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Three Ballinger Men in Bad at San Antonio for Land Swindling. Eighteen Now in Jail. Northington State Witness.

San Antonio, Tex., March 1.—Eighteen men and one woman are under indictment in connection with the alleged "blue sky" land operations in Duval, Starr and Zapata counties. The last capture was made three days ago in St. Louis, when Clint W. Roberts was arrested. He was brought here by Sheriff Tobin.

The nineteen against whom indictments lie are as follows: M. T. Nix, under medical treatment at Dallas. Clint W. Roberts, en route to San Antonio; J. E. Thomas, Frank Roberts, Abraham Schraeder, H. A. Montgomery, C. P. Thraikill, W. B. Dennis, A. Blewins, J. P. Forrest, Mary K. Jones, B. L. Herring, Charles A. Parker, Mrs. Oso C. Hutchinson, G. M. Padgett, C. W. Bishop, L. Jones, Sidney Schraeder and Lewis Ashbey. The charges include swindling (over \$50), conspiracy to defraud and forgery.

More investigation by Sheriff Tobin and Deputy James Galbraith has shown, they say, that possibly several million acres of land were sold to investors from the North and East. It is asserted that in many instances these sales were entirely bogus, in that the sellers had no title to the lands.

One or two of such sales are said to have embraced two sites, among them one being the town of Falfurrias. Acreage worth as high as \$50 to \$75 is said to have been sold for nominal sums, one consideration showing less than 50 cents per acre. A mass of documents, title deeds and realty transfers, claimed to be in the majority of instances bogus papers, are in possession of Sheriff Tobin and are said to be the evidence on which the grand jury found the indictments.

The arrest of the nineteen men was not effected without considerable effort, as the ramifications of the deals are said to extend thru many important cities of the North. When the grand jury first began investigation, Clint W. Roberts, who is shown to have transferred much of the real estate, could not be located by Sheriff Tobin. Less than a week ago, Mrs. Osa Hutchinson, a friend of Roberts, was found to be in St. Louis and a telegram caused her detention.

According to information sent to Deputy Galbraith, Mrs. Hutchinson contrived the method by which Roberts was apprehended after the arrival of Sheriff Tobin in St. Louis. Roberts, a telegram, to Deputy Galbraith says, agreed to waive the formality of requisition papers and to return at once to San Antonio. His arrest was the last to be made and the en-

SAYS BALLINGER IS A BEAUTY

Col. Kelley, representing the United Film Co., was here last Saturday in the interest of his work, and doing business with the Princess, the show that uses the United films in Ballinger.

Col. Kelley took occasion to make some very complimentary remarks about Ballinger. He was here five years ago, and is on the road all time. He said he traveled all over the country, and saw some mighty pretty towns and some mighty good towns, but he had never visited a town that impressed him like Ballinger. He could not call to mind a town any where in the size class with Ballinger that was so substantially built as Ballinger, and where the business district presented such a clean appearance. He said another thing that was very noticeable and something commented upon abroad by travelers, was the hospitality of our people. He said that it seemed that everybody here loved everybody else and grouches were mighty scarce.

Col. Kelley is an old time show man, and while here added to the program at the Princess Saturday night by rendering a number of songs that kept the house in a good humor.

COMING BACK TO BALLINGER

It has never been accounted for, but it is remarkably strange, how people will return to Ballinger to live after trying other places. A letter from E. D. Haden, formerly land scape gardener for the Santa Fe at this place, and who now lives at Childress, having accepted charge of the courthouse and city park there, says he and his family are getting along very well, but as soon as his contract expires he will return to Ballinger to live. They will come back.

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R. C. Henniger, of the Hatchel country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

tire nineteen indictment are now subject to the orders of the Thirty-seventh district court, which probably will set some of the cases for trial during the March and April term of the court.

Montgomery, Parker and Roberts, three of the men under indictment, as shown by the above dispatch, are well known in Ballinger. It was reported here that Charley Northington was in jail at San Antonio, and was one of the number indicted for the swindling. We are glad to report that Mr. Northington was not connected with the swindling in any way further than he did some notary work, taking some acknowledgments for some of the parties, and was detained as a state witness in the case. This is how his name became connected with the story.

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JUDGE KLEBERG DIES SUDDENLY

Judge Marcellus E. Kleberg, one of the most prominent and oldest citizens of Galveston county, died at his residence, corner 11th street and Avenue H, this morning shortly after 7 o'clock. At breakfast this morning Judge Kleberg appeared well and hearty but a short while after the meal he dropped dead, death resulting from heart failure.

Judge Kleberg was at the time of his death 64 years of age, 37 years of which time was spent in Galveston and Galveston county. Judge Kleberg came to Galveston island from New Orleans in 1876 with several companions and immediately after their arrival began building up the town of Galveston. Since then he has remained almost continuously in Galveston, practicing his chosen profession, namely that of law.

Judge Kleberg leaves a wife and six children. The children are M. E. Kleberg, Jr., of Ballinger, Dr. Walter Kleberg of Galveston, Robert M. Kleberg of Galveston, Misses Rosa, Emmitt and Alice Kleberg of Galveston.

Marcellus E. Kleberg, born February 7th, 1849 at Meyersville, DeWitt county Texas, son of Robert J. Kleberg, a San Jacinto veteran, a graduate of Washington Lee University in 1872; practiced law in Austin County for two years. Married October 24th, 1875, Emilie Miller, of Bellville, Texas. Mr. Kleberg was a representative in the 13th legislature from De Witt County, coming to Galveston in 1875. He engaged in the practice of law and so continued to the time of his death, during which period he was successively a member of the firms of Hume & Kleberg, Street & Kleberg, Kleberg, Davison & Neethe and Kleberg & Neethe. Mr. Kleberg was city attorney of the city of Galveston under the commission government for eight years. He recently resigned that office on account of increased demands of his private practice. In all public measures whether of state or local importance Mr. Kleberg always occupied a leading position.

Mr. Kleberg was a true friend and a devoted husband and father. His standard both as a citizen and as a lawyer was the highest. He occupied a commanding position among the members of the bar of this state. No man was ever more universally loved and few have lived so useful a life.—Galveston Tribune.

C. W. Schwartz, one of our friends of the Crews country, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

George Gerhart, of Winters, was among the big crowd here first Monday.

We were glad to see our friend Will Hearrell of Maverick on the streets Monday after a two week's treatment at the sanitarium and he says he is feeling all right again.

WOMAN DESPONDENT OVER LOSS OF DOLLAR BILL ENDED LIFE.

Brownwood, Tex., March 1.—Taking a last look at a framed picture of herself and husband, then placing herself carefully on a bed, Mrs. Henry Mitchell, a pretty young married woman, placed a 45 revolver to her temple and blew out her brains. The bullets made a clean hole and the woman died instantly.

No one witnessed the tragedy, but neighbors hearing the shot hurried in and found the woman dead.

The suicide occurred at the Mitchell home on Malone Avenue at 11 o'clock this morning. So far as is known, there was no cause for the deed.

The husband is an employe of the Santa Fe Railroad here and the couple apparently lived happily together.

A man who rooms at the house states that a few moments before the tragedy Mrs. Mitchell returned from shopping and stated that she was worried over the loss of a one-dollar bill which she had dropped somewhere in town. She broke down and cried over the loss and appeared despondent. Within a few minutes after the man left the house, the shot was fired. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell has relatives near Hit Springs, Ark.

LATE LEGISLATIVE NEWS.

Representative Rogers of Wise will introduce a bill providing that the regular sessions of the Legislature hereafter be held, beginning the second Tuesday in April instead of the second Tuesday in January as is now the case. The bill grows out of the recent investigation into the sanitation of the capitol building from which it was found that the structure was unsuitable for winter sessions.

According to dispatches from Austin, meningitis microbes are not the only ones which are flourishing in the Hous of Representatives. Love germs are also lurking in the atmosphere of that august chamber. The only victim reported so far is Representative Humphreys of stock and bond fame who married Miss Aileen Rogers of Throckmorton last week.

A joint resolution has been introduced in the House by Allison, Levelly and others providing that a majority of members in each house may pass bills over the Governor's veto and give him only ten days after adjournment to act on bills.

Several burning resolutions were offered in both the House and Senate condemning the present government of Mexico for the death of Madero and Suarez, but after lengthy discussions they were finally tabled.

The speeches of Representative Williams arguing in favor of the Katy consolidation bill being passed over the veto was conceded to be the most brilliant piece of oratory displayed in the House during the present session.

JUDGE A. K. DOSS TO GO TO BALLINGER

It is understood that Judge A. K. Doss is to leave Winters and the Enterprise is glad of it. Not that we have no regrets at losing such a man as he is for there are none whom we prize, more highly, but we are glad for the reason that the proposed change promises to be a profitable one for our friend Doss. He has formed a partnership with Judge Wade of Ballinger and the two will be associated together in the practice of law after March 1st.

A. K. Doss came to Winters four years ago and at once entered into the practice of law here. In that time he has shown himself at all times capable, honest and straightforward. He has handled an unusual amount of business in his line and he finds now that he has a chance to go and broaden out and place himself in a position where he can accomplish more. At the same time he is capable of handling the increased duties that will fall on him in his new relations and everybody in Winters and the Winters country hope that he will be given a chance to show his worth in the county seat as well as he has here.

We will miss he and Mrs. Doss in social and church affairs and we will find their place hard to fill and we hope that they will find their place in these affairs at Ballinger, where the people are sure to soon learn to regard them as the best that Winters has to offer them at any time.—Winters Enterprise.

WHAT ABILENE HAS TO SAY

Mgr. Opera House, Ballinger, Texas. "45 Minutes from Broadway," first class, enthused audience, boom them.

W. H. Sanders, Mgr. Abilene Opera House. "45 Minutes from Broadway."

Forty-five Minutes from Broadway was greeted by a large audience at the Opera House last night which proved one of the best offerings of the season. Bert Leigh Miss Hazle Burgess and Henry Roquemore, who have the 'heavy' end of Cohan's popular musical comedy, leave no opening for improvement. They fit the play like it was constructed for them.

Their support was good; in fact, local theatre-goers have not seen in this city a better balanced company. Leigh is a favorite with local show patrons and never fails to have a crowd when he makes a date here.—Abilene Reporter.

This is the same Bert Leigh who scored here the past two seasons in "The Man on the Box."

Mr. Elkins, who represents the New York Board & Montage Company was in our city Saturday with Lee Maddox to look after makingsloans in our sections.

A. J. Nichols, of the Pony creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

Weather Report. Tonight unsettled, generally cloudy; Tuesday colder.

19 HELD FOR BLUE SKY FRAUD

Former Conductor on Mexican Railroad Talks Interestingly of Mexican Trouble. Would Like to Head Company Soldiers.

There is not a man in Ballinger that can talk more interestingly of Mexico and the trouble that is attracting the world's eye than Capt. N. F. Bonsall, of Ballinger. Capt. Bonsall had some experience in the Mexican republic, and the experience gave him a pretty good inside line up on Mexican laws, and their way of handling a man when he falls in the hands of the Mexican authorities.

Capt. Bonsall was conductor on a Mexican railroad for several years, and his run was from Nogales to Guaymas a distance of 265 miles. Mexicans frequently boarded his train along the route at the various stops and bought fruit, and some times would get off until after the train started and one day, after supplying himself with fruit a Mexican went to get off of Capt. Bonsall's train and fell under the train, and one of his legs was cut off, from which the Mexican died. Capt. Bonsall knew nothing of the occurrence until his train reached the next stop, and he was informed that he had killed a citizen and would have to answer to the court. He was arrested and locked up in jail, where he was kept for thirty-six days. His entire train crew was locked up, but all were released from the charge except Capt. Bonsall.

Through the efforts of the general manager of the road for which Capt. Bonsall was running, he was released on a \$6000 bond, his road putting up the cash bond. The general manager of the road and Capt. Bonsall visited the City of Mexico.

dent Diaz and the supreme judges about the case, but he could not get much satisfaction from them, and there was nothing for him to do but stand trial. While he was out under bond it was required of him that he report to the court judge every six days. The result of the case was that Capt. Bonsall was sentenced to the pen. Under an old law in Mexico that prevented a man over sixty years old from being sentenced to the pen this verdict did not hold good, and the matter was handled in such a way that Capt. Bonsall finally got his freedom, but the road that put up the bond kept the cash. Capt. Bonsall says this is their way of doing business, and that they have no use for an American but love his money.

Capt. Bonsall says that foreign money has developed Mexico and made it what it is. He thinks Madero was one of the best men in Mexico, and he was considerably wrought up when he heard that Madero had been murdered in such a brutal manner.

Cpt. Bonsall watches the situation closely and, while his head is white and his day of fighting is over, he says he would enjoy or— (Continued on last page.)

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Both branches of the house took a parting shot at Mr. Taft by passing the Webb bill over his veto. Like many laws, there is a difference of opinion as to the benefits to be derived from this bill, and we can only wait for time to give the results. It was the second time in fifteen years that the National law makers have passed a measure over the president.

Ambassador Wilson by accepting the Mexican's explanation of the killing of Madero and Suarez as being entirely justifiable, has brought upon himself the condemnation of the entire American people. Wilson is on the ground and perhaps is in a better position to know the real situation than people scattered over the United States, but the higher powers at Washington have come suspicious and an investigation will be made, and it is possible that Mr. Wilson will have to answer to some grave charges. Things are so rotten in Mexico, that Americans are becoming alarmed at the situation.

The Bulletin is in receipt of a letter from Dr. J. Frank Norris, pastor of the First Baptist church at Fort Worth, in which the statement is made that the papers of that city will not give a line regard the First Church or its pastor without pay, and have been refused to publish articles when pay has been tendered. The statement is also made that the attendance at the regular services of this church has required an enlargement of the tabernacle in which the services are being held. There has been 106 additions to the church during the months of January and February, and the membership is now busy at work erecting a \$75,000 structure that will be a credit

to the city of Fort Worth when completed.—Brownwood Bulletin.

The desire to accumulate something for one's children is a commendable one; but it is well to bear in mind that the best things are to be given to the children personally, in good examples, kind words and thoughtful teachings. A very sensible writer recently said about this important subject: "Children must be taught what the parents wish them to know. Teach them truthful gentle ways and they will be true and gentle. If a boy learns bad language from his father, he will repeat it just as certainly, as he has a tongue in his mouth, and if a little girl hears her mother gossip she will gossip just as soon as she meets a playmate. People who devour their food like cattle must not expect their children to have good table manners. Gentlemen and good women are home made. There is nothing on earth for which one ought to be more thankful than for having been brought up in the atmosphere of a pure home. Such a home may be narrow and even hard. It may be deficient in material comforts. A man, sturdy as an oak once said, "I was the son of poor parents and from my youth up was inured to self denial and hardships, but I do not remember of even hearing a word from the lips of either my mother or my father that was not as it should be. Better such recollections than a great inheritance."

The Drummers Right to Vote.

Traveling men are leading a movement for the right to register when convenient, and to vote at polling places wherever they happen to be on election day. They would have the same right extended to railway employes, actors and others whose business naturally requires them to be away from home when the day for registration or for casting the ballot comes. Kansas and Minnesota have such laws, and the Wisconsin and the New York legislatures are considering such acts. As each state prescribes its own qualifications for voters, the propaganda must be urged in each commonwealth. During the next two years it is expected that a number of states will provide relief for the voters who must of necessity be on the road on election day.

From New York comes the estimate that 80,000 traveling men lost their votes last November in that city alone by being out at work. Of the half million traveling men in the whole country, it is likely that all have more than once missed the opportunity to vote by being elsewhere than at their registration place.

Speaker Champ Clark has expressed his approval of such legislation by the various states, and given a boost for the movement. The traveling man is exceedingly well informed on politics in his

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own state, as he comes in contact with a wide range of voters. He also has studied public questions, above the general run of citizens, and is highly qualified to vote for the best interests of the state. Under proper restrictions the removal of the handicap under which they labor would doubtless find few dissenting votes.—Nashville Tennessean

Farmers and others who live at a distance from a drug store should keep in the house a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment. It may be needed at any time for cuts, wounds, sores, sprains, or rheumatism. It is a powerful healing and penetrating remedy. Price 25, 50, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

LITTLEFIELD'S DEFENSE

The Brownwood News in making mention of the killing which occurred in Brownwood recently in which Littlefield, of Concho county, killed his brother-in-law, Murphy, says of the evidence in the case:

"From the evidence brought out at the inquest Murphy was forced to marry Littlefield's sister some two or three years ago. After that event Littlefield loaned him money, gave him a team and endeavored to help him along. Things went along apparently all right until about a week or ten days ago. At that time Murphy's wife gave birth to a babe, which death claimed shortly after birth. Mrs. Murphy's older sister, Willie Littlefield, aged 24, was sent for to come to Brownwood to nurse her sister during her illness. R. E. Littlefield, the defendant, in response to this message, brought his sister from Millersview in a buggy to Brownwood.

On this overland trip Littlefield is said to have charged his sister with certain indiscretions, and the inquest evidence is that she broke down and made a confession to her brother and implicated her brother-in-law, J. H. Murphy, as the father of her unborn child.

Littlefield at that moment, no doubt, made a resolution. Though it was a grim one that smelled of gunpowder and blood, he made it. He finished the drive to Brady, placed his sister on the train for Brownwood, that she might go on as she intended to the bedside of his other unfortunate kinswoman. He drove back to his ranch; fixed his affairs for an indefinite absence—a siege in jail perhaps. He donned his armor and his best clothes, and he set out for Brownwood, to carry out the resolution that he had made when the knowledge of a second disgrace to his family had chased the blood of vengeance into the arteries of his heart and mind."

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W. S. Morehead, one of the pioneer citizens of the Crews country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

Dr. Thos. A. Rape, of Hatchel, was shaking hands with Ballinger friends and looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

M. D. Oliver, of San Saba, came in Monday at noon on a visit to his sons Dee and Lee Oliver and families for a few weeks.

Edwin Day returned home Monday at noon from a short business visit to Brownwood.

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Colonial Party.

Mrs. J. F. Currie was hostess to a very pretty Colonial party on Saturday, honoring her house guest, Miss Storm of San Antonio. The house was appropriately decorated with flags. All the guests came in quaint colonial costumes. On entering the hall, they were served refreshing fruit punch, by Misses Cordie Guion and Marguerite Gregory. After they had all arrived, Miss Alice Taylor as Martha and Miss Nell Alexander as George Washington came in dancing the old minuet, accompanied on the piano by Miss McDearmon. After this, the whole party joined in dancing a Virginia Reel. Cards for a guessing contest were passed, on which were fifteen questions, the answers to which might be found on the American stars and stripes; and these proved very interesting indeed.

One of the most enjoyable features of the afternoon was the music, which consisted of several old songs, familiar to everyone. Miss Virginia Frazier sang "Darling I am Growing Old" Miss Lucile Adkins, "Annie Oaurie," and Miss Coral Clark of Abilene "Last Night." Miss Eula Pickard gave a beautiful reading.

The hostess, assisted by Mrs. Wylie, Miss McDearmon and Mrs. Zdaril, served lovely refreshments of salad, sandwiches, raspberry ice cream and margarites, with a small flag as a souvenir.

In Honor of Her Guest.

Miss Maggie Underwood entertained Saturday night in honor of Miss Coral Clark of Abilene with a "500" party at the home of her sister Mrs. H. H. Thomson.

After several games had been played and enjoyed, Miss Underwood served fruit salad and whipped cream, caramel and fritu cake. Those present were: Misses Edwards of Coleman, Eula Pickard, Barnett, Coral Clark of Abilene, Katy Bell Gregory, Annie Van Doren, Mrs. Traylor of St. Louis, Messrs McGintie of Abilene, Bogle, Thorp, Thurman, Saunders, Erwin and Robt. McGregor.

Misses Barnett and Pickard Entertain.

At the home of Mrs. J. I. Guion on Eighth street Misses Barnett and Pickard entertained a few of their friends Friday night, in honor of Miss Coral Clark of Abilene.

500 was the game played and needless to say enjoyed. At the close of the games refreshments were served, consisting of fruit punch, snow pudding fruit cake, and Angel squares. Those present were: Misses Coral Clark of Abilene, Maggie Underwood, Annie Van Doren, Katy Bell Gregory, Eula Pickard, Watheryn Barnett, Bogle, Alex Saunders, Dick Thorpe, John Thurman, Robert, McGregor and McGintie of Abilene.

Auction Bridge.

On Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Paul Tremmier entertained with Auction Bridge in honor of Mrs. M. A. Traylor of St. Louis. After several interesting games, a delightful salad course was served to Mesdames W. C. Penn, George Holman H. H. Thomson, M. A. Traylor, D Reeder, J. W. Francis, John Weeks, Will Dunlap, J. B. Wade, Misses Annie Van Doren, Youise Orgain and Maggie Sharp.

Birth Day Party.

In honor of little Mabel Brewer's fifth birthday, Mrs. James E. Brewer entertained twenty-four little children last Saturday, Feb. 22. All kinds of games were enjoyed until Mrs. Brewer called the children to cut the birthday cake.

After this they were served gelatin with nuts and bananas and whipped cream, and cakes. The hostess was assisted by Mesdames H. M. Josey, Godwin, Asa Cordell, G. W. White, and Ed O'Kelley.

42 Club With Mrs. Long.

Mrs. Ben S. Long entertained the Wednesday 42 club, last Wednesday. Each one of the seven games was thoroughly enjoyed at all the three tables. At the appointed time Mrs. Long served a lovely salad course to her guests.

42 Club Meets With Miss Morgan

Miss Alice Morgan entertained the 42 club on Wednesday afternoon. Since some of the members are keeping Lent quite a number of outside guests were present. Each guest was presented with a beautiful pink carnation as a favor. Delicious refreshments of ice cream and cake were served to the following: Mesdames G. M. Vaughn, Lewis Alexander, of Sterling City, J. W. Francis, H. Zdaril, W. A. Norman, Osear Pearson, Jim Patterson, S. P. Stone, George Holman, John Weeks, Misses Eddie Storm of San Antonio, Etta Hutton, Nell Alexander, Annie Van Doren, Louise Orgain, Mesdames D. Reeder and Will Dunlap.

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John Thurman, of the First National Bank, returned home Monday at noon from a visit to his home folks at Glen Cove.

S. A. Gaston, of the Valley creek country, was among the visitors in Ballinger Monday.

E. M. Lynn with the San Angelo National Bank, made his usual Sunday visit to Ballinger and returned home Monday at noon.

Bruce Makamson, of the Valley creek country was greeting Ballinger.

A PLEASANT TRIP.

The circulation manager of the Banner-Ledger enjoyed a very pleasant and profitable trip to our sister city Winters last Saturday and had the pleasure of meeting quite a number of old friends we knew many years ago and also formed the acquaintance of many new people in the past few years.

It was a pleasure to us to meet our young friend Attorney Tom Patterson, who put us under obligation for courtesies shown us while in that place. Attorney Patterson has just been appointed City Attorney by the city council and occupies the A. K. Doss office over the F. & M. bank having taken over the rooms and practice of Judge Doss. Tom is one of Ballinger's popular young men and has just graduated at the Libanon Law School with the highest degree in law and from one of the best law schools in the United States. His many friends wish him much success in his new profession.

We were glad also to meet Jess Oden, Howard Baldwin, Albert and Ben Spill, who were very kind in rendering us assistance and courtesies while there, also Mr. John McAdams, president of the Winters State Bank, was also of assistance and at his bank we made our headquarters. We had not visited Winters before in five or six years and was agreeably surprised at the fine rock and brick business houses and the hustling set of business men we met after so long an absence.

We are under special obligations for courtesies and financial assistance while in Winters from Dr. J. L. Allred, H. Baldwin, C. T. Grant, Tom Patterson, J. L. Baily, George Spidell, R. L. Shaffer, J. N. Key, A. F. Adams, J. A. Lambreth, Bert Lowe, J. M. Johnson, C. C. Gannaway and H. J. Brown and others. We had such a nice time we expect to visit that prosperous little city again in the near future.

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Begins Monday
Morning March 3rd.
Closes Saturday Night,
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PRINCESS TONIGHT

Picture Subjects

The Real Estate Fraud
How a pretty stenographer lost
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fortune.

When Twenty is in Love
Hand-cuffed for Life.

The Man from the Foot Hills
Facing the Crisis.

First Show Begins 7:45

Second Show Begins 8:45

Admission Ten Cents

19 HELD FOR "BLUE SKY" FRAUD

(Continued from first page)
ganizing a company of boys and
going down and joining in the lit-
tle fracas if Uncle Sam should see
fit to call Huerta to time for the
way in which the Americans have
been treated.

Capt. Bonsall accompanied by
his good wife spent several months
in Nogales last fall, where they
have a daughter. The street in
Nogales is the dividing line be-
tween Mexico and Arozina and
Capt. Bonsall said when the report
came in that the rebels were go-
ing to attack the town its created
considerable excitement, but
that it was amusing to see how
each side would run from the other,
but there was no fighting near
Nogales up to the time that Capt.
and Mrs. Bonsall returned to their
home in Ballinger.

ADVERTISED LETTER LIST.

List of letters advertised March
1, 1913.

- Byrd, Miss Laura.
- Fowler, Bob.
- Garrett, A. Sid.
- Maer, Claud.
- Smith, Fred.
- Wyatt, A. B.

When calling for the above let-
ters please say Advertiser and
give the date of this list. After
two weeks these letters will be
sent the the Dead-Letter-Office.

HENRY A. CADY, P. M.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Shaffer left
Monday morning for Talpa to visit
their daughters, Madams Arthur
Doose and W. A. Foreman for a
few days.

J. H. Price and H. M. Harvey
left Monday morning for Benoit
where they are shipping out rock
to Moody, Texas, for building
George Graves, one of the prom-
inent citizens of Miles, came in
Monday morning to look after bus-
iness affairs.

Rev. J. H. Stewart, of Brown-
wood, presiding elder of this dis-
trict, passed through Ballinger
Monday morning en route home
from Hatchel where he had been
on his church work the past few
days.

Constable Kuhn, of Rowena, was
looking after business affairs in
Ballinger Monday.

We offer One Hundred Dollars
Reward for any case of Catarrh
that cannot be cured by Hall's
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reestablishes regular bowel move-
ments. Price 50c. Sold by Walk-
er Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Nichols and
children, of th river country south
of Ballinger, returned home Mon-
day at noon from a visit to rela-
tives and friends in the Winters
country.

G. G. Odom came in from his
Coke county ranch and was cir-
culating among his Ballinger
friends Monday

E. H. Voelkel, one of the repre-
sentative Rowena citizens, was
transacting business in Ballinger
Monday and kindly renewed with
the Banner-Ledger.

Uncle Joe Routh who had been
here the past few weeks, visiting
relatives and friends, returned to
his home at Andrews, Sunday
morning.

BANQUET AT CENTRAL HOTEL

On Tuesday evening at 8:30 the
Bar of Rumsels county and the
city and county officials will give
a banquet at the Central Hotel in
favor of Judge B. B. Stone who is
soon to depart for Fort Worth.

Fritz Bredemyer, one of the
prosperous young German farm-
ers of the Winters country, was
among the large first Monday
crowd in the city today.

R. A. Hall, of San Angelo, came
in Monday morning to look after
business affairs in Ballinger.

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PICTURE SUBJECTS.

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Why Jim Reformed
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Always leave them laughing
when they say good-bye, is the
motto of Bert Leigh, whose latest
comedy cusses, "Forty-five min-
utes from Broadway" by George
M. Cohan, will be seen at the
Opera House on Wed. March 5th.
"Give the people a bright, whole-
some and happy-hearted, and
they will be your advertisers," is
the way this young actor put it.
"Find the audience that has left
the treatre after going through an
evening of troublesome seriousness
of mawkish sentiment that is em-
ployed to create sympathy for
some soiled heroine or other,"
said and I will show you
audience that will not loose
breath hurrying to see the
play next season. The
want to be made happy, to
be entertained. They do not go
to theatres to figure out prob-
lem to watch them figured out,
want to laugh, to have g
put into their lives."