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DRY GOODS CO.

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

New Goods---New Low Prices

EASTER SALE

Daily arrivals of new goods make our Easter Sale more attractive than ever—other items have again been greatly reduced in order to add interest to this yearly event. Never before have lines in every department been more complete and so reasonably priced.



Spring Coats 1/2 Price

In order to quickly sell all remaining Spring Coats, including only the newest and smartest styles, we are offering this tremendous reduction, just half regular price:

\$13.50 Spring Coats, Easter Sale, to go at **\$6.75**
 \$16.50 Spring Coats, Easter Sale, to go at **\$8.25**
 \$18.50 Spring Coats, Easter Sale, to go at **\$9.25**
 \$32.50 Spring Coats, Easter Sale, to go at **\$16.25**



New Arrivals in Silk Hosiery 89c

Our supply of this special value was completely exhausted during the first week of sale and a new shipment has just arrived, including many of the newer shades for Spring not included in the first showing. Silk-to-top kind in both chiffon and service weights, fitting qualities not usually found in hosiery at such a low price, only 89c.



Pre-Easter Sale of New Silks Featuring Late Arrivals in Black and White Prints at yard **\$2.25**

In addition to the above arrivals are included new prints in bright colors, new Kiki Kool Crepes and other novelties for Easter apparel—all specially priced for this sale. In fact, we have anticipated the largest silk business in our history for this Spring season, and feature one of the greatest collections of Fine Silks we have ever assembled and at tremendous reductions from our regular everyday low prices:

40 inch Flat Crepe and Georgette in most all wanted shades, exceptional value, yard **\$1.25**
 40 inch Flat Crepe in new shades, \$2.25 grade, yard **\$1.85**
 40 inch Flat Crepe in grades to \$3.50 regularly, yard **\$2.65**
 Colored Pongee, wonderful quality, yard **\$1.25**
 Baronet Satin, suitable for slips and undergarments, yard **95c**
 Crepe Romaine, \$2.50 grade, new shades, yard **\$1.95**
 Crepe Romaine, \$3.50 grade, yard **\$2.75**
 Taffeta in favored checks and plaids, yard **\$1.85**
 40 inch Georgette in wanted shades, \$2.50 quality, yard **\$1.95**

New Dresses \$8.95

—Dresses from our regular \$13.50 group, including this week's new arrivals, make this offering more desirable than ever. Many have taken advantage of this special feature, making it necessary for us to fill in broken sizes, and our stock is again complete. Make your selection early in order to avoid disappointment, at only \$8.95.



New Styles—Exceptional Values in

Easter Footwear

\$4.45 \$5.25 \$6.25 \$7.50

Offerings from our newest arrivals in grades priced regularly at \$6.00, \$7.50, \$8.00 and \$10.00. Other grades specially priced at \$3.50 and \$4.00, in last minute styles, in novel combinations of leathers and colors.

New Styles, Genuine Money Saving Reductions

Beacon and E-J Shoes for Men and Boys

\$4.50 Shoes and Oxfords, Easter Sale **\$3.85**
 \$6.50 Shoes and Oxfords, Easter Sale **\$4.95**
 \$7.50 Shoes and Oxfords, Easter Sale **\$5.95**
 \$4.50 Shoes and Oxfords, for Boys, Easter Sale **\$2.95**
 \$4.00 Shoes and Oxfords for Boys, Easter Sale **\$3.75**



Sale of Men's Light Weight Suits

Regular values up \$20.00, choice of about 50 at

\$10.00

Well made light weight Suits, suitable for Spring and Summer wear—well tailored—materials of Palm Beach, Beach Cloth, Flannel, Tropical Worsteds and Seersucker. Tremendous savings for prompt buyers, as the sizes will be quickly broken at this low price, just \$10.00.

Greatest Suit Value

\$22.50

New patterns, highest quality all-wool materials, handsomely tailored—for men wanting the very best at the lowest possible price, this offering will make an unusual appeal. Others have bought and realized the great saving made—let us convince you that this is the season's greatest Suit value at \$22.50.

Shirts

Genuine Broadcloth and Printed Shirtings
95c

Every Shirt standard cut, fast color materials in newest patterns—collar attached style. Just another special purchase that enables us to offer greater values than ever. They are selling fast, 30 dozen in all, and we urge that you make your selections while sizes are complete.

BOYS' WASHABLE LONG TROUSERS

\$1.25 \$1.50 \$2.00 \$2.50

Durable and attractive patterns—all new—sizes for all ages up to 16 years. Just right for Spring and Summer wear, and best of all, washable materials that will give long wear and neat appearance at a low cost.

THE NEW STRAWS ARE HERE—BY MALLORY

\$2.50 TO \$10.00

We give you the most style, yet we give you more than style. There's no limit to our assortments: Sennits, Splits, Milans, Leghorns, "Row-and-Row" Weaves and many more—24 new styles in all. Black, solid-colored and brilliantly Striped Bands. And—you are served by hat specialists, not just hat salesmen.

Reeder's MILLINERY - SHOP LADIES REST ROOM

Hats for Easter

Savings of ;

1-4 to 1-2

Never has our Millinery leadership been more emphasized than at this very moment. A remarkable collection of distinctive, authentically styled millinery—from close fitting chapeaus to the extremely wide brims—every favored shade, with new arrivals added every week, specially priced for Easter Sale

\$1.25 TO \$9.50

Reeder's UP STAIRS BARGAIN ANNEX

Special Purchase
9x12 Felt Base Rugs
Worth Double

\$7.50

Price them elsewhere and you will more than ever appreciate this great value. Neat tile and black patterns of blue and white, strictly first quality with long wearing surface. A most unusual purchase and duplicates will not be obtainable when present limited supply is exhausted.

Raby Again To Be Mayor

Dr. S. B. Raby was re-elected mayor of the city of Ballinger in the regular municipal election held Tuesday by a majority of 27 votes, the official count showed Wednesday morning. Mayor Raby received 308 votes. His opponent, C. J. Lynn, received 281 votes.

There was a total of 591 votes cast, two voters scratching both candidates for mayor.

In the commissioners' race, E. M. Eubank and W. A. Holt were high men, with votes of 329 and 317, respectively. These two men will be city commissioners for the next two years.

Elmer Talbot, candidate for commissioner, received 226 votes, while Louis Cohen, candidate for the same office, received 281 votes.

While there was a large vote cast, it was not as large as was first expected. More than 300 of the votes were cast in the afternoon when many women came to the polling place.

The first meeting of the new commission will be held within the near future and plans for the next two-year program of the city administration will be outlined and announced.

Roy Reeder, elected about one year ago in a special, called election, did not ask for re-election and retired when Mr. Holt was elected.

OFFICERS MAKE CHOC BEER RAID

Three negro women, residents of the "flat," were arrested in a raid Thursday night conducted by Deputies John White and Ben Butcher, and Walter Watson, city night policeman. The negroes were notified to appear in justice court Friday morning and upon doing so paid fines of \$12.70 each on vagrancy charges. The women entered pleas of guilty to vag charges and paid off.

Eighteen gallons of choc beer in the making were destroyed and six dozen pint bottles of the brew were taken.

SCHOOL CENSUS SHOWS A GAIN

There are 1,004 school children in Ballinger, including white children, Mexicans and negroes. The census shows an increase of three over the 1926 school census when 1,001 were enrolled in the city schools.

There are now 840 white school students, 61 students in the Mexican school, and 103 in the colored school. This number shows an increase in the Mexican and colored schools but in the white schools there is a decrease of seven students over the 1926 count.

For 1926 there were 847 whites, 60 Mexicans and 94 negroes, or a total of 1,001. In 1925 there was a total of 938 enrolled in the city schools.

A. F. Brock, secretary of the school board, said Friday that the reason for the decline in the white student enrollment was that there were more houses occupied in 1926 here than at the time of the census this year. Where there were roomers last year with families, the householder is now advertising for roomers, Mr. Brock said.

The enumerator also declared that he found many vacant houses in the city this year.

Sheriff R. E. McWilliams has returned from Lampasas, where he had been looking after business.

GRAHAM BROTHERS TRUCKS

\$670 1/4-Ton Chassis F.O.B. Detroit
\$1245 1 1/2-Ton Chassis F.O.B. Detroit
\$885 1-Ton Chassis F.O.B. Detroit
\$1445 2-Ton Chassis F.O.B. Detroit

Quality - Volume - Low Price
Higginbotham Bros. & Co.
Ballinger's Greatest Store

GERMAN BEAUTY QUEEN WANTS TO COMPETE IN U. S.



BERLIN, April 2.—Hildegard Kwandt, 21-year-old unbobbed, blue eyed and blonde 'home' girl with a penchant for cooking and sewing, who was recently chosen as the first all-German beauty queen, has one other great desire. That is to compete in this year's international beauty contest in the United States.



Facts about Child-Birth
FOR the expectant mother's comfort and well being, there is nothing that equals Mother's Friend...

SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION QUIET

Tom Caudle, W. E. Middleton and Rev. W. H. Doss were re-elected Saturday as members of the board of trustees of the Ballinger Independent School District. There were only 58 votes cast in the election and things were unusually quiet at the city hall where the election was held.

The balloting was as follows: Caudle, 58; Middleton, 58; Doss, 57.

The other five independent districts in Runnels county also held elections last Saturday. They were Rowena, Miles, Norton, Wingate and Winters. The outcome of these elections has not been reported here.

The forty-four common school districts in the county also held elections Saturday. R. E. White, county school superintendent, said Monday. Mr. White was looking over the returns from several schools Monday and said he would receive all returns by the latter part of this week.

SAGE TEA BEAUTIFIES AND DARKENS HAIR

Don't Stay Gray! It Darkens so Naturally That Nobody Can Tell

You can turn gray, faded hair beautifully dark and lustrous almost over night if you'll get a bottle of 'Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound' at any drug store. Millions of bottles of this old famous Sage Tea Recipe, improved by the addition of other ingredients, are sold annually, says a well-known druggist here, because it darkens the hair so naturally and evenly that no one can tell it has been applied.

Those whose hair is turning gray or becoming faded have a surprise awaiting them, because after one or two applications the gray hair vanishes and your locks become luxuriantly dark and beautiful.

This is the age of youth. Gray-haired, unattractive folks aren't wanted around, so get busy with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound tonight and you'll be delighted with your dark, handsome hair and your youthful appearance within a few days.

MOOR RETURNS HERE AND BUYS CAFE

E. C. Moor, veteran restaurant man of this city, who some time ago sold out his restaurant interests here to move to Lampasas, has returned to this city and purchased the Main Cafe from D. O. Montgomery, of Miles.

Mr. Moor closed the deal last week and Monday was remodeling the place and getting ready to open up for business Wednesday morning. He said he would make announcements later in regard to a new name for the business.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets) B...

WANTS CHANCE TO GAS CITY

Another oil and gas man wants to bring gas into Ballinger if the present proposition the city now has fails to pan out, Mayor S. B. Raby said Saturday morning.

This man comes from Rising Star. He was here recently conferring with the City Commission in regard to a gas line to this city from Coleman county. He stated that if the present plan fails to materialize that he would like to have a chance to bring gas here.

According to Mayor Raby, this man already owns his gas wells and they are producing a supply sufficient for use in Ballinger, but that he would not extend his line further from here.

Mayor Raby said that D. C. Boyd and Barney Carter, of Cisco and Ranger, respectively, who now own the franchise here, were scheduled to sign their last contract for Ballinger's gas about the first of April. So far nothing more has been heard here from these two men.

It was the plan of Mr. Carter and Mr. Boyd to bring gas into Ballinger from Coleman county through a pipe line and then extend the line on to San Angelo, where it is reported the two men purchased the old San Angelo gas plant.

No word has been received here from either of the men in the past ten days as to progress that is being made in putting the proposition through. The mayor and other city officials of San Angelo, a short time ago, not quite satisfied with the reported progress of the line, called for a report from Mr. Boyd. It was some time before he made a report but according to word received here the information obtained by city officials there was not as favorable as was expected.

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.

MAN SLIGHTLY INJURED IN CAR WRECK SUNDAY

A man by the name of Cooper, traveling for the Houston Paper Company, was reported slightly injured when he was forced to take to the ditch on the Ballinger-San Angelo highway Sunday.

Mr. Cooper was not seriously hurt and came on to Ballinger where his injuries attended.

It was reported that a large truck forced Mr. Cooper to take to the ditch in order to prevent a serious tear-up.

The First National Bank of Norton, Texas, located at Norton, State of Texas, is closing its affairs. All note holders and other creditors of the Association are therefore hereby notified to present the notes and other claims for payment.

Children At School Need To Be Well-Nourished

SCOTT'S EMULSION
Supplies Cod-liver Oil Vitamins
That Children Need

Our Two Mammoth Incubators are now in operation.

Place your order for space for setting before it is all taken.

Baby Chicks for sale at all times.

W. B. Currie Produce Co.

TO HOLD COUNTY MEET IN WINTERS

Athletes and class students of Runnels county schools will meet in Winters on Friday and Saturday, April 8th and 9th, next week, for the purpose of determining who shall go to the district meet to be held in San Angelo two weeks later. The Runnels County Interscholastic Meet will start Friday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock and continue thru Saturday night.

Representatives of the Ballinger schools have been chosen and will be in a position to give their best for the local schools next week. The preliminaries were held here a short time ago and the students have been working for the county meet.

Ballinger's athletes are in excellent condition and expect to make a hard fight in the track meet to be held Saturday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. Many business firms in the county are donating prizes for winners of the various contests and this is expected to make each contest more attractive.

Ballinger will make a strong effort to take the loving cups from Winters this year, which that school has held for the past two years. If Winters comes out ahead this year the cups will become the permanent property of the school there.

H. C. Lyon, superintendent; J. B. Pace Jr., principal; Felton Wright, athletic coach; and other instructors of the local schools will probably attend the meet.

Following is the schedule as released by A. H. Smith, superintendent of the Winters schools, who is director general of the county meet:

Friday, 2:00 p. m.—Tennis, volleyball, and playground ball.

Friday, 7:00 p. m.—Preliminaries in debating.

Saturday, 9:00 a. m.—Declamation, arithmetic, spelling, extemporaneous speaking.

Saturday, 1:00 p. m.—Essay, music memory, and three R's.

Saturday, 2:00 p. m.—Track and field meet.

Saturday, 7:30 p. m.—Finals in debating.

The finals in debating will be open to the public and will be held at the high school auditorium.

EGGS EGGS

If your hens are wormy or sapped by blood-sucking Lice and Blue Bugs they will lay very few eggs; will be weak and subject to disease. Give them Star Parasite Remover in their water or feed; it will rid them of these pests, improve their health and reduce disease and increase egg production or money back. Jeanes Co. 25-4tw

INSTALLS NEW COOLING SYSTEM

One of the latest machines in cooling buildings and especially theatres during the hot summer nights has been installed at the Palace Theatre here during the past two weeks, W. D. Seales, manager of the theatre, announced Saturday.

This system is new in West Texas and is about the only one now in operation in West Texas theatres. Mr. Seales said he knew of no other theatre that has such a system. It is called the water cooling air system, and was installed in the rear of the Palace at a cost of about \$350. It is new and modern in every detail and affords cool air on hot summer nights. The machine has not been put in operation other than to test it out, because there has not been weather hot enough

for its operation. "We will have one of the coolest theatres in Texas this summer," Mr. Seales said. "The public is invited around to inspect the new system and see it in operation."

Air is drawn through water to give the house a rain-cool temperature.

C. L. Nelson, who for some time was in the tire business here, has moved to Louisiana.

Renew Your Health by Purification

Any physician will tell you that "Perfect Purification of the System is Nature's Foundation of Perfect Health." Why not rid yourself of chronic ailments that are undermining your vitality? Purify your entire system by taking a thorough course of Calotabs—once or twice a week for several weeks—and see how Nature rewards you with health.

You Make Your Own Credit Rating
The person who can go to the merchant or the banker and receive every accommodation possible is the person who has established a record by meeting his obligations promptly, and the person who is unable to receive such accommodations is one who has established a record of refusing to be fair in his business dealings, therefore each individual makes his own credit rating.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK

at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 23rd day of March, 1927, published in The Ballinger Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 31st day of March, 1927.

RESOURCES: Loans and discounts, undoubtedly good on personal or collateral security \$406,667.36
Loans secured by real estate, worth at least twice the amount loaned thereon 37,434.01
Overdrafts, undoubtedly good 1,367.88
Bonds, stocks and other securities 1,314.28
Real Estate (Banking House) 25,000.00
Other Real Estate 6,286.06
Furniture and Fixtures 5,000.00
Cash on hand 24,875.76
Due from approved reserve agents 169,741.86
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check on demand 2,007.39
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund 2,349.50
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund 5,860.82
Acceptances and Bills of Exchange, undoubtedly good 17,596.65
Other Resources: Miscellaneous Collections 7,596.00
Total \$713,096.57

LIABILITIES Capital Stock \$100,000.00
Other Surplus Fund 42,000.00
Undivided profits, net 1,697.73
Due to banks and bankers, subject to check 6,011.90
Individual Deposits subject to check on which no interest is paid 322,989.10
Time Certificates of Deposit 58,891.84
Public Funds on Deposit: State \$
County \$112,307.28
City \$
School \$ 68,480.15
Total 180,787.43
Cashier's Checks Outstanding 1,609.57
Total \$713,096.57

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RUNNELS, We, G. G. Odom, as President and J. L. Chastain, as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of March, A. D. 1927. (SEAL) W. C. McCarver, Notary Public, Runnels County, Texas.

RESOURCES: Loans and Discounts \$444,101.87
Overdrafts 1,367.88
Banking House 25,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures 5,000.00
Other Real Estate 6,286.06
Stocks and Bonds 1,314.28
Assessment Guaranty Fund 5,860.82
Interest in Guaranty Fund 2,349.50
Bills of Exchange (Cotton) 17,596.65
Cash and Due from Banks 204,220.01
Total \$713,096.57
LIABILITIES Capital Stock \$100,000.00
Surplus and Profits, net 43,697.73
Cashier's Checks 1,609.57
Deposits 567,789.27
Total \$713,096.57



Tinting Tips

(Copyright 1927)

Here's the secret of giving lingerie, stockings, etc., the most gorgeous tint...

Diamond dyes do perfectly beautiful tinting—in cold water. A dip, and it's done...

Regular dyeing of all dress materials, drapes, etc., just as easy...

Diamond Dyes

Dip to TINT - Boil to DYE

4 MORE WHITE STUDENTS ADDED TO CENSUS REPORT

A. F. Brock, secretary of the school board, declared Monday that four more students had been added...

This gives the white schools 884 instead of 880 as was first reported...

Statement of the Ownership, Management, Circulation, etc., Required by the Act of Congress of August 24, 1912...

Before me, a notary public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared C. P. Shepherd...

2. That the owner is: (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated...

3. That the known bondholders, mortgagees, and other security holders owning or holding 1 per cent or more of total amount of stock...

4. That the two paragraphs next above, giving the names of the owners, stockholders, and security holders...

5. That the average number of copies of each issue of this publication sold or distributed...

C. P. Shepherd, Business Manager. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of April, 1927.

TEAM PREPARES FOR TRACK MEET

Ballinger athletes will go to Winters Saturday afternoon to take part in the county wide track meet...

Coach Felton Wright of the Ballinger schools, expects to have his team in excellent shape by Saturday.

Following is a list of those from Ballinger who will enter the various track and field events at Winters:

Tuekey, 100-yard dash and low hurdles; Marecek, shot-put and javelin; Arthur, broad jump; Alagoood, high hurdles, 440-yard dash and 880-yard run...

T. J. Dean, one of the star track and field men of the local team, is ineligible on account of now being a married man...

With the group named above, Coach Wright expects to get a large number of the points of the county meet...

The literary and other events will be started Friday morning at the Winters high school...

RED PEPPER HEAT ENDS RHEUMATISM

Rheumatism, lumbago, neuritis, backache, stiff neck, sore muscles, strains, sprains, aching joints...

Nothing has so concentrated, penetrating heat as red peppers, and when heat penetrates right down into pain and congestion relief comes at once.

Just as soon as you apply Red Pepper Rub you feel the tingling heat. In three minutes the sore spot is warmed through...

Rowles Red Pepper Rub, made from red peppers, costs little at any drug store. Get a jar at once.

S. D. WILLIAMS RETURNS AFTER THIRTY-FOUR YEARS

S. D. Williams, pioneer school teacher and the first justice of the peace elected by the people of Sterling at their first election...

We showed Mr. Williams the spot on which stood the shack where he was superintendent, principal, high school, intermediate and primary instructor...

Then we steered him into the new school building and turned him over to Superintendent Helm who gave the old man a hearty welcome and showed him through the new plant...

Capt. Williams spent the night with his old friend, J. H. Bugg, and this old friend steered him around among the old timers Thursday morning...

Since leaving Sterling, Mr. Williams has made his home in Ballinger, where he served as county surveyor of Runnels county for many years.

FINAL GINNINGS TOTAL 62,525

Final ginnings of the 1926-27 cotton crop total 62,525 bales, counting round bales as half-bales.

Winters led the county in round bales and also in complete ginnings. Winters ginned 22,342 round bales, and a total of 23,466 bales. Miles ginned 6,226 round bales, and Ballinger ginned 3,555 round bales...

The 1926-27 crop was several thousand bales under the 1925-26 crop, this being due to unfavorable weather conditions...

The 1927-28 crop is expected to be a medium sized crop on account of the decrease in acreage.

Winters, 23,466; Ballinger, 10,513; Miles, 8,706; Rowena, 7,581; Wingate, 3,702.

FOR HOME AND STABLE

The extraordinary Borozone treatment for flesh wounds, cuts, sores, galls, burns and scalds is just as effective in the stable as in the home.

Miss Lola Coulter, of San Angelo, at home on a leave from the Presbyterian mission post in Porto Rico, visited her uncle, J. D. Coulter, here Sunday.

PENSION BOARD TO MEET HERE

The next meeting of the Pension Committee of the Brownwood Presbytery will be held in Ballinger on April 12th...

This committee is working in the interest of the \$15,000,000 pension fund for Presbyterian ministers and the quota of this Presbytery is \$5,245.

The committee is composed of laymen and ministers of this section of the state and they are working hard to raise the quota assigned.

Ministers of the Presbyterian church who have retired, families of ministers who are taken early in life, and those who are afflicted with injury or sickness will be benefited by this fund.

The meeting of the committee to be held here April 12th, will go into details of the campaign to be pushed with full force.

HALBERT HUNT NO. 1 RESUMES DRILLING

The Halbert-Hunt No. 1, near Bradshaw, in Taylor county, just across the Runnels county line, resumed drilling at 1,200 feet Friday...

The leases have been straightened out and drilling will continue at a rapid rate.

Clinton Reese has returned to Sanderson, where he is attending school, after spending the week-end here with his parents...



Plant a Garden For Safety!

No farm is too prosperous, and none too small, not to afford space for a good, plentiful garden.

Getting back to "first principles" in the matter of a living at home is vital to safety, and surely there is no one thing that pays bigger dividends on the investment of time and expense than a home garden.

PLANT A GARDEN FOR SAFETY!

Ballinger State Bank

Advertisement for Louis Cohen, The Tailor. Features the text 'FREE I WILL GIVE YOU A SUIT if you can find a suit anywhere as good as the one I can sell you for the same money.' and 'Louis Cohen The Tailor Phone 63 We Deliver'.

TO HAVE FARM PROGRAM AT NORTON NEXT TUESDAY

A farmer's program will be given at the tabernacle in Norton next Tuesday, April 12, it was announced here Tuesday by C. W. Buchanan, secretary of the Farm Bureau in Runnels county.

Short talks will be made by T. J. McCaughan, Norton merchant; Lynn Stokes, president of the Runnels County Farm Bureau; and C. W. Dehmberg, county agricultural agent.

Miss Helen Rhodes will give a reading and Mrs. Earl Cope will be presented in a piano solo. A male quartet will also be on the program.

Everyone is invited to attend this meeting.

Rio Coffee per pound 25c. Cane Syrup 75 cents per gallon. U. E. Hartman, Grocer.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Bruce and Mrs. Robert E. Bruce left Sunday morning for Kingsville, where they will visit for several days.

H. P. Nichols, San Angelo oil man, was in Ballinger Monday looking after business.

What Is a Diuretic?

People Are Learning the Value of Occasional Use.

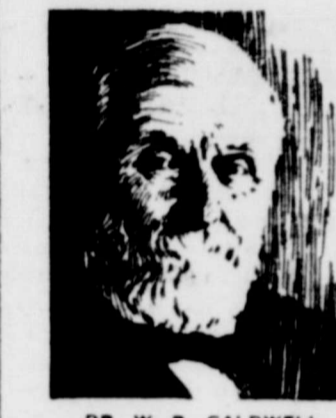
EVERYONE knows that a laxative stimulates the bowels. A diuretic performs a similar function to the kidneys. Under the strain of our modern life, our organs are apt to become sluggish and require assistance.

DOAN'S PILLS 60c

Stimulant Diuretic to the Kidneys

Mr. and Mrs. Archie O'Kelly, of Weinert, are here visiting Mr. O'Kelly's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed O'Kelly.

J. B. Pace Jr., principal of the Senior high school, spent Saturday in Brownwood and Coleman looking after school business.



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

Constipation! How to Keep Bowels Regular

To Dr. W. B. Caldwell, of Monticello, Ill., a practicing physician for 47 years, it seemed cruel that so many constipated men, women, children, and particularly old folks, had to be kept constantly "stirred up" and half sick by taking cathartic pills, tablets, salts, calomel and nasty oils.

Buy a large 60-cent bottle at any store that sells medicine or write "Syrup Pepsin," Monticello, Illinois, for a FREE SAMPLE BOTTLE and just see for yourself.

Dr. Caldwell's SYRUP PEPSIN

FARM AND RANCH LOANS

We can make you a 34 year loan at 6% interest payable either annually or semi-annually, no stock to buy and no association to join, simply interest at 6%.

We can also make you a 10 year loan at 6 1/2% simple interest, with option to pay as much as one-fifth of principle each year. No extra cost in securing our loans. Get ahead of low cotton and feed and get your land notes extended NOW.

McCarver and Lynn

ABSTRACTS, LAND LOANS, GENERAL INSURANCE Ballinger, Texas.



The Personality of Wallpaper

WALLPAPER is a most potent influence for creating the right atmosphere in your home. Its pattern and treatment reflect the good taste and personality of the hostess.

Wm. CAMERON & CO.

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One week from today and umpires in the Texas League will shout "play ball" to the various clubs. The 1927 baseball season in Texas is expected to be a warm affair.

The city election is over and everyone seems to be very well satisfied with the results. Ballinger will be on the map always whether another city election is ever held or not.

One thing the citizens here should be thankful for in the city elections and that is there are no gang wars, shootings or bombings such as Chicago citizens witnessed on the eve of their municipal election and during the balloting.

Runnels county roads are in better condition today than in several weeks and road crews are busy in an effort to keep them in first class condition. At present a road gang is working the road to the Humble pipe line station, a road that has been graded, until the present work started, only part of the way.

Tourist travel through Ballinger for the 1927 season will start some time this month. City officials should pass traffic laws to benefit the tourists so they would recommend Ballinger instead of condemning this city as they have done in the past. Tourist travel is good advertising for any city.

WELLS DENIES HE KILLED MAN

O. C. Wells, held in Abilene on a charge of assault to murder, admittedly an escaped convict, and identified by Mrs. J. A. Mitchell of Coleman, as the killer of her husband there on January 27th, late Wednesday flatly denied with a clear voice that he killed Mitchell.

Following is his statement as made to a reporter for the Abilene Reporter, in Abilene, Wednesday: "Th elady is mistaken. It is a case of identifying the wrong man. At the proper time I will be able to prove that I was not even in Coleman the night J. A. Mitchell was killed," Wells declared.

"I have been in the penitentiary and I owe a little time down there, but I had nothing to do whatever with this Coleman killing. Why, I was not even in the town," Wells continued.

"At the proper time, I will welcome the fullest presentation of all facts. I am confident that I can prove to any jury that I am not complicated in the case."

Wells is about 45 years of age and very active. He talked freely and did not hesitate in making remarks in regard to the murder. He said he had read accounts of the killing in newspapers.

"You understand how these identifications are," he told the reporter. "Here I am, alone, and they bring in a woman to look me over. No doubt she was laboring under great excitement and under such circumstances it is very easy and for that, natural, to make a mistake."

Wells will be held in the Taylor county jail until matters are cleared within the next two or three weeks.

Be wise and advertise.

What to Do First for Colds and Flu

Your doctor will prescribe something to quickly and completely cleanse out the entire bowel tract. Frequently constipation is the cause of colds and flu. The new way and the sure way to do this is with Klok-Lax which contains ingredients now recognized the world over to completely cleanse out the 28-foot intestinal canal of all poisonous

GAIN SHOWN IN POSTAL TRADE

Postal receipts at the local office during the first quarter of this year shows a gain of \$98.48 over the same period of 1926, according to a statement issued Saturday by Postmaster J. A. Reese. For the first three months of 1927 the receipts totalled \$5,035.26 while for the same period of 1926 they amounted to \$4,942.72.

The months of February and March of this year showed slight gains, while January showed a small decrease over the same months of 1926.

Following are the receipts by months for the first quarter of 1927 and for the first quarter of 1926:

Table with 2 columns: Month, Amount. Rows for 1926 (Jan: \$2,162.26, Feb: 1,328.16, Mar: 1,452.30, Total: \$4,942.72) and 1927 (Jan: \$2,106.25, Feb: 1,442.79, Mar: 1,486.16, Total: \$5,035.20)

OUCH! RHEUMATISM! RUB THE PAIN AWAY

Stop drugging! Rub soothing, penetrating St. Jacobs Oil right into your sore, stiff, aching joints, and relief comes instantly. St. Jacobs Oil is a harmless rheumatism liniment which never disappears and cannot burn the skin.

Get a 35 cent bottle of St. Jacobs Oil at any drug store, and in a moment you'll be free from pain, soreness and stiffness. In use for 65 years for rheumatism, sciatica, neuralgia, lumbago, backache, sprains.

TWO-YEAR OLD BOY POISONED

Lester, the 22-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cape, is recovering from poisoning which he took late Thursday afternoon at the home of his parents, 300 Thirteenth Street.

The little boy, one of the Cape twins, found a box containing several 1-60th grain strychnine tablets that his grandmother, Mrs. M. M. Cape, 78 years of age, uses as medicine. The youngster, thinking the tablets were candy, ate several of them but not enough to cause serious illness.

Dr. F. M. Hale was called and rendered the baby first aid. He has, however, never suffered serious effects from the poison. Dr. Hale said Friday that he believed the boy did not take many of the tablets. There were 26 tablets left in the box when he was discovered.

Chester, his twin brother, was with him, but did not eat any of the tablets.

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. 3c.

BETHEL SCHOOL CURTAIN INSTALLED, GET HOLIDAY

Students of the Bethel school enjoyed an April Fool holiday Friday with a picnic.

The curtain recently purchased by the school from the proceeds of sale of advertising to Ballinger merchants, has been installed and the school is declared to be progressing nicely.

Get today's news today—read The Daily Ledger

FARMER MAKES \$145 IN MARCH

Here's something to think about:

A farmer, residing not many miles from Ballinger, was in the city Friday and told a business man how much money he realized from six cows and a flock of chickens during the month of March. It amounted to \$145.04.

Here is how he did it: He marketed cream in Ballinger which brought him \$21.05; he sold 147 dozen eggs at 17 cents per dozen or for a total of \$24.99; 220 pounds of butter were brought to Ballinger and sold for an average of 45 cents per pound, making about \$99 for the butter.

There are probably few farmers in West Texas who are farmers who sold that much cream, butter and eggs during the month of March. This farmer is neither in the poultry nor the dairy business, but just keeps cows and chickens for his own use and to bring in a little cash during periods when there is little else for him to do.

Rio Coffee per pound 25c. Cane Syrup 75 cents per gallon. U. E. Hartman, Grocer. 19-tfw

LEAVES ON TRIP TO WASHINGTON FOR A. & S.

J. D. Motley, secretary of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce; T. N. Carswell, secretary of the Abilene Chamber of Commerce; and Percy Jones, of the A. & S. Railway, left Saturday morning from Abilene for Washington, D. C., where Mr. Motley and Mr. Carswell will appear before the Interstate Commerce Commission in the interest of the proposed sale of the road to the Texas & Pacific Railroad for \$1,000,000. The three men will return to Ballinger next week.

SINGING CONVENTION TO BE HELD HERE APRIL 24

The Runnels County Singing Convention will be held in Ballinger at the Baptist church, Sunday, April 24th, it was announced Monday afternoon. The convention will start on Saturday night and continue through Sunday night.

The public is cordially invited to attend the programs which are now being prepared and the committee declares the program will be very interesting.

Some of the best singers in the county will be heard at this time.

MOVE OFFICES TO THE COURT HOUSE

County Agent C. W. Lehmburg and Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, county home agent, have moved their offices from the second floor of the F. & M. Bank building on Eighth Street to the south corner room on the second floor of the court house.

The offices have been rearranged and the two county agents are now comfortably located in their new quarters.

Dr. O. R. Lasater and family have moved to Carizzo Springs, where they will make their home. Dr. Lasater has sold his property here.

BABY CHICKS

Hatching Eggs—Pullets From my Hollywood Strain Single Comb White Leghorns. These Leghorns have been bred for size without decreasing their egg production in the least. Also they are backed by excellent trap-nest records. Their eggs are extra large and snow white. My matings are carefully selected for type as well as for egg capacity. A visit will convince you of the high quality of my breeders.

Reduced Prices

Effective at once, I have made drastic reduction in the price of my Baby Chicks and Hatching Eggs from my best flock matings, new prices being as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Price. Rows: Baby Chicks—100 -----\$12.50, 500 -----\$55.00, 1,000 -----\$100.00, Hatching Eggs—\$1 per -----15¢, \$5 per -----100¢

JEANES POULTRY FARM Ballinger, Texas

WANTS NAMES OF SOUTHERN VETS

Do the subscribers of this paper know of any Confederate veterans living in Runnels county? If they do, The Ledger would like to have their names, ages, birthplaces, the name of the outfit each served in, and other information of general interest.

Following is the copy of a telegram received at this office Friday morning from Hollins N. Randolph, president of the Stone Mountain Memorial Association, who is asking for the names:

"Austin, Apr. 1, 1927. "A. W. Sledge "Editor Ballinger Ledger "Ballinger, Texas

"Won't you enroll or endeavor to have it done, all veterans in your county on living Confederate veteran enrollment of Stone Mountain monument letter follows explaining. Veterans meet next week at Tampa in what might be almost their last reunion. I have come to Texas for purpose of completing enrollment and hope to accomplish it while they are in session at Tampa. The same thing is being done in all the other Southern states, but few of these old heroes remain and we want to honor those surviving. Won't you help us? Your quota equals the number of veterans living in your county.

"Hollins N. Randolph." Mr. Randolph explains his purpose in wanting the names of the veterans and it will be appreciated very much if the readers of this paper will send in the names of those they know to be living in this county.

FOUR TAKE TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS HERE

Four applicants for second class elementary teachers certificates took examinations here Friday and Saturday of last week in the office of County Superintendent R. E. White.

There will be other examinations held from month to month during the remainder of this year.

NICE folks chew PYO-GUM. 11-1tw

Stone's SPECIALS FOR EASTER

At Prices that Will Talk

- 25c Plack and White Cream and Powder 21c
25c Mavis Talcum 21c
3 bars Palmolive Soap 25c Wash Rag Free
50c Rayon Silk Hose 37c
Rayon Bloomers 85c
House Dresses 99c
Beautiful Laces the yard 5c

Buy Your Easter Goods Here.

See Our Window

Stone's

ALEX SAUNDERS AND MISS RAMA GUIN ARE MARRIED

E. A. Saunders and Miss Rama Guin were married Tuesday evening at 8:00 o'clock at the home of Rev. E. W. McLaurin, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

The wedding came as a surprise to the many friends of both the bride and groom, but was the culmination of an extended courtship.

Both bride and groom have lived in Ballinger for a number of years where they are popular and esteemed. Mr. Saunders has been employed in the local postoffice during his residence in this city, and Miss Guin has been bookkeeper and secretary in the office of the Harwell Motor Co.

The couple will continue to make their home in this city.

Be wise and advertise.

George Kirk has returned to Ballinger from Amarillo, where he has been working.

WATKINS' REMEDIES

Following are several new prices on various items of WATKINS' REMEDIES:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Price. Rows: Cough Balsam -----\$.90, Cough Medicine ----- .90, Female Tonic ----- .90, Liniment ----- .90, Pie Fillers ----- \$.45, Chocolate ----- .45, Lemon ----- .45

These prices will be in effect for the next two weeks.

C. A. Warren Agent Talpa, Texas.

GETTING A LOAN FROM YOUR BANK

Some persons think that getting a loan from the bank depends upon the humor the banker happens to be in or upon the influence of the intending borrower.

Nothing could be farther from fact. A banker is handling the community's money as well as the bank's own capital.

He is under both moral and legal compulsion to apply principles that govern extension of credit. He cannot allow personality, friendship, or bias to influence his decisions one way or the other.

The Officers of this Institution have a live interest in the development of farming enterprises in this community and are not overlooking the commercial interests in our enthusiastic efforts to make farming more profitable in this territory. While decisions must always be based upon sound banking principles, a sympathetic hearing is assured every application for accommodation.

We have the largest cash reserve in Runnels County. The Dependable Bank

The Winters State Bank

Winters Texas

NEW PALACE THEATRE

Friday and Saturday

THE BIO HORN RANCH presents THE VALLEY OF HELL

With FRANCIS McDONALD Directed by CLIFF SMITH Story by ISIDORE BERNSTEIN



Also a Two Reel Comedy.

QUEEN THEATRE

Friday and Saturday, April 8th-9th

Fred Humes in "Prowlers of the Night"

A slashing, dashing romance of a he-man who sought to find himself in the Golden West, and found love as well.

First Chapter of "Fighting With Buffalo Bill"

There's a little bit of Buffalo Bill in every Western picture you have ever seen, but only this one great chapter play of all time is ALL Buffalo Bill!

And a Two-Reel Comedy

Children Only—Clip this ad and bring it to the Queen with 5c—it will admit you—Children Only.

BLANTON NEWS

Most of the farmers are through breaking land, and are getting ready for planting.

The young people of this community enjoyed a party Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Briley.

We are sorry to report that C. H. Willingham is seriously ill at the Halley & Love Sanitarium. He was hit on the nose by a baseball. We are glad to report he is improving.

Quite a number of the people of this community attended the Presbytery at Santa Anna Sunday.

Miss Ethel Gibson's Spanish class hiked with her to her home at Benoit Friday afternoon and spent the night. Saturday morning they went from there to the home of Mrs. A. F. Brock, where they spent the day.

The singing at J. P. Booth's Sunday night was well attended and enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Booth, of Kent county, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Booth.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wood, of Winters, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Foreman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Booth drove to San Angelo Sunday.

We are sorry to report that Eula Fowler and Mrs. W. F. James are on the sick list this week.

Wilma Jones spent Saturday night and Sunday with Lillian Witter.

"REPORTER."

We DARE YOU to send for free samples. You will certainly be surprised at our wonderful PYOGUM. Dental Gum Co., Tulsa, Okla. 8-1tw

Be wise and advertise!

LONE STAR ITEMS

We are glad to report that R. L. Bates is better. He is now able to be up, for which all his friends are very glad.

The weather has been so pretty the last few days that some of the farmers have begun to plant corn and maize.

Mrs. Jim Tippitt, who has been in the sanitarium at Winters, will soon be able to return home. She is getting along nicely.

John Burson is getting along fine on his new house. They say that they will be glad when it is finished for living in a barn is not pleasant.

Sam Jenkins and family went a fishing Saturday night. They said they caught so many fish that they did not want to see any more for a while.

The party at Errol Rhea's Saturday night was well attended and all reported a nice time.

"REPORTER."

AN EXHILARATING EFFECT

A bottle of **Herbine** on the shelf at home is like having a doctor in the house all the time. It gives instant relief when the digestion gets out of order or the bowels fail to act. One or two doses is all that is necessary to start things moving and restore that fine feeling of exhilaration and buoyancy of spirits which belongs only to perfect health. Price 60c. Sold by

Weeks Drug Store

CREWS NEWS

The farmers are very busy this week with their crops.

We are glad to say that the sick folks are much better than at the last writing.

A number of the young folks spent a pleasant evening with Misses Alice and Willie Belle Lucas, Sunday.

Miss Ethel Caffey, of Winters, spent this week with her sister, Mrs. C. L. Walden.

There will be a play, "An Old

Fashioned Mother," presented by the Women's Missionary Society, Friday night, at the Methodist church, April 8, 1927.

Rev. Elbert Fielder filled Rev. B. B. Edmiaston's appointment at the Methodist church Sunday morning. We had Epworth League Sunday evening and then went to the home of E. W. Rainwater and had a good singing.

Mrs. Ella Phipps and Mrs. Pearl Norris visited their sister at Talpa, Monday.

E. W. Immel attended the funeral of his friend at Lowake Monday. Mrs. Immel taught in her husband's place.

Miss Erma Taylor spent the week-end with Miss Grace Moore of Eagle Branch.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert King are rejoicing over the arrival of a big boy who bears the name of Ellis Leon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Walden visited their daughters at Talpa Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Traylor gave Miss Alice Lucas a birthday party Monday night. All reported a nice time.

"REPORTER."

Habitual Constipation Cured in 14 to 21 Days

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

SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

W. S. Davis returned home from Cross Plains and spent a few days with home folks before going to San Angelo Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Smith and children spent Sunday with Mrs. Smith's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Brown, of Cross Plains.

Mrs. Jack Carroll and baby will go to Coleman Wednesday to

spend the day with her mother, Mrs. May, who is quite ill.

Clinton Reese returned home Saturday night from Sanderson, where he has been attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cook and little son came in last Wednesday from Amarillo and stopped over a few days with Mrs. Cook's parents while en route to visit Mr. and Mrs. Cook at Austin.

Miss Faye Evans is visiting her sister at Houston for the past several weeks.

J. B. Taylor returned home from McAmeay last Tuesday with a case of flu. We are glad to report that Mr. Taylor is able to be about.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Koenig and baby, of Burkett, came in Saturday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Henry Matlock.

A. E. Dennis is at home from Snyder to visit home folks.

Charles Midgeley, who is working for the West Texas Utilities Co. at Menard, came in Saturday night and returned to Menard Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Monroe are the proud parents of a new son. Mother and baby are doing fine.

Lon Mapes is improving his home by giving his house a new coat of paint.

V. B. Jones, who is going into the poultry business at his home, has his building finished and will soon be raising poultry.

The Merry Wives Club met at the home of Mrs. W. H. Greer, Tuesday afternoon, April 5th.

This reporter would appreciate all news. Phone me if you have been visiting or anyone has been visiting you. Call 4902 on Tuesdays.

The young folks enjoyed a party Friday night at the home of J. C. Reese. George Greben, of Ballinger, came out and gave new

games. Mr. Greben's games were enjoyed by all and we hope he will be present at our next party. "BLUE BONNET."

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days

Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Instantly relieves Itching Piles, and you can get restful sleep after first application. 60c.

HATCHEL NOTES

Birthday Party

The lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Caudle was thrown open Monday night to the many friends of Buster Caudle, their son, honoring his twelfth birthday. The color scheme of pink and green was used in decorating the living room and the dining room. The birthday cake was placed in the center of the dining table. It was adorned with twelve pink candles.

After the children had enjoyed playing outdoor games they were ushered into the dining room and served a plate luncheon. Mrs. Elmer Barnhill and Mrs. Charles Michaelis assisted Mrs. Caudle in serving the guests.

Those helping Buster to celebrate his birthday and wishing he would have two birthdays a year rather than one were: Misses Lillian, Leola and Allie Reams, Vida Belle and Almedia Caudle, Helen and Jewel Hinkle, Opal Lett, Ernestine Moore, Freddie Sue Bloxom, Robbie Estes, Otelia Bowen; Messrs. Foster Lett, Erel Vaughn, Ralph Parker, Monroe Bailey, Frederick Pruser, Rudolph Jones, Preston and Ray Reams, Butcher Caudle. Others present were: Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Caudle, Mr. and Mrs. John Bloxom, Mrs. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Estes, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Barnhill, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Michaelis.

"REPORTER."

BOY FINED \$12.70 FOR DISTURBING PEACE

One white boy was fined \$12.70 for disturbing the peace in justice court here Wednesday. He paid his fine and was released. The charge was reduced from a charge of pistol toting.

HEAD STUFFED FROM CATARRH OR A COLD

Says Cream Applied in Nostrils Opens Air Passages Right Up.

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

Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist now. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic, healing cream in your nostrils. It penetrates thru every air passage of the head, soothes the inflamed or swollen mucous membrane and relief comes instantly.

It's just fine. Don't stay stuffed-up with a cold or nasty catarrh.

GOES ON VACATION AND GETS MARRIED

F. E. Neill, who has been working out of Ballinger for the last few weeks with Adrian Heaton, Marland company geologist, left last week for his home in Oklahoma to spend his vacation.

This week Mr. and Mrs. Heaton received a letter from Mr. Neill stating that he and Miss Viola Watson, of Norman, Okla., a co-ed in the University of Oklahoma, were married early this week.

Mr. Neill has been making Ballinger headquarters for the past six or seven weeks. He and his bride will join Mr. and Mrs. Heaton in Snyder in the next two weeks.

Rio Coffee per pound 25c. Cane Syrup 75 cents per gallon. U. E. Hartman, Grocer. 19-1fw

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Golden and two daughters, of Bomarton, are here to visit Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Moody of this city. Mrs. Moody is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Golden.

Be wise and advertise



FOLKS--BARGAINS GALORE

AT G. A. LADWIG DEPT. STORE

BIG EASTER SALE

Now Running In Full Blast

More new and better bargains each day. You win if you come. You lose if you don't. Any customer making a purchase of \$10.00 or more in the Shoe Department will receive One Silver Dollar FREE, any time during this Sale. If you hurried to the opening of this Sale, you have every reason to rush here for this final orgy of Bargains. Never have we offered more startling values! Your dollar will take home more than it has for years. Come and save Money and Regrets.

All Sale Prices Vanish After
Saturday, April 16th

Mr. Ladwig Thanks You

The tremendous crowd that has visited this Sale each and every day is a demonstration that the public had the utmost confidence in this store. The response of the buying public greatly overwhelmed me—never before such buying or such enthusiastic purchasing.

I want to thank the public for this demonstration of confidence and will prove that I am grateful by giving you better values than ever. To those who helped me to put this sale over in the big way it has proved to me I am truly grateful.

I wish to commend my sales force for their enthusiastic efforts, Mr. Ruessing, the Sale Director; the Postoffice force, and The Ballinger Ledger who printed my circulars and carried the news of good values across to the public.

The music for this great Sale was furnished by the D. E. Moody Music House with one of their Grand Sonora playing machines. All records that you enjoyed may be purchased here or at the music house.

(Signed):

G. A. LADWIG.



JUST how to make motherhood a joy is one of the most important things in the world for you to know, right now, mother-to-be! Learn the great truth; use the simple method of an eminent physician who dedicated his life's work to this great accomplishment for your benefit!

"I was in labor only 25 minutes with my last child, but suffered agonies with three previous children," writes an enthusiastic mother who used Mother's Friend. Great has been the praise of Mother's Friend for over three generations!

Mother's Friend aids the skin and muscles to expand more easily during the constant readjustment of expectancy, month after month, right up to childbirth!

Mother's Friend is safe for you to use because it contains no harmful drugs and is applied externally.

Mother! Insist on Mother's Friend—the same as used by our mothers and grandmothers—don't wait—start using tonight—and meanwhile write Bradford Regulator Co., Dept. 32, Atlanta, Ga., for free valuable booklet "Motherhood and the Coming Baby" (sent in plain envelope). It tells how Mother's Friend can help you during expectancy and at childbirth. This booklet also tells you many other things you want to know. "Mother's Friend" is sold by all druggists—everywhere.

BRONTE POSTMASTER DIES SUDDENLY

M. M. Boynton, postmaster at Bronte for three years, died suddenly Monday afternoon about 4:00 o'clock at his home there, according to information received here by Postmaster J. A. Reese Monday night.

Mr. Boynton was a cousin of Judge Charles Boynton, and was an uncle of M. H. Boynton, who formerly practiced law here.

Mr. Boynton had been serving as postmaster at Bronte for about three years. Before that time he was deputy collector of internal revenue. He formerly lived in San Angelo, where he was a book-keeper for March Bros.

Funeral arrangements are not known here.

SKIN ERUPTIONS YIELD TO SULPHUR

Apply Sulphur as Told When Your Skin Breaks Out

Any breaking out of the skin, even fiery, itching eczema, can be quickly overcome by applying a little Mentho-Sulphur, declares a noted skin specialist. Because of its germ destroying properties, this sulphur preparation begins at once to soothe irritated skin and heal eruptions such as rash, pimples and ring worm.

It seldom fails to remove the torment and disfigurement, and you do not have to wait for relief from embarrassment. Improvement quickly shows. Sufferers from skin trouble should obtain a small jar of Rowles Mentho-Sulphur from any good druggist.

PRESBYTERY MEETS IN NEW MENARD CHURCH

The Brownwood Presbytery meets Tuesday night in the new Presbyterian church at Menard with practically every church in the district expected to have representatives present.

Rev. Alvin O. Rue, pastor of the Eighth Street Presbyterian church of this city, left Tuesday morning for Menard.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Taylor, C. A. Doose, Mrs. Alvin O. Rue and son, Mrs. J. A. Osterlag, Mrs. E. V. Bateman, and Mrs. J. W. Black will go to Menard Wednesday morning to attend the meeting.

J. H. Barrow, manager of the Radford Grocery Company here, was in Abilene Saturday looking after business.

CHILD'S BEST LAXATIVE IS CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP



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

Ask your druggist for genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother! You must say "California" or you may get an imitation fig syrup.

KIRK WILL PROBABLY HAVE ANOTHER TRIAL

SWEETWATER, April 5.—It was intimated here, Monday afternoon by Judge Fritz R. Smith, presiding in the L. Paul Kirk murder trial, that the case would go to trial a third time on a second change of venue.

The jury in this case was unable to agree, and at 2:35 o'clock Monday afternoon, Judge Smith dismissed it. Kirk was charged with the murder of Crawford A. Tabor, in Runnels county, on the night of December 19, 1923.

The jury received the case late Saturday night about 10:20 o'clock and had deliberated until 2:35 Monday afternoon.

The jury had reported early Monday morning that they were unable to agree and it was decided to dismiss the jurors. It was understood that the last count stood 8 for conviction and 4 for acquittal.

In Kirk's first trial held at Ballinger, before Judge J. O. Woodward, in 1925, the jury was also dismissed after being unable to agree on a verdict. The count in the first trial was said to be 9 for acquittal and 3 for conviction, when the judge dismissed the jurors.

In ordering the jury to deliberate early Monday morning, Judge Smith declared that this case had cost the State \$2,802.24. Of this sum \$2,295.34 was expended for witnesses, \$402 for jury fees, \$50.90 for sheriff's fees, \$30 for stenographer, and \$25 for extra janitor service.

It was stated here Tuesday morning by Judge T. T. Crosson, of this city, one of the prosecuting attorneys, that the case would probably be transferred to Colorado or some other West Texas city. He stated that he had expected a change of venue in case the jury failed to agree.

SWEETWATER, March 31.—Testimony in the trial of L. Paul Kirk, of Abilene, charged with murder in connection with the fatal shooting of Crawford A. Tabor, young Runnels county farmer, near Wingate, on the night of December 19, 1923, was started this morning here after the jury had been completed late Wednesday.

James T. Brooks, district attorney, read the indictment returned at Ballinger, late Wednesday and court recessed until this morning.

The election of the jury from the 100 special veniremen was very tedious and tiresome. A day and a half was required to get a jury.

Court convened at 9:00 o'clock this morning with Miss Johnnie Wells, daughter of J. N. Wells, star witness for the State, and a sister-in-law of Tabor, as the first witness. She told of Kirk's visit to the house where Wells and Tabor were about 8:30 o'clock in the evening, testifying that Kirk came there and asked for aid in fixing a car near the Wells home. Her father started with Tabor and Kirk but her mother called him (Wells) back and told him not to go. He went on, however, and took his pistol with him. She said she heard the shooting and started to the scene and after finding her brother-in-law dead, started on her return to the house.

Mrs. J. N. Wells was the second witness. She told about the same story as her daughter. She said she also went to the scene of the shooting and started with a 30-30 rifle. On her way down she met her husband coming back. She gave him the gun, she testified, and went on to where her son-in-law was lying in the road.

J. N. Wells was the third witness. He told about the same story as his wife and daughter, which included the actions of

The Jury
 M. M. Aldredge, Sweetwater
 J. B. Daniel, Blackwell
 H. A. Ater, Roscoe
 George Tucker, Sweetwater
 Clint Scott, Sweetwater
 F. L. Tucker, Sweetwater
 E. E. Mathis, Roscoe
 J. R. Wilson, Sweetwater
 C. L. Freeman, Sweetwater
 W. L. Supulver, Sweetwater
 R. T. Jolly, Sweetwater
 Grover Montgomery, Sweetwater.

Kirk from the time he arrived at the house until he left.

Wells testified that Kirk wanted him to walk next to him when they were going down toward the car, but that he would not let him get very close to him and that he made Kirk get on the other side of Tabor, to his and Tabor's left side.

"As we neared the car," Wells said, "three men wearing black masks appeared from the side of the car with guns. I heard shots over to my left, (Kirk was walking left of Wells), the men in front started shooting and then I started shooting."

Wells said that he was shot in the left arm.

After the shooting Wells said the men got in the car and left without fixing it as it was for that purpose Kirk claimed he wanted aid. Wells testified he saw his son-in-law lying on the ground and that he went home to call a physician and the officers.

Wells was still on the stand at the noon recess and this afternoon he was being cross-examined by the defense attorneys.

District Attorney Brooks is questioning for the State, while Attorney E. T. Brooks, of Abilene, one of the defense counsel, is doing the cross-examination.

The Ku Klux Klan was not mentioned in the morning session but it is expected that this issue will be discussed quite a bit and play a large part in the remainder of the testimony.

Each prospective juror was quizzed closely in regard to Klan affiliations and sympathy. Some veniremen were dismissed when they said they were members of the Klan or sympathized with the order as were others who declared they "had no use for a man who was a member of the Klan."

Six days were required to hear the trial in Ballinger and it is expected that a greater part of this week will be consumed in hearing the evidence.

SWEETWATER, April 1.—The defense in the L. Paul Kirk murder case has been offering evidence during the past day's session of the trial here, in an effort to tear down the testimony of the State's star witness, J. N. Wells, father-in-law of Crawford A. Tabor, young Runnels county farmer, with whom Kirk is charged with killing near Wingate on December 13, 1923.

The State rested its case at 4:00 o'clock Thursday afternoon and the defense started its testimony immediately. Most of the witnesses used by the defense have been character witnesses and their testimony is being introduced in an effort to show that Wells' general reputation was very bad and answers have been almost unanimous to the effect that it was bad.

The defense expects to complete its testimony tonight at the night session and rebuttal testimony will be started Saturday morning. The case is not expected to go to the jury until next Monday or Tuesday.

Many of the character witnesses have been from Ballinger, Norton, Wingate and Winters, in Runnels county where Tabor was

killed, and where Wells formerly lived.

Many of the questions pertaining to the Ku Klux Klan have been objected to and in many instances Judge Fritz R. Smith has sustained the objections.

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S. D. Williams, Runnels county pioneer, returned from Sterling City Thursday afternoon where he had been on a visit. It was his first trip there in 34 years. Mr. Williams was formerly a school teacher at Sterling City and also justice of the peace there.

Mrs. Wm. King and children, of Brownwood, are here visiting Mrs. King's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Cathey.

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H. Alagood, who took the meat here for Ballinger from San Angelo and Miles a short time ago, was able only to score five points in this meet for the Bearcats.

San Angelo was high with 57 1-2 points; Winters, second, with a score of 36 1-3; Ballinger, third, with 27 1-6; and Miles, fourth, with 13.

Rip Ward, San Angelo Bobcat entry, was high point man with a score of 11.

Coach Bill Bissett, of San Angelo, was in charge of the meet. Friday and Saturday of this week, Coach Felton Wright will take his athletes to Winters to the county track meet.

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G. A. LADWIG'S SALE IS A BIG SUCCESS

The G. A. Ladwig "Message of Joy Sale," which opened Friday April 1st, has probably attracted more attention and bigger crowds than any sale ever staged here. A great crowd was waiting when the doors opened Friday morning and throughout the day Friday and Saturday the crowd was so large that the crew of clerks could not wait on the many people who came here to trade. Many extra sales people were added to the regular force but the crowd that filled the store could not be handled as fast as they came. All this week the entire force have been kept busy and another overflow is expected Saturday when rural people from miles around will come to take advantage of the bargains that are being offered at this sale.

Mr. J. Ruesing, of St. Louis, has charge of the sale and has arranged the large stock of merchandise and decorated show windows in a very attractive manner. D. E. Moody Music House has an instrument in the store that furnishes music all day and attracts many people to the store from off the street. 7-1td-1tw

BENOIT ITEMS

We are having surprisingly warm weather this early in the season, and a good rain would be a great benefit to the grain crop.

F. E. Clayton, who was ill at the home of his daughter, left for Glen Rose last week accompanied by Mrs. Clayton and Mrs. E. T. Branham. They have gone to recuperate, and we learn that Mr. Clayton is improving slowly.

Mrs. Warren and son have moved into our midst, and are occupying the S. T. Williams house.

R. B. Rampy, of Valera, visited his parents at Benoit Friday night, and in company with his mother visited his sister, Mrs. Albert Williams Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. Edmiaston, of Talpa, were pleasant callers at Benoit Monday.

The trustee election was held here Saturday, Claude Brookshire and F. Gressett being the winning men.

Luther Watson, of Austin, and Miss Virginia Odom, of Ballinger, visited Mrs. John Lumpkin one day last week. Mr. Watson is a nephew of the two latter mentioned.

Lester Hammock and wife, of San Angelo, stopped by to see old friends Saturday, while en route to Brownwood to visit with relatives.

Mrs. Tom Gibson and children, of Norton, spent Saturday night and Sunday with the Brookshire families.

Miss Dolores Elliott, who is now a student at Draughon's in Abilene, writing to home folks, says

C. M. Gibson returned from Glen Rose Sunday night.

she is delighted with her school work, and wants to be remembered to her friends here.

There were several Benoitites shopping in Ballinger Friday, as follows: Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Roese, Mrs. Don Kennedy, Mrs. Ida Cox, L. B. Rampy, Jim Kincaid, Jewel Rackley and Mrs. Osear Cox.

Miss Ethel Gibson entertained her Spanish class at the home of her parents Friday afternoon. Ice cream and cake were served to the following guests: Misses Maud James, Uula Fowler, Alice Foreman, Elna Foreman, Ena Cox and Pauline Malone.

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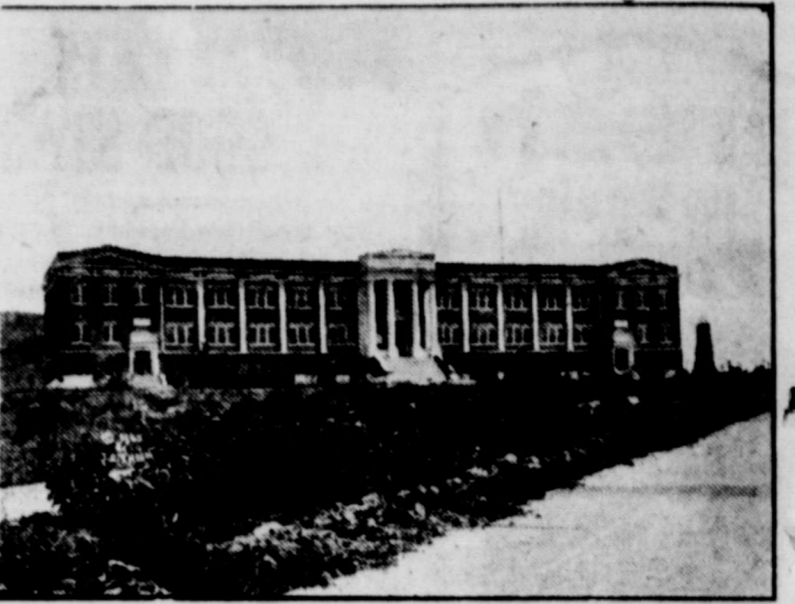
DEATHS

Infant Perkins
Eddie Ruth, the one-day-old infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Perkins, died at the home, 906 Broadway, Saturday.

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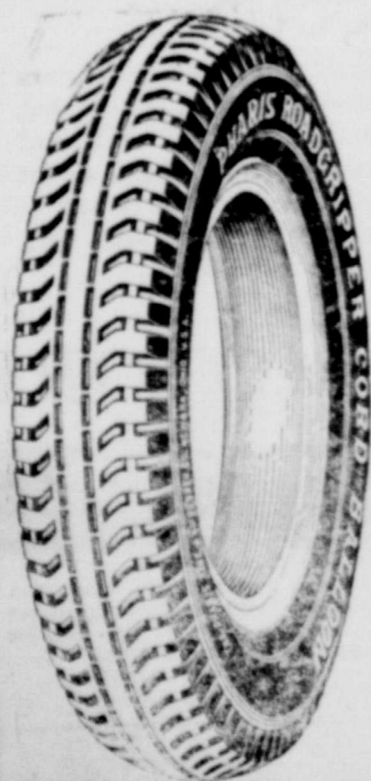
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