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TWO FRONTS--HUTCHINS AVE. & 8th ST.

Ballinger, Texas

Alluring Values for Christmas Shoppers

DECEMBER CLEARANCE AND XMAS SALE

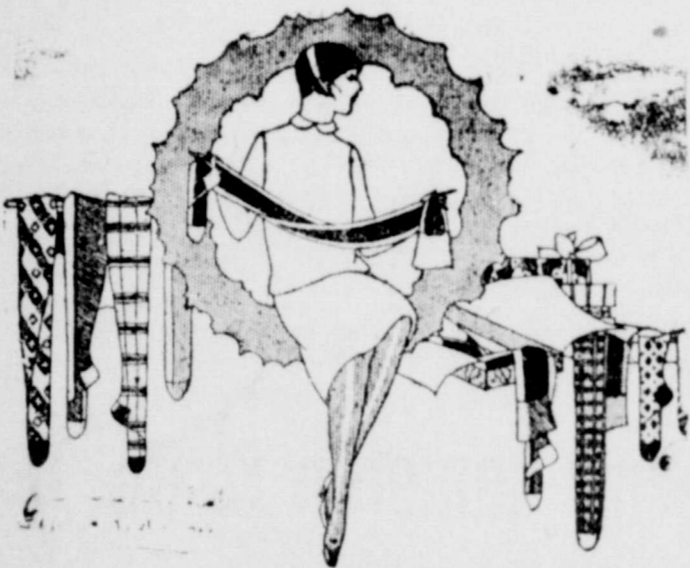
Many, many dollars will be saved here during this sale by thrifty folk who believe in getting the utmost out of their Christmas money. New gift goods have been received during the week—other and greater reductions have been made on many items in order to reduce our stock before inventory on December 26th.

We Quote Just a Few of Our Many Suitable Gifts at Decided Savings



The Ideal Small Gift Handkerchiefs for Christmas

Most elaborate display of holiday colored Handkerchiefs priced well below regular value. Most any quality, color or design that you care to choose, attractively priced, per box 25c to \$1.50



Give Her Phoenix Hose

Specially Priced at 75c to \$3.50

A great assortment of Phoenix Hosiery for women such as they would select for themselves—and the price is less than you usually pay for inferior brands.

SPECIAL GIFT HOSIERY FOR MEN

35c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00

New arrivals in Men's Hosiery from Wilson Bros. and Phoenix mills in silk, silk and wool, and wool, are extremely desirable for gifts. Among the new arrivals are colorful plaids and stripes, more modest shades in solid colors, and the popular fancy patterns being extensively worn by the young men and boys.



Give Him Slippers

Priced at \$1.75 to \$3.25

A most highly appreciated gift for Men—comfortable House Slippers for men, in either felt or soft kid—priced at \$1.75 to \$3.25

Coats and Dresses All Go at Half Price

Priced Regularly at \$7.50 to \$60.00

Here you can find just the garment you have been waiting for—and at a price far below wholesale cost—in fact, well below the cost of material alone—garments that will be chosen quickly—so make your selections as early as possible.

A Gift that Never Fails—Furs

There's a lure about Furs that precludes any possibility of one going wrong in giving them. Make your selections from our large stock at

ONE THIRD OFF

Reeder's MILLINERY - SHOP

LADIES REST ROOM

All Hats at Just Two Prices

\$4.50 to \$7.50 Hats

\$1.98

\$8.00 to \$16.50 Hats

\$3.98

Many of our customers have been buying these Hats for early Spring wear—made of materials entirely suitable—such as satin, metal-cloth and other light materials. The styles are extremely late and prices most unusual.

The New Shirts

\$2.00 \$2.50 \$3.00 \$3.50

More and more Shirts are becoming one of the most popular gifts for Men. This season especially the new fancy patterns are colorful and gift looking.

A new shipment of high grade Shirts has just arrived, featuring the last minute designs in materials in novel designs—Shirts of a quality that are sure to please the most particular, specially priced at \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50

Reeder's UP STAIRS BARGAIN ANNEX

Playthings from Toyland

Garnered from every corner of the globe and tastefully arranged, the Toys that you and your children will like are here—ready for your inspection. So generous is the selection and so unusual are the values that a visit to Toyland is necessary to appreciate them.

Give Her Silk Lingerie for Christmas

Gowns Slips Step-Ins
Bloomers Teddies

Specially Priced at \$2.50 to \$7.50

The most favored of holiday gifts, this beautiful Silk Lingerie, in a timely sale for Christmas shoppers. Choose now while selections are complete and at their best.



Going Fast

Men's and Boys Suits and Overcoats

Dress up for the Holidays at These Great Savings

\$15.00 2-pants Suits	\$24.50
\$45.00 2-pants Suits	\$31.50
\$60.00 2-pants Suits	\$34.50
\$20.00 2-pants Suits	\$14.50
\$17.50 Boys' 2-pants Suits	\$12.50
\$17.50 Boys' 2-pants Suits (long)	\$13.50
\$13.50 Boys' 1-pants Suits (long)	\$9.50
\$30.00 Top Coats	\$19.50
\$30.00 Knittex Coats	\$24.50
\$16.50 to \$22.50 Overcoats	\$13.50

GOOD SHOES FOR MEN AT \$3.75

Selection of several new styles including the new Oxfords in light tan shades—also hi-cuts for young men and the staple models in both brown and black—our regular \$5.00 grade—priced to reduce stock \$3.75

Gift Neckwear

Boxed if Desired, at
75c, \$1.00, \$1.50

Neckwear! A silken gift of charming individuality and beauty. Please notice in particular our new arrivals in fine silk neckwear; their unusual weaves and beautiful blending colors reflect the recent trend of neckwear fashion. And something to consider in selecting gift neckwear for men. Our large stocks, wide selection, and experienced salespeople make gift shopping a pleasure at this store.



DREADFUL PAINS

This Lady Suffered Severely, Took Cardui, and Got Well.

Mrs. George S. Hunter, of Columbus, Ga., writes: "I suffered with dreadful pains in my sides during... My side hurt so bad it nearly killed me. I had to go to bed and stay sometimes two weeks at a time. I could not work and I just dragged around the house."



OFFICER'S BOND IS FIXED AT \$7,500

Bond for Deputy Sheriff Carl Adams, who shot and killed W. G. Wetzel, a barber, at Brownwood, Wednesday, was fixed at \$7,500 after an examining trial held Thursday.

HOW'S THIS?

HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh or Deafness caused by Catarrh. It consists of an Ointment which Quickly Relieves, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, thus restoring normal conditions.

Board and Rooms are Needed for Teachers Coming to Institute

County Superintendent R. E. White informed a Ledger reporter Thursday morning that board and rooms are badly needed to take care of the 500 teachers who will come to Ballinger for the annual district institute on Dec. 21st to 23rd.

Mr. White stated that not half enough rooms had been listed to take care of the educators and those who have spare rooms are urged to let the office know at once so the visitors can be assigned to places as soon as they arrive.

Approximately 500 teachers will be here to attend the institute and with the already crowded condition in this city it is up to citizens of Ballinger to throw open their homes and take care of the visitors for the three-day meeting.

It will also be necessary that some places besides the regular boarding houses prepare meals as it will be next to impossible for 500 extra people to eat at hotels and cafes and get back to the sessions in the time they have off for meals.

The superintendent's department is urging local citizens not to delay this matter, but to call the office immediately and list all available rooms and meals.

MARRS COMING TO INSTITUTE

Instead of sending one of his assistants to the Concho-Colo- rado Teachers Institute which convenes here on December 21, State Superintendent S. M. N. Marrs will come himself, according to information received from Prof. Marrs by County Superintendent R. E. White, director of the institute.

Mr. Marrs has notified Mr. White that he will appear before the institute on December 22nd, which will be the second day of the meeting.

Supt. White reports that plans for the institute are well in hand, with the exception of the boarding question. The people of Ballinger must open their homes and assist in taking care of the 500 teachers who are to spend three or four days here.

"Stop That Itching"

No matter how hopeless your case may seem, nor how long you have suffered from Eczema, Ringworm, Cracked Hands, Itch, Poison Oak, Old Sores and Sores on children, or any other skin disease, we will sell you a jar of Blue Star Remedy, on a guarantee.

Weeks Drug Store

Mrs. Ira Sims was called to Houston this week to be at the bedside of her sister, who was reportedly seriously ill. She left for Houston Wednesday afternoon.

CHURCH ADOPTS PLANS APPROVE

At a recent meeting of the official board of the First Christian Church, building plans to cost upwards of \$2,000, were adopted, and the work will begin at an early date.

The annex and Sunday school building has never been completed, and the building program calls for the completion of this part of the church.

The upstairs, or first floor, will be fitted up into seven Sunday school rooms and an auditorium, the building to be completed with a steel ceiling, and the entire interior of the annex finished up, a work which has been postponed from time to time since the building was completed.

This will give the Christian congregation a modern plant, and large enough to carry on their work most successfully. This church is making a substantial growth, twenty-one members having been added to the congregation since Rev. I. Q. McCorkle, the present pastor, began his pastorate here about three months ago.

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.

MAY USE LAW TO STOP FIREWORKS

People living on Eighth Street between the school campus and the Santa Fe right-of-way are complaining about boys shooting fireworks promiscuously, mischievously and recklessly, and steps will probably be taken to use the strong arm of the law if there is not a cessation of the nuisance.

One lady reports that lighted fireworks were thrown on her porch Wednesday night and she was greeted with an explosion when she stepped out on the porch. Some parents can't control their kiddies, but we understand that there is a law which steps in and controls the parents in a way that sometimes brings relief.

Fireworks are sometimes dangerous, and the Eighth Street residents have a just kick coming, and those responsible for the mischief might do well by taking heed to this little warning.



JUDGE JENKINS APPROVES ACTION OF THE GOVERNOR

The action of Governor Ferguson in refusing to call a special session at this time is given the approval of Judge C. H. Jenkins, he stated to the Bulletin today.

"There is no necessity for a call for a special session at this time," Judge Jenkins declared, "and certainly not for any of the purposes stated in the petition to the governor. If an investigation of the affairs of the highway commission is needed, that can be done more efficiently and more economically through the courts."

As to impeachment, Judge Jenkins said he had not seen a single charge made which would justify impeachment proceedings.—Brownwood Bulletin.

No Worms in a Healthy Child

All children troubled with Worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILD TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strength-giving Tonic to the whole system.

L. C. Henry, formerly Western Union manager at Ballinger, is now with the local Santa Fe station as telegraph operator, and for the present is remaining in Ballinger.

W. D. Seales, of this city; J. H. Hodge, of Abilene; and H. J. Hodge, of Winters; returned Friday from a hunting trip. They brought back three deer.

Ledger want ads pay.

DRIVING FOR 1926 MEMBERS

Post Commander American Legion, Ballinger, Texas.

Following telegram just received from state headquarters, "We will issue a bulletin on the sixteenth showing the standing by divisions of the membership for 1926. Advise your post and executive committees to the effect that these bulletins will be printed in American Legion Weekly showing which are the live posts in Texas."

R. C. WINTERS, Division Commander.

The above telegram was received by the local post and speaks for itself. Members are wanted within the next two days and if you have not paid up for 1926, do so at once, so that Ballinger will make the showing it always has before. In 1925 Ballinger was the seventh largest post in Texas and many of the last year's memberships have already been paid for the coming year, however there are some who have not signed their cards yet and if possible they should do so before the night of the 10th.

Get today's news today—read The Daily Ledger

Gift Shopping is Made Easy at Cordill's

Asa Cordill's Bargain Table is a Big Hit.

Don't confuse our Bargain Table with other so-called bargain sales. You'll not go to other jewelry store and buy this goods for less.

The merchant who offers bargains and fails to give them as good as he gets, is giving Real BARGAINS. Our sales from our Bargain Table prove it.

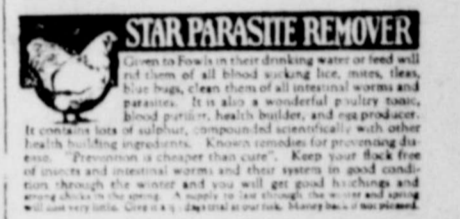
Don't forget the Four Watches shown in our window each day. They are Bargains.

We have a real pretty line of S-day Clocks, Seth Thomas, and other good makes.

We have a large supply of Railroad Watches, which we are offering at Bargain prices. Here is the place to buy Wrist Watches at prices that cannot be duplicated anywhere.

Our Pearl on Ivory and Amber Sets are beautiful. You'll profit by seeing our line before buying.

ASA CORDILL, The Jeweler, 14-14d-14w



Jeanes Company

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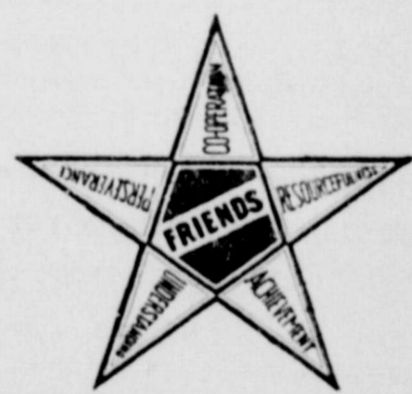
Three Things to Be Sure of in Building a Home

- 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.

Wm. Cameron & Co. Inc.

Phone 141



What is Thrift

The true definition of Thrift is to spend a little less than you earn; to live simply, work diligently, spend judiciously; save consistently.

Thrift is merely common-sense applied to spending. It deprives no one of rightful pleasure or comfort, but is rather the answer to all things worth while.

Start a Thrift Account at this Bank.

Ballinger State Bank "Guaranty Fund Bank."

LINCOLN Ford FORDSON
12 Years In Business
ONE NEW PRINCIPLE WILL BE EVERYTHING STRICTLY CASH
This applies to work in our repair shop and all accessories. We ask that our customers please take notice and after the first of the year, please do not ask for credit. This rule will apply to everyone, so please spare us the embarrassment of denying you credit.
We will continue to sell cars on the monthly payment plan as heretofore.
On December 9th, 1913, twelve years ago we opened for business in Ballinger and during those twelve years we have the people of this trade territory to thank for a satisfactory and prosperous business.
Our business has now grown until some of the principles which we have had in force will have to be changed.
Beginning January First, 1926
HARWELL MOTOR CO.
Ballinger, Texas

JUST TO TELL YOU THE GREAT GREEN TICKET SALE

Is Still on in Full Swing and Full Blast and Will Continue Until Christmas

Come on, buy and save money. Thursday, Dec. 24th positively the last day.

Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

Cable News from Europe

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Writers in the London press are deploring their observation that professional beauties—women of the stage, mannequins and demimondaines—have to a considerable extent displaced women of royal and noble birth as creators of popular fashions. These same writers, however, predict that the extreme modes paraded in the cafes and boulevards of Paris at the French race courses gradually will give way to less radical fashions favored by gentlemen.

The modest but becoming gowns worn by the Queen Victoria Eugenie of Spain during her recent London visit have been subject of much comment. Fashion writers seem to agree that the queen is much more smartly dressed than most of the women who cause beholders to gasp in the theatres and cafes.

"The charm of the queen's costumes," one fashion expert writes "is that one always thinks of what an attractive woman she is, and not pay any particular attention to her gown. In other words she dresses to bring out her womanly beauty and charm and never wears anything startling enough to detract from the general effect of her personality."

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Choice Rhine wines, the first lot of any quantity since the war, have begun to arrive from the house of common cellar.

Sir James Agg Gardener, chairman of the kitchen committee of the house, returned recently from the Rhine and Moselle vineyards, where he bought enough wines to last the law makers several sessions. Sir James, who is 79 years old, says he buys many tons of wine annually but never drinks any of it.

While there is a considerable demand for white wines, French

Burgundy continues to be the favorite of the house, although the most popular beverage of all is tea—morning noon and night.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Shakespeare is to invade Leicester Square—the Leicester Square made famous throughout the world by "Tipperary"—and is to go into the heart of what was once London's vaudeville center. Sybil Thorn-dyke will play the leading feminine role in "Henry VIII," and the Empire Theatre, known for many years as the dizziest of all London music halls. The bar and promenade of this theatre became a public scandal and officials intervened to remedy conditions which had brought on a storm of protest.

Neither critics nor public seem to be able to think of the Empire as a Shakespearean house. The shades of Sir Henry Irving at the Lyceum and Beerholm Tree at His Majesty's are pictured as protesting. But even if Leicester Square has had a rather unsavory reputation, some of the critics point out that Henry VIII, was not exactly a saint and probably will not feel out of place there. After all, there is a statue of Shakespeare in Leicester Square.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Because of the speed with which American slang changes, H. A. Vachell, the playwright, has found it necessary to revamp the Americanisms used in his play "Quincy's," which is to be revived in London after a rest of ten years. The play was first produced in London in 1915 and was a marked success.

One of the characters is Cyrus P. Hunsaker, a middle westerner. After he had read the play over, Mr. Vachell came to the conclusion that Hunsaker's middle westernisms sound very ancient. American slang has to be brought

up to date every few months. Mr. Vachell lived in California for many years.

PARIS, Dec. 14.—Nice threatens the supremacy of Paris as the mecca for Americans seeking easy severance of matrimonial tie. The number of decrees pronounced by the tribunal of the famous Riviera resort increased 200 per cent this year over 1924.

At least one of the American lawyers in Paris, who like his Paris brethren, specializes in divorce cases, has an office at Nice, where he finds it necessary to spend half the working year.

The rapidity of the courts at Nice is their great advantage," he says. "The Paris courts are swamped with all kinds of cases, and progress is comparatively slow. The Nice courts have less numbered dockets."

PARIS, Dec. 14.—Twelve valuable tapestries have been added recently to the collection in the Petit Palais, in the Champs Elysees, the gift of an American, Augustus Coe Gurnee, of Morgan, Harjes & Co.

The gem of the collection is a panel illustrating the story of Dido and Aeneas, dating from early in the reign of Louis XIV., before that monarch, through his minister, Colbert, had taken over the famous Gobelin tapestry works.

Six of the Gurnee collection, now hanging in the entry hall of the Petit Palais, represent Europe, Africa, Asia Minor, Australia, China and America. This is an unusual set, woven almost entirely in silk and signed by Baertmans, coming from the long established shops of Brussels—abant.

Three remarkable tapestries, among the best of the Flemish school, are part of a series illustrating the legend of Perseus and Andromeda.

Mr. Gurnee also presented the Petit Palais museum with two large Chinese cloisonne vases. The museum is owned by the city of Paris.

PARIS, Dec. 14.—The present social standing of silk stockings in Paris, with an incidental illustration of the difficulty of distinguishing between maid and the mistress by their clothes, is illustrated by the legend under a recent newspaper cartoon:

"There's Madame Dutheil with her servant over there."

"Which is the servant?"

"The one wearing silk stockings."

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—President Von Hindenburg is the recipient of numerous letters from children and young people in every part of Germany and even foreign countries, including the United States who address him variously as "Your Majesty," "Your Grace," or "Dear Mr. Hindenburg."

A note recently received from two Bavarian country girls read: "As you are the country's father, you are also our father. Therefore we implore Your Majesty to help us learn a trade. I would like to become a book-seller and my friend would like to be a modiste."

"Graciously excuse the poor writing and the use of a lead

pencil, for we wrote this tending geese on a pasture."

An American girl applied to "Mr. President Hindenburg" for a position as scrub girl.

"I am an expert scrubber. Please answer," was the burden of her letter.

LEGION SELLING MATINEE TICKETS

Committees from the American Legion are canvassing the city asking the merchants to buy tickets for the teachers attending the institute that will admit them to the special matinee performance of the Legion show. These tickets carry a line printed on the a blank line for the firm to write bottom "compliments of," and a blank line for the firm to write their names in. These tickets will be presented to the teachers the first morning of the institute, and a special matinee will be given for them in the afternoon at the close of the day session.

This was done two years ago when the institute met here, and the teachers crowded the Maeroy Theatre to its seating capacity and it was declared one of the best entertainment features ever given them at any meeting.

In addition to the teachers the matinee will be open to everyone else who wishes to attend the afternoon show. An admission of 50c will be charged adults at the matinee and all school children will be entered at 25c as long as the seats last.

The afternoon show will be exactly the same as the performance presented at night, specialties, orchestra and everything. If you can't attend at night make your arrangements now to see the matinee. The exact hour of the matinee will be announced later.

NOTRE DAME SIDETRACKS STADIUM FOR DORMITORIES

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Dec. 14.—Notre Dame University, which has ranked consistently high in collegiate football over the last decade, is one of the few outstanding schools that is still getting along with an obsolete athletic stadium.

The reason is that university authorities have flatly refused to permit construction of an up-to-date stadium until the institution has additional dormitories and college classrooms.

South Bend business men and alumni of the school have repeatedly urged the construction of a new stadium, but school officials have refused to listen. Although it aims to house all its students in dormitories on the campus, Notre Dame has had some 1,200 students living in South Bend residences for several years and has turned away hundreds more because of the unavailability of dormitory quarters. Two new dormitories are now under construction.

The Notre Dame stadium is made up of wood stands, which have been enlarged to hold 27,000.

Mrs. E. W. McLaurin returned home Saturday afternoon from a visit to relatives at San Angelo.

BARBER SHOP CHANGES HANDS

Sam Malone and Lucius Campbell have purchased the Woodson Barber Shop from E. E. Woodson, and are now in charge of the shop, having taken possession Thursday morning. The deal was made earlier in the week.

Malone & Campbell have been with the Ideal Barber Shop for some time, and the change takes Mr. Jenkins from the Woodson shop to the Ideal shop in that establishment.

Mr. Woodson sells out with a view of leaving Ballinger, but has not decided definitely where he will locate. He has several places in view and propositions under consideration. He has been engaged in the barber work in Ballinger for eighteen years, and his friends will regret to know that he and his family are to move.

Messrs. Malone and Campbell are not strangers to the tonorial trade of this city, and they will no doubt enjoy a good patronage in their new shop, holding former patrons of the shop and gaining new ones.

DEATHS

Mrs. W. F. Gilmore

Mrs. W. F. Gilmore died at the Halley & Love Sanitarium Monday morning at 9:00 o'clock after a short illness. King-Holt Company sent an ambulance to Talpa Sunday and brought Mrs. Gilmore to the local surgical institution suffering from an infection, and everything that was possible was done to relieve her, but without success.

E. E. King, funeral director, prepared the body and shipped it on the Monday afternoon train to Copperas Cove, Texas, where the funeral was to be held Tuesday.

FORBIDS FIGHT NEAR CAPITAL

TOKIO, Dec. 16.—A government spokesman today stated that troops had left for Mukden, the capital of Manchuria, and that additional forces would leave tomorrow, after which no fighting would be permitted within six miles of the capital.

Versatile Crystal City WINTER GARDEN FARMS

Live where you can rotate your crops, increase your income and enjoy life. These farms are located in the fertile Winter Garden district where the climate and shallow artesian water make possible year-around income and pleasure. With railroad, highways, schools and churches, the community is already established and growing each week. Experienced and capable farmers are making large crops with rainfall or irrigation and less work.

Regular Trips from Ballinger to Crystal City

Join one of the special tourist trips which leave your town regularly for Crystal City or drive down and see for yourself the amazing bounty of nature. See the flowers and breathe the mild air. See the widely varied crops, oranges, grapefruit, clover, alfalfa and all manner of truck gardens. Learn how easily hogs, cattle and poultry are cared for. For details of these trips ask—

Ask Your Central Agent JACK OLIPHANT, Hotel Central

Only a few hundred farmers will be able to purchase this land. The recent subdividing of a great ranch makes it possible for us to offer a limited number of these farms at moderate prices. It will be necessary to buy early.

For booklet containing complete information write to—

Henry Hagelstein Land Co. 406 E. Travis St. San Antonio, Texas

TO THOSE who are bereaved of loved ones, no service is so essential as that of the funeral director!

To be assured of an efficient service, rendered in a sympathetic manner, is a consolation and relief.

Fortunately, it is not often that the funeral director is needed, but when that time comes, he is indeed a very necessary factor.

At such a crisis, we are ready at any hour of the day or night to heed your call.

E. E. KING and J. A. OSTERTAG
Funeral Directors
King-Holt Furniture & Undertaking Co.

HOW TO MAKE CHRISTMAS CANDY

"What you get—give; what you learn—teach; what you receive—distribute. We own nothing that we can't give to someone else and still have it left."

"These are some of the things that we, as club members, try to live up to. For some time we have been having as one of our club programs, 'Christmas Candies.' Therefore, living up to what we have mentioned above, we are publishing some of our favorite recipes.

**EULA KEY,
County Home Dem. Agent.**

Sweet Potato Candy

2 cups sugar
2 tablespoons Karo (white)
1 cup mashed sweet potato
Two-thirds cup water.
To the sugar add the water and Karo, then the sweet potato and cook until it forms a soft ball in cold water. Remove from the fire and beat until creamy. Add to this one cup of nut meats or if nuts are omitted add one teaspoon of vanilla flavoring. Pour onto a greased platter and when cold, cut into squares. It will be necessary to stir occasionally to prevent scorching.

Irish Potato Candy

1 medium sized Irish potato (a little larger than an egg)
1 tablespoon butter
1 package powdered sugar, 1lb.
1 cup cocoanut or nut meats.

Cook the potato until well done. Drain all the water off and mash. Be sure potato is as dry as possible. To the potato add the butter. When almost cold (when you can tell there is only a little warmth) begin by adding the powdered sugar, about two spoonfuls at a time, folding in, continuing until you had added a whole package of sugar. Add one cup of cocoanut or nuts and shape into balls, rolling either in the cocoanut or nuts. If your potato is too warm or you add the sugar too fast, your mixture will not stiffen.

Toasted Marshmallow Candy

1 cup brown sugar
Half cup Karo (white)
Fourth cup water
1 box marshmallows
1 can cocoanut (browned)
Cook the sugar, Karo and water until it forms a soft ball in cold water. Remove from fire and roll one marshmallow at a time in the syrup then rolling in the browned cocoanut. As the cocoanut is so easily burned, it is best to brown this first. Place in a pie tin and place in the oven, stirring occasionally. If pecan balls are preferred, roll in whole pecans in preference to the cocoanut.

Date Roll

3 cups sugar
1 cup milk
1 box dates
Nuts
Mix the sugar and milk together and add dates. Cook until it forms a soft ball in cold water, stirring occasionally to prevent scorching. When done remove from fire and beat until creamy, add nuts and continue heating until it begins to grain around edge of pan; pour onto a wet cloth and roll until firm. Slice before it becomes too cold.

Patience

3 cups sugar
1 cup milk
1 cup nut meats
2 tablespoons butter
Take one cup of the sugar and brown. Put the other two cups into a sauce pan, add the milk and let it come to a boil. When the sugar in the other pan has browned, combine the two mixtures, pouring the milk mixture into the other. Cook until it forms a soft ball in cold water. Remove from fire and add vanilla and butter; let stand until cool; beat until creamy, add nuts and pour onto a buttered platter. When cold cut in squares and serve.

Fondant

2 cups sugar
One-fourth teaspoon cream of tartar
1 cup of water
Mix the cream of tartar with the sugar, add water and stir until sugar has dissolved. Cook until mixture will thread from spoon. Remove from fire and pour on to a wet platter. Let stand until a skin forms on top; beat until stiff, then work with the finger tips until creamy. Place in a covered jar and let stand twenty-four hours in a cool place.

H. W. Lynn, of Winters, was in Ballinger looking after business Wednesday.

STATE ASKS \$125,000 DAMAGES IN ROAD SUIT

NEED DELEGATES TO GET MEETING

Ballinger is in the race for the first of the 1926 district meetings of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce to be held in this district, and Secretary J. D. Motley of the local chamber of commerce is busy rounding up a delegation to accompany the "Turkey in the Straw" Band to the meeting at Coleman on Friday of this week. One hundred and fifty delegates are needed to help bring the next meeting to Ballinger. Every delegate who attends and registers is entitled to a vote in the selection of the next place of meeting.

Notwithstanding that this is the busy season of the year, it is very important that a large delegation make the trip to Coleman. Llano is Ballinger's strongest opponent in the race for the next meeting, and if Ballinger is well represented this city will have the inside track.

It is planned to get away from Ballinger Friday morning, and all those who can possibly go are urged to communicate with Mr. Motley at once. Cars will be needed to furnish transportation for the forty-odd band boys.

SHIP PECANSTO ORPHANS HOME

The ladies of the Baptist church shipped fifty pounds of pecans to Buckner's Orphans Home at Dallas Thursday. The shipment of pecans goes as a part of the Christmas cheer to be forwarded from Ballinger.

The local Baptist church is a liberal contributor towards the support of the home, and from time to time the ladies send good things, but with pecans selling at a high price the nice lot shipped from Ballinger goes as one of the Christmas luxuries, and will no doubt fill in nicely in Christmas cooking for the orphanage, as well as helping to fill empty stockings.

Notice of Sale

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, the 29th day of December, 1925, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the office of the Freeman Motor Company in Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, I will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described personal property, to-wit:

One 1924 model five passenger Ford touring car, motor No. T-11707 now located in the garage of the said Freeman Motor Company. Said sale will be made to satisfy a storage bill on said car amounting to one hundred and \$100.00 dollars and repairs and expenses on said car.

R. W. PILCHER,
City Marshall, Ballinger, Texas.
18-27c

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CHRISTMAS CARDS
We have many Christmas Cards in stock from 5c to 25c, besides the cards to be printed. Come quick before the actual rush is begun.

Ballinger Printing Co.
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C. OF C. HEARS HOTEL PLANS

T. A. Taylor appeared before the board of directors of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce Tuesday morning to discuss the erection of a new hotel in the city. Mr. Taylor is district representative and director of the Texas State Life Insurance Co., of San Antonio, and has been here for the past few days looking the local proposition over in the interest of his company.

Mr. Taylor in a short talk outlined his plan to the directors Tuesday morning and left the matter with them for discussion. In short he stated that if the Chamber of Commerce and people of Ballinger would endorse his company, that he would place a crew of salesmen to work in the city and in Runnels county, and the money from the first premiums would all be deposited in a local bank and remain here. When the company had sold \$2,000,000 worth of insurance in the county or had that amount in sight they would break ground and start construction of a modern 60-room hotel here.

The insurance man stated that his company was a Texas institution and believed in spending their money in Texas and in return would ask the people of Texas to spend their money with an organization that believed in Texas and kept their money there. In answer to questions Mr. Taylor stated that he believed that in case the proposition was endorsed 100 per cent by the people of Ballinger that dirt could be broken for erection of the building within 90 days.

After Mr. Taylor had completed his talk to the directors, a lengthy discussion was held and the matter was passed to a special hotel committee appointed to go into the matter more thoroughly with the insurance representative and report back to the board of directors at a called meeting this afternoon at 4:00 o'clock.

The directors endorsed the idea of going to Coleman with a big delegation Friday to attend the district convention of the West

Texas Chamber of Commerce. Committees will be on the streets for the next two days enlisting everyone who can go and who can furnish a car. The "Turkey in the Straw" Band will make the trip and it will be necessary to furnish the organization transportation. The local delegation will leave here at 8:00 a. m. and will arrive in Coleman at 9:30 a. m.

Ballinger will make an effort to land this district convention for 1926, and the more people who attend the better will be Ballinger's chance of securing the meeting. It will also be a neighborly thing to do to help Coleman entertain her guests even if this city fails to get the convention.

Coleman is planning to entertain 1,500 or 2,000 delegates from this district, and a very constructive program has been announced.

College financing is to be accomplished with bond issue.

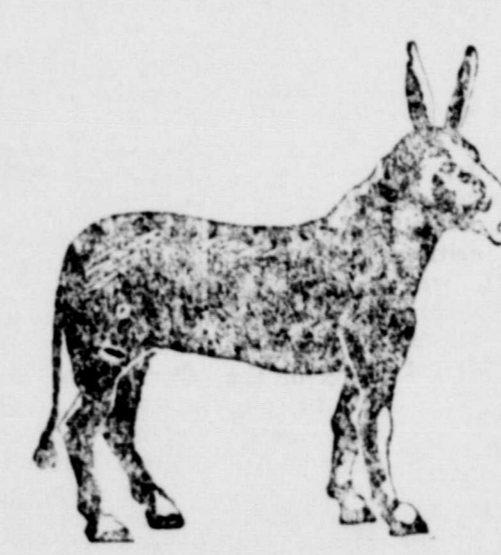
OFFERS BILL TO AMEND DRY LAW

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—"The Volstead Act is a failure and Congress must amend it if conditions as to general law violation are to be improved," Senator Edge, republican from New Jersey, declared in a prepared address today to the Senate.

Proposing as the first steps toward the amendment in his bill was a 2.75 beer and the removal of restriction on the amount of liquor physicians may prescribe. The senator said that if he had the power he would amend the Eighteenth Amendment so as to provide for a reasonable distribution of hard spirit beverages under government supervision.

W. A. Talley is here from Mason looking after business and greeting old friends.

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Monday, Dec. 21st
Mules, Horses, Mares, Percheron Colts
130 head of Mules, Horses, Mares and Percheron Colts. Some broke to work, all halter broke. This stock all raised by us and is in fine condition, free from disease and accustomed to this climate.
We will also sell at auction Farm Machinery of all kinds: engines, feed mills, row binders, single and double row plow tools and planters.
Terms given responsible parties.
Sale starts promptly at 10:00 a. m., Monday, December 21st, 1925, at our Ranch three miles Northwest of Paint Rock.
Dinner served on the grounds by the ladies of the Paint Rock churches.
You will save money on teams and tools if you wait for this sale.
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Edward comes to those who labor and wait. Take a look at our new school building.

All of Ballinger, church people and non-church people, will rejoice with the Methodist folks over success in their building plans. Let the good work go on.

Cotton picking is a thing of the past for 1925, but the real rush has just started with some farmers. They are trying to get their land broken while the breaking is good. And the farmer who does it will make the best crop next year.

It's too late to shop early, but shop as early as you can, now.

A jamboree was recently pulled off by the peppy students of the University of Evanston, Illinois, in which they burned up some of the buildings belonging to that institution. Evanston ought to appreciate owning a real, live college.

The postoffice will also appreciate it if you will mail your bundles early. Put a tag on them, "Don't open until Christmas," and send them now. The recipients will be assured of getting them in time for Christmas and you will greatly help the transportation of the holiday post.

Be sociable; if you have any hospitality to display this is the time to show it. Five hundred school teachers are coming to Ballinger, and their stay should be made pleasant and comfortable. How about renting out a room for a few days?

It will be another Ferguson victory, if the legislature fails to convene its extraordinary session. The legislators could call themselves together only for impeachment purposes, and there is no question but what the Ferguson would have been the victims.

Ballinger has a busy program from now until the holidays are over. The high school show, the American Legion show, a tent show under the auspices of the band, sending a delegation to the Coleman convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, the teachers institute next week with 500 educators to care for, in addition to the usual Christmas rush for the merchants, make it a very busy time.

There have been many guesses put forth as to the total of the cotton crop in Rannels county this year and guesses still differ as to the exact amount. It will be but a short time now until the number of bales of the 1925 crop will be known as practically all the cotton is gathered and the next report will be almost all of it. Rannels will probably not lead Texas in production this year, likely coming second among cotton counties, but will lead all West Texas counties.

Two husbands of the same woman recently met under peculiar circumstances within the walls of the penitentiary at Huntsville. Both had been doing time for breaking the laws of their country and were engaged in the useful occupation of breaking rocks when the fond wife of number two came to visit him not knowing that the other husband was there also. After the usual affectionate greeting of husband number two, husband number one got wise and sailed into husband number two, when the guards had to interfere to prevent total destruction of the handsome features of each claimant for the lady's affections.

The Reagan county grand jury sitting in session this week, returned 129 indictments. As that country is sparsely settled we wonder how many of its population escaped an indictment. Law-abiding people seem to be scarce around Best and Big Lake.

Some of our irrepresible speeders who are unable to get it out of their blood might profitably take a whirl by the high school in Abilene. In one day this week the officers caught and

fined twenty of the offenders, and it was not a very good day for speeders either. If such a rule was enforced here it would not be long until the school children could cross the street near the school buildings without dodging like a scared rabbit to save their lives.

We have been preaching good roads since the year One, and what could have been done years ago could have been done at less cost than it can be done for today in road building. But it is never too late to mend, and it is better to be late than never, and in much quicker time than the average traveler figures, Rannels county will have a system of highways which will make easy travel, rain or shine.

The Automobile Association of Amarillo has opened war on the custom in that city of arresting outside people for minor infractions of the traffic laws. That stand is to be highly commended as it is not to be expected that outside people would be as familiar with traffic laws of the city as the people who live there. Of course if visitors are grossly negligent of the observance of the regulations they should be fined. In other words a driver should use common sense or quit driving autos either in cities or elsewhere.

Brownwood is a good church town. A new church a year for the last five years has been built in that city. The Methodist folks of Ballinger say that Ballinger is going to get a new church next year.

The radio industry has pushed the auto industry off the front page, according to commercial records for the early period of the two industries. The volume this year will exceed that of last year by \$200,000,000, and we are told that the business is just in its infancy.

The Texas representatives in congress are not very enthusiastic over the campaign to repeal the inheritance tax. The tax bill must be paid by somebody, and there is as much reason for assessing an inheritance tax as there is for assessing an income tax. Too many people want the other fellow to pay the tax bill, and are working overtime to get a law passed which will exempt them from taxes.

TO PULL YOUR AUTO OUT OF MUD, TRY THIS

When your car gets stuck in the mud and the rear wheels merely spin around and your friends advise you to call for help, get a bunch of newspapers, slip them under the rear wheels, turn on the juice and see the car come out of the mire. Newspapers are great splitters. When your business gets into a rut, the newspapers will help you out if you use the advertising columns. That is the power of the press.—Borrowed.

Have you given your dollar to the Christmas cheer fund for the year?

The U. S. government during the World War bought a tract of land near Miami, Florida, for aviation purposes, paying \$71,000 for it. Not now needing it for that purpose it recently sold it for nearly two and a half million dollars. The land is to be cut up and sold to purchasers in small tracts.

Everybody realized Christmas time was right at hand when snow began falling here Tuesday morning and continued until the ground took on a white coat. The temperature did not fall so much as was expected Monday night, although it was cold enough to freeze, and the thermometer registered around 26 degrees.

With Rannels county being advertised all over the nation as producing around 70,000 bales of cotton, agents and salesmen of every description are being attracted to this part of the state. Many of them are selling stock and articles that are okay, but some are doubtless grafters, laking the people with stuff that is worthless.

When money is plentiful in a community some grafter usually comes along and gets his part, and our advice to people seeking investments is to make a thorough investigation before giving up good money to a

stranger. Local people sell almost everything there is to be sold and if possible investors should buy from someone known to be reliable. There is no comeback when the stranger moves on to another field.

ARE WE CIVILIZED?

Down at Stephenville the officers and citizens are turning the world upside down in an effort to unravel the mystery surrounding the finding of the head of an eighteen year old boy in an abandoned storm cellar. Judging from appearances the age of the slain lad was estimated at about eighteen years. He might have been older, or younger.

No other part of the body has been found, and no clue which might lead to identification or circumstances surrounding the tragedy have been picked up, and the murder mystery is puzzling the officers of that section of the state.

Just why anyone would sever the head of an eighteen year old boy in such a gruesome manner, cast it in an old cellar, and probably carry the other part of the body to some other point of hiding is hard to fathom.

What did the lad do that he should meet such a fate? Was he the victim of a gang of his own kind, or was he the innocent victim of a band of robbers and murderers who put the boy out of the way for money?

This is only one of similar crimes reported from time to time and very often from different parts of the country, this crime differing only by the gruesome find of a head without a body.

Life is too cheap in the United States. When compared with Great Britain our murder record is appalling. When it comes to murder the nation is not far removed from barbarism, and the ugly feature of the whole matter is we are growing worse. Murders are on the increase, and will continue to increase until laws dealing with murderers are enforced.

All too often a man is sent to the penitentiary for selling a drink.

All too often cold-blooded murderers go scott free to kill again, while the penitentiaries are being filled with cheap bootleggers and forgers.

SPARE ROOMS NEEDED

How about that spare bed room you have? Many rooms are going to be needed to house the 500 teachers who will be here next week for the Teachers Institute.

Rooms must be furnished, as Ballinger certainly cannot afford to fall down on this important matter. There will be a very small number who can be taken care of by the local hotels and most of the rooms will have to be offered by private homes. The institute means a great deal to Ballinger and unless these teachers are properly entertained they may not want to come here again.

If you have extra room notify the institute arrangements committee, Supt. R. E. White or Secretary J. D. Motley at once. Mr. White states that board is needed as badly if not worse than rooms and anyone who can give meals with rooms is urged to do so.

We must put this proposition over and that immediately.

A CLEARING HOUSE FOR USED CLOTHES

There are many people in Ballinger who have stored away perfectly good clothing which they will never wear again.

There are people in Ballinger thinly clad; in fact dressed in rags, and thin rags at that.

It would be an easy undertaking to bring these used clothes and these thinly clad bodies together.

Under the direction of the charity board a clearing house for used clothing should be established.

Discarded clothing, or clothing that should be discarded, resurrected from moth breeding closets and clothes hangers, could be delivered to this clearing house.

Those who need clothing to keep out the chilling winds of winter, to protect the body from the cold, could go to this clearing house and make their wants known.

There are in every community people who try to keep pace with the latest styles, and in so doing they are compelled to discard good clothing.

There are those who are not

able to pay the price so often demanded by fashion, and those who are glad to accept at the hands of charity clothing which will serve for comfort.

By the establishing of a clearing house for used clothes, a feature of the charity work could be carried on in a way that would eliminate what is now an economic waste in many homes. These discarded clothes could be made to answer for money in carrying on charity work.

Why hoard up your old clothes when there are people all around you, people of all ages, whose bodies are exposed to winter's blasts for the lack of that which you can furnish, and furnish without loss to your bank account?

Don't forget our Bargain Table—we have some lovely Gifts on this Table. And, say, they are Real Bargains. Asa Cordill. 16-1td-1tw

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Thousands of kidney sufferers have tried remedy after remedy with only temporary benefit. That's mighty discouraging! But one kidney remedy has earned a reputation for lasting results and there's plenty of proof right here in Ballinger.

Read the experience of one who used Doan's Pills years ago and now makes his endorsement even stronger.

W. F. Jackson, prop. of dairy, Route A, Ballinger, says: "My back was so sore I could hardly get around and if I bent over my back pained so I could hardly straighten. I had headaches and dizzy spells, too. The kidney secretions passed too often and were highly colored. After using Doan's Pills from Week's Drug Store, I was relieved." (Statement given April 29, 1919.)

On June 3, 1925 Mr. Jackson said: "I have had no kidney trouble since Doan's Pills cured me."

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

PASTORS WILL LOOK FOR POOR

At a meeting of the City Pastors Association Monday morning the city was divided into districts to be canvassed in the Christmas cheer fund campaign inaugurated by the American Legion. Each pastor, as chairman, with his committee will make a thorough canvass of the city and will report all cases where help is needed, and on Christmas eve the Cheer Fund Santa Claus will visit these houses and present articles that will help make Christmas a merry time for unfortunates.

The city has been divided as follows: Rev. Ihus Q. McCorkle will work from Fourth Street to Broadway; Rev. Alvin O. Rue, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth and Tenth streets; Rev. S. L. Culwell from Eleventh Street to the Colorado River; Rev. E. W. McLaurin will cover all the district South of the Santa Fe right-of-way; and Rev. Alvin Swindell will work the Mexican population. The canvass will be made this week in order that the distribution committee will know better just what they are going to need.

Those in charge of the campaign state that considerable cash will be required and that all old clothes will be distributed. Barrels will be placed along the main streets where bundles may be deposited and where they will be picked up every day. Money pots will also be placed along the streets and if you do not hand in your check to The Ledger to be published in the list, drop some change in the pot.

A TONIC

Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic restores Energy and Vitality by Purifying and Enriching the Blood. When you feel its strengthening, invigorating effect, see how it brings color to the cheeks and how it improves the appetite, you will then appreciate its true tonic value. Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is simply Iron and Quinine suspended in syrup. So pleasant even children like it. The blood needs QUININE to Purify it and IRON to Enrich it - Destroys Malarial germs and Grip germs by its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. 60c.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wheeler left Sunday morning for San Antonio, where they will make home after the first of the year.

CHRISTMAS AT ALL CHURCHES

Practically every church in Ballinger will have some kind of a Christmas celebration this year. The observances will vary in time and kind, but all will show the kiddies that Santa Claus is a real fellow and that he does not forget the good little folks at the Yuletide season. Trees will be the principal source of entertainment to be furnished by the churches, however most of the religious organizations are teaching the spirit of giving as well as receiving.

The Baptist Church will have a tree for the children from juniors on down on the afternoon of Christmas eve. The teachers and parents of the children in these departments will gather at the church where a short program and distribution of gifts from the tree will be held.

The First Presbyterian Church will have a tree and program on Christmas eve for all the Sunday school. On Sunday of this week the little folks as well as the adults will bring their gifts to the church and a box will be packed and shipped to the orphanage at Itasca, Texas. The parents of children in this Sunday school are teaching their children that it is more blessed to give than to receive all this week, and are helping them with the gifts that they will give next Sunday morning.

The Eighth Street Presbyterian Church will have a Christmas tree and program on Christmas eve at the church, and a short program to be presented will precede the entrance of Santa Claus who will be present to distribute the gifts.

The First Christian Church plans to have their Christmas tree and program on Tuesday of next week at the church. Many of the members of the Sunday school will be away on Christmas eve and Santa Claus will visit the children at this church early so that no one will be overlooked.

The Methodist Church will have a straight giving Christmas celebration in the afternoon of Christmas eve. No tree will be used, however the little folks will present a short program and will each receive a small remembrance. Every member will bring a cash offering which they will place on the altar and this collection will be sent to the Methodist orphanage at Waco.

Several of the other churches of the city will have Christmas celebrations, but the exact nature of these affairs has not been reported.

Do you need Silverware? We have it and the very Best. You're—the Silver that Never wears Black. Asa Cordill. 16-1d-1w

Bargain Days for the big Texas Papers have been extended to December 31st. Get in on the ground floor and save some money. Underwood News Co. 16-1td-1tw

Detroit employment has reached a new high level, for the tenth consecutive week. The total is now 266,947 persons.



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1500 May Attend District Meet West Texas Chamber

(Coleman Democrat-Voice) Next Friday morning, December 18th, at 10 o'clock, the "Heart of Texas" District Convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will convene in this city at the Dixie Theatre. If information issuing from headquarters at Stamford is reliable the convention will be an imposing gathering of 1500 or more people. All local arrangements have been completed for the entertainment of the visitors. Business sessions will be conducted at the Dixie Theatre and the luncheon at noon will be served in the display room of the M. K. Witt Motor Company building.

Ballinger and Llano Want 26 Meet

Ballinger and Llano are both avowed candidates for the 1926 meeting of the convention and both towns will have large delegations led by prominent speakers to present their claims of superiority. Mason, according to press dispatches, will be here 1,000 strong with the Commercial Club Band. Brady's concert band, says reports from that city, will be here with a large delegation of business and professional men, but will not be a candidate for the next meet. Other towns in the big "Heart of Texas" district will be ably represented at the local meeting and more contenders for the meeting next year will likely develop and keen rivalry will ensue.

San Antonio May Come

While San Antonio is not within the big "Heart of Texas" district, it is a member of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, of which this district is an important part, and always grasps an opportunity to do that which will focus the eyes of West Texas in the direction of that city. While no direct information has been received regarding a delegation from there, it is very likely that they will be here and participate in the deliberations. Fort Worth, always envious when San Antonio comes this way, will probably have a galaxy of representatives here to listen in on the men of the Llano. They will come from other scattering points, and it is not an easy matter to estimate the result. Suffice to say that it will likely tax Coleman's resources to entertain and every person in the town is designated a member of the committee delegated with the power to see that the visitors have a good time.

Following is the official program for the morning session and banquet:

Morning Session, 10:00 a. m.
Presiding Officer, Leon Shield, vice-president, Coleman
Music by assembled bands
Invocation, Rev. C. E. Lancaster

Welcome address, Rev. J. H. Baldridge
Response, T. N. Carswell, manager Abilene Chamber of Commerce

Appointment of committees
"West Texas Development,"
Orter A. Whaley, manager West Texas Chamber of Commerce
Motion pictures.

Evening Session
Banquet 12:30 p. m.
Toastmaster, Homer D. Wade,
Assistant manager W. T. C. C.
Song, "America"
Song, "Eyes of Texas"
Prayer of thanks
"Function of Chamber of Commerce," H. G. Lucas, secretary of Brownwood Chamber of Commerce

One-minute talks by representative from each town
"Diversification," R. Q. Lee, president of West Texas Chamber of Commerce
"Poultrying and Dairying in Western Country," W. D. Jordan, Brady; B. M. Whitaker, ex-manager

"Publicity," Max Bentley, Ft. Worth Star-Telegram
"Hot House Lamb," C. C. French, Ft. Worth Stockyards
Reports of committees
Selection of next meeting place.

Committees are busy today lining up the Ballinger delegation to go to Coleman Friday and attend the district convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. After only a few hours work the committee-men reported that many cars were being signed up, and it appeared that the Ballinger delegation would be as large as any that ever represented this city at any gathering. The committees will continue the drive throughout the day and in

case they do not see everyone they invite any who desire to make the trip to line up with the crowd Friday morning at 8:00 o'clock.

The first session of the convention will convene in Coleman at 9:30 a. m. Friday, and it is the wish of those in charge of the Ballinger delegation that every Ballingerite be present and registered at the convention hall by that hour.

A registration fee of \$1.00 will be charged and everyone is urged to register as the number of registered delegates each town has will have to do with their chance of securing the next convention. Parades and demonstrations will be staged as soon as the delegation arrives and every effort possible will be made to bring the chamber here for the next convention. Llano is a strong contender against Ballinger, and will be in Coleman early with a band and a large delegation. Coleman is preparing to entertain about 1500 visitors.

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

FIRE DESTROYS GIN AT MILES

Fire of unknown origin destroyed the Farmers Gin Company plant at Miles Monday night. The fire was discovered about 9:00 o'clock and by the time that fire fighters had arrived on the scene the blaze had gained such headway that the gin was completely destroyed.

The last bale of cotton, according to S. G. Willis, manager of the gin, was tied out about 2:30 p. m., and there had been no one near any fire around the plant the remainder of the day. Mr. Willis states he made an inspection just before he went home in the afternoon, and at that time everything was in good shape and no signs of fire were to be noted.

The gin was covered with insurance and fortunately no cotton nor cotton seed was on hand at the time of the fire. The plant was one of the best at Miles and was in perfect condition, having been in operation only a short time. The Farmers Gin Co. plant was built by the farmers of the Miles section, operated similarly to other gins in the county of the same name.

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

HI-LIFE EDITOR WINS A NATIONAL PRIZE

Crews Alexander is in receipt of a beautiful prize which he won in a national window decorating contest. The contest was staged by the United Drug Company on the subject, "From Factory to You," and Crews decorated a window for the Concho Drug Co., of San Angelo, which took one of the valuable prizes offered by the company. The prize received by the local young man was a Cera Nome toilet set, and he is very proud of both the prize and the honor of winning one of the prizes against so many competitors.

Crews is editor-in-chief of the Ballinger Hi-Life, the local high school paper, and has many friends among the Senior Class and citizens of the town who are congratulating him on his skill in the decorative art.

DR. TRUETT TO HOLD MEETING AT WINTERS

The Baptists of Winters have secured the services of Dr. Geo. W. Truett, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dallas, and one of the most sought after preachers in the Southwest, to hold a revival at Winters next spring. The revival is scheduled to begin on April 25th. Dr. Truett's services are greatly in demand throughout the country in the larger cities, and the Baptist of Winters are rejoicing over their success in being able to book him for a meeting at that place.

R. E. Caldebaugh left Sunday afternoon for Dallas, where he goes to purchase additional stock for the holiday rush.

LIGHT CO. HOLDS CHRISTMAS CHEER FORMAL OPENING FUND IS STARTED

District Manager Earl Morley, Local Manager House, and Chester Cherry, of the local division of the West Texas Utilities Company; Secretary J. D. Motley, of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce; and probably others, attended the formal opening of the utilities company's new plant and office building at San Angelo last Friday night.

According to those attending from Ballinger the entertainment was staged on very elaborate lines, and thousands of people attended the opening. Open house was kept at the uptown office and the ice plant, while the employees of the company were enjoying a chicken barbecue at the power plant. The program carried out was somewhat similar to that of the Ballinger opening. Those visiting the opening were given souvenirs, and a number of valuable presents were given away. Refreshments were served. Later in the evening a dance at the San Angelo Country Club was the center of attraction for many of those attending.

Since taking over the old light and power plant at San Angelo the West Texas Utilities Company has carried on a building program somewhat similar to that carried on at Ballinger, constructing a new ice plant, new office building and store room, and making other improvements in its property, and the opening Friday night drew representatives and friends of the company from forty odd towns served by them.

The holidays are approaching and Christmas Gifts are now in order. A year's subscription to a good daily paper or magazine is the most appropriate gift you can make. See Underwood News Co. 16-1td-1tw

Profits accruing to the government of the Bahama Islands on sales of illicit whiskey to the United States for the year 1924, exceeded \$4,000,000. Nassau, the capital city, is fourteen hours distant from Miami, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. George went to Breckenridge Sunday on a visit to relatives and to look after business.

Dr. Alvin Swindell left Monday morning for Dallas, where he went on business connected with church work.

The first checks for the Christmas cheer fund were turned in to The Ledger Saturday. The money raised for this purpose will be used entirely in aiding the poor at Christmas. The local American Legion post with the help of the pastors of the city and others will make a thorough canvass, and all cases in want will be looked after, and groceries, coal, clothes, and sacks of fruit, candy and nuts for the children, will be distributed by a committee on Christmas eve.

Last year something over \$225 was raised for this purpose and the Legion cared for all needy cases in Ballinger with this fund. Old clothes and used toys were also gathered last year and all were used. Especially did the old clothes fill a needed want last season, and much more could have been disposed of to people in unfortunate circumstances.

The Legion committee will follow the same plan in this campaign as used last year, and have placed large barrels on the sidewalk where these articles can be deposited. One of the barrels will be found in front of The Hub and other in front of The Piggly Wiggly. With the barrels will also be "money pots," and anyone who does not care to give his donation through the paper can drop his money in the pots on the streets and it will reach the same fund.

Money for this work is needed at once as plans must be made immediately for carrying on the work, and the committee desires to know approximately how much it will have to spend.

The following donations are the first to be received through The Ledger:

- Mrs. A. J. Zappe\$3.00
- Mrs. C. L. Baker\$2.50
- E. W. McLaurin\$1.00
- Miss Helen Conway\$1.00
- I. Q. McCorkle\$1.00
- Cleburne Voelkel\$1.00
- A. J. Voelkel\$1.00

Our Diamonds are White, very White, and are being sold Right, very Right. Asa Cordill. 16-1td-1tw

Mr. and Mrs. George Hill and son, of Winters, were here Sunday, Mr. Hill taking in the sights of the bright lights and visiting fellow newspapermen. Mr. Hill is editor of the Winters Enterprise.

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

OFFICER KILLS MAN AT B'WOOD

Deputy Sheriff Carl Adams of Brownwood, killed W. G. Wetzel, a barber, aged 44, on the streets of Brownwood shortly after noon Wednesday, according to the Brownwood Bulletin. The officer fired two shots at Wetzel, one bullet entering his abdomen, and he died in the Central Texas Hospital about thirty minutes after being shot.

Following the shooting Adams went to the court house and surrendered to the sheriff. The shooting took place on the sidewalk in front of Renfro's drug store where the two men met, and according to eye witnesses, after a quarrel and scuffle in which it was alleged one of the men called the other a liar and after Wetzel slapped Adams.

One version of the tragedy is that Wetzel slapped Adams down and the shooting followed. Wetzel died without making a statement, and Adams declined to make a statement.

Wetzel is survived by a wife and three children. He and his wife had been separated for about two years.

Buy Yourex Silver from Asa Cordill. The Silver that Never Wears Black. 16-1d-1w

MINISTER KILLED BY PASSENGER TRAIN

TROUP, Tex., Dec. 14.—The Rev. Pink Murphy, age 50, a Holiness minister, was instantly killed by an International & Great Northern Railroad passenger train, while walking on the track here today.

Mrs. Troy Simpson and daughter left Wednesday morning for Abilene to visit a few days.



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CHRISTMAS FOR DISABLED VETS

The Ballinger American Legion Auxiliary unit again this year will remember our disabled veterans for whom the war is not yet over. The Auxiliary Christmas celebration in the hospitals is planned for Christmas eve. There will be beautifully decorated trees in the wards and individual trees for every man who cannot leave his bed.

The Ballinger unit has set aside \$25 to be used and each individual member is being asked to send some little gift attractively wrapped. We feel that there are many Ballinger citizens outside of the Auxiliary membership who would like to have a part in making this Christmas a happy one for some veteran, and this year we are giving you an opportunity to do so. Send your package to Misses Harry Thomson, Garland Parks or Sim Cottelle before the fifteenth of December. It has been suggested that you enclose a stamped and addressed New Year's card so the men can write and acknowledge the gift. Three boxes will be sent from the local unit—one to Kerrville, one to El Paso and one to San Antonio. If there should be a preference as to where your gift should go, please tell the committee.

The following articles are acceptable: Bed room slippers, sleeping caps and bed slippers of outing flannel, socks, ties, garters, handkerchiefs, gloves, mufflers, belts, coin purses, laundry bags, comfort kits, toilet articles, safety razors and blades, combs, hair brushes, books, stationery, postage stamp books, pens, pencils, games, cigarettes, ash trays, victrola records, chewing gum, and magazine subscriptions.

It is requested that all edibles be excluded because many of the men are not permitted to eat the delicacies and a great deal is received anyway at Christmas; the hospitals amply supply fruit.

Throughout the year, especially on holidays, the patients will appreciate being remembered.

If you cannot send your gift to any member of the committee telephone them and they will gladly come for it.

Do your bit and help to make this the record Christmas for the disabled buddies.

Committee.

To Stop a Cough Quick

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

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

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

Both remedies are packed in one carton and the cost of the combined treatment is 30c.

Just ask your druggist for HAYES' HEALING HONEY.

IOWA VISITOR KILLS BUZZARD FOR TURKEY

(Pleasanton Express) Certain Bandera residents were in danger of a laughing death Sunday.

An Iowa visitor of the Robert B. Green hospital caused the near catastrophe.

He had been the victim of a practical joke framed by a doctor, a doctor's son of the hospital and a Bandera farmer.

He was eager for an opportunity to kill a wild turkey gobbler during his visit, so the quartette went hunting on the Mansfield Ranch.

A tree of huge buzzards was pointed out to "the man from Iowa."

An hour later he was parading up and down the main thoroughfare of Bandera exhibiting his skill, overwilling to relate his dexterity as a nimrod and the manner in which he brought down his prize.

It was an hour before a kind citizen apprised him of what he had really killed.

Craig Rogers, accompanied by an attendant, left Friday to enter the United States Veterans Bureau Hospital at Muskogee, Oklahoma. Craig was not able to travel alone, but through assistance of the veterans bureau he was furnished both transportation and an attendant to Muskogee.

Rev. W. D. Black, formerly pastor of the Church of Christ in this city, was here from Sweetwater on business Saturday.

WRECKING OLD ELECTRIC LINE

Linemen are busy dismantling and wrecking the old electric line on the main streets of Ballinger, and also removing the line formerly used by the city on the streets in the business district to the alleys. In the business district the poles are being removed from the street and connections will be made from the alleys. In the residence district the old Interstate Electric Co. line on the streets is being removed, and the old city line in the alleys will be maintained by the West Texas Utilities Company. New poles are also being set to replace bad poles on the alley line.

This will be quite an improvement from a civic standpoint as it takes all light and power lines and poles off the streets.

The utilities company also has a crew of men making an extension of its line at Miles. A line is being built two miles in the country to furnish current to rural patrons who have arranged with the utilities company to supply them with both light and power. Such work carries modern conveniences to the farm where the home, barn, etc., can be illuminated by electricity, and current furnished for carrying on farm

work by electric power, operating feed mills, churns, washing machines, etc.

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. Sold by Russell Medicine Co., Dallas, Texas. Sold and guaranteed by

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Among those going with the football team to Coleman Friday afternoon were: Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh, Mrs. C. W. Cheatham, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Thorp, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Simpson, Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw, Mrs. Horace Murphy, Mrs. R. L. Stephenson, Mrs. Ross Marchison, J. A. Williams, J. A. Reese, Tom Caudle, Rev. E. W. McLaurin, and Mrs. W. C. McCarver.

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GAME ENDS IN SCORELESS TIE

The Ballinger Legion football team battled the Coleman team Friday afternoon in Coleman to a scoreless tie. Neither team was able to gain any amount of ground over the opposing team and the entire game was mostly a defensive proposition. Ballinger made four first downs and Coleman three during the game, but when a goal was in danger both teams were able to hold. Ballinger was in serious danger one time in the third quarter when Coleman recovered a punt and placed the ball on Ballinger's one-foot line. The first down gained about nine inches and only left about three inches to go with three downs. The locals rallied and on the fourth down threw the runner back several yards and Oliver kicked the ball well out of danger.

The Ballinger Legionnaires show that they are a little out of training and with another week's work and more endurance will have a team that will be hard to beat. A big supply of backfield men will give plenty of fresh energy to always carry the ball and even in the Coleman game repeated gains were made by the backfield. Penn, Earnshaw, McCarver, Flynt, Dickinson and Oliver carried the ball for good gains and while the big husky line was fresh they stood like a stone wall.

Other games will be announced here at an early date and a return with the Coleman team will be played here on New Year's day.

EMBARGO IS RAISED ON FUR SHIPMENTS

"Tell 'em the lid's off on furs," said Express Agent Jackson Thursday. Mr. Jackson received notice to accept for shipment furs to Missouri and Oklahoma. Up to the present time this season fur dealers have not been permitted to ship furs to markets from Texas on account of the foot and mouth disease among cattle in the Eastern part of this state. Trappers can now bill out their furs, and local buyers can make shipments.

E. D. Hurley, of Sweetwater, and John Young, of Caddo, are in Ballinger prospecting for a location for a cabinet shop. They were meeting with encouragement and it is probable they will establish a cabinet mill here.

KIDDIES' COLDS should not be "dosed." Treat them externally with—
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CHILD BREAKS BOTH ARMS WITHIN SHORT TIME

The little four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Jennings suffered a broken arm Wednesday afternoon when the little fellow was pushed from the porch by a playmate. The children were playing on the porch when one pushed the other off.

Three or four months ago the baby boy fell from a high chair and broke the other arm, and the accident Wednesday gave him two broken arms within a few months.

Mr. Jennings, father of the injured child, is undertaker for Higginbotham Bros. and Co.

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When Winter Comes, See Old Hongkong



"If in doubt," declares the veteran globe-trotter, "go to Hongkong to spend the winter months, for from November to February, it is a wonderful winter resort. If you decide to go this year, you will have the added advantage of being able to spend a season there before it becomes ever crowded, as it is bound to do when it becomes a generally accepted spot to visit during the cold months."

What is there to do in Hongkong? That is a question easily answered. If you are a golfer, then take along your clubs, for the best golf to be found in the east is at Fan-ling, about eighteen miles from the city, where there are two well laid out golf courses. Deep Water Bay and Happy Valley boast courses, too, so that if you should have a tiresome hole which you never can do in par, then lie away to the others, and win back your self complacency.

Or, if you are interested in racing, there is the Jockey Club at Happy Valley, and a race course cradled in three hills. Motoring and walking both have attractions in Hongkong which they do not always have. The environs of the city are beautiful with bays whose clear waters reflect the stars at night and make a shining path for the moon to wander over, with quaint villages giving a more intimate picture of Oriental life than the somewhat cosmopolitan Hongkong itself can do, with a residential section up on the Peak which it is worth travelling to Hongkong to see, especially when there is a hotel where the panoramic view of the harbor can be enjoyed while sipping ambrosia tea. "Yet even while one looks, the sunset goes, and the quick tropic dark drops like a bird, and light springs up on sea and land so that there are two skies, at peace with each other, full of stars."

And it isn't so far from Hongkong. From Vancouver and Vancouver, via the fastest route on the Pacific, the Canadian Pacific Empress. Or, one could start out on a world cruise from New York, and be dropped in Hongkong.

DISCUSS PLANS FOR CHURCH

The congregation of the Methodist church met at the church Wednesday night to discuss plans for beginning a drive for the building of a new church house. A good representation of the membership was present at the called meeting and everyone was very enthusiastic for starting the campaign at once and keeping in the harness until a new building is in sight.

The pastor, Rev. S. L. Culwell, made a very interesting talk to the assembly and set forth the importance of going forward at once with plans for the erection of a modern church which will take care of all departments of religious work. Several members of the church also made talks on the proposed building and following the discussion the pastor was authorized to select a committee which will co-operate with him in naming a soliciting committee to start working for the raising of the required amount to begin operations.

Following the meeting of the membership the nominating committee met and selected the committee to solicit the subscriptions. Announcement of this committee and other important matters pertaining to the drive will be made by Rev. Culwell next Sunday.

The meeting was filled with a spirit of determination on the part of all present to have a new church home that would be a source of pride to the entire membership and a place where church, Sunday school, and young people's work could be carried on efficiently.

WILL DISTRIBUTE FIND BIG BEER CACHE ON RANCH

Pat Williams Post No. 8, American Legion, will handle the cheer and play Santa Claus to the needy of Ballinger again this year, and thru The Daily Ledger will accept donations to this worthy cause and will publish from day to day the names of the donors and the total donations to the fund.

The pastors of the city will assist the Legion in locating the homes of the needy and all persons knowing of such homes are urgently requested to turn them in to one of the pastors.

Those having clothing they wish to donate can leave same at the city hall with K. V. Northington, or phone 180, leaving address, and a committee will call for the stuff.

Those wishing to send a check can do so by mailing it to the "Adjutant, American Legion," making check payable to him. Those in town and wishing to leave money can leave it at the following places—Weeks drug store, Piggly Wiggly, Pearce drug store, Strain drug store, and The Ledger office. Names will be turned in to the paper and published.

Those who are able should not overlook this worthy cause, and as the time is short and the local post has other things at hand all are requested to act immediately as it will require about \$300 to carry on this work this year.

Railroad Watches: Elgin, Waltham, Hamilton, Illinois and Ball. They are Beauties and a Bargain. See ASA CORDILL. 1d-1w

SAYS WOMEN OPPOSE "MA"

DALLAS, Dec. 16.—"The women of Texas will oppose the reelection of Governor Ferguson," Mrs. J. D. Claybrook, of Austin, president of the State Democratic Women's Association, declared in an address here before the Democratic Women of Dallas County, a unit of the state organization.

Mrs. Claybrook said that the women of Texas, regardless of party, are not behind Mrs. Ferguson, and would not re-elect her. This is considered the first official announcement of the Democratic women's organization on the subject of a second term for Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson.

JUJUBE TREES GROW IN TEXAS

COLLEGE STATION, Texas, Dec. 16.—Jujube trees may be grown anywhere in Texas, W. B. Lanham, chief of the division of horticulture, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station here, said. The jujube tree is apparently little affected by drought, will grow in fence corners, and provides a hardy succulent addition to the Texas fruit family.

The jujube is of Chinese origin and is more of a bush than a tree. Its fruit ranges in size from a cherry to a plum, and makes a delicious confection. It is said to taste much like the fruit of the date palm.

Mr. Lanham said the jujube has been grown extensively enough in Texas to indicate it is a dependable producer in practically every section of the state. The tree responds to cultivation, which tends to increase the size and better the quality of the product.

"When green, the fruit is greenish in color, not unlike a green plum," Mr. Lanham said. "As it ripens, the color changes from green to white, and next brown or purple spots appear, the fruit, when fully ripe having a skin of chocolate color."

"The tree, while deciduous, is ornamental during the spring, summer, and into the late fall. It resembles some evergreens in foliage. The tree is erect in form. It does not grow to a large size, and is desirable in landscaping. Its beautiful glossy, green foliage and numerous fruits give an attractive appearance."

"The jujube blooms late, escapes damage from spring frosts and seems adapted to a wide range of moisture and temperature and to almost every type of soil. It begins to bear in the first or second year and no crop failures have been noted in Texas."

"A few trees have been producing fruit in Texas for more than 40 years, though they are not of the improved types introduced about 18 years ago."

"Jujubes should be planted in the winter or early spring just as any other deciduous tree. For the first few years, the jujube should be given the same care

given any other young fruit tree. Because of the certainty of the crop and its hardiness and wide adaptability, the jujube offers opportunity for every one of the 465,000 farm houses in Texas to have some fruit about the place.

"The fruit is eaten fresh, pickled and preserved. Candied, the jujubes are known as the Chinese date, for they look and taste much like candied dates. The fruit is not highly flavored and when eaten raw is delicious."

"It is probable that the jujube when better known will become more and more popular as a fruit and food. It compares favorably with the fig and date in food value. Dried jujubes carry more protein than dried figs or dried dates, more sugar than dried figs and about the same amount as dried dates."

The last minute Christmas shoppers will begin to get busy right away now and store will have a hard time waiting on the trade through the busy part of the day. Especially will this be true on Saturdays. If the town people would manage to do their shopping during the week and let the people who live away from town have full sway on Saturday it would greatly assist the clerks at the different establishments in giving good service to their patrons. The coming Saturday will be the last before Christmas and an unusually large crowd is expected to be here shopping at that time. Make your orders on Friday to fill your needs and assist your merchants that much so they can devote all their time Saturday to the out-of-town trade.

The revision committee of the state text book commission began work this week at Austin on eliminating all objectionable features from text books to be used in the schools of Texas. Some changes will be made in the geographies for Texas on account of criticisms made that the books that have been used were very unfair as to the real facts concerning Texas. The evolution theory will be eliminated from all science text books, so we are not likely to have a duplicate of the monkey trial as held in Tennessee last summer.

BRONZE TROPHY FOR COLLEGE ATHLETE

AUSTIN, Dec. 14.—A huge bronze trophy will be given to the college track and field athlete who March 25, 1926, wins the pentathlon championship of the Texas University Relay Games, Athletic Director L. Theo. Bellmont said. Five events, the 200-meter dash, discus throw, running broad jump, 1,000-meter run, and 120-yard high hurdle, will compose the pentathlon. The winner will be determined on points.

Athletes from every leading university and college in the country will be invited to participate in the various relay events, Mr. Bellmont said. Hundreds of prizes, including 48 white gold watches, will go to winners in the various events.

According to current reports emanating from reliable sources the Theosophists of America and India are expecting the second advent of Christ to take place in about five months in a certain town in India. The matter has been secretly known for some time, but was recently disclosed by one of that sect's leaders. The event is to have a modern aspect. There is to be no clouds of glory and no angel visitors.

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LOST—One left rear bumper, braided "MeK." Return to Sykes Overland Co. Liberal reward. 16-1d-1w.*

FOR RENT—140 acre farm. L. D. Clark, Valera, Texas, Phone 33. 12-6td-3tw.*

FOR SALE—Jersey Cows, fresh in milk. R. T. Williams or J. S. Selden. 7-1fd-1fw

Meat Hogs, Sows and Pigs for sale. Phone 484. Clarence Hamilton. 15-5td-1tw.*

LOST—Sorrel Male with white nose, about two years old. L. M. Causey, Talpa, Texas. 1w.*

Farm for rent and team for sale. See or write W. E. McNutt, Route 2, Miles, Texas. 18-2w

FOR SALE—W. H. Doss home in South Ballinger, near school, on highway, 13 1/2 acres, 7 room house, 3 wells, windmill, kitchen sink, lavatories, commode, bath, barn, chicken house, storm cellar all concrete, rich land, shade, a comfortable home priced right. Terms. Phone 58 or 339. 14-2d-1tw

LANDS—Improved lands for sale, or trade. Also unimproved land for small cash payment. C. B. Williams, Box 308, Littlefield, Texas. 8-5d-8e.*

LOST—Between Paint Rock and Hatchel, small Dresser Drawer. Leave at Ledger office. 18-1tw.*

FOR SALE—My farm consisting of 150 acres. On hundred acres in cultivation, 6 miles east of Ballinger. Good house and barn. Possession given at any time. B. E. Kelley, Ballinger Texas. 3td-2tw*

FOR SALE—White Leghorns \$1 each. From Johnson's special matings. \$4 per setting for eggs. Mrs. C. G. Allison, Route A, Ballinger. 11-8w

FOR SALE—150 acre Farm, close in. Next 15 days will sell at two-thirds value. Good terms. See D. Reeder. 11-2tw

FOR SALE—Two span of unbroken mules. \$100 per span. L. C. Tomlinson, Norton, Texas. 11-3tw

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

WANTED—at once—1000 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.*

FOR SALE—100 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. F. Noe, Boerne, Texas. 30-8w*

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

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

Ladies' and Gents' Wrist Watches—lots of them and Real Bargains. At Asa Cordill's, the Jeweler. 16-1td-1tw

AUTO ACCIDENTS LAST WEEK 120

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Automobile accident deaths in nine Middle Western states reached the unusually large total of 120 last week.

The casualties in Ohio were thirty-three. Nine persons were killed in Texas.

Three deaths in Chicago Sunday by automobile mishaps brought the number of fatalities in that city and vicinity for the year to 750, which is far above any previous year's record.

OUCH! RUE BACKACHE, STIFFNESS, LUMBAGO

Rub pain from back with small trial bottle of old "St. Jacobs Oil"

Back hurt you? Can't straighten up without feeling sudden pains, sharp aches and twinges? Now listen! That's lumbago, sciatica or maybe from a strain, and you'll get relief the moment you rub your back with soothing, penetrating "St. Jacobs Oil." Nothing else takes out soreness, lameness and stiffness so quickly. You simply rub it on your back and out comes the pain. It is harmless and doesn't burn the skin.

Lumber up! Don't suffer! Get a small trial bottle of old, honest "St. Jacobs Oil" from any drug store, and after using it just once, you'll forget that you ever had backache, lumbago or sciatica, because your back will never hurt or cause more misery. It never disappoints and has been recommended for 60 years.

RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION OF REV. ALVIN O. RUE

The Ledger received the following communication Wednesday from the McKinney Pastors Association:

"Whereas, Rev. Alvin O. Rue, having served as pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church, of McKinney, for the past three years, has proven himself to be a true pastor, an earnest and efficient minister, and a faithful friend, and,

"Whereas, he has served as secretary of our pastors' association with painstaking fidelity, and,

"Whereas, he has always manifested an interest in all civic enterprises, and,

"Whereas, he has been called, in the providence of God, to a new field of labor,

"Therefore, be it resolved, by the McKinney Pastors' Association—

"First: That we wish in this formal way to acknowledge our appreciation of his true worth as a man, minister, and citizen.

"Second: That we commend him and his estimable family to the confidence and Christian fellowship of the church and community to which he goes.

"Third: That a copy of these resolutions be spread on our minutes, a copy mailed to him; a copy furnished to the local press, and a copy sent to The Ballinger Ledger, of Ballinger, Texas.

"Respectfully submitted,
"R. G. MOOD,
"W. R. HALL,
"Committee on Resolutions."

Frank Cameron left Sunday for Dallas, where he went on business.

Miss Griffie Atkins is at home from a visit to friends at Brownwood.

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Legion Show Promises Many Laughs at "A Full House"

The fifth annual American Legion Show set for presentation to the public on December 21st, afternoon and night, is proclaimed by those familiar with the east and lines to be the most pretentious offering the Legion has ever made for the entertainment of the public.

Believing from the past four years experience that the people of Ballinger want comedy, the boys have picked a bill that they say will keep any crowd in a fit of laughter from the first to the last curtain on the last act. A. R. Jones, who has done the "fat" comedy roles for the past four seasons appears this year in a part that fits him like a glove and that has two laughs in every line. Mrs. Vic Paul, who scored such a hit in "Down on the Farm," will be seen in the best female comedy role ever presented here. Twelve other characters assist these two comedians in the play, and particular mention should be made of those two well-known players of past successes—Harry Lynn and R. W. Earnshaw—who will add greatly to your delight in the offering.

"A Full House," the 1925 play, has been secured from the Samuel C. French Company of New York, for which the Legion pays a royalty of \$50 for use of the script alone. It carries a delightful plot through the three acts, and in addition to the screaming comedy lines and situations, there are moments of deep heart interest which will carry an appeal to everyone.

The afternoon show will be staged for the visiting teachers who will be attending the institute here and for students of the local schools. Children will be admitted to the matinee for 25 cents. Adults who care to attend the afternoon show will be admitted for fifty cents.

Seats for the night performance are selling fast at the Weeks drug store. Over 300 of the seats for the night offering have already been sold, however there are 200 more choice seats and any seat on the lower floor of the new auditorium is good and showgoers will be able to see and hear everything perfectly from this vantage.

The local post American Legion urges that all make reservations

at once as all money received from this show will be used to make improvements in Ballinger that the public will be proud of.

ASKS FOR MORE NAVAL FLYERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The demands of naval aviation alone require an increase in the number of appointees to the Naval Academy, Rear Admiral W. R. Shoemaker, chief of the Bureau of Navigation, said today in his annual report to Secretary Wilbur.

Admiral Shoemaker urged that the present allotment of three appointees to each representative and senator be increased to at least four, which he estimated would make available between 700 and 750 officers for naval aviation, while the training of an equal number of enlisted men as pilots would bring the total estimated by the Bureau of Aeronautics to be necessary for carrying out its program.

Admiral Shoemaker does not believe in naval aviators remaining permanently with that branch of the service, but holds they should be assigned to other duties from time to time, as "the

aviation problem technically as to the knowledge required is more specialized than the operation of any other type and is even less than the requirement in some of the technical branches of the line in which specialization is not necessary now."

The recommendation of last year that the enlisted strength of the navy be increased to 96,000 was reiterated in the report and it is pointed out that under last year's appropriation the present authorized strength of 86,000 had to be reduced to 82,000 because of insufficient funds.

The past year saw a general improvement in the character and experience of navy personnel, the report said, with the number of officers gradually increasing.

OLD GRAY MARE IS DEAD

The old gray mare that has figured as the mascot of the Old Gray Mare Band of Brownwood, died last Monday rather suddenly. The former owner gave the mare to the band five years ago and she accompanied the band to every state and national convention of the American Legion since that time, appearing in parades in many of the large cities of the North and West. Another old gray mare is to take her place immediately.

How Doctors Treat Colds and the Flu

To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of gripe, 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.

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HEALTH RULES GIVEN FOR THE SCHOOL ROOM

AUSTIN, Dec. 11.—Special attention should be given to the proper heating, ventilation and lighting of school rooms to protect the health of school children, says Dr. H. O. Sappington, state health officer. Some of the rural schools are deficient in these three particulars, he says, and he gives this advice:

"While some rural schools still use the ordinary wood or coal stoves for heating, such unsatisfactory methods are being fast replaced by more modern devices which are afforded a comparatively inexpensive stoves that furnish necessary heat by circulating air currents, having both inlet and outlet pipes. Each teacher should be provided with a thermometer to keep the room at an even temperature between 68 and 70 degrees, Fahrenheit.

"Any drowsiness in pupils is always a sign of improper ventilation. Window ventilation is preferable for school rooms. A good plan to be used where rooms have windows on two sides is to open the windows from the top on one side and on the other side from the bottom, using deflectors in the latter case to prevent the cold air blowing directly on the pupils. These deflectors can be made of ordinary planks or glass.

"To afford sufficient light, the area of glass windows should be about one-fifth the area of the floor. No window should be placed so that it is faced by pupils, but preferably the main light should come from the left of pupils as they are seated."

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WINTERS GINS WILL TIE OUT 25,000 BALES

Gin receipts at Winters gins will reach the 25,000 mark, as was predicted early in the season. Up to Thursday afternoon 24,225 bales had been ginned, and it was believed that scrapping would bring the total up to 25,000 bales.

BILIOUS SPELLS

Kentucky Man Finds Relief from Dizzy Attacks.

"I suffered with severe bilious attacks that came on two or three times each month," says Mr. J. P. Nevins, of Lawrenceburg, Ky.

"I would have dizziness and couldn't work.

"I would take pills until I was worn-out with them. I didn't seem to get relief. After taking the pills my bowels would act a couple of three times, then I would be very constipated.

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BOARD ACCEPTS NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING

The board of trustees of the Ballinger Independent District are now in charge of the new high school building, the building and keys having been turned over to the board without reservations following a conference of the board, contractors and architect, Wednesday afternoon.

Members of the board met with the contractor, J. R. Horne; and architect, D. S. Castle, at the building at 1:00 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, where the board spent some time in a thorough inspection of the building, and where they made a careful investigation of the work. They found everything satisfactory and in first class shape.

After inspecting the building the trustees went into an executive session at their downtown office to make final settlement with the contractors, Horne & Son. And after going over the work and contract in detail, a settlement which was declared to be entirely satisfactory to all, was agreed upon.

Under the terms of the contract the contractors were subject to a penalty of \$25 per day for failure to complete the building by a given time. The building had been overdue for about three months, and it was rumored that the board was experiencing some difficulty in settling with the contractors, but this rumor proved false.

After deducting for unavoidable delays, and allowing for changes made in the plans effecting the original contract in a way, the board reached an agreement whereby the contractors paid the school board \$800 penalty. This is a good settlement, and the board is to be congratulated for the splendid work.

The contractors experienced considerable difficulty in employing bricklayers, and changes made in the foundation work also caused unavoidable delays. The building is now complete in its entirety, and the school students will take possession Friday morning, and the public will be privileged to inspect the structure at a formal opening to be held Friday night.

The Ledger recently gave a detailed description of the building, and suffice to say now that it is one in which the patrons and student body of the independent district will take a pride, and one which the entire city is justly proud of.

The following program will be carried out at the formal opening Friday evening, at which time everyone is cordially invited to be present. The program will begin at 7:30 o'clock.

Master of ceremonies—Supt. W. A. Cain

Opening chorus—High school Glee Club

"The Building as a School Plant," and presentation of the building to the board—David S. Castle, architect

The building presented to the citizens—W. B. Currie

The building presented to the school and school faculty—Estes Lynn

Acceptance by high school—Miss Dorothy Chancey

Acceptance by faculty—J. B. Pace Jr.

June school number

Grade school number

Dedicatory prayer—Rev. W. H. Doss

Invitation of inspection and announcement of social hour

Refreshments.

The auditorium of the new high school building was filled to overflow by pupils and patrons of the school Friday night, and many more stood in the halls, or passed through the building and inspected the various departments while the program announcing the formal opening of the building was being presented.

It was the first gathering in the new auditorium, and everyone was eager to be a member of the first audience to occupy the new seats. Some time before the hour for the curtain to go up, every seat in the auditorium was occupied, and it was an enthusiastic audience which witnessed the opening.

The program was carried out as announced in The Ledger, with only minor variations. The band played several selections while the crowd was gathering and other musical numbers included

choruses by the Junior and High Glee Clubs and a novelty number by the primary, with Misses Doss, Brewer and Marchison playing the piano accompaniments for the singing.

Supt. W. A. Cain was master of ceremonies for the occasion, introducing the speakers, Mr. Fowler, of Abilene, represented D. S. Castle, architect, and made a brief talk, expressing appreciation for the privilege of having a hand in the construction of the building.

W. B. Currie, president of the board, told of how the school trustees had labored and how they looked forward to the completion of the building. Rev. W. H. Doss followed Mr. Currie with a brief talk. Rev. Doss stated that he was the youngest member of the board, and proved it by saying that he was the only member of the board who had never missed a meeting.

Speaking for the citizens, Estes Lynn presented the building to the faculty and student body, and illustrated that while such property was usually conveyed in legal terms and where money consideration was cited, this was a case in which love and devotion to the boys and girls of the coming generations were the consideration.

Miss Dorothy Chancey, a member of the high school student body, spoke for the student body in accepting the building, and Prof. J. B. Pace, principal, responded for the faculty. Following a dedicatory prayer by Rev. Doss and announcements by Prof. Cain, the audience was dismissed and the large crowd lingered until nearly 11:00 o'clock, spending a social hour and inspecting the new building.

The members of the faculty each took their places in the various departments, meeting the patrons of the school as they passed from room to room, visiting all the departments. Under the direction of the domestic science department refreshments consisting of brick cream and cake were served.

Many were heard to express themselves as being delighted with the new building, and those who were not able to visit the building on the formal opening, should take advantage of the first opportunity to see the structure throughout. Especially should the patrons of the school inspect the building in order that they may know the splendid advantages given the children at this time.

The new building is the result of a \$100,000 bond issue voted by the tax payers of the independent district about one year ago. The building did not cost the entire amount of the bond issue, but practically the entire amount was spent in constructing and equipping the building and in making repairs in the Junior high school building.

"We have tried to make every dollar count for the most improvement work," said Rev. Doss to a Ledger reporter Saturday morning, "and we will be glad if you will give the public the figures for us."

"Our contract with Horn & Son, general contractors was for \$74,150," continued Rev. Doss, "and the heating contract was for \$7,000, plumbing \$2,272.25, electrical contract \$3,000, making a total cost of the building \$86,422.25, and the equipment bill amounted to \$17,088, making a grand total of \$99,510.25 spent in improvement."

Rev. Doss stated that local dealers and local shop men assisted the board substantially in that they furnished considerable material which went in the building in the way of equipment, at cost plus ten per cent.

In discussing the cost of the building, Rev. Doss stated that the books of the school board were open to anyone who wished to see them.

The announcement was made that the auditorium was open for use by all worthy organizations and for all worthy purposes free of cost with the exception of lights, fuel and janitor's service. The auditorium will seat 770 persons.

The new building is one of the most substantial in the city, being erected on a natural rock foundation. In excavating for the

REMAINS OF WINTERS LADY BURIED IN EVERGREEN

The remains of Mrs. Edward Guthrie were laid to rest in Evergreen Cemetery at 10:00 o'clock Saturday morning. Mrs. Guthrie died at Winters Thursday morning, leaving an infant a few hours old.

Before her marriage to Mr. Guthrie, the deceased was Miss Lucy Brady, and formerly lived in Ballinger, being with the Halley & Love Sanitarium here as a trained nurse. She was married to Mr. Guthrie on August 2, 1924. She was also a sister of Mrs. J. E. Davis, who moved from Ballinger to Winters a few months ago.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. E. W. McLaurin, assisted by Rev. Dunn, of Winters. Mrs. Guthrie was a member of the Presbyterian Church. Sorrowing friends from Winters made up the funeral party which accompanied the remains to Ballinger.

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FARMER TO SINK 1200 FOOT WELL

G. H. Dierschke, one of the well-to-do farmers living ten miles South of Ballinger, will do a little oil development on a small scale, and who knows but that he may start an oil boom.

Mr. Dierschke was in the city Wednesday looking after business, and reported that he had planned to sink a 1,200-foot well on his farm. The Penick Bros. have a drilling outfit that will go to a depth of twelve hundred feet, and they will work it to its full capacity for Mr. Dierschke. The drill will begin with a ten-inch bit, and leave the hole in such shape that the work can be taken up and carried on, if the log of the test shows up encouraging.

Geologists passing through the country recently were attracted by the "lay of the land" Southeast of Cowena and in the Dierschke farm, and proposed to lease some acreage from Mr. Dierschke. Mr. Dierschke refused the lease proposition, but offered to make a drilling contract. No deal was made, the oil man stating that they would see him later.

It will be recalled that a man was quite badly burned a few years ago by gas escaping from a well drilled for water in the territory Southeast of Rowena. When the well was down about two hundred feet the man struck a match while near the mouth of the hole, and as a result the gas was ignited. It was necessary to bring the man in for medical treatment following the blow-out.

In referring to Mr. Dierschke as a well-to-do farmer, we might state that he has picked 254 bales of cotton on his farm this year, and will gather three more bales. He "bucked" the market this year, however, and of course feels a little set back on that account. He said that it was the first time he ever lost by holding his crop.

LEADAY ROAD IS IN BETTER SHAPE

County Commissioner R. J. Deens recently transferred his road grading crew from the Leaday road East of Ballinger to the Wingate road West of Ballinger, having completed grading the Leaday road from Ballinger to near the oil pump station, about twelve miles East of the city. Mr. Deens reports that motorists can make thirty miles an hour on the Leaday road now without striking many bumps.

Work of putting the Wingate road in good shape is speeding up to make it ready for the state. The section of this road in Mr. Deens' precinct has been designated as part of the state highway connecting Ballinger and Sweetwater, and under the rules governing the state work it will pass into the hands of the State Highway Commission on January 1st. Mr. Deens stated that he expected to have it in

FORMER WINTERS LADY IS BURIED IN DALLAS

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hall were called to Dallas last Monday to be at the bedside of their daughter, Mrs. J. J. Carter, who passed away Tuesday night.

The sad news of the death of Mrs. Carter was a profound shock to the many friends of the family here. Funeral services were held in Dallas.

Bereaved loved ones are extended the tenderest sympathy of a host of friends.—Winters Enterprise.

Miss Grace Weems has returned from Brownwood, where she visited friends for a few days.

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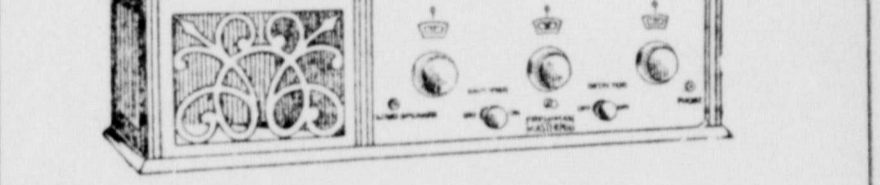
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