business this year.

J. W. Norman was here Friday en route to Paint Rock. He is living at Dallas now.

Ledger classifieds bring results.

METHODIST PASTOR GETS A POUNDING

Rev. C. E. Simpson, the new Methodist pastor, was the victim of a heavy pounding at the hands of his members Wednesday night. The members gathered at the home of A. T. Campbell on Tenth Street, after prayer meeting and went in a body to the Methodist parsonage only a short distance away, where they fortified Rev.

Simpson against the high cost of living for at least one month. All kinds of good things to eat were piled in the store room, and the pastor and his family were made to feel that they were among the best people in the world.

Mrs. R. H. Jackson left for Groesbeck on a visit Monday afternoon. She was accompanied by her little niece Ethel Jones.

Fifty per cent of the children of Texas are underweight, indicating a lack of the proper food at the proper time, nervous strain or not enough sleep, according to Miss Pearl N. Hyre, public health nurse of the Texas Public Health Association. Miss Hyre declares that the weight of the child is one of the best indications of good or bad health.

Miss Hyre was in Ballinger last Saturday and addressed a large number of school teachers here. She is carrying on a campaign for "seals for every school in the state." She thinks that children can be interested in taking better care of themselves and be taught the importance of good health by creating an interest in weight gaining and what it takes to bring about the proper weight at the proper age.

The Texas Public Health Association is sending two nurses into the schools of the state to examine the children and to demonstrate the need of public health nurses in the schools. This work is being financed solely through the sale of Christmas seals, which are now being sold.

DERAILMENT KNOCKS OUT TRAIN SERVICE

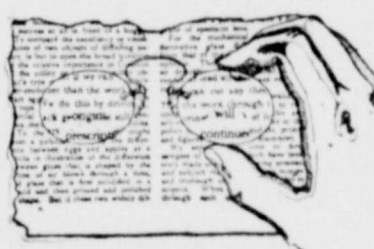
The A. & S. South bound train did not arrive at Ballinger until late Wednesday night. The train was running pretty well on time when it went into the ditch out about four miles from Ballinger. The engine and the rear coach, only, remained on the track, and it required several hours to get the train back on the track. Automobiles went out from Ballinger and brought the passengers in and the North bound train was cancelled for the day.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days

Druggist refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure Itching, Bleeding or Protruding Piles, instantly relieves Itching Piles, and you can get dental size after the first application. Price 6c.

W. J. Tomlinson returned to his home at Florence, Sunday afternoon, after spending several days here with his uncle, T. J. Moore, and getting treatment for a broken limb. He was here two or three months several months ago.

WHY KRYPTOKS?



You should learn why at once, if you require glasses of different "strength" for reading and viewing distant objects.

Here are a few reasons: Because KRYPTOKS are in appearance single, solid lenses.

Because they possess no lines of separation, no segments and no cement.

Because there is no chance for them to drop apart or collect dirt in creases.

Because they are graceful on the face as any single vision eyeglasses.

Because they represent the highest step yet reached in the development of bifocal lenses.

Come in and get more reasons.

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BALLINGER OPTICAL CO.
Manufacturing Opticians

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For Infants and Children.

Mothers Know That Genuine Castoria

Always Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Wells*

In Use For Over Thirty Years

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Exact Copy of Wrapper. THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

MOTORMAN COULD HARDLY MAKE RUN

Weak from Indigestion and Loss of Sleep He was on Verge of Giving up.

"I can recommend Tanlac from the bottom of my heart, for since taking this medicine I am enjoying better health than I have in years," said C. M. Frye, 2305 St. Joe avenue, St. Joseph, Mo., a motorman for the St. Joseph Street Railway.

"For two years I had suffered with a bad case of stomach trouble and indigestion. After every meal I bloated up with gas until I was simply in misery. Although I tried many different treatments and medicines I kept going downhill until I was hardly able to get around and just had to force myself to work. I felt tired and drowsy all the time, and there was always a severe pain across the small of my back. I could get but little sleep, and in the mornings when I first got up I was so dizzy I could hardly keep from falling."

"I had not taken more than half of my first bottle of Tanlac before I noticed an improvement in my condition, and I kept getting better until today I have a fine appetite, eat just anything I want and never have a particle of trouble afterward. I have regained my strength so I can do my work as good as ever, and my nerves are in such good shape I can sleep like a child all night long. I always get up in the mornings feeling fine, never having a sign of dizziness."

Tanlac is sold in Ballinger by Jno. A. Weeks drug store, in Toke by J. W. Bright, in Winters by Owens Drug Store.

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING of The First State Bank of Rowena, Rowena, Texas.

By virtue of the authority in me vested as president of the above named bank I hereby call a meeting of the Stockholders of said bank to be held in the office of said bank, in the town of Rowena, Texas, on Tuesday, January 4th, 1921 at the hour of 2:00 p. m., for the purpose of electing Directors and acting on such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

G. Schuhmann, President.
Attest:
N. K. Freeman, Cashier.
10-27w

Informal Dance at Crews
M. E. Wells of the Crews community, entertained quite a number of young people on Saturday night last with an informal dance.

After enjoying themselves by dancing the young people were served with a delicious beverage of chocolate and cake a la tarte. The visiting participants were the Misses, Robbie Ash and Grace Dark, of Ballinger; Thelma

Clark, Vesta Warren, Ruth and Velma Bradley of Winters; and Erma England, of El Paso. Everyone had an enjoyable time and hope for another entertainment during the Christmas holidays from Mr. Wells, as he proved to be such a delightful host.

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT HAS 314,314 POPULATION

According to figures received by A. W. Sledge, who had charge of the census work in the Seventeenth Congressional District, this district has a population of 314,314. This is an increase of 22,240, the 1910 census giving the counties composing the 17th District a population of 292,074.

There are nineteen counties in the district, including Runnels, Concho, McCulloch, San Saba, Llano, Lampasas, Mills, Brown, Comanche, Coleman, Taylor, Stephens, Shackelford, Jones, Nolan, Eastland, Palo Pinto, Callahan, and Burnet.

BALLINGER AUTO COMPANY MOVING TO ITS NEW HOME

This is moving day with the Ballinger Auto Co., the general garage business conducted by Henry Jones and the Northington Brothers. The business is being moved from the Nance building opposite the court house square to the building formerly occupied by the Hall Hardware Co. next door to the Farmers & Merchants bank. The new home of the company is one of the most modern garage buildings in this part of the country.

Northington Brothers and Mr. Jones recently purchased the building for a consideration of \$20,000 and had it remodeled especially for a garage business, and everything for the convenience of the public as well as for the employes has been worked out in detail. After today the business of the Ballinger Auto Co. will be conducted at the new stand.

GIN EMPLOYEE IS KILLED AT BANGS

Herman Harris, 30 years old, was killed yesterday morning while at work in the plant of the Bangs Gin Company, at Bangs, ten miles west of Brownwood, according to the Brownwood Bulletin.

The fatal accident occurred at about 10 o'clock, after Harris had told other gin employes that he was preparing to go under the gin press to straighten out tangled bagging. Ten minutes later his lifeless body was found between two of the ginstands. His head was badly bruised, and the conjectures of the gin employes is that he was caught in a belt and thrown violently to the floor of the gin, sustaining concussion of the brain or some similar injury.

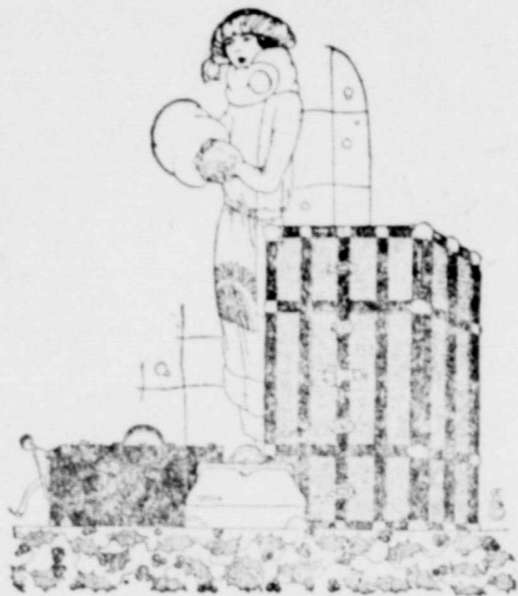
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Come to this store and we will make your Christmas shopping a pleasure. Of course you are going to buy Christmas presents for your loved ones. We're offering useful gifts for men, women, and children.

Trunks and Hand Bags



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Our cut prices—make buying easy.

Give "Her" a Wardrobe Trunk.

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Ballinger's Shopping Center



Give Her a Dress for Christmas

\$75.00 Dresses for	\$37.50
\$50.00 Dresses for	\$25.00
\$25.00 Dresses for	\$12.50
\$20.00 Dresses for	\$10.00

All Silk and Wool Dresses go at Half Price. Many of these we can't buy today from the manufacturer for the price we ask you.

A Coat Makes a Handsome Gift

1 only \$125.00 Seal Plush Coat for	\$62.50
1 only \$89.75 Seal Plush Coat for	\$44.85
Other wonderful values in Plush Coats at \$24.75 and up.	
About 25 Cloth Coats go at just Half Price.	

Blouses are Nice Presents

Georgette, Tricolette and Silk Blouses.	
\$25.00 Blouses	\$12.50
\$20.00 Blouses	\$10.00
\$18.00 Blouses	\$9.00
\$16.50 Blouses	\$8.25
\$12.50 Blouses	\$6.25
\$7.50 Blouses	\$3.75

Ladies' Outing Gowns at Half Price

Glove Silk Underwear at Half Price

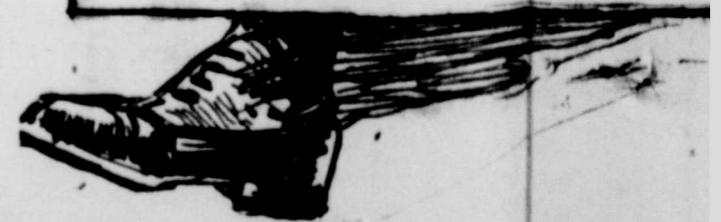


Bargain Prices On A FURNITURE

A Few Suggestions that Make Lovely Gifts

- RUGS
- TABLES
- CHIFFOROBES
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- KITCHEN CABINETS
- LIVING ROOM SETS
- DINING CHAIRS
- CEDAR CHESTS
- ART SQUARES
- FLOOR LAMPS
- DUO-FOLDS
- DRESSERS

and many other useful pieces of Furniture that will make Ideal Gifts.



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DEALS FOR CHRISTMAS

Make your Christmas shopping a great pleasure. Buy Christmas presents, then why not give something for men, women and children at **HALF PRICE.**

BOTHAM BROS. COMPANY

Ballinger's Shopping Center



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Give the Men Folks Shirts

Our low, cut prices will please you.

The celebrated Manhattan Shirts, values up to \$7.00; your choice for \$3.75. Other \$1.50 and up.

Silk Shirts at \$5.95.



Buy Him a Suit of Clothes

Hart, Schaffner & Marx, and Fashion Park Clothing for Men and Boys,

Think About it—

\$75.00 Suit for	\$37.50
\$50.00 Suit for	\$25.00
\$30.00 Suit for	\$15.00
\$20.00 Suit for	\$10.00
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—and so on. Nothing reserved except a few serge suits.

Skirts and House Dresses

Wonderful reductions on Skirts, House Dresses, Petticoats, etc.

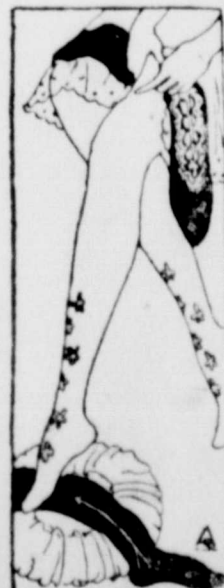
Just take a look, you'll be convinced that we set the pace for Low Prices and Big Values.

These Prices are Low

But we are determined to close out all Ladies' Suits, Coats, Dresses etc, before Christmas as we begin our Annual Inventory Dec. 29th. You can save money by buying today.

Wool, Silk and Cotton Hose Greatly Reduced

All Ladies Sweaters at Half Price



Banner-Ledger Want Ads

FOR SALE—3 mares, one span of mules, 4 milch cows, 1 double standard double disc, slightly used, 2 standard cultivators, one standard planter, leather harness, all to go at bargain prices. Can be seen at my place six miles West of Ballinger. Phone 3502. F. M. Wiley. 26-4tw.*

FOR SALE—One Atlas 8-H. P. Engine, with 50 feet of belt, one No. 4 Pump, will handle 12 hundred gallons water per minute on 15 foot lift, with 300 feet of 8 inch cypress pipe, tarred and wrapped with wire, one 53 gallon gas tank with connections. This machinery has only been used a part of two seasons. A bargain at \$550. S. M. Jones, Regency, Mills county, Texas. 26-8tw.*

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—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

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

FOR SALE—All my farm machinery, consisting of plows, disc harrows, drills, 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 Jan. 1st. W. T. Nichols. 26-3d-4w

DOGS FOR SALE—"Head of River" Ranch, 25 miles South of San Angelo on Sonora road, about 15 sows, weanlings, 30 gilts, at market value. Write or phone Wm. Anson, Head of River ranch, Christoval, Texas. 30-2w

FOR SALE—Seed Wheat, 400 bushels of Mirecale, \$2.50 per bushel, in bulk at my farm 14 of Ballinger on Wingate road. R. W. Smith. 3-2tw

LOST—One black Horse Mule, about 10 years old, about 14 1-2 hands high, shod in front, has

a Roman nose, had big leather halter on with brass brade. Will pay \$10.00 reward for the recovery of the mule. L. R. Dameron, Crews, Texas. 10-2w.*

LOST—Bag containing hair, somewhere in city. Finder return to Ledger office. 4-2td-1tw.*

LOST—Somewhere in Runnels county. Rawleigh's Statement Book. Finder return to Ledger office and receive reward. 7-2td-2tw.*

FOR SALE—2 brand new Ford touring cars, \$590.00 each. One almost new Ford touring car \$525.00. Street & Middleton. 7-5td-1tw.

FOR SALE—at a bargain; 1 new Ford Roadster, 1 new Ford Touring, 1 new Ford Sedan, 1 almost new Buick Six Touring and 1 second-hand Ford Touring in fine condition, 1 almost brand new Chevrolet Touring Car. See or phone L. E. Bair or C. B. Com. 6-4td-1tw

FOR SALE—Best bargain in a farm in Runnels county 385 acres, 220 in high state of cultivation, some more just as good, 1-2 mile river front, 2 sets of improvements. Priced right, \$2500 cash, balance long time 6 per cent interest, might accept Ballinger property as cash payment. See or phone L. E. Bair. 6-4d-1w

FOR SALE—Absolutely new Ford, 5 passenger, \$600.00. Carl Nance. 1-d&w-tf

CLERKS—Men, woman, over 17, for Postal Mail Service. \$125 month. Experience unnecessary. For free particulars, of examination, write R. Terry, (former Civil Service Examiner), 776 Continental Bldg., Washington D. C. 10-1tw.*

Woman Thinks She is Privileged to Talk

"If anyone ever had a miserable stomach, I surely had. It was growing worse, too, all the time. Had severe pains and attacks every ten days or two weeks and had to call a doctor, who could only relieve me for short while. Two years ago last February I took a treatment of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy and I have not had a spell of pain or misery since. My friends just wonder that I am looking so well. I feel I am privileged to talk about it." 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 drugists everywhere.



The Bank Behind the Farmer

The farmer who is without the backing and support of a strong bank, is treading up on dangerous ground.

The business of farming is, at times, precarious; and no farmer can afford to be without the protection that is afforded by a friendly connection with a helpful bank.

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Which spreads its influence upon the nerves, cords and ligaments involved, rendering them pliant to readily yield to nature's demand. There is an absence of bearing-down pains, strain and general discomfort, more often than otherwise experienced when nature is unaided. Mother's Friend is used externally.

At all Druggists.
Special Booklet on Motherhood and Baby Care. Newfield Regulator Co., Dept. F-2, Atlanta, Ga.

PLAN WHOLESALE RABBIT DRIVES

Farmers should join hands as soon as possible in making a wholesale drive against the jack rabbit pest in this county, was the general opinion expressed to The Ledger today, by an interested party. Reports coming indicate that rabbits have multiplied wonderfully during the present year, and the destruction of crops next spring will be great, if the pests are not exterminated. Neighboring counties are adopting the unique plan of driving the rabbits into a corral constructed of poultry wire, and in addition to making a wholesale slaughter, the plan will afford much sport to those who take part in the drive.

This plan provides for building a corral, or pen, and forming a pocket to trap the rabbits, a large number of people will meet and form in line extending out over a large territory and round the rabbit up. This plan will be inexpensive as the wire can be used for other purposes after Mr. Rabbit has finished his depredations. The dealers would no doubt loan the wire to the citizens for this purpose, the wire to be returned and damages paid for.

At the present price of shells it is expensive to shoot the rabbits. Thousands could be rounded up and slaughtered without any expense, and if there is a demand for rabbit hash the rabbits could be dressed and marketed direct from the corral where they are rounded up.

Farmers should interest themselves in this plan and call on the boys in town to come out and join in the drive. By banding several hundred people together and organizing for a systematic drive, thousands of rabbits could be rounded up without trouble.

Mr. Farmer, who will be the first to start the drive!

A TONIC

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 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. Destroys Malarial germs and Grip germs by its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. 75c.

TRAPPERS SHOULD TAKE IN THEIR TRAPS, HE SAYS

"Do not trap this season, if you want fair prices for the furs in the future," says a big fur dealing firm in a circular sent out broadcast over the country, and in warnings sent out through local fur and hide buyers. I. O. Wooden, a local hide dealer, has received notice to warn the people against trapping the warning saying there is no demand for furs and that unless the trappers lay off for a season fur, next season will not be worth anything.

The trapper is in the same boat with the cotton farmer, wool grower, and the producer of every kind of raw material. The factories are afraid to stock up on raw materials when the market on the finished product is slumping by leaps and bounds.

Mrs. Oxsheer has returned to her home in Bisbee, Arizona, after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Bridwell.

Prize Winners Named For Poultry Exhibits

The Fourth Annual Runnels County Poultry Show has passed into history as one of the most successful ever held in this section. Full credit is due to Farm Agent Eaton, and to committees from the Young Men's Business League for the large collection of splendid birds which were brought here on the 3rd and 4th and for the splendid manner in which the exhibit was handled.

Prizes in the sum of nearly \$200.00 were awarded by local business men, and by the Business League. The Finance Committee consisting of J. J. Beck and Roy Reeder, met with a hearty response from practically every business man in the city, all of whom appeared anxious to encourage and promote the poultry industry.

Special credit is due to J. C. Reese, who acted as Secretary of the Show. J. P. Teague also has thanks of the committee for lighting and other work; and others are thanked for their part in helping to make the Show a success. The Young Men's Business League also expresses itself as being indebted to Gus Noyes, who donated the use of the building in which the Show was held.

Following is a list of the winners, classed by varieties:

- Partridge Wyandotte**
Hen
1st. Oscar Pearson; 2nd. Oscar Pearson; 3rd. Oscar Pearson.
Cock
1st. Oscar Pearson.
Cockrell
- 1st. Ben Coons.
Pullet
1st. Ben Coons; 2nd. Ben Coons; 3rd. Ben Coons.
- Black Langshans**
Pen
1st. Miss Edith Farmer.
Cock
1st. Miss Edith Farmer.
Hen
1st-2nd. Miss Edith Farmer.
Cockrell
1st. Miss Edith Farmer.
Pullet
1st-2nd. Miss Edith Farmer.
- Silver Laced Wyandotte**
Cockrell
1st. Mrs. Roy Hull.
Pullet
1st-2nd-3rd. Mrs. Roy Hull.
- Blue Andalusians**
Cockrell
1st. B. D. Duncan.
Pullet
1st-2nd-3rd. B. D. Duncan.
Hen
1st-2nd-3rd. B. D. Duncan.
- Light Brahmas**
Cock
1st. L. C. Tomlinson.
Pullet
1st-2nd. L. C. Tomlinson.
- Speckled Hamburgs**
Pen
1st. G. H. Jarrett.
- Anconas**
Pen
1st. John I. Guion.
- Rhode Island Reds**
Pen
1st. Jack McGregor; 2nd. John I. Guion; 3rd. Chas. Evans.
Cock
1st. Jack McGregor; 2nd. W. R. Hunton; 3rd. John I. Guion.
Hen
1st. John I. Guion; 2nd. John I. Guion; 3rd. J. D. Coulter.
Cockrell
1st. Chas. Evans; 2nd. W. R. Hunton; 3rd. W. R. Hunton.
Pullet
1st. John I. Guion; 2nd. John I. Guion; 3rd. Jack McGregor.
- Buff Leghorn**
Pen
1st-2nd. Mrs. E. M. Neie.
Cock
1st-2nd. Mrs. E. M. Neie.
Hen
1st-2nd. Mrs. E. M. Neie.
Cockrell
1st. Mrs. E. M. Neie.
Pullet
1st-2nd-3rd. Mrs. E. M. Neie.
- Barred Rock**
Pen
1st. Mrs. M. T. Cotton; 2nd. Mrs. M. T. Cotton; 3rd. Bill McGregor.
Cock
1st. Mrs. M. T. Cotton; 2nd. Bill McGregor; 3rd. J. F. Watson.
Hen
1st. J. F. Watson; 2nd. Bill McGregor; 3rd. Mrs. M. T. Cotton.
Cockrell
1st. Mrs. M. T. Cotton; 2nd. James Midgley; 3rd. I. F. Watson.
Pullet
1st. Mrs. M. F. Cotton; 2nd. Mrs. M. F. Cotton; 3rd. I. F. Watson.

- Brown Leghorn**
Pen
1st. Otto Woods; 2nd. Ed Pape; 3rd. Mrs. Harper.
Cock
1st. Otto Woods; 2nd. Mrs. E. M. Neie.
Hen
1st-2nd-3rd. Otto Woods.
Cockrell
1st. Ed Pape; 2nd. Mrs. E. M. Neie; 3rd. Mrs. Harper.
Pullet
1st. Ed Pape; 2nd. Otto Woods.
- White Leghorn**
Pen
1st. J. B. Estes; 2nd. H. M. Lincecum; 3rd. J. C. Reese.
Cock
1st. Mrs. D. F. Eaton; 2nd. H. M. Lincecum.
Hen
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Cockrell
1st. J. B. Estes; 2nd. H. M. Lincecum; 3rd. J. C. Reese.
Pullet
1st. J. B. Estes; 2nd. H. M. Lincecum; 3rd. J. C. Reese.
- Pit Game**
1st. Pen, Cockrell and Pullet.
W. C. Wheelis.
- Cornish Indian Game**
1st. Pen, Ben Coons; 1st. Cockrell and Pullet, I. F. Watson.
- Bantams**
1st. Pair, Ben Coons; 2nd. Pair, Helen Hardon.
- Turkeys**
Toms
1st. W. S. Stegall; 2nd-3rd. Mrs. Sanford Jones.
Hens
1st. H. M. Lincecum; 2nd-3rd. Mrs. Sanford Jones.
- Best Male in the Show.**
1st. Oscar Pearson; 2nd. Chas. Evans; 3rd. Mrs. M. T. Cotton.
- Best Female in the Show.**
1st. Oscar Pearson; 2nd. H. M. Lincecum; 3rd. John I. Guion.
- Geese**
1st-2nd. W. W. Farmer.
- White Eggs**
1st. H. M. Lincecum; 2nd. Mrs. D. F. Eaton.
- Brown Eggs**
1st. Miss Edith Farmer; 2nd. I. F. Watson.

TRADES WAGON FOR ONE DOZEN EGGS

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An interesting exhibit of home raised and home canned food products was shown by H. M. Lincecum & Son, demonstrating fully the huge cut that may be made in the H. C. L. by close attention to this industry.

The meeting called to organize a Poultry Association was postponed. The meeting was billed for Saturday afternoon, but it was decided to postpone the perfecting of the organization until the Poultry School, which is to be held early next year. An effort will be made to work up a large class for the Poultry School and at that time the association will be organized and plans outlined for the exhibit of 1921.

PIONEER LEAVES MILES

The Miles Messenger says that E. N. Voss and wife have moved from Miles to Santa Anna, where their son, H. L. Voss, is engaged in the drug business. Mr. Voss settled at Miles in 1901, and has resided there continuously for almost twenty years.

The Messenger also says: "While returning from a trip to San Antonio, accompanied by Mrs. A. H. Lewin and his sister, Mrs. R. D. Holmes, Eugene Maddra had the good fortune to kill a fine five-point buck deer.

The animal was encountered in the road near Mason and the only weapon in the party was a Colt's forty-five pistol.

"Quickly stopping the car and drawing the pistol, Mr. Maddra drew careful aim on the deer, and succeeded in wounding it so severely that it could not run. It was only a matter of a few moments then to dispatch the deer."

ECZEMA!
Money back without question if RINGWORM, TETTER or other itching skin disease. Try a 75 cent box at our risk.
John A. Weeks, Druggist

LEGION BOOKS U. GLEE CLUB

The Pat Williams Post of the American Legion has contracted to bring the University of Texas Glee Club to Ballinger during the Christmas holidays. The exact date will likely be Tuesday, Dec. 28th.

This organization is too well known throughout Texas and the South to require much comment, but this year's club is said by the management to be the strongest and to present the most varied and complete program of any glee club in the South.

The Club carries thirty men, including a mandolin section, quartet octet and soloists, both vocal and instrumental. Between the first and second parts of the program, the Club stages a twenty minute, musical comedy of college life.

Ballinger is extremely fortunate to be able to secure an attraction of such unusual merit, as it is the smallest city to be included on this year's tour of the Glee Club. The other cities in which the Club will appear are San Angelo, Abilene, Ranger, Mineral Wells, Ft. Worth, Denton and Dallas. On the South Texas tour in the spring, San Antonio, Houston, Galveston, San Marcos and Beaumont will be visited.

Stuart Williams, Adjutant of the local Post, and a former member of the Glee Club for three years, states that in all of the principal cities of the State which the University Glee Club visits, that they invariably sing to packed houses.

When your digestion is poor, when your bowels are costive, when your breath is bad, when your stomach is sick or disordered, and you feel languid and low-spirited, Prickly Ash Bitters is decidedly the remedy you need. It cleanses the vital organs, purifies the bowels and imparts a fine feeling of strength, vigor and cheerfulness. Price \$1.50 per bottle. Jno. A. Weeks, special agent.

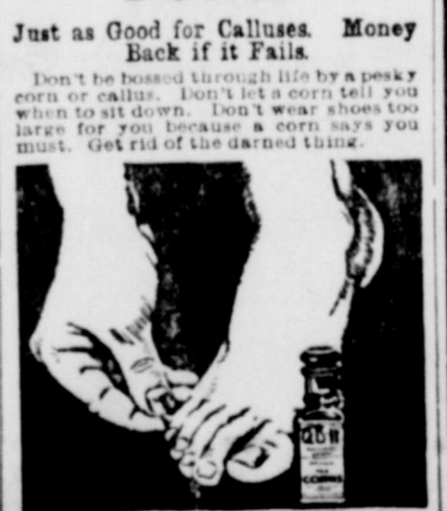
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"Gets-It" Wonder Corn Peeler
Just as Good for Calluses. Money Back if it Fails.
Don't be teased through life by a pesky corn or callus. Don't let a corn tell you when to sit down. Don't wear shoes too large for you because a corn says you must. Get rid of the darned thing.



It's a revelation to corn sufferers the wonderful way that "Gets-It" banishes the corn. Spend two minutes—that's all—to apply 3 or 4 drops to any corn or callus. The pain will stop instantly. In a few seconds the corn dries right up. Soon it has loosened so you can peel it off in one complete piece, root and all. "Gets-It" is sold by all druggists; money back on request, costs but a trifle. Mfg. by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago. Sold in Ballinger and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

HOUSTON HAS A SURPLUS OF LABORERS

HOUSTON, Dec. 3.—The influx of unemployed labor here is causing some alarm, and according to a survey made by the Gulf Coast Employment Service, shows that since November 10, 1915 people had applied for employment, and the number of unemployed in every line of work is rapidly increasing.

The shortage is due to oil corporations and other big industries reducing the number of their workers. It may be necessary to establish a bread line before the end of the present winter.

R. A. Bishop was here from the Winters country, Monday, and made his annual visit to the Ledger office.

USL STORAGE BATTERY SERVICE
—the "Dry-Charged" Battery—
Eight months added to your battery life
IS YOUR battery failing? It may want attention today without your knowing it. Why not obtain our expert advice without cost! and add to your car economy?
We will give you the kind of battery service the Golden Rule stands for. We'll not try to sell you a new battery if your old one is repairable. And if it is, we'll guarantee it for eight months on an adjustment basis.
If it is not repairable we'll sell you a USL Battery with durable Machine-Pasted Plates. Our Service is a Good-Will Builder.
Consumers' Auto Supply Co.

SUGGESTION
For a Most Appropriate and Desirable Christmas Gift.
Come down and select one of our famous
STARR PHONOGRAPHS.
The instrument with a "Singing Throat of Silver Grain Spruce." Make the children happy, the home brighter. The music of youth's melodies ever new and more delightful on the STARR. Plays any disc record at its best. Hear it then compare.
Sold On Convenient Terms.
A. O. ALLEN & SON, MUSIC STORES
San Angelo 2nd Door E. St. Angelus
Ballinger Next Door Cathy's Saddle Shop

Try a Can of
Gold Medal Coffee
Best on Earth
Guaranteed to give satisfaction or money refunded Save the Coupons and receive a beautiful 42-piece dinner set.
Handled By
ALL GOOD GROCERS
Wear Grocery Co., Distributors

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
H. Giesecke Ballinger, Texas.

IS YOUR HEALTH GRADUALLY SLIPPING?

Interesting Experience of a Texas Lady Who Declares That if More Women Knew About Cardui They Would Be Spared Much Sickness and Worry.

Navasota, Texas.—Mrs. W. M. Peden, of this place, relates the following interesting account of how she recovered her strength, having realized that she was actually losing her health:

"Health is the greatest thing in the world, and when you feel that gradually slipping away from you, you certainly sit up and take notice. That is what I did some time ago when I found myself in a very nervous, run-down condition of health. I was so tired and felt so lifeless I could hardly go at all.

"I was just no account for work. I would get a bucket of water and would feel so weak I would have to set it down before I felt like I could lift it to the shelf. In this condition, of course, to do even my housework was a task almost impossible to accomplish.

"I was . . . nervous and easily upset.

I couldn't rest well at night and was . . . just lifeless.

"I heard of Cardui and after reading I decided I had some female trouble that was pulling me down. I sent for Cardui and began it . . .

"In a very short while after I began the Cardui Home Treatment I saw an improvement and it wasn't long until I was all right—good appetite, splendid rest, and much stronger so that I easily did my house work.

"Later I took a bottle of Cardui as a tonic. I can recommend Cardui and gladly do so, for if more women knew, it would save a great deal of worry and sickness."

The enthusiastic praise of thousands of other women who have found Cardui helpful should convince you that it is worth trying. All druggists sell it.

410,000 POUNDS OF MOHAIR SOLD

The sale of 410,000 pounds of mohair, thought to be the largest single turnover of its kind in Texas this year, was consummated Saturday by the Wool Growers' Central Storage Company of San Angelo.

C. D. Stokes of Lampasas bought the clips for Winslow & Company of Boston, which acted for an eastern mill. Eleven cars were required to handle the shipment, which left over the Santa Fe for Galveston. From that port the mohair will go by boat to Boston.

Prices were not announced, but it is rumored that the mohair brought from 22c to 27c per pound. These figures, if correct, represent a decline of approximately 50 per cent, the peak of a year ago being around a half dollar. Mohair fluctuates more than wool and sudden rises, and declines are said to be common. —San Angelo Standard.

CHECK FORGER FLEES; CAUGHT

P. J. Baron was here from Rowena Monday and identified the negro who passed a forged check on him Saturday, going under the name of Joe Thomas. The negro's correct name is Adam Wilson. He attempted to pass two bad checks at Miles, one for \$87 and one for \$39 before he put over the forgery at Rowena. So far only one case has been filed against the negro.

A negro, giving his name as Joe Thomas, is in the local jail charged with forgery, and P. J. Baron, a Rowena merchant, is short \$30. The negro was caught at Brownwood as he was going East on a passenger train, the Brownwood officers acting on instructions from Ballinger officers. The negro was returned to Ballinger Sunday night. He left Rowena Saturday afternoon, after passing the bad check.

The check was signed "Otto Jasehke," made payable to Joe Thomas and endorsed by Joe Thomas, and was apparently a good check, and Mr. Baron honored it only to find out shortly afterwards that he had been made the victim of a forgery. The check was for \$30.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Medicine.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D., 1886.

A. W. Gleason, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by all druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

S. T. Proctor of the Norton country, was here Saturday, and purchased some of the chickens on exhibition at the Rannels County Poultry Show, and will be prepared to return to the show next year and compete for some of the first prizes.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Lynn and Mrs. Townsend, mother of Mrs. Lynn, were visitors to Ballinger from Winters Saturday.

Sheriff Flynt went to Brownwood Sunday afternoon, returning Sunday night with a negro prisoner wanted in this county for forgery.

J. Hood, of Winters, passed thru Ballinger Sunday afternoon en route to Temple, in response to a message that his grand daughter was dead at that place.



STEP OUT WELL-SHOD

When you want quick, fair-priced and satisfactory shoe repairs, step into our "while you wait" shop. Men, our machines and material combine in giving superior service to the person who demands guaranteed work on a "rush order." Soles and heels in 22 minutes. Rubber heels attached in 7 minutes.

Mail Orders Specially Cared for Here.

COY DRENNAN

Fire Damages Brewer Jewelry Store Sunday

Successful fire fighting early Sunday night checked what threatened to be a bad fire in the center of the business district of this city, when fire broke out in the second story of the Jas. E. Brewer building.

The fire was discovered about eight-thirty when flames broke out through a second story window, and only the quick and heroic work of the efficient volunteer fire company prevented the fire from spreading over the entire building and probably to adjoining property.

Like many fires, the origin will never be known, but the most plausible cause seems to be that defective electric wiring caused the blaze. In the entrance hall to the second story, where the fire started, and where an electric switch was located the fire burned almost through the wall and ceiling, showing that the fire originated at this point. The doors were locked and it is not believed that any one had been in the building and there had been no fire near where the blaze originated.

Jas. E. Brewer, owner of the building and who occupied the front rooms of the building on the ground floor for his jewelry business, is the heaviest loser. No estimate of the loss could be given, but it will probably amount to between \$2,000 and \$3,000. The greatest damage is charged against the building and fixtures. The stock damage will not be so great. The fixtures were damaged by water while most of the stock was protected from water damage by the show cases and cabinets in which it was displayed. Mr. Brewer carried some insurance.

The front apartments of the second floor were occupied by M. Whitlock's photograph studio, and the studio was practically destroyed by water and smoke. Mr. Whitlock was also without insurance, having only been in business a short time and was planning to take out insurance after adding new equipment and material. His loss will probably amount to \$500.

The rear room of the second floor was vacant, having been formerly used for a band hall. The rear room on the ground

BREWER PRESENTS FIRE BOYS WITH \$100 CHECK

Jas. E. Brewer expressed his appreciation for the good work done by the fire boys Sunday night by presenting them with a check for \$100 Monday morning. Mr. Brewer stated that this would in a small way impress the boys with the fact that he appreciated the faithful service rendered in checking the flames and preventing a greater loss to his property and the property of his neighbors. The money goes into the treasury of the volunteer fire company and will be used by them in maintaining their organization.

floor was being used as a storage room. J. Q. Lankford, a local baker, had a car of flour stored in this part of the building. The flour was soaked with water, but Mr. Lankford carried insurance sufficient to cover the loss.

The fire originated just as the congregations at the various churches were being dismissed, and the alarm attracted many people to the scene of the fire. Those who stood by and looked on were profuse in their praise of the splendid work done by the fire company, and those who suffered loss in the fire give the boys credit for preventing a greater loss.

CHEST COLDS
Apply over throat and chest—cover with hot flannel cloth.
VICKS VAPORUB
Over 17 Million Jars Used Yearly

NAZARENE'S GET NEW PASTOR

Arrangements have been made by Rev. E. N. Wells, District Superintendent of the Church of the Nazarene, San Antonio district, with the local church for the acceptance of Rev. E. D. Messer as pastor for the ensuing year.

We recommend the Rev. Messer to the esteem of the citizenship of Ballinger. Any courtesies shown him will be highly appreciated.

Rev. Wells leaves on the East bound train this afternoon for Coleman and other points in the district.

Rev. Messer and family will return here about Friday of this week from Austin, and will fill the pulpit at the church of the Nazarene Sunday.

Joe Stocks, of Tom Green county, and Tom and Roe Stocks of Wichita Falls, are here at the bedside of their father, T. J. Stocks, who is seriously ill. Mr. Stocks suffered a stroke of paralysis a few days ago, and his life is hanging in the balance. It was thought that he was some better Saturday.

3 BAD CHECKS IN MAN'S ACCT.

Officers are looking for the man who passed three bad checks on the banks and local merchants last month. The three crooked checks were caught when M. D. Smith, of the Hatchell county, received his bank statement with the cancelled checks on December first. Mr. Smith found three checks in his account which he declares he did not sign, nor authorize signed and he brands them as forgeries.

Stone & Thorp were the heaviest losers in the forgeries. The man purchased a \$60 overcoat from this firm last Saturday and paid for it with a check signed "M. D. Smith." The Hatchell Mercantile Co. cashed a check for \$6. This check was made payable to Pat Donnell and signed "M. D. Smith." A one dollar check made payable to M. B. Riley and signed "M. D. Smith" was cashed at the bank.

The signature of Mr. Smith was so well imitated that the banks honored the checks without a question. Mr. Smith caught the bad checks when he received his bank account.

A young man who had been working for Mr. Smith is missing, and is presumed to have left here last Monday. It is believed that he forged the instruments, and made his get-away before the bank statements were sent out. The young man who purchased the overcoat from Stone & Thorp, put over the forgery in such a way as to leave no grounds for suspicion. After buying the coat and giving the bad check, he left the coat, stating that he would call for it later. Several hours later he returned to get the coat, and was seen in town with the coat on Sunday.

It is known where the young man came from to this country, and he will no doubt be in the clutches of the law before the end of the week.

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

FORMER NAZARENE PASTOR VISITOR HERE

Rev. E. W. Wells, former pastor of the local Nazarene church is here in the interests of the church, and will preach every night for the remainder of this week and also Sunday night. Rev. Wells was recently elected district superintendent for the Nazarene church, and Ballinger is in his district. He is located at Waco. While here he will try to arrange for the coming of another pastor for the local Nazarene congregation to succeed Rev. Hampton, who has moved to Peniel.

Chas. Boyd left for Houston Saturday afternoon, where he goes on cotton business for the firm of Boyd & Son.



TURKEYS! TURKEYS!!

Our poultry dressing plant is now in operation and it will be money to you to see us before you sell your turkeys.

JEANES PRODUCE CO.
Ballinger, Texas

Fordson Farm Tractor

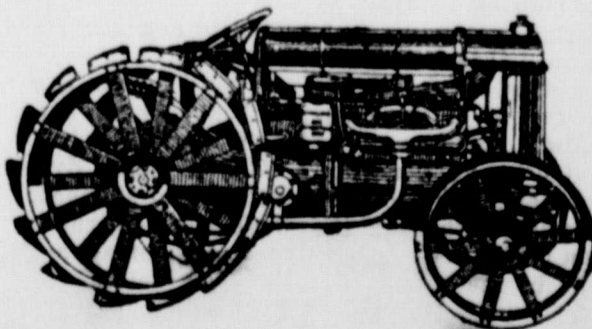
The after-service that goes with the Fordson tractor is second to none. Fordson dealers are located in every community with stocks of repair parts and employing skilled mechanics who know just how the Fordson should be repaired and taken care of to do its best work.

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.

Fordson service insures you against delay in getting parts.

It is your protection. It is a protection now being enjoyed by more than 100,000 Fordson farmers in the United States.

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.



Harwell Motor Co.
Ballinger, Texas

In Front-Rank
Cod-liver oil stands first on the list of fats, in the ease with which it is assimilated. This explains why

SCOTT'S EMULSION
of super-refined Norwegian cod-liver oil is so helpful to those of any age who are run-down in body.

Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.

The Real Sale Will Be Continued

Many New, Attractive Bargains Added Until CHRISTMAS

Every article in our entire stock marked at such a great reduction that each purchase means a real saving to you.

Cost Has Been Forgotten The Goods Must be Sold

This is a real opportunity to increase the purchasing power of your dollars. All goods marked in plain figures. It is easy to shop here

BALLINGER, Texas

THE HUB

R.E. GEORGE Prop.

* SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS *

Mrs. J. M. Tindal left Tuesday for Houston, to visit her uncle a few days. She was accompanied by her mother, who will spend the winter in Houston.

Miss Ruby Brown, of Brownwood, came in last Thursday, and visited her sister, Mrs. W. E. Branch a few days, going out to Dietz, near Crews, where she will teach school.

Mrs. F. T. Rushing returned home Monday from near Winters where she was called to the bedside of her niece's little daughter, who was very low with diphtheria. We are glad to report that the child was out of danger when Mrs. Rushing left.

C. W. Branch came in from East Texas last week to spend a few weeks with home folks.

James and Frank Wilson, of Fort Worth, who have been here helping Mr. Rushing gather his cotton crop, left for their home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Cobb and mother, Mrs. Hood, came in last week from DeLeon, and will make South Ballinger their home again.

The South Ballinger Sunday school had a good attendance last Sunday, about 50 being present. Rev. Dos, is superintendent and Sunday school begins at 3:00 o'clock.

Sam Boyer is having his home remodeled.

ELBERTA.

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.

Eighty Cents for Eggs—

Buy Reefers' More Egg Tonic from J. K. Hutton Lumber & Feed Co. makes your hens lay 80 cent eggs and lots of them too. Also we are headquarters for Chicken Feed, plenty of all kinds of feed and select stock of Lumber. Thanks for your very liberal patronage.

J. K. Hutton Lumber & Feed Co. Ed-1w

DECIDE YOURSELF

The Opportunity is Here, Backed by Ballinger Testimony.

Don't take our word for it. Don't depend on a stranger's statement.

Read the Ballinger endorsement.

Read the statements of Ballinger citizens.

And decide for yourself. Here is one case of it.

John Pechacek, prop. black smith shop, Ballinger, says: "I have to bend over a lot at my work and this has weakened my back and sometimes I have been in misery. On straightening up after bending over it would feel as if a knife was being thrust into my back. Since I have been a user of Doan's Kidney Pills the trouble has been greatly lessened, as my back has felt lots stronger. Occasionally I take a few doses of Doan's Kidney Pills to strengthen my kidneys."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Pechacek had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y. d&w

FEDERAL BANK MAN VISITS BALLINGER

F. Floyd Clouse, representing the Federal Reserve Bank, of Dallas, was in Ballinger Tuesday calling on local bankers in the interest of rendering service to local banks, and discussing matters of mutual interest. Mr. Clouse stated that he found the banks in this section of the country in splendid condition, and despite the depressing condition of the cotton market the country seems to be pulling through the reconstruction period without any serious breaks in the commercial world.

A remedy that will penetrate is necessary in the treatment of rheumatism. Ballard's Snow Liniment goes right through the flesh to the bone and relieves promptly. Three sizes, 30c, 60c and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Use Ledger Classifieds.

STAGING HOME TALENT PLAY AT TALPA DEC. 12

Miss Fannie Wilmeth, who is teaching a large class in expression at Talpa, visiting that place each week, has arranged an entertainment to be given at Talpa on Dec. 12th. The proceeds from the entertainment will be used for improving the playgrounds of the Talpa public school. Misses Lottie Stroble and Susie Hale, of Ballinger, will take part in the entertainment. Miss Wilmeth left for Talpa this afternoon to fill her regular engagement.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets.) It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 30c.

NAZARENE PASTOR MOVES TO PENIEL

Rev. S. W. Hampton, who has served the local Nazarene church for the past year, has accepted the pastorate of the Peniel church near Greenville, Texas, and has moved his family to that place. The local church is temporarily without a pastor. Rev. Hampton made many friends during his stay here who will regret to know that he and his good family have moved away.

Not Bad Cook But Bad Stomach.

The word dyspepsia means literally bad cook, but it will not be fair for many people to lay the blame on the cook if they begin the Christmas dinner with little appetite and end it with distress or nausea.

It may not be fair for any to do that—let us hope so for the sake of the cook!

The disease, dyspepsia, indicates a bad stomach, that is a weak stomach, rather than a bad cook, and for a weak stomach, we know of nothing else equal to Hood's Sarsaparilla. This digestive and tonic medicine helps the stomach, gives it vigor and tone, relieves dyspepsia, creates an appetite, and makes eating the pleasure it should be.

The biliousness, and constipation found in so many cases of dyspepsia are gently and thoroughly relieved by Hood's Pills, which act in perfect harmony with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

HOGS PAY BIG MONEY

Mr. Pete Wing, of Hawk Point, Mo., made a lot of money out of his hogs. He says: "I fed them Dr. LeGear's Hog Prescription. It has given wonderful results in putting gains on them with less feed. They were on heavy feed for only a month; averaged a gain of 2 1/2 pounds daily, and were only 7 months, 10 days old, when sold."

Mr. Wing profited by the advice of Dr. LeGear, Graduate Veterinarian and Expert Poultry Breeder of 28 years' standing.

Dr. LeGear's Hog Prescription will put weight on your hogs also, because it expels worms, purifies the blood and conditions them so that they gain flesh on less feed.

It makes no difference what ailment is prevalent among your stock or poultry, it is money in your pocket to get the proper Dr. LeGear Remedy from your dealer on a satisfaction or money back offer.

Mrs. A. R. Jones and Mrs. Robt. Stephens returned to their homes at Houston and Waco, respectively, after spending some time here with their parents. Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. Snell. They were called home to be at the bedside of their father, who was hurt by his horse falling with him. We are glad to note that Mr. Snell is recovering.

Eggs Eggs Eggs

and more Eggs or your money back if you feed "Martin's Egg Producer." "Martin's Roup Remedy" cures and prevents Roup absolutely guaranteed by Jno. A. Weeks. 17-26d-13w

G. A. Gerhart was in the city Monday from the Crews country. Garland Woodward, of Coleman, had business in Ballinger Monday.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Gully are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl. The little miss arrived Wednesday, Dec. 1.

ORGANIZING RAT CAMPAIGN HERE

The Young Men's Business League, aided by County Agent Eaton and R. R. Reppert, Entomologist, of College Station, will begin at once to organize the county for a Rat Extermination Campaign. Mr. Reppert will arrive about the middle of the month.

It is planned to offer prizes to schools and to individuals who make the first, second and third largest "kills." The Lankford Furniture Co. has offered a Patrie photograph to the school in the county which turns in the largest number of rat tails per capita. Other firms in Ballinger, Winters and Miles are expected to offer prizes.

The four newspapers of the county have been asked to furnish space for the necessary publicity and propaganda, all of which is to be furnished by the Business League.

The damage caused by rats, and their role as carriers of diseases, are too well known to require discussion. They are active agents in the distribution of bubonic plague and trichinosis. They destroy dry goods, furs, silks, carpets and leather goods. They gnaw matches and cut the insulation from wires, thus causing disastrous fires. They flood kitchens by gnawing thru lead pipes. They consume grain, fruit and vegetables in the fields and orchards, and continue their depredations in the shock, cellar and bin. They cut containers of breakfast foods and candy, and by pollution render unfit for food far more than they consume.

The U. S. Public Health Service declares that in cities the rat population is equal to the human population, and that in rural districts it is from four to ten times as great. The annual upkeep per rat is \$4.00.

According to these figures the rat population of Texas is 18,000,000 and the annual cost of their upkeep is at least \$72,000,000. In Rannels county, their numbers must reach at least 75,000, costing the county \$300,000.00 per year.

The slogan throughout the county for the next month is to be "Everybody Kill a Rat."

\$1.60 RESPONSIBLE FOR BLOODY NEGRO FIGHT

A negro was seriously beaten up by another negro on the Munsey farm South of Ballinger Tuesday night. After quarreling over \$1.60 which one of the negroes claimed the other owed him, the negroes locked horns and one was knocked down and out with a piece of stove iron, the loser in the fight coming out with his scalp peeled from half his head and bad cuts about the neck. Doctors found a piece of iron embedded in the negro's skull. The other negro skipped out to the river bottom and made his getaway.

Good Advice

Take Chamberlain's Tablets as soon as you have finished your supper and they will produce a gentle movement of the bowels on the following morning. They will also improve your digestion and make you feel better in every way.

KEEPING AN EYE ON DEVELOPMENT HERE

Silliman Evans, staff correspondent for the Star-Telegram, was in Ballinger again Thursday, passing thru the city en route to Fort Worth from Winters, where he had been compiling data for a write up of the Winters country. He visited Ballinger about ten days ago, and sent in interesting account of the development of this part of the country.

The write-up from Winters will make the second for this county within two weeks, and with the big circulation of the Star-Telegram it gives this county some valuable publicity.

To relieve rheumatism, sprains, lame back, lumbago or pleurisy, Ballard's Snow Liniment is a remedy of proven merit. It is very powerful and penetrating. Three sizes, 30c, 60c, and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Brown, of the Crews country, were shopping in Ballinger Saturday.

Get More Eggs

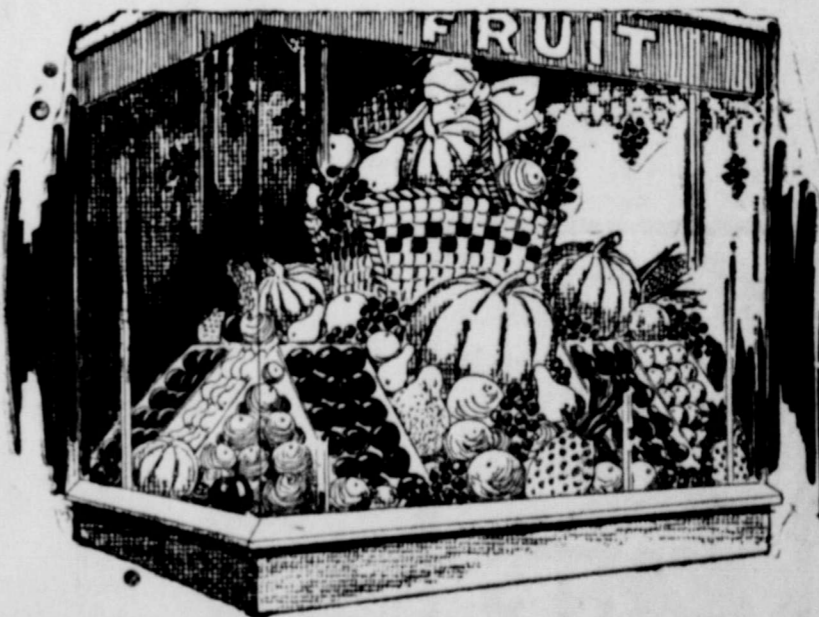
by feeding "Martin's Egg Producer." Double your money back in Eggs or your money back in CASII. "Martin's Roup Remedy" cures and prevents Roup absolutely; guaranteed by your Dealer. 17-26d-13w

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We sell quality groceries

at Correct Prices

the year round. Our prices are fixed every day according to the market and no one undersells us. Our stock is large and complete and you can find everything you want in our store.



See Our Display of Christmas Fruit

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Boy Kills Little Brother While Loading Shot Gun

The home of Lee Weddle, about a mile West of the city, was the scene of an awful tragedy about seven o'clock Monday evening when D. H., the two and a half year old baby son of Mr. and Mrs. Weddle was accidentally killed by his ten year old brother, Darwin, with a shot gun.

The tragedy occurred in the room where the baby boy was playing, and where the elder boy was loading a pump shot gun. The charge from the gun at close range, struck the baby about the center of the body inflicting a terrible wound. The child lived about thirty minutes.

Mr. Weddle recently moved from the Concho county to Ballinger and purchased the Hopper Cafe, and is living at the C. S. Woodward place on the river

bluff about a mile West of town. Mrs. Weddle was at home at the time of the tragedy, and other children were present.

For several years Mr. Weddle had been farming in Concho county, and only a few months ago he and his wife lost another child who died from sickness. The second death coming in this home, and under such circumstances, is sorrow indeed, and the friends of the family sympathize with them.

Mr. Weddle's father and mother arrived here from Santa Anna at noon Tuesday, and Tuesday afternoon the remains of their baby boy were carried to the Concho cemetery, where they were laid to rest. Dr. Alvin Swindell conducted the funeral services.

SHERIFF HERE TO GET NEGRO

Sheriff Kemp, of Wharton county, came to Ballinger Thursday and returned with John Timmons, a negro, wearing handcuffs. The negro is wanted in Wharton county on assault and attempt to murder charges.

According to the Wharton county officer, the negro shot another negro, seriously wounding him. The wounded negro has about recovered, and Timmons will be tried for attempt to murder. The negro was trailed to this place by the South Texas sheriff who wired Sheriff Flynt to arrest him. He was arrested by Deputy Ed Lehr at Rowena and brought to Ballinger.

Mr. Kemp says that his country is too wet and has been so for two years. He stated that farmers paid as high as five dollars per day for negroes to chop cotton last spring and of course played a losing game.

How to be Healthy

If you would enjoy good health keep your bowels regular and your stomach in good working order. This is easily done by taking Chamberlain's Tablets. These tablets strengthen the stomach and regulate the liver and bowels. They are easy to take and Chamberlain's Tablets feel. They only cost a quarter.

The next Ford Roadster that arrives here can be yours just by paying for this ad, plus regular price. B. M. Batts, Phone 5904. 6-134-2tw.*

BANKRUPTCY FILED HERE

Representing three creditors, Wright & Harris, of San Angelo, filed two petitions in bankruptcy Wednesday. Castor Bros., a firm composed of Louis and John Castor, and doing an auto accessory business at Ballinger and operating a vulcanizing plant here up to a short time ago, were made defendants in one case, and Pat Fox, who purchased the Castor Bros. shop, was made defendant in the other case.

An inventory of the assets and liabilities has not been made, but it is estimated that the assets will amount to about \$5,000 and the liabilities about \$10,000.

This is the first business to be thrown into bankruptcy in this city in some time.

Distress after eating is due to bad digestion. Herbine helps the digestive process, clears the system of impurities and restores a feeling of vigor and buoyancy of spirits. Price, 60c. Sold by all druggists.

PIONEER CITIZEN SERIOUSLY ILL

T. J. Stocks, one of the early settlers in this county, is seriously ill at his hotel on Hutchings Avenue. Mr. Stocks suffered a stroke of paralysis Wednesday. He came to this country when Ballinger was in its infancy and served the county as treasurer for a number of years. His friends will regret to hear of his illness and wish for his recovery.

FLYNT MAKES RAID ON STILL RUN BY NEGROES

Two negroes are in the Ballinger jail waiting for a Federal officer to come and take charge of them, and they will be forced to answer to charges filed in the Federal court charging them with operating a liquor still.

Sheriff Flynt arrested the negroes and captured the rudely constructed still and a small quantity of the finished fire-water on Valley creek, a few miles West of Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

It was clever work by the sheriff, who learned that the negroes had been buying an unusual amount of sugar, and who had left their tracks uncovered in other ways as to place them under suspicion.

The still and two barrels of mash were captured and brought

to this city, and will be used as evidence against the negroes. The mash of corn meal and other ingredients had been prepared in two barrels, and pipes and troughs arranged in such a way as to bring out the drippings which answered for booze, and for which it is claimed the negroes were working up a trade, having several customers who were patronizing the home made booze plant.

This is the first still discovered in this county since the prohibition law went into effect, but several suspicious places have been raided. It is believed that the negroes had associated with them a white man, but this fact has not been established to a point justifying an arrest.

Concho Officer Arrests Two for Violation of Pro Law

Two Mexicans are in jail here charged with violation of the prohibition law in Concho county. Details of the trouble are not known. The Mexicans were brought here and placed in the county prison after a Federal officer spent a few days in Concho county.

It is also reported here this afternoon that prominent citizens of Concho county have been

caught in the Federal officer's drag net, and will be forced to explain matters before the court, and probably charges will also be filed against them for violation of the Volstead act.

Phone messages received here Saturday from Paint Rock, also stated that parties had been put under probe in a robbery case, and the Concho county capital was setting the stage for an examining trial of the accused.

Sheriff Flynt and Deputy United States Marshal Baylor Crawford left for San Angelo Tuesday morning where they went to take two Mexicans and two negroes, charged with transporting and selling liquor in Runnels and Concho counties.

The two Mexicans were arrested in Concho county by a Federal prohibition officer and the two negroes were arrested in this county by Sheriff Flynt. Mr. Flynt caught the negroes on a farm near Ballinger Sunday, where he raided a still and captured the outfit together with a small quantity of home made liquor. The officers declare that the liquor was genuine corn whiskey.

In addition to the four pris-

oners carried to San Angelo from this place Tuesday, Bob Miller, the new sheriff of Concho county and a Federal pro enforcement officer from Brownwood, arrested two Mexicans Sunday afternoon near Millersview and carried them to San Angelo where they are being held on charges of transporting tequila.

The Mexican who was arrested here Monday morning, charged with selling liquor to four young men of Ballinger, and who made his escape after being brought to Ballinger, is still at large. The officers have not been able to get a trace of the Mexican since he leaped from the court house and got out of sight before the officers could come down the steps and make chase.

MEXICAN ESCAPES

Jose F. Espinosa, Mexican, charged with selling whiskey, made a sensational get-away from the officers shortly after noon Monday. The Mexican was arrested by a Federal prohibition officer on the Dierschke farm ten miles South of Ballinger Monday morning, and was brought to Ballinger by the secret service man. He made his escape from the office of C. P. Shepherd, county attorney, while the dry enforcement officer was conferring with the county attorney and while a statement of a witness in the case was being taken. The Mexican was seated in the office in the presence of the officers, and while their heads were turned for a minute or two, the alleged bootlegger skipped out the door and "beat it," and an hour or two after his escape he was still at large with the officers scouring the city and surrounding country.

The witnesses in the case are four prominent young white men of this city. It is alleged that the four young men, on or about Nov. 1st, purchased four quarts of tequila (Mexican whiskey) from Espinosa, paying the Mexican \$50 in good United States money for the liquor. One of the consumers, or purchasers of the booze very readily "fessed up," and made a clean statement of

the transaction when the Federal officer placed his hands on the boy's shoulder and told him that he had no goods on him, and wanted the story told correctly.

COUNTY WILL TAKE OVER OLD ROAD BUILDING

By mutual agreement the county has taken over the road work on the Ballinger-Rowena highway and the road is being completed under the direction of U. Stephens, county engineer. The contractors agreed for the county to complete the highway and deduct the cost from the contract price. The county's crew completed a concrete culvert on the road this week, and are making good headway with the road, having perfected places which were incomplete.

Work started on the highway through Winters Wednesday morning. This strip of road extends from a point three and half miles South of Winters, through the town to a point two and a half miles North of the town. J. P. Wherung is assistant county engineer and is in charge of this piece of work, and Ed Shelton, of Waco, is contractor.

When these two strips of road are completed it will leave a bad gap from Ballinger to two and a half miles South of Winters and a bad gap from two and a half miles North of Winters to the

White Men Arrested Charged With 'High-jacking' Negro Poker Game

Charges were filed at Paint Rock this week against Joe Collier and Geary Adkins, of Stacy, charging them with robbery by firearms. The crime with which the two men are charged is more commonly known in the present day parlance as "high jacking."

The complaints against the two white men were filed by five negroes, who allege that the white men had them up at the point of a gun and robbed them while they were engaged in a game of poker in Concho county.

According to the negroes' statements the white men were not engaged in the game with the negroes, but appeared on the scene and forced the negroes to "hands up" while the two men raked in the "pot" amounting to about \$200.00.

The negroes claim that the white men appeared at the house where the gambling was in progress, knocked on the door and asked for admittance. Thinking

it was another negro who wanted to join the game the door was opened and the white men stepped in waving their guns and lined the negroes up against the wall with their hands pointing heavenward. In the meantime, the second white man entered the room and raked in the coin, and the men disappeared leaving the negroes with only a deck of cards to continue the game.

The negroes claim that the two men were heavily masked, but they recognized them by their voices, and otherwise, being acquainted with the two men. The white men will contest the charges against them and have employed Doss & Baugh, of Ballinger, to defend them. They state that they will be able to prove an alibi and declare that they were no ways near the scene of the "high jacking." The men are out under bond to await the action of the grand jury.

Taylor county line, or to the point where the Taylor county road is completed.

COTTON GINNED UP TO NOV. 22

The government's ginning report compiled showing the number of bales of cotton ginned in each Texas county up to Nov. 22, has just been issued, and following is the standing of Runnels county and her neighboring counties:

	1920	1919
Brown	15,398	8,574
Coke	5,606	3,500
Coleman	32,184	15,634
Comanche	9,344	7,962
Concho	11,608	5,846
McCulloch	16,918	8,253
Nolan	10,390	7,951
Runnels	30,840	17,670
Taylor	21,731	21,023
Tom Green	5,119	4,213

Up to the above date this year, 3,160,960 bales had been ginned in the state of Texas as compared with 1,677,618 for the same date last year.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Cotton ginned prior to December 1, amounted to 10,144,921 running bales, including 191,687 bales of American Egyptian cotton, and 1,111 bales of Sea Island cotton according to the report made public by the census bureau today.

Last year, to December 1, ginnings amounted to 8,844,368 bales of lint, including 99,686 round bales, 23,725 bales of American Egyptian cotton and 5,356 bales of Sea Island cotton.

Arkansas ginned to December 1, 812,912 bales, and Texas ginned 3,423,111 bales.

A modern discovery for the rapid healing of flesh wounds, cuts, burns, bruises, sores and scalds is Liquid Borozone. It is a clear, colorless liquid possessing marvelous healing power. Price 30c, 60c, and \$1.20. Sold by all druggists.

REORGANIZE Y. M. B. L. ON JANUARY 1ST

At the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Young Men's Business League Monday night, it was decided to stage a re-organization campaign immediately after the first of the year. Porter Whaley or W. T. Wheeler of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will be asked to assist in the campaign. It is planned to revise the system of collections and of subscriptions, and to add many new members during the week.

The suggestion of Noel Penn was unanimously adopted that thirty Advisory Directors be appointed from communities within the Ballinger trade territory, to assist in county wide moves such as the Poultry Show, County Fair, Rat Extermination Campaign, rabbit drives, and other similar enterprises in which the entire county is interested. It is possible that these Directors will be brought to Ballinger for quarterly conferences.

The Board voted to start a County-wide Rat Extermination campaign the contest to begin January 3rd and end January 15th. The Secretary was instructed to place propaganda and publicity articles in the county papers during this month. It was reported that R. H. Reppert of College Station would assist in organizing the county.

The Secretary reported that the contest had been closed in the "Trade at Home" Campaign and prizes awarded.

The Board unanimously voted the Poultry Show a success.

BOYERS RAMPEY

Miss Virgie Boyers and Clarence Rampey were married Sunday afternoon, Rev. W. H. Doss performing the ceremony at his home in South Ballinger. The happy young couple will make their home in the New Home community.

AUTO MOVIES

BY BALLINGER AUTO COMPANY

WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOUR CAR'S A WELL BEHAVED BABY



I TOOK ITS RATTLE AWAY AND IT NEVER CRIED ONCE



LET'S take the rattle out of your car and put the joy back into your automobile. The chances are that the tightening up of a few nuts will accomplish this result. Bring your car here and let us examine it.

PHONE 505

BALLINGER AUTO COMPANY

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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

JAZZ MINSTREL NETS BIG MONEY

There were 117 more people in the Maeroy Theatre Saturday night to see the Jazz Jamboree minstrel show, than there were seats. The receipts from the sale of tickets amounted to \$454, and the American Legion here received \$130 as their part of the proceeds.

The entertainment was staged here by "home talent" of San Angelo about seventy people taking part in the program. The jamboree was staged two successive nights at San Angelo and was a great success.

The American Legion of San Angelo put on the play at that place for the purpose of raising money for the Legion and the affair met with such applause that the Pat Williams Post of Ballinger engaged the troupe to come here, and a large delegation came down from San Angelo Saturday afternoon.

While the program was a long one, the large crowd seemed to get their money's worth and enjoyed the singing, dancing, and the regular minstrel program presented by the white comedians made black.

Several special vaudeville numbers were greatly applauded. A feature of the vaudeville was the presentation by a small girl, who danced her way across the stage holding a card announcing the parties and title of the act.

To Stop a Cough Quick

take HAYES' HEALING HONEY, a cough medicine which stops the cough by healing the inflamed and irritated tissues.

A box of GROVE'S O-PEN-TRATE SALVE for Chest Colds, Head Colds and Croup is enclosed with every bottle of HAYES' HEALING HONEY. The salve should be rubbed on the chest and throat of children suffering from a Cold or Croup.

The healing effect of Hayes' Healing Honey inside the throat combined with the healing effect of Grove's O-Pen-Trate Salve through the pores of the skin stops a cough.

Both remedies are packed in one carton and the cost of the combined treatment is 35c. Just ask your druggist for HAYES' HEALING HONEY.

TO GIVE FARMERS RADIO REPORTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The wireless telegraph as a means of carrying to the farmers agricultural-market news such as prices and conditions is to be tested by the Department of Agriculture in co-operation with the Bureau of Standards.

The experiment is to be tried in half a dozen Maryland and Virginia counties adjacent to the District of Columbia, and if successful will be extended over the country.

The plans contemplate the eventual use of 17 wireless stations over the country. The wireless news of market conditions and prices will be sent broadcast and arrangements will be made with numerous private licensed operators who would aid in distributing the reports to farmers and others interested in the territory covered.

Present plans for the system provide for the use of ten wireless stations with a 250-mile radius, eight in the East, where market centers are more numerous and closer together, and two in the far West; two 300-mile radius stations to reach the outlying points of Maine and New York, to be placed in the northeastern part of the country, and five 500-mile radius stations west of the Mississippi river.

Each of the distributing radio stations would be connected with the Washington headquarters and other distributing stations by leased telegraph wires, of the present market news service of the Department and twice a day would receive for immediate release by wireless a summarized report of market conditions and quotations at the principal market centers, and shipping points. Detailed reports of market conditions in the immediate territory served would also be released, as well as crop and weather reports issued by the Department of Agriculture.

Symptoms of kidney disease should receive instant attention, as neglect is dangerous. If your back aches or you have trouble with the urine, begin taking Prickly Ash Bitters. It is a dependable kidney remedy, particularly beneficial for elderly men. Price \$1.50 per bottle. John A. Weeks, special agent.

TEACHERS HEAR STATE NURSE

About sixty teachers in Runnels county schools met at Ballinger Saturday afternoon to attend the teachers' meeting. In addition to other important matters discussed by the teachers, Miss Pearl Hyre, State Health Nurse, was here and addressed the teachers in health and sanitary work in the schools of this county. Schools are proving of great benefit in making for better health in the home.

While the school teachers were here to attend the teachers' meeting, there were seven before the county board of examiners for certificates to teach.

Mrs. Bullock Recommends Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

"Last winter when my children were sick with colds and were coughing a good deal I gave them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," writes Mrs. C. M. Bullock, Gorham, N. Y. "It relieved them at once and under this treatment all symptoms of the cold gradually disappeared. My experience with this medicine warrants my recommending it to others."

TEXAS RAILROAD SUSPENDS TRAINS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The Eastern Texas Railroad Company today was authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission to abandon its branch line between Lufkin and Kennard, Texas. The order was given after the railroad company showed that the traffic did not justify the operating of trains between the two points.

It was stipulated in the order granted by the commission that the railroad company must offer the property for sale for a sum not exceeding \$50,000.

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.

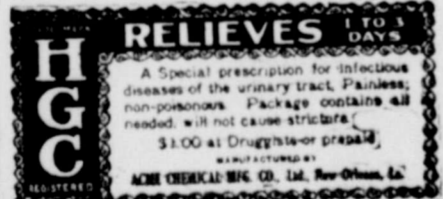
J. D. Perkins, Ballinger, Tex. 16-1td-4tw.*

DALLASITES PRACTICE UP FOR THE ROBBERS

DALLAS, Dec. 6.—Alarm over the increasing number of hold-ups and robberies in North Texas, has led hundreds of Dallasites to turn to revolver practice as a precautionary measure, according to the police.

A score of employees from the American Exchange National Bank here recently obtained permission to use the local police target range, and since then dozens of others have sought the same privilege, police officials say.

"Men who handle thousands of dollars daily cannot afford to take chances," said one of the embryo bankers.



EGG MARKET DROPS DIME

Eggs dropped from ninety to eighty cents per dozen on the local market Saturday when eggs began to roll in by the bucket and basketful. The market was boosted to the high point during the week when local dealers paid as high as ninety cents for eggs and sold them to the consumers for one dollar per dozen. Eighty cents was the price paid Saturday and the consumers were charged 85 cents. It is the opinion of dealers that eggs will decline as the holidays draw near as there are many chickens in the country, and the moulting season is about over.

W. J. Sayre, the pioneer citizen from Talpa, had business in Ballinger, Saturday.

TO CUT ACREAGE 50 PERCENT OF THE CHILDREN UNDERWEIGHT

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 7.—

Measures to make effective a fifty percent reduction in cotton acreage to be devoted to food stuffs and livestock raising, is under consideration at a meeting here of all Southern representatives of banking, commercial and farming interests of all the Southern states.

The leaders of the movement declared that action will be taken to insure a cut of at least one-half of the cotton acreage next year, which they declare is imperative as a means of stabilizing the cotton market and restoring the price to a stable figure to give the farmer a reasonable return on his labor and investment for the 1921 crop.

If you have no appetite for your meals, something is wrong in your digestive organs. Take a dose or two of Prickly Ash Bitters, the medicine for men. It cleanses the stomach, liver and bowels, creates appetite, vigor and cheerfulness. Price \$1.50 per bottle. Jno. A. Weeks, special agent.

INSURANCE AGENCY MOVES

Estes Lynn was wearing uniforms Thursday, making a full hand in moving the office of the Ballinger Insurance Agency from the Hall Hardware Co. building to the Bennett Abstract Co. The insurance agency has been merged into the latter named company and Mr. Lynn will continue at the head of that department of the business.



SAILOR BOY GETS HIS VICTORY MEDAL BUTTON

Frank Kre, who served as Fireman in the United States navy during the war, received a Victory Medal Button recently. Mr. Kre was on the U. S. S. Rhode Island, and he will be awarded an Atlantic Fleet clasp for duty on that vessel. He made several trips across the waters.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

Now is the time to lay in a supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is almost sure to be needed before the winter is over. You will look a good while before you find a better remedy for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough or one that is more pleasant to take. It meets with favor everywhere. Buy it now and be prepared.

REV. DOSS TO PREACH AT EIGHTH ST. CHURCH

Rev. W. H. Doss has consented to preach at the Eighth Street Presbyterian church at eleven o'clock each Sunday until this congregation is supplied with a regular pastor. There will be no services at this church at the evening hour. Rev. Doss was pastor for several years and is now retired from regular work, and his willingness to preach for the congregation without a pastor shows the right kind of a Christian spirit. The Eighth Street church is to be congratulated in getting this good man to occupy their pulpit.

L. E. Low and Mrs. Bert Low and children, of Winters, were here Saturday.

L. E. Bair is at home from Breckenridge, where he has been in business this year.

J. W. Norman was here Friday en route to Paint Rock. He is living at Dallas now.

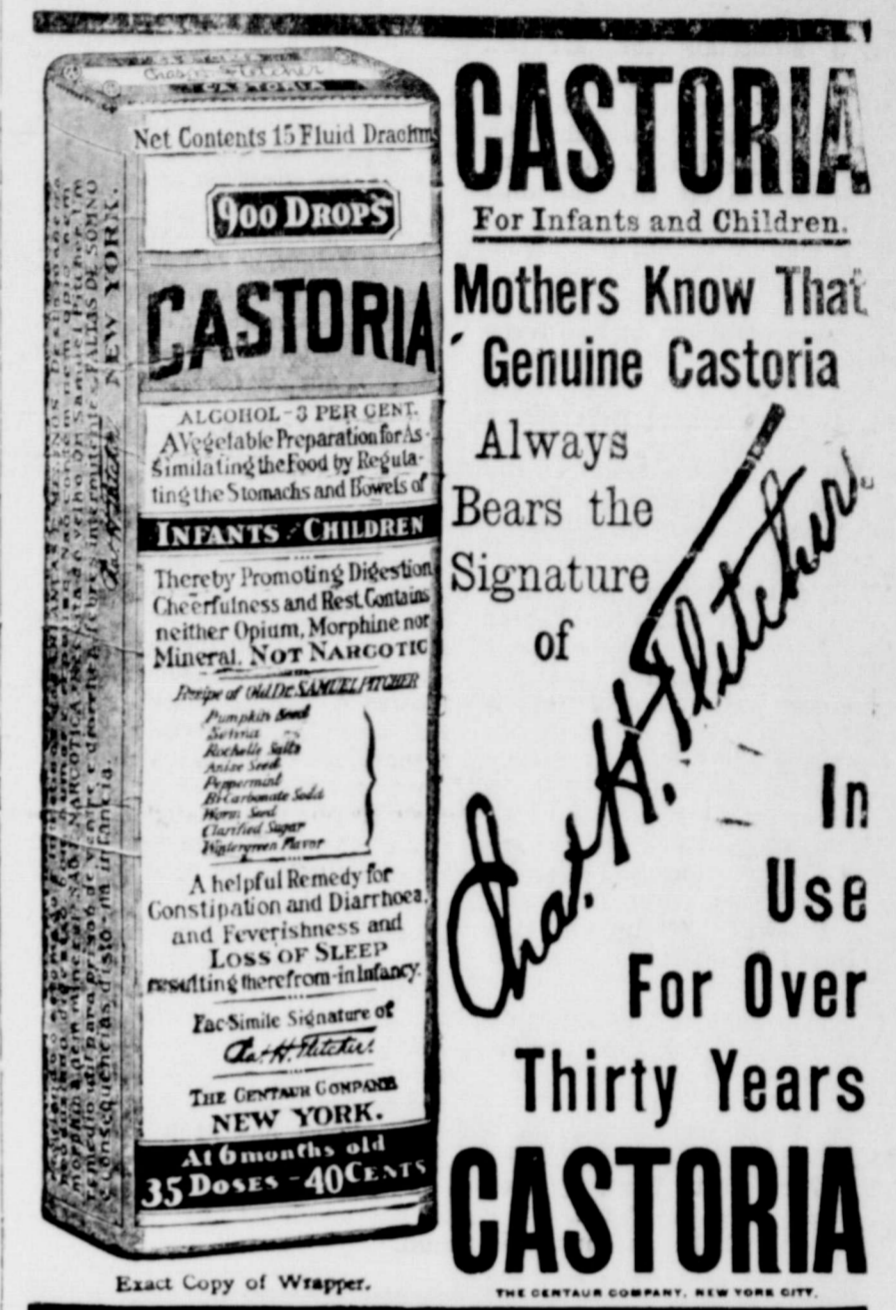
Ledger classifieds bring results.

METHODIST PASTOR GETS A POUNDING

Rev. C. E. Simpson, the new Methodist pastor, was the victim of a heavy pounding at the hands of his members Wednesday night. The members gathered at the home of A. T. Campbell on Tenth Street, after prayer meeting and went in a body to the Methodist parsonage only a short distance away, where they fortified Rev.

Simpson against the high cost of living for at least one month. All kinds of good things to eat were piled in the store room, and the pastor and his family were made to feel that they were among the best people in the world.

Mrs. R. H. Jackson left for Groesbeck on a visit Monday afternoon. She was accompanied by her little niece Ethel Jones.





MOTORMAN COULD HARDLY MAKE RUN

Weak from Indigestion and Loss of Sleep He was on Verge of Giving up.

"I can recommend Tanlac from the bottom of my heart, for since taking this medicine I am enjoying better health than I have in years," said C. M. Frye, 2305 St. Joe avenue, St. Joseph, Mo., a motorman for the St. Joseph Street Railway.

"For two years I had suffered with a bad case of stomach trouble and indigestion. After every meal I bloated up with gas until I was simply in misery. Although I tried many different treatments and medicines I kept going down hill until I was hardly able to get around and just had to force myself to work. I felt tired and drowsy all the time, and there was always a severe pain across the small of my back. I could get but little sleep, and in the mornings when I first got up I was so dizzy I could hardly keep from falling.

"I had not taken more than half of my first bottle of Tanlac before I noticed an improvement in my condition, and I kept getting better until today I have a fine appetite, eat just anything I want and never have a particle of trouble afterward. I have regained my strength so I can do my work as good as ever, and my nerves are in such good shape I can sleep like a child all night long. I always get up in the mornings feeling fine, never having a sign of dizziness."

Tanlac is sold in Ballinger by Jno. A. Weeks drug store, in Toke by J. W. Bright, in Winters by Owens Drug Store.

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING of The First State Bank of Rowena, Texas.

By virtue of the authority in me vested as president of the above named bank I hereby call a meeting of the stockholders of said bank to be held in the office of said bank, in the town of Rowena, Texas, on Tuesday, January 4th, 1921 at the hour of 2:00 p. m. for the purpose of electing Directors and acting on such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

G. Schuhmann, President.
Attest:
N. K. Freeman, Cashier.
10-21w

Informal Dance at Crews M. E. Wells of the Crews community, entertained quite a number of young people on Saturday night last with an informal dance.

After enjoying themselves by dancing the young people were served with a delicious beverage of chocolate and cake a la tarte. The visiting participants were the Misses, Robbie Ash and Grace Dark, of Ballinger; Thelma

Clark Vesta Warren, Ruth and Velma Bradley of Winters; and Erma England, of El Paso.

Everyone had an enjoyable time and hope for another entertainment during the Christmas holidays from Mr. Wells, as he proved to be such a delightful host.

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT HAS 314,314 POPULATION

According to figures received by A. W. Sledge, who had charge of the census work in the Seventeenth Congressional District, this district has a population of 314,314. This is an increase of 22,240, the 1910 census giving the counties composing the 17th District a population of 292,074.

There are nineteen counties in the district, including Runnels, Concho, McCulloch, San Saba, Llano, Lampasas, Mills, Brown, Comanche, Coleman, Taylor, Stephens, Shackelford, Jones, Nolan, Eastland, Palo Pinto, Callahan, and Burnet.

BALLINGER AUTO COMPANY MOVING TO ITS NEW HOME

This is moving day with the Ballinger Auto Co., the general garage business conducted by Henry Jones and the Northington Brothers. The business is being moved from the Nance building opposite the court house square to the building formerly occupied by the Hall Hardware Co. next door to the Farmers & Merchants bank. The new home of the company is one of the most modern garage buildings in this part of the country.

Northington Brothers and Mr. Jones recently purchased the building for a consideration of \$20,000 and had it remodeled especially for a garage business, and everything for the convenience of the public as well as for the employes has been worked out in detail. After today the business of the Ballinger Auto Co. will be conducted at the new stand.

GIN EMPLOYEE IS KILLED AT BANGS

Herman Harris, 30 years old, was killed yesterday morning while at work in the plant of the Bangs Gin Company, at Bangs, ten miles west of Brownwood, according to the Brownwood Bulletin.

The fatal accident occurred at about 10 o'clock, after Harris had told other gin employes that he was preparing to go under the gin press to straighten out tangled bagging. Ten minutes later his lifeless body was found between two of the ginstands. His head was badly bruised, and the conjectures of the gin employes is that he was caught in a belt and thrown violently to the floor of the gin, sustaining concussion of the brain or some similar injury.

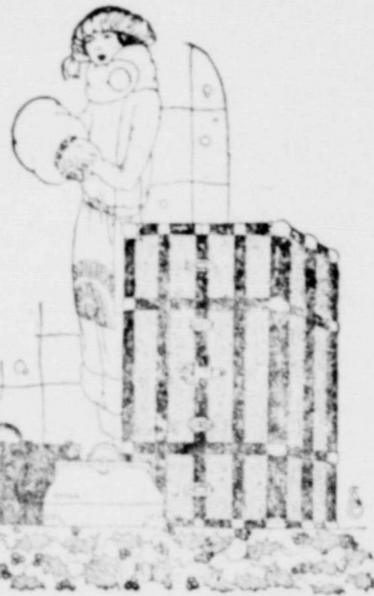
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Give "Her" a Wardrobe Trunk.

Hand Bags for all uses.

Give Her a Dress for Christmas

\$75.00 Dresses for	\$37.50
\$50.00 Dresses for	\$25.00
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All Silk and Wool Dresses go at Half Price. Many of these we can't buy today from the manufacturer for the price we ask you.

A Coat Makes a Handsome Gift

1 only \$125.00 Seal Plush Coat for	\$62.50
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Other wonderful values in Plush Coats at \$24.75 and up.	
About 25 Cloth Coats go at just Half Price.	

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Georgette, Tricolette and Silk Blouses.	
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\$20.00 Blouses	\$10.00
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\$12.50 Blouses	\$6.25
\$7.50 Blouses	\$3.75



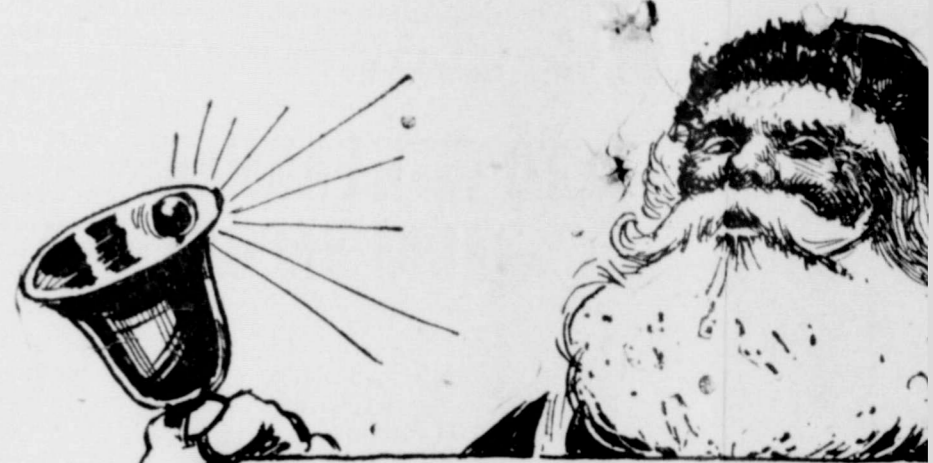
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- DINING CHAIRS
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- DRESSERS

and many other useful pieces of Furniture that will make Ideal Gifts.

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IDEAS FOR CHRISTMAS

Make your Christmas shopping a great pleasure. Christmas presents, then why not give something for men, women and children at **HALF PRICE.**

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Our low, cut prices will please you.

The celebrated Manhattan Shirts, values up to \$7.00; your choice for \$3.75. Other \$1.50 and up.

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Buy Him a Suit of Clothes

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Think About it—

\$75.00 Suit for	\$37.50
\$50.00 Suit for	\$25.00
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\$20.00 Suit for	\$10.00
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—and so on. Nothing reserved except a few serge suits.

Skirts and House Dresses

Wonderful reductions on Skirts, House Dresses, Petticoats, etc.

Just take a look, you'll be convinced that we set the pace for Low Prices and Big Values.

These Prices are Low

But we are determined to close out all Ladies' Suits, Coats, Dresses etc. before Christmas as we begin our Annual Inventory Dec. 29th. You can save money by buying today.

Wool, Silk and Cotton Hose Greatly Reduced

All Ladies Sweaters at Half Price



Banner-Ledger Want Ads

FOR SALE—3 mares, one span of mules, 4 milk cows, 1 double standard double disc, slightly used, 2 standard cultivators, one standard planter, leather harness, all to go at bargain prices. Can be seen at my place six miles West of Ballinger. Phone 5302. F. M. Wiley. 26 4tw.*

FOR SALE—One Atlas 8-H. P. Engine, with 50 feet of belt, one No. 4 Pump, will handle 12 hundred gallons water per minute on 15 foot lift, with 300 feet of 8 inch cypress pipe, tarred and wrapped with wire, one 53 gallon gas tank with connections. This machinery has only been used a part of two seasons. A bargain at \$550. S. M. Jones, Regency, Mills county, Texas. 26 8tw.*

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—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

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

FOR SALE—All my farm machinery, consisting of plows, disc harrows, drills, 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 Jan. 1st. W. T. Nichols. 26 3d 4w

HOGS FOR SALE—"Head of River" Ranch, 25 miles South of San Angelo on Sonora road, about 15 sows, weanlings, 30 gilts, at market value. Write or phone Wm. Anson, Head of River ranch, Christoval, Texas. 30 2w

FOR SALE—Seed Wheat, 400 bushels of Mirecale, \$2.50 per bushel, in bulk at my farm 14 of Ballinger on Wingate road. R. W. Smith. 3 2tw

LOST—One black Horse Mule, about 10 years old, about 14 1/2 hands high, shed in front, has

a Roman nose, had big leather halter on with brass brade. Will pay \$10.00 reward for the recovery of the mule. L. R. Dameron, Crews, Texas. 10 2w.*

LOST—Bag containing hair, somewhere in city. Finder return to Ledger office. 4 2td 1tw.*

LOST—Somewhere in Runnels county. Rawleigh's Statement Book. Finder return to Ledger office and receive reward. 7 2td 2tw.*

FOR SALE—2 brand new Ford touring cars, \$590.00 each. One almost new Ford touring car \$525.00. Street & Middleton. 7 5td 1tw.

FOR SALE—at a bargain; 1 new Ford Roadster, 1 new Ford Touring, 1 new Ford Sedan, 1 almost new Buick Six Touring and 1 second-hand Ford Touring in fine condition, 1 almost brand new Chevrolet Touring Car. See or phone L. E. Bair or C. B. Corn. 6 4td 1tw

FOR SALE—Best bargain in a farm in Runnels county 385 acres, 220 in high state of cultivation, some more just as good, 1 1/2 mile river front, 2 sets of improvements. Priced right, \$2500 cash, balance long time 6 per cent interest, might accept Ballinger property as cash payment. See or phone L. E. Bair. 6 4td 1w

FOR SALE—Absolutely new Ford, 5 passenger, \$600.00. Carl Nance. 1 d&w tf

CLERKS—Men, woman, over 17, for Postal Mail Service. \$125 month. Experience unnecessary. For free particulars of examination, write R. Terry, (former Civil Service Examiner), 776 Continental Bldg. Washington D. C. 10 1tw.*

Woman Think, She is Privileged to Talk

"If anyone ever had a miserable stomach I surely had. It was growing worse, too, all the time. Had severe pains and attacks every ten days or two weeks and had to call a doctor, who could only relieve me for short while. Two years ago last February I took a treatment of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy and I have not had a spell of pain or misery since. My friends just wonder that I am looking so well. I feel I am privileged to talk about it." 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 drug stores everywhere.



The Bank Behind the Farmer

The farmer who is without the backing and support of a strong bank, is treading up on dangerous ground.

The business of farming is, at times, precarious; and no farmer can afford to be without the protection that is afforded by a friendly connection with a helpful bank.

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Has made your Comfort Certain thru—
MOTHER'S FRIEND

Which spreads its influence upon the nerves, cords and ligaments involved, rendering them pliant to readily yield to nature's demand. There is an absence of bearing-down pains, strain and general discomfort, more often than otherwise experienced when nature is unaided. **Mother's Friend** is used externally.

At All Druggists.
Special Booklet on Motherhood and Baby Care. Headfield Regulator Co., Dept. F-9, Atlanta, Ga.

PLAN WHOLESALE RABBIT DRIVES

Farmers should join hands as soon as possible in making a wholesale drive against the Jack rabbit pest in this county, was the general opinion expressed to The Ledger today, by an interested party. Reports coming indicate that rabbits have multiplied wonderfully during the present year, and the destruction of crops next spring will be great, if the pests are not exterminated.

Neighboring counties are adopting the unique plan of driving the rabbits into a corral constructed of poultry wire, and in addition to making a wholesale slaughter, the plan will afford much sport to those who take part in the drive.

This plan provides for building a corral, or pen, and forming a pocket to trap the rabbits, a large number of people will meet and form in line extending out over a large territory and round the rabbits up. This plan will be inexpensive as the wire can be used for other purposes after Mr. Rabbit has had the pro for his depredations. The dealers would no doubt loan the wire to the citizens for this purpose, the wire to be returned and damages paid for.

At the present price of shells it is expensive to shoot the rabbits. Thousands could be rounded up and slaughtered without any expense, and if there is a demand for rabbit hair the rabbits could be dressed and marketed direct from the corral where they are rounded up.

Farmers should interest themselves in this plan and call on the boys in town to come out and join in the drive. By banding several hundred people together, and organizing for a systematic drive, thousands of rabbits could be rounded up without trouble.

Mr. Farmer, who will be the first to start the drive!

A TONIC

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 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. Destroys Malarial germs and Grip germs by its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. 75c.

TRAPPERS SHOULD TAKE IN THEIR TRAPS, HE SAYS

"Do not trap this season, if you want fair prices for the furs in the future," says a big fur dealing firm in a circular sent out broadcast over the country, and in warnings sent out through local fur and hide buyers.

L. O. Wooden, a local hide dealer, has received notice to warn the people against trapping the warning saying there is no demand for furs and that unless the trappers lay off for a season furs next season will not be worth anything.

The trapper is in the same boat with the cotton farmer, wool grower, and the producer of every kind of raw material. The factories are afraid to stock up on raw materials when the market on the finished product is slumping by leaps and bounds.

Mrs. Oxsheer has returned to her home in Bisbee, Arizona, after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Bridwell.

Prize Winners Named For Poultry Exhibits

The Fourth Annual Runnels County Poultry Show has passed into history as one of the most successful ever held in this section. Full credit is due to Farm Agent Eaton, and to committees from the Young Men's Business League for the large collection of splendid birds which were brought here on the 3rd and 4th and for the splendid manner in which the exhibit was handled.

Prizes in the sum of nearly \$200.00 were awarded by local business men, and by the Business League. The Finance Committee consisting of J. J. Beck and Roy Reeder, met with a hearty response from practically every business man in the city, all of whom appeared anxious to encourage and promote the poultry industry.

Special credit is due to J. C. Reese, who acted as Secretary of the Show. J. P. Teague also has thanks of the committee for lighting and other work; and others are thanked for their part in helping to make the Show a success. The Young Men's Business League also expresses itself as being indebted to Gus Noyes, who donated the use of the building in which the Show was held.

Following is a list of the winners, classed by varieties:

Partridge Wyandotte

Hen
1st. Oscar Pearson; 2nd. Oscar Pearson; 3rd. Oscar Pearson.

Cock

1st. Oscar Pearson.
Cockrell
1st. Ben Coons.

Pullet

1st. Ben Coons; 2nd. Ben Coons; 3rd. Ben Coons.

Black Langshans

Pen
1st. Miss Edith Farmer.

Cock

1st. Miss Edith Farmer.

Hen

1st-2nd. Miss Edith Farmer.

Cockrell

1st. Miss Edith Farmer.

Pullet

1st-2nd. Miss Edith Farmer.

Silver Laced Wyandotte

Cockrell
1st. Mrs. Roy Hull.

Pullet

1st-2nd-3rd. Mrs. Roy Hull.

Blue Andalusians

Cockrell
1st. B. D. Duncanson.

Pullet

1st-2nd-3rd. B. D. Duncanson.

Hen

1st-2nd-3rd. B. D. Duncanson.

Light Brahmas

Cock
1st. L. C. Tomlinson.

Pullet

1st-2nd. L. C. Tomlinson.

Speckled Hamburgs

Pen
1st. G. H. Jarrett.

Anconas

Pen
1st. John I. Guion.

Rhode Island Reds

Pen
1st. Jack McGregor; 2nd. John I. Guion; 3rd. Chas. Evans.

Cock

1st. Jack McGregor; 2nd. W. R. Hunton; 3rd. John I. Guion.

Hen

1st. John I. Guion; 2nd. John I. Guion; 3rd. J. D. Coulter.

Cockrell

1st. Chas. Evans; 2nd. W. R. Hunton; 3rd. W. R. Hunton.

Pullet

1st. John I. Guion; 2nd. John I. Guion; 3rd. Jack McGregor.

Buff Leghorn

Pen
1st-2nd. Mrs. E. M. Neie.

Cock

1st-2nd. Mrs. E. M. Neie.

Hen

1st-2nd. Mrs. E. M. Neie.

Cockrell

1st. Mrs. E. M. Neie.

Pullet

1st-2nd-3rd. Mrs. E. M. Neie.

Barred Rock

Pen
1st. Mrs. M. T. Cotton; 2nd. Mrs. M. T. Cotton; 3rd. Bill McGregor.

Cock

1st. Mrs. M. T. Cotton; 2nd. Bill McGregor; 3rd. J. F. Watson.

Hen

1st. J. F. Watson; 2nd. Bill McGregor; 3rd. Mrs. M. T. Cotton.

Cockrell

1st. Mrs. M. T. Cotton; 2nd. James Midgley; 3rd. I. F. Watson.

Pullet

1st. Mrs. M. F. Cotton; 2nd. Mrs. M. F. Cotton; 3rd. I. F. Watson.

Brown Leghorn

Pen
1st. Otto Woods; 2nd. Ed Pape; 3rd. Mrs. Harper.

Cock

1st. Otto Woods; 2nd. Mrs. E. M. Neie.

Hen

1st-2nd-3rd. Otto Woods.

Cockrell

1st. Ed Pape; 2nd. Mrs. E. M. Neie; 3rd. Mrs. Harper.

Pullet

1st. Ed Pape; 2nd. Otto Woods.

White Leghorn

Pen
1st. J. B. Estes; 2nd. H. M. Lincecum; 3rd. J. C. Reese.

Cock

1st. Mrs. D. F. Eaton; 2nd. H. M. Lincecum.

Hen

1st. H. M. Lincecum; 2nd. J. C. Reese; 3rd. Mrs. D. F. Eaton.

Cockrell

1st. J. B. Estes; 2nd. H. M. Lincecum; 3rd. J. C. Reese.

Pullet

1st. J. B. Estes; 2nd. H. M. Lincecum; 3rd. J. C. Reese.

Pit Game

1st. Pen, Cockrell and Pullet. W. C. Wheelis.

Cornish Indian Game

1st. Pen, Ben Coons; 1st. Cockrell and Pullet, I. F. Watson.

Bantams

1st. Pair, Ben Coons; 2nd. Pair, Helen Hardon.

Turkeys

Toms
1st. W. S. Stegall; 2nd-3rd, Mrs. Sanford Jones.

Hens

1st. H. M. Lincecum; 2nd-3rd, Mrs. Sanford Jones.

Best Male in the Show.

1st. Oscar Pearson; 2nd. Chas. Evans; 3rd. Mrs. M. T. Cotton.

Best Female in the Show.

1st. Oscar Pearson; 2nd. H. M. Lincecum; 3rd. John I. Guion.

Geese

1st-2nd. W. W. Farmer.

White Eggs

1st. H. M. Lincecum; 2nd, Mrs. D. F. Eaton.

Brown Eggs

1st. Miss Edith Farmer; 2nd, I. F. Watson.

An interesting exhibit of home raised and home canned food products was shown by H. M. Lincecum & Son, demonstrating fully the huge cut that may be made in the H. C. L. by close attention to this industry.

The meeting called to organize a Poultry Association was postponed. The meeting was billed for Saturday afternoon, but it was decided to postpone the perfecting of the organization until the Poultry School, which is to be held early next year. An effort will be made to work up a large class for the Poultry School and at that time the association will be organized and plans outlined for the exhibit of 1921.

County Agent Eaton formed a class in the exhibit hall Saturday afternoon and gave a number of lectures to those present along valuable lines in poultry raising.

Irregularity in the bowel movement makes you feel uncomfortable and leads to a constipated habit which is bad. Herbine is the remedy you need. It restores healthy regularity. Price, 60c. Sold by all druggists.

PIONEER LEAVES MILES

The Miles Messenger says that E. N. Voss and wife have moved from Miles to Santa Anna, where their son, H. L. Voss, is engaged in the drug business. Mr. Voss settled at Miles in 1901, and has resided there continuously for almost twenty years.

The Messenger also says: "While returning from a trip to San Antonio, accompanied by Mrs. A. H. Lewin and his sister, Mrs. R. D. Holmes, Eugene Maddra had the good fortune to kill a fine five-point buck deer.

"The animal was encountered in the road near Mason and the only weapon in the party was a Colt's forty-five pistol.

"Quickly stopping the car and drawing the pistol, Mr. Maddra drew careful aim on the deer and succeeded in wounding it so severely that it could not run. It was only a matter of a few moments then to dispatch the deer."

ECZEMA!

Money back without question if HUNT'S Eczema Cure fails in the treatment of ECZEMA, RINGWORM, TETTER or other itching skin diseases. Try a 75 cent box at our risk.

John A. Weeks, Druggist

LEGION BOOKS U. GLEE CLUB

The Pat Williams Post of the American Legion has contracted to bring the University of Texas Glee Club to Ballinger during the Christmas holidays. The exact date will likely be Tuesday, Dec. 28th.

This organization is too well known throughout Texas and the South to require much comment, but this year's club is said by the management to be the strongest and to present the most varied and complete program of any glee club in the South.

The Club carries thirty men, including a mandolin section, quartet, oet and soloists, both vocal and instrumental. Between the first and second parts of the program, the Club stages a twenty minute, musical comedy of college life.

Ballinger is extremely fortunate to be able to secure an attraction of such unusual merit, as it is the smallest city to be included on this year's tour of the Glee Club. The other cities in which the Club will appear are San Angelo, Abilene, Ranger, Mineral Wells, Ft. Worth, Denton and Dallas. On the South Texas tour in the spring, San Antonio, Houston, Galveston, San Marcos and Beaumont will be visited.

Stuart Williams, Adjutant of the local Post, and a former member of the Glee Club for three years, states that in all of the principal cities of the State which the University Glee Club visits, that they invariably sing to packed houses.

When your digestion is poor, when your bowels are constive, when your breath is bad, when your stomach is sick or disordered, and you feel languid and low-spirited, Prickly Ash Bitters is decidedly the remedy you need. It cleanses the vital organs, purifies the bowels and imparts a fine feeling of strength, vigor and cheerfulness. Price \$1.50 per bottle. Jno. A. Weeks, special agent.

TRADES WAGON FOR ONE DOZEN EGGS

Higginbotham Bros. & Co. traded a four-wheeled wagon for one dozen eggs Friday. The wagon was in running condition, painted red, and ready to roll. The man with the eggs wanted the wagon and the Higginbotham people wanted the eggs and it was an even trade, with all parties in the deal apparently satisfied.

This city is experiencing an egg famine. The hens are either on a strike, or the poultry grower, are doing like the cotton farmers, holding for a higher price.

Ex-Sheriff Perkins left for Houston Saturday afternoon, where he had business and will go from that city to McAllen with a party of homeseekers. Mr. Perkins is acting as immigration agent for a party of Rio Grande valley land owners.

"Gets-It" Wonder Corn Peeler

Just as Good for Calluses. Money Back if it Fails.

Don't be bossed through life by a pesky corn or callus. Don't let a corn tell you when to sit down. Don't wear shoes too large for you because a corn says you must. Get rid of the darned thing.

It's a revelation to corn sufferers the wonderful way that "Gets-It" banishes corns. Spend two minutes—that's all—to apply 2 or 3 drops to any corn or callus. The pain will stop instantly. In a few seconds the corn dries right up. Soon it has loosened so you can peel it off in one complete piece, root and all. "Gets-It" is sold by all druggists; money back on request, costs less a trip. Mfg. by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago.

Sold in Ballinger and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

HOUSTON HAS A SURPLUS OF LABORERS

HOUSTON, Dec. 3.—The influx of unemployed labor here is causing some alarm, and according to a survey made by the Gulf Coast Employment Service, shows that since November 10, 1985 people had applied for employment, and the number of unemployed in every line of work is rapidly increasing.

The shortage is due to oil corporations and other big industries reducing the number of their workers. It may be necessary to establish a bread line before the end of the present winter.

R. A. Bishop was here from the Winters country, Monday, and made his annual visit to the Ledger office.

— the "Dry-Charged" Battery

Eight months added to your battery life

IS YOUR battery failing? It may want attention today without your knowing it. Why not obtain our expert advice without cost and add to your car-economy?

We will give you the kind of battery service the Golden Rule stands for. We'll not try to sell you a new battery if your old one is repairable. And if it is, we'll guarantee it for eight months on an adjustment basis.

If it is not repairable we'll sell you a USL Battery with durable Machine-Pasted Plates. Our Service is a Good-Will Builder.

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SUGGESTION

For a Most Appropriate and Desirable Christmas Gift.

Come down and select one of our famous

STARR PHONOGRAPHS.

The instrument with a "Singing Throat of Silver Grain Spruce." Make the children happy, the home brighter. The music of youth's melodies ever new and more delightful on the STARR. Plays any disc record at its best. Hear it then compare.

Sold On Convenient Terms.

A. O. ALLEN & SON, MUSIC STORES
San Angelo 2nd Door E. St. Angelus
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Try a Can of

Gold Medal Coffee

Best on Earth

Guaranteed to give satisfaction or money refunded. Save the Coupons and receive a beautiful 42-piece dinner set.

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ALL GOOD GROCERS

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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

H. Gleecke Ballinger, Texas.

IS YOUR HEALTH GRADUALLY SLIPPING?

Interesting Experience of a Texas Lady Who Declares That if More Women Knew About Cardui They Would Be Spared Much Sickness and Worry.

Navasota, Texas.—Mrs. W. M. Peden, of this place, relates the following interesting account of how she recovered her strength, having realized that she was actually losing her health:

"Health is the greatest thing in the world, and when you feel that gradually slipping away from you, you certainly sit up and take notice. That is what I did some time ago when I found myself in a very nervous, run-down condition of health. I was so tired and felt so listless I could hardly go to all.

"I was just no account for work. I would get a bucket of water and would feel so weak I would have to set it down before I felt like I could lift it to the shelf. In this condition, of course, to do even my housework was a task almost impossible to accomplish.

"I was . . . nervous and easily upset.

I couldn't rest well at night and was . . . just listless.

"I heard of Cardui and after reading I decided I had some female trouble that was pulling me down. I sent for Cardui and began it . . .

"In a very short while after I began the Cardui Home Treatment I saw an improvement and it wasn't long until I was all right—good appetite, splendid rest, and much stronger so that I easily did my house work.

"Later I took a bottle of Cardui as a tonic. I can recommend Cardui and gladly do so, for if more women knew, it would save a great deal of worry and sickness."

The enthusiastic praise of thousands of other women who have found Cardui helpful should convince you that it is worth trying. All druggists sell it.

410,000 POUNDS OF MOHAIR SOLD

The sale of 410,000 pounds of mohair, thought to be the largest single turnover of its kind in Texas this year, was consummated Saturday by the Wool Growers' Central Storage Company of San Angelo.

C. D. Stokes of Lampasas bought the clips for Winslow & Company of Boston, which acted for an eastern mill. Eleven cars were required to handle the shipment, which left over the Santa Fe for Galveston. From that port the mohair will go by boat to Boston.

Prices were not announced, but it is rumored that the mohair brought from 22c to 27c per pound. These figures, if correct, represent a decline of approximately 50 per cent, the peak of a year ago being around a half dollar. Mohair fluctuates more than wool and sudden rises, and declines are said to be common.—San Angelo Standard.

CHECK FORGER FLEES; CAUGHT

P. J. Baron was here from Rowena Monday and identified the negro who passed a forged check on him Saturday, going under the name of Joe Thomas. The negro's correct name is Adam Wilson. He attempted to pass two bad checks at Miles, one for \$87 and one for \$39 before he put over the forgery at Rowena. So far only one case has been filed against the negro.

A negro, giving his name as Joe Thomas, is in the local jail charged with forgery, and P. J. Baron, a Rowena merchant, is short \$30. The negro was caught at Brownwood as he was going East on a passenger train, the Brownwood officers acting on instructions from Ballinger officers. The negro was returned to Ballinger Sunday night. He left Rowena Saturday afternoon, after passing the bad check.

The check was signed "Otto Jaschke," made payable to Joe Thomas and endorsed by Joe Thomas, and was apparently a good check, and Mr. Baron honored it only to find out shortly afterwards that he had been made the victim of a forgery. The check was for \$30.

Sheriff Flynt went to Brownwood Sunday afternoon, returning Sunday night with a negro prisoner wanted in this county for forgery.

J. Hood, of Winters, passed thru Ballinger Sunday afternoon en route to Temple, in response to a message that his grand daughter was dead at that place.



STEP OUT WELL-SHOD

When you want quick, fair-priced and satisfactory shoe repairs, step into our "while you wait" shop. Men, our machines and material combine in giving superior service to the person who demands guaranteed work on a "rush order." Soles and heels in 22 minutes. Rubber heels attached in 7 minutes.

Mail Order, Specially Cared for Here.

COY DRENNAN

Fire Damages Brewer Jewelry Store Sunday

Successful fire fighting early Sunday night checked what threatened to be a bad fire in the center of the business district of this city, when fire broke out in the second story of the Jas. E. Brewer building.

The fire was discovered about eight-thirty when flames broke out through a second story window, and only the quick and heroic work of the efficient volunteer fire company prevented the fire from spreading over the entire building and probably to adjoining property.

Like many fires, the origin will never be known, but the most plausible cause seems to be that defective electric wiring caused the blaze. In the entrance hall to the second story, where the fire started, and where an electric switch was located the fire burned almost through the wall and ceiling, showing that the fire originated at this point. The doors were locked and it is not believed that any one had been in the building and there had been no fire near where the blaze originated.

Jas. E. Brewer, owner of the building and who occupied the front rooms of the building on the ground floor for his jewelry business, is the heaviest loser. No estimate of the loss could be given, but it will probably amount to between \$2,000 and \$3,000. The greatest damage is charged against the building and fixtures. The stock damage will not be so great. The fixtures were damaged by water while most of the stock was protected from water damage by the show cases and cabinets in which it was displayed. Mr. Brewer carried some insurance.

The front apartments of the second floor were occupied by M. Whitlock's photograph studio, and the studio was practically destroyed by water and smoke. Mr. Whitlock was also without insurance, having only been in business a short time and was planning to take out insurance after adding new equipment and material. His loss will probably amount to \$500.

The rear room of the second floor was vacant, having been formerly used for a band hall. The rear room on the ground

BREWER PRESENTS FIRE BOYS WITH \$100 CHECK

Jas. E. Brewer expressed his appreciation for the good work done by the fire boys Sunday night by presenting them with a check for \$100 Monday morning. Mr. Brewer stated that this would in a small way impress the boys with the fact that he appreciated the faithful service rendered in checking the flames and preventing a greater loss to his property and the property of his neighbors. The money goes into the treasury of the volunteer fire company and will be used by them in maintaining their organization.

floor was being used as a storage room. J. Q. Lankford, a local baker, had a car of flour stored in this part of the building. The flour was soaked with water, but Mr. Lankford carried insurance sufficient to cover the loss.

The fire originated just as the congregations at the various churches were being dismissed, and the alarm attracted many people to the scene of the fire. Those who stood by and looked on were profuse in their praise of the splendid work done by the fire company, and those who suffered loss in the fire give the boys credit for preventing a greater loss.

CHEST COLDS
Apply over throat and chest—cover with hot flannel cloth.
VICKS VAPORUB
Over 17 Million Jars Used Yearly

NAZARENE'S GET NEW PASTOR

Arrangements have been made by Rev. E. N. Wells, District Superintendent of the Church of the Nazarene, San Antonio district, with the local church for the acceptance of Rev. E. D. Messer as pastor for the ensuing year.

We recommend the Rev. Messer to the esteem of the citizenship of Ballinger. Any courtesies shown him will be highly appreciated.

Rev. Wells leaves on the East bound train this afternoon for Coleman and other points in the district.

Rev. Messer and family will return here about Friday of this week from Austin, and will fill the pulpit at the church of the Nazarene Sunday.

Joe Stocks, of Tom Green county, and Tom and Roe Stocks of Wichita Falls, are here at the bedside of their father, T. J. Stocks, who is seriously ill. Mr. Stocks suffered a stroke of paralysis a few days ago, and his life is hanging in the balance. It was thought that he was some better Saturday.

3 BAD CHECKS IN MAN'S ACCT.

Officers are looking for the man who passed three bad checks on the banks and local merchants last month. The three crooked checks were caught when M. D. Smith, of the Hatchel county, received his bank statement with the cancelled checks on December first. Mr. Smith found three checks in his account which he declares he did not sign, nor authorize signed and he brands them as forgeries.

Stone & Thorp were the heaviest losers in the forgeries. The man purchased a \$60 overcoat from this firm last Saturday and paid for it with a check signed "M. D. Smith." The Hatchell Mercantile Co. cashed a check for \$6. This check was made payable to Pat Donnell and signed "M. D. Smith." A one dollar check made payable to M. B. Riley and signed "M. D. Smith" was cashed at the bank.

The signature of Mr. Smith was so well imitated that the banks honored the checks without a question. Mr. Smith caught the bad checks when he received his bank account.

A young man who had been working for Mr. Smith is missing, and is presumed to have left here last Monday. It is believed that he forged the instruments, and made his get-away before the bank statements were sent out. The young man who purchased the overcoat from Stone & Thorp, put over the forgery in such a way as to leave no grounds for suspicion. After buying the coat and giving the bad check, he left the coat, stating that he would call for it later. Several hours later he returned to get the coat, and was seen in town with the coat on Sunday.

It is known where the young man came from to this country, and he will no doubt be in the clutches of the law before the end of the week.

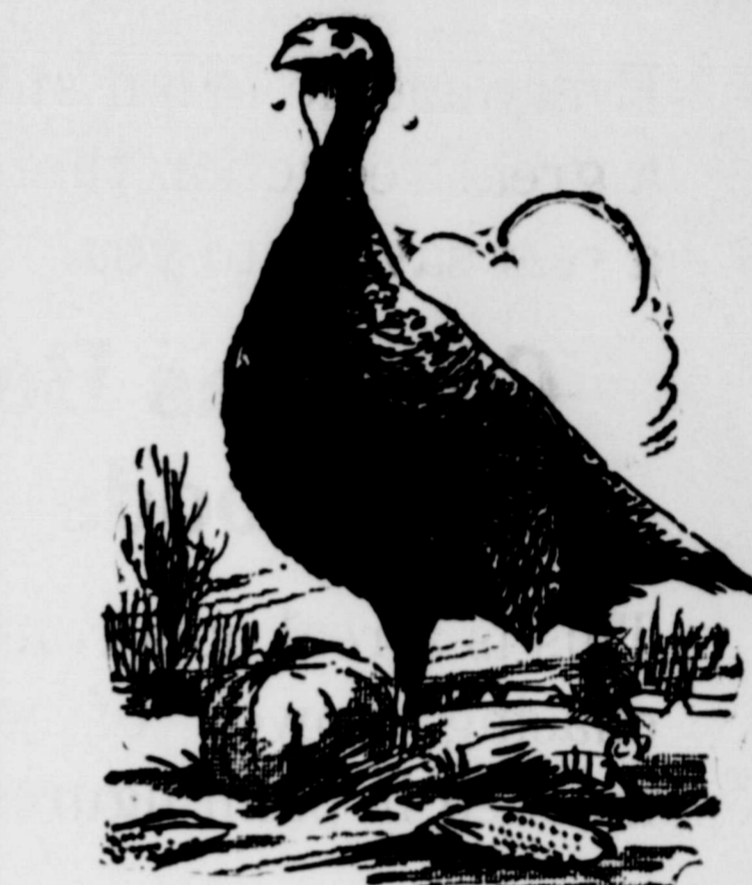
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For Infants and Children
In Use For Over 30 Years
Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

FORMER NAZARENE PASTOR VISITOR HERE

Rev. E. W. Wells, former pastor of the local Nazarene church is here in the interests of the church, and will preach every night for the remainder of this week and also Sunday night. Rev. Wells was recently elected district superintendent for the Nazarene church, and Ballinger is in his district. He is located at Waco. While here he will try to arrange for the coming of another pastor for the local Nazarene congregation to succeed Rev. Hampton, who has moved to Peniel.

Chas. Boyd left for Houston Saturday afternoon, where he goes on cotton business for the firm of Boyd & Son.



TURKEYS! TURKEYS!!

Our poultry dressing plant is now in operation and it will be money to you to see us before you sell your turkeys.

JEANES PRODUCE CO.

Ballinger, Texas

Fordson Farm Tractor

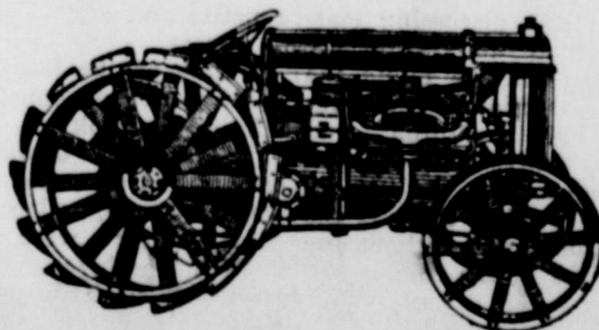
The after-service that goes with the Fordson tractor is second to none. Fordson dealers are located in every community with stocks of repair parts and employing skilled mechanics who know just how the Fordson should be repaired and taken care of to do its best work.

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.

Fordson service insures you against delay in getting parts.

It is your protection. It is a protection now being enjoyed by more than 100,000 Fordson farmers in the United States.

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.



Harwell Motor Co.

Ballinger, Texas

In Front-Rank
Cod-liver oil stands first on the list of fats, in the ease with which it is assimilated. This explains why
SCOTT'S EMULSION
of super-refined Norwegian cod-liver oil is so helpful to those of any age who are run-down in body.

The Real Sale Will Be Continued

Many New, Attractive Bargains Added Until

CHRISTMAS

Every article in our entire stock marked at such a great reduction that each purchase means a a real saving to you.

Cost Has Been Forgotten The Goods Must be Sold

This is a real opportunity to increase the purchasing power of your dollars. All goods marked in plain figures. It is easy to shop here

BALLINGER, Texas

THE HUB

R.E. GEORGE Prop.

SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

Mrs. J. M. Tindal left Tuesday for Houston, to visit her uncle a few days. She was accompanied by her mother, who will spend the winter in Houston.

Miss Ruby Brown, of Brownwood, came in last Thursday, and visited her sister, Mrs. W. E. Branch a few days, going out to Dietz, near Crews, where she will teach school.

Mrs. F. T. Rushing returned home Monday from near Winters where she was called to the bedside of her niece's little daughter, who was very low with diphtheria. We are glad to report that the child was out of danger when Mrs. Rushing left.

C. W. Branch came in from East Texas last week to spend a few weeks with home folks.

James and Frank Wilson, of Fort Worth, who have been here helping Mr. Rushing gather his cotton crop, left for their home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Cobb and mother, Mrs. Hood, came in last week from DeLeon, and will make South Ballinger their home again.

The South Ballinger Sunday school had a good attendance last Sunday, about 50 being present. Rev. Dos is superintendent and Sunday school begins at 3:00 o'clock.

Sam Boyer is having his home remodeled.

ELBERTA.

Habitual Constipation Cured in 14 to 21 Days

"LAX-FOS WITH PEP-SIN" 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.

Eighty Cents for Eggs

Buy Reefers' More Egg Tonic from J. K. Hutton Lumber & Feed Co. makes your hens lay 80 cent eggs and lots of them too. Also we are headquarters for Chicken Feed, plenty of all kinds of feed and select stock of Lumber. Thanks for your very liberal patronage. J. K. Hutton Lumber & Feed Co. 8-2d-1w

DECIDE YOURSELF

The Opportunity is Here, Backed by Ballinger Testimony.

Don't take our word for it. Don't depend on a stranger's statement.

Read the Ballinger endorsement.

Read the statements of Ballinger citizens.

And decide for yourself.

Here is one case of it.

John Pechacek, prop. black smith shop, Ballinger, says: "I have to bend over a lot at my work and this has weakened my back and sometimes I have been in misery. On straightening up after bending over it would feel as if a knife was being thrust into my back. Since I have been a user of Doan's Kidney Pills the trouble has been greatly lessened, as my back has felt lots stronger. Occasionally I take a few doses of Doan's Kidney Pills to strengthen my kidneys."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Pechacek had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs. Buffalo, N. Y. d&w

FEDERAL BANK MAN VISITS BALLINGER

F. Floyd Clouse, representing the Federal Reserve Bank, of Dallas, was in Ballinger Tuesday calling on local bankers in the interest of rendering service to local banks and discussing matters of mutual interest. Mr. Clouse stated that he found the banks in this section of the country in splendid condition, and despite the depressing condition of the cotton market the country seems to be pulling through the reconstruction period without any serious breaks in the commercial world.

A remedy that will penetrate is necessary in the treatment of rheumatism. Ballard's Snow Liniment goes right through the flesh to the bone and relieves promptly. Three sizes, 30c, 60c and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Use Ledger Classifieds.

STAGING HOME TALENT PLAY AT TALPA DEC. 12

Miss Fannie Wilmett, who is teaching a large class in expression at Talpa, visiting that place each week, has arranged an entertainment to be given at Talpa on Dec. 12th. The proceeds from the entertainment will be used for improving the playgrounds of the Talpa public school. Misses Ludrie Stroble and Susie Hale, of Ballinger, will take part in the entertainment. Miss Wilmett left for Talpa this afternoon to fill her regular engagement.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets). It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 30c.

NAZARENE PASTOR MOVES TO PENIEL

Rev. S. W. Hampton, who has served the local Nazarene church for the past year, has accepted the pastorate of the Peniel church near Greenville, Texas, and has moved his family to that place. The local church is temporarily without a pastor. Rev. Hampton made many friends during his stay here who will regret to know that he and his good family have moved away.

Not Bad Cook But Bad Stomach.

The word dyspepsia means literally bad cook, but it will not be fair for many people to lay the blame on the cook if they begin the Christmas dinner with little appetite and end it with distress or nausea.

It may not be fair for any to do that—let us hope so for the sake of the cook!

The disease, dyspepsia, indicates a bad stomach, that is a weak stomach, rather than a bad cook, and for a weak stomach, we know of nothing else equal to Hood's Sarsaparilla. This digestive and tonic medicine helps the stomach, gives it vigor and tone, relieves dyspepsia, creates an appetite, and makes eating the pleasure it should be.

The biliousness, and constipation found in so many cases of dyspepsia are gently and thoroughly relieved by Hood's Pills, which act in perfect harmony with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

HOGS PAY BIG MONEY

Mr. Pete Wing, of Hawk Point, Mo., made a lot of money out of his hogs. He says: "I fed them Dr. LeGear's Hog Prescription. It has given wonderful results in putting gain on them with less feed. They were on heavy feed for only a month; averaged a gain of 2 1/2 pounds daily, and were only 7 months, 10 days old, when sold."

Mr. Wing profited by the advice of Dr. LeGear, Graduate Veterinarian and Expert Poultry Breeder of 28 years' standing.

Dr. LeGear's Hog Prescription will put weight on your hogs also, because it expels worms, purifies the blood and conditions them so that they gain flesh on less feed.

It makes no difference what ailment is prevalent among your stock or poultry, it is money in your pocket to get the proper Dr. LeGear Remedy from your dealer on a satisfaction or money back offer.

Mrs. A. R. Jones and Mrs. Robt. Stephenson returned to their homes at Houston and Waco, respectively, after spending some time here with their parents. Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. Snell. They were called home to be at the bedside of their father, who was hurt by his horse falling with him. We are glad to note that Mr. Snell is recovering.

Eggs Eggs Eggs

and more Eggs or your money back if you feed "Martin's Egg Producer." "Martin's Roup Remedy" cures and prevents Roup absolutely guaranteed by Jno. A. Weeks. 17-26d-13w

G. A. Gerhart was in the city Monday from the Crews country. Garland Woodward of Coleman had business in Ballinger Monday.

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—E. W. GROVE.

ORGANIZING RAT CAMPAIGN HERE

\$1.60 RESPONSIBLE FOR BLOODY NEGRO FIGHT

The Young Men's Business League, aided by County Agent Eaton and R. R. Keppert, Entomologist, of College Station, will begin at once to organize the county for a Rat Extermination Campaign. Mr. Keppert will arrive about the middle of the month.

It is planned to offer prizes to schools and to individuals who make the first, second and third largest "kills." The Lankford Furniture Co. has offered a Pathe polynograph to the school in the county which turns in the largest number of rat tails per capita. Other firms in Ballinger, Winters and Miles are expected to offer prizes.

The four newspapers of the county have been asked to furnish space for the necessary publicity and propaganda, all of which is to be furnished by the Business League.

The damage caused by rats, and their role as carriers of diseases, are too well known to require discussion. They are active agents in the distribution of bubonic plague and trichinosis. They destroy dry goods, furs, silks, carpets and leather goods. They gnaw matches and cut the insulation from wires, thus causing disastrous fires. They flood kitchens by gnawing thru lead pipes. They consume grain, fruit and vegetables in the fields and orchards, and continue their depredations in the shock, cellar and bin. They cut containers of breakfast foods and candy, and by pollution render unfit for food far more than they consume.

The U. S. Public Health Service declares that in cities the rat population is equal to the human population and that in rural districts it is from four to ten times as great. The annual upkeep per rat is \$1.00.

According to these figures the rat population of Texas is 18,000,000 and the annual cost of their upkeep is at least \$72,000,000.00. In Runnels county, their numbers must reach at least 75,000, costing the county \$300,000.00 per year.

The slogan throughout the county for the next month is to be "Everybody Kill a Rat."

A negro was seriously beaten up by another negro on the Muny farm South of Ballinger Tuesday night. After quarreling over \$1.60 which one of the negroes claimed the other owed him, the negroes locked horns and one was knocked down and out with a piece of stove iron, the loser in the fight coming out with his scalp peeled from half his head and bad cuts about the neck. Doctors found a piece of iron embedded in the negro's skull. The other negro skipped out to the river bottom and made his getaway.

Good Advice

Take Chamberlain's Tablets as soon as you have finished your supper and they will produce a gentle movement of the bowels on the following morning. They will also improve your digestion and make you feel better in every way.

KEEPING AN EYE ON DEVELOPMENT HERE

Silliman Evans, staff correspondent for the Star-Telegram, was in Ballinger again Thursday, passing thru the city en route to Fort Worth from Winters, where he had been compiling data for a write up of the Ballinger country. He visited Ballinger about ten days ago, and sent in interesting account of the development of this part of the country.

The write-up from Winters will make the second for this county within two weeks, and with the big circulation of the Star-Telegram it gives this county some valuable publicity.

To relieve rheumatism, sprains, lame back, lumbago or pleurisy, Ballard's Snow Liniment is a remedy of proven merit. It is very powerful and penetrating. Three sizes, 30c, 60c, and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Brown, of the Crews country, were shopping in Ballinger Saturday.

Get More Eggs

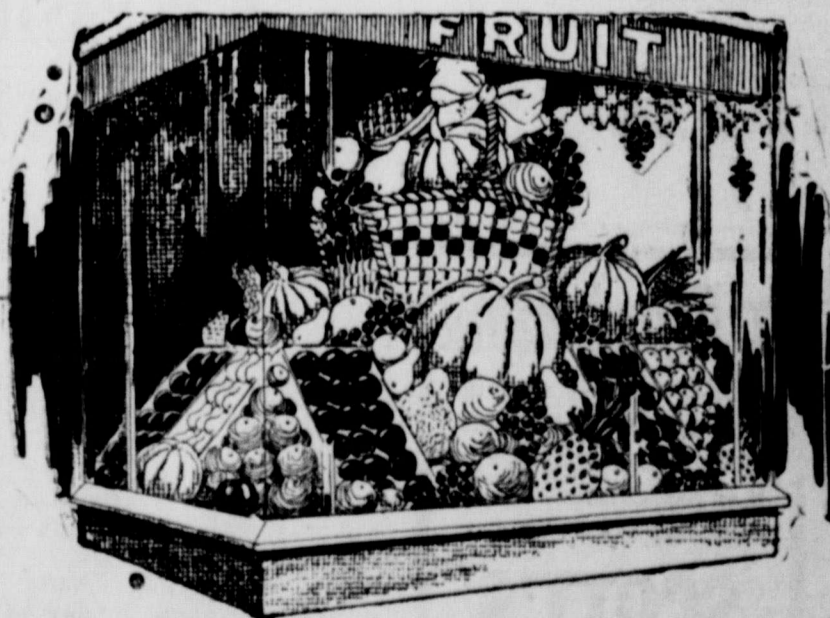
by feeding "Martin's Egg Producer." Double your money back in Eggs or your money back in CASH. "Martin's Roup Remedy" cures and prevents Roup absolutely; guaranteed by your Dealer. 17-26d-13w

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