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CARLOAD MOON BROS. BUGGIES, PHEATONS AND SURRIES just placed on exhibition at our store

Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack

HOUSE TO VOTE ON 2 QUESTIONS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The rules committee of the House voted today that the entire membership must ballot on the suffrage and prohibition amendments on December 22.

BREAD PLANT BURNS ON FRIDAY NIGHT

L. B. Stubbs suffered a three or four hundred dollar loss Friday night when fire broke out in his bakery and damaged the bakery plant and stock of flour and feed stuff in the rear of the store.

FRENCH ESTABLISH OFFICES IN PARIS

PARIS, Dec. 12.—All departments of the government have been re-established in Paris with the exception of the department of war.

SCHOOLS TO DISMISS ON DECEMBER 23

The Ballinger public schools will dismiss December 23rd for the holidays, according to an announcement of President Scott H. Mack of the Board of Trustees today.

FIRST ANNUAL BANQUET REVIVES SPIRIT OF BROTHERHOOD AND BOOSTERHOOD; DETERMINATION TO UNITE IN MAKING BALLINGER THE BEST OF CENTRAL WEST

"Texas Press" Man Wishes He Could Live In Ballinger

"This is my first visit to Ballinger," said Andrew McBeath of the Temple Telegram today. "My first impression of a peculiarity concerning Ballinger came to me when I walked across one of your streets—the streets are wide. That indicates the broad-mindedness of the people.

The crisis has passed. The three-months-old Young Men's Business League of Ballinger is now a full grown commercial body, striving towards the upbuilding of Ballinger and the contiguous territory.

The First Annual Social and Banquet tendered was a great success from every standpoint. During the several hours spent in the rooms of the League not one moment dragged. The speeches heard prior to the banquet were listened to by the 200 people present with the closest attention.

Because a wreck occurred between here and San Angelo, three of the speakers for the evening were unable to be present for the occasion. They were Rev. Father P. A. Heckman of Temple, Chas. B. Metcalf of San Angelo, and Thomas A. Owens of the Chamber of Commerce of San Angelo.

Following the banquet, many of those present visited the Queen Theatre after L. Cohen, manager of that photo-play house had issued a special invitation to the 200 people present to attend his performance.

The program prior to banquet was composed of two parts—musical selections and speeches. Following the invocation, delivered by Rev. R. R. Rives, pastor of the Eighth street Presbyterian Church, Judge John I. Guion in his address of welcome, pointed out the work to be accomplished by the Young Men's Business League of this city, its importance to the welfare of the community, and the necessity of the co-operation of each individual with the president, the secretary, the board of directors and the membership as a whole of the commercial organization.

EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH CHRISTMAS TRUCE FAIL

ROME, Dec. 12.—The efforts of Pope Benedictus to establish a truce during the Christmas holidays have failed. This was the announcement made today at the Vatican.

PETROGRAD ANNOUNCES VICTORIES

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Besides claiming that the movement to relieve Cracow by the German-Austrian forces has failed, Petrograd correspondents declared that the German advance on Warsaw from three directions has been checked.

The official French communique today claimed that the allies have the advantage all along the entire western front.

The best priced songs now selling at 10 cents at E. F. Elder & Son.

Miss Eddiebell Walker returned Saturday morning from Schlicher county, where she had been visiting her sister, Mrs. Mann.

Until Christmas we will sell the best and latest songs and other kinds of music at only 10c—E. F. Elder & Son.

Life Is Constant War For Existence. Nations Prepare for War in Time of Peace. Individuals should safeguard against NEED in time of LARGE HARVESTS. Save the fruits of your labor, by storing your unsaleable products under shelter. Deposit Your Surplus Cash in the Bank Which is Your Best Friend in Times of Need. Ballinger State Bank & Trust Company "We take care of our customers"

INCREASED COST OF LIVING may be due to increased carelessness in spending. Government statistics claim that for household expenses only fourteen percent is expended for actual necessities. There is a big leak in the household purse. Better try a household bank account with THE FARMERS AND MERCHANTS STATE BANK "FATHERS AND MOTHERS BANK" The Bank That HELPS YOU Do Things.

KAISER TO RETURN TO FRONT SOON

BERLIN, Dec. 12.—Kaiser Wilhelm will return to the front with in the next few days, expect people of Berlin today.

EXCHANGE IS STEADY

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The New York Stock Exchange opened today for the first time since July 30th. Trading was steady. Many stocks gained. There was no frantic selling.

Songs which formerly ranged in price from 25c to 75c are now selling at E. F. Elder & Son's confectionery at only 10c.

Weather Forecast Unsettled tonight and Sunday warmer tonight, probably rain.

THE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF The First National Bank are keeping abreast of the times without deviating from sound Banking principles, are constantly adding to the value of the service they render to their customers. It is a matter of pride with us to make this Bank every year a more desirable depository for business men and women. ...THE... FIRST NATIONAL BANK Member of Federal Reserve System.

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WITH THE CHURCHES.

First Baptist Church.
Regular Services at this church Sunday. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. B. Y. P. U. at 6 o'clock.
REV. T. C. JESTER, Pastor

Methodist Church.
The Sunday school will meet at 9:45.
Preaching morning and evening. Morning theme: "The Gospel of Go."
Evening subject "An Unshaken Faith."
Everybody cordially invited to attend.
W. H. DOSS, Pastor.

8th Street Presbyterian Church
Services will be held at the usual hours tomorrow.
Bible School 9:45. A. W. Sledge Superintendent.
Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Boy Scouts 2 p. m.
Christian Endeavor 3:30.
Come and be with us.
R. R. RIVES, Pastor.

Church of Christ.
Corner of Strong Ave. and Fourth Street
Bible Study 9:30 a. m.
Lesson covering the 21st. of Acts.
Preaching by Elder J. S. Kelly

at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Subject: Sunday Morning I Peter, 4-17-18.
Night subject: Romans 6-17-18.
Prayer meeting every Wednesday night.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend each service

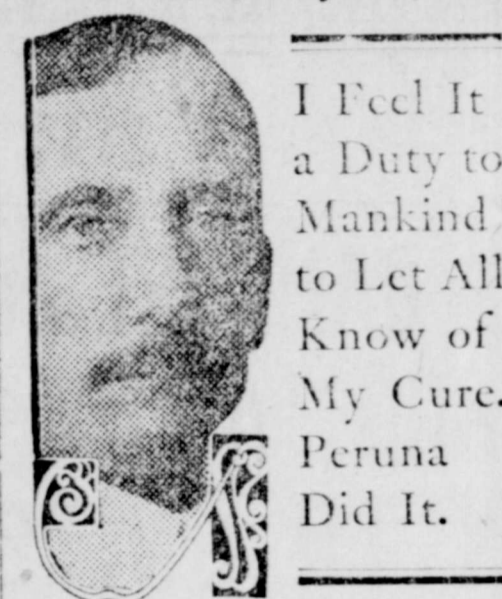
Ninth Street Baptist Church
No services tomorrow on account of absence of the pastor. Sunday school at the usual hour.
W. H. ADKINS, Pastor

Fit His Case Exactly
"When father was sick about six years ago he read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Tablets in the papers that fit his case exactly," writes Miss Margaret Campbell of Ft. Smith, Ark. "He purchased a box of them and he has not been sick since. My sister had stomach trouble and was also benefited by them." For sale by all dealers.

For Sale Cheap
Entire hotel fixtures, such as beds, art squares, mattresses, dishes, stoves, tables, chairs, sideboard, parlor set, and numerous other things.
MRS. J. L. HEATH, 437
Tele. home 469.

Cured of Liver Complaint
"I was suffering with liver complaint," says Iva Smith of Point Blank, Texas, "and decided to try a box of Chamberlain's Tablets, and am happy to say that I am completely cured and can recommend them to every one." For sale by all dealers.

Severe Head Pains Caused By Catarrh Cured By Peruna



I Feel It a Duty to Mankind to Let All Know of My Cure. Peruna Did It.

Mr. W. H. Chaney, R. F. D. 2, Sutherland, Pittsylvania Co., Va., writes: "For the past twelve months I have been a sufferer from catarrh of the head. Since taking four bottles of your Peruna I feel like a different person altogether. The severe pains in my head have disappeared, and my entire system has been greatly strengthened."
"This is my first testimonial to the curative qualities of any patent medicine. I feel it a duty to mankind to let them know of Peruna. In my estimation it is the greatest medicine on earth for catarrh."
We have thousands of testimonials like Mr. Chaney's. Some of them were cured after years of suffering and disappointment in finding a remedy.
Send for free copy of "His Life." The Peruna Co., Columbus, Ohio.
Those who object to liquid medicines can now procure Peruna Tablets.

R. H. Schooler went to Brownwood Thursday morning to visit his son and attend to some business at that place.

"BLOOD WILL TELL"
The Heroes of the War.

"Blood will tell," is an axiom that in all the ages has never been gainsaid. Every man who does a brave, heroic act carries within his veins a quality of blood that urges and sustains him. No matter whether he inherits it from a long line of famous ancestors or from the sound and healthy constitution of his immediate parents, whose only distinction is honorable toil and a simple virtuous life.

It matters little where or how you obtain it, but it matters all the world that by some means you possess good blood. Good blood is first, last and always the making of manly men and womanly women. It is the source of all courage, virtue and happiness.

A new man can be made out of one that's "used-up," bilious and ayspeptic. It's done by Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It starts the torpid liver into healthful action, purifies and enriches the blood, cleanses, repairs, and strengthens the system, and restores health and vigor. As an appetizing, restorative tonic, it sets at work all the processes of digestion and nutrition, and builds up flesh and strength. It's the only Blood and Liver Remedy that's guaranteed, in every case, to benefit or cure. If it doesn't do all that's claimed for it, the money is promptly refunded. But it keeps its promise—that's the reason it can be sold in this way.

It is not a secret remedy for its ingredients are printed on wrapper.
You only pay for the good you get.

"Discovery" strengthens Weak Lungs, relieves Shortness of Breath, Bronchitis, Severe Coughs, and kindred affections.

FREE. Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser, bound in cloth, is sent free on receipt of \$1 one-cent stamps to pay expense of wrapping and mailing only. Address: Doctor Pierce, Invalids Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y.

Rev. J. W. Kelly went to Fish Saturday, where he fills monthly appointments and preaches for the people at that place.

California Women Seriously Alarmed.
"A short time ago I contracted a severe cold which settled on my lungs and caused me a great deal of annoyance. I would have had coughing spells and my lungs were so sore and inflamed I began to be seriously alarmed. A friend recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saying she had used it for years. I bought a bottle and it relieved my cough the first night, and in a week I was rid of the cold and soreness of my lungs," writes Miss Marie Gerber, Sawtelle, Cal. For sale by all dealers.

HORSE WANTED.—Will take a horse to be kept this winter for his feed. Will give him the best of attention. Carlos Dunn, Ballinger.

EN ROUTE BALLINGER; DROPS DEAD AT SEALY

J. M. Dunn dropped dead at Sealy, Texas, Friday, while en route from Wardsworth, Matagorda county, to Ballinger.

This news was conveyed to Ballinger Friday night by phone message to J. D. Perkins, and Saturday morning telegrams to relatives in this county brought further particulars of the sudden death.

Mr. Dunn left his home Friday morning and was en route to Ballinger to visit his daughter, Mrs. E. Z. Burrows, of Hatchel, waiting for the train at Sealy, as it is necessary to change cars at that place in coming from Wardsworth to Ballinger.

When he died it was thought that the dead man was Arthur Burrows, as papers bearing the name of Arthur Burrows were found in his pocket, and these and the ticket to Ballinger were the only marks of identification that could be found on the man's person. The message here stated that Arthur Burrows was dead but Arthur Burrows is known to be in Childress, and relatives here were expecting Mr. Dunn to arrive Saturday it was soon learned that this was the dead man's name, Arthur Burrows is a grand son of Dunn, and it is presumed that he had a letter or some papers bearing Burrows name in his pocket.

Relatives here are looking after the funeral arrangements, and while it is not known where he will be buried, it is probable that he will be carried back to his home in Matagorda county for burial.

How to Bankrupt the Doctors.

A prominent New York physician says "if it were not for the thin stockings and thin soled shoes worn by women the doctors would probably be bankrupt." When you contract a cold do not wait for it to develop into pneumonia and treat it at once. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is intended specially for coughs and colds and has won a wide reputation by its cures of these diseases. It is most effectual and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

That phlegm is obstructing the air passages. Ballard's Horehound Syrup loosens the phlegm so that it can be coughed up and expectorated. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

Lame back may come from overwork, cold settled in the muscles of the back, or from disease. In the two former cases the right remedy is Ballard's Snow Liniment. It should be rubbed in thoroughly over the affected part the relief will be prompt and satisfactory. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

GO TO—Ballinger Saddlery Mfg. Co., successors to T. S. Lauffer for Saddles, Harness, etc. Complete line of Saddlery goods and accessories. Shoe work and general repairing our specialty.
E. J. CATHEY, Mgr.
12-1300 d&w.

EASTERN STAR MEETING.
The Abamo Chapter order of the Eastern Star will hold its regular monthly convention Monday night Dec. 14 at seven o'clock, a'clock

Drop In And See Our Box Candies for Christmas

THE ALCOVE
P. S. CHEW, Proprietor.

DR. CARVER
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X-RAY AND ELECTRO-THERAPEUTICS
Cancers, Tumors, Skin Diseases, Stomach Troubles, Facial Blemishes, Female Diseases, Pelagra, Paralysis, Etc., Treated Scientifically.
Rooms for Out of Town Patients.

All the membership is earnestly requested to be present. Important business is to be transacted and requires each membership. The refreshment committee will pass Christmas refreshments and for this the regular plates will be used.

All sojourning members are cordially invited to meet with us. Miss Olga Schwabe, W. M.; Mrs. Emma Braden, Secy.

The Magic Washing Stick.
"I cannot speak highly enough in praise of the Magic Washing Stick. It saves half the labor in washing. Makes the clothes sweet, clean and white as snow without the use of rubboard," writes Mrs. R. M. Cardwell, Forney, Texas. Sold by druggists three 10c sticks for 25c or by mail from A. B. Richards, Co., Sherman, Texas.

R. L. Wylie, of the New Home community attended Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Santa Anna, Saturday and Sunday.

Sickly children need White's Cream Vermifuge. It not only destroys worms, if there be any but it acts as a strengthening tonic in the stomach and bowels. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

The Magic Washing Stick
"The Magic Washing Stick is the finest thing in the world. Cleans the clothes without rubbing—makes the whitest clothes I ever saw. I cannot do without it anymore. All you say is true, it does all you say it will. I would give it for nothing I have ever used. Hope every lady will try it," writes Mrs. W. F. Gammill Ashdown, Ark. This peculiar article is sold by druggists, three 10c sticks for 25c or by mail from A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

For SORE or WEAK EYES use Dickey's Old Reliable Eye Water. Don't hurt. Feels Good. 13-114-6m

WEST BOUND GOES IN DITCH NEAR MILES FRIDAY

The west-bound passenger train, running about thirty minutes late, was derailed about five miles west of Rowena, Friday afternoon. The rear trucks of the engine, the tender, and all the train except the sleeper left the track. Cross ties, and steel were scattered, and the road bed plowed up by the big wheels for a distance of about one hundred yards.

Fortunately the passengers escaped injury. The usual shaking up and excitement prevailed, but no one was hurt. The Santa Fe has been very fortunate in this respect, this being one of a series of wrecks that have occurred during the last two weeks on the line west of Brownwood, and in only one case has any one sustained injury, and that slight.

The Paint Rock train was waiting at Miles for the west-bound train Friday when it went in the ditch, and it came to the wreck and the passengers were transferred and carried on to San Angelo.

The train due here at four-thirty Friday afternoon, going east, was annulled on account of the wreck and the train detoured out of San Angelo over the Orient to Sweetwater and over the "cut-off" to Coleman.

The annulling of the train left a large number of passengers in Ballinger to lay over until Saturday afternoon, included in the number about eighteen or twenty negroes. These remained in the passenger station throughout the night Friday night.

Heartburn is a symptom of indigestion. Take a dose of Herbine in such cases. The pain disappears instantly. The bowels open promptly and you feel fine vigorous and cheerful. Price 50c. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

COTTON! Don't Sail Your Cotton at Present Prices
You can realize more money by shipping your cotton to us where it will be properly stored and insured against loss by fire, and you can hold for higher prices. If you need money to pay off some of your obligations take out Bill Lading and draw on us for as much as you need not to exceed \$250.00 per bale. We have warehouse space for 20,000 bales cotton and until this number is reached we extend to you a helping hand. We make a customary charge of \$1.00 bale commission which includes weighing, classing, selling charges and one month's free storage and insurance. After first month fifteen cents per month storage, and in surance at current rates which is now ten cents bale month. Shipping tags furnished on request. Ship now before your cotton damages. Satisfactory sales and prompt returns can be relied on.
WALKER & CO., Cotton Brokers Galveston, Texas.

YOUR PATCH WORK--
Around the house calls for Lumber, Paint, Etc. We give the little orders our prompt attention and can supply you with just the material you need. When you want a large or small bill figured bring it to our yard.
BALLINGER LUMBER CO.

THE SWEETEST CANDIES--
May be secured at the house when the checks have a faculty for knowing how to properly preserve the GIFT that makes your Christmas happy you twice as much as before Christmas. We handle **JACOB'S, VASSAR AND OTHER BRANDS.** Remember Christmas is only a short while and our celebrated brands of candies awaits your inspection and consequent order.
E. F. ELDER and SON

Most People Who Eat-- Are Particular What They Eat.
We cater to such people—we buy to please them, and we DO please them.
We have a store full of the most eatable of eats, and every purchase you make impels you to make another, and still others.
...THE...
L. B. Stubbs Phones 94 & 363
The Home of GOOD Eats.

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THE UNIVERSAL CAR
Roadster \$479.00
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When the Ford needs repairing, Bring it to the Ford home, and talk to our expert Ford mechanics
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New Meat Market
-- At the Globber Old Stand --
We have just renovated and put in first class shape the old Globber Market and now open for business. The very best meats the market affords. Call and see us. Your patronage will be appreciated. Will be known as "THE CASH MARKET"
Phone Frank Chapman Phone 126
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Christmas is Near---
so drop in and get fresh confections. Try some of my cider, something nice. Everything in my store is Fresh and clean. Try me, that's all. Fire works of all kinds.
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Dealer In
Second Hand Goods
Repairing A Specialty.
On Corner Opposite The Princess Theatre.

It Makes a Difference Who Does Your Work.
A good shave, a neat hair cut, adds a great deal to a mans feeling and appearance. We give you satisfaction along this line.
The City Barber Shop
H. O. K. Hodges, Proprietor.
GO TO--
Security Title Company
for your abstract work.

JEWELRY---The Gifts Of All Gifts

How Well We Have Succeeded In Getting Together The Biggest And Best Collection Of Appropriate Christmas Gifts

You Ever Saw In Ballinger, We leave for You to Judge. "Something that will give genuine pleasure and real service to father, mother, brother, sister, sweetheart, child and friend; and as has been our custom at Christmas time, we are making

Very Attractive Prices

We will be glad to show you and assist you in making your Selection. Wishing EVERYONE the happiness and best Christmas of their life.

JAS. E. BREWER,

JEWELER AND OPTOMETRIST

YOU MAY BEGIN WITH US AT ONCE

Our students are with us from many different states and they do not go home for the holidays owing to the great distance, therefore, we have no vacation and new students may enroll any day and do splendid work, right through the holidays. The advantage of enrolling now instead of January

1st, is, the sooner you enter, the sooner you will be thru and holding a good position. Second, and you get the advantage of selecting a better boarding place before the big January crowd gets in. Our school is like a big camp or mercantile establishment it runs thru out the year, we are always well organized and ready for new business, rendering the same service throughout the year. Practically every student gets individual instruction; he is not held back by slow students, or crowded too fast by bright ones; he goes just as fast as his money will permit. Should he happen to be slow or backward in his work, he is not embarrassed by others knowing how he is getting along, for under our individual method of instruction they have no way of finding out, with our methods of individual instruction, and our own copy-righted systems, we are demonstrating to young people that it is useless to attend a commercial school teaching other systems and requiring from seven to ten months to finish, the course, if they ever finish, when they can finish with us in half the time at half the cost and be more efficient, get a better salaried position and more rapid promotion because of their thorough and extensive training. It is our practical methods, our personal attention and our modern systems that enable us to accomplish so much in so short a time. In short, we know exactly what the business office demands, and we teach that and teach it accurately and thoroughly.

Our literary subjects, which are given free with our courses, are woven into the main course in such a practical way that they are mastered in half the time required by the old methods, and are thoroughly understood from practical application. We guarantee a better course in less time, at a less expense and a better job with a better salary than any other school, and it is evident that we have been securing these results or we could not in the past five years build up a school with an annual enrollment of more than 2,000, and have drawn patronage from 39 states and several foreign countries.

Our January enrollment promises to be the largest in the history of the school. Over 900 requests for catalogue were received last month.

Write for our large illustrated catalogue; read our cash guarantee of \$100 that every statement made in our catalogue is true and correct.

Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

Name

Address

Course interested in

Gas in the stomach comes from food which has fermented. Get rid of this badly digested food as quickly as possible if you would avoid a bilious attack. Herbine is the remedy you need. It cleanses and strengthens the stomach, liver and bowels, and restores energy and cheerfulness. Price 50c. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

IF WOMEN ONLY KNEW

What a Heap of Happiness It Would Bring to Ballinger Homes

Hard to do housework with an aching back.

Brings you hours of misery at leisure or at work.

If women only knew the cause—that backache pains often come from weak kidneys.

'Twould save much needless woe.

Doan's Kidney Pills are for weak kidneys.

Many residents of this vicinity endorse them.

Mrs. J. E. Tomlinson, Winters Texas, says: "I was troubled by backache nearly all my life. My kidneys were weak, and the kidney secretions bothered me. I had a tired feeling most of the time and often felt very nervous. After I had taken a box of Doan's Kidney Pills I began to get relief. Since then, I have never been without them in the house. I have tried several other remedies, but can say Doan's Kidney Pills did me more good than any of them."

Price 50c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Tomlinson had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

Notes of the Banquet.

The coffee served at the banquet last evening was furnished to the Young Men's Business League free of all costs by the Radford Grocery Co., of Ballinger.

SANTA FE WRECK DELAYS WEDDING

J. H. Morris left Saturday for Dallas, where he was engaged to be married. Mr. Morris was due in Dallas Saturday morning, and arranged to leave Ballinger Friday afternoon. The wreck annihilated the train and delayed the wedding. Mr. Morris could not communicate with his intended bride at Dallas, and was considerably disappointed.

NEAR DEATH BY SMOTHERING

But Husband, With Aid of Cardui, Effects Her Deliverance.

Droper, N. C.—Mrs. Helen Dalton, of this place, says: "I suffered for years, with pains in my left side, and would often almost smother to death."

Medicines patched me up for awhile but then I would get worse again. Finally, my husband decided he wanted me to try Cardui, the woman's tonic, so he bought me a bottle and I began using it. It did me more good than all the medicines I had taken.

I have induced many of my friends to try Cardui, and they all say they have been benefited by its use. There never has been, and never will be, a medicine to compare with Cardui. I believe it is a good medicine for all womanly troubles."

To over 50 years, Cardui has been relieving woman's sufferings and building weak women up to health and strength.

If you are a woman, give it a fair trial. It should surely help you, as it has a million others.

Get a bottle of Cardui to-day.

Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for free literature on your case and 64 page book, "Home Treatment for Women," in plain wrapper. N.C. 154

PROSPEROUS ORDER ELECTS OFFICERS

Ballinger W. O. W. Camp No. 157 met in the Lodge rooms Friday night for the purpose of electing officers and for transacting the regular routine of work. The following officers were elected:

Owen Dorse, C. C.; W. E. Brook, A. L.; R. E. Willingham, Banker; J. F. Lusk, Clerk; W. C. Drennan, Escort; W. S. Harman, Watchman; Adolph Wilke, Secretary; Carlos Dunn, Manager; Physicians, W. W. Fowler, A. S. Love, and J. G. Douglass.

Notwithstanding that the country has passed through five depressing years this lodge is in a flourishing condition, having 322 members, and two additions at the Friday night's meeting. The treasury is in sound condition. Clerk J. F. Lusk has served in such capacity for several years, and was re-elected by acclamation, the camp thus showing proper appreciation for his efficient and faithful service.

Peace and harmony continually prevailed throughout the meeting and jolly and companionable set of members made up the attendance last night, in spite of the bad

weather and other meetings being held in the city.

After adjournment those present repaired to The Club Cafe and enjoyed a sumptuous supper.

The Magic Washing Stick

"All glory to the Magic Washing Stick—my clothes were as white as snow," writes Mrs. Sallie Cummings, Marquez, Texas. Not a soap nor a washing powder but a peculiar article which makes dirty clothes clean and beautiful without a bit of rubbing. Sold by druggists, three 10c sticks for 25c or by mail from A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

Call for your Penny Votes at The Bank Barber Shop, 1,000 to

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism, and bladder in both men and women. Regulate bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Texas testimonials with each bottle. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists. 312d



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Sensible Santa Claus

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We are making special prices on these for the Holiday Trade. Come to our store for useful gifts.

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on a pillow top, size 18x18 inches, price \$1.25. The photo is made on Sateen and can be washed and ironed. Furnished in Light Blue, Pink, White and beautiful Golden Rod.

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DON'T FORGET

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Wants your business however large or small. All kinds of repairing done neatly and promptly. Shoe shop in connection

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Make this Xmas ideal by giving the Cheerful gift, our **Quality Plants and Cut Flowers**

SURE TO PLEASE

Potted Plants:

Cyclamen, Primrose, Axoleas, Begonias, Hyacinths, Poinsettias, Etc. Etc. in the best possible condition. Shipments Guaranteed to arrive in good condition. The biggest stock in the state.

Cut Flowers:

American Beauties, White and Pink Roses, Carar at ons, Sweet Peas, Violets, Narcissus, Bracks of Poinsettias, Etc. Etc. All fresh and a big stock for selection. Early orders are appreciated as well as late.

Holly, Holly, Holly, Loose and in Wreaths. Wild Smilas, Magnolia Wreaths with Cones for the Cemetery; will keep Indefinitely

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San Angelo, Texas

J. Morgan Nussbaumer, Manager

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Will Buy Your
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First Annual Banquet Revives Spirit Boosters

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The program. In the absence of Mr. Metcalf of San Angelo, that part of the program was, by necessity, abandoned. The vocal number by Mrs. E. L. McAlpine was one of the features of the evening in the musical end of the program. Miss Mary Sue Spill closed the preliminaries to the banquet with a piano selection.

The principal speaker of the evening was Will L. Vining, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Austin. He took advantage of the invitation extended him by Secretary Boler of the League to visit Ballinger and help in "pushing" the work of the organization. Through the visitor, it is declared today, much of the determination to continue with the league work was brought about in the hearts of the men who have taken the interests of the city to mind.

Mr. Vining told his audience that the secretary of the Young Men's Business League was not "all." He declared that only through co-operation could the secretary, whom he styled "the guiding star" accomplish anything for the city and contiguous country. He asked that every person present, since the consensus of opinion was that the commercial work should continue in Ballinger, help with the secretary and the board of directors in their faithful work for a Better Ballinger. He told of cases of his own where he had been placed in exceedingly embarrassing positions by the failure of his committees to do their work properly. He said that Judge Guion's tribute to the press was appropriate and well-meant. Many times, especially in the smaller towns, the newspapers are called upon to give their white space, from the sale of which the livelihood of the men working on them depend, to some person who desire "sponging." The speaker asked that this not be done, stating that newspaper men are human like the rest. The commercial organization of a city, he declared, depended probably 50 percent on the newspapers for its success. Mr. Vining said. He declared The Daily Ledger meant as much for Ballinger as the larger papers mean for the larger city.

Ed. R. Boler, secretary of the Young Men's Business League said three months ago he was ordered to Ballinger by the company for which he was working. He was impressed with the grandeur of the city immediately upon his arrival. Since then he has been more than impressed. He declared that he wants to be a Ballinger Booster forever. He believed after the banquet, after "this get-together meeting," a better comradeship would exist between the citizens of the city and the league, and that the life of the commercial organization was insured by the manner in which the people displayed their interest at the festival. Three weeks ago Boler felt inclined to give up his work in Ballinger as a commercial body's secretary; last night he never felt more elated over the prospects for making Ballin-

ger the best city in the state.

Announcement was made following Boler's talk that the tables had been made ready in the balcony for the banquet. The 200 guests repaired to the dining hall where the ladies of the Eighth Presbyterian Church had prepared the dinner. The menu, arranged in a manner that would ease the palate of the most particular, was the climax of the evening. The menu follows:

Celery	Pickles
Cranberry Sauce	Turkey with Dressing
Bread	Gravy
Baked Yams	Ham
Cake	Coffee
Music	

During the course of the banquet, Mayor J. W. Powell, who officiated as toastmaster for the occasion, called upon Andrew McBeath of the Temple Telegram to make a few remarks. In his own humorous manner, McBeath captivated the audience with his witty sayings in which he and the Telegram were conspicuous. His jocular manner was the sensation of the evening, the life of the banquet hall. Declaring that a man could speak best on the things which he knew best, and taking as a fitting subject himself and the Telegram, McBeath easily won the audience to his side in his easy-flowing manner. He declared that the Telegram is one of the best papers of the state, and the greatest bush-league newspaper in the United States. He said that his paper has a column edited by himself and that that column is the best column in the state, and added by explanation that most of the column is composed of clippings from other papers.

W. W. Wooten, county superintendent of schools, was called upon for a short talk. He told his audience that an institute meets here next week and that Ballinger would do her part in receiving the visitors.

Don A. Swett, assistant postmaster, was introduced by Mr. Boler, as "the greatest dramatic critic living," and implored that the Uncle Sam man give a recitation. Mr. Swett selected as his subject, "The Stowaway," and in a manner that brought his listeners to his side, he held the audience at attention for fifteen minutes. With rounds of applause greeting him from every corner of the large banquet hall, and celery thrown at him as tokens of appreciation, it was with regret on the part of the audience that Mr. Swett stepped from the rostrum to his seat.

Mr. St. Clair of Galveston, gave a short talk on the cotton situation. Coming at a time when this topic of conversation is being considered throughout the United States, the visitor's subject was all the more appropriate. He wished that Ballinger might in the future enjoy much prosperity through the success of the Young Men's Business League, which, he felt sure had been revived with new energy following the "get-together meeting" of the night.

Hon. Q. Victor Miller expressed thanks to the ladies of the church which served the dinner, the waitresses who did their duty in seeing that the plates were replete with the best, to L. Cohen manager of the Queen Theatre for his hospitality in inviting the audience to see his show at his ex-

pense following the banquet, to the various committees which handled the affairs of the entertainment, to the speakers and all in general who took part in the social.

The music of the orchestra was an attraction which gave spice and vim to the evening's hilarity. The musicians were N. Passeur, Robert Stephenson and Mr. Stephenson's younger brother.

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