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Roads, Water and College are Discussed at Meeting

The meeting of the board of directors of the Y. M. B. L. and the Texas Tech Committee Tuesday night was attended by twenty-six Ballinger citizens, who spent over two hours in a discussion of the local water supply; county roads and the West Texas College.

State Highway Engineer Porter and County Engineer Stephens had been asked to appear before the meeting and tender information concerning the road outlook for Runnels county. It was developed that no permanent road improvements were being contemplated for this precinct, altho permanent roads were being built to the North and East of Ballinger, cutting deeply into Ballinger's trade territory. A motion was adopted that a committee be appointed to confer with the Judge and County Commissioner and seek relief especially on the Hatchel road.

The committee on local water supply stated that after a conference with the City Secretary he had agreed to flush the mains with the result that the water was cleaner than it had been. A report was made by Mayor Raby on the test of the Wardlaw well. It was the unanimous opinion of those present that early action should be taken toward securing a thorough test of the available water in and near Ballinger. The need of a water supply for the West Texas College was especially stressed, every speaker urging the fact that without an adequate supply of clear, pure water it would be impossible for this city to receive consideration in its location of the school.

The meeting was then turned over to J. McGregor, chairman of the Texas Tech Committee, who reviewed the fights which Ballinger had made in the past for state institutions, and who stated that the citizens of Ballinger should line up solidly together and make the best contest possible for the school. It was Mr. McGregor's opinion that the publicity Ballinger would receive would be worth the time and money expended, even if the school was not located here. Judge A. K. Doss, R. T. Williams, C. S. Guin, Estes Lynn, J. E. Pirie, D. F. Eaton, A. W. Sledge and others made inspirational talks, stressing the many advantages held by Ballinger and which could be offered for the location of the college. The principal points developed were that as the school would be a state-wide institution, Ballinger's location near the geographical center of the state and its population center were big drawing cards. It was pointed out that the climate, soil, potential water supply, available building material, social and religious environments, etc., might be equalled, but could not be surpassed anywhere else in the territory affected.

A meeting of the Tech Committee

was called for 10:00 a. m. Wednesday in the Y. M. B. L. offices for the appointment of sub-committees and further work. Mr. McGregor stated that between \$3500.00 and \$4000.00 was raised to conduct the campaign for the A. & M. College several years ago, and that it would be necessary to raise funds this year to care for the expenses of the present contest.

TEXAS EDITORS TO MEET FEBRUARY 23

CORSICANA, Feb. 20.—The executive committee of the Texas Daily Press League will meet at Dallas on February 23rd, Lowry Martin, president of the League, announced today.

COUNTY COURT IN SHORT SESSION

County court for the jury week was in session only a short time Monday. Two civil cases were called and continued and the jury dismissed. There is only one criminal case on the docket and it was continued.

Commissioner I. A. Curry returned to his home at Miles Friday at noon, after spending the week here in commissioners' court.

SPEAKER SCORES TEXAS SCHOOLS

AUSTIN, Feb. 20.—The Senate took up the Clark resolution this afternoon seeking to repeal the free text book law.

A petition was presented to the Senate by the inmates of the state penitentiary asking for the establishment of the honor system for paroles.

The Strong bill relating to the removal of railroad shops and seeking to force railroads to pay property owners damage in case of moving offices and shops, was set for a special order of business Friday.

Dr. J. J. Tigert, United States Commissioner of Education, in an address before the House, arraigned the Texas educational system which permits the state to give aid to counties, but exacts no aid from counties. Dr. Tigert also said that Texas needed an adequate system for training teachers.

AUSTIN, Feb. 20.—Pamphlets outlining the requirements of a location for the West Texas state college are to be issued and broadcast over the section in which the college will be located, S. B. Cowell, chairman of the location board stated today.

The location board expects to keep actively at work on collecting data and information regarding the various points that have been mentioned for the school and that apply, the chairman said. Already numerous inquiries are coming to W. R. Neibors, secretary of the board.

The location commission will hold meetings rather frequently, it was said, in order to determine problems that will come up regarding the location. However, no inspection tour will be made until after April 20, the last date on which applications for the college can be filed.

Chairman Cowell emphasized the need for having at least six copies of applications for the school. One copy will be sent to each of the board members, and one filed with the secretary. The pamphlets which are being prepared by Secretary Neibors will set forth the requirements in the way of water, railroad facilities, land location, purchase price, etc.

Senator Bledsoe, Representative Chitwood, and other West Texas members of the legislature report that unusual interest is being shown by West Texas residents in the school project and that numerous inquiries are being received about it.

RANCHMAN FINDS MISSING BRIDE COMPLETES 2,097 MILES HIGHWAY

SAN ANGELO, Feb. 20.—Frank Duckworth, sheriff, and L. P. Grimes, Sterling county ranchman, left Monday afternoon for Los Angeles, Calif., where they go to identify a woman believed to be the bride of the ranchman, and if it is Mrs. Grimes which the officers are holding in that city, she will be returned here to face charges of burglary and swindling.

A woman suiting the description of Mrs. Grimes, was arrested in Los Angeles last Sunday, and the sheriff and Mr. Grimes were notified immediately. The woman was arrested in Los Angeles in connection with bogus oil stock sales. The California officers had previously been notified by the Tom Green county sheriff to look out for Mrs. Grimes.

Mrs. Grimes, a bride of ten days, disappeared from her husband while they were in Fort Worth on December 23rd, taking with her \$7,900 of Grimes' money. She formerly traveled with a carnival company, posing as a fortune teller, and while attending the Fat Stock Exposition at Fort Worth last year, Mr. Grimes, a prominent Sterling county ranchman, met the woman. A correspondence followed, which culminated in the woman coming here and she and Mr. Grimes were married last December 13th, Justice of the Peace Frink officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Grimes returned to Fort Worth for a honeymoon trip, and it was while in Fort Worth that the bride disappeared. At the time of her disappearance she is alleged to have had on a belt containing five \$1,000 Liberty Bonds and one \$1,000 bill and three diamond rings valued at \$2,000.

At the suggestion of the bride, Grimes, against the advice of friends and his bankers, had disposed of his Sterling county ranch, and together he and Mrs. Grimes were going to Los Angeles to reside, and had planned to buy an apartment house in that city.

According to information here, the woman left the hotel at Fort Worth on some supposed errand, telling Mr. Grimes that she would return in a few minutes, and they were due to catch the train for California. On her failure to return Grimes notified the police and a search started which ended with the arrest of whom is supposed to be Mrs. Grimes. The description of the woman arrested in Los Angeles Sunday is said to tally in every detail with the woman wanted here.

According to information received here the woman rented a lock box in a Hollywood bank under the name of Mrs. Rosie Chamberlain, who is said to have arrived in Los Angeles on Jan. 22. She registered at a hotel in Los Angeles under the name of Mrs. A. Chapelle, of Southport, England. At the time of her marriage to Grimes, the woman was going under the name of Mrs. Mary Hickman.

WAR CLOUDS IN RUHR THICKEN

LONDON, Feb. 20.—Dispatches today assert that German cabinet ministers continue to visit the Ruhr region which is occupied by the French in defiance of the French orders prohibiting them doing so. The German government has sent a note to the French, British and Belgian governments of the Rhineland commission protesting against the expulsion of German officials from the occupied zone. The Germans also protest against what they describe as the brutal manner in which German officers are expelled from the occupied territory.

Wendell Watson, of Orange, is here visiting his sister, Mrs. Ernest Buffington, and may decide to locate in Ballinger permanently.

AUSTIN, Feb. 16.—Texas completed a total of 2,087 miles of highway and began construction of 1,888 additional miles, during the two year period from Dec. 1, 1920, to Dec. 1, 1922, according to a summary of construction activities prepared by R. J. Hank, materials engineer of the State Highway Department, issued today. In the same period, fifteen bridges were completed and sixteen placed under construction.

Highway construction in Texas during the two year period cost a total of \$28,812,980, the summary states. Of this amount, slightly less than fourteen million dollars was supplied by state and federal aid, distributed as follows: federal aid, \$9,458,345, state aid, \$4,326,800.

Previous to December 1, 1920, Texas has completed but 967 miles of hard surfaced highways, at a total cost of \$5,326,000 it is stated. This amount was distributed as follows: federal aid, \$1,308,542; state aid, \$904,252; and the remainder by local and county bond issues.

Chas. Nunn, who had been spending a few days here after an eight weeks stay in the sanitarium at Temple, left for his home in the Fort Davis country, Tuesday at noon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Blair, of Paint Rock, were in the city Tuesday. Mr. Blair reports that his turkeys have started to laying and he expects to have young turkeys early in the season.

MAYFIELD'S ENEMIES READY TO FILE CONTEST

2 NOTED TEXAS JURISTS DEAD

ATHENS, Tex., Feb. 21.—Judge A. B. Atkins, age 66, died at his home here last night. He had been ill since February 4th when he was stricken with paralysis.

GALVESTON, Feb. 21.—Judge Robert M. Franklin, age 85, judge advocate of the Confederate Veterans of Texas, died here today.

Rev. J. W. Kelly was a passenger on the West bound train Tuesday, going to Eden.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The political opponents of Earle B. Mayfield, senator-elect from Texas, who defeated George B. Peddy, who was endorsed by the republicans in the election last November, in which the Ku Klux Klan was an issue, said today that contest proceedings would be filed soon with the Senate in behalf of George Peddy.

It was said that some of Peddy's counsel are now in Washington, and other are said to be en route here, and the contest is to be filed before adjournment of the present congress so Mayfield's right to the seat can be challenged as soon as the new congress convenes.

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Our Officers invite you to open an account with us—and enjoy the maximum protection.

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There is a Shortage in Planters and Cultivators

The one that buys early this year uses the best judgment. This is No Cry of "Wolf"

Most all contracts for farm machinery were made before the good rains set in and contracts were based on normal conditions. Here is what one factory writes us: "There has been an unprecedented demand for planters and cultivators this season. The indications are that we will run out of them long before the season is over."

Some factories have not made shipments yet this year.

We are fortunate so far in representing two of the largest factories in the country and we have a limited supply on hand.

If you are not now ready to use a planter or cultivator and will need one this season, you may make a cash payment and we will hold them for you.

This is part of our "RED BABY" INTERNATIONAL SERVICE and it costs you nothing extra. Remember the prices are advancing and what we have on hand goes at the old price.

Van Pelt, Kirk and Mack

BALLINGER, TEXAS,

P. S.—Ballinger is the logical place for the West Texas Technological School. It will be a benefit to the entire county.

Stock Experts Rule on Pure Bred Fowls

American Association is Arbitrator, and Pays no Heed to Pedigrees.

(By SETH W. SHOEMAKER)
Director, School of Agriculture, International Correspondence Schools, Scranton, Pa.

The use of the terms "pure bred," "thoroughbred," etc. is often confusing in the case of poultry because such terms are applied with an entirely different meaning than they are to other kinds of live stock. In the case of horses, cattle, sheep, swine, etc., only animals that are descended from other animals that are registered in certain herd books are considered thorough-bred or pure-bred, regardless of their general appearance or of their conformity to type.

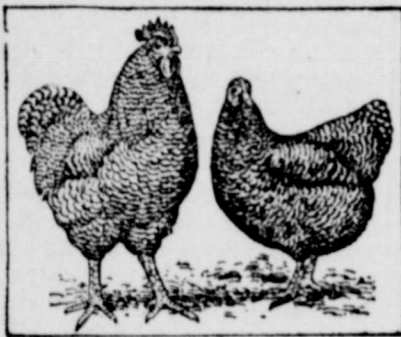
In the case of poultry the terms pure bred and thoroughbred are more commonly applied to fowls that are standard bred. This means fowls that are bred to conform to the standard of the American Poultry Association. The association takes great pains to draw up standards for all of the principal breeds and varieties and any fowls that conform to this standard, regardless of their parentage, are eligible to competition and the taking of prizes in those classes.

The fact that this matter is not clearly understood is the cause of loss to a great many poultrymen because they sometimes dispose of flocks of good producers that are near the standard in order to secure reputed pure stock of high quality.

Breeding Develops Points

The average farmer is interested in the production of his flock more than in the securing of fancy points. By careful breeding for egg production from various varieties it is more than likely that the distinctive features of the variety will be developed in the fowls that are retained.

One thing that is confusing to the beginner is that all of the varieties of each breed are not considered standard, that is, there



PURE-BRED FOWLS

is no place for them among the standards of the American Poultry Association. For example, there are six standard varieties of Plymouth Rocks and four non-standard varieties. There are eight standard varieties of Wyandottes and five non-standard varieties and so on down the list. The standards in various shows for the non-standard varieties will vary considerably in different sections.

In looking through the catalogs and premium lists at fairs there is always chance for confusion due to the fact that fowls are listed by classes and these classes are not as well known as the breeds and varieties in them. The following are the principal classes mostly listed according to their geographical origin. The breed is determined by the shape of the body and the variety is usually based upon the color of the plumage or the shape of the comb.

Classes of Fowls

The principal classes of fowls are:

American Fowls—Plymouth Rock, Wyandotte, Rhode Island Red, Dominique, Java, Jersey Blue, Buckeye.

Asiatic Fowls—Brahma, Cochins, Langshan.

Belgian Fowls—Antwerp Brahma, Ardenne, Brabant, Brekel, Bruges, Campine, Flemish, Herve, Huttejen, Malines.

Dutch Fowls—Breda, Dreinte, Hamburg, Owl Bearded Dutch, Red Cap.

English Fowls—Dorking, Orpington, Scotch Dumpy, Scotch Gray, Sussex.

French Fowls—Crevecoeur, Houdan, La Flesche, La Bresse, Bourbourg, Faverolle.

Game Fowls—Exhibition Game, Cornish, or Indian Game, Malay, Sumatra, Aseel, Old English.

German Fowls—Lakefelder.

Mediterranean Fowls—Ancona, Andalusian, Leghorn, Minorca, Spanish Leghorn.

Polish Fowls—Eight varieties only.

Miscellaneous Fowls—Frizzle, Naked Neck, Rumpless, Silky, Sultan, Yokohama, Tosa, or Phoenix.

Bantam Fowls—Booted, Exhibition Game Bantam, Brahma, Cochins, Japanese, Polish, Rose, Comb and Seabright.

Miscellaneous Bantam Fowls—Andalusian, Aseel, Frizzle, German, Langshan, Leghorn, Malay, Minorca, Nankin, Rumpless, Spanish, Scotch Gray, Silky, Sultan, Yokohama.

There are certain disqualifications that are common to a great majority of breeds and varieties that should be looked for when selecting breeders. Fowls that have these disqualifications should be eliminated.

Fowls having feathers or down on the legs or between the toes when they should be clean should be discarded as this is taken to be an out-cropping of original crossings used in establishing the breed. Unless a character of this kind is eliminated from the breeders as much as possible it is likely that it will become more pronounced with each generation.

Also, fowls that have combs with a growth on the side, sometimes called a side sprig, should be eliminated, for the same reason.

Also, fowls in varieties that are supposed to be white should be eliminated if they have any black or colored feathers.

There are many other points to consider but these are the principal ones.

Plumber Thought He Needed New Pipes

"My stomach and intestines were always full of gas and I often had severe colic attacks. The pain and soreness caused me to think I needed a new set of pipes. Since taking Mayr's Wonderful Remedy all this has disappeared and my only trouble now is make enough dough to buy all the food I'd like to eat." 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. —All druggists.

NEW MAYO PICTURE FOR THE FO-TO-SHO

Frank Mayo comes to the screen of the Fotosho Theatre Saturday in a film version of Hugh Pendexter's magazine story, "Wolf Law."

The story is one that did Pendexter credit as a foremost fiction writer, and Charles Sarver, who has scenarized many of the Mayo vehicles, attempted to preserve every charm of the fiction plot in preparing it for the filming.

Stuart Paton directed Mayo and a remarkable cast. Opposite the star is Sylvia Bremer, whom Paton chose to play opposite Mayo once before when he directed "The Man Who Married His Own Wife." Harry Carter, Nick de Ruiz, Charles Brinley, Fred Kohle, Frank Weed, Paul Wismer, Edward Monerief and other players of high standing have principal supporting roles in "Wolf Law." Nick de Ruiz, it will be recalled, played with Mayo in "Honor Bound."

Remember "The Man Who Married His Own Wife"? That same dramatic effect is promised in "Wolf Law."

Pure Cotton Seed for Planting Here

Car load of Blue Wagon Staple Cotton Seed just arrived and are now ready for delivery in any quantities at \$2.50 per bushel. These seed came direct from the breeder, S. Maston Nixon at Robstown. See Rothall or Hammond O'Kelly where they are all sold. 21-2td-2tw

\$1,500,000 AVAILABLE FOR UNIVERSITY CAMPUS

AUSTIN, Feb. 20.—The passage of the Westbrook House bill making it possible to use the income of the permanent university fund for buildings, will be that \$1,500,000 will be available for the construction of buildings on the university campus immediately, it is said. Incomplete plans for the use of the funds call for three buildings costing \$500,000.

Ford Coupe for sale. Higginbotham Bros. & Co. 1d-1w

CAREER MARRED BY READING

Mark Twain's Humorous Story of Belshazzar Warning Against the Perils of Literature.

At an early age Mark Twain was solemnly warned against the dangers of reading. As a boy—so we learn from the diary of Mrs. James T. Fields, which the Atlantic Monthly prints—one of the first stories that he acquired after he had begun his apprenticeship on a Mississippi river steamboat was the Fortunes of Nigel.

He hid himself with it behind a barrel, where the master of the boat found him and read him a lecture on the ruinous effect of his act. "I've seen it over and over again," he declared. "You needn't tell me anything about it; if you're going to be a pilot on this river you needn't ever think of reading, for it just spoils all. You can't remember how high the tides were in Chin's gut three trips before the last now, I'll wager."

"Why, no," replied Mark, "that was six months ago."

"I don't care if 'twas," said the man. "If you hadn't been spilling your mind by readin', you'd have remembered."

So the boy was never permitted to read after that. "And," Mark once observed, "not being able to have it when I was hungry for it, I can only read the encyclopedia nowadays."

But, adds Mrs. Fields, that is not true; he reads everything—Youth's Companion.

ENGAGEMENT "RING" OF SILK

Pretty Custom Which Obtains in Japan When Young People Have Made a Definite Choice.

In Japan there are many simple and sweet customs. The Japanese are a nation of lovers of romance and symbolism. Simplicity of thought and delicacy of feeling add to the charm and beauty of their many truly artistic customs.

Even in love affairs and in courtships this same sweet simplicity is observed. The thought is not lost in complicating realities and expense.

The young man does not have to save up so he can perhaps spend more money than he should to give his fiancée an engagement ring, because in Japan they do not wear engagement rings.

Instead, after a girl has promised to marry the man of her choice he proudly goes to the best shop where the finest silks are sold. Here, with great care, he selects a beautiful piece of silk and carries it lovingly to the girl of his heart.

With this silk the newly engaged girl makes a sash and wears it triumphantly. This is her engagement "ring."

Lifts Mired Motortrucks.

For lifting motortrucks out of mud, sand or snow, in which they may be stranded, a portable attachment, shown in Popular Mechanics Magazine, for connection to a mired wheel, is in the form of a wooden four-sided block, in length about half the width of the truck. About the middle of this block is an eyebolt through which a chain having a hook at one end is passed. The chain is long enough to encircle the rim of the wheel, against which it is made tight by slipping the hook into the link of the chain. A tubular extension at the end of the block is so made that, when two blocks are placed on opposite wheels, they will telescope together. The truck is lifted by the blocks when the wheels are rotated.

Wireless Hour Signals.

When a ship is approaching shore great caution is often necessary because of uncertainty as to the vessel's precise position. It was some years ago that it was first proposed that wireless telegraphy be utilized to send hour signals over the sea round England to a distance of 200 or 300 miles from shore, in order that the captains of incoming ships might thus be enabled to rectify their chronometers to Greenwich time. The government of Canada thereupon established a system of this kind at Campdown, near Halifax. Every morning the exact hour is sent over the sea, so that all vessels furnished with receiving apparatus may pick up the true time from the air.

Sandy Collects for Hospitals.

Holmfirth, in the West Riding, England, has a dog, Sandy, who has been making himself a name by his cleverness.

It was noticed some time ago that he had formed the habit of searching for coins and picking them up. The next step was that he was taught to put them in a collecting box for the benefit of the local hospital.

Now people give him their assistance by dropping coins before him, and these he picks up and takes to the box. Sandy is sharp enough to remember which people have encouraged him, and to wag his tail and solicit their continued favor.

How to the Line.

Editor—The meter in your poetry is too irregular. You have to stick to one type of foot throughout.

Foot—But the best poetry has to be somewhat varied in meter to avoid monotony.

Editor—Quite true, but one must first be able to write the best poetry before one is privileged to follow her rules.—Princeton Tiger.

His Motto.

"So Bill married that plump little girl who used to giggle so much."
"Yes, Bill evidently believes in a short wife and a merry one."

"Cascarets" 10c

For Sluggish Liver or Constipated Bowels

Clean your bowels! Feel fine! When you feel sick, dizzy, upset, when your head is dull or aching, or your stomach is sour or gummy, just take one or two Cascarets to relieve constipation. No gripping—nicest laxative-cathartic on earth for grown-ups and children. 10c a box. Taste like candy.

M'CARVER-LYNN ST YLE NEW FIRM

The firm of McCarver & Lynn is successor to the firm of Trimmer, McCarver & Lynn, according to an announcement made Thursday. A deal has been closed in which W. C. McCarver and Estes Lynn buy the interest of Paul Trimmer in the Ballinger Loan Company, Ballinger Insurance Agency and the Bennett Abstract Company, and Mr. Trimmer's name is dropped from the style of the firm.

McCarver & Lynn will continue to conduct the business in the present quarters, doing a general insurance business, abstract business and handling loans. For the present no changes will be made in the name of the three branches of the business, and all will be conducted by McCarver & Lynn.

Liquid Borozone is an efficient healing remedy for human or animal flesh. It mends a severe wound, sore, cut or scratch in the shortest possible time. Price, 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Sold by John A. Weeks.

Auto Tires and Gasoline at Higginbotham Bros. & Company. 19-2td-1tw

Banner-Ledger Want Ads

MISSING—Since Christmas, one mare mule and one horse mule coming three years old; one small size horse mule coming two years old. Last heard from in Victory school community. \$5 reward for information or \$10 reward for delivery to me at Crews, W. P. King. 23-3tw.*

My Groceries are all Fresh Stock and I sell for less. C. M. Doyle. 23-4w

FOR SALE—One young Giant Mammoth Bronze Turkey Tom, weight 27 to 30 pounds, \$8.00. Old Tom of one season, 45 pounds. Mrs. J. W. Batsell, Talpa, Texas. 1tw

When in need of Fresh Groceries, Overalls, Work Shirts, Trousers, use economy by trading with R. A. Williamson, Economy Cash Store. 23-2w

FOR SALE—Single Comb White Leghorn Eggs, 75c per setting; \$4.00 per hundred. Phone 7211. W. S. Caudle. 16-4w.*

WANTED—To make crop on shares. Two hands and good cotton picking force. E. B. Payne. Inquire at Ledger office. 16-2tw.*

FOR SALE—Rent or Trade; block Four Reeder Addition to Ballinger. Containing five acres, all tillable, but no improvements. O. L. Aukerman, Elm Mott, Tex. 16-2tw.*

FOR SALE—Limited amount improved staple Cotton Seed, at Day Gin. Edwin Day. 9-4w

FOR SALE—Milk cow, fresh with heifer calf. W. B. Fulcher. 9-3tw.*

EGGS—Partridge Barred Plymouth Rock eggs. Bred to lay, \$1.50 per 15. Remley Levy, Rt. 4, Killeen, Texas. 2-4tw.*

FOR SALE—Full blood White Orpington Eggs, 15 for \$1.00. Mrs. W. E. Ray, Ballinger, Texas. Route B, Box 68A. 19-4w.*

WANTED—To hear from owner of good farm for sale. State cash price, full particulars. D. F. Bush, Minneapolis, Minn. 6t-6w

FOR SALE—163 acres of good land with everlasting water. Also one-half interest in first class gin. Call or write P. W. Geistmann, Lowake, Texas. 13-3d-3w.*

DELINQUENT TAX SHOWS INCREASE

\$14,569.74 in taxes went on the delinquent rolls on February first, as compared with about \$10,000 one year ago, according to Tax Collector Brown.

While this shows an increase in delinquency the roll is considerably larger than last year, and the percentage of delinquency is about the same.

Total taxes collected up to the first of the present month amounted to \$198,567.01.

5,114 poll tax receipts were issued this year, and 57 exemption certificates, and with the overs added to this, Runnels county has perhaps the strongest available vote in its history. More than 1,000 polls remained unpaid.

Up to Saturday at noon 2588 autos had been registered under the 1923 numbers, and it is expected that the total for the year will run around 3,000, which will also be a high mark. 2636 cars were registered in the county last year. It is believed that most of the old cars in the county have been registered, and registration for the remainder of the year will be for new cars.



"Gets-It" Tames the Wildest Corn

You Can Peel Them Right Off

No matter how long you've had your corn, how bad they may be, whether hard or soft, or what you have tried, believe this—"Gets-It" will end corn pains at once, and quickly you can lift the corn right off the toe or foot, with the fingers. It ends callouses, the same simple way. Millions use it. Money back guaranteed. Costs but a trifle—everywhere. E. Lawrence & Co., Mfr., Chicago. Sold in this city by

J. Y. Pearce Drug Co. John A. Weeks, Druggist

Mrs. Garland Parks and little daughter, who had been here with Mrs. Parks' father, W. C. Penn, and family, for some time, left Monday afternoon for Ft. Worth.

No Worms in a Healthy Child

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

GUARANTY TITLE COMPANY IS NOW OPEN FOR ABSTRACT WORK. GIVE US A TRIAL.

During the months of March and April we will put on a SALE of ABSTRACT WORK. Our prices for these months will be one-half the customary price in effect now. These months are our slack months and we can make expenses by this sale price, and can save you money also. Get your abstracts in shape for the biggest year Runnels County has ever experienced. Get your Titles ready for an OIL BOOM anytime. Have your Abstract in shape so if an oil man comes along and offers you a big lease all you have to do is say: "Write it up, and here is the Abstract ready for examination." Do not wait until the Abstract Company can prepare it, for you might miss the deal. You insure Your Home Against Fire, Your Family Against Your Death; why not Your Land Title Against Unknown Parties?

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"Where the Best Pictures are Shown."

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FRANK MAYO

ina most vivid and thrilling story of Big Days in Missouri, of romantic adventure in the Ozarks, where fists and the quickest hand were law, and where one woman waited for happiness.

"Wolf Law"

Lee Moran in

"HELLO JUDGE"

A Century comedy

Admission - - - 10c and 25c

Friday, Feb. 23rd 1923

Mr. J. A. Reese, representative of Income Tax department will be in our office on the above date to assist individuals in preparing their income tax returns for the year 1922. . . .

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A man's sins will find him out, and so will his neighbors.

Good rains have insured early grass and early fishing.

The man who lives for himself alone certainly has very little to live for.

Every day in every way Dr. Coue's bank account must be growing better and better.

The reason some people lie in bed so late is because their expenses begin when they get up.

Tom Edison celebrated his 76th birthday recently by cutting his work days down to sixteen hours.

In this day of equal suffrage many wives are better men than their husbands.

The quantity of money is not what counts; it's what it will buy. Germany is burdened with the staff.

The wedding announcements generally say "the bride was led to the altar." Did you ever see a bride pulling back?

The motorist who persists in trying to outrun time generally finds that all roads lead to the jail.

Auto-suggestion is just one form of thought which the repairman can think should be done to a perfectly good automobile.

Did you ever notice how many limousines pass with poodle dogs in them and how many Fords pass filled with kiddies? Quite a difference in taste, you know.

If current reports are true there will be at least three candidates in the race for the Ballinger postmastership. The examination closes March 13th.

Texas does not need a new constitution near as much as it needs citizens who will more properly regard the provisions of the present constitution.

The demand for rent houses in Ballinger is helping the wagon yards and tent makers. There must be some building, if the town continues to grow.

We believe Ford would make as good president as he does an automobile, and if every fellow who rides in a Ford would vote as he rides, Henry would soon be occupying the White House.

Just after central had given connection and a young man was saying "Hello" over the phone Friday morning, the wire snapped. The conversation had nothing to do with it.

The announcement that the Tech College locating board would locate the school strictly on the merits of the locations, practically establishes the school at Ballinger.

We are living in an age when men are supposed to have equal rights with women in matters public, but so long as college men permit college women to carry off the class honors the men are not taking advantage of their rights.

People who are not satisfied with Texas laws might do well to move to Kansas. The legislature of that state passed the anti-cigarette bill by a vote of 80 to 23. The bill provides that a padlock may be put on the door of any building where cigarettes are sold, bartered or given away.

Truly the just must suffer for the deeds of the unjust. Land swindlers are on trial in a Kansas City court for putting over crooked deals in the Rio Grande valley land, and as a result the magic valley is receiving some undesirable advertising.

The French fined a German town 100 million marks for shooting a French soldier. The Germans could have taken a few good American dollars and paid the fine, but then Germany is shy on eagle wheels, and the town refuses to pay.

The hip-pocket move has kept many a murderer out of the penitentiary, which causes us to say that when you get in a fracas with your fellowman, you should not put your hands in your hip-pocket unless you intend to commit suicide.

The postoffice department has shipped a supply of drop letter boxes to Coleman, and within a few days the citizens of that town can mail a letter without trudging thru the mud to the postoffice. Coleman is a pretty town, and we are glad to see our neighbors getting some of the better things of life.

If the Texas legislature is not in favor of seeing the free text book law knocked out, the question had better not be submitted to a vote of the people. Furnishing free books to school children is costing the state entirely too much money. The people pay the bill and the bill can be cut about half by letting the people buy their own books. And there are other objections to free books.

The legislature did at least one good day's work this week. It killed the income tax bill. Some people get the idea that the man with the income should pay the tax. All true enough, but we must not forget how the man with the income gets his income, and in the end Jones pays the freight.

The 1920 census was taken at a time when West Texas had just experienced the effects of a drought and the war, and the population showed a decrease. We dare Uncle Sam to come back and make a recount now at a time when there is not a vacant house in city or country, and many people are living in tents. West Texas has come back into her own, and is on a more substantial basis than ever before in her history.

People are quick to forget. If it were not so, there is hardly a man in the country who would not go his part today towards building a highway upon which he could travel in all kinds of weather. Roads are impassable today, and everyone is a good roads enthusiast. With the passing of the mud we will drop back into the dry rut, and so long as we can get to and from town and the market place by a limited wear and tear on autos and the bumping of man's nerve, we grow luke warm on the road question. The country will not reach that stage in civilization that it should occupy until we build better roads. The coming generation will do it.

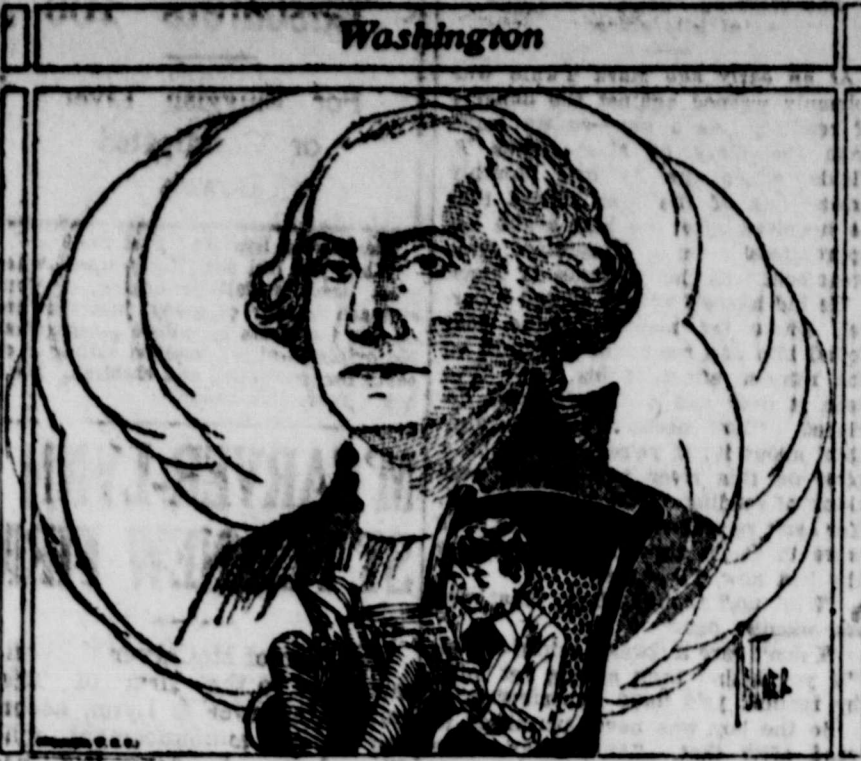
ARE OUR SCHOOLS COSTING TOO MUCH?

Relative to this question, the executive committee of the Texas State Teachers' Association has addressed the following letter to each member of the legislature: "Apparently a majority of the members of the Thirty-eighth Legislature have determined to improve greatly the educational situation in Texas. Our purpose is to strengthen your hands and to support loyally your effort.

"Education of all the people is the business man's insurance against anarchy and the loss of his property. It is the essential factor in the continued and increasing commercial prosperity of any state or nation. A study of the reports from every state in the Union shows that an increased average per capita expenditure for education always results in greatly increased average per capita earning capacity. The business men who object to the adequate financial support of the schools seem unaware of this fact. Those who produce but little cannot buy much. There is no such thing as burdensome taxation for education. School taxes constitute an investment that always pays large financial profits.

"We pledge ourselves to continue to work industriously for the conservation and development of our natural resources, for more and better and larger factories, for good roads, for the good health of our people, for improved living conditions for all who labor, and for higher standards among teachers. We most earnestly request that you do everything necessary to provide adequate funds for our schools. All other things being equal, we cannot compete successfully in industry and commerce with those states whose schools are better than ours, and we should not forget that Texas stands 34th from the top."

I Buy and Sell for Spot Cash, and can save you money on your Grocery Bill. C. M. Doyle. 23-4tw



OUR ROAD PROBLEM

The Ballinger precinct is facing a road problem which must be solved.

Ballinger is an important city on two main state highways, and at present is located on a bad gap in those two highways.

People who come to Ballinger are forced to do so over roads which are not up to what they must be, if we maintain our standing as a progressive community, and maintain our place as a market and trading center.

Coleman county is building her pike to the Runnels county line. The Ballinger end of the Coleman road is passable, but in bad shape in some places.

Winters is completing her gap in the Ballinger-Abilene road, building a good road to the Ballinger precinct line. The Ballinger end of the road is almost impassable in some places, to say nothing of the Elm Creek crossing which is a death trap and which blocks travel entirely during high water.

All are agreed that these two road projects are the most important in the county, and are road problems which should be solved, and that immediately.

The highway commission proposes to match us dollar for dollar. In other words, for every dollar we will put up to build these strips of road, the state and federal highway departments will give us one dollar.

Not only will the highway commission pay one-half of the cost of building the roads, but under the new law which is about to be adopted, they will be maintained without any cost to the county. What more could we ask?

Of the two projects the Hatchell road is perhaps the most important at this time. The Hatchell road brings the greatest travel to and from Ballinger, and it is in the worst condition at this time.

Commissioner Deens is ready to meet the highway commission's proposition, if some plan for financing the county's part of the cost can be worked out. It takes money to build roads, and Mr. Deens has done some good work on the two hundred miles of roads in his precinct, grading a portion of the roads for the second time, but the available funds are not sufficient to carry on the work necessary to meet the highway commission's requirements and get the aid necessary to build the two projects above mentioned.

Winters, Coleman and Talpa people have met the requirements and are profiting by the aid in completing their roads. Ballinger can ill afford to do otherwise, and let us hope that the citizens will come together and assist Commissioner Deens in solving the problem confronting him on these two projects. They must be solved.

A FREE-FOR-ALL

There are perhaps at least a dozen towns in West Texas lining up for a race for the Texas Technological College. It is a free-for-all fight with naturally a survival of the fittest climax.

The committee to act as leaders in Ballinger's part of the campaign will hold its first meeting tonight. The meeting will be devoted more to organizing and mapping out plans for presenting Ballinger's claim for the new college.

If the locating board lives up to the rules laid down for guiding its course in selecting the site, and we believe it will adhere to the rules, Ballinger already has a lead which will be hard to overcome by competing applicants.

Geographical location, water, land, and material is going to play a big part in determining where the new college shall be located. There is no city within the territory where the school is

to be located that can come as near Ballinger meeting all these requirements.

There may be some cities which offer one, or perhaps two, better advantages in meeting the requirements. For instance, there may be some place which has better railroad facilities. Some other place may have better water, but no town can come as near meeting all the requirements as Ballinger can offer.

Ballinger is not only geographically located in the center of the proposed area, but it is also the center of population of the district within which the school is to be located.

Ballinger not only has adequate railroad facilities, but Ballinger can furnish a tract of the best land in West Texas located on the railroad.

Ballinger can not only furnish the best character of building material—stone, gravel and sand, but Ballinger has within her reach a water supply adequate for a large city and many colleges.

If the locating board weighs all advantages and acts on the sum total, and is not led off by any one particular advantage, Ballinger will be the home of the Texas Technological College.

Ballinger will meet every requirement.

PAYING THE FREIGHT

In 1912 the Santa Fe Railroad's tax bill was \$414 per mile for every mile of railroad operated, or a total of \$4,438,000. In 1921 the tax amounted to \$1,270 per mile, or a total of \$14,836,000. The 1922 figures are not yet available, but they will greatly exceed the amount paid in 1921. What is true of the Santa Fe Railroad is true of every other line of business and with the individual taxpayer. And we should remember that Jones pays the freight.—Ballinger Ledger.

Those who imagine that money taken away from a railroad company is that much gained are fewer now than ten or twenty years ago. Formerly it was rather too generally supposed that muleting the railroad was lending to the Lord. It is realized today that the railroad must either cease delivering the goods or collect enough from carrying charges to pay operating expenses and interest on the mortgage. The cost of shipping is very high at present but the cost of running a railroad is also high. We have a considerable railroad in Texas which is running in debt with every revolution of the drive wheel. That road must get more money from somewhere or cease to function.

The answer to such problems is often found in the magic term "Government ownership." Government ownership means railroading at the expense of taxpayers rather than freight payers. During the eighteen months that our reversed Federal Government operated the railroads it managed to lose \$100,000,000 a month, a sum which our taxpayers are making up. This little episode was not altogether to the blame of Williams Gibbs McAdoo, but Mr. McAdoo was certainly stronger on spending than earning, and his part of the blame must be shouldered by him before State Press, as delegate to the next Democratic National Convention, enthrals for him. So far Mr. McAdoo has manifested no haste to take any part of the \$1,800,000,000 blame.—State Press in Dallas News.

Habitual Constipation Cured in 14 to 21 Days

"LAX-FOS WITH PEPIN" 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. A Very Pleasant to Take. 60c per bottle.

Auto Tires and Gasoline at Higginbotham Bros. & Company.

NEARING HIS 108 BIRTHDAY

EL PASO, Feb. 19.—Jack Nicensen, known in the Southwest as "Jock" Nicensen, will be 108 years old on February 29th, according to his statements based on records in his possession. Jock's 108th anniversary will be observed at the El Paso county hospital where he lives.

Jock declared that his father was a pirate and said he was born on his father's pirate ship "Red Rover," off Grand Banks, Newfoundland. He said his father, although a pirate, was a Calvin Presbyterian and held services on Sundays, whenever possible. During the week he engaged in privateering and slave running. He died when Jock was 7 years old, but the aged man recalls some incidents at sea which smack of pirate days.

Jock lived in New York for awhile and then went to Scotland, where he attended the same school as Charles Kingsley and Charles Darwin, he said. For the past seventy years, he has been a rover.

He sleeps on the ground when possible, declaring that "sleeping in the open and next to mother earth is getting next to nature, which is always good for a man." He declared that following nature's simple laws and leading a moderate, even-tempered life will help a person pass the three score and ten mark.

Jock said his father died at the age of 99 and his mother lived to be 97. His paternal grandfather lived to be 107 years old, his maternal grandfather 90, his father's mother 103, and his maternal grandmother 80, he said.

He has been in the county hospital less than a year, coming here from New Mexico. He said he had taught school, been a farmer and practiced civil engineering.

RHEUMATISM PAINS ARE NOW IN SEASON

Says glass of Salts helps to overcome Rheumatism acid. Rheumatism is easier to avoid than to cure, states a well-known authority. We are advised to dress warmly, keep the feet dry, avoid exposure, and above all, drink plenty of good water and avoid eating sweets of all kind.

Rheumatism is caused by body waste and acids resulting from food fermentation. It is the function of the kidneys to filter this poison from the blood and cast it out in the urine; the pores of the skin are also a means of freeing the blood of this impurity. In damp and chilly cold weather the skin pores are closed, thus forcing the kidneys to do double work; they become weak and sluggish and fail to eliminate this waste and acids, which keeps accumulating and circulating through the system, eventually settling in the joints and muscles, causing stiffness, soreness and pain, called rheumatism.

At the first twinge of rheumatism get from any pharmacy about four ounces of Jad Salts; put a tablespoonful in a glass of water and drink before breakfast each morning for a week. This is helpful to neutralize acidity, remove waste matter, also to stimulate the kidneys, thus often ridding the blood of rheumatic poison.

Jad Salts is inexpensive, and is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is used with excellent results by thousands of folks who are subject to rheumatism.

Get your Auto Tires and Tubes at Higginbotham Bros. & Co. 19-23-1tw

BETHEL SCHOOL

WILL GIVE PLAY The high school girls of the Bethel school will give the play, "The Rainbow Kimono Society," on Friday night, Feb. 23rd. The proceeds from the entertainment will be used in improving the school ground and equipment.

Five and ten cents admission fees will be charged and everyone is invited to attend the entertainment.

Robert Lowry left Monday afternoon for Oklahoma, where he will probably line up for a few months work in the oil fields. Mrs. Lowry will join him after he gets located.

M. B. Palmer was down from Miles Monday attending county court. He had to wait for the midnight train and attended the American Legion play.

MOTHER! MOVE CHILD'S BOWELS

"California Fig Syrup" is Child's Best Laxative



Even if cross, feverish, bilious, constipated or full of cold, children love the "fruity" taste of "California Fig Syrup." A teaspoonful never fails to clean the liver and bowels. In a few hours you can see for yourself how thoroughly it works all the souring food and nasty bile out of the stomach and bowels, and you have a well, playful child again.

Millions of mothers keep "California Fig Syrup" handy. They know a teaspoonful today saves a sick child tomorrow. Ask your druggist for genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother! You must say "California" or you may get an imitation fig syrup.

GOOD REPORT ON LOCAL GUARD

The Ballinger unit of the Texas National Guard is in the best shape in many respects of any unit he has so far inspected, according to Capt. Paxton, U. S. A., who inspected the company here Tuesday night.

Capt. Paxton spoke in the highest terms of the personnel of the company, declaring that the men were up to the standard in every respect, and stood an excellent examination.

The equipment of the local company was also accounted for much better than usual, according to Captain Paxton, and with the addition of some other equipment the unit would be brought up to the high standard to which the state is trying to bring all the units.

Capt. Paxton makes headquarters in Oklahoma and was sent here to inspect the local unit, and several other units in Texas, which are under the inspection of Col. Culbertson of Wichita Falls, and who is now on trial for killing M. C. Lamar at Wichita Falls a short time ago.

Considerable interest is being manifested in the trial of Culbertson, as he has visited Ballinger several times, coming here to inspect the National Guard, and he is the man who officiated for the United States Army here when Headquarters Company, 141st Regiment of the 36th Division was federalized.

Capt. Paxton, and Lieut. Davis, who accompanied him on the inspection tour, went to Coleman Wednesday to inspect the Coleman unit.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take LAXATIVE BRONCHO QUININE (Tablets) It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the cold. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 50c.

C. S. Guin and Capt. Newt Wardlaw went to Coleman Wednesday. They accompanied Capt. Paxton and Lieut. Davis, who had been here inspecting the National Guard, to that city. Mr. Guin reported that Coleman was up and going in an effort to land the new West Texas college.

IF STOMACH IS TROUBLING YOU

Instantly! End Indigestion or Stomach Misery with "Pape's Diapepsin"

As soon as you eat a tablet or two of "Pape's Diapepsin" your indigestion is gone! Heavy pain, heartburn, flatulency, gases, palpitation, or any misery from a sour, acid stomach ends. Correct your stomach and digestion for a few cents. Each package guaranteed by druggist.

NR TO-NIGHT Tomorrow Alright

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Get a 25¢ Box

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NR JUNIORS—Little NRs One-third the regular dose. Made of the same ingredients, then candy coated. For children and adults.

SCOUT COMMITTEE WINTERS AFTER THE BOOTLEGGERS

The executive committee of the Boy Scouts and the committee representing the American Legion in the Scout movement, held a joint meeting Tuesday morning, and perfected plans for carrying on the Boy Scout work under the new program.

It will be remembered that the American Legion recently adopted, or took over the Scout work in this city, agreeing to aid the Scouts in the work. The meeting Tuesday morning was for the purpose of perfecting plans for carrying out the program.

At the meeting Tuesday morning several committees were appointed. Oscar Williams was added to the troop committee, and M. C. Atkins, the new Scoutmaster, and U. Stephens, the retiring Scoutmaster, were appointed to confer with local citizens and secure their aid in serving as an examination committee. It is probable that some of the ministers will be asked to serve on the examination committee.

Oscar Williams and Claude Stone were appointed to select a new home—a place of meeting for the Boy Scouts, and it has been suggested that the basement of the First Christian church would make a good meeting place for the Scouts.

The Boy Scout troop of this city has been doing some excellent work under the leadership of Mr. Stephens, and he will continue to aid in the work, and under the leadership of Scoutmaster Atkins, and with the general supervision of the American Legion, it is expected to build up one of the best bands of Scouts here to be found in any city in West Texas.

D. W. Yeager, who had been here this week attending commissioners' court, returned to his home Friday afternoon.

TO WAGE WAR ON BOLL WEEVIL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The assistance of every resource in the technical and scientific organizations of the federal government has been assured in the national campaign for the extermination and control of the boll weevil. This was made known today in a letter to Dr. Miller Reese Hutchinson, managing director, by President Harding.

Mr. Harding expressed the hope that the warfare against the boll weevil might soon be placed on a national scale, and whatever forces were necessary to insure effective results might be quickly enlisted. He said that the boll weevil menace was now recognized as involving the very prosperity of the nation.

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The Economy of Hood's Sarsaparilla

Appeals to every family in these days. From no other medicine can you get so much real medicinal effect as from this. It is a highly concentrated extract of several valuable medicinal ingredients, pure and wholesome. The dose is small, only a teaspoonful three times a day.

Hood's Sarsaparilla is a wonderful tonic medicine for the blood, stomach, liver and kidneys, prompt in giving relief. It is pleasant to take, agreeable to the stomach, gives a thrill of new life. Why not try it?

HELP THE HOME GIRL

Miss Kate Coekrell is one of the leading contestants in a subscription contest which the San Angelo Standard is conducting. The report that an out-of-town contestant was coming here to solicit subscriptions for the Standard caused her to get busy and she says that she will appreciate it if those who wish to help anyone in the contest will reserve their support for her. It may be several days before she personally solicits your aid, but she will appreciate it if you will save your votes for her.

Get your Auto Tires and Tubes at Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

WINTERS AFTER THE BOOTLEGGERS

The recent arrest of five men in Winters on charges of selling intoxicating liquors, and the report that the moral condition of Winters was on the wane, has aroused the good people of that thriving little city, and judging from the Winters Enterprise, the better element is on the job and will not tolerate the liquor runners.

Winters has always been known for its leadership in matters moral, and in the drives against the demon rum that city has always lined up a solid phalanx and taken the lead in Runnels county. In speaking of the determination to hold the front ranks in such matters, the Winters Enterprise says:

"Winters has for years been regarded as a good moral town, but of late it has become known as the most immoral spot in the county. That is the remark, in substance of a prominent citizen of Winters who was a member of a recent grand jury and he based his remarks on what he had learned in the grand jury room and by personal observation.

"The Enterprise has 'harped' on this thing of bootlegging and its kindred crimes until we have been regarded as a fanatic and an extremist and the people have about ceased to listen, if they ever did, to anything that we might say. Yet good men, who keenly feel the disgrace that is brought on the community by the lower class of individuals, are beginning to wake up and it is our prediction that at least a part of the rottenness is going to stop even if these men find it necessary to augment the sheriff's force to bring about some reforms.

"When prominent business men are arrested for handling bootleg whiskey; when other business men get drunk on the vile stuff from day to day; when boys raised right here in Winters and not yet out of their teens, are arrested on charges of selling the stuff, when public places right on main business streets are used as store houses for it while it is being peddled to those who will buy; and when it is freely talked on the streets as to who is bringing it into town—then it is high time decent citizens wake up and do something about it.

"Yet just these conditions have existed and men whose duty it is as citizens to put a stop to such proceedings wink at what they know to be the disgraceful truth and go on about the business of making money.

"And that is only one side of the situation. The other half is the fact that it is possible for men or boys to buy all the vanilla extract they want to get drunk on when the seller has every reason to know that it is being bought for no other purpose. It has even gone so far that a friend interested in the case of a fellow who habitually gets drunk on extracts has asked the merchant who sold it not to do so again, and the statement is repeatedly made that young boys can buy of Winters stores all the extract they want for beverage purposes and no questions asked.

"Sheriff Flynt says the county attorney tells him it is next to impossible to convict a merchant in the state courts for such practices and the Federal authorities have been asked to step in and see what can be done about it.

"Now these are plain statements and some even insist that we should not give publicity to anything of a nature that would cast reflections on a 'good moral town like Winters.' Certainly we regret the necessity of doing so and we do it only in the hope that our people will wake up, show that they have the moral courage to do something about it and put Winters back in the class where she belongs.

"And we believe they will—do it."

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. 60c.

J. F. Valiant returned from Ft. Worth Friday, where he had been for several days on business.

Child-birth

Valuable Illustrated Book Sent Free

How thousands of women, by the simple method of an eminent physician, have avoided unnecessary miseries through many months and up to the moment baby has arrived, is fully explained in the remarkable book, "Motherhood and the Baby." This also what to do before and after baby comes, probable date of birth, baby rules, etc., and about "Mother's Friend," used by three generations of mothers, and sold in all drug stores everywhere. "Mother's Friend" is applied externally, is safe, free from narcotics, permits easier natural treatment of affections and delivery and child-birth. Start using it today. Mrs. E. Kasper, Baytown, Minn., says: "I passed me through 5 hard for book 10¢." Write to Bradfield Regulator Co., B.A.-35, Atlanta, Ga. "Mother's Friend" is sold at all drug stores.



SECOND BIG HIT FOR LEGION SHOW

"Every year in every way the Legion's annual minstrel gets better and better, and the hearty applause at the matinee and night performances Monday indicated the approval of the two audiences which packed the theatre to its seating capacity.

Financially and from an entertainment standpoint the minstrel was a success; and the cause of the American Legion received encouragement which will no doubt add to their ranks and strengthen the local post for great work.

"The whole company deserves credit," said one prominent citizen as he left the show house. "It was better than last year," said another, and many such remarks were heard among those who attended the performance, and no adverse criticism was heard.

In the afternoon the theatre was packed with children and many adults. The schools dismissed an hour earlier than usual in order that the children might attend the entertainment, while many adults who could not attend at night, or who could not get seats for the night performance attended the matinee. About eight hundred persons attended the two performances and the receipts amounted to \$622.40.

The minstrel was staged with all home talent, and several of the performers outlasted anything in the professional line ever seen on the stage here. The music was superior to the professional minstrel class. The jokes were original, the stage settings fitting for the occasion, with a comedy line throughout the program that harmonized with the spirit of the occasion.

The orchestra held the attention of the showgoers while the crowd was gathering and numerous encores prolonged the orchestra program. The various musical numbers were accompanied by the orchestra.

The curtain went up for the first act with "Rabeville" band practice. The band composed of a company of typical "rubes," with Miss Kathleen Baker as "Susan," and her "blues" song, and the male quartet singing old time harmony, was a fitting beginning which paved the way for the two hours of mirth which followed.

The music revue, with the soloists supported by a chorus of pretty girls, made up the second act, and each number was recalled to the stage by the applause.

In the third act R. W. Earnshaw and A. R. Jones, in a comedy sketch entitled "Mr. Gallagher & Mr. Shean," was one of the feature acts of the comedy part of the program.

"A Lesson in Golf," staged by Messrs. Renfro and Hankford, was something new in vaudeville and brought the house down with applause.

In act five, White Brothers & Mr. Black presented a saxophone jazz program which was the real musical novelty of the entire program. A. R. Jones played Mr. Black, his complexion resembling a tar bucket blonde. Trey Simpson, R. W. Earnshaw, Harry Lynn, and C. B. Conn were the White Brothers, and the quintette rendered a number of pieces which pleased the audience. The program closed with the "Minstrel," with Stuart L. Williams as interlocutor, and Jones, Earnshaw, Simpson and Stone as end men. The minstrel was supported by an ensemble of about forty-five young men and young ladies.

Between curtains and before the last part, Post Commander F. M. Pearce made a short talk and thanked the audience for their patronage, and briefly outlined some of the things for which the Legion stands for and for which it is working. Mr. Pearce stated that seventy-five per cent of the

money received was appropriated towards helping disabled "buddies."

The Pat Williams Post is in good shape, and is increasing in membership, with a program outlined for greater activities through the present year.

In an attack of acute rheumatism in which there is much pain Ballard's Snow Liniment is a necessary part of the treatment. It is a powerful pain relief. Three sizes, 30c, 60c and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by John A. Weeks.

THIEVES STEAL PREACHER'S CAR

Two thieves broke into the garage at the home of Dr. W. B. Gray, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at Brownwood, last Saturday morning about two-thirty o'clock and drove the preacher's car away, according to the Brownwood Bulletin. Dr. Gray heard the noise and appeared on the scene in time to see the thieves roll his car out, and notwithstanding that he called to them to bring his car back, they sped away.

Dr. Gray immediately called the officers and they were on the trail of the thieves within ten minutes. The Brownwood officers phoned to officers along the San Saba-Brownwood route, and becoming suspicious of detection the two men abandoned the car near San Saba and took to the brush. They were trailed to Llano where they were arrested and returned to Brownwood.

"COLD IN THE HEAD"

Is an acute attack of Nasal Catarrh. These subject to frequent "colds" are generally in a "run down" condition. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is a treatment consisting of an Ointment to be used locally, and a Tonic, which acts quickly through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, building up the System, and making you less liable to "colds." Sold by druggists for over 40 years. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGregor returned home Monday night from Marlin, where they had been for about two weeks. Mr. McGregor thinks a great deal of Marlin as a health resort, and as a pleasure resort—he says there is something doing all the time, and it was with considerable reluctance that he permitted Mrs. McGregor to persuade him into coming home at this time.

HAIR STAYS COMBED, GLOSSY, WELL-GROOMED

Greaseless Combing Cream Costs Only Few Cents a Jar at any Drug Store



Even stubborn, unruly or shampooed hair stays combed all day in any style you like. "Hair-Groom" is a dignified combing cream which gives that natural gloss and well-groomed effect to your hair—that final touch to good dress both in business and on social occasions. Millions use greaseless, stainless "Hair-Groom" because it does not show on the hair. It is absorbed by the scalp, therefore the hair remains so soft and pliable and so natural that no one can possibly tell you used it. Not sticky or smelly.

OPPOSE FEDERAL AID FOR SCHOOLS

BOSTON, Feb. 20.—The referendum conducted by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States resulted in a vote against the creation of a federal department of education, the Boston Chamber of Commerce announced today.

The membership of the national chamber of commerce also voted against enlarging the present federal bureau of education and a majority of the members opposed the principal of federal aid to education on a basis of states appropriating a sum equal to that given by the federal government.

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NASHVILLE, TENN.

George Miller, commissioner from the Wingate precinct, started out to try to get home Friday afternoon. He left his jitney here and went as far as Winters on the train.

MOVED

I have moved my Shoe Repairing Shop business to the stand formerly occupied by Bartlett's Studio on Eighth Street, opposite Connelly's Bakery.

Bring me your shoe work—small jobs appreciated as well as large ones.

Will Be Ready for Business Saturday, Feb. 24th

Coy Drennan

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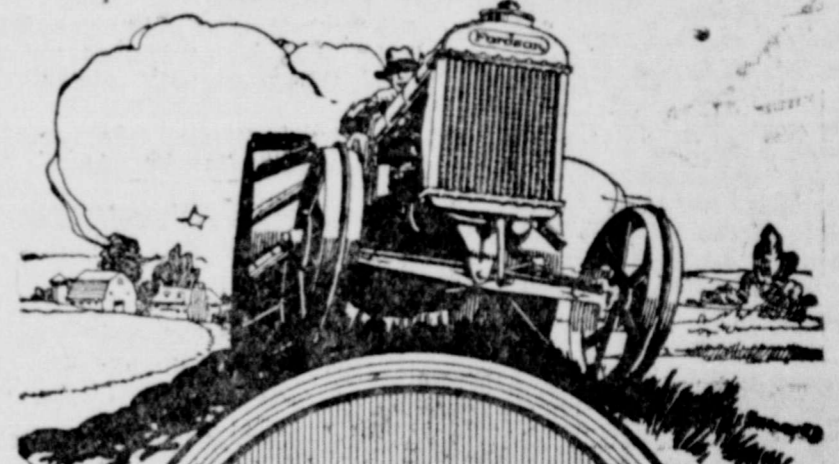
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Nothing Like This Low Price Has Ever Been Known Before

No farm tractor ever offered more money value, or more work value, than the Fordson Tractor at this astounding new low price.

No farm power unit you can possibly buy will do more for so little—and no farm, regardless of size or location can afford to be without a Fordson Tractor.

Place your order now—there is no time for delay or comparison. Price alone makes your choice the Fordson. After that, performance will prove to you, as it has to 170,000 owners, that this light, compact Fordson is the most efficient power plant ever hatched to a farm tool. Let us prove it to you. Write, call or phone today.

Harwell Motor Co.

Ballinger, Texas

**CAROLINA WOMAN
REGAINS HEALTH**

**Nervous Run Down Condition
Overcome by Tanlac—Mrs.
McGowan is Well Again**

"Tanlac has benefited me wonderfully and anything good I could say about the medicine would not be praising it too highly," said Mrs. C. C. McGowan, wife of a prominent business man of Greer, S. C., recently.

"I suffered from a nervous, run-down condition, and for a long time was in very poor health. I had little or no appetite, my energy had almost left me, and I often got extremely nervous and felt tired and worn-out. I suffered from indigestion, too, and many times it troubled me so that it interfered with my sleep at night.

"After taking Tanlac, I must say it is a splendid medicine. The nervousness has gradually gone away until I scarcely notice it now and I have a fine appetite, have gained weight, and I feel stronger and better in every way. If I ever get sick again, I will certainly go back to Tanlac."

Tanlac is for sale by all good druggists. Over 35-million bottles sold.

**WASHINGTON
BRIEFS**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The Senate opponents to the administration's shipping bill resumed their filibuster with no end in sight again today. The opponents presented unbroken ranks armed with more material for continuing the campaign of talk which is designed to stay action on the shipping bill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The Senate oil investigating committee today granted the request of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, that the oil company be allowed to present witnesses to refute charges made by Thomas S. Black, of the Western Petroleum Company, of Chicago. Black testified that he was formerly employed by the Standard Company and he charged the Standard Company fixed oil prices. The Standard denies that Black was ever connected with that company.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey has been cited in a complaint by the Federal Trade Commission. It is alleged that by acquiring half or more of the capital stock of the Humble Oil & Refining Company of Texas, the Standard Company violated a section of the Sherman anti-trust act. A hearing before the commission has been set for March 22nd.

H G C RELIEVES
A Special Preparation for relief of the urinary tract. Contains no opiates. Package contains all needed, will not come through. \$4.00 in Coughs or Croup. Prepared and Bottled by H. G. C. Co., 114 So. Olive St., Chicago, Ill.

C. T. Spangler passed thru the city Wednesday at noon en route to his home at Winters, from Karnes City, where he went to be at the bedside of his brother, who was quite ill.

Postmaster Lindsey, of Miles, had business in Ballinger Wednesday morning.

Monkeys showing clear traces of having suffered from smallpox have been found by explorers of the Brazilian wilds.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Zappe returned to their home at Hallettsville Tuesday afternoon, after a visit to Mrs. A. J. Zappe and family.

W. P. King was in the city Wednesday from the Crews country.

A skin suture, that leaves no unsightly scars in surgical operations, has been invented. The new suture is called "equistene," and is made by treating silk with chemicals so that the tissue cells cannot penetrate the meshes of the silk.

Due to a shortage of coal, five schools in Reading, Penna., were closed recently. Reading is a gateway to the anthracite fields thru which millions of tons of coal pass every year.

**SALVATION ARMY
HELPS FALLEN GIRL**

Two women from the Salvation Army at San Angelo came to Ballinger Tuesday afternoon in response to a call from local authorities for help. They came here and took charge of a nineteen year old girl who was in distress and she will be placed in a rescue home. The case is one which the local officers were called on to handle.

J. G. Phipps, of Route B, Ballinger, finds it a little annoying to try to keep house without The Ledger, and after missing a few copies buys the paper for another year. It is a household necessity.

Otis Allen came in from Shawnee, Oklahoma, Wednesday to join his wife and son, who have been here and at Winters for two weeks, being called home on account of the serious illness of Mrs. Allen's sister, Miss Eunice Lilly.

R. L. Harwell left for Fort Worth and Dallas Wednesday afternoon, and he will spend a few days at the auto show, and may drive a new Lincoln car home. The Lincoln is a high priced car being put on the market by Henry Ford. It retails for a little better than \$4,000, and is said to be the latest word in autos. Mr. Harwell will handle the Lincoln in this territory.

Drs. Rives and Jennings came down from Winters Wednesday to see Miss Eunice Lilly, who had been under their care at Winters for several weeks. Miss Eunice had influenza and pneumonia, and was very low for several days. She was brought home from Winters first of the week, and is reported to be improving nicely now.

The Fascisti of Italy forced each landowner to hire a stated number of laborers for every hundred acres of land he owned or operated. This was done to abolish unemployment and increase production.

A man with a large family often returns home overworked, only to find the family keep it up.

Frank Stuart went to Brownwood Tuesday afternoon.

C. Kornegay, of Winters, passed thru the city Tuesday afternoon en route to South Texas, where he has gin interests.

R. W. Bruce is at home from Dallas, where he went on business, and where he spent a day or two visiting his son, who is in school.

When you lose, say nothing. When you win, say less.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS
(From The Lookout)

You are hereby requested to meet with the County Superintendent Saturday the 24th inst., either at Spill Brothers Furniture Store, Winters, 10 a. m.; or at the Superintendent's office at 2:00 p. m.

The road conditions made necessary the postponement of the meetings from last Saturday, the 17th, till next Saturday, the 24th inst.

The Inspector of schools will also be delayed a few days, but is expected to reach Ballinger the latter part of this week.

Of course the flapper isn't nearly as nice as her grandmother was, but at least she doesn't have to faint to attract attention.—Princeton Tiger.

Women were placed on a jury case in the Supreme Court in Red Deer, Alberta, for the first time in the history of Canada.

Two men labor continuously in the Pennsylvania station in New York city to remove wads of chewing gum travelers have tossed on the floor.

The 1922 award for subtle flatery should go to the New York burglar who raided a poet's apartments.—Long Island Star.

How humiliating it will be when the Department of Justice gets ready for trial and finds the war grafters have died of old age.—Syracuse Post Standard.

A lot of people will never enjoy life until they can earn money as easily as they spend it.

**NEW METHOD TO
KILL COTTON PEST**

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 21.—The control of the boll weevil by X-rays stored in chemical salts applied by adhesive mixtures to the squares and bolls of cotton plants to sterilize the eggs of the insects, is suggested in a speech prepared by Dr. Miller Reese Hutchinson for delivery before the National Cotton Conference.

Dr. Hutchinson said that there was an enormous rate of propagation of the weevil, more than twelve million being propagated in one season, is one of the reasons that it is so difficult to fight the pest. He said that he was having experiments performed with a method of using sterilization agents through the absorption of X-rays in chemical salts.

The new sources of arsenic, the principal ingredient of the calcium arsenate is described in a paper by Bradley Stoughton, consulting engineer. He said that it is found in natural sources as mispickel, a chemical compound, and in ores by itself. Mr. Stoughton said that the interest of capital in the sources of the chemical must be revived.

**FIERY, ITCHING SKIN
IS QUICKLY SOOTHED
WITH THIS SULPHUR**

Mentho-Sulphur, a pleasant cream, will soothe and heal skin that is irritated or broken out with eczema; that is covered with ugly rash or pimples, or is rough or dry. Nothing subdues fiery skin eruptions so quickly, says a noted skin specialist.

The moment this sulphur preparation is applied the itching stops and after two or three applications, the eczema is gone and the skin is delightfully clear and smooth. Sulphur is so precious as a skin remedy because it destroys the parasites that cause the burning, itching or disfigurement. Mentho-Sulphur always heals eczema right up.

A small jar of Rowles Mentho-Sulphur may be had at any good drug store.

**TAX ON NON-PAR STOCK
HELD UNCONSTITUTIONAL**

AUSTIN, Feb. 21.—The state franchise tax law applying to non-par stock of foreign corporations has been held unconstitutional by the Court of Civil Appeals. The court rendered such a decision today in the case of Secretary of State Staples vs. the Kirby Petroleum Company.

Miss Ada Love returned to her home at Florence, Texas, Tuesday afternoon. She had been here for some time visiting her brother, Dr. A. S. Love. Dr. Love accompanied her as far as Lampasas.

**TWO NEGROES
PUT TO DEATH**

BELLEVILLE, Ill., Feb. 21.—Leroy Hollins, age 28, and Ernest Williams, age 23, negroes, brought here from East St. Louis, were hanged in jail here today. The two negroes were convicted for the murder of Alphonse Dehon, age 21. Dehon, a traveling salesman, was attacked and murdered while out driving in an automobile with his fiancée.

A Good Thing—Don't Miss It.
Send your name and address plainly written together with 5 cents (and this slip) to Chamberlain Medicine Co., Des Moines, Iowa, and receive in return a trial package containing Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs, colds, croup, bronchial, "flu" and whooping coughs, and tickling throat; Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for stomach troubles, indigestion, gas, pains that crowd the heart, biliousness and constipation; Chamberlain's Salve, needed in every family for burns, scalds, wounds, piles, and skin affections; those valued family medicines for only 5 cents. Don't miss it.

THIS IS NOT A FISH STORY

John A. Weeks says it pays to advertise, and as a result of the proof of printer's ink, The Ledger loses an ad today. Mr. Weeks inserted an advertisement in The Ledger Tuesday afternoon announcing the distribution of a supply of gold fish in connection with a sale of tooth paste. The sale was scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday and the ad was scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday. In a short time after The Ledger came out Tuesday customers "swamped" the Weeks' drug store, and by ten o'clock Wednesday morning the supply of gold fish had been exhausted with many orders unfilled. The rush business indicated that Ballinger was fish hungry and the advertising did the work.

201 bowls of fish were sold before the sale had been on a half day. Those who came late will have to wait until there is another hatching.

Ford Coupe for sale. Higginbotham Bros. & Co. 1d-1w

C. L. Baker went to Houston Tuesday afternoon, where he will be for a few days on cotton business.

S. B. Petty left for Dallas Tuesday afternoon, where he goes on business. He had been at Maverick for some time.

E. P. Talbott is in Fort Worth this week conferring with officers of the Pierce Oil Company which he represents in this city.

**FT. WORTH WOMAN
WELL AND HAPPY**

**Mrs. Kidd Restored to Health by
Taking Stella Vitae
Treatment**

"Honestly, I feel that life was not worth living until I got hold of this Stella Vitae; now all is joy and happiness with me, and I can't praise it enough for the good it has done me," said Mrs. A. C. Kidd, 930 S. Main Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

"Up to the time I began taking Stella Vitae my periods were very irregular and I would sometimes go for a long time without their appearing. I suffered some from dull headaches and want of energy—just moped around with no ambition and took little interest in things.

"My condition preyed on my mind and made me nervous. People thought I was sensitive and high-strung, but it was my nerves. Why sometimes I would just break down and cry without cause whatever except my nervousness.

"I was told I needed a tonic and took several different kinds that were recommended to me, but they didn't do me any good. Finally I heard about Stella Vitae being specially made for women's troubles and decided to try it. I can truthfully say it has greatly benefited me in every way. My periods are regular, my nerves are steady as a die and I never suffer the least bit like I did before. I am glad to recommend Stella Vitae to any woman who may be suffering like I was for I know it will do her good as it has me."

Note—Stella Vitae may be obtained from any druggist and is sold upon the positive guarantee that the purchase price will be refunded if it fails to bring relief.

Craig Rogers left for Waco Wednesday, where he will report to the government hospital for further treatment. Mr. Rogers was injured during the war, and has been under treatment of service physicians and surgeons since returning home. While he has been in more or less serious condition, friends feel that he is some better and hope for his complete recovery.

We will handle your 4-3-4 per cent Victory Bonds.

Payment of 4-3-4 per cent Victory Bonds bearing letters A, B, C, D, E or F prefixed to serial numbers, will be paid December 15th, 1922, and interest will stop on that date.

Bring these Victory Bonds to us for payment and we will pay them without discount.

We will be glad to furnish our services, without cost, in the collection of War Savings Stamps which mature on January 1, 1923.

**Ballinger State Bank
and Trust Co.**

"Service that Satisfies"

Guaranty Fund Bank.

Member Federal Reserve System

R. W. Bruce, President and Chairman.
C. P. Shepherd, Vice-President. Sam Baker, Asst. Cashier
N. K. Freeman, Cashier

Now In Stock

Practically as Good as New



Slightly Used New Home a Bargain

Several Sewing Machines

In extra good condition—Slightly used—

Singer, New Home and Others at Bargain Prices this Week

KING-HOLT
FURNITURE AND UNDERTAKING CO.

Day Phone 82 Night Phone 372

The Size of the Battery Box Does Not Tell the Story—

What you buy is the quantity and force of energy delivered by the elements inside the box.

All Willard Batteries, from the "CW", the best low-priced battery made, to the biggest Willard Threaded Rubber Battery, give you for every dollar full energy value.

PHONE 505

BALLINGER AUTO COMPANY

HUTCHINGS AVE.

Representing
Willard Batteries
(THREADED RUBBER INSULATION)
and **CW Batteries**
(WOOD SEPARATORS)

**WOMEN! DYE
WORN, FADED
THINGS NEW**

Sweaters Dresses Draperies
Skirts Kimonos Gingham
Coats Curtains Stockings
Waists Coverings Everything



Each 15 cent package of "Diamond Dyes" contains directions so simple any woman can dye or tint her old, worn, faded things new, even if she has never dyed before. Buy Diamond Dyes—no other kind—then perfect home dyeing is guaranteed. Just tell your druggist whether the material you wish to dye is wool or silk, or whether it is linen, cotton, or mixed goods. Diamond Dyes never streak, spot, fade, or run.

**MANY LOBBYISTS
AT AUSTIN NOW**

Senator Harvey Baugh is spending today in Brownwood, having come on leave of absence from his duties at the state capital. Senator Baugh says it will be altogether impossible to finish during the regular session of the legislative body. In this connection he said it is probable there are now more than 200 bills on the Senate calendar. One feature of the present session, according to Senator Baugh, is the large number of special interests that have representatives at Austin, working for the passage, or working against the passage of different laws. Every special interest in the state seems to have a representative on hand to look after their particular business.

Senator Baugh's resolution which has for its object the amending of the state constitution so as to reduce the number of members of the House of Representatives, increase the size of the representative districts and also the pay of the members has been introduced and is well on its way. He thinks it will get through all right. Senator Baugh will return to Austin tonight.—Brownwood Bulletin.

ACT QUICKLY

Do the right thing at the right time.

Act quickly in time of danger. In time of kidney danger, Doan's Kidney Pills are most effective.

Plenty of Ballinger evidence of their worth. Ask your neighbor.

John Pechacek, prop., blacksmith shop, Ballinger, says: "I had to bend a lot at my work which weakened my kidneys and at times I was in misery. On straightening after bending, it felt as if a knife was being thrust into my back. Since using Doan's Kidney Pills the trouble has been greatly lessened as my back has felt lots stronger. Occasionally I take a few Doan's to straighten 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

CHANGE IN BUSINESS

Coy Drennan, who some time ago combined his shoe making and shoe repairing shop with the E. J. Cathey saddle and harness shop, has again engaged in the shoe repairing business on his own hook, and has moved to the stand recently vacated by Bartlett's studio. A dissolution in the former arrangement with Mr. Cathey was effected this week, and Mr. Drennan opened for business in the new place.

**Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
Aids Nature.**

Medicines that aid nature are always most effectual. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy acts on this plan. It allays the cough, relieves the lungs, aids expectoration, opens the secretions and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. Thousands have testified to its good qualities. Try it when you have a cough or cold.

Mrs. W. P. Jones was called to Dallas Wednesday afternoon, going to that city in response to a message stating that her mother was ill.

Ford Coupe for sale. Higginbotham Bros. & Co. 1d-1w

**GERMANS TOLD
USE PRUDENCE**

PARIS, Feb. 21.—The French government learned today that the Berlin authorities have instructed German officials in the Rhineland to adopt a prudent course in dealing with the French authorities and endeavor to come to an understanding with the French control in the occupied area of the Ruhr.

Premier Unia, of Belgium, arrived for a consultation with Premier Poincare on the Ruhr situation.

Germany's payments to the allies between November 1918 and September 1923, in fulfillment of the Versailles treaty, amounted to forty-five billion, six hundred million gold marks, according to official compilations made at Berlin, it was announced.

**OUCH! LUMBAGO PAIN!
RUB BACKACHE AWAY**

Kidneys cause backache! Listen! Your backache is caused by lumbago, sciatica, or a strain, and the quickest relief is soothing, penetrating St. Jacobs Oil. Rub it right on your painful back and instantly the soreness, stiffness and lameness disappears. Don't stay crippled! Get a small trial bottle of St. Jacobs Oil from your druggist and limber up. A moment after it is applied you'll wonder what became of the backache or lumbago pain. Rub old, honest, St. Jacobs Oil whenever you have sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism or sprains, as it is absolutely harmless and doesn't burn the skin.

**GRANDSON OF BALLINGER
MAN WEDS AT SHERMAN**

David C. McCaleb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude McCaleb of Houston, was married to Miss Dorothy Capps in Sherman Friday, a dispatch from that place states.

The groom's parents reside at 702 Gray Avenue, Mr. McCaleb being attorney for the Gulf Pipe Line Company.

The bride is a daughter of one of the oldest Tarrant County families. The couple will make their home in Fort Worth, as Mr. McCaleb is entering the legal profession there.—Houston Chronicle.

Claude McCaleb, father of the young man referred to above, formerly lived in Ballinger, attended the Ballinger schools, and spent his boyhood days here. He is a brother of Dee McCaleb, who died last year in Austin. The McCalebs lived here during the early days of Ballinger, and are remembered by all the older citizens.

It is easy to get rid of the misery of heartburn or indigestion. Herbine goes right to the spot. It drives out the badly digested food and makes you feel fine. Price 60c. Sold by John A. Weeks.

**TEXT BOOK BILL
TAKEN UP AGAIN**

AUSTIN, Feb. 21.—The Senate today without a record vote, passed the Laird resolution for an investigation of the recent awarding of text book contracts by the commission. The resolution carries with it an amendment authorizing that a joint committee be delegated to investigate all facts connected with the awarding of the contracts, and to investigate any existing connection with contributions to the campaign expenses of candidates last fall by the book companies.

Recommendations for the concentration of the penitentiary system in Central Texas will be made by a joint prison survey committee, Chairman Teer of the committee, indicated. He said that there would probably be dissenting votes on the question in the committee, some favoring Gov. Neff's plan for centralizing the system in East Texas.

AUSTIN, Feb. 21.—The Senate passed the Nelson bill with amendments abolishing the fire insurance commission. The adoption of this law establishes separate state insurance commission from the banking commission.

Gov. Neff advocated before the House the passage of a bill to facilitate and expedite trial of criminal cases. He proposes a law creating five special temporary district courts for the purpose of aiding existing district courts.

A concurrent resolution was introduced asking the legislature to pledge itself to a program of consolidation of the necessary bureaus and departments in order to reduce administrative expenses.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children
In Syrup—Sweet—30 Years
Experience
Solely Prepared at
W. L. Dorrance

INCOME TAXES

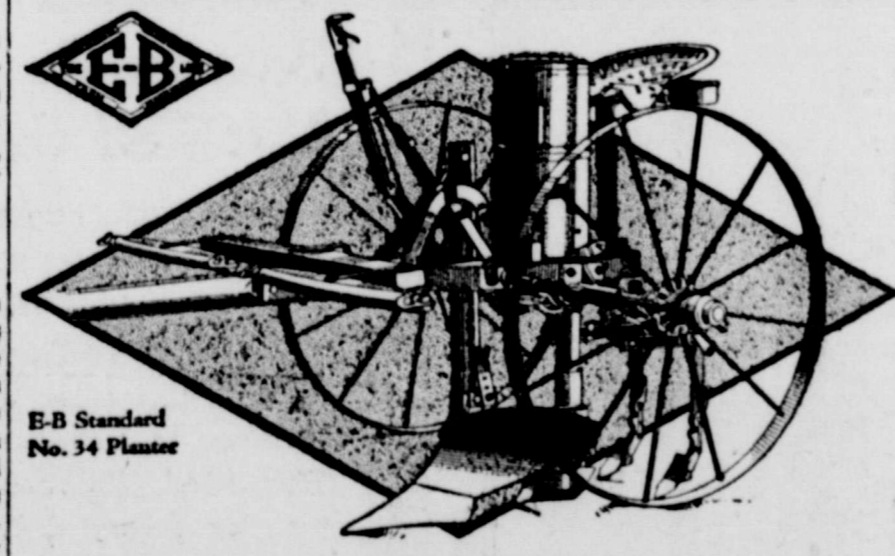
Mr. J. A. Reese, Deputy Income Tax Collector, will be at this bank Saturday, February 24th, 1923, for the purpose of helping you to make out your income tax report or to advise you in matters pertaining to income taxes.

There will be no charge for his services and we urge that you call and see him.

Ballinger State Bank & Trust Company.
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Mr. and Mrs. Marion Flynt came down from Winters Friday afternoon, to visit over Sunday with relatives.

Judge A. K. Doss returned home Friday from San Antonio and Ft. Worth, where he had been on business.



E-B Standard No. 34 Planter

**Plant with Hand Accuracy at
Machine Speed**

The E-B No. 34 Single Seed Variable Drop Planter saves seed—saves much of the chopping—plants at uniform depth—plants straight rows—saves weight on horses' necks—is light draft. Patented sloping cell discharge cannot crack or grind seed, but drops one at a time at such distance apart as operator selects. Selective Gears change speed as positively and effectively as on your automobile. Opener standard back close to axle insures even depth of planting and weight of operator balances the tongue, avoiding neck weight. Can easily save its cost every year—

HALL HARDWARE CO.
THE WINCHESTER STORE

FORD

*Four Reasons Why You
Should Buy Your Ford
Car This Month*

I.
The unprecedented demand for Ford Cars throughout the winter months has taken the entire output of the Ford plants working at capacity, indicating that the demand this Spring will be far in excess of the number of Ford Cars that can possibly be built.

II.
January was the tenth consecutive month in which retail deliveries exceeded 100,000 Ford Cars and Trucks. Requirements for February, the month when preparations are already under way for Spring business, called for 148,407 Cars and Trucks—more than 24,000 in excess of the number we can possibly produce.

III.
Ford dealers in many parts of the country are already finding it necessary to specify future delivery dates on Ford Products because there are no reserve stocks to draw from.

IV.
Your order placed now will protect you against delay or disappointment later on—it is the only way you can be assured of reasonably prompt delivery.

We consider it important to give you these facts, so that if you are planning to purchase a Ford Car, Truck or Fordson Tractor for use this Spring or Summer you can list your order at once and take advantage of our dealer's first opportunity to make delivery.

Ford Motor Company

Detroit, Michigan

Harwell Motor Co.

BALLINGER, TEXAS,

A Small Deposit and Payments if Desired

Which Is Larger the Sun or a Cent

The sun is the largest but you can hold the cent so close to your eye that you'll lose sight of the sun. Don't let a cheap price or a big can baking powder make you lose sight of quality.

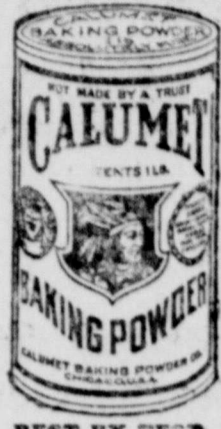
CALUMET

The Economy BAKING POWDER



Is the quality leaven— for real economy in the kitchen, always use Calumet, one trial will convince you.

The sale of Calumet is over 150% greater than that of any other baking powder.



BEST BY TEST

THE WORLD'S GREATEST BAKING POWDER

Lining Up Forces Here to Launch Tech Campaign

The Young Men's Business League is lining up its forces for the location fight for the Texas Technological College, and is urging the support of every citizen of this section in this move.

Officials and directors of the organization state that the plan to be followed by the locating committee suits them exactly and is especially favorable to this city. According to an article in one of the state dailies, the locating of the school is to be strictly a business proposition, and the school is not to be sold to the highest bidder. No junketing trip will be made and expensive entertainments for the committee will be tabooed. Briefs are to be filed with the committee setting forth the advantages of the various towns, and the town which gets the school will be selected solely on its merits.

The Business League points out that Ballinger is near the geographical center and center of population of the territory in which the school will be located, and that the soil, climate and available water at this point cannot be surpassed. This city has excellent light and power facilities, hospital facilities, proper social and religious environments, paved and lighted streets and sufficient rail connections.

As the agricultural future of West Texas lies largely in its irrigated farming, the organization will stress the advantages of locating the school near the big Colorado Valley irrigation project.

The League is bending every effort to get action on the water question before the location question comes to a head. It has been facetiously stated that back in pre-Volstead days, too large a supply of the prevailing beverage cost Ballinger one school, and that too small a supply of our present day beverage may cost us another.

Pres. Guin of the Y. M. B. L. has announced the following appointments on the Texas tech committee: J. McGregor, chairman; E. D. Walker, vice-chairman; R. G. Erwin, N. K. Freeman, A. K. Doss, O. L. Parish, D. F. Eaton, Prof. J. M. Skinner, Scott H. Mack, C. A. Dose, J. E. Pirie, Dr. S. B. Raby, A. W. Sledge, and Stuart L. Williams, secretary. Mr. Guin will serve on the committee ex-officio.

Skin Ablaze with Eczema Constant Itching Almost Unbearable!

We know there is one thing that stops eczema, and that is more red-blood-cells! S. S. S. builds them by the million! You can increase your red-blood-cells to the point where it is practically impossible for eczema to exist. We know that as



blood-cells increase in number, blood impurities vanish! We also know that night follows day. Both are facts! But have you, eczema sufferers, ever actually taken advantage of this wonderful fact? Thousands just like you have never thought about it! Skin eruptions, eczema with all its fiery, skin-digging torture and its scurfing, unrelenting itching, pimples, blackheads and boils, they all pack up and go, when the tide of blood-cells begins to roll in! Blood-cells are the fighting-giants of nature! S. S. S. builds them by the million! It has been doing it since 1835! S. S. S. is one of the greatest blood-cell builders, blood-cleansers and body-builders known to us mortals! When you put these facts together—then to continue to have eczema and skin eruptions looks more like a sin than a disease. Mrs. Arthur N. Smith, Pearl St., Newark, Ohio, writes:

"My little girl had a very bad case of eczema. She began taking S. S. S. and in well now. I thank you very much. I tell my friends what a good medicine it is. I cannot talk too much about it, for I know it is O. K."

Here is your opportunity. S. S. S. contains only vegetable medicinal ingredients. Because S. S. S. does build red-blood-cells, it cures rheumatism, builds firm flesh, fills out hollow cheeks, beautifies the complexion, builds you up when you are run-down. S. S. S. is sold at all drug stores, in two sizes. The larger size bottle is the more economical.

S.S.S. makes you feel like yourself again

INVENTS ALARM TO PROTECT CARS

H. F. Demmer has patented a device which will serve to block raids on auto garages to some extent. Mr. Demmer is using the device on his own garage and will probably offer it to others who wish to guard against loss at the hands of thieves.

The new patent works somewhat on the order of a burglar alarm. When the garage door is closed a connection is made with the auto horn, and the opening of the door starts the horn to honking, and sends out an alarm which will either arouse the owner of the car or frighten the thief away.

The device has been given a thorough try-out and is said to work perfectly, and as it operates from the inside there is no way for the thief to disconnect the alarm until the door is open and the garage entered, and that can not be done without honking the horn.

Such a device working in local garages here during the past week would have prevented raids which gets the owners extra castings, tools and other equipment from their cars. Looks serve to help some in keeping out thieves, but the professional yegg does not stand back for a look. He breaks through and carries on his work unmolested, while with an auto horn blowing his dirty work would be made more difficult.

LADIES! SECRET TO DARKEN GRAY HAIR

Bring Back its Color and Lustre
With Grandma's Sage
Tea Recipe.

Common garden sage brewed into a heavy tea, with sulphur and alcohol added, will turn gray, streaked and faded hair beautifully dark and luxuriant. Mixing Sage Tea and Sulphur Recipe at home, though, is troublesome. An easier way is to get the ready-to-use preparation improved by the addition of other ingredients a large bottle at little cost at drug stores, known as "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," thus avoiding a lot of muss.

While gray, faded hair is not sinful, we all desire to retain our youthful appearance and attractiveness. By darkening your hair with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound, no one can tell, because it does it so naturally, so evenly. You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning all gray hairs have disappeared. After another application or two your hair becomes beautifully dark, glossy, soft and luxuriant and you appear years younger.

NEW DEPUTY INCOME TAX COLLECTOR

Audice Reese has succeeded N. Dow Chapman, as deputy income tax collector. Mr. Reese was appointed a short time ago and is now filling his new position with headquarters at San Angelo. For the past year or more Mr. Reese has been with the Santa Fe and has been located at Brownwood as cotton inspector at the Brownwood compress. He was formerly connected with the Ballinger post-office and with the Ballinger State Bank. Ballinger is in the district assigned to him and he will continue to call Ballinger home.

C. T. Spangler, of Winters, passed thru the city Friday en route to Karnes City in response to a message stating that his brother was seriously ill.

A COLD GONE IN FEW HOURS

"Pape's Cold Compound"
Acts Quick, Costs Little,
Never Sickens!

In a few hours your cold is gone, head and nose clear, no feverishness, headache, or stuffed-up feeling. Drug-gists here guarantee these pleasant tablets to break up a cold or the gripe quicker than nasty quinine. They never make you sick or uncomfortable. Buy a box of "Pape's Cold Compound" for a few cents and get rid of your cold right now.

SEEKING MAN FOR NEW POSTMASTER

At the request of the Postmaster General, the United States Civil Service Commission announces an open competitive examination from which it is expected to fill a vacancy in the position of postmaster at Ballinger.

All applications must be properly executed and filed with the Commission at Washington prior to the hour of closing business on March 13th. The vacancy at Ballinger is dated as of Feb. 2, 1923, and the appointment is to be made prior to May 1, 1923. Salary \$2500.

Candidates will not be required to report for examination at any place, but will be rated on the following subjects, which have the relative weights indicated:

Education and training 20%
Business experience and fitness 80%

The rating on education and training of the candidates will be determined from the information furnished in answer to the following question:

"Submit a complete statement of your education and training, giving the names and institutions at which you have studied, the length of attendance (with dates), the courses of study pursued, and the degrees, if any conferred."

The rating on business experience and fitness will be determined by the character and extent of the business experience of the candidate as shown by answer to the application which reads as follows:

"State fully and in detail all the practical experience you have had in any profession, occupation, or business of a character tending to qualify you for the position of postmaster. State, dates when employed; where employed; name and address of each employer; salary and compensation received; the specific nature of your duties in each employment."

The following information concerning each commercial position held by you should also be furnished. "Number of persons under your supervision, if any, the character of the work done by these persons; the character of the business done by the employing person, firm or corporation; the volume of business done annually; the commercial rating of the employing person, firm or corporation; and your relation to other employes."

The statements as to education, training and experience are subject to verification.

To be eligible a candidate must be a citizen of the United States, must be in good physical condition and must actually reside within delivery of office for which the application is made, and must have been such resident for at least two years.

Chamberlain's Tablets For Indigestion and Constipation

"The nicest and pleasantest medicine I have used for indigestion and constipation is Chamberlain's Tablets," writes Melard F. Craig, Middle Grove, N. Y. They work like a charm and do not gripe or leave any unpleasant effects.

Rev. D. M. West was in Ballinger Tuesday, spending an hour or two here while en route to Paint Rock on business. Rev. West reported that Chief C. C. Holder was on the ground making surveys for the new location for the big irrigation dam, and that the citizens were looking to the completion of the irrigation project with much optimism.

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 Dr. W. GROVE, etc.

J. M. Monerief, of Dallas, was due here Friday to submit a bid on the heating plant for the new Baptist church.

Gray Gables, on Buzzard's Bay, Massachusetts, for years the summer home of Grover Cleveland, is to be cut up into lots and sold on the market.

John Heck and M. C. O'Dell returned Friday at noon from San Saba, where they had been on business. They were making the trip in an auto, but became mud bound at Brownwood, parked their car in that city and motored home on the Santa Fe.

C. D. Richards returned home Thursday at noon from Ft. Worth, where he attended the retail shoe dealers' convention.

ORPHAN HOMES ARE CROWDED

There are more homeless children in Texas than there are homes, according to a letter from Lieut. Col. G. W. Wood, division commander of the Salvation Army for the Southwestern Division.

The local advisory board of the Salvation Army called on Col. Wood to help secure a home for a dependent child last week, and the chairman of the board, E. Shepperd, is in receipt of a letter in which Col. Wood says the Salvation Army houses are crowded to the doors, and that it is impossible to accept other children at this time.

In his letter Col. Wood says, "I am wondering whether it might not be possible to get these boys into the new State Home which I understand is being opened, or has been opened, in Waco, or it might possibly be that the Child Home Finding Society of Fort Worth might be able to place them in good homes."

DRS. WATSON & LASATER
Physicians and Surgeons
General Practice
Glasses Fitted.
Office over Pearce Drug Co.
Ballinger, Texas.

DR. F. J. BROPHY
Dentist
Office over Winters State
Bank
Winters, Texas.

"I confess that we have had considerable difficulty of late in getting children into orphanages and homes of other organizations because of their present crowded condition."

Read the ads and profit

Insure Today

You may be able to put off the life insurance man. But it will not work when the angel of Death sends in his card.

Don't Dodge a Duty—
Insure Today

with the
**American
Central Life
Insurance Co.**

Old line of Indianapolis, Ind.
Texas Home Office, Dallas,
Texas.

RUFUS J. WHEELER
Agency Supervisor
Ballinger, Texas.

Mr. Farmer

we want to buy your produce and especially are we in the market for your

Cream and Eggs

Bring them to us and if you need groceries we have everything that goes on the table.

CURRIE MERCANTILE CO.

Phones 66 and 67.

Dean Brothers Tire & Battery Station

(Successors to Holmes)

Exide Batteries, Seiberling Casings and Tubes.

Let us do your vulcanizing and battery charging.
If you get down, telephone 116.

LAND and LOANS

We make loans running from 5 to 20 years, with any kind of option of pre-payment, at interest rates excelled by none. See us about your land notes.

We have to trade for Rannels County property, 100 acres in Hill County; 95 acres in cultivation, 1 1-2 miles from Abbott, on piked highway. Good old black land. If you want something in the best part of Central Texas let us talk with you.

TRIMMIE, McCARVER and LYNN

ABSTRACTS, LAND LOANS, GENERAL INSURANCE
Ballinger, Texas.

"Our Family Medicine"

"I WILL WRITE you in regard to Black-Draught liver medicine, as I have been using it more than 18 years," says a letter from Mr. S. F. Mintz, of R. F. D. 2, Leland, N. C. "I keep it in my home all the time, for it is mostly our family medicine. When we begin to feel feverish or sluggish, with trouble from the liver or stomach, we take a dose of Theodor's Black-Draught and the trouble is soon over. I mostly buy a dollar package at a time, and it has saved me many a bill."

Theodor's Black-Draught is a purely vegetable remedy, acting on the liver, stomach and bowels. It is made from selected herbs and roots, and contains no calomel or other mineral drugs.

It has been found of great value, in indigestion, stomach trouble, sick headache, constipation, and lazy liver, helping to relieve the symptoms caused by these troubles, and to put the digestive system into proper working order.

Get a package of Black-Draught liver medicine from your druggist or dealer, today. Be sure to get the genuine—Theodor's.

Theodor's
BLACK-DRAUGHT
A Purely Vegetable Liver Medicine

BUYS INTEREST COMPANY TO IN GLOBE STORE PUSH DRILLING

LeRoy Nicholson has purchased the interest of L. E. Bair in The Globe Store. The deal was closed Thursday and Mr. Nicholson assumed charge of the store as manager.

The Globe has been closed several days pending the completion of an inventory, and it was announced that a deal would probably be made when the invoicing work was completed, and the announcement of the change made in the business was made Friday morning.

The Globe has been carrying a general line of racket goods, groceries, piece goods, notions, etc., and the stock is said to be the largest of its kind in West Texas.

The store opens for business under the new management with a close-out sale on groceries and piece goods. The new management announces that several lines will be closed out entirely and the store converted into a racket store, carrying only a line of racket goods. The groceries will be closed out at cost immediately, and the arrangements for making a better display of the racket goods made.

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 soon 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.

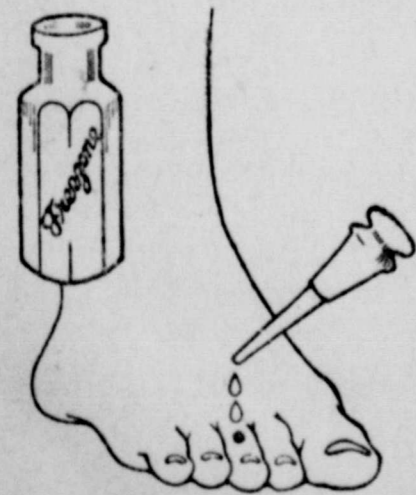
Mr. and Mrs. David Gregory returned home Sunday at noon from Dallas, where they had been spending their honeymoon.

Judges C. O. Harris and J. F. Sutton, of San Angelo, had business in Ballinger Monday.

H. S. Morgan, of Norton, was a business visitor to Ballinger Monday.

CORNS

Lift Off with Fingers



Doesn't hurt a bit! Drop a little "Freezone" on an aching corn, instantly that corn stops hurting, then shortly you lift it right off with fingers. Truly! Your druggist sells a tiny bottle of "Freezone" for a few cents, sufficient to remove every hard corn, soft corn, or corn between the toes, and the calluses, without soreness or irritation.

The board of directors of the Ballinger Oil & Gas Company met Friday afternoon and organized for business. This company was recently organized for the purpose of completing the Safety First Well, or drilling the well to a depth of 4000 feet, and stock will be sold to raise the necessary funds.

At the meeting Friday, M. McGregor was elected president and W. C. McCarver secretary and treasurer. The other directors are J. A. Weeks, Dr. S. B. Raby and Chas. Ferguson. The company is capitalized for \$5,000, and stock to this amount, or acreage near the well, will be sold to raise money with which to resume development.

The company wired O. Wilson at Breckenridge to return here at once, and Mr. Wilson returned Friday, and is ready to resume drilling provided the expense money is put up. Unless the money is raised with which to carry on further drilling Mr. Wilson will pull his casing from the well and abandon it and the hole will be plugged, and allowed to cave in and go to the bad.

There is considerable gas in the well, according to those who have kept close tab on the development. The gas supply is said to be sufficient to burn freely when a lighted match is applied to it.

Contractor Wilson says the well offers as good prospects as any well cut he ever had anything to do with, but he has propositions in the Stephens county field which are demanding his personal attention, and he cannot afford to put any more of his own cash in the Safety First project.

The new company will go the limit towards financing the completion of the well, and are soliciting the support of those who wish to see the well drilled further and a better test made.

It is the plan of the company to call a mass meeting early next week and a campaign will be launched to finance the development.

MAN STOMPED TO DEATH IN THE EPILEPTIC COLONY

A charge of murder was filed before Justice of the Peace M. C. Lambeth Tuesday morning against Sam L. Jones, an inmate of the State Epileptic Colony here, in connection with the death Monday night of John M. Heard, another inmate. It is alleged that Jones inflicted physical injuries on Heard Sunday night from which he died Monday night.

A court of inquiry was held in the matter by Justice Lambeth. Jones was being held here Tuesday afternoon, bond not having been set.

The evidence showed, according to Justice Lambeth, that Heard was stomped to death while in a room of the hospital ward at the institution. Heard was about 56 years of age, and was formerly a druggist at Dalby Springs in Bowie county. Jones is about 29 years of age.—Abilene Reporter.

Save money on your Auto Tires—get them at Higginbotham Bros. & Co. 19-2d-1w

ICE DAMAGES TELEPHONE CO. ANOTHER RAIN RECORD SMASHED

The West Texas Telephone Company was perhaps the heaviest loser as the result of the recent freeze-up which covered this part of the world with a coating of ice.

The rain which began falling here about ten o'clock Thursday morning continued until late in the day Friday, the rain continuing for almost twenty-four hours with only occasional letting up. During the entire time the temperature lingered around the freezing point, forming a heavy coating of ice.

Manager Atkins of the local exchange stated Friday morning that it was impossible to get a line up on the damage done, but that by nine o'clock more than fifty local phones had been reported out of commission with about forty rural phones out.

Mr. Atkins stated that all toll lines leading out of the local office were out, except the Brownwood line. Brownwood reported rain, but no ice. Coleman reported only a light freeze, and no damage. Communication in all other directions was cut off, indicating that long distance lines were down.

Many wires were hanging low, loaded with ice, while others here and there throughout the city were snapped. Trees were weeping to the ground, and in many instances branches had given way to the heavy load of ice. Stockmen and sheepmen will probably experience slight losses, but the good condition of livestock will prove to be an advantage in weathering the storm.

The telephone manager stated that he had sent in an S. O. S. call and a crew of linemen were en route here from Brownwood to help make repairs and that all phones would be restored to order just as fast as the work could be done. Long distance lines are receiving first attention.

They Appeal to Our Sympathies

The bilious and dyspeptic are constant sufferers and appeal to our sympathies. Many such, however, have been completely restored to health by the use of Chamberlain's Tablets. These tablets strengthen the stomach, invigorate the liver and improve the digestion. They also cause a gentle movement of the bowels. When you have any trouble with your stomach, give them a trial.

REMAINS OF AGED LADY SHIPPED TO FALLS CO.

The remains of Mrs. Mary A. Self were shipped from Winters Friday, and passed thru Ballinger Friday afternoon en route to Blevins, in Falls county, where the burial will take place.

Mrs. Self died at the home of her son, J. C. Self, Thursday morning. Undertaker C. E. Crews was called to Shep Thursday to embalm the remains, and made the long drive through a sheet of ice and over roads almost impassable.

Deceased was 83 years old. She came to this country to spend the winter with her son near Shep. She was a pioneer of Falls county, and the remains are being returned to the old home place for the funeral.

Goldts Cause Grip and Influenza
LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets remove the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine."
E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 35c

Mr. and Mrs. J. McGregor are due to return home tonight from Marlin, where they have been for the past two or three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Jayroe, of the Crews country, were shopping in Ballinger Monday and looking after business.

A Child's Need

There is something more than fancy in a child's rejection of fats on its plate and its ready acceptance of

Scott's Emulsion

It is a fact that children and grown people often take this efficient vitamin bearing food- tonic when they cannot assimilate other fats. Scott's Emulsion helps build up the body.

Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J. 22-34

More than two inches of rain fell at Ballinger from ten o'clock Thursday morning to ten o'clock Friday morning, and a general downpour continued throughout a greater part of Friday.

The average rainfall at Ballinger for February for the last 30 years figures .86 of an inch, and only three years out of the thirty brought more than two inches of rain. In 1895 2.98 inches of rain fell in February, with a total of 26.11 inches for the year. In 1903 3.67 inches fell with a total of 26.75 for the year, and cotton production of 14,773 bales (small acreage). In 1911 the rainfall for February amounted to 4.55 inches, 22.27 for the year and a 30,760 bale cotton crop.

The rainfall at Ballinger, not including a six inch snow, since January 1st this year amounts to 4.40 inches, with rain still falling at this hour. All the rains have been slow, soaking in and the farmers declare that the ground is wet deep and the season the best the country has enjoyed in many years.

With fairly good acreage in small grain, and the program for planting the largest acreage in cotton and maize in the history of the county, it looks like prosperity is really knocking at the door of this county, and nothing short of a calamity can interfere with the program.

RED PEPPER FOR COLDS IN CHEST

Ease your tight, aching chest. Stop the pain. Break up the congestion. Feel a bad cold loosen up in just a short time.

"Red Pepper Rub," is the cold remedy that brings quickest relief. It cannot hurt you and it certainly seems to end the tightness and drive the congestion and soreness right out.

Nothing has such concentrated penetrating heat as red peppers, and when heat penetrates right down into colds, congestion, aching muscles and sore, stiff joints relief comes at once.

The moment you apply Red Pepper Rub you feel the tingling heat. In three minutes the congested spot is warmed through and through. When you are suffering from a cold, rheumatism, backache, stiff neck or sore muscles, just get a jar of Rowles Red Pepper Rub, made from red peppers, at any drug store. You will have the quickest relief known.

HARRY SPANNEL IS IN PENNSYLVANIA

Harry Spannel, who was tried for killing an army officer at Alpine, is teaching music in his old home state, according to the San Angelo Standard, which says:

"Harry J. Spannel, former music teacher in Alpine, who in January, 1917, was acquitted at San Angelo on a charge of murder in connection with the killing of Lieut. Col. M. C. Butler at Alpine and who later at Coleman was freed of a murder charge resulting from the death of his wife, is now teaching music in Pennsylvania. This was learned on Monday from Lud Williams, who was one of Spannel's attorneys in the cases which attracted nation-wide attention. Both the army officer and Mrs. Spannel were shot to death while riding in an automobile with Spannel. Hazelton, Pa., was Spannel's old home before he came to Texas to become an instructor in music in Baylor College. It was there he met his future wife, whose home was in Alpine, to which town the couple afterward moved."

If your head is dizzy on stooping or rising suddenly and everything turns black before the eyes, you have a torpid liver. Take Herbine. It is a powerful liver regulator. Price, 60c. Sold by John A. Weeks.

J. A. Reese, deputy income tax collector, came down from San Angelo Friday afternoon, and is here on business and spending a day or two with home folks. It is reported that Mr. Reese is in the running for the postmastership at Ballinger.

A sheep can exist for 280 days solely on a diet of prickly pears, according to experimenters on the government agricultural farm at Johannesburg, South Africa.

Mrs. M. S. Karmony returned home Friday at noon from Dallas, where she had been for the past two weeks.

J. A. Seidel, of the Rowena Review, was looking after business in Ballinger Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Curry were in the city Monday from the Norton country.

IF SICK, BILIOUS! START YOUR LIVER

Don't Take Calomel! "Dodson's Liver Tone" Acts Better and Doesn't Gripe, Salivate or Make You Sick—Don't Lose a Day's Work—Read Guarantee

Ugh! Calomel makes you sick. It's horrible! Take a dose of the dangerous drug tonight and tomorrow you may lose a day's work.

Calomel is mercury or quicksilver which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel, when it comes into contact with your bile crashes into it, breaking it up. This is when you feel that awful nausea and cramping. If you are sluggish and "all knocked out," if your liver is torpid and bowels constipated or you have headache, dizziness, coated tongue, if breath is bad or stomach sour, just try a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone tonight.

Here's my guarantee—Go to any drug store and get a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone for a few cents. Take a spoonful and if it doesn't straighten you right up and make you feel fine and vigorous I want you to go back to the store and get your money. Dodson's Liver Tone is destroying the sale of calomel because it is real liver medicine, entirely vegetable, therefore it can not salivate or make you sick.

Don't be a mover all your life!

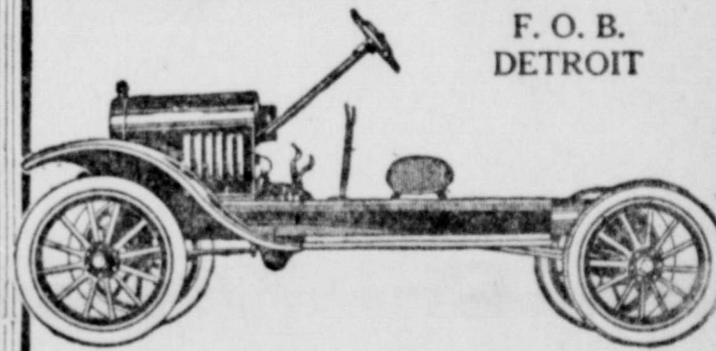


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Think of it! For only \$235 you can now buy this efficient, economical and reliable Ford Chassis.

With a body to suit your needs, it enables you to immediately increase your trade zone, satisfy more customers, reduce your delivery costs and make more money.

Buy Now. Terms if desired.

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Ballinger, Texas.

County-Wide City-Wide Interest

From Every Section of Ballinger's Trade Territory Our High Grade and Low Price Offerings are Attracting Attention

**Quality Unmatchable---Quantity Unmatchable
Prices Unmatchable**

and thus we are again demonstrating with emphasis and to your profit the fact that you can always find the new things first, and at lowest prices at

Higginbotham Brothers & Co.

Dry Goods

Coming In
Dry Goods Going Out

We want to close out all remaining of our Fall and Winter Dry Goods, offering many "odds and ends" and "broken lots" at extremely low prices. Bargains in Dresses, Bargains in Wraps, Bargains in Shoes, Bargains in Men's and Boys' Suits, Bargains in Underwear, Bargains everywhere throughout this big store.

New Gingham, New Silks, New Novelties, Notions, Toilet Articles, etc., New Laces, New Hosiery, New Footwear, arriving daily and ready for your inspection.

Whatever your needs may be, just remember that you'll find it at Higginbotham Brothers & Company.

Again We Say---"Why Pay More?"

Groceries for Less

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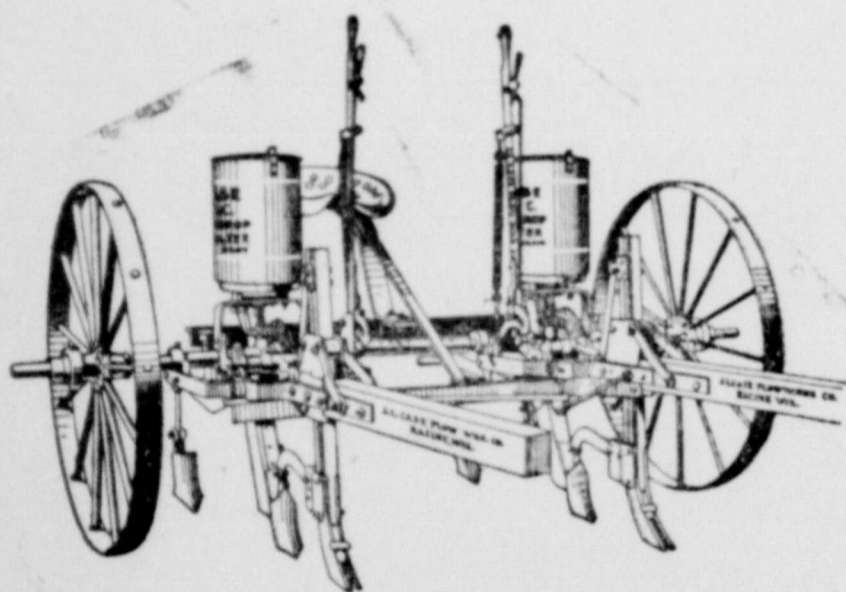
We are delighted with the increasing line of customers in our Grocery Department. "There's a reason."

"I'm now giving Higginbotham Bros. & Co. all my trade," says a new 1923 customer.

"I can get what I want without shopping around and your prices are always right and in some cases less than I have been paying."

Another good customer says, "It is certainly a great convenience to buy my entire bill at one place."

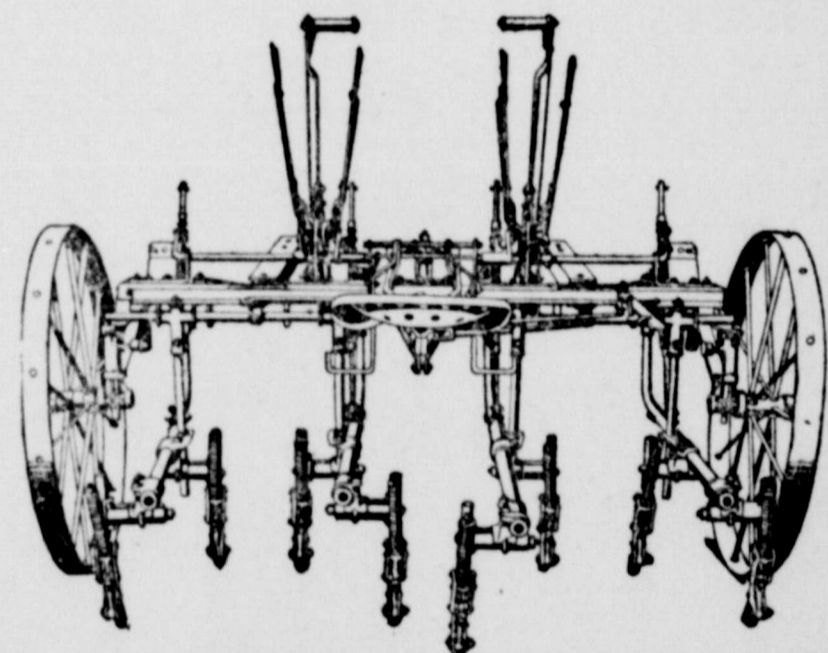
We appreciate these expressions of confidence and we expect to continue to conduct our business in a way that they can continue to talk to us this way.



Cut Your Cost

of planting and cultivating "in two" by using Jno. Deere or Case 2-row Planters and Cultivators. You can plant or cultivate twice as many acres in a day and do the same high grade work, with no more trouble or effort than when you use a single row.

You do not take a chance when you buy a Jno. Deere or Case 2-row Planter or Cultivator—they are just as good as the one-row implements.



Furniture Dept.

is also ready for you—with everything in Furniture, Rugs, Linoleum, Wall Paper, Sewing Machines, etc.

Our attractive prices and dependable merchandise make buying here a real pleasure.

We are anxious to have you take a look through our Hardware and Implement Departments.

Stock complete—Prices the Lowest.

Great Showing

of Ladies' Dresses, Capes, Coats, Suits, Blouses, Underthings and Millinery—the new things for Spring, now ready for you.

You'll find this department complete with merchandise and styles not ordinarily found outside of the large cities.

Come to see us—it will be worth your while.

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