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Sale Starts Friday
January 20th

D. Reeder Dry Goods Co.
Serving Runnels County For A Quarter Century
Ballinger, Texas
TWO ENTRANCES—EIGHTH ST. and HUTCHINGS AVENUE

Sale Ends Saturday
January 28th

January Sale of White

Such marvelous values offered during this Sale have been made possible by special purchases. Nothing but brand new goods are offered and every department is a brilliant exposition of the new Spring Styles—and at prices you will gladly welcome.

Sizes 16 to 42

\$1.95



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\$1.95

The Bouffant Skirt Leads the Style Procession in this New Presentation of Wayne Maid Frocks

With the same infinite care that you choose your party dress, choose also your house dress. For marketing, morning wear and even afternoon wear you could find nothing more attractive and serviceable than these crisp and dainty frocks we have designed especially for the Miss or Woman who cares to look her best.

The quaintness and the charm of our Colonial ancestors' basques and full skirts has been revived in these new Martha Washington Dresses we are presenting to you. The basque is developed in several different ways in regard to the cut and the closings. The fissue, bertha and double collars along with the plain round, V or square neck afford a variety of neck lines and the skirts are banded in contrasting materials and colors—one style giving the appearance of an apron front. The most outstanding feature of this group is the tiny puffed sleeve that has just been revived in this showing.

Every color and most every material is available—of course they are of the gayest and daintiest of prints in the voiles, dimities, organdies and other materials that launder so well and never fading—always keeping that fresh new look.



EXTRA HEAVY TURKISH TOWELS
Colored Borders—18x36 inches
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Another special purchase enabling us to offer you a saving of more than one-third on Rayon Bloomers in wanted light shades, specially constructed and cut amply large to insure satisfactory wear—and at only 98c.

TIME TO BUY NEW DRAPERIES
Reduced
20%

Spring will soon be here and with it comes the demand for new draperies—many new ones have just been received in novel designs and all have been reduced 20% for this sale, selling regularly at 25c to \$1.50 per yard.

COLORED CRINKLE BED SPREADS
81x108 inches
\$1.19

Colored grounds in rose, blue, gold and orchid, so that you can match the color scheme of your bed-room, and long enough for spread and sham, extra special at \$1.19.

COLORED RAYON BED SPREADS
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Most people prefer this Spread on account of its beautiful appearance, and by far the lowest price we have ever been able to offer for equal quality. A selection of four rich shades at this most exceptional price, \$2.89.



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\$2.50 FLAT CREPE, CREPE DE CHINE
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\$1.50 CREPE DE CHINE
\$1.29

40-inch Crepe de Chine in a pleasing assortment of new Spring shades, a real value at \$1.50, excellent quality, yard \$1.29

NOVELTY RAYONS, VALUES TO 60c
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New novelty patterns, new quality at this price, choice of large selection of beautiful Spring shades, the yard 45c.



Another Triumph for this Sale Spring Coats---Dresses---Suits

Prices, Styles and Quality Women Will Appreciate.
NEW SPRING DRESSES AND COATS
Special Group at

\$11.00

Dresses of wonderful silks. Each one carefully selected for its charming style and adorable trims—dainty colorings as of the flowers that bloom in springtime.

Coats—you will adore their soft materials, stunning styles, beautiful tailoring and handsome linings.

Choice of a large selection at this low price—a real saving.
Other Coats and Dresses up to \$32.50.

NEW SPRING SUITS

\$16.50 to \$35.00

Suits are here again! Mannishly styles—dashing in appearance! Of fancy woolsens in popular Spring shades—savings well worth consideration.



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LADIES REST ROOM

Special Group New
Spring Hats

Just Received and Bought to Sell at
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\$4.45

Every Hat a new Spring style—wonderful selections. A style, a shape, a color for everyone. Select your Spring Hat from this special group and save.

Other styles

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Perfect Health is always refreshing

If you are tired—lack pep—if your skin is not clear—if your appetite is "gone"—you owe it to yourself and friends to try S.S.S. Its tonic effects will surprise you.

WHEN your system is filled with rich, red blood, you don't have that tired, languid feeling when you awake in the morning.

Instead, you feel refreshed; ready to meet the world!

Your appetite is keen, you enjoy work or play. Your skin is clear—cheeks naturally rosy.

All this because rich, red blood is Nature's substance for building and sustaining the body.

Thousands have regained their strength and charm by taking a few bottles of S.S.S.—Nature's own tonic for restoring the appetite—building strength—and clearing the body of so-called skin troubles.

You know a clear skin comes from within. Correct the cause—thru the blood—and pimples, boils, eczema and that sallow complexion will disappear.

For more than 100 years S.S.S. has been giving relief in thousands



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"I was troubled with pimples and blackheads. I took a course of S.S.S. It cleared my face and back. I think S.S.S. is wonderful. I have told many friends about S.S.S., and they are getting as much benefit as I did."—Miss Ruth Gahn, 1134 Elden Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.

All drug stores sell S.S.S. in two sizes. Get the larger size. It is more economical.

SSS. Builds Sturdy Health

ALASKA PLACER MINES STILL PRODUCE RICHES

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Jan. 16.—That Alaska placers are far from worked out, and that strikes are still being made that would cause a stampede anywhere else but Alaska, was shown recently when Jim Murray, pioneer operator of Cache Creek district, discovered ground running \$3,000 to the square foot.

Cache Creek is considered an old district. Its creeks have for the most part been worked by crude methods for twenty years. Recently Murray began to use a hydraulic on the "side pay" narrow strips left where a dredge could not secure floatage to work. Suddenly his paystreak gave out. Legends of the main Cache Creek showed that the dredge in passing the point had a wide lean streak that carried small values. While Murray's son was sniping around on a low bench above the creek he found something that interested him. When a hydraulic was put to work on the values, as given out by Murray were revealed. He estimates there is three year's work on the bench and that the clean-up will exceed anything yet made in the old camp.

"DIPLOMA MILLS" GET BLOW IN BILL TO STOP "DEGREES" BY MAIL

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—A blow would be struck at "diploma mills" purporting to confer academic, professional or technical degrees by mail without adequate residence work in the institution, by a bill intro-

duced in the Senate by Senator Royal S. Copeland, Democrat, of New York.

It provides that nothing shall pass through the mails leading up to or concerning the conferring of such degrees, "unless the institution or corporation granting or conferring any such degree shall, before the same is granted or conferred, prescribe and require of each and every student or other person applying therefor, or proposing to receive such a degree, at least 180 days of actual residence and study, at the principal place of business and situs of such institution, in fulfillment of conditions and in preparation for receiving such degree."

RAT ARMY IN ATTACK ON HOME NEAR PARIS BITE CHILDREN BADLY

PARIS, Jan. 16.—An army of more than a hundred rats recently attacked a family living in Vitry-sur-Seine, near Paris.

Apparently maddened by hunger, the rats leaped upon the beds occupied by the small children and bit the three-year-old boy and six-year-old girl very badly. The father, hearing their screams, rushed to their aid and was also attacked and bitten, as well as his wife who also tried to chase them out of the house.

The entire family was hurried off to the Pasteur Institute for treatment and the Health Department of Vitry passed the place to exterminate the rodents.

Roy Maek, of Abilene, spent the week-end in Ballinger with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott H. Maek.

BALLINGER GETS QUOTA R.C. SEALS

Runnels county fell short of its quota of \$1,000 in the Red Cross Christmas seal drive, a report made Wednesday by R. E. White, president of the Runnels County Health Association declared.

Ballinger and Rowena were the only two towns in the county that sold their quotas, but several smaller communities went to their goals.

The total raised in the county was \$621.19. Three small communities have not yet reported, which may help to swell the sum.

Following is a statement from Mr. White thanking those who took part in the campaign and announcing a special campaign to be conducted during March:

"The Runnels County Public Health Association desires to thank the people of Runnels county for the splendid support given for the sale of Christmas seals during the holiday season. Although we desired very much to dispose of \$1,000 worth of the seals, we are quite sure that this is the best response that Runnels county has ever made to the tuberculosis work. A study of the detailed report shown herein indicates that five places in the county reached the quotas assigned to them, and we feel that those places are entitled to special mention. Many of the communities perhaps felt that the quotas were more than they could attain, but the widespread response indicates to us that our people are more concerned about checking the spread of the Great White Plague than ever before.

The month of March is to be designated as a month of special effort in teaching the early diagnosis of the disease and we sincerely hope that much good can be accomplished in this county in this phase of the work."

Following is the detailed report:

Name of School	Amount
Runnels	\$10.00
Crews	17.50
Content	15.00
Maverick	15.00
Bethel	15.00
Dry Ridge	10.00
Hagan	12.50
Bell	10.00
Marie	10.00
Elm Creek	10.00
Independence	15.00
Cochran	10.00
Oak Creek	10.00
Cross Roads	10.00
Victory	12.50
Harmony	12.50
Blanton	15.00
Spring Hill	10.00
Greenwald	12.50
Lone Star	10.00
Red Bank	10.00
Drasco	20.00
Poe	10.00
Herring	15.00
Wilmeth	17.50
N. Norton	10.00
Millar	10.00
Dale	15.00
Baldwin	12.50
Dietz	10.00
Brookshire	10.00
Kristoff	10.00
Pumphrey	10.00
Barnett	10.00
Sweet Home	10.00
William Springs	10.00
Benoit	10.00
Franklin	10.00
Hatchel	15.00
Eagle Branch	10.00
Winters	250.00
Ballinger	250.00
Miles	50.00
Rowena	50.00
Norton	25.00
Wingate	25.00

FOR WORKING PEOPLE

The best of workers get out of sorts when the liver fails to act. They feel languid, half-sick, "blue" and discouraged and think they are getting lary. Neglect of these symptoms might result in a sick spell, therefore the sensible course is to take a dose or two of Herbine. It is just the medicine needed to purify the system and restore the vim and ambition of health.

Weeks Drug Store

ORCHARD TESTS REVEAL VALUE OF FERTILIZER

HALL, N. Y., Jan. 16.—Results of a three year old orchard test here revealed that an investment of \$15.97 in nitrate of soda returned 212 per cent over acreage which had not been treated.

The test was supervised by County Agent R. W. C. S. Wilson, former professor of horticulture at Cornell University and former president of the New York State Horticultural Society.

SERRATT WELL SPUDS; OTHERS ARE DRILLING

A summary of the oil situation in Runnels county shows six wells are drilling, three are temporarily closed down, the location of a new well has been announced, and resumption of drilling on the wells that are shut down will be started in the near future. Most of these tests are in close proximity to Ballinger.

The going has been slow for the past few weeks but every day brings these wells nearer the depth where pay dirt is expected, and interest in the Watchhorn King, the Benoit and the Empire wells is fully maintained. The Empire well is closed down at present, but operators are nevertheless keeping an eye on all developments.

Gibson & Johnson, Abilene operators, on Thursday spudded their A. P. Serratt No. 1, one and one-half miles north of Ballinger. This is the latest well to be commenced in this county and the drillers expect to take the hole down to pay as rapidly as possible. The rig has been up on this land for several weeks.

Vacuum et al-McMillan No. 2, 500 feet south of the Sillix discovery well, is drilling around 600 feet after spudding early this week. The drillers have been making very good time, running both day and night tours, and expect a good hole within two or three weeks.

Kennedy et al Talley No. 1, north of the discovery well, which had been closed down for several weeks, has resumed operations with the drillers cleaning out the hole at 1,455 feet. The casing was run to 1,455 feet before the well was closed down for the holidays several weeks ago.

Other wells in the county are either drilling or preparing to start right away.

The Miles well and the Empire well are shut down, it is understood. Operations were halted

on the Miles test at around 2,300 feet. The Empire closed down at around 2,100 feet.

Reports from the McLean-Clayton well near Benoit Friday afternoon stated that drilling had been resumed around 200 feet, and two tours were being run daily. This well had been closed down.

H. B. May, Wichita Falls operator, is preparing to move another rig on the Schneider farm, east of Ballinger. The spudder took the hole down to about 1,300 feet after the first hole spudded was abandoned at about 200 feet. Either a national or a standard rig will be moved to this location.

Watchhorn-King No. 1, north of Ballinger, is drilling again at 2,050 feet after setting casing to below 2,000 feet.

Swensondale et al-Werner No. 1, near Benoit, is underreaming to 2,010 feet. Casing was run in this hole during the early part of the week after a flow of water was struck at 2,005 feet, but cavings made it necessary to start cleaning out and underreaming.

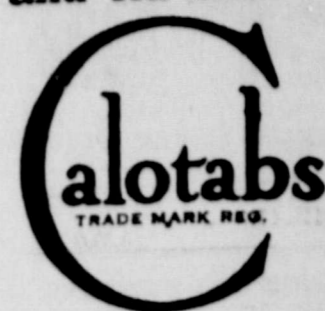
It is reliably learned that a Mr. Kennedy, a San Antonio operator, has erected a rig on the J. H. Webb farm in Horseshoe Bend, several miles down the Colorado River from Ballinger, where he obtained some 1,200 acres in a block. This well will be spudded within the near future it was stated.

LEANING TOWER OF PISA INCREASES INCLINATION; MAY LAST 1,000 YEARS

ROME, Jan. 16.—The inclination of the famous campanile of Pisa, better known as the Leaning Tower, is increasing at the rate of .04 of an inch a year.

The tower is 179 feet in height, and leans from the perpendicular to an extent usually given as 16 feet 6 inches.

For colds, grip and flu take



Relieves the congestion, prevents complications, and hastens recovery.

The tower was not intended to amaze the spectator by its present oblique position, when it was built in 1174. The tilt is due to a subsidence of the soil while the work was in progress.

Between the years 1829 and 1910 an increase of one foot was measured, and as the result of recent measurements it has been ascertained that the deviation from the perpendicular is continuing.

In theory, an insignificant gradual increase of the Leaning Tower's inclination will not endanger its stability for many years to come, probably a thousand. The unexpected, however, may happen as was the case with the famous campanile of Venice. The tower is built on a stratum of alluvial soil—sand and clay—under which there is a spring of water whose infiltrations have caused the mischief.

An attempt to remedy the evil by injecting liquid cement will be made after further minute investigations.

Mr. Cox, a geologist, who has been working in Ballinger for an oil company for several weeks, spent Sunday in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brown, of Winters, spent the week-end with relatives in Ballinger.

Miss Bernice McMillan spent the week-end in Abilene visiting relatives and friends.

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Take **NATURE'S REMEDY**— tonight. You'll be "stand fine" by morning—tongue clear, headache gone, appetite back, bowels acting pleasantly, bilious attack forgotten. For constipation, too. Better than any more laxative. Only 25c. Safe, mild, purely vegetable—



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WANTS CHANGES MADE IN TEXAS GAME LAWS

AUSTIN, Jan. 17.—Texas sportsmen will very likely demand that the next legislature make several changes in the hunting laws, in the opinion of Will J. Tucker, game, fish and oyster commissioner, who expressed approval of the proposal to have the open season on deer reduced to 15 days.

Tucker has spent considerable time in the fields of late, in order to study the game supply and hunting conditions in the state.

"More hunters have enjoyed their favorite sport during the recent deer and turkey season than in many years," Tucker said.

"I feel that practically all of the sportsmen of Texas want to see better protection for our game. Not only is there a demand for a shorter deer and turkey season but there is also a popular move toward changing the dove hunting season. Opening of the dove season on September 1st in the North zone is too early as doves in some sections of the zone are still nesting at that time."

18 CASES IN CITY COURT SINCE JAN. 1

Eighteen cases have been filed in the city court since January 1st, the criminal docket showed Monday morning with nine of the cases filed Monday for weekend infractions of the law.

During the past week-end, six were arrested for disturbing the peace, one for a left turn at Hutelings and Eighth Street and two for drunkenness. Fines were paid in each case.

Before Baby Comes

Get this book FREE

MOTHER'S FRIEND is a comfort to expectant mothers. Externally applied it relieves prenatal distress by relaxing tight tissues and muscles. And it is so soothing. Its daily use makes the skin soft and pliable.

"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."

Right now, from this day on, and right up to the day your baby is born, "Mother's Friend" should be used. All drug stores sell Mother's Friend. Begin now and you will realize the wisdom of doing so as the weeks roll by!

Booklet on "Things to Know Before Baby Comes" sent on request. One copy is yours, free. Write for it NOW. Bradford Regulator Co., Dept. 14, Atlanta, Ga.

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Large Mob Asks for Life of Slayer

IONA, Jan. 17.—Adolph Hotellin, mild mannered church elder, calmly discussed plans for his defense today against a murder charge in connection with the mutilation and slaying of little Dorothy Schneider.

Hotellin slept soundly last night and ate a hearty breakfast this morning.

FLINT, Mich., Jan. 17.—Adolph Hotellin, 47, who confessed to the murder of 5-year-old Dorothy Schneider, at Mount Morris, is hidden away in a strong cell in the state reformatory at Iona, according to reports reaching here this morning.

The man was arrested late yesterday in his home at Owosso and was rushed to Lansing, where an enraged mob of 10,000 stormed the jail and demanded his life. Hotellin was spirited away to Iona when the mob entered the jail.

Hotellin is married and the father of five children, two of whom are married. He was an elder in the Church of Christ.

IT DEVELOPS—The surest sign of worms in children: paleness, lack of interest in play, fretfulness, variable appetite, picking at the nose and sudden starting in sleep. When these symptoms appear it is time to give White's Cream Vermifuge. A few doses drives out the worms and puts the little one on the road to health again. White's Cream Vermifuge has a record of fifty years of successful use. Price 35c. Sold by

Weeks Drug Store

KEY LANE WINS HOT SPRINGS TRIP

R. F. Lane, local representative of the Southland Life Insurance Company, left Monday afternoon for Dallas where he will attend a meeting of representatives of the company before continuing on a trip to Hot Springs, Ark.

Mr. Lane went above the \$100,000 mark in writing life insurance here during the past year and the trip to the resort city in the mountains of Arkansas is his reward. He will return home in a week or so.

Rev. and Mrs. E. W. McLaurin left early Monday morning for Sweetwater where Rev. McLaurin will conduct the funeral of Mrs. Joe Cade, who died there recently. They will return Tuesday.

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Unless you see the "Bayer Cross" on package or on tablets you are not getting the genuine Bayer Aspirin proved safe by millions and prescribed by physicians over twenty-five years for

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COMMISSIONER DEENS MAKES ANNOUNCEMENT

"You may tell the voters of Commissioner's Precinct No. 1 that I am asking for re-election as Commissioner this year," stated R. J. Deens to a Ledger reporter Tuesday morning.

"I haven't time to write a long piece about what I have done so you can arrange something to suit yourself. I have 200 miles of county roads to look after and have got to keep moving."

Mr. Deens said he felt that he did not have to tell the voters of this precinct what he had done as everyone knew the condition of the roads and something of his work and he would let his work speak for itself. "If the voters want me as their commissioner again I will pledge them my very best and will strive at all times to look after the best interests of the county and precinct in road matters," he said.

FORD COUPE STOLEN HERE SATURDAY NIGHT

A Ford coupe belonging to Mr. Smith of the My System store, was stolen Saturday night between 9 and 11 o'clock, from its parking place on Seventh Street near the C. A. Dooze building. This coupe was stripped of all casings several months ago. No trace of the car has been found.

Be wise and advertise.

Fire-Bug Is Former Officer; Loss \$500,000

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Police have arrested John J. Fisher, an ex-policeman, in connection with a series of fires that kept the city in an uproar last night and this morning when 17 fires were started.

Damage is estimated at \$500,000.

Sixteen firemen were taken to hospitals suffering from exposure and smoke.

All fire and police reserves were turned out.

MIKE BOYD IN RACE FOR TAX ASSESSOR

To the Voters of Runnels County: I take this method of letting you know I will be in the race again for Tax Assessor, and I feel like I am too well known to require a long epistle to you, as I have served you for several years as your assessor and I will let you be the judge as to how I have done my work. But I will say I have done my best to treat you with due consideration and fairness and promise you if elected to continue to treat you in the future as I have done in the past.

I will try to see each of you and solicit your vote personally, but if I should fail to see you please consider this as a personal solicitation of your vote.

Thanking one and all for all past favors and wishing for each of you a happy and prosperous year, I am,

Yours truly,
MIKE C. BOYD
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ASKS SMITH BE EXPELLED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The Reed "slush fund" committee's final report today submits a resolution to the Senate asking the expulsion of Frank L. Smith, Senator-elect, and also asked the immediate adoption of the resolution.

Misses Nettie Routh Sledge and Mildred Butler have returned to Abilene, where they are attending school, after spending the week-end here with their parents.

Prescription He Wrote in 1892 is the World's Most Popular Laxative

When Dr. Caldwell started to practice medicine, back in 1875, the needs for a laxative were not as great as they are today. People lived normal, quiet lives, ate plain, wholesome food, and got plenty of fresh air and sunshine. But even that early there were drastic physics and purges for the relief of constipation which Dr. Caldwell did not believe were good for human beings to put into their system. So he wrote a prescription for a laxative to be used by his patients.

The prescription for constipation that he used early in his practice, and which he put in drug stores in 1892 under the name of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, is a liquid vegetable remedy, intended for women, children and elderly people, and they need just such a mild, safe, gentle bowel stimulant as Syrup Pepsin.

Under successful management this prescription has proven its worth and is now the largest selling liquid laxative in the world. The fact that millions of bottles are used a year proves that it has won the confidence of people who needed it to get relief from headaches, biliousness, flatulence, indigestion, loss of appetite and sleep, bad breath, dyspepsia, colds and fevers.

Millions of families are now never without Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, and if you will once start using it you will also always have a bottle handy for emergencies.



J. C. Caldwell M.D. AT AGE 92

It is particularly pleasing to know that the most of it is bought by mothers for themselves and the children, though Syrup Pepsin is just as valuable for elderly people. All drug stores have the generous bottles.

We would be glad to have you prove at our expense how much Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin can mean to you and yours. Just write "Syrup Pepsin," Monticello, Illinois, and we will send you prepaid a FREE SAMPLE BOTTLE.

OLD TIMER HERE SHOWS SAN ANTONIO PEOPLE HOW TO CLIMB STAIRS

John J. Carter, 92, of this city, father of Tillie Carter, has been in San Antonio recently visiting another son, Sam S. Carter, 634 Mission Street. Mr. Carter, despite his age, is very active and usually walks from town to his home in South Ballinger. He does this nearly every day he comes to town and there are not many days he misses.

While in the Alamo City he showed Bexar county citizens how to climb stairs, according to a story appearing in the San Antonio Express.

Following is an account of Mr. Carter's visit to the Bexar county court house:

"Persons who are complaining about having to climb stairs in the new Bexar county court house are just chronic kickers and could not be satisfied anyway, according to John J. Carter, 92, of Ballinger, who was visiting Mrs. E. M. Pyron in the district attorney's office Wednesday. Mr. Carter said he found no difficulty in mounting two flights of stairs to reach Mrs. Pyron's office and could have climbed a few flights

more if it had been necessary.

"He called on Mrs. Pyron because he had been a close friend of her parents, he said, and had known her grandparents. He was present when Mrs. Pyron's parents married, he said.

"Mr. Carter is visiting his son, Sam S. Carter, 634 Mission Street, who is well known as an old time fiddler.

"Music runs in our family," Mr. Carter said. "I suppose I have sung more songs than any man around here. I sang them all, hymns, sentimental and comic songs."

"Can you still sing?" he was asked.

"You bet," he replied, "but my ear is not as good as it once was and I cannot learn the new songs."

HATCHER FOR RE-ELECTION

AUSTIN, Jan. 14.—W. Gregory Hatcher, state treasurer, has announced that he will be a candidate for re-election in the coming primaries. He said that he would give out a detailed statement later regarding his candidacy.

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**NOTICE TO BANNER-
 LEDGER REPORTERS**

Correspondents for The Banner-Ledger in the various communities are requested to mail their items in not later than Tuesday of each week. The weekly paper is printed on Wednesday and we must have your copy before that time if it is to appear that week. All special notices can be written in advance and included in the news from each locality, with little trouble. We ask your co-operation in this and promise to try to give you the best country weekly possible to publish.

Hog killing for Runnels county farmers is about past. The last cold spell saw many hogs prepared for the smokehouse.

The new year started out with pretty good business for the burglars. They made visits to numerous places in Ballinger on Wednesday and Thursday nights.

Runnels county's small grain crop appears to be in need of moisture. The crop shows the effect of the dry months which have just passed. Some little hope is seen now in the cloudy skies which have appeared almost every day since New Year.

If you are not pleased with the variety of weather the weather man is allotting to West Texas you can move out. The highways are happy ways and a negro froze to death in Florida during a recent cold spell.

The weather man, like other human beings, makes mistakes sometimes. He predicted a norther and sent warnings to livestock men of this section. The cold wave must have reversed, gone into the ground or some other place, as it failed to make an appearance here.

Home talent may be responsible for part of this burglarious work but the blame cannot be placed on the local thugs for all the losses. Transient crooks are undoubtedly doing most of the crime here.

Most everybody would like for the weather man to give this section a big soaking rain as it is badly needed in all parts of this and adjacent counties. A good rain right now would be appreciated more than anything else, even a good oil well, but that statement does not mean that Ballinger would not appreciate another good producer.

Everybody can't make money off the oil industry and the rain would help business more this year than the one oil well. Rain is something we cannot do without and we must have precipitation pretty soon if crops in this county come up to the normal of past years.

Nineteen hundred and twenty-eight will be a big year for politics and those who invest \$1.75 in a poll tax receipt are promised their money's worth. The main show may not be in the local and county races as the state and national races promise some big acts.

Judging from the death penalty cases now pending in the courts of the Southwest, 1928 will be a busy year for the official killer. The death cell at Huntsville is full and others are on the waiting list in various county jails. In the meantime murder, robbery and hi-jacking goes merrily on.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For Sheriff: R. E. (EARL) McWILLIAMS
 For Tax Collector: W. L. BROWN
 For Tax Assessor: MIKE C. BOYD
 For Commissioner, Prec. No. 1: R. J. DEENS
 For District Clerk: MISS GEORGIA SINGLETARY
 For Treasurer: MRS. JENNIE KIRK

Oil development in the Ballinger territory is slow but sure, and the real rush will be on hand before Ballinger is prepared to take care of the situation. It is hardly possible that the discovery producer will continue to play a solo as the grade and steady production established by the well insures one of the best fields in Texas. At any rate it is the steady growth and not the mushroom booms that counts for the greatest benefit in the long run.

Favorable conditions after the first three months of the past year are responsible for Ballinger's growth. The oil strike has helped a little but not enough to give it all the credit. 1928, we predict, will be one of Ballinger's most prosperous years. The outlook at present is brighter than ever.

In Runnels county only one candidate has announced for the July primary, but it has been learned that other local and county officers will announce in the near future. Politics in this county apparently is quiescent this year but there is promised much excitement in state and national campaigns. At present Bexar county is leading in the issuance of poll tax receipts, with Harris second and Dallas third. This will probably see the largest vote ever polled in Texas and also in the United States.

Politics for the year started out with an upset with Houston securing the Democratic National Convention over San Francisco, Detroit and Cleveland. Houston was not prominently mentioned in this connection until Thursday morning when Jesse Jones, a leading Texas Democrat, millionaire, publisher of the Houston Chronicle, and treasurer of the Democratic National Committee, made his bid. Mr. Jones' invitation was accepted on the fifth ballot and for the first time since the Civil War the convention will be held in the South. All Texas congratulates Houston on winning this major meeting. Houston is a big city in a big state and is believed to be capable of handling all who will attend the convention.

With this crookedness going on comes the thought of a night policeman for Ballinger. At present a night watchman punches clocks located in various sections of the business district, but he has to keep on this job alone, and has no time to be making rounds over the residential districts, or the business district either, for that matter. The City Commission should employ another night policeman to look after property in all parts of the city. The matter of a public subscription for a night cop will not work as well as the regular employment of one by the commission. It has been tried before with little success. Ballinger needs another night officer and it would not be a bad idea to have two other men to work under the police chief in addition to the clock-puncher. This should be done if the city government can afford to pay the salary or additional policemen. No doubt another night policeman could stop some of the petty thefts, burglaries and robberies which have been occurring here.

**BLANTON IN
 SENATE RACE**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Representative Thomas L. Blanton of the 17th congressional district of Texas, today formally announced his candidacy for the United States Senate in opposition to the present incumbent, Earle B. Mayfield.

**NEW UNDERTAKER FOR
 KING HOLT COMPANY**

W. R. Wilkerson, formerly in the undertaking and furniture business at Winnsboro, Texas, has moved to Ballinger with his wife and will make this home. He is to be connected with the King-Holt Furniture & Undertaking Company. Mr. Wilkerson has been in business for himself at Winnsboro for several years but recently sold out to move to Ballinger. He is experienced in the furniture and undertaking business.

It is a safe bet that there are more people who know what and where Belize is than there were a week ago.—New Bedford Standard.

**ONE HELD ON FELONY
 CHARGE AFTER CRASH**

**Globe Spuds
 Webb Well
 On Colorado**

The Globe Oil Company's No. 1 Webb, nine miles southeast of Ballinger in the horseshoe bend of the Colorado River, was to be spudded Saturday, according to information received here. This is on part of an original 2,500-acre block formerly owned by Caudie & Malone, Big Lake operators.

Mike Arnold, of San Angelo, is the drilling contractor.

The well is located on the John H. Webb farm.

The Will Hale well, near Talpa, was drilling at about 1,250 feet Friday evening.

Three other wells drilling just over the Runnels county line in Coleman county are making good progress, according to a Ballinger oil man who visited the wells Friday afternoon. These wells are located 3 miles north of Talpa, one in the Ocie McWilliams pasture and the other two in the James McGord pasture. These wells are reported to be drilling at about 1,300 feet.

Scarborough & Ross are the drilling contractors on all three of these tests.

The Vacuum-McMillan No. 2, 500 feet south of the discovery well, was drilling Saturday afternoon just below 770 feet after completing a short fishing job which lasted part of Friday night. Tools were lost in the hole about 6 o'clock Friday evening but were soon recovered, and drilling resumed Saturday morning.

The Gibson & Johnson-Serratt No. 1, near Ballinger, is drilling, after spudding Thursday.

**NORTON NOW
 HAS LIGHTS**

The little community of Norton, northwest of Ballinger, now has electric lights, it was announced here Thursday morning by Earl Morley, manager of Districts G and F of the West Texas Utilities Company.

This service was made possible by the extension of the high line from the Wilmett sub-station to Norton. Mr. Morley said a 2,300 volt line had been run by Chester Cherry's line gang from Wilmett to Norton and that several customers had been put on in the rural sections between the two towns. Power, heating and electric light service is being given on the line. The company has over 50 customers in Norton, Mr. Morley said.

**COURT RULES IN
 FAVOR OF STATE**

AUSTIN, Jan. 18.—The State unquestionably has the right to regulate the use of public highways, the Court of Criminal Appeals ruled today in handing down a decision in the case of I. S. Sepulveda of Webb county.

Sepulveda sought a release from a fine imposed upon him for operating a motor bus without a permit.

The court did not pass directly on the validity of the motor bus law, but ruled that the Railroad Commission had the right to require bus operators to secure certificates before they began operations.

Mr. Farmer: The Runnels County Co-operative Creamery will be ready to buy your cream Saturday, January 21st.

Dr. W. P. Kelly, of Petrolia, brother-in-law of L. C. Alexander, has returned home after attending Mr. Alexander's funeral.

O. G. Stroud, operator of a filling station across Elm Creek, is being held in jail on charges of driving a car while intoxicated Saturday afternoon about 5:00 o'clock. He was arrested near the Long Branch filling station on the Coleman road after an automobile accident which came near proving fatal for the six-months-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Holt of this city.

Charles Atkins, of McCamey, who was riding with Stroud, was fined for drunkenness. He is still confined in the county jail, however.

The accident occurred just beyond the Long Branch filling station when the car driven by Stroud struck the Ford in which Mrs. Ernest Jones, Mrs. Holt and baby were riding.

The baby suffered a fractured skull and other injuries. It is believed that the child will recover although it was seriously hurt, and on Monday was in a dangerous condition. Mrs. Holt was also badly hurt, but not dangerously. Mrs. Jones was not injured save for a few bruises.

Neither of the men were seriously injured, but both are alleged to have been intoxicated at the time of the wreck.

The charges were filed Monday morning by County Attorney C. P. Shepherd, who took statements from several witnesses.

**ROBBERY CASE
 SEEKS CHANGE**

EASTLAND, Jan. 18.—Mrs. Rilla Caret, of Cisco, took the stand in the 91st district court here today and testified that her son, Marshall Ratliffe, could not expect a fair trial here.

Ratliffe, with Henry Helms and Robert Hill, is on trial in connection with the robbery of the First National Bank of Cisco on December 23rd, which resulted in the death of G. E. Bedford, chief of police at Cisco, Policemen George Carmichael, and Louis Davis, alleged bandit.

Hearings were being held yesterday and today on Ratliffe's plea for a change of venue.

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John A. Weeks has returned from Odessa, where he had been looking after business. Mr. Weeks said the only bad roads between Ballinger and Odessa by way of Midland, are between this city and Rowena. He said both Midland and Odessa seemed to be growing but when it came to looks neither compared favorably with Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Schleyer and baby of San Angelo, spent the week-end in Ballinger with relatives and friends. They returned home Sunday afternoon.

KNOCKING 'EM COLD IN EUROPE



Mado Minty, dancer with the Opera Comique, registers this unique pose for the benefit of her press agent. Mado's quite a "wow" in Paris, and is going to do her stuff for the remaining crowned and uncrowned heads of Europe on a tour through the capitals. (International Illustrated News)

**SATTERWHITE
 IN RACE FOR
 LIEUT. GOV.**

AUSTIN, Jan. 16.—Representative Lee Satterwhite, of Amarillo, announced this morning that he will enter the race for lieutenant-governor.

Satterwhite will make his official announcement either this afternoon or tomorrow.

**DOOSE ATTENDING
 CHURCH MEETING**

C. A. Doose left Thursday afternoon for Dallas, where he went to attend the second convention of the Brotherhood of the Synod of Texas of the Presbyterian Church.

Rev. Alvin O. Rue, pastor of the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church of this city, left Thursday morning for Dallas.

Mr. Doose is chairman of the Brownwood Presbytery. He declared that a large number of the pastors of this district would be present at this meeting, to be held in the City Temple at Dallas Thursday and Thursday night.

The greatest trial any woman ever had to bear was a husband with no curiosity.

**PIONEER DIES
 AT WINTERS**

WINTERS, Jan. 12.—L. W. Mosley, age 79, died suddenly Wednesday morning while preparing to go on duty at the local cotton oil mill, where he had been superintendent ever since the installation of the mill here. He had eaten breakfast and was changing his clothing at the mill preparatory to assuming his duties as usual. Employees found him, evidently suffering from an attack of acute stomach or heart trouble, but he expired before he could be removed from the mill.

Mr. Mosley was an old and honored resident of Winters and was a faithful and active member of the local Baptist church, and his many friends over this section will be grieved to learn of his passing.

Funeral services conducted by Rev. H. H. Stephens, pastor of the Baptist church, were announced for 3 o'clock this afternoon.

A. W. Sledge, editor of The Ledger, who has been in ill health for several months, was able to come down town for a short while Thursday afternoon. His condition is about the same but he was feeling well enough Thursday to spend a short time at the office.

FIREWORKS APLENTY WHEN THESE BOXERS MIX IT UP



Bud Taylor (left) the Terre Haute, Ind., punching Square Garden. This was the "rubber game" of the series, and Cannoneri made it two out of three, but only after a hard uphill fight.

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DEATHS

Victor Halfmann

Victor Halfmann, 6 years of age, died at his father's home near Olfen Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock.

Funeral services were held from the Olfen Catholic Church, conducted by the priest of that church, at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Interment was made in the Olfen cemetery, with Higginbotham Bros. & Co. undertakers in charge.

L. C. Alexander

L. C. Alexander, 77 years of age, died Thursday morning at his home on Eighth Street after an illness of several months.

Funeral services will be held from the home Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Rev. J. H. McClain, pastor of the Baptist Church, officiating, assisted by Rev. W. H. Doss, Methodist preacher.

Mr. Alexander had been a resident of Ballinger for many years, moving here from Brownwood, where he and his family lived only a short time after moving to Texas from Henry county, Tennessee, where he was born December 14, 1850.

Mr. Alexander lived within five miles of the place where he was born for more than 50 years.

He is survived by his widow, two daughters, Misses Nell and Elizabeth, and a son, Lewis Alexander.

Active pallbearers are J. L. Chastain, C. R. Stone, L. R. Tigner, Bun Morgan, H. C. Lyon and E. C. Baskin. Honorary pallbearers are: R. T. Trail, I. N. Roark, C. A. Doose, W. L. Williams, E. V. Bateman, M. D. Chastain, John Lovelace, W. D. Gregory, R. J. Deens, R. G. Erwin and John Currie.

King-Holt undertakers prepared the body for burial.

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BENOIT ITEMS

Warm weather prevails at this writing, and a good rain would be appreciated.

Mrs. Dreutha Wilkerson, of Winters, is spending this week with Mrs. L. R. Brookshire, who has been on the sick list, but is improving at the present time.

Miss Bernice Shipp, who is a student of the Ballinger high school, spent Thursday night with her mother, Mrs. Mae Shipp, who is primary teacher at this place.

Miss Jewel Clayton spent Saturday night and Sunday with E. T. Branham and family.

Mrs. Vandevanter, mother of Mrs. Milton Clayton, is spending a few days in the latter's home.

Mesdames W. T. Hill and Mabel Elliott motored to Winters Thursday to see A. W. Hill and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Tullas and children attended services at the Bethel Baptist Church Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sims, of Eagle Branch, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gibson, of Norton, were down to see Mrs. L. R. Brookshire Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Clayton, and Mr. and Mrs. Lawton Clayton went to Hatchel Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Horace Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Gressett and family went to Winters Sunday to see Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Gressett. They were accompanied by Miss Faye Stagner.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Williams, of Coleman, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Rappy.

Miss Claudine McElrath spent Thursday night with Mrs. Louis Shipp.

"REPORTER."

Mrs. Troy Simpson and little daughter, Miss Mary Virginia, have gone to Abilene to visit Mrs. Simpson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Goss.

CREWS NEWS

The farmers are thankful for the pretty weather which we have been having so they could get their land put up.

We are sorry to report that C. F. White has been rather ill. However, he is improving now.

Rev. B. B. Edmiaston filled his regular appointment at the Methodist Church Sunday morning and evening.

The Dale boys basketball team came to our court Monday and played with our boys. The score ended in favor of Crews, 17-8. The Crews boys went to Winters and played the Winters boys Wednesday, the score closing in Winters' favor, 28-38. The Crews boys went to Dale Monday, Jan. 16, and played them again, the scores resulting in Crews' favor, 40-20.

The Baptist young folks Sunday school class met at the home of Mrs. W. P. King Saturday night and had a "weinie" roast, which was enjoyed very much.

Jessie Lee Brown, Venita Rainwater and Beatrice Burrus spent Sunday with Norma Bradley.

Doyle Jayroe had an attack of appendicitis Saturday night. We are glad to say that he is much better now.

Tuesday night is our regular time for prayer meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Wilkerson are in Tahoka, Texas, this week.

R. V. Berry visited relatives at Bethel Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Jim Phipps and Mrs. Pearl Norris went to Talpa Monday to be at the bedside of their little niece, who is very ill with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Clark visited relatives at Coleman Sunday.

"REPORTER."

MRS. KIRK ANNOUNCES FOR COUNTY TREASURER

I wish to make my announcement for re-election to the office of County Treasurer. I sincerely appreciate the support the voters have given me in the past and if re-elected, I promise the same careful attention to all matters pertaining to the office.

MRS. JENNIE KIRK
19-1td-1tw.*

BETHEL NEWS

The cold epidemic in this community is still spreading with several new cases reported this week.

Car wrecks seem to be the order of the day. There were several around us the past week, but fortunately no one was hurt, more than scratches.

Bro. J. W. Whittaker, the new Methodist preacher from New Mexico, filled his regular appointment here the third Sunday. Those who haven't heard him are invited to come out the next third Sunday and Sunday night.

The Christian preacher, Rev. Yowell, of Ballinger, will preach at the Methodist church the fourth Sunday of this month.

The Rowena basketball teams came to our courts Wednesday afternoon for games. The girls' scores were 19-7 in favor of Rowena. The boys' scores were 5-5 and not a very pleasant ending.

We are delighted to say a shower is now falling and hope it will continue until the thirsty ground gets one good sup of water this happy new year.

"REPORTER"

LOST—One yearling, in Ballinger last week. Notify E. H. Voelkel. 20-1tw

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HERRING TOPICS

The past week has been very pretty and the farmers of this community certainly did break the land. Some are almost finished and are about ready for some wet weather.

The Herring girls and boys played basketball with White-chapel teams Friday. The girls won their game, 29-9, while the boys lost, 15-12.

The Herring 4H Club girls met Thursday. Mrs. Hollingsworth and Miss Edwards were present, and we were especially glad to have Miss Edwards with us. She made a very nice talk to the girls on club work. We will have another meeting Monday.

The party at the Rosford home was well attended and all reported a nice time.

Grandma Clark is back at home with her daughter, Mrs. S. H. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Avent visited Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Miller Sunday afternoon.

Miss Grace Bragg visited Misses Alta and Lemma Brevard Sunday.

Miss Bernice Hale visited Miss Della Bragg Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hale spent Sunday with J. W. Wood, of the Crews community.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Allecorn visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bragg Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe McCartney and family visited relatives at Novice Sunday.

Miss Bernice Winn, of Temple, is visiting Miss Opal Duggar.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Todd and Mona Avent visited Mr. and Mrs.

R. E. Todd and family, of Anderson Sunday.

Dalton Mullanax, of Glen Cove, spent the week-end with the Joe Bragg family.

"REPORTER"

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Shoot Each Other to Death On Streets

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—A. G. Wenelik and Victor Novak met on a street corner in the suburb of Berwyn this morning, drew their revolvers and fired until each was dead.

A girl passer-by was wounded. No motive has been uncovered for the double killing.

PLAN INTENSIVE WAR ON REBELS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—In preparation for a three months intensive campaign against the rebels in the mountain districts of Nicaragua, the War Department today instructed the commanding general of the Panama district to deliver to the United States marines in Nicaragua at once, mules and supplies for the drive.

The order called for 60 pack mules, one escort wagon, 90 days field rations for the animals, and other supplies.

Be wise and advertise.

COOLIDGE IN JACKSONVILLE

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 18. President Coolidge and party, homeward bound from the Pan-American Congress at Havana, arrived here this morning.

The president left the train for one hour, motoring to the principal points of interest in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kiechle and little daughter have gone to Dallas, where the little girl will undergo treatment in a hospital.

Miss Alpha Caperton, who has been ill at the home of her brother, S. B. Caperton, for some time, is not improving. Miss Caperton was for many years a teacher in the Ballinger schools, going from here to Austin where she was a member of the faculty of the Austin city schools until her health failed.

GIRL VICTIM TAKES STAND

FT. WORTH, Jan. 18.—Fay Lee, 16, took the stand here this morning in the trial of O. F. Reed, charged with criminally attacking her last May.

Miss Lee described the events leading up to and during the alleged attack.

Reed pleaded not guilty, basing his defense on mistaken identity.

Mrs. Nolan Holt and baby daughter, who were injured in an auto wreck east of Ballinger last Saturday, were reported to be much improved Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Paul Trimmer and two sons have returned from Temple, where they had been with Mrs. Trimmer's mother, who had been seriously ill but who is now some better.

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CHAMBER PLANS NEW WORK FOR BALLINGER

A municipal auditorium for Ballinger to house the city officials' offices, the fire department, and the Chamber of Commerce, with a seating capacity of 2,000; improvement of the water system, work towards securing a federal building, continuance of the paving program, and more effort towards securing the federal highway from Fort Sill, Oklahoma to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, were the principal items discussed at the Tuesday morning meeting of the new board of directors of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce.

These items will be taken up and probably adopted as the program of the organization for 1928. Ballinger business men are apparently heartily in favor of the before mentioned projects and the major efforts of the board of directors and the individual members will be directed toward this program.

In the election of officers, W. C. McCarver, former president of the Runnels County Fair Association, was elected president. E. E. King, another former president of the fair board, was elected first vice-president; and J. D. Motley and Miss Winnie Trail were re-elected secretary and assistant secretary, respectively. Harry Lynn was elected treasurer.

The new board and retiring directors gathered at the offices of the chamber at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning. A large number of the old and new directors were present and heartily endorsed most of the plans presented.

President McCarver will appoint the various standing committees and they will be announced at the next meeting of the board, next Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock.

Probably the most important item of the program is the improvement of the water system, mainly a larger supply as the service is now just about as good as is found in any city of this size in Texas. The supply is deficient, it is pointed out. Elm Creek dams do not have a reserve large enough to make Ballinger save during long dry periods. With the Colorado River on the west and Elm Creek on the east there is no reason, it was said, why this city should not have the best water supply of any city in Texas. A committee will be appointed to go into this question, and to confer with the State Board of Water Engineers and the City Commission.

A city auditorium building for Ballinger has been needed heretofore, it was declared, and with the constant, steady growth of the city this need is becoming more acute. City offices are now housed in a rented building and the Chamber of Commerce occupies rented offices. The American Legion building and high school are now used for community gatherings, as is the court house on some occasions. An auditorium of 2,000 seats will give Ballinger a hall large enough for almost any gathering or convention held here. The fire department is housed in a wooden structure which is not adequate for department's two trucks and other equipment. All this could be included in one building, it was said, and this building made a structure that any city would be proud of.

Postal receipts at Ballinger went over the \$20,000 mark last year and this places the city in line for a federal building, and a committee will be appointed to work with other local organizations in securing a building to house the postoffice and possibly other offices which would be inaugurated here by the government as Ballinger grows. The postoffice at present is located in part of the first floor of the three-story Farmers & Merchants State Bank building, and while it more convenient than many postoffices in other Texas cities, it could be improved considerably. Present indications are that Ballinger postal receipts will show to be larger than for any other town of 6,000 population in Texas this year.

The paving program which was started in 1927 by the Chamber of Commerce will be boosted and it is thought the city may see fit to pave other streets. The cham-

ber co-operated in putting over the paving work soon to be under way.

The federal highway between San Antonio, Texas, and Fort Sill, Okla., is also an important issue before the present board of directors. Coleman and other cities on a proposed route east of Ballinger are making a hard fight for this highway, but as Ballinger, Winters, Abilene, Wichita Falls, Brady, Mason and other cities are on the first proposed route a determined fight will be waged to put the route through here. This is to be a fort-to-fort highway and one of the best federal highways in the Southwest, and one of strategic military importance. A committee will be appointed to look after the interests of Ballinger and Runnels county in this matter.

The board recommended the officers of the chamber be authorized to purchase a fireproof filing cabinet for the records of the Retail Merchants Association. Records for the past four years are in wooden filing cabinets and would be destroyed in case of fire. This matter will probably be placed in the hands of the secretary.

The retiring budget committee recommended to the present board that the new budget committee be authorized to increase the salaries of the secretary and the assistant secretary. This will be left in the hands of the new budget committee.

NOTHING LIKE IT ON EARTH

The new treatment for torn flesh, cuts, wounds, sores or lacerations that is doing such wonderful work in flesh healing is the Borosone liquid and powder combination treatment. The liquid Borosone is a powerful antiseptic that removes the wound of all poisons and infectious germs, while the Borosone powder is the great healer. There is nothing like it on earth for speed, safety and efficiency. Price (liquid) 25c, 50c and \$1.25. Powder 35c and 60c. Sold by Weeks Drug Store

MORE BIDS ARE OPENED

AUSTIN, Jan. 17.—The State Highway Department opened bids on the construction of a bridge across the Brazos River between Waller and Washington counties on highway No. 20 this morning.

Owing to the nature of the bids a contract may not be awarded until Wednesday.

The structure is to cost \$280,000.

Bids were opened on other projects but the contracts have not yet been awarded.

DEMOCRATS HOPES LOST

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Democratic hopes of forcing a consideration of the tax reduction bill before March 15th were wiped out today when the Senate finance committee voted to defer action until later.

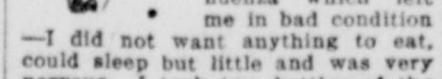
The vote was along party lines, with the alien property bill being given the preference.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The House decisively squelched the Senate's demand for a downward revision of the tariff today by a vote of 183 to 164.

The Senate adopted the resolution Monday.

How to Recover Lost Strength

Abilene, Texas.—"I can heartily recommend Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery to any one who is in need of a good tonic. I take it in the fall to fortify myself against colds and grippe. I also take it in the spring and find it of great benefit. In the winter of 1919 I had a severe attack of influenza which left me in bad condition. I did not want anything to eat, could sleep but little and was very nervous. I took two bottles of the 'Discovery' and it made me feel like a new man."—J. B. Matthews, Gen'l Del. All Dealers. Send 10c to Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., if you wish a trial package of tablets, and write for free advice.



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ABILENE FIRM TO OPEN STORE IN BALLINGER

Ballinger is to have a new produce house, according to an announcement made by Bob Shelton, of the Big Three Produce Company, Inc., of Abilene, and will be opened here on January 20th.

According to the announcement the new firm has leased the cold storage plant of the Jeanes Company and will put in a modern produce house here, handling fresh fruits and vegetables for the retail trade.

"This will add another house to our list and will enable us to serve you better by giving a larger distribution which will benefit you by us having a more complete and fresher stock at all times," the announcement said. "Our aim is to offer quality and tender service that will merit the continuance of your valuable business."

This firm has heretofore had salesmen in this city but will give Ballinger grocers better service now by the opening of a branch house here.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

First Presbyterian
Enrollment, 143
Present, 103
New members, 3
Offering, \$11.93

Baptist
Enrollment, 451
Present, 291
New members, 3
Offering, \$14.65

8th Street Presbyterian
Enrollment, 166
Present, 98
Visitors, 3
New members, 3
Offering, \$3.80

Be wise and advertise.

BEARCATS WIN IN CAGE GAME

Touted to win by a large score and with some 25 or 30 men in orange colored training suits, the San Angelo basketball squad lost to the Bearcat quintet there Saturday afternoon by a score of 20 to 9.

Coach Felton Wright had only seven men who could go to San Angelo for the contest. He had no idea of a victory, neither did any of the Bearcat players. When they laid eyes on the Bobcats all dolled up in new orange colored uniforms, prancing around and showing what they had and how many they had, it appeared to be all over except totalling the final score. Coach Bill Bissett of the Bobcats was probably the most surprised of any of the spectators.

The Bearcat team got into the game, played basketball, tossing the oval thru the basket for points, while the San Angelo cagers juggled and tossed at the goal—not in it.

The Bearcats were to play Miles here Tuesday afternoon on the high school court, but on account of wet grounds it was thought doubtful that the game would be played.

The Bethel five lost to the locals here last Friday afternoon, 17 to 7, in a very good game.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

J. A. Smith and Miss Alice J. Bennett.
T. E. Walker and Mrs. Hattie Mahien.
Archie Mullion and Miss Tiny Nelms.
W. F. Minzemayer and Miss Kathleen Stocker.
Bartley Smith and Miss Elvin Washburn.
Jeff Beard and Miss Hester Williams.
Theodore Pullen and Miss Myrtle Ellen Layton.
Walter Mitchell and Mrs. Alva McLennan.
George W. Kercher and Miss Blanche Houston.

Be wise and advertise.

YOUNG WOMAN FOUND SHOT

EL PASO, Jan. 17.—Ruth Williams, 22, a tourist, giving her home as Philadelphia, was found shot through the abdomen in a hotel room today.

Two men and a woman are being held by the police in connection with the case.

Police believe Mrs. Williams attempted suicide as the result of despondency over the suicide of her husband, three months ago, in Georgia.

Chas Eyster, who had been employed in the Santa Fe office here, has been transferred to a town near Temple. He is visiting relatives in Cleburne this week.

Will Prob: Shooting of Angelo Scout

AUSTIN, Jan. 17.—Adjutant-General Robertson announced today that Ranger Gonzales had been sent to investigate the shooting of H. E. V. Hall, San Angelo oil scout, by a posse of officers who were seeking the robbers of a Sylvester bank Wednesday.

The investigation was asked by the governor of the West Texas Oil Scouts Association.

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Which May Be Exchanged for
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THREE and ONE HALF percent
Callable on and after December 15, 1930

The only way these notes may be had is in exchange for Third Liberty Loan Bonds. Exchanges will be made at par.

Interest on Third Liberty Loan Bonds exchanged will be paid to March 15, 1928. Therefore, holders surrendering Third Liberty Loan bonds in exchange will receive, at the time of delivery of the new notes, interest on such Third Liberty Loan bonds from September 15, 1927, to March 15, 1928.

Holder of Third Liberty Loan bonds who desire to take advantage of this opportunity to obtain Treasury notes of the new issue should arrange for such exchange at the earliest possible date, as this offer will remain open for a limited period.

Allow us to serve you in this matter. We make no charge.

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Indigestion is the result of too much acid in the stomach. It sours your food, turns it into a fermenting mass, gives you sick headaches, bad breath, biliousness, shortness of breath, and that drowsy, don't-care-what-happens feeling. Pape's Diapepsin has helped thousands of such unfortunate stomach sufferers to get their appetite back. Chew one or two tablets of Pape's Diapepsin after meals to dissolve the excess acid, and sweeten your stomach. Then your food will digest and nourish you. You will gain weight and feel fine. Pape's Diapepsin does what it promises to do. That's the reason 5 million packages are used a year. Pape's Diapepsin will bring you relief in 5 minutes. It is sold by all drug stores.

W. L. BROWN ANNOUNCES HIS CANDIDACY AGAIN

To the voters of Runnels county: Having been asked by a number of people as to whether or not I was going to run for office again I take this method to announce my candidacy for reelection to the office of Tax Collector.

During the time I have served you in this office it has always been my one aim to give you the best service possible. To this end I have kept the records of the office so that I could give you any information desired in the least possible time. I have also strived to give you as quick service as possible in issuing receipts and registering cars.

The automobile records are especially arranged in order to give you quick service.

If the service rendered has been satisfactory I will appreciate your vote and influence and if elected I promise to perform the duties of the office to the best of my ability. The best of service and courteous treatment at all times will be my motto.

Thanking you for past favors and again soliciting your vote, I am,

Yours truly,

W. L. BROWN
16-1st-17w

J. R. Lusk, Mrs. Alex. McGregor and Robert Lusk have returned from Wellington, where they were called to the bedside of Mrs. Lusk's father, Rev. H. M. Bandy, who has been critically ill. Mrs. Lusk, who accompanied them to Wellington, will remain there for several days. Rev. Bandy was reported to be some better when the party left there.

A. M. Alexander, of Jackson, Tenn., left for his home Saturday after attending the funeral of his brother, L. C. Alexander.



This Man Can't Catch Cold!

If a sneeze or sniffle says you're threatened with a cold, you can head it off every time without "doping" yourself, or the least inconvenience.

Everyone has suggestions when you have a cold, but here's one that works! Pape's Cold Compound in simple, pleasant-tasting tablets. Even when you've let a cold get into throat and lungs—or even turn to "flu"—Pape's will knock it out.

Why dally with a slight cold, or suffer from one that is serious, when the smallest drugstore has this real relief—for thirty-five cents!

PAPE'S COLD COMPOUND

ICE PLANTS TO GET NEW SIGNS

ABILENE, Jan. 17.—Ice stations operated by the West Texas Utilities Company in eleven West Texas towns soon will be equipped with attractive electric signs. An order for 30 signs, to be placed at the fifteen stations operated in the eleven towns, was placed with the Federal Electric Company.

The signs are two feet and three inches high and two feet and ten inches wide. They will carry the word "Ice" in twelve-inch Silveray illuminated letters and below this will be "West Texas Utilities Company" in smaller, non-illuminated letters.

The signs are of 20 gauge copper and of antique finish. They will be arranged in pairs; that is, two signs will be placed at right angles to each other at the corner of the company's property and thirty feet from the ice stations. They will be mounted on Spanish ornamental iron and the center of the sign will be seven and one-half feet above the edge of the sidewalk. In the angle formed by the signs a flood light will be placed which will flood the sales station with light.

The signs will be delivered within two months and each will be illuminated with six 75-watt lamps. By arranging them in pairs, they will be made visible from two streets. Three pairs of signs will be placed at San Angelo, three at Abilene, and one pair each at Ballinger, Cisco, Menard, Ozona, Vernon, Quanah, Santa Anna, Coleman and Stamford.

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

MOTLEY ON TEXAS FAIR ASSOCIATION BOARD

ENNIS, Jan. 14.—The annual meeting of the Texas Association of Fairs will be held at Dallas, January 12-13, according to J. L. F. Castellow of this city, president of the association.

Officials of the organization are:

President, J. L. F. Castellow; secretary, L. L. Etchison, Sherman; and the following vice-presidents, W. E. Donovan, Gonzales; A. J. Burge, Port Arthur; Bryan Blaylock, Marshall; A. B. Davis, Lubbock; J. D. Motley, Ballinger; S. N. Mayfield, Waco; L. B. Herring, Beaumont.

COOLIDGE EN ROUTE TO U.S.

HAVANA, Jan. 17.—President Coolidge's Cuban visit ended when he left for the United States on the cruiser Memphis at 7:45 o'clock this morning.

The president and Mrs. Coolidge were the recipients of almost continuous ovations with a parallel on the international relations. They were greatly impressed with the reception.

Meanwhile the sixth Pan-American Congress got down to business fraught with enormous possibilities of evil.

Some of the delegates want public meetings, Mexico, Haiti, and El Salvador delegates are understood to have prepared various resolutions defining intervention, apparently aimed at the American occupation of Nicaragua.

WILL ASK A CONTINUANCE FOR HICKMAN

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 17.—Jerome Walsh, attorney for William Edward Hickman, kidnaper and slayer of little Marian Parker, will ask for a continuance of the case when it is called for trial at Los Angeles on January 4th.

Walsh made this announcement today after his return from Oklahoma and Arkansas, where he took depositions bolstering up the insanity defense plea.

LARGE CROWD PRESENT AT CHAMBER BANQUET

One of the largest crowds ever to attend a banquet in Ballinger was present Friday night when the eight annual membership meeting of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce was held at the Central Hotel.

Visitors were present from San Angelo, Abilene, Brady, Coleman, Winters, Paint Rock, Menard, Junction and other cities.

With Moody's Saxophone Orchestra playing, the doors to the large dining room of the hotel were opened and more than 200 persons entered for the evening's business session and entertainment.

M. C. Atkins, retiring president of the organization, presided at the short business session after Rev. J. H. McClain, pastor of the Baptist Church, asked the invocation.

Mr. Atkins read the report of the board of directors as prepared by Secretary J. D. Motley. He also announced the names of the eleven new directors which were elected. They are: F. C. Cameron, E. E. King, C. P. Shepherd, H. W. Lynn, Earl Morley, A. K. Doss, J. C. Sturgess, Harry Lynn, J. J. Beck, W. B. Creasy, and Wm. Dooze Jr. These new directors will serve with the following hold-overs: M. S. Karmany, W. B. Currie, John A. Weeks, Sam Behringer, W. A. Holt, O. R. O'Neill, M. McGregor, R. E. George, R. L. Harwell and H. S. Strain.

New officers for the organization will be elected at the first regular meeting of the new board of directors.

Mr. Atkins introduced Harry Lynn, who was chosen master of the good ship, which Capt. Lynn explained was taking an imaginary voyage. The diners were passengers.

Capt. Lynn then introduced the "passenger list," of out-of-town visitors, as follows: Sim O'Neal, secretary of the Coleman Chamber of Commerce, and wife, Mrs. J. R. Holderness, Miss Sally Adkins, Stanley Norman, Coleman; Judge and Mrs. Oriand Sims, Paint Rock; J. T. Williamson, editor of the Coleman Democrat-Voice; S. W. Cooper, secretary of the Winters Chamber of Commerce, and wife; George Hill, editor of the Winters Enterprise, and wife; Claud Wild, secretary of the San Angelo Board of City Development, wife and son; Mildred L. Cope, San Angelo Standard; W. A. Bell, Jr., Brownwood; Wendell Bedichek, Abilene News; Harry Polinski, Menard; H. O. Denman, Junction State Bank; H. G. Farmer, ex-county judge, Junction; Joe Whaley, Menard; Chas. Coombs, Mason; Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell, Brady.

Four new citizens of Ballinger were also introduced, Joe Neff and wife, recently of Coleman, and W. R. Wilkinson and wife, recently of Winnsboro. In a unique manner Mr. Lynn introduced Cameron Marshall, dean of the school of music, Howard Payne College, Brownwood, who sang two vocal solos. The first, "Roses of Picardy," was followed by a short song at the encore. Miss Louise Doss, local music instructor, was piano accompanist. Miss Lois Kineaid, teacher of expression in the Ballinger high school, gave two readings which were heartily applauded.

After he had tried to introduce the principal speaker, Capt. Lynn called on Troy Simpson to do this, who "passed the buck" to R. T. Williams, who transferred the responsibility to E. M. Lynn. Mr. Lynn then turned it back to the toastmaster, who finally introduced H. C. Lyon, superintendent of the city schools.

Mr. Lyon, who is making Ballinger home for the second year, lauded the city, the chamber of commerce, Runnels county, and this section, quoting State Superintendent S. M. N. Marrs as saying "West Texas is the best part of the Southwest."

Mr. Lyon said he thought he would find out for himself and moved to Ballinger from East Texas.

"The Chamber of Commerce is not a selfish organization, it works for the welfare of the people of all the community and county. It does not work for the business men's interests alone, but for all alike, and plans a greater future for this entire section," the speaker declared.

"Bank deposits here have shown an increase, paving plans are being carried out, the poultry, dairying and agricultural development has shown much increase, and the entire county is prospering with the whole of West Texas."

All through Mr. Lyon's talk was a humorous vein which kept the interest up.

The speaker also paid compliments to County Agent C. W. Lehmburg and Home Agent Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, to whom much credit was given for the development of the rural sections.

After singing "The Eyes of Texas," the meeting was adjourned. In the words of the toastmaster "the passengers made their way down the gangplank after a very successful voyage from the port of cares and responsibilities to the port of happiness and prosperity."

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TURKEY AND HER EGGS BREAK FRIENDSHIP OF TWO KANSAS FARMERS

PRATT, Kansas, Jan. 14.—On a problem which confronts a local court, depends the long-time friendship of two farmers near here. Recently one of the farmers purchased a turkey hen. The hen began regular visits to the other farmer. Finally she changed abode entirely. The farmers met one day and had a friendly talk finally deciding the turkey was worth about \$5. The sum was paid to the original owner.

Later, however, the turkey, accompanied by a flock of young turks, removed herself to her former abode and remained.

The farmers had a second meeting. When the first purchaser decided that his friend should have back the turkey but he would keep the brood, an argument ensued and both consulted lawyers.

The original owner contends that although he sold the turkey there was nothing in the deal to convey the eggs, and therefore claims ownership to the flock.

BIRTUS

"Announcing the arrival of James Wesley, January 12. Mother and boy doing well Jimmy."

The above was the body of a telegram received Thursday morning by Troy Simpson from M. H. Boynton, local attorney, who is with his wife and young son at the home of Mrs. Boynton's mother in Fort Worth.



Winter's Colds and Chills Throw Heavy Burdens on the Kidneys.

COLDS put extra burdens on our kidneys. When the kidneys slow up, impurities remain in the blood and are apt to make one tired and achy with headaches, dizziness and often nagging backache. A common warning is scanty or burning secretions.

Doan's Pills, a stimulant diuretic, increase the secretion of the kidneys and aid in the elimination of waste impurities. Are endorsed by users everywhere. Ask your neighbor.

DOAN'S PILLS 60c
STIMULANT DIURETIC FOR KIDNEYS
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14 BEARCATS GET SWEATERS

Coach Felton Wright of the Ballinger high school faculty, presented members of the 1927 football squad Monday morning with their letter sweaters, earned during the 1927 season.

Fourteen players and the manager of the team, Earle (Dutch) Schuhmann, were presented with bright crimson sweaters with a black "B" at the chapel services.

Players receiving sweaters were: James Parrish, captain; Jones Parrish, Frank Reese, Frank Coker, sub-captain-elect; Walter (Fats) Middleton, sub-captain of '27 and captain-elect for '28; Robert (Smoky) Lusk, Henson Allagood, Willie Cervenke, Roy Smith, Garland Echols, George Daugherty, Jervis (Slew-foot) Robison, Joe Beck, and J. B. (Cephus) Arthur.

Short talks were made by each of the eight men, who graduate this year and will not be on the Bearcat squad of 1928. All but Echols were present.

In 1926 fifteen letters were awarded to players and one to the manager. Last year saw eight of the best players leave the squad and this year eight more go out.

Middleton, captain-elect, also made a short talk to the student body.

LEGION AND AUXILIARY HOLD MEETING TONIGHT

The American Legion post and ladies Auxiliary will meet at the hall on Eighth Street tonight in a very important meeting. This is the first meeting of the new year and plans will be submitted and passed on for the year's program.

Shows Texas Children How To Get Strong



This is little Pauline Gardner, who has lived most of her eight years at 1429 Burnett Street, San Antonio. She's the happiest, huskiest little thing you ever saw, not to be a "tomboy." She never is absent from school or Sunday School, now, and she's always at the top of her classes.

Her mother says: "Pauline wasn't always rosy-cheeked, bright-eyed and strong like you see her now. When she was about two years old, we had a lot of trouble with her. Her stomach and bowels seemed to be weak. She suffered a lot from constipation and biliousness. She was fretful and peevish most of the time; her breath was bad and her tongue was coated.

"Nothing we gave her seemed to do any real good until we found Cali-

LESSON No. 19
Question: Why is emulsified cod-liver oil so wonderful a food- tonic for young girls and women?
Answer: Because it abounds in nourishing factors that are particularly beneficial to people prone to anemia and other conditions due to malnutrition.
Keep your system vitamin-nourished—take
SCOTT'S EMULSION

gram. One of the most important items of business will be the beginning of a membership drive by each organization.

The Legion and Auxiliary will also lay careful plans for the raising of money this year to pay their organizations out of debt. A considerable indebtedness still remains against the local post from work done in overhauling the old Carnegie Library building and equipping a modern auditorium, installation of gas, and other items. It is the plan of the present administration to completely wipe out the deficit this year if possible so that other improvements can be commenced.

All members of both organizations are urged to be present at the sessions tonight.

A GOOD POSITION

Big opportunities, and rapid promotion are sure if master the world-famous Draughon Training. Fifty-six calls last month for graduates—many more this month. All the Southwest to select from. Co-operative methods save students valuable time and expense. Fill in name and address below and mail today for free catalog and Special Opportunity and get ready for a good business position.

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FOR SALE—Good seed Oats, 60 cents per bushel. Everette Witter. 19-1d-2w.*

FOR SALE—Several hundred acres, virgin mesquite, well located very close to Salt Gap school and store, convenient to Melvin and Brady, in developed farming section. William Henry Ballinger. The Land Office, Agent, Paint Rock. 18-2d-1w.*

FOR SALE—Toggenberg milk goats are fresh now. Prices from \$15 to \$25. Don't write for information, come and see them. No letters answered. M. H. Witt, Leaday, Texas. 20-4w.*

FOR SALE—Certified Red Seed Oats. 41 bushel yield last year. 60c per bushel. Dietz Bros., Crews. 20-3tw.*

FOR LEASE—Grocery store and fixtures complete, and building in which fixtures are now located on Hutchings Avenue. Apply at Ledger. 16-2d-1w

FOR SALE—Good Mesquite Cord Wood, \$3 per cord. Two miles west of Maverick. Renza Lee. 23-6tw.*

LOST—A brown Mule, about five years old, had a wire around his neck, medium size, not shod. Finder report to Ballinger Ledger, Ballinger. 9-2d-2tw.*

FOR SALE—February and March hatched English White Leghorn pullets. Mrs. Porter Murray. Phone Rural 7004. 13-2tw

FOR SALE—Full blood Duroc Jersey pigs. Also six or eight gilts that have been bred to Duroc Jersey male. See Bud Gray at Harwell Motor Co. 13-1tw

FOR SALE—or Trade: 232 acres land, 200 in cultivation, 1 1/2 miles of Winters. Good improvements, two rent houses, good well water. O. Y. Helms, Winters Route 5. 13-2tw.*

FOR SALE—Good range, coal or wood, also large pair mules with wagon, cheap. R. D. Duncan. 13-1td-2tw.*

Land for Sale
I have decided to sell part of my farm on Valley Creek, which will be about 250 acres. Has an excellent pecan grove and lots of water. See J. M. Garlington at First National Bank. MRS. E. A. JEANES. 12-3td-3tw

FOR LEASE—Grocery store and fixtures complete, and building in which fixtures are now located on Hutchings Avenue. Apply at Ledger. 16-2d-1w

Notice
To make it a success and develop the Dairy Industry in and around Ballinger, we shall be glad to cash your Cream Checks; will also continue to buy country butter, eggs and chickens.

We solicit your business and appreciate it very much.
PIGGY WIGGLY
Locally Owned. 20-1tw

Mr. Farmer:
The Runnels County Co-operative Creamery will be ready to buy your cream Saturday, January 21st. 1tw

Mrs. J. C. Williams, of Fayetteville, Ark., who had been visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Williams, 1106 Ninth Street, returned to her home Tuesday of this week.

Prince George fell out of an automobile the other day. The king of England had better never let those boys take up aviation.—Burlington Gazette.

It's a wonder even as many meals are served on time as are, when you consider how easy it is to misplace a can-opener.—Fort Wayne News-Sentinel.

In view of all the handshaking with jurors, bon voyages, congratulations, etc., the Remus affair turned out to be a sort of companionate murder trial.—Detroit News.

Be wise and advertise.

Annual Report of C. C. Shows Progress of '27

In the annual report of the directors of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce prepared by Secretary J. D. Motley, which was read at the annual membership meeting Friday, January 13, by M. C. Atkins, retiring president, details were given of the many important items which the organization sponsored during the past year.

This report presented the more important business carried out by the board and various committees and is very brief. It could have been expanded considerably had the secretary gone into details telling of the less important work.

The report follows:
"At the annual membership meeting of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, held at the Hotel Central, January 11, 1927, the following 21 members were constitutionally elected to serve as directors for the year of 1927: M. C. Atkins, Scott H. Mack, M. McGregor, M. S. Karmony, Fred Kiechle, Chester Cherry, R. E. George, E. M. Lynn, R. G. Erwin, Sam Baker, John A. Weeks, Sam Behringer, O. R. O'Neill, E. Shepperd, Troy Simpson, W. A. Holt, A. Crager, W. B. Currie, R. L. Harwell, F. M. Pearce, and H. S. Strain.

"At the first regular meeting of the newly elected board, the following officers were elected: M. C. Atkins, president; E. Shepperd, vice-president; Scott H. Mack, vice-president; J. D. Motley, secretary; Miss Winnie Trail, assistant secretary; and Fred Kiechle, treasurer.

"At the same meeting the following permanent committees were appointed; agriculture, livestock and poultry—Scott H. Mack, chairman, M. McGregor, M. S. Karmony; budget and finance—E. M. Lynn, chairman, R. G. Erwin, Sam Baker; program and entertainment—E. Shepperd, chairman, Troy Simpson and W. A. Holt; good roads—Chester Cherry, chairman, Fred Kiechle, R. E. George; membership—John A. Weeks, chairman, Sam Behringer, O. R. O'Neill; civic affairs—A. Crager, chairman, W. B. Currie, R. L. Harwell; Retail Merchants Association executive board—Frank Cameron, chairman, F. M. Pearce, H. S. Strain, Alex McGregor and Tom Caudle.

"It has been by and through the above named committees, which had had the full co-operation of other citizens and various organizations of the city and county, that many achievements have been accomplished during the year of 1927.

"The directors shall not attempt to enumerate the many minor projects that have been carried on through the past year which could include hundreds of letters that have been sent to advertise and give information about Ballinger and Runnels county to the outside world, also the placing of labor and the activities of personal services that have been rendered by representatives of the organization, however, it is gratifying to make mention of some of the major projects.

"Through the agriculture and livestock committee, without a doubt the greatest amount of development has been realized. This work has been carried on exclusively through our very efficient county agricultural agent, C. W. Lehmberg, and home demonstration agent, Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, by giving them the organization's moral and financial support in their successful efforts to advance the interests of all Runnels county. The 1927 fair, with the full support of the Chamber of Commerce, proved to be the most successful of any previous year by reason of the greatly increased exhibits in each department. The support given the Runnels County Co-operative Creamery has resulted in establishing in Ballinger, a creamery plant which is now ready to operate and is equipped with as modern machinery as can be found in the state.

"The budget and finance committee secured in cash during the year, from business interests of the city, exclusive of memberships, a total amount of \$4,304.20, while a total membership of 337 was secured by the membership committee, but on account of some of the individual members leaving the city and others backsliding, the total amount col-

lected from individual members for the year was \$2,845.00, making a total revenue of \$7,239.20.

"The good roads committee, which works exclusively with the County Commissioners' Court on all projects, put forth every effort possible by spending time and money to retain the Ballinger-Bronte highway with some hope of future accomplishment. While some neglect on the part of the State Highway Department was felt, yet our county commissioner of precinct No. 3 spent several hundred dollars on the road and with the financial assistance of the Chamber of Commerce which purchased steel runners for bridges at a cost of \$320, the road has been kept in good condition. Through the good roads committee, much time and thought are being given to proposed federal highways and state road projects, of which more definite reports will be given as developments mature.

"The civic committee, which confines its activities to co-operating with the city officials, together with various property owners of the city, has been instrumental in the paving of 25 blocks in the business and residential sections of the city, of which construction is to begin at once.

"The program and entertainment committee has been very active during the past year in arranging good will trips, Christmas programs, entertaining out-of-town guests, giving full cooperation to other organizations of the city, county and district that on various occasions have held conventions.

"The activities of the Retail Merchants department of the chamber are so extensive that it would be almost impossible to give full credit to its valuable merits. Through splendid co-operation of the business firms of the city it has caused this department to be able to render a service of unlimited value.

"As stated in the beginning of this summary, an attempt would not be made to mention the various minor activities of the past year, yet in behalf of the officers and directors may it be said at this time that the most important thing to us is the fact that we have had the full co-operation of county officials, city officials, school and church officials, and officials of various other organizations as well as all good citizens, in all undertakings, and may we especially equally share all good results.

"In conclusion may we call the memberships' attention to a condensed financial summary which is given as follows:

Receipts for 1927 budget	\$4,304.20
Receipts from individual members	2,845.00
Total	\$7,239.20
Disbursements—	
1926 deficit	\$1,350.04
Salary, rent, R. M. A. work	3,690.04
Recent bridge work	320.00
Club boys and girls short course	50.04
Entertainment for Teachers Institute	56.04
56.00, x 50.00	320.00
Conventions, good will tours, organization work, special prizes to rural clubs, advertising, printing and miscellaneous as shown by records on file in our office	1,740.86
Cash in treasury, Dec. 31	32.34
Total	\$7,239.20
Note at First National Bank	\$ 250.00

SORE GUMS—You won't be ashamed to smile again, after you use Leto's Pyorrhoea Remedy. This preparation is used and recommended by leading dentists and can not fail to benefit you. Druggists return money if it fails. J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

M. H. Boynton has returned from Fort Worth, where he had been with his wife and young son. Mrs. Boynton and son will be in Ballinger within the next few weeks.

Mr. Farmer:
The Runnels County Co-operative Creamery will be ready to buy your cream Saturday, January 21st. 1tw

Be wise and advertise.

First Rain of New Year Almost Inch

FT. WORTH, Jan. 18.—Beneficial rains were reported today from Ballinger, Abilene, Wichita Falls, Del Rio, Palestine, Dallas and Fort Worth.

Continued precipitation is forecast by the weather bureau.

The first rain for 1928 was recorded here Tuesday afternoon and evening. Up to 7 o'clock Wednesday morning the total in Ballinger was eight-tenths of an inch, Mrs. E. M. Eubank, government recorder, reported.

Other points in this section received good rains according to reports reaching this city. San Angelo on the west and Winters on the north reported the greatest amount of precipitation, two inches in each city.

Following is the report compiled by the West Texas Telephone Company early Wednesday morning:

- Abilene 1.00
- Ballinger .80
- Benoit 1.75
- Blackwell 1.50
- Bradshaw 1.00
- Bronte 1.00
- Brownwood, good
- Coleman 1.10
- Concho 1.00
- Crews 1.00
- Eden, no rain
- Ft. Chadbourne 1.00
- Hatchel 1.25
- Leaday, shower
- Maverick 1.50
- Menard, no rain
- Miles 1.00
- Millersville .50
- Norton 1.75
- Offen 1.75
- Ovalo 1.00
- Paint Rock 1.37
- Pony 1.00
- Revena .80
- San Angelo 2.00
- Santa Anna, shower
- Stacy, shower
- Talpa 1.75
- Truitt .50
- Wilmet 1.00
- Wingate 1.00
- Winters 2.00

Notice
The Highway Department at Austin has instructed all local officers whose duty it is to enforce the laws that on and after January 20th, 1928, that prosecution will begin for all who have failed to procure numbers and place them on their cars, and in compliance with this instruction, on Monday, January 23rd, we will begin to file complaints against all parties driving motor vehicles without 1928 number plates thereon as required by law. If it has been impossible for you to have procured said number plates then leave your car in the garage until you can do so.
R. E. McWILLIAMS, Sheriff
C. P. SHEPHERD, County Attorney. 18-1td-1tw

TO ATTEND THEATRE OWNERS MEETING

W. D. Seales, manager of the Palace and Queen theatres here, will go to Abilene Thursday to attend a meeting of the M. P. T. O. Association of Texas, which is in a district session there.

The meeting is usually held in Dallas each year but district meetings are being held over the state this year. Representatives from 60 or 75 towns are expected at the Abilene meeting.

DR. F. M. HALE IS BUILDING NEW HOME

Dr. F. M. Hale has let a contract for a new home to be erected on Sixth Street, in the 400 block. Work has already been started on the structure and it will be completed in the near future.

This residence will be constructed of brick, tile and concrete and will be of old English and Spanish style architecture. It will contain a bath, six rooms, a breakfast room, and other modern conveniences and when completed will be one of the most modern homes in Ballinger, costing several thousand dollars.

Be wise and advertise.

FORMER BALLINGER BOY IS IN GOVERNOR'S RACE

(By International News Service) FT. WORTH, Jan. 18.—Louis J. Wardlaw, attorney and West Texas cattleman, last night announced his candidacy for governor of Texas, promising a reduction of taxes.

Judge Wardlaw will not accept campaign contributions and will pay his own way in order to enter the governor's office unobligated.

Louis J. Wardlaw is a former Runnels county boy and is well known here. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Wardlaw of Miles, formerly of this city, and is a brother of Malcolm Wardlaw, of Ballinger, prominent rancher and farmer.

Judge Wardlaw is a native Texan, being born in Falls county on March 10, 1880. When nine years of age he moved to a farm near this city with his parents and here grew to manhood. He attended schools of this city and county for several years. He was admitted to the bar in 1902. For 17 years Judge Wardlaw lived in Sonora, Sutton county, and practiced law there and in other West Texas counties. For the past eight years he has been living at Fort Worth.

Judge Wardlaw has many friends here in Runnels county, in Sutton, Tom Green, and other West Texas counties, who will no doubt give him full support in his candidacy.

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CURRIE NAMED V-P OF CHAMBER

W. B. Currie, local produce man, is second vice-president of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, being elected with the other officers of the organization at the Tuesday morning session, but through error his name was omitted from the list.

President W. C. McCarver and Secretary J. D. Motley after the directors meeting Tuesday went into conference and selected the committee members for 1928. These committees, who will have charge of various parts of the program for the year, are as follows:

Agriculture—W. B. Currie, chairman; M. McGregor, R. L. Harwell

Highways and Roads—A. K. Doss, chairman; R. E. George, C. P. Shepherd

Budget—E. E. King, chairman; Sam Behringer, J. C. Sturges

Development and Civic—John A. Weeks, chairman; H. W. Lynn, Will Doose

Program and Entertainment—Harry Lynn, chairman; Earl Morley, W. A. Holt, Bruce Creasy, O. R. O'Neill

Membership—J. J. Beck, chairman; Frank Cameron, M. S. Karmony

Retail Merchants Association Executive Board—Roy Reeder, chairman; Claude Stone, Louis Cohen.

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DOOSE GOES TO C. OF C. MEETING

C. A. Doose has gone to Fort Worth, where he will be present at an executive meeting of the directors of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce at which time plans will be discussed for the tenth annual West Texas Chamber of Commerce Convention to be held in Fort Worth this spring.

R. W. Haynie, president of the organization, of Abilene; R. A. Underwood, Plainview; W. P. Murphey, Brownwood; Houston Harte, San Angelo; W. W. Fleniken, Amarillo; R. L. Penick, Stamford; P. C. Coleman, Colorado; Rufus Wright, Sweetwater; and other executives of the organization will be present.

Several important matters will be discussed at this meeting and the water question is expected to be given much time.

Amos G. Carter, publisher of the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram, and chairman of the general arrangements committee for the 1928 convention, will be host at a luncheon for the visitors Thursday.

Jno. Q. McAdams, Winters banker, also left Wednesday afternoon for Ft. Worth to attend the chamber meeting.

THURSDAY PAY DAY FOR GUARD

Company C, 142nd Infantry of the Texas National Guard, will be paid off here Thursday night at the regular meeting of the organization it was announced Wednesday. Capt. Chas. H. Dobbs urges all members to be present.

The payroll for the last quarter of 1927 runs near \$1,200.

The company has inaugurated an attendance contest which is to last for some time, with the following corporals in charge of the four squads competing: No. 1—Frank Coker, No. 2—James Parrish, No. 3—Dawes Graukey, No. 4—Layton Hill. These squads are composed of picked men from the whole company and their attendance will be totaled at the end of each quarter. First prize in this contest will be \$5 in cash.

An individual attendance contest is also being started with three cash prizes offered the winners at the end of the quarters. The prizes are \$3, \$2 and \$1. This contest is for the best attendance, the fullest and neatest uniform.

At present there are 87 enlisted men and three officers in Company C. Officers are Captain Dobbs, First Lieutenant Ross Murchison and Second Lieutenant Felton Wright.

Recent promotions are as follows: To private first class—Bill Cervenke, Howard Hill, James Holland, Oran Neely, John Wanorek, James Farmer, Marlin Robinson, Henry Rose, and Marvin Patterson. These promotions were all effective on January 1.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Weeks are in San Antonio attending a meeting of the State Board of Pharmacy, of which Mr. Weeks is president. They will return home Friday.

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