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64,019 BALES GINNED IN RUNNELS

Car Owners Pay County \$61,550

Figures tabulated by Tax Collector W. L. Brown show that the automobile owners of this county have paid into the highway fund this year in cash for number plates a total of \$61,550.28. Of this amount \$42,738.66 was remitted to the state highway commission and thrown in with the fund which was handled by that body. \$18,811.62 of the total amount was apportioned out to the four precincts of this county, and used in carrying on highway improvement. Under the law each commissioner's precinct can receive the amount paid in by the automobile owners residing within that precinct, and the following apportionment was made for the four precincts of Runnels county:

Precinct No. 1. \$7,126.62.
Precinct No. 2. \$5,206.68.
Precinct No. 3. \$2,839.18.
Precinct No. 4. \$3,639.14.

The above figures are only items of past history, and the more serious thing for the automobile owners to now think about is a new number plate on their car which will carry them thru 1926. The plates are now ready, and the license must be paid by January first.

The new numbers for 1926 allotted to Runnels county begin with 707*051 and include 711*800. The plates are somewhat different from the 1925 plates. Black lettering stand out on a gray background, and the word "Tex 26" is on the right instead of the left as is the case with the old numbers. The motor buses also have a different number this year from that of trucks. They run in different color and different series of numbers with the letters "M B" to the left of the number.

The tax collector has all number plates and receipts on hand, and auto owners must supply themselves before January first.

To expedite the work and assist auto owners in making proper application for new numbers, Tax Collector Brown has issued the following instructions:

"When you apply for registration or re-registration of either a new or an old auto you are required to present to the Tax Collector a certificate issued by a County Test Station, showing your lights have been tested, and said certificate must be dated not more than 30 days before you apply for registration or re-registration.

"Registration receipts from the previous year should always be brought to the office when you wish to register for the current year. Furthermore, if said receipts is not in your name, then you must present the proper transfer receipts. Read the heading "Bills of Sale" in regard to this item. If you registered in a county other than Runnels last year we cannot register your car this year without the last year registration receipts from the county where you did register. If you do not have this receipt write the Tax Collector of the county where you registered and get a duplicate before you even apply in Runnels county for registration for the current year. If you registered in Runnels county last year, bring your receipt, or if you have lost it, be sure to write down the State License Number, and bring that number with you, not your engine number.

"When you trade for a second-hand car—be careful. Be sure you get from the person from whom you purchased the auto; the registration receipt for the current year, the transfer receipts for each and every trade that has been made for the car, and a bill of sale from the person with whom you traded. And be sure that these people make a chain of title to you. A bill of sale is not a transfer receipt. A transfer receipt is issued by Tax Col-

lectors only, and not by notaries public.

"Trusting you will follow the instructions explained clearly above, I know you will have no trouble nor delay when you attempt to register. My office force can then give you the best service possible in auto registration and the most courteous treatment, which coupled together, will make the paying of auto registrations easier and more pleasant in the future than it has been in the past."

\$300 REWARD FOR ROSS AND GOOD

AUSTIN, Dec. 1.—Governor Ferguson today announced a reward of \$300 each for the capture of Tom Ross and Milt Good, who escaped from the Texas penitentiary at Huntsville Sunday night. Officers express the belief that the men escaped to Mexico in an airplane. This opinion was expressed here by Frank Hamer, former ranger captain.

Good and Ross and two other convicts escaped when a guard was overpowered.

Mr. Ferguson did not deny that the interview was granted. He admitted that the Ferguson had been granting interviews to special correspondents representing Eastern newspapers, and also interviews to local correspondents.

Except from usual formal statements and conversations over the telephone they have been quoted in these interviews as having said that many newspapers in Texas had not been friendly to the administration.

TEACHERS BACK FROM MEETING

Ballinger teachers who returned from the Texas State Teachers Association convention at Dallas Sunday afternoon were Profs. W. A. Cain, J. B. Pace and Kennedy, Misses Mary Fleming and Eva Webb. Messrs. Cain, Pace and Kennedy returned by way of Abilene, while the ladies came in on the Santa Fe train.

A great gathering of the Texas educators is reported by the city teachers, who state that many prominent men were before the convention for talks. El Paso won the fight for the next convention. Large delegations were present from many towns, and it was estimated that more than 7,000 were present at the session.

Miss Grace Holliday was operated upon at the Halley & Love Sanitarium Tuesday morning for appendicitis and is reported to be doing nicely. Frank Holliday is here from Simmons University to be with his sister.

JIM SAYS MOODY HAS LOST STATE BIG SUM

AUSTIN, Dec. 2.—The statement of James E. Ferguson, that the state in the end will lose the \$600,000 which he gained against the American Road Company, is an attempt to deceive and mislead the public, Attorney General Dan Moody said today.

Findings of the court show that there is no basis whatever for Ferguson's charges, Moody stated.

AUSTIN, Dec. 2.—The acts of Governor M. A. Ferguson's administration in connection with the highway matters of Texas which have precipitated the present agitation for an investigating session of the legislature, were defended vigorously today by James E. Ferguson, former governor of Texas, and husband of the present governor.

"In a detailed statement he declared that the settlement and judgment in the American Road Company suit was not a victory for the opponents of the administration, which had been claimed by them, but he asserted that the records of the case show that the state really lost \$100,000. Silence concerning the governor's side has been maintained until the present because the litigation was pending and the grand jury of Travis county was in session conducting an investigation, the former governor said.

Now that the road company's case has been settled and the grand jury has adjourned, Ferguson said that he felt free to talk.

Attorney General Dan Moody was charged with entering into a private agreement with the road company by Ferguson. The former governor stated that the American Road Company was permitted to go seat free with a net profit of \$900,000 and that the state lost \$900,000 through the agreement and he charged that if the State Highway Commission had been let alone, the company's profits would not have exceeded 25 per cent.

Mr. Ferguson charged that by adding the \$900,000 profit made by the American Road Company, to the probable cost of \$900,000 which he estimated would be the cost to the state to make a second course treatment over the highways which had been under contract to the company, the state in fact will sustain a \$1,800,000 loss, "as a result of the great legal gymnastics of the youthful attorney general."

The governor's husband charged that in the aid of propaganda and the campaign which was created by Moody's attack on the State Highway Commission and contractors, the daily papers of the state are largely unfriendly, hating the present administration

and have sought by misleading, deceptive headlines and a contortion of facts to further fix in the minds of the people that an awful and lasting crime has been committed and a blot has been placed on the state.

"All I ask our friends to do is quit reading headlines and call for facts and I have no fears that the fair minded people of this state will begin to learn that the prosecution of the highway department by Attorney General Moody has put upon this state the greatest financial loss that any one man has ever put upon the state in this day and generation," Ferguson asserted.

AUSTIN, Dec. 1.—"Now get this straight," former Governor James E. Ferguson said today, "Governor Ferguson has not issued a formal statement as to whether she will issue a call for a special session of the legislature."

When asked whether he would deny an interview with a representative of the Baltimore Sun in which the governor is quoted as saying she would not call a special session, the former governor evaded the answer by saying, "I will let you newspaper men argue that out for yourselves."

FT. WORTH, Dec. 1.—Amon G. Carter, president of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram publishing company, and chairman of the board of regents of the Texas Technological College located at Lubbock, and whose resignation from the board was requested yesterday in a lengthy letter to Carter from Gov. Ferguson, will not comply with the governor's request.

In a formal letter to the governor today Mr. Carter stated that he would not accede to her request, and he denied all the charges made against him by the governor. Carter was an attendant at the A. & M. Texas football game on Thanksgiving Day, and he was escorted from the field after hurrahing for A. & M. and Dan Moody, and in her letter asking for his resignation the governor stated that Carter was not responsible for his conduct on that occasion, and for this and other reasons she requested his resignation.

Figuring on a basis of \$150 per bale for cotton, including the seed, which is a fair average at the price which has prevailed for both the cotton and the seed throughout the season, the farmers of this county have already converted into bankable shape ten million dollars worth of the fleecy staple, or an amount to equal the taxable valuation of the county.

According to figures compiled by the Ballinger Cotton Oil Mill, 64,019 bales of cotton had been ginned in the county up to the close of business Saturday night. Gins are still running, and it is expected that the final figures will crowd the 70,000 mark, or possibly go above those figures.

FIVE ARRESTS FOR SHOOTING FIREWORKS

Chief of Police B. W. Pilcher reports that he has made five arrests for shooting fireworks within the fire zone of Ballinger and other arrests will follow if the shooting is continued. It is a violation of the law to shoot fireworks within a certain distance of the business district, and those who touch them off can do so with the expectation of being touched up for a nice little fine in city court.

TURKEY RUSH OPENS AT 28C

The final dressing of turkeys for the Eastern markets has been set for December 10th. The local packers report that shipments for distant points must be made by that date in order to get the birds on the market for the Christmas holidays.

The rush season for the turkey dressing plants will begin at once and continue until the above date. The local dealers were paying 28 cents Monday. This was the highest wholesale price so far paid this season, and the highest anywhere except for places where a local fight is on to get turkeys. Several car loads of turkeys were shipped out for the Thanksgiving trade, but the bulk of the crop is believed to yet be in the hands of the poultry raisers.

The Farm Bureau is pooling turkeys for shipment at a later date, and have been negotiating with dealers for sale of same. They expect to ship two car loads or more.

Sanford Hodge and Aubrey Schmickle were among those who visited Abilene Thanksgiving Day.

Mrs. A. K. Doss and children returned home from a visit to relatives at Fort Worth Monday.

These chilly mornings we envy the man in North Dakota who has whiskers 17 feet long.

The ginnings as tabulated by the oil mill are as follows:

Winters 22,554
Miles 9,487
Ballinger 8,559
Rowena 6,351
All others, 17,068

The present crop is the largest yield ever made in the county. Other big crops were in 1914 when the total receipts amounted to 58,184; 1920, 57,878; 1924, 53,310; 1923, 47,811; 1919, 47,245; 1922, 40,887; 1915, 40,157. The receipts for all other years in the history of the cotton industry of the county were less than 40,000 bales.

The local compress has pressed out about 56,000 bales for the present season, with considerable cotton on hand and the daily receipts holding good. Much of the 1925 cotton is still in the hands of the farmer, with bank deposits standing at the highest mark in the history of the county.

These conditions obtain at this time notwithstanding that the crop was made under many handicaps and difficulties. The farmer had grasshoppers, worms, hail storms, and dry weather as some of the odds to work against. Under favorable conditions the yield would have easily exceeded the hundred thousand bale mark. With a total of 70,000 bales Runnels county will crowd the state for first place, and if not first it will be in the second or third place in point of cotton production.

SENATOR WOODWARD IS REPORTED SICK

Senator Walter Woodward is reported to be seriously ill at his home in Coleman. He is suffering with pneumonia which developed recently when he returned from Washington, where he went to represent the state in the sale of the American Legion Memorial Hospital at Kerrville to the federal government. He was reported to be some better Friday, but is still a very sick man.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Haynie and daughter, Mrs. Duncan, of Llano, were week-end visitors with Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Beck. Mrs. Haynie is a sister of Mrs. Beck.

FIRE CLAIMS THREE LIVES

LAKE CHARLES, La., Dec. 2. Deaths from the result of a fire in the business district here yesterday were increased to three today when Ben Collins succumbed to injuries which he suffered when he was pinned by a falling wall.

Property loss from the fire is estimated at \$1,000,000.

WHEAT HITS HIGHEST SPOT

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—Fall deliveries of wheat jumped today to the highest price here this season. December led, touching \$1.75 per bushel.

The indications that the wheat crop was damaged greatly in Argentina, was one of the factors causing the bullish market.

The Character of a Bank—

A Bank, like an individual, is judged largely by its friends, and this spirit of friendship and co-operation on the part of our depositors has been instrumental in making this bank the strong institution it is.

No banking institution is unmindful of the part its depositors have in its success.

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The Winters State Bank

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Healthy Hair

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The constant curling and waving demanded by modern style in hair dress, slowly burns the color, lustre and very life from the hair, leaving it dry, faded, brittle, streaked with gray; then the hair roots shrink and the hair falls out fast.



Try this for one week! While combing and dressing your hair, moisten your hair brush with a little "Danderine" and brush it through your hair—the effort is startling! Your hair immediately takes on new life and that healthy, youthful lustre, becomes incomparably soft, wavy and appears twice as thick and abundant. "Danderine" costs only 35 cents a bottle at any drug store.

PANTHERS TIE WITH WINTERS

One of the most thrilling football games seen here in several years was witnessed by a large crowd Wednesday afternoon when the Ballinger Panthers held the fast and heavy Winters team to a scoreless tie. In spite of the fact that three of the Ballinger stars were out with appendicitis, the team showed by far the best defensive organization seen here this year by holding the plunging Blizzards for downs on five different occasions with goal to go. The backfield consisting of Penn, McCarver, Parrish and Brevard, under the cool generalship of the new quarter-back Penn showed flashes of speed and plunging power that thrilled the spectators along the sidelines. Brevard, playing his first year of football, was the greatest surprise of the game by making gain after gain with his terrific line plunging, and the kicking of Tom Penn carried the ball many times deep into the Winters territory.

The entire line showed a new fighting spirit such as they have not demonstrated this season. The outstanding stars of the line were McWhirter, Powell and Stokes, who time after time broke thru the line to throw the Winters backs for serious losses.

It was not the same team that trotted on the field for Ballinger Wednesday afternoon for the new plays, and the new men developed by Coach Oliver since the Panthers were last seen in action on the local field surprised even the most pessimistic Ballinger football fans.

Knight, playing full-back for Winters, was both the offensive and defensive star for the Blizzards.

Mrs. Asa Cordill and daughter, Miss Margaret, Miss Nettie Ruth Sledge and Mrs. Ed O'Kelly were visitors to San Angelo Friday.

Rufus Wheeler returned Thursday from San Antonio, where he had been arranging to establish headquarters. He stated that it would be the first of the year before he moved his family to San Antonio.

INTENSE PAIN

Lady, Also Nervous and Weak, Relieved by Cardui.

"I was ill and had to stay in bed under treatment for about two weeks without any improvement in my condition, which was serious," says Mrs. J. T. Abernombie, R. F. D. 1, Brookville, Ind.

"I had intense pain in my side. I was so nervous and weak and just out of heart. . . . After taking one bottle of Cardui, I felt like getting up. My nerves seemed steadier and I didn't feel so weak. I kept up taking Cardui and was soon feeling like my old self. . . . I am such a believer in Cardui until when I get nervous and weak I take it. I took it before my children were born. It strengthened me and helped my nerves. . . . I took a cold and . . . my back felt so weak and I had such pulling pains. I took Cardui and didn't have any more trouble. . . . I fell and broke my arm. The fall shook me up and made me very nervous. I told them Cardui would help that, and it did."

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON CABLES

LONDON, Nov. 28.—Always on the lookout for novelty in fashions, London's feminine population seems to be pleased by the revival of a Victorian mode. This is the wearing of mittens instead of long sleeved gloves.

Women have already adopted mittens for theatre going, and the absence of glove finger tips makes the handling of cigarettes less risky than formerly. The modern mittens are made of filmy lace or silk, in tints that harmonize with the wearer's gown. Many of the more expensive pairs are of gold or silver thread with small, precious stones interwoven.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—Oxford University has only 168 American students this year, as compared with 203 last year and 266 in 1922. English educators have expressed disappointment over this steady decline in the American enrollment, since they had hoped that Anglo-American amity might be further developed through the presence of large numbers of Americans in English universities.

Oxford has failed completely to attract the type of American student who was common in the German universities before the war, partly because of the costliness of an Oxford education and partly because the University does not readily give nor highly honor the degree of doctor of philosophy so much prized by the American teaching profession.

Of the American students other than the Rhodes scholars, few remain at Oxford for the full course of three years.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—So many American antique hunters have carried across the Atlantic old fashioned English copper bed warmers that the price of these articles in London has trebled in recent months. The Americans seize upon the warmers as fine things to hang beside an open fire place or to use as chestnut roasters or corn poppers. The ordinary warmer is about the size of a wash basin, with a lid and a three foot handle. In its heyday it was filled with live charcoal and thrust between the sheets at night to take off the chill.

These warmers were part of the winter equipment of almost every English home until the arrival some forty years ago of the stone hot water bottle, said to have been conceived by Mrs. William Gladstone, wife of the famous prime minister. The grand old man used to wake up thirsty during the night and drink the water nearest him, usually that in the stone bottle beside him. To give him something more palatable, his wife filled the bottle each evening with boiling tea, sweetened. Stone bottle warmers, although replaced by rubber articles in the cities, are still used in English country districts, where they are known as "Gladstones."

LONDON, Nov. 28.—There are altogether too many diamonds in the world to suit gem miners, but even at that there is little likelihood that they will become cheaper. Certain restrictions are under consideration in countries where diamonds are produced which will prevent their becoming a glut on the market.

The increased diamond output from the Alluvial diggings has recently become a serious factor in world production, it is stated in the annual report of Warington Smyth, secretary for mines and industries of South Africa, who urges government control and certain limitations upon opening new beds to prevent the sparkling stones becoming so plentiful that they would no longer be considered precious.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—Former Premier Painleve's ship of state could not avoid all the dangers in its course, as was shown when it crashed on the rocks of national finance, but it did avoid one treacherous shoal which might have caused serious embarrassment.

This occurred during the Painleve cabinet's last days. Among the original proposals for the restoration of the French treasury was one for an exceptional national contribution to be levied on all salaries of more than 25,000 francs. When the proposal went before the cabinet, however, an influential member

remarked immediately: "Why don't even think of such a figure, my dear premier! You forget that the salary of a deputy is 27,000 francs."

Whereupon the cabinet unanimously raised the limit to 30,000 francs.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—Marshal Joffre has admitted that he has written his memoirs of the World War, but says that the time has not yet come to publish them. "I am still in active service," he explains, alluding to the fact that there is no retiring age for Marshals of France who are subject technically, during their lifetime to regulations which forbid army officers in active service to publish anything connected with army matters.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—Although their mothers go shingled and shorn, braids and dangling curls are still worn by the decorous "jeunes filles" of Paris. The sight of long haired little girls led by short haired mothers is one of the paradoxes of the Rue de La Paix most commented on by visitors this winter.

The reason, French women explain, is the fleetness of fashion. The policy of short today, long tomorrow, presents no such menace to the future of mamma as it does to the young daughter who has her marriage still to make. In a land of dowry and domesticity young girls cannot afford to cut off hair that may again be considered woman's crowning glory. It is a plain case of a hair on the head being worth two in the hope chest.

French girls regard with amazement the profligate short cropped American girls on the boulevards. Many of the little Americans have never known the feel of long hair except on their mother's dressing tables.

Many French girls celebrate their arrival at grown age by bobbing or shingling their hair. Once the locks are off, however, they regard fashion with suspicion, watching each fluctuation toward long hair styles.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—Spanish shawls have come suddenly back into favor with the Parisienne as an indirect result of the "bloodless bull fights" held in the Roman arena in Paris recently for the benefit of wounded soldiers in Morocco and Syria. All the Spanish-American colony in Paris attended the bull fights and many of the women went in costume, hanging their shawls over the box fronts. The vogue has now spread to the theatres on the boulevards which are beginning to resemble bull rings themselves, with gorgeously colored Spanish shawls suspended from the dress circle almost every evening.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—The "Charleston," the most discussed dance in Europe these days, has surmounted all opposition here and despite contrary predictions seems likely to become the most popular dance in France. Unqualified approval of the American jazz step was voted recently by the Association of French Dancing Masters.

A special exhibition of the Charleston as it was originally and all its variations was presented by the association, to the music of an American negro orchestra. Meanwhile, the public has not waited for the dancing masters, but has gone ahead with its own variety of Charleston in the Paris cabarets and dance halls.

South Americans here have taken up the step with enthusiasm.

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and keep the orchestras, preferably negro, playing away long after normal closing time. At the Michodiere Cabaret, one of the newest and smartest in Paris, parties of Argentines appear almost every night, bringing their guitars and supplementing the negro jazz band.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—"Your Kaiser isn't worth as much as my broom!" This taunt in 1918 cost Mme. Justine Hoffman six months in jail at Metz for "le-majeste," but brought her a war medal from the French government in 1925. Mme. Hoffman, who is 60 years old, was ordered by German officers to sweep a street of the capital of Lorraine, then German territory, down which the Kaiser was to drive. Her refusal sent her before a court martial.

BERLIN, Nov. 28.—The village of Hoppstatten, near Frankfurt, has just missed having the first Simon-pure petticoat government in Germany.

Disgusted with party squabbles in the little town, a group of male voters as a joke framed up a ticket containing only women's names. The electorate followed this lead and joined in the fun, electing the women's ticket by an overwhelming majority. The successful candidates, however, were so frightened by being thrust so suddenly into the limelight and by the governmental burdens facing them that they resigned their new offices before they were inaugurated.

BERLIN, Nov. 28.—In the sleepy little town of Polzin a woman living in room 28 of the only hotel aroused suspicion by taking all her meals in her room and declining to mingle with other guests.

It was whispered about that she was a man in disguise. Others started the rumor that the "lady in room 28" was a secret agent of another European power.

A detective was called in to investigate. The mysterious air in which he enveloped himself added to the general curiosity. He was nearly mobbed, however, for failing to produce a sensation. After several days he blandly announced that the lady in room 28 "merely had her hair dyed faultily."

"She is neither blonde nor brunette, neither black haired nor gray, and of course she does not care to meet people," he said.

BERLIN, Nov. 28.—The old fashioned doll with the innocent baby blue eyes, gingham dress and long golden locks has come back in style. Doll fashion experts have decreed with approbation of shopkeepers that the sophisticated looking playthings of the last few years are a menace to children's morals.

The craze has gone out for the Christmas season that children must be given playthings they can understand. They fail to realize why a doll's face should be rouged, the eye lashes and eye brows painted and the dresses cut like evening gowns. Instead of fondling a baby, doll modistes says, a child cannot help but realize that it is nursing a miniature of its mother.

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COLORED CITIZEN MOVES TO CHICAGO

Ed Cook, a pioneer colored citizen of Ballinger, is leaving Ballinger and will spend the remainder of his days in Chicago where he has some rich kin folks. "Uncle Ed" came here with the town and has been one of the most faithful helpers in Ballinger homes for a quarter of a century. His wife went to Chicago some time ago, and Ed will join her. For several years the old darkey was janitor at the school house.

A. W. Malone orders The Ledger to go to his brother-in-law, N. C. Walker, at Hillsboro. The Ledger makes a good Christmas present for your kin folks and friends, and it is a present which will remain fresh with them for the full year.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. E. Brewer and daughters spent Friday in San Angelo.



DR. W. B. CALDWELL AT THE AGE OF 83

Old Folks Need a Mild Laxative —Not a "Physic"

Most men and women past fifty must give to the bowels some occasional help, else they suffer from constipation. One might as well refuse to aid weak eyes with glasses as to neglect a gentle aid to weak bowels. Is your present laxative, in whatever form, promoting regularity for weeks and often for months—or must you "purge" and "physic" every day or two to avoid sick headache, dizziness, biliousness, colds, or sour, gassy stomach?

One dose of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin will establish natural, healthy bowel movement for weeks at a time, even for those chronically constipated. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin not only

causes a gentle, easy bowel movement but, best of all, it is often months before another dose is necessary. Besides, it is absolutely harmless and pleasant to take.

Buy a large 50-cent bottle at any store that sells medicine and just see for yourself.

Dr. Caldwell's SYRUP PEPSIN

REV. CULWELL ARRIVES HERE

Rev. S. L. Culwell, new pastor of the Ballinger Methodist church, arrived late Thursday afternoon with his family and household goods from Waco and is busy unpacking today and getting his house straightened up to live in. Rev. Culwell had his household effects brought thru the country in a truck and the same truck took Rev. E. Bridges' things to Gatesville, leaving here early Friday morning.

Rev. Culwell comes to Ballinger to begin his charge from the Herring Avenue Church of Waco. He has been pastor there for the last year to the Methodist orphanage, and each Sunday all the members of the home attended his services in a body.

Rev. Culwell is accompanied here by his wife and daughter. A son of Rev. and Mrs. Culwell will not come here with the family. The preacher stated that he was very much impressed with Ballinger and judging from what he had seen in the short time he had been here he thought it was one of the nicest little cities he had ever seen.

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FIREMEN GET A \$50 CHECK

The Ballinger Fire Department received a check Friday morning from the Runnels County Gin Company for \$50 for the services rendered when the storage house at the Ballinger gin burned last week.

The fire company made a good run to the blaze and within a few minutes had two streams of water going that saved the gin itself and other property from being destroyed.

L. Cohen, fire chief, also reports another check from the Ballinger State Bank for \$25 which was presented the company for efficient work in extinguishing the blaze in the bank building when an oil stove exploded in the law office of C. P. Shepherd.

Dr. A. S. Love, B. C. Kirk and W. A. Bridwell returned home Wednesday night from a deer hunt and ten days outing. Mr. Bridwell bagged a big buck, but Dr. Love and Mr. Kirk came back with an empty game bag. The hunters report one of the most enjoyable outings they ever had.

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Dr. Mellenthin is a regular graduate in medicine and surgery and is licensed by the state of Texas. He does not operate for chronic appendicitis, gall stones, ulcers of the stomach, tonsils or adenoids.

He has to his credit wonderful results in diseases of the stomach, liver, bowels, blood, skin, nerves, heart, kidney, bladder, bed wetting, catarrh, weak lungs, rheumatism, sciatica, leg ulcers and rectal ailments.

Below are the names of a few of his many satisfied patients in Texas.

Mrs. B. A. Rust, Avery, gall stones
Emil Hausmann, San Antonio, nerve trouble.

T. V. Watts, Lamesa, appendicitis and nerve trouble.

Mrs. H.G. Hill, Big Spring, eczema.

Mrs. D. D. David, Hebbroville, female trouble and backaches.

M. T. Bantan, Dundee, ulcer of stomach.

M. G. Blankenship, Westover, stomach and bowel trouble.

Walter Stolte, Marion, heart trouble

Remember above dates, that consultation on this trip will be free and that his treatment is different.

Married women must be accompanied by their husbands.

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Mr. and Mrs. Claud R. Stone are the proud parents of a fine seven-pound baby boy who arrived Wednesday evening. Mrs. Stone and baby are doing nicely and Claud is behaving extremely well under the circumstances.

MANY REPORT FOR FOOTBALL PRACTICE

About two full teams reported at Fair Park Tuesday afternoon for the first work-out of the Ballinger football team. Most of those taking part the first day were men who have had high school experience, and from three to four years on some of the best college and university teams in the country.

With the proper coaching for about two weeks it will take some team to hold the locals and the present outlook is that they will be aggressive and able to carry the ball as well as offer a strong defense. Many good kickers, passers and receivers are on the team and the aerial game will be one of the locals' strong points.

The first game on the local grid will be played here on December 12th, when a strong Coleman team comes up.

CONDITIONS GOOD IN CONCHO COUNTY

O. R. Sims was in Ballinger from Paint Rock Tuesday, and reported that Concho county was in better condition than it had been for many years, and the citizens of that county were enjoying their share of the prosperity. Mr. Sims stated that his county made a record breaking cotton crop, and range conditions were excellent.

Mr. Sims has about 4,000 acres under cultivation on the Sims ranch near Paint Rock, but he does not go very strong on cotton. Aside from a small acreage planted by tenant farmers on the ranch, the land is devoted to growing feed, and a 2,000-acre oat and wheat field is now furnishing pasturage for quite a bunch of cattle.

Mr. Sims is arranging to feed cattle for market, and will put the cattle on feed at his ranch.

Mrs. Georgia Parker left Thursday afternoon for Goldthwaite, where she will visit for a short time with relatives.

WEDDING BELLS

Baker-Nicholson

Miss Edith Nicholson and Earl Baker surprised their friends Tuesday night by calling at the home of Rev. Ius Q. McCorkle, where they were married. It was a complete surprise to Ballinger friends as the popular young couple had not let anyone in on their plans. Following the wedding the happy pair left for Abilene and will visit relatives for the next few days at Breckenridge and other points, returning Friday to Ballinger, where they will make their home.

Both these young people are very popular in Ballinger, Miss Nicholson having been reared from infancy in this city, and Mr. Baker having lived here for several years. Miss Nicholson is the daughter of Mrs. R. A. Nicholson of Ballinger. She graduated from the local high school last year and entered C. I. A. at Denton this fall, but had to give up her studies and come home on account of illness.

Mr. Baker, a nephew of R. E. George of this city, has been employed by The Hub for several years. He is a sterling young business man and has made many friends since coming to Ballinger.

NEW NATIONAL PARK FOR NEW MEXICO

SANTA FE, N. M., Dec. 2.—Far from the beaten path of travel a new national park is being planned in the Jamez and Sangre de Christo mountain ranges in Northern New Mexico.

At the Southern entrance of the proposed park is a beautiful canyon which has a high water-fall that roars and sparkles. There is a cave whose sides have been painted in brilliant colors by nature's chemistry.

In the center of the region is the Valle Grande, a huge extinct volcano, the largest crater in the Southwest. Near the crater are stone formations resembling Gothic cathedral spires.

Six Year Old Egg Clear

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Dec. 2.—An egg buried three and a half feet under the ground for six years, has been uncovered here and declared to be "as clear as if it had been in the ground only six days" by H. G. Smith, manager of the Washington Co-operative Egg and Poultry Association's station.

No one, however, volunteered to eat it.

Talk to Pretty Girls is One Way to Live Long

OXFORD, Eng., Dec. 2.—Listen to music, look at beautiful things, chat with friends, wear your best clothes and talk all you can to pretty girls, if you wish to live for many years.

This is the advice given by Professor Friar Bacon, of Oxford, where the average age of heads of all the colleges has reached seventy years.

Among the educators a conclusion prevails, however, that longevity is an accident rather than an achievement.

JUDGE TRIMMIER ON ROAD PROGRAM

The Ledger is in receipt of a program of the Texas Road Maintenance Association to be held in San Angelo on December 3rd and 4th. Many prominent speakers from all over Texas are slated for parts on the program and among the list is Judge Paul Trimmer, county judge of Runnels county. He has been assigned the subject, "Horse Drawn vs. Motor Power Maintenance," and will speak on the second day of the meeting.

BAPTISTS LEAVE FOR CONVENTION

Among those who left Monday for Mineral Wells to attend the State Baptist Convention were Dr. and Mrs. Alvin Swindell, Mrs. M. J. Morgan, Mrs. Hill Jackson, Rev. M. C. Golden, Rev. J. R. McCorkle, J. A. Patterson, and I. M. Turner. The convention proper does not open until Wednesday night but the preliminaries began Monday.

Bishop Hay of the Southern Methodist Church, said in a recent address at a conference of that church that the theology taught in most of the Eastern colleges was "rotten materialism." This statement or accusation includes the colleges of Princeton, Yale, Columbia and some others.

Found How to Make Work Many Ballinger Folks Have Easier.

What is so hard as a day's work with an aching back? Or sharp stabs of pains at every sudden twist or turn? There is no peace from the dull ache.

No rest from the soreness, lameness and weakness.

Many folks have found relief through Doan's Pills. They are a stimulant diuretic to the kidneys. Ballinger people recommend Doan's.

Mrs. J. D. Maxwell, 419 Strong Ave., Ballinger, says: "My kidneys acted too freely and my back became weak, tired and aching. My housework was a burden as sharp pains seized me across my back when I swept or washed. I became dizzy, too. I used Doan's Pills from the Pearce Drug Co., and they fixed by kidneys up fine. I have had no further trouble so I know I have been cured."

60c. at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

Fat Women Have Smaller Feet Than Slimmer Sisters

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—There is a saying that fat women may always expect consolation. The latest is that they have smaller feet than their slimmer sisters, who take great pride in boylike figures.

George M. Spangler, who is arranging the national convention of Retail Shoe Dealers here January 7-9, is responsible for the statement.

"Fat people are usually small boned," he said. "Large boned people have more area over which to spread their flesh and do not show obesity."

All the golfing, health walking and other forms of exercise in which the modern woman is indulging has not enlarged her feet, but has made them smaller and muscular, the shoe man observed.

Millions in Jewelry to Grave

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 2.—The practice of burying jewelry with the body of a relative or friend is an expression of sentiment that morticians do not seek to discourage, explained Fred W. Patterson, president of the National Selected Morticians. While most of the jewelry buried with bodies is expensive, averaging about \$10 a trinket in each case, Mr. Patterson estimated that the 2,000,000 Americans who die annually carry approximately \$20,000,000 worth jewelry to the grave with them.

Home in Clouds Awaits President on Chicago Visit

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—When President Coolidge comes to Chicago December 7th to speak to the farmers attending the convention of the American Farm Bureau Federation, his headquarters will be in a two-story Georgian residence on top of the twenty-story Hotel Sherman, 300 feet above the street.

The mid-western sky white house or presidential suite has downstairs a wood paneled living room with a real fireplace, a small dining room and a kitchen where all the president's meals will be prepared.

Upstairs—there are no elevators in the little house—are four bedrooms.

WASHINGTON, December 1.—Counsel for Colonel William S. Mitchell failed today in a spectacular attempt to unseat another member of the court martial trying him, Major-General William Graves.

Col. Mitchell's counsel challenged the right of Gen. Graves to sit as a member of the court after the court overruled the defense plea that prosecution witnesses had displayed bias.

STATION BEGINS PROGRAMS

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 2.—Broadcasting by Station WTAW, operated by the electrical engineering department of Texas A. & M. College, will get under full way with the festivities of Thanksgiving week, the department announces. Heretofore this season, the station has broadcast only football games and religious services. Twice-weekly programs will be given after Thanksgiving week and will be continued through the scholastic year. The Thanksgiving game between Texas Aggies and the University of Texas Longhorns will be broadcast beginning at 2:30 p. m. Ike Ashburn, executive secretary of the A. & M. Former Students Association will broadcast the game and the following night music from the annual Thanksgiving ball at the college will be put on the air.

Beginning the first week in December, at 8 p. m., on Wednesday and Friday nights, WTAW will broadcast instructive programs on poultry culture, cat and dog disease, city management form of government, recipes for Christmas cooking and talks on home sanitation.

Station WTAW is three years old. It has a wave length of 270 meters and its power is 500 watts.

"Death Valley" Scott Deserts Gold Nuggets for Fruit

TONOPAH, Nev., Dec. 2.—Walter Scott, better known as "Death Valley Scotty," is becoming almost as famous for the products of his Rancho Inferno, near Grapevine Canyon in Death Valley, California, as he was a few years ago for the gold nuggets he displayed so lavishly and made such a mystery of.

John G. Kirchen, Nevada mining man, has visited Scott's ranch "down in the bottom of the world."

"Scotty," said Kirchen, "is as much a mystery as ever. He is producing huge quantities of figs, apples, pears, peaches and grapes—the latter of unsurpassed quality. He treated us royally, talked a lot and told us nothing."

Scotty still insists that he has the richest gold mine in the world somewhere in the recesses of the sinister valley. When he attracted such wide attention with his nuggets, he never revealed their origin.

"It's too hot and too much work to dig gold," he now contends. "It's lots more fun to raise peaches and look after my string of sixty mules."

Scotty's ranch has amazed old timers. The land had been considered irredeemable.

TAMPA, Fla., Dec. 1.—Three unidentified negroes were killed and another is dying as the result of a bunk house on Davis Island near here collapsing at midnight last night.

High winds which were sweeping this section reached their highest velocity at forty-eight miles per hour early today, according to the weather bureau station here.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—Germany, the principal antagonist in the World War, today signed the Locarno treaty and collateral pacts, guaranteeing peace in Europe through submission to arbitration any dispute which may arise between them and other nations. The four subsidiary pacts pledge the use of arbitration in the event of boundary disputes between Germany and each of her neighbors.

France, Belgium, Poland and Czecho-Slovakia all signed the document at the same time.

Bowden Hicks, of the Hicks Rubber Company, returned home Sunday evening from a visit to "friends" at Waco. He had a successful trip, notwithstanding an auto wreck while returning home, near Crawford, Texas.

AMERICANS ARE ENTIRE TOWN CALLED OUT TO FIGHT FIRE

DAMASCUS, Dec. 2.—The American consul here today warned American residents of Damascus to keep off the streets after 6:00 o'clock.

The fanatical feeling here is running higher than before the sanguinary uprising in October.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 1.—Foreign Secretary Saenz has instructed the Mexican ambassador at Washington to sign the convention pact negotiated at El Paso for a restriction of liquor and drug smuggling over the border.

The ambassador was also instructed to sign the agreement for the extradition of criminals.

Get today's news today—read The Daily Ledger.

NORTH BAY, Ontario, Dec. 2.—Fire which broke out early today had wiped out half the town of Mattawa this forenoon and is still raging.

The town's entire population of 1,500 people are fighting the flames.

J. Stubblefield, of Norton, was in the city Tuesday. He reported that farmers in the Norton country were about through picking cotton. Mr. Stubblefield will put a bunch of steers on feed and fatten them for market. He will either feed at Winters or at his ranch near Norton.

Be wise and advertise.



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King Cotton's throne is located in Runnels county.

Many farmers are taking advantage of the pretty weather to start their disc plows to running.

Some people lose control of their car by not keeping up the payments.

The football season is over and now many students won't have anything to do unless they study.

Now, as the football season is over, schools and colleges should get down to their work.

Some preacher has called attention to the fact that you seldom hear of an auto accident by people hurrying to church.

Don't kick, walk up and pay your highway tax. Maybe the highway commissio will handle the money on a more business basis in the future.

It would be a mighty poor husband who did not defend his wife, right or wrong, and especially when he is responsible for the wrong. Give Jim credit for that.

The law permits a man to conduct a private business in his wife's name, but the law should not permit a man to run the state government in his wife's name.

The new school building is about ready for occupancy, and it is probable that moving day will be held next week. There is a little difference between the school board and contractors over the question of \$25 per day penalty for a delay of about three months.

There seems to be considerable petty thieving going on around town at present from all reports. It certainly "riles" a man to find his supply of milk missing in the morning thus spoiling his food anticipations of oatmeal and coffee.

Runnels county promises to lead the state in point of cotton production, and this may be due to some extent to the unusual weather conditions, but after all it goes to show that this county is the center of a great cotton producing area, and always will be.

An Arizona Indian 104 years of age was recently thrown from his horse the second time in his life, and seriously injured. The first time he was thrown was when he was 4 years of age. The first hundred years are the hardest, as someone aptly remarked.

Gins here are fast cutting down their operations to one or two days a week, and with the weather remaining good as it has been recently it will only require a few days to get the fleecy staple out. Some farmers in this section have already finishing picking and are breaking their cotton land and getting it ready for next year's crop.

Coleman has raised more than \$56,000 by private subscription to build a hotel in that city. Coleman was badly in need of a modern hotel and when the citizens realized the fact they all did their part and it only required little work to raise a sufficient amount to let the contract for a modern fireproof hotel. A stock company is being formed to operate the hostelry.

A certain magazine makes the statement that automobiles give ten times more service on pavement than on rough unpaved streets and roads. Ballinger auto dealers should do a thriving business in comparison with other towns of West Texas who have paved streets and surfaced roads leading into town from every direction.

Thanksgiving is past and gone and it will only be a few days until the Christmas holidays are upon us. You will greatly assist some hard working clerk if you will start selecting some of your

gifts now. Uncle Sam will also appreciate it if you will mail a few bundles before the big rush commences. This can easily be done by putting a stamp on the package. "Do not open until Christmas."

We will soon slip into that season of the year when automobile owners will have to guard against radiator loss by freeze-ups. Be careful about using patent anti-freeze concoctions. The following formula, using denatured alcohol, is safe:

Table with 3 columns: Alcohol Water, Freezing Point, and values (e.g., 20% 80%, 13 above 0)

A special train passed through Texas this week carrying 250 Mennonites from Canada to Mexico where this particular sect of people have obtained a large land grant and will establish a colony. The Mennonites are a peculiar people and are leaving Canada because they cannot have their own way in that dominion. They are opposed to military service as one of their beliefs. They probably will find a quiet place in Mexico until a revolution breaks out.

According to statistics available, over 22,000 people were killed and a great number injured by automobiles in 1925. Over half of this number were children who were killed or injured while crossing highways or playing in the streets. 30 per cent of the 22,000 were killed in automobile accidents. Detroit, Chicago, Cleveland, and Los Angeles led the list in the number of accidents and killings. If you do not wish to be one of the 22,000 killed next year, you had better watch your step.

As automobiles increase so do accidents. All towns are more or less crowded at some time of the day and the demand for some strict traffic regulations is becoming more urgent every day. There is always someone in a hurry who will rush a car thru crowded streets, either to save time or to show off, and people are constantly in danger of wrecks and being crippled or killed. Traffic signals may slow traffic down a little but we have a number of drivers who need to be slowed down, before they kill someone.

At the recent meeting of teachers at Dallas a movement was set on foot to investigate the general effect of athletics on the schools of Texas, and especially of football. Football seems to be the money game of athletics. It is plainly intimated that if all the facts were known that there would be a goodly number of resignations from the faculties and governing bodies of many schools. However, it is broadly hinted that not all the truth will be divulged. Further it is stated that many schools are mainly maintained for athletics rather than for mental training and development for ideal usefulness in the world. It is freely charged by some of the critics that the sole reason for many boys to attend school is to take part in the games and not education. Many thoughtful educators think that the time is rapidly nearing to have a house cleaning.

NOTICE TO BURGLARS

Your visit to several homes in Ballinger recently is proving to be a lesson to people who do a private banking business in their trouser pockets.

We have been reliably informed that local bank deposits show a marked increase since your visit to our city, and we believe that you would be wasting your time and taking big chances in carrying on your work here.

Money has been removed from trouser pockets to banks, and in homes where you would probably have found easy picking heretofore there are now death traps awaiting you. Shooting irons have been oiled up and made easy on the trigger, and while here and there you might be able to pick up some small pocket change, and a few pieces of gold plated jewelry, it would be at a great risk. Most everybody interviewed have declared their intention to shoot and shoot to kill.

There are no doubt other fields which offer a greater harvest and after a haul of more than one hundred dollars, you should be satisfied with your work here and move on. It is your first visit to

our city on such a bold raid, and we advise you to let it be the last.

A POLITICAL IMPOSSIBILITY

His political enemies are casting about for a candidate to beat Congressman Thomas L. Blanton, and an Eastland newspaper is undertaking to nominate C. Q. Lee, president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, for the task. However, the Eastland paper admits that it will be a pretty big job for Mr. Lee to outrun the congressman from this district.

Mr. Blanton has run so fast in every campaign launched against him since he was first elected, that aspirants for his place have become somewhat "buffaloed." The Abilene Reporter says: "If there was some hope of beating him, there might be some object in putting a candidate against him, but even some of his bitterest political foes admit that beating Thomas L. is among the political impossibilities."

Through his untiring energy and loyalty to his constituents, both friend and foe, Mr. Blanton apparently has a stronger hold on the congressional commission from this district than he had when he defeated his last opponent by more than 25,000 votes.

The Brownwood Bulletin, which in most campaigns has been unfriendly to Mr. Blanton, sees no hope of shaking him off and says, "It begins to look like we have him for keeps, and might as well learn to like him. The most aggravating thing about him is that he is so often right; and a congressman who is even occasionally right is such a rarity that Thomas L. ought to be kept in Washington for the novelty of the thing, if for no other reason. Anyway, he probably will be kept there, if he wants to stay."

BALLINGER MERCHANTS READY FOR XMAS BUYING

Only 36 days until Christmas. Thanksgiving will pass within a few days and then the holiday season really opens and the shop early sings will be evident on every hand. Thirty days may seem a long time in which to buy Christmas presents, but there are always enough people who put their buying off until the last minute to make the final few days before Christmas a nightmare for the clerks who try to satisfy late shoppers from a depleted stock of gift goods.

Ballinger firms this year are reminding the public in a most forceful way that the time for gift exchanging is near at hand. They are putting Christmas goods on display daily and it is their belief that the public will buy if it sees the exact suggestion before its eyes. Some stores report that they have already made many sales and have wrapped and put the articles away for delivery at Yuletide.

The large cotton crop and the heavy bank deposits have been the cause for many salesmen selling the largest bills of gift goods in Ballinger this year that have ever been sold in a small West Texas city before. Local firms are stocking up heavily on these lines, knowing the people will buy, and by purchasing stocks early from the wholesalers and in large quantities the retailers will be able to offer goods at better prices and make the same margin of profit.

Several firms have already decorated their show windows in keeping with the Christmas spirit, and others will do so by the first. The public will be urged to buy early and get the shopping problem out of the way before the final rush starts the last few days before Christmas. Goods will continue to arrive next month as usual but nearly every firm in Ballinger will have the best and biggest array of gift goods ready for an early inspection and they urge their customers to look them over while they are complete in every particular.

BRONTE GETS ANOTHER HIGHWAY

(Bronte Enterprise) The Ballinger Ledger in its last week's issue gave out some information that is good news to Bronte. The State Highway Department has notified Judge Paul Trimmer of Ballinger that the Department had designated the Ballinger-Bronte Highway. Ballinger had worked to get the

road designated through Wingate to Sweetwater. But as the Bronte-Sweetwater Highway was already in existence, the route Ballinger wanted the road to go to Sweetwater would parallel the Bronte-Sweetwater Highway, hence, instead of giving Ballinger what they had asked for, the Department designated the highway from Ballinger to Bronte so that it can connect with the highway to Sweetwater at this point.

That simply is fine. It puts Bronte right in "the middle of things." It connects Bronte with Ballinger with a highway so that our people can go there to trade with less difficulty as to roads and at the same time it puts Ballinger on an almost direct line to Sweetwater via Bronte.

The Enterprise in behalf of all our people wants to thank the Ballinger people and also the highway department for this "plum" we were not even expecting. Sometimes, good things come to us when we don't expect them.

When we get irrigation and the cool, refreshing waters of the Colorado are flowing down the canals and Bronte becomes a town of several thousands with beautiful homes and parks, as result of an abundance of water, our good-friends at Ballinger can drive out and have lunch in our parks, enjoy the beauty and loveliness of "the old home town." We extend to them in advance an invitation to make Bronte their playground. And all the dream we mention above will come true, so far as improved conditions are concerned when we get the water.

BETHEL NEWS

Rev. McCorkle, missionary for Runnels County Baptist Association, preached at Bethel Thursday morning at 11:00 o'clock.

Quite a number of Maverick folks attended the program at Bethel Thursday, after which Maverick school boys and Bethel school boys played a game of basketball. The score was 24 to 2 in favor of Maverick. The Bethel girls and Maverick girls then played, the score being 29 to 6 in favor of the Bethel girls.

The young people enjoyed a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Cotton Thursday night; also one at the home of Mrs. Wood Saturday night.

Miss Cora Hays spent the week end with her uncle of Blackwell.

Geo. Cotter and family, of Menard, visited relatives here last week, returning home Sunday.

Claud and R. D. Goodwin left Sunday afternoon for Kerr county for a deer hunt.

John Greenhill is home from Temple, where he underwent an operation several days ago. Mr. Greenhill says he is getting along as well as could be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Wood have moved back to the Bethel community.

"REPORTER"

SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Watson, of Rule, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. Watson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Watson, and other relatives. They returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Davis, of Christoval, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. Davis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Davis. They returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Brown spent Thanksgiving with Mr. Brown's parents and other relatives here, while en route to San Angelo, where they will make their home.

Maxwell Rushing, of Long, Texas, spent a few days here last week visiting old friends, and attended the party Saturday night. Maxwell is teaching school at Long. He returned home Sunday.

Lennis Brown, Clinton Reese and Earl Scott spent Thanksgiving visiting in Coleman and Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Jones will make their home with Mr. Jones' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jones, for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Caswell Tuckey, of near Crews, spent Sunday with Mrs. George McMillan, who has been sick for several weeks.

E. A. Jeanes Jr. has been quite ill for the past few weeks. Mr. Jeanes is suffering from a bad tooth.

Mrs. George McMillan has been quite ill for several weeks. She is improving fast and will soon be up and about.

Miss Wynis Greer entertained a crowd of her old school mates and friends of South Ballinger Saturday night with a party. All were young folks again. Those present were Mmes. Luther Watson, Ross Smith, Frank Booth, C. E. Lowrie, Bill Davis; Misses Bessie Brown, Wynis Greer, Birta Mae Lowrie, Pearl Holton, Jessie Lee Golden; Messrs. Sid Davis, C. E. Lowrie, Ross Smith, Frank Booth, Luther Watson, Bill Davis, Maxwell Rushing, Ralph Ballou. Two kinds of cake and hot chocolate were served. All enjoyed a good time and met their old friends.

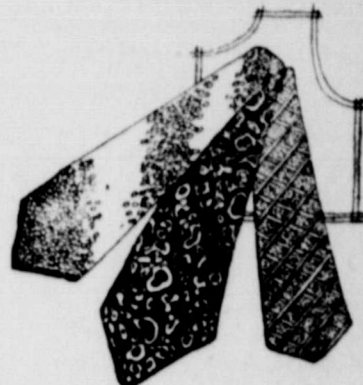
Miss Eula Key, home demonstration agent, met with her club Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, Dec. 1st, at the home of Mrs. Horace Murphy. A demonstration of five different kinds of candy was given—those being made were: date loaf, Irish potato candy, mints, toasted marshmallows, patience. After the candy was made a business session was held. It was decided to charge a small due, 10 cents a month, for each member, to pay expenses. The next meeting will be in January.

After the meeting all kinds of the candy was served. The candies were the best that could be made and all wish to thank Miss Key for her demonstration. Those

present were: Mmes. Horace Murphy and mother, B. M. Batts, Elmer Batts, V. McShan, T. P. Brown, Ross Smith, C. H. Midgley, Charles Midgley, W. H. Greer, V. B. Jones, Hulda Mullens, P. Holton, W. S. Davis, H. M. Leach; Misses Anna B. Mapes, Birta Mae Lowrie, Bessie Brown, Eleanor Greer, Cordelia and Louise Batts and Otelia Jones. Visitors were: Miss Frances Moreland, kindergarten teacher; Mrs. Ira Sims and Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh. The club will meet with Mrs. Elmer Batts at her home in town on Ninth Street.

"BLUE BONNET"

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. King and baby, and Mrs. Geo. McCulley returned to Brownwood Sunday, afternoon, after a visit here with home folks over Thanksgiving.



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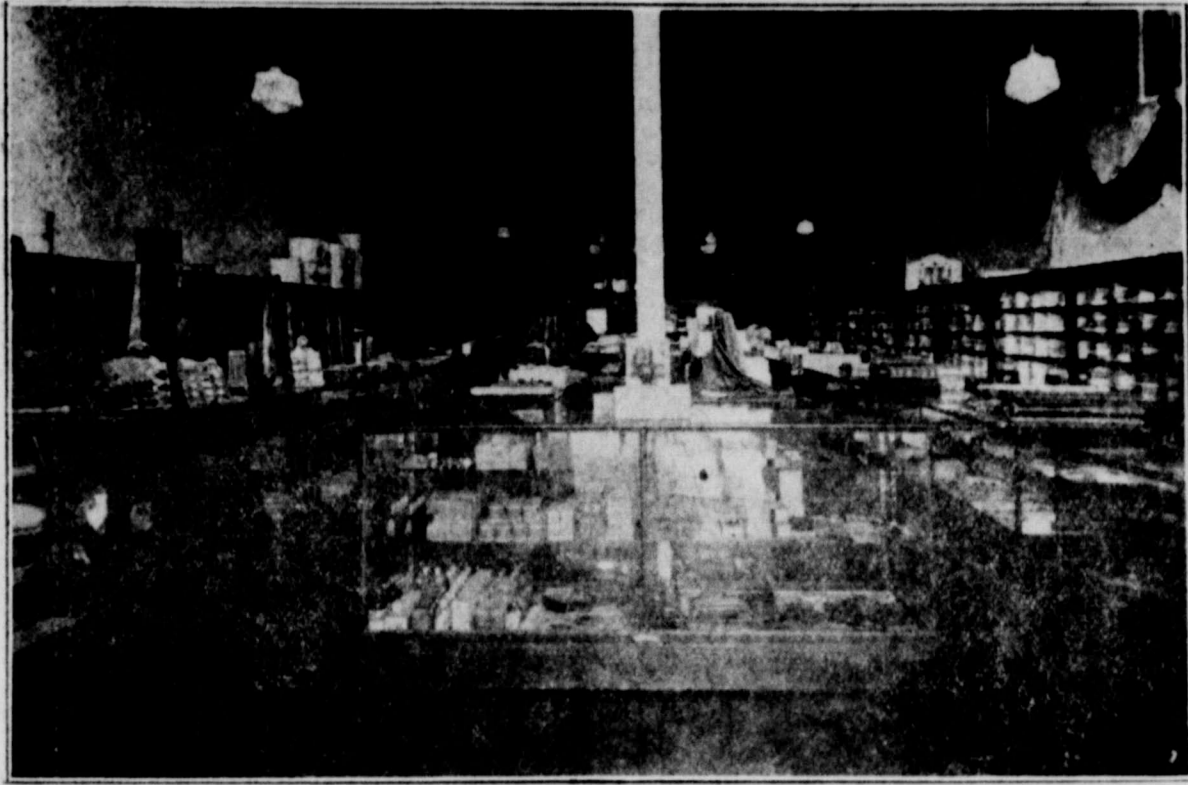
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THE HUB Dry Goods---Everything to Wear



The Hub, one of the oldest firms in Ballinger, has been selling dry goods to this territory for more than a quarter of a century. During that time several men have been at the head of this progressive firm but it has always been operated under the same name. The present management took charge in January 1920, and since that time R. E. George has been actively at its head as manager.

The Hub has an old established reputation for handling nothing but the best merchandise that money can buy and people who care for goods of the better kind, usually shop at The Hub. For men, such well known lines as Hart, Schaffner & Marx, Curlee and Biltmore clothes are handled, with Stacy-Adams and Florsheim shoes. In the ladies' department the Printz Biederman line of ready-to-wear is handled, and the Shelby, the Shelby Arch Preserver and the Johansen lines of shoes.

The store carries a very complete line of everything that is handled by an up-to-date dry goods store. Ready-to-wear for both men and women, millinery, shoes for all the family, yardage goods, hosiery, ribbons, and in fact everything that you want can be secured from this store.

The Hub has been very successful during its business life and the present management is especially satisfied with their patronage for the past few years. Mr. George stated that The Hub would always be found with nothing but the best in merchandise and would guarantee every business transaction made there.

Just at this particular time The Hub is in the middle of the Sixth Anniversary Sale, and the store is thronged with shoppers every day who are taking advantage of the great reductions which have been made on this seasonable, high-class merchandise right in the heart of the season. The sale will continue for some yet in order to let everyone shop at the reduced prices.

Mr. George stated that his firm had bought heavily for the Christmas holiday season and said that never before was their stock so complete with ideal gift goods for any friend or relative. Additional Christmas goods will continue to arrive for the next few days and everyone is urged to see this big stock of gifts before completing their Christmas purchasing.

The entire sales force at The Hub will welcome you to the store any time and it will be their pleasure to show you any article you desire to see.

If It's New You Will Find It at The Hub First

<p>A Genuine Gillette Safety Razor FREE with each pair of Carhartt's Overalls, at— THE HUB</p>	<p>Get it at— HIGGINBOTHAM BROS. & CO. Big Stock—Low Prices</p>	<p>QUEEN THEATRE Not Occasionally, but Always a Good Show. Telephone 167</p>
<p>THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK "The Old Reliable" Established 1886</p>	<p>You Cannot Equal an Exide Battery for the Same Money CAMERON'S GARAGE</p>	<p>KING-HOLT FURNITURE AND UNDERTAKING CO. A Business with Personal Service Runnels County's Biggest Home Furnishers Ladies' Rest Room. Visitors Headquarters in City.</p>
<p>W. C. McCARVER ESTES M. LYNN McCARVER & LYNN Abstracts Loans Real Estate General Insurance</p>	<p>SYKES OVERLAND CO. for FINE MOTOR CARS</p>	<p>U. E. HARTMAN Clean Store and Low Prices</p>
<p>For Real Estate of All Kinds Also Loans See— C. A. DOOSE & CO.</p>	<p>BALLINGER STEAM LAUNDRY "Everything Back But the Dirt" Phone 75</p>	<p>PIGGLY WIGGLY Helps Those Who "Help Themselves."</p>
<p>FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK Boosting Ballinger and Runnels County.</p>	<p>WEST TEXAS UTILITIES CO. Electrical Appliances and Service</p>	<p>H. H. HARDIN Lumber and Building Material Paint, Hardware and Glass</p>
<p>VAN PELT, KIRK & MACK Hardware Farm Implements</p>	<p>Eat at the— AMERICAN CAFE Buy your Meat from L. L. STROBLE</p>	<p>STRAIN DRUG CO. "The Store of Personal Service" You Will Meet Your Friends Here. Phone 234</p>
<p>EVERYTHING TO WEAR G. A. LADWIG</p>	<p>HICKS RUBBER COMPANY Dayton and Diamond Tires Texas' Largest Tire House Ballinger, Texas</p>	<p>NEW MODEL FORDS will arrive this week. Call and see the attractive designs in the NEW MODELS. Place Your Order Now! HARWELL MOTOR COMPANY</p>

**Leprosy Cure Grown in America for First Time,
Tree Brought From Siam Jungles Thrives in Florida**

A rare tree, known scientifically as *Sharaktogenos kurzii*, source of *charaktogenol* oil, used in treatment of the dreaded leprosy, has been brought from the heart of the Siam jungles. The seeds of the tree were secured by Explorer Joseph F. Rock of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, who explored the jungles of Siam, Burma, Assam, and Bengal, in making the trip into the home of poisonous reptiles, tigers, wild elephants, and other dangerous beasts. Mr. Rock was followed all one day by a tiger which killed three of the natives.

Under the direction of Supt. Wilbur A. Patton, the seeds were planted and the young trees are now thriving at the U. S. Government Plant Introduction Station, near Miami, Fla. The *charaktogenol* oil is obtained from the seeds of the tree. Leprosy patients in Hawaii, treated by intramuscular injections, were paroled as no longer a menace to the community. Secretions of leprosy have been introduced into Florida as the climate makes it a most suitable spot to experiment with rare tropical plants. Even commercial rubber trees are being raised in the nurseries, and Harvey S. Firestone and Henry Ford have already made studies of sections suitable for rubber growing. It is said the advance in the price of rubber from the British colonies will more than pay the interest on the British war loan.

"Brand new fruits for the housewife" will be the cry of peddlers in a few years, for the U. S. Government has brought from far countries fruits, many of which taste like a dozen combinations of our best known varieties. The *Monstera* a delicious from Trinidad looks like a glorified ear of corn, and suggests, in taste, a combination of pineapples, pineapples, and bananas. Its blossom resembles a calla lily and it takes eighteen months to open after the blossom opens. New varieties of mango and alligator pears are being raised. The *Haden mango* is considered the superior of the pear and peach. Children go into ecstasies over the sugar apple whose juice makes a natural sherbet when frozen. "An Irish potato



A NEW LARGE VARIETY OF AVOCADO "THE MOST PERFECT FOOD"

"MONSTERA DELICIOSA" A PURIFIED EAR OF CORN THAT TASTES LIKE PINEAPPLES AND BANANAS



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POST OFFICE IN THE TROPICAL STATION LEPROSY CURE IS LAID OUT BY U. S. A. GARDEN, U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE, MIAMI, FLA.

growing on a tree" is the description given by a tourist on the East coast of Florida to the sapodilla which is very sweet and much liked by children. Other rare and delicious fruits are the star apple, the cherimoya and the camucai. There is the vanilla tree, the vanilla bean tree and the Mocha coffee bush from Arabia. Many varieties of new grasses, new stock feed and soil enriching legumes have been introduced. Practical advice as to storage crops for various conditions would no doubt be cheerfully given by the agriculture department of the Florida East Coast Railway at St. Augustine. Nodes grass, East Coast grass, has yielded wonderful results on the better types of soil.

TWO DIE IN BIG LOUISIANA FIRE

LAKE CHARLES, La., Dec. 1.—Fire yesterday caused two deaths and property loss which may reach a million dollars. Hollis Vincent died in a hospital from injuries today. The body of William Guillotte, a fireman, was found in the debris. The fire is believed to have started in a grocery store. About one-third of a business block was wiped out before the flames were checked.

SEATS SELLING FAST FOR LEGION SHOW

The advance sale of reserve seats for the fifth annual American Legion Show started with a bang Monday afternoon when the board was placed at the Weeks Drug Store. Within an hour more than one-fifth of the entire house was sold. The board will remain at this drug store throughout the remainder of the time and reservations can be made either by calling at the store or phoning to have seats laid aside.

A. L. White, of Winters, was a business visitor to Ballinger Wednesday and while here visited The Ledger office where he ordered the paper to his address for the next year.

MOTHER! Clean Child's Bowels with "California Fig Syrup"



Even if cross, feverish, bilious, constipated or full of cold, children love the pleasant taste of "California Fig Syrup." A teaspoonful never fails to clean the liver and bowels. 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.

HIGHWAY BILLS BEING HELD UP

AUSTIN, Dec. 1.—Although the state highways department has to its credit in the treasury more than half a million dollars, it can not pay present bills aggregating tens of thousands of dollars, Eugene Smith, secretary of the commission said today. The failure of the governor to appoint at least one commissioner is responsible.

HOME ECONOMIC EXPERT GIVES DEMONSTRATION

Miss Lola Blair, home economic specialist from A. & M. College, assisted by Miss Eula Key, home demonstration agent, gave a very interesting vegetable cookery demonstration at the home of Mrs. Ross Smith in South Ballinger on last Saturday, Nov. 21st. The demonstration consisted of scalloped corn, cheese souffle, vegetable salad, white sauce, tomato sauce, creamed cabbage and carrots. The demonstration was accompanied with a lecture on "Protective Diet," which included the following: Drink three glasses of milk every day. This furnishes you Vitamine A, which gives you mineral for the bones, nails and teeth and prevents rickets, etc. Eat two raw things each day. This furnishes you Vitamine B, and prevents beriberi or paralysis. Eat two leafy vegetables every day, for Vitamine C. This furnishes you iron and iodine which helps to prevent goitre. Sea foods must be eaten also which help to prevent goitre. You should eat oysters at least once a week. String beans may be used as a substitute for the leafy vegetables. Eat oranges or tomatoes three times a week. This furnishes the Vitamine D and prevents pyorrhea, skin cancer and rheumatism. The protective diet must be taken along with the "staple diet"—meat, potatoes and bread.

After all had been served a business meeting was called, and it was decided to meet next time, Tuesday, December 1st, with Mrs. Horace Murphy, and the

program will be Christmas candies.

Those present were Mrs. V. B. Jones, W. H. Greer, Hulda Mullins, Horace Murphy, B. M. Batts, V. McShann, J. Barron, J. Watson, Elmer Batts, Holten, Misses Wynis Greer, Cordelia and Louise Batts, Nina and Demma Barron, Bessie Brown and Anna Mapes.

PREACHER'S WIFE IS KILLED IN CAR WRECK

Radio news received by listeners in here on Thanksgiving Day reported the death of Mrs. Alonzo Monk, the wife of a prominent Methodist minister, who was killed early Thursday morning when an auto which she was driving, struck a sand hole and turned over three times on the highway between Cleburne and Fort Worth. Two children in the car with Mrs. Monk escaped.

Rev. Monk, husband of the unfortunate woman, held a revival at Winters last spring, where his brother-in-law, Rev. Gid J. Brayn, is pastor of the Methodist church, Mrs. Bryan being a sister of Mrs. Monk.

Mrs. Alvin O. Rue and little son came in from Fort Worth Wednesday morning, and joined Rev. Rue, new pastor of the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church. They had been visiting in Fort Worth for the past week.

LOCAL PEOPLE SEE BIG GAME

There were perhaps 200 Ballinger people who visited Abilene Thursday to see the football game between Simmons University and Howard Payne College. Ballinger people were easily found among the crowd that numbered about 12,000. The road from Abilene to Ballinger was one continuous string of cars Thursday night as people from all over West Texas saw the game.

Simmons, fighting for the championship of the Texas Intercollegiate Athletic Association, went down in sure defeat before the Howard Payne eleven, thereby losing the game and the championship. Southwestern University of Georgetown has the honor of being the 1925 champion, without a single defeat this season and a 0 to 0 tie with Howard Payne. Thursday's game was the only contest of the season that Simmons had lost.

"Cap" McAllister, a Ballinger boy, was the one outstanding star in the Turkey Day game at Abilene. He was playing his last game of football and it was a triumph for him. His speed and football experience kept him in the limelight throughout the game and time after time he hit the line and circled ends for from ten to sixty-five yards at a time. He made three of the four touchdowns for the Brownwood college and carried the ball the entire length of the field to Simmons' four-yard line, where it was carried over by another man, for the fourth touchdown.

CREAGER IS GIVEN A PERMIT TO BUILD BRIDGE

BROWNSVILLE, Nov. 28.—R. B. Creager, republican national committeeman from Texas, and attorney, was given a franchise by the city commission here yesterday afternoon to build a bridge over the Rio Grande between Brownsville and Matamoros.

The granting of the franchise came at the conclusion of a heated debate between Mr. Creager representing himself and F. J. Betanza of Mexico City, his partner in the enterprise, on the one hand, and Father Jean B. Frigon and Judge E. K. Goodrich on the other, seeking franchise for the Brownsville and Matamoros Rapid Transit company of which Judge Goodrich is president.

The Rev. Jean B. Frigon mentioned in the above dispatch is a former pastor of the local Catholic Church, and is well known here. Rev. Frigon left Ballinger to take the pastorate of the Brownsville Catholic Church, where he has been prominent in church and civic affairs.

FRED BOLLIER IS PAINFULLY INJURED

Fred Bollier, a local carpenter, sustained a badly lacerated hand Friday evening while working with an electric planing mill. All four fingers on the left hand had the nails removed and the two largest fingers were scraped to the bone. He will be out of commission for some time as a result of the accident.

GROCERY STORE AND FILER CO. CHANGE

A trade has been made and plans are in the making for the removal of two of Ballinger's business institutions. The Harbor Grocery and Market has secured the lease on the building now occupied by the Creasy Rotary Filer Co., and this manufacturing establishment will occupy the building now occupied by the grocery.

Oscar Harber, manager of the grocery, says he will add new fixtures and modernize his new place for the convenience of the public, and that he will put on an advertising campaign offering the public special inducements to trade there.

Owing to the changing customs of doing business, Mr. Harber, like many others, has decided that to get the cream of the trade now, one must advertise and keep his business out in the "footlights" so to speak.

The above changes will take place during the month of December just as fast as the improvements can be made. The two buildings are property of the Noyes estate.

Colds Cause Grip and Influenza

LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets remove the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 30c.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Moody attended to business in San Antonio Wednesday.

Be wise and advertise.

COLDS

Break a Cold Right Up with "Pape's Cold Compound"



Take two tablets every three hours until three doses are taken. The first dose always gives relief. The second and third doses completely break up the cold. Pleasant and safe to take. Contains no opium or opiates. Millions use "Pape's Cold Compound." Price, thirty-five cents. Druggists guarantee it.

TO SUPPLY SAN ANTONIO GAS FOR XMAS DINNER

LAREDO, Dec. 1.—Construction of the gas pipe line of the Southern Natural Gas Company from the Cole Field of Webb county Northeastward 87 miles to Callahan, where connection will be made with a line into San Antonio is progressing fast.

As fast as the trench digging machines complete a stretch of excavation, the 12 1/2 inch mains are distributed along the route, and soon made a part of the pipe line by a large force of workmen. It is expected gas from the Webb county fields will contribute to the cooking of San Antonio's Christmas dinner.



Christmas

comes when you least expect it. Select your Christmas presents now. No gift affords greater enjoyment and enduring satisfaction than

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The largest stock ever shown to select from. Shop early and avoid the late rush.

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See us in exchanging meal for seed.

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For prices see or phone

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WHERE LIFE GIVING WATERS FLOW
Come to Marlin, the year-round health resort, for rheumatism, neuritis, stomach trouble and all chronic diseases. Modern up-to-date hotels, clinics, and bath houses. Golfing and dancing. Ask your neighbor who has been here or write,
THE MARLIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
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TOURIST INN

Under New Management

We have taken over the Tourist Inn and will handle second-hand Casings and Tubes of all description; second-hand parts for all cars, and will buy any junk batteries, copper, lead, hides, and furs.

Big stock of second-hand Clothes and Shoes Cheap.

Radiator Repairing, Acetylene Welding and General Repairing—guaranteed work. Gas and Oils.

Operated by

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PUT STOMACH IN ORDER AT ONCE
 "Pape's Diapepsin" for Gas, Indigestion or Sour Stomach

Instantly! Stomach corrected! You never feel the slightest distress from indigestion or a sour, acid, gassy stomach, after you eat a tablet of "Pape's Diapepsin." The moment it reaches the stomach all sourness, flatulence, heartburn, gases, palpitation and pain disappear. Druggists guarantee each package to correct indigestion at once. End your stomach trouble for few cents.

MANY CARS OF TOMATOES SHIPPED FROM LAREDO

LAREDO, Dec. 1.—Besides being engaged at this time in transplanting from seedbeds to the open fields one of the largest Bermuda onion crops in history of the Laredo district, farmers of this section are marketing the largest tomato crop the district has produced.

The tomatoes, "green wrapped" are being moved to market in carload lots. It is expected the tomato crop will aggregate between 200 and 250 carloads.

The largest spinach crop ever planted in this district was planted a short time ago.

RED PEPPER FOR GOLDS 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.

For free sample mail this advertisement to Whitehall Pharmaceutical Co., Inc., 598 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Says Dancing to Humans

Like Sunlight to Flowers
 ABERDEEN, Scotland, Nov. 30.—Dancing is just as necessary for healthy human life as sunlight is for flowers, is the belief of Dr. F. L. Deane, bishop of Aberdeen and Orkney.

He regrets, however, that modern dancing tends to thrust aside "some of the most beautiful dances that we have inherited from the past."

"Country dances," he said, "have behind them that intangible, indefinable, yet living force—the force of national sentiment and patriotism."

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days
 Druggists refund money if PIAZO OINTMENT fails to cure itching, blood, bleeding or protruding Piles. Instantly relieves itching Piles, and you can get restful sleep after first application. 50c.

Obituary

M. M. Patterson

Several friends from Ballinger went to Winters Sunday afternoon to attend the funeral of M. M. Patterson, who died at the home of his son-in-law, Dr. W. D. Sanders, in that city Saturday. The funeral was held at the Baptist church and interment made in the new Winters Cemetery with Masonic honors at two-thirty Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Patterson was a pioneer citizen of Rannels county and for many years was active in the development of the county.

For the last several years he has been in feeble health. He was almost eight-one years of age.

The deceased is survived by four children, J. Whit Patterson, and Mrs. J. P. Flynt, of this city; Mrs. Dr. Saunders, of Winters, and Mrs. Mamie Stone, of Winters.

44 LICENSES ARE ISSUED IN NOVEMBER

With twelve hours yet to go, the marriage licenses issued at the Rannels county clerk's office for November totalled forty-four, probably the greatest number of these permits ever issued at the local court house. Both County Clerk W. A. Forgey and Deputy County Clerk, Miss Ina McKown stated that it was expected to exceed this record in December and January when Christmas and New Year weddings will be the order of the day.

Three of the contracting couples requested that their names not be published. Others who were issued licenses are as follows:

- Z. M. McGuire and Katie Lola Corum
- John A. Latham and Maggie Kelly
- John Teplicek and Virginia Bennett
- G. F. Gideon and Thelma Gray
- Prentiss Gideno and Jessie McDonald
- Albert Bolding and Mamie Lankford
- Adam Hennecke and Bertha Waruoreck
- J. E. Fields and Nina Mae Shook
- Barnett Chadwick and Lillie Mae Tucker
- Cullen Riggs and Muriel Briggs
- Scott Morris and Pearl Pilgreen
- Edouard Lindemann and Eulala Vogelsang
- John Macholl and Abimia Sklenarik
- Juan F. Rodriguez and Luisa Esquibel
- Clyde Fikes and Zelma Evans
- W. C. Kuele and Bama Baldwin
- Johnnie Taylor and Mabel Williams
- Marel Wilson and Louella Robertson
- Joe Haecheuten and Clementine Ocker
- J. B. Springfield and Opa Wood
- Walter Lewis and Nina Garrett
- C. P. Pierce and Beatrice Snider
- T. P. McCasland and Letitia Kemp
- Lloyd Ambreus Crow and Mildred Louise Daniel
- Jesse Alton Seaborn and Hattie Estelle Baxter
- J. A. Robertson and Jessie Mae Stevens
- Thomas James Stoghis and Dora Clay
- Floyd Pinkerton and Willie Mae Kelsey
- H. Tiunn and Emma Eschberger
- Willie O. Jones and Lee Audrey Brown
- Paul Howze and Lula Eaken
- W. D. Latham and Lois Stewart
- Clem Rhoades and Ulma Sullivan
- Roy Rogan and Lillian Cutbrith
- W. A. Goolsby and Gladys Gideon
- Will Lorde and Josephine Moran
- Fred Sides and Azalea Dillard
- Frank Lange and Isabell Diersehke
- Frank Pope and Lillie Fields
- Ben Pace and Mary Jones
- Will Miller and Carrie Barrow

Thirty-seven marriage licenses were issued from the clerk's office in October, which is itself a good record as licenses here generally average about one a day. During the "prosperity season," however, the number mounts up, and on account of crops being good this year the clerk and assistants in the office have been more than busy the past several months.

Sufferers of Skin Diseases

Hooper's Tetter-Rem is guaranteed for all skin diseases or troubles makes no difference of how long standing. If you are troubled with Eczema, Tetter, Itch, (any form) Ringworm, Pimples, Salt-Rheum, Dandruff, Cracked Hands, Poison Ivy, Old Sores, Erysipelas, or any other skin disease or trouble, secure a bottle of Hooper's Tetter-Rem on our positive guarantee to give you entire satisfaction or your money back. A liquid. Will not stain. A germicide. Two sizes, 75c and \$1.50. Mfg. by Euclidean Medicine Co., Dallas, Texas. Sold and guaranteed by

J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

HEREFORD, Tex. — W. M. Cogdell, owner of the Cordova Hotel has just let the contract for the erection of a \$35,000 addition to his hotel and work will begin immediately. The addition will cover a space of 75 by 31 feet and is to be two stories high. The building will be steam heated and modern in every respect. This will greatly assist in solving Hereford's hotel problems.

COME TO TOYLAND

Opening Saturday, Dec. 5th

'LO FOLKS SANTA'S HERE!

and he's just finished arranging the hundreds of toys, dolls and games which he brought to gladden the hearts of the little ones. And, folks, wait'll you see the display! You'll say it's a veritable "child's idea of Fairyland." So bring the children!

Deep, Decorated Salad Bowl	29c	1-lb. Box Chocolate Covered Cherries	49c
China Tea Pot	69c	One lot Ladies' Handkerchiefs	5c
Baby Dolls (while they last)		98c	

The above prices are special for Opening Day.
 We will be glad to put your Gifts away and keep them for you until Christmas.

THE FAIR

SAYS GUARD LACKS FUNDS

WASHINGTON, December 2.—Lack of funds has prevented National Guard air service units from obtaining suitable equipment during the last fiscal year, Major General George C. Rickards informed Secretary Davis of the War Department in his annual report for the 1924-25 year, as head of the Militia Bureau.

"The equipment in use at present is obsolete and unsuitable for the work the National Guard Air Service is called upon to perform," the report said. "It is deteriorating rapidly and in a very short time will be unsafe for flying purposes."

"Under these conditions it is considered essential that funds be provided for suitable airplanes and equipment."

Gen. Rickards said three years of guard air service work had "proven its value" as a peacetime element of the state forces.

"The stage of efficiency which has been reached in training indicates," he added, "the position that it has taken as a reserve air force available for use in case of an emergency."

A survey of the guard air camps last summer disclosed "the efficiency and high morale of the personnel participating," the report said, singling out the air units of the Twenty-Ninth Division (Maryland) as particularly praiseworthy among the fourteen divisional organizations now federally recognized. Difficulties met last year in getting pilot replacements for the guard has been overcome, it was added.

WINTER IS BEST FOR STAR GAZING, SAYS

WASHINGTON, December 2.—Winter is the best time for stargazing, says the American Nature Association describing the beauties of the heavens during December.

Five stars of the first magnitude will be visible in the Eastern sky during the last month of the year, and Venus will appear at her best.

"We will find in the East Taurus, the Bull," says the Association, "with its well-known groups of the Pleiades and Hyades and the ruddy Aldebaran, that represents the Eye of the Bull, and there is the magnificent Orion with its many stars of first and second magnitude."

"To the North of Orion will be the brilliant Capella, the Goat, with her small kids or Hoedi close by forming a small triangular group that makes it easy for us to identify this brilliant star, Castor and Pollux, the Twins, in

Gemini, will be well in view in the Northeast.

"Venus will be a magnificent object in the Southwest for about three hours after sunset. All during December Venus will parade a brilliance that reaches a maximum January 2nd.

"Mercury passes from East to West of the sun on December 11 and after that will be in the morning sky and may possibly be seen in the Southwest before sunrise the last few days of the month when it will be at its greatest distance West of the sun. Saturn and Mars will be in conjunction on December 15th. In the North, Cassiopeia is passing to the West of the meridian and the Big Dipper is swinging over to the East of the meridian tho it is still close to the Northern horizon to be seen to advantage. The Great Square in Pegasus covers a large space in the Western sky and will be found about halfway between the horizon and the zenith."

The Quinine That Does Not Affect the Head
 Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets) can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 30c.

New Orleans' Old French Quarter to be Preserved
 NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 30.—Vieux Carre, French quarter of Old New Orleans, where memories of yesterday abound on every side, will be protected from modernism.

A commission of seven members has been created to act in an advisory capacity with the city council to see that no buildings or repairs "out of character" crowd into the historic section now 200 years old.

Here stand the Cabildo, where transfer of the Louisiana Purchase took place; St. Louis Cathedral, built in 1794; the French market, dating from 1723; Napoleon House built by Girod for the Emperor's residence when Lafitte's men should bring him from St. Helena; the shop of Lafitte, the pirate himself, and the Old Absinthe House, no longer selling absinthe, but still hale and hearty after a hundred years.

The Pontalba Buildings, facing Jackson Square on either side, have known such residents and guests as William Makepeace Thackeray, Jenny Lind and Lafayette.

Preservation of the quarter means that Jackson Square will continue to look out on scenes little changed from 1835, when the monument to "Old Hickory" was erected. Here General Jackson was crowned hero of Chalmette by the Creole girls of Louisiana and it was in this same place D'Armes that Don Antonio U'loa received the keys of the city and took possession of it in the name of the King of Spain.

Judge A. K. Doss attended district court in Brady Monday.

LEGION GAMES ON GRID IRON

Ballinger football fans will have an opportunity to see several good football games here this fall. Ballinger has quite a number of old college football players, and augmented by several of the local high school stars a very formidable line-up can be presented. Two games have already been matched with Coleman, the first to be played at Coleman Friday, December 11th, and the return game to be played here on New Year's Day. These games will be played under the auspices of the local post of the American Legion and quite a number of the members of the American Legion will be on the team.

The playing management will consist of Ivan Oliver and Morris Nicholson, and Eli Smith of the West Texas Utilities Company will be sideline director during

each game, and Robert Bruce will handle the business end.

This will be considered as a call for all who have ever played any football to report at the Fair Park field Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock for the first practice. Only men report for practice will be used in these games, so those who want to play should come out every practice.

Every effort possible will be made to place the best team possible on the field and to do this it will be necessary for the town people to give it their very strongest support.

SANTA FE USING LARGE ENGINES ON THIS LINE

Since changing the schedule of the passenger trains on this branch of the Santa Fe, larger locomotives have replaced the smaller type of engines, and the trains are coming in right on the dot. The Santa Fe has been hauling freight trains with the big eight-wheel engines on this line for some time, and the big moguls for passenger power gives the public better service.

FRIDAY IS EYE DAY
DR. B. KAHN, OPTOMETRIST
 In the C. A. Dooze Building, Eyes examined, glasses fitted. We understand eyes.

KEEP THIS

From now until Christmas we are making a special discount of

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on all Ladies', Misses', and Children's Coats and Dresses. Also on Men's, Boys' and Children's Coats, Overcoats and Suits.

Everything is marked in plain figures. Do your own calculating.

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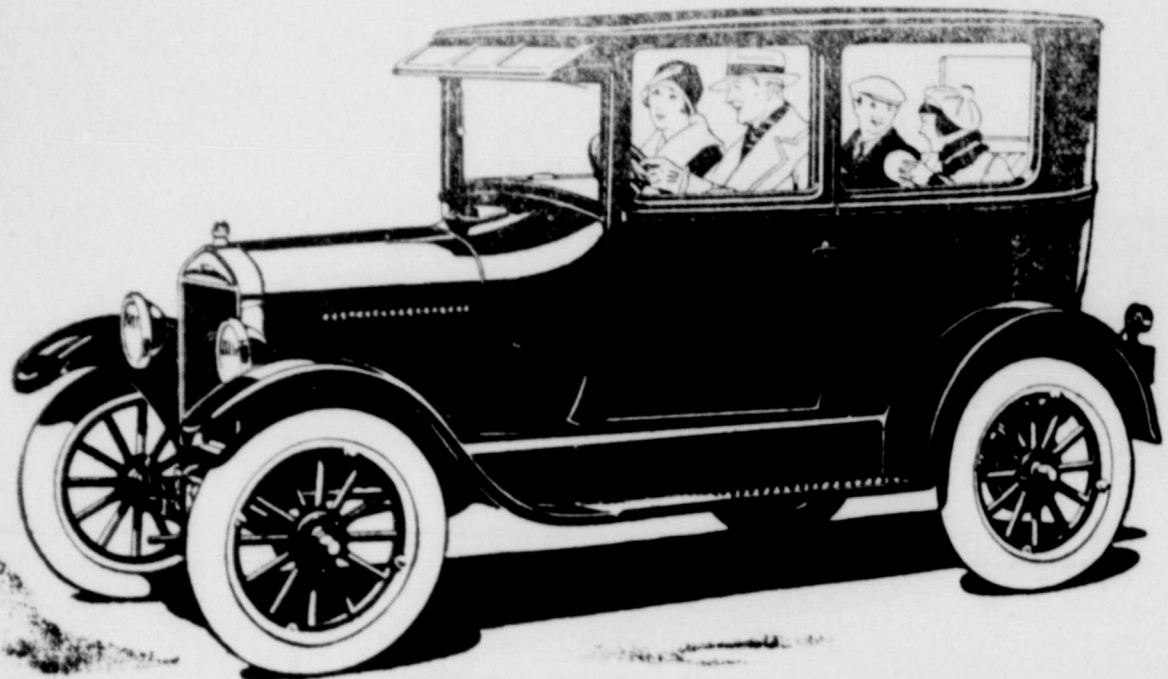
Runabout - \$260
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Closed cars in color.
Removable rims
and spare extra on
open cars.
All prices f. o. b. Detroit

To anyone familiar with closed car values, it is amazing that such quality and workmanship can be had at this low price.

Everyone admires the smart lines and the cozy interior, with its strong, hand-built seats and attractive upholstery. Windows and windshield are of fine plate glass.

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UNION SERVICE IN THANKSGIVING

At the Baptist church Thursday morning the announced Thanksgiving program was carried out with Dr. Alvin Swindell as master of ceremonies.

The sermon was preached by Rev. H. Q. McCorkle and was one of the best ever delivered in Ballinger, its subject matter and setting being very appropriate. Rev. McCorkle preached his sermon on the statement that of all the national holidays observed by this nation, Thanksgiving was the most important because its object was to pay tribute to God while all others, such as the Fourth of July, Armistice Day, Lincoln's Birthday, etc., were celebrated to pay tribute to man and his deeds of heroism and accomplishment.

Rev. McCorkle is a word painter and at times grew eloquent in his discourse, holding the rapt attention of his hearers from his opening sentence to its close.

The music was very appropriate and showed painstaking preparation and demonstrates that Dr. Swindell is not only a good preacher, and a church builder, but is a choir director of ability.

After the sermon a committee of three was nominated to select a charity committee to look after and disburse the charity fund for the next twelve months, this committee upon the nomination of Judge J. W. Powell, consisted of L. E. Bair, E. D. Walker and C. P. Shepherd, and after considering the matter the committee appointed A. B. Legate, L. L. Stroble and R. W. Bruce as the Charity Board for the ensuing year.

While the committee was out nominating, a free will offering was taken amounting to \$89.20, which will be handled along with other funds for the ensuing year to help the needy.

The attendance at the service was perhaps the largest in many years which shows the appreciation the Ballinger public holds for this kind of program.

W. A. Bridwell, chairman of the United Charity Board, made the annual report of the activities of the board, and Mrs. J. W. Bladell, a member of the board, supplemented the report with a few remarks, appealing to the people to donate clothing for charity purposes.

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of head or chest are more easily treated externally with—
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BRINGS IN HIS ONE HUNDRETH BALE

While most people were out celebrating Thanksgiving, Thursday, E. J. Moonen, who lives twelve miles west of Ballinger, was observing the national holiday by bringing his 100th bale of cotton to the gin. The farmers and gins did not suspend operations on Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. Moonen has gained his hundredth bale for the season and stated that he was not through picking and would have several more bales for the gin to tie out for him before the season closed. With cotton, including the seed, bringing close to \$150 per bale, one hundred bales is not a bad crop.

MORE MONEY FOR THE FIRE BOYS

The local fire company acknowledges the receipt of a check for \$10 from County Attorney C. P. Shepherd, who recently suffered a loss when an oil stove exploded in his law office in the Ballinger State Bank building. The volunteer fire company is a non-paid organization of firemen, and their only source of revenue with which to carry on their activities is through volunteer donations from those who are benefited by their fire fighting.

Be wise and advertise.



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BLEDSOE HEADS TEACHER'S ASSN.

DALLAS, Nov. 28.—A number of resolutions and recommendations were adopted by the Texas State Teachers Association in session here.

Among the resolutions passed was one denouncing commercialization of organized school athletics in Texas, and a resolution recommending the appointment of the state superintendent and county superintendents by a state board and county boards of education.

In the election of officers yesterday the balloting was officially announced today as follows: President, J. M. Bledsoe, of Commerce; first vice-president, Carl Gardner, of Fort Worth; second vice-president, P. E. McDonald, Denton. For president Bledsoe received 868 votes, while Bonner Frizzell, of Palestine, received 215, and Miss Mamie Bastain, of Houston, received 269.

To Stop a Cough Quick

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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.

Both remedies are packed in one carton and the cost of the combined treatment is 50c.

Just ask your druggist for HAYES' HEALING HONEY.

STOLEN CAR IS FOUND STRIPPED

Thieves got away with a Ford car belonging to M. Clark on Thanksgiving night. The car was stolen at Rowena where Mr. Clark was attending a dance. The officers found the car on a side road in the Western part of the county and not far from Miles, Friday. The machine was abandoned by the thieves after they had stripped it of everything that could possibly be taken off. The thieves, not satisfied with the casings and rims, took out the spark plugs, stole the tools, curtains, lights, and everything that could possibly be removed. Even the chain and lock with which the car was anchored on with was broken off and carried away. The car was insured against theft with the E. Sheppard Agency, and Mr. Clark will recover damages.

Ledger want ads pay.

WINTERS FARMER KILLED BY AUTO

(Winters Enterprise)
F. C. Adami died at the home of his son, Ernest Adami, Thursday, November 27th, at 2:00 a. m. Death was due to injuries received last Saturday, when in attempting to cross the street he was struck by a car driven by two negro men. Another name is stricken from the ever lessening roll of our old settlers, and a lonely wife and three sons are left to attest how sadly they will miss him.

Deceased was eighty-five years old and had lived in the Winters country for the past twenty years. He was a kind and indulgent father, a loyal citizen and was ever eager to do whatever he could for the upbuilding of the community in which he lived and was a faithful member of the Catholic church.

Funeral services were conducted at the home at 4:00 o'clock by Rev. Strohs of Ballinger and interment was made in the Winters cemetery.

Surviving him are his wife and three sons all of whom are married, Charlie Adami of Winters; Ernest Adami, Winters and O. B. Adami of Tahoka, and eleven grandchildren.

Tender sympathy is universally expressed for the bereaved wife and relatives.

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BIG BARN AND CONTENTS BURN

Mrs. Mary Gilbert recently returned home from McGregor to look after the interests of the Conner estate near Benoit, where her brother, John Conner, resides.

A large barn on the Conner farm was destroyed by fire last week, together with eight or ten tons of maize, 500 bales of Sudan, an automobile, forty chickens, and other goods stored in the barn. Mr. Conner rescued some sheep and a horse from the barn, but the horse was slightly burned and had a narrow escape. The chickens refused to leave the roost, which was under the shed, and all were burned.

Mr. Conner used the car on the night of the fire, and thinks perhaps the fire started from the auto after he placed it under the shed. The maize which was destroyed had been sold and was to be delivered the next day. No insurance was carried.

WOODEN'S WONDER POULTRY POWDER

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MODERN HOMES BEING BUILT

Dr. A. S. Love has completed wrecking his old house at 300 Fourth Street and the work of laying the foundation for his new home is nearing completion. The contract has already been let for the new home and work will be pushed as fast as possible in its erection. The home will be a six-room brick veneer and six shades of grey brick will be used in the walls of the residence.

The house when completed will be one of the most modern in Ballinger as well as one of the best looking. Dr. Love stated that this was the last home he intended to build here and he is putting everything into it to add to its comfort.

Materials and plans for the Love home were furnished by the Ballinger Lumber Co., and the contract was let to Jess McDonald.

Clarence Armstrong is also erecting a new modern bungalow at the corner of Hutchings Avenue and Tenth Street and this house is expected to be ready for occupancy within a few days.

Miss Ruth Skinner, who is teaching in Mason high school this year, is at home for a Thanksgiving visit.

Mrs. John Bacon and daughter Miss Virginia, arrived Wednesday from Lubbock and will be the guests for a few days of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Sheppard and Mrs. J. M. Skinner.

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WILL CONTROL FLOOD WATERS OF RIO GRANDE

BROWNSVILLE, Nov. 27.—Despite rains and floods in this section this fall, the Cameron county engineering department expects to have plans and specifications for flood control of the Rio Grande in this county ready January 1st, W. O. Washington, county engineer, said.

After completing the preliminary survey work, which was concerned chiefly with running lines in order to make contour maps, the engineers, with a force of fifty men, are working on location maps, defining the exact route of proposed floodways.

Four crews are at work, on the north floodway, a second on the arroyo Colorado, a third on the Cuates resaca North of Brownsville, and a fourth on the river making plans for the levee which is to run along the general direction of the stream.

The plans and specifications are being worked out as fast as possible, Mr. Washington said, and he expects to have all the data in shape and plans prepared ready to let the \$1,500,000 flood control next year.

Bonds for the project recently were approved by the attorney general at Austin.

Cameron county's flood control project, for which the state remitted 25 cents of the 35 cent ad valorem tax for 25 years, includes three floodways, one of which is small in comparison to the other two outlets. The first of these comes East from Hidalgo county. It is called the north floodway, entering near La Feria and running north to the Willacy county line and passing through a part of that county to Laguna Madre.

A second floodway is Arroyo Colorado, which has a source of water from the south branch of the main Hidalgo county floodway, after it divides east of Mer-

cedes, and the other inlet from Santa Maria, in Cameron county.

The third floodway, Rancho Viejo resaca, has its inlet near Villanueva. In addition to providing these three outlets for flood waters, the control project provides for a system of levees to parallel the Rio Grande and to be located about a quarter of a mile from the stream. This levee will insure the county protection in case flood waters come over the banks of the river.

No effort will be made to locate levees directly along the river as engineers have observed that such a structure is not secure and may be cut by a change in the current any time. Recent breaks in the levee at Santa Maria and at Matamoros on the Mexico side of the stream bear out this decision.

The fifty men on the field work of the control plans will be pushed to the limit in an effort to complete the work and to be prepared to let the contract early in 1926 and the effort will be successful, Mr. Washington said.

Wm. Havenhill, of Winters, was a business visitor to Ballinger Friday.

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Illinois Man Tells About His Relief from Irritation.

"I used to suffer," says Mr. Walter W. Macdonald, of 711 Fairview Ave., Edwardsville, Ill., "with indigestion, a tight feeling in my chest after meals—felt sluggish, lazy and dull and out of sorts. I would be very constipated.

"Some one recommended Black-Draught. I began using it. I found it so very satisfactory I have used it ever since. I wouldn't be without it.

"My work is inside. I do not get as much exercise as I would like, and at times my system gets clogged and I would see the necessity of a good active medicine.

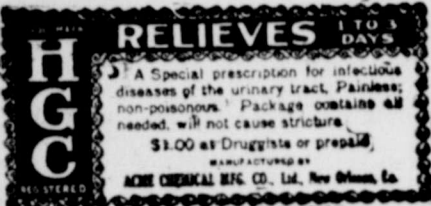
"After one or two doses of Black-Draught, my head clears up and I feel like new.

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Theodore's Black-Draught is recommended by thousands of others for the relief of many common ailments due to a torpid liver, needing laxative or cathartic stimulation. Sold everywhere; 25c. C-32



Judge D. C. Broyles, of Paint Rock, was here Saturday en route home from Dallas, where he had been to attend the state teachers convention. Judge Broyles is county judge and ex-officio superintendent of public education of Concho county. He reports a great gathering of teachers at Dallas. Judge Broyles stated that Concho county had abandoned plans for building a jail at this time. A move was recently put on foot to build a county prison, but the commissioners decided not to build at present.



Frank Cameron returned Thanksgiving Day from a turkey hunt and reports lots of walking and no turkeys.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Teague and children spent Thanksgiving Day in San Angelo visiting relatives.

Roy Sharp is at home for a visit with his mother and sisters, Mrs. M. B. Sharp and daughters.

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Below are the names of a few of his many satisfied patients in Texas.

Mrs. B. A. Rust, Avery, gall stones

Emil Hausmann, San Antonio, nerve trouble.

T. V. Watts, Lamesa, appendicitis and nerve trouble.

Mrs. H.G. Hill, Big Spring, eczema.

Mrs. D. D. David, Hebbronville, female trouble and backaches.

M. T. Bantan, Dundee, ulcer of stomach.

M. G. Blankenship, Westover, stomach and bowel trouble.

Walter Stolte, Marion, heart trouble

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COTTON MONEY TO BUILD HOMES

A canvass of local lumber yards and building material dealers shows that considerable cotton money is going for building improvements throughout the county. Farmers are either building new homes or remodeling and rebuilding their old homes.

Bills of lumber have just gone out of Ballinger for the following rural homes:

I. W. Spann, a six-room modern home on Valley Creek.

C. L. Howell, a five-room house with modern conveniences on Valley Creek.

J. W. Woods, of the Crews section, an up-to-date five-room residence.

P. R. Dietz, a five room bungalow in the Crews community.

Clyde Gabbert, of the Norton country, a four-room residence.

John Bollier is building a six-room residence on Eleventh Street in Ballinger.

The West Texas Utilities Company is completing twin stucco bungalows to be occupied by employees of the company, near the ice plant, and facing Hutchings Avenue. This company expects to build other houses later.

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.

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COUNTRY PEOPLE BUYING RADIOS

Radio dealers are sharing in the prosperity of Rannels county, and the demand for receiving sets shows a big increase over last season, according to G. P. Teague of the Ballinger Electric Co.

This is the ideal season for listening in and radio fans report little interference from static during the last two months.

Mr. Teague is featuring the Freshman Masterpiece sets this season, and last week out of a big shipment of sets he installed more than \$1500 worth of radios in homes in Ballinger and in the rural districts. Country people are buying this season on a much larger scale than last season.

The broadcast stations are rendering a service in the way of markets reports, news bulletins, etc., for the special benefit of the people in the rural districts, and the big stations are also featuring high-class programs this season.

The King-Holt company also have made a number of sales during the last few months and report that many people are becoming interested in radios who had never cared for them before. This firm handles Freed-Eise-mann Radios and Radiolas and have installed many beautiful sets in Ballinger and Rannels county for the winter season.

RUB RHEUMATISM OR SORE, ACHING JOINTS

Rub Pain right out with small trial bottle of old "St. Jacobs Oil"

Rheumatism is "pain" only. Not one case in fifty requires internal treatment. Stop drugging. Rub soothing, penetrating "St. Jacobs Oil" right into your sore, stiff, aching joints and muscles, and relief comes instantly. "St. Jacobs Oil" is a harmless rheumatism liniment which never disappoints and cannot burn the skin.

Lumber up! Quit complaining. Get a small trial bottle of old, honest "St. Jacobs Oil" at any drug store, and in just a moment you'll be free from rheumatic pain, soreness, stiffness and swelling. Don't suffer! Relief awaits you. "St. Jacobs Oil" has relieved millions of rheumatism sufferers in the last half century, and is just as good for sciatica, neuralgia, lumbago, backache, sprains.

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Neuralgia Pain, Pain

Each unbroken "Bayer" package contains proven directions. Handy boxes of twelve tablets cost few cents. Drug stores also sell bottles of 24 and 100.

HIGHWAY MEET AT SAN ANGELO

The Texas Road Maintenance Association will convene in San Angelo for a two days session on Thursday and Friday, and in view of the recent agitation of road matters the meeting promises to attract considerable attention.

Judge Paul Trimmer of this county, and B. L. Brelsford, maintenance engineer for Rannels county, will be among those who will attend from Ballinger. Judge Trimmer is on the program. Among the speakers listed on the program are Ex-Governor James E. Ferguson, Judge Chester A. Bryan, of Houston; Judge B. D. Sartin, of Wichita Falls; Ex-Lieut. Gov. Lynch Davidson, and Hon. R. Q. Lee, president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, as well as several county judges from other counties in the state.

HIGHWAYS IN THIS COUNTY IMPROVED

B. L. Brelsford, maintenance highway engineer for Rannels county, is bringing the dirt roads of this county up to a higher standard, and for dirt roads Rannels county highways no doubt compare with the best of them.

Mr. Brelsford recently succeeded George Speed, who was transferred to Tom Green county. He invites the people to drive out over his work and inspect it at any time, and if they see fit criticize his work.

FAIR WARNING

The National Guard Armory is Government property for use of members only. All others must stay out and will be prosecuted when found therein.

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Three Things to Be Sure of In Building a Home

1. The Plan. Better safe than sorry. Be sure your plan is perfect in every detail before you build. Inconvenient and unsatisfactory arrangements, too little closet space, too few built-ins, etc., can prove a constant source of regret. They can be remedied only at considerable expense. We may be able to help you in planning your home.

2. Materials. Trying to save on first cost by using cheap, inferior materials, always proves costly in the end. It is the most unwise of all courses to take. Buy materials that will last.

3. Construction. A good contractor and skilled workmen offer the best insurance against being a victim of "the high cost of cheap construction." Improper construction is apt to result in constant expense, worry and dissatisfaction. We can put you in touch with reliable workmen.

When you build, build to last. Be sure of these three things. Bring your building problems to us. Let us tell you about our roof that lasts for fifty years.

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\$1000 AID FOR NEW SCHOOL

County Supt. R. E. White reports that the Independence School District has just been awarded \$1000 special state aid, a help which comes from the state only for the four teacher rural consolidated schools.

The Independence School is one of the new consolidated school districts of the county, having recently been formed by consolidating the Puckett and Stone districts. The school is now housed in a new \$8000 building with four teachers in charge, and is one of the best and most modernly equipped buildings in the county.

There are eight consolidated school districts in the county. By the consolidation the schools not only raise their rank, but get better equipment, better teachers and can teach up to the senior year in some cases.

TWO CASES OF SCARLET FEVER REPORTED HERE

The home of L. L. Stroble is under quarantine, according to City Health Officer E. R. Walker, where two cases of scarlet fever have developed. Miss Ludrie Stroble, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stroble, and their little granddaughter, the baby of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Frazier, are ill with the fever. Both patients were reported to be getting along as well as could be expected Tuesday, and proper precaution is being used to prevent a spread of the malady.

NEGRO GOES ON THE WARPATH

A negro man plead guilty to disturbing the peace in city court Tuesday morning. The negro is alleged to have visited the servant's home at the home of Judge A. K. Doss last Saturday night where he chased a negro woman into the home of Judge Doss, and was threatening to kill her when officers arrived. Judge Doss and family were not at home at the time, but the negro woman managed to phone the officers. The negro was placed in jail and released after pleading guilty Tuesday.

How Doctors Treat Colds and the Flu

To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of grippe, influenza, sore throat or tonsillitis, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotabs, the purified and refined calomel compound tablet that gives you the effects of calomel and salts combined, without the unpleasant effects of either.

One or two Calotabs at bed-time with a swallow of water,—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating, work or pleasure. Next morning your cold has vanished, your system is thoroughly purified and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please,—no danger.

Get a family package, containing full directions, only 35 cents. (At any drug store. (adv)

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THE DALLAS NEWS	DAILY except SUNDAY	\$9.50
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THE FT. WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM	DAILY and SUNDAY	\$8.50
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THE FT. WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM	DAILY and SUNDAY	\$11.50
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THE FT. WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM	DAILY without SUNDAY	\$7.00
THE BANNER-LEDGER		
THE FT. WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM	DAILY without SUNDAY	\$10.00
THE DAILY LEDGER		
THE HOUSTON CHRONICLE	DAILY and SUNDAY	\$6.25
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WANTED TO TRADE—Second hand Deleo Light plant for second hand Ford truck. Apply Ballinger Electric Co., Phone 7. 4-2tw.*

FOR SALE—Good work mules, horses, mares, disc plows, cultivators, planters, all in good condition. Calvin Roberson. 4-4tw.*

FOR SALE—Wood, out of my pasture from December 7th to 13th. Henry Knox, Talpa, Texas. 4-1tw.*

WANTED—Will make liberal proposition to well known resident of Runnels county to take orders for Vernon Big Boll Half and Half Cotton Seed. Reliable farmer preferred. Write West Texas Seed Co., Vernon, Texas. 2-1d-1w.*

FOR SALE—Three row Stalk Cutter on exhibition at John's Shop or phone 6102. Lee Evans. 1-4d-4tw.*

WANTED—at once—1,000 dull Discs to roll out to a thin edge, at Clark's Blacksmith Shop. Where we can save you money on blacksmithing. Opposite court house lawn. 26-4tw.*

WANTED—A young Jersey cow fresh in milk. Write me at Lowake or phone from Miles, Phone No. 6614. Richard Meseke. 21-1td-2tw

FOR SALE—Registered Hereford Bulls, 2 year old, big bone kind. T. A. Shultz, Paint Rock. 23-4tw.*

FOR SALE or TRADE—One 15 horsepower oil engine and one No. 4 American pump. Both for \$250. L. M. Stephenson, Maverick, Texas. 13-4tw

Notice to Livestock Owners—When in need of veterinary services, phone Dr. Richard F. Zedlitz, Nos. 12 or 13, Ballinger. 9-wtf.

FOR SALE—160 acres fine land 3 1/2 miles Southwest of Ballinger, where new brick school is building. \$40 per acre and long time on part. Dr. J. E. Neese, Boerne, Texas. 30-8w.*

FOR SALE—Dry mesquite wood at my place on Valley Creek five miles West of Ballinger, \$3 per cord. L. E. H. Barnett. 29-1fw

Anyone having empty soda water bottles at their homes will confer a great favor by returning them to Ballinger Coca Cola Bottling Co. 26-2tw

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FOR SALE—This week and next everything in my shop. The shop is situated behind the Day Gin. Phone 1210. Mrs. S. B. Howard. 25-3d-1w

New York expert says fish are better food than hot dogs, but we doubt if fish will enjoy the compliment.

HEAD STUFFED FROM CATARRH OR A COLD
Says Cream Applied in Nostrils Opens Air Passages Right Up.

Instant relief—no waiting. Your clogged nostrils open right up; the air passages of your head clear and you can breathe freely. No more hawking, snuffling, blowing, headache dryness. No struggling for breath at night—your cold or catarrh disappears.

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U. S. ISLANDS IN FINE SHAPE

WASHINGTON, December 1.—The annual report of the chief of the Bureau of Insular Affairs, made public today, cited detailed figures in support of its statement that in the Philippines, Porto Rico and Santo Domingo, the year ending June 30, 1925, was one of prosperity and general advancement.

Major General Frank McIntyre, who signed the report, said the external trade of the Philippines was in quantity "greater than in any previous year in the history of the islands. Measured in value, however, the total was less than in 1920, due to the higher prices of that year. The total of imports and exports amounted to \$243,000,000, which, as stated, was only exceeded in 1920, when the total was \$300,500,000. Of the imports approximately 60 per cent came from continental United States and of the exports approximately 70 per cent came to the United States. This varies slightly from the normal.

"The most striking feature," the report continued, "is the great development in the production of centrifugal sugar, due to the comparatively recent construction of a number of modern sugar mills in the islands. The estimated production of centrifugal sugar for the sugar year 1924-25 was 483,000 metric tons. It is interesting to note that of this production this year, the centrals financed and practically owned by the Philippine National Bank produced 173,000 tons; American-owned centrals, 156,000; Spanish 102,000; and Filipino, 51,000."

"From one point of view the bank centrals and the Filipino-owned centrals should be combined, as the control of these centrals is in Filipino hands. The segregation is made because of the fact that the centrals financed by the bank may be regarded as having been financed from the proceeds of Philippine government bonds sold in the United States."

Of Porto Rico, Gen. McIntyre said: "There was evidence of material progress in every field of governmental and private activity. The most noticeable governmental progress was in the erection of necessary public buildings and the extension of the splendid highway system of the island."

"The serious problem is the excess population. To a slight extent this is being met by the gradual development of small industries in the island. There is, however, no noticeable increase in the departure of emigrants from the island."

Administration of the customs receivership in the Dominican Republic, said Gen. McIntyre, "is strong in the good-will of the Dominican government and the people, and is performing efficiently the duties imposed upon it." He added: "There is, perhaps, no example in history of a work of this kind being carried on with so little friction. The credit for the suc-

cess of the receivership is due almost exclusively to the personnel employed and to the direction given in its organization. The avoidance of friction and efficient operation of the service, which have been the outstanding marks of the receivership, could be entirely destroyed by a few careless selections to fill the very few positions held by Americans.

"It should be noted that not the least of the accomplishments of the receivership has been the gradual replacement of American personnel by Dominicans, until today the number of Americans is reduced to the limit that could fairly be regarded as a compliance with the terms of the treaty establishing the receivership."

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PIONEER CITIZENS MARRIED FIFTY YEARS

A combination wedding anniversary and birthday celebration was observed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Routh, two miles north of the city Sunday. The event marked the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Routh, and also the birthday celebration of three members of the family, including Mr. Routh and two of the grand children.

Mr. and Mrs. Routh are native Texans and came to Runnels County from Fayette County, Texas, many years ago. The land on which the original townsite of Ballinger is located was formerly owned by Mr. Routh, he having released the land before the city site was surveyed out.

At the family reunion Sunday seven of the eight children and five of six children-in-law, and sixteen of the eighteen grand children were present.

RECEIVES NEWS OF DEATH OF HIS DAUGHTER-IN-LAW

D. C. Underwood received a message Sunday announcing the death of his daughter-in-law, Mrs. DeWitt Underwood. Mrs. Underwood died at her home in Huron, South Dakota, at 2:45 a. m. o'clock Sunday, after an illness of about one year.

Before her marriage to the Ballinger boy Mrs. Underwood was Mrs. Florence House, of Osceola, South Dakota, and while the message did not say so, it is expected that the remains will be laid to rest at that place.

Besides the husband, a little girl, two and a half years old, survives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Taylor returned home Sunday from Graham, where they went to spend Thanksgiving and for a week-end visit.

Robber Raids Homes and Gets Money and Jewels

Three homes were robbed and the thief was frustrated while in the act of robbing the fourth home early Sunday morning. It was one of the boldest robberies committed in Ballinger in recent years, and netted the robbers more than one hundred dollars in cash and other valuables.

Some time during the latter part of the night the burglar entered the homes of Judge J. W. Powell, Dr. C. W. Cheatham, W. L. Brown and M. B. Wardlaw. The thief was apprehended while prowling in the Wardlaw home and was frightened away before he made his haul. He had a close call at the Wardlaw home. Mr. Wardlaw making a grab for him as he left the house and beat a hasty retreat.

At the home of Dr. Cheatham the burglar got away with \$75, and a gold watch and chain, leaving the doctor's pockets turned inside out. Judge J. W. Powell's trousers were touched for \$30 and W. L. Brown lost about two dollars in change and his watch. Fortunately Judge Powell removed his watch from his pocket and placed it on the dresser before retiring, and the robber did not get it.

Mr. Brown says that the robber visited his home after three-thirty, as he was up at that hour and nothing had been disturbed up to that time, and the night visitor called at the Wardlaw home after leaving the Brown home, it is presumed.

Officers were notified and put on the case, but could pick up no clue that might lead to apprehending the guilty party. The robber did his work in a manner that indicates that he was familiar with the premises visited, and it is believed that he was a white man.

The work done in each home indicated that the robber was a professional yegg. He used a small flashlight, and left the doors open behind him. At the home of Judge Powell the trousers from which the money was lifted were carried from the bed-

room into the hall, and left in the floor. At the home of Dr. Cheatham the porch-climber passed thru another room where a young lady was sleeping to get to the room where he found the trousers containing the cash. He carried the trousers out in the yard, where he left them. At the home of Mr. Brown, the trousers were dropped in the bath-room, where they were left by Mr. Brown when he retired. It was the reflection from the small flash light which caused Mr. Wardlaw to realize that a burglar was in the house when his daughter called to him. Mr. Wardlaw thinks perhaps he might have nabbed the house-breaker if he had not acted too hastily and

get further into the room in his prowling.

MAYR'S WONDERFUL REMEDY for STOMACH TROUBLE
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AT ALL DRUGGISTS

S. A. King was in Ballinger Tuesday looking after business and made the announcement that he was preparing to move from Miles to Falls, Texas. Mr. King ordered The Banner-Ledger to follow him to Falls.

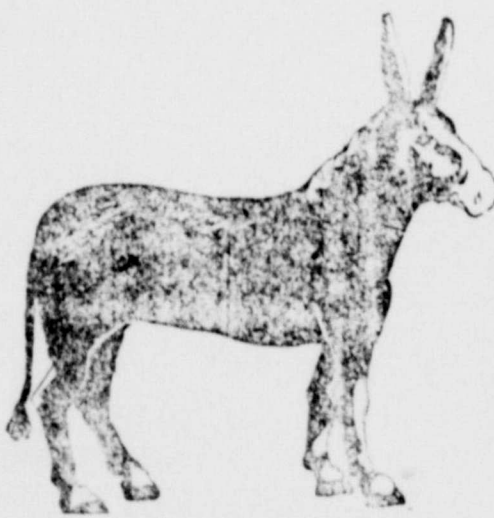
MEMPHIS, Tex.—More than 5,000 pounds of dressed turkeys have been shipped to the Northern markets from Memphis. Also 20,000 pounds of live turkeys have been shipped. So far the turkey crop has brought the farmers \$17,500 this season.

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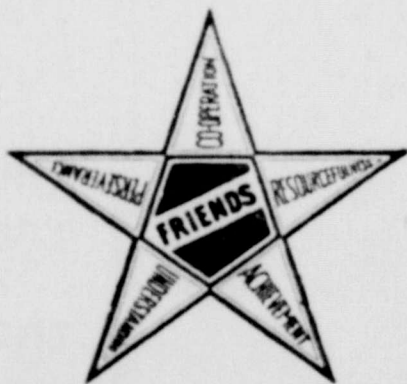
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