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SAW FOUND IN JAIL BEDDING

There are only thirteen prisoners in the Ballinger jail at this time—three o'clock Friday afternoon, Jan. 14. There were fourteen prisoners two hours ago, but one has just been released, having squared himself for some misdemeanor charge. Twelve of the thirteen prisoners are all being held on felony charges. The number 13 is unlucky—for the prisoners.

Jailor Armstrong made a discovery shortly afternoon today that he considers worth a great deal. It was a lucky find and the discovery occurred shortly after he had released one prisoner from jail and reduced the number to 13. Hereafter he will not pass up number 13 when it comes his way. Its not a hoodoo for this jailer.

Mr. Armstrong had a white boy and a Mexican in the same department of the roomy jail. Roomy in this instance stands for two small rooms. The white boy is just a little out of balance. It is claimed that he is not crazy, but he left the "bughouse," with out the consent of the authorities in charge of the "bughouse" and he must go back and clear himself. The Mexican is held because he knew how to write and wrote the other fellow's name to a check. These two prisoners lost some of their valuables, a necktie, or a half hose, or something of the kind and the jailor was aiding them in locating the missing property and directed that they turn the mattress up and look under it. When the bed was put asunder, lo and behold there was a saw, all fixed and ready to cut through the bars of the jail when properly directed by the hands of the prisoners.

Jailor Armstrong was not looking for saws, but man feels best when he finds something valuable unexpectedly, and this was a valuable find and an unexpected one to the jailor. If it had not been discovered perhaps we could have boasted of an empty jail within the next night or two.

Now the question that is most interesting to the officers, and the jailor is going to have to sleep way into the jail? This question may be answered, and it may not, but we are guessing that the jailor is going to have to sleep with one eye open if he keeps that bunch in jail until next spring when court will pass on their cases.

HEURTA ANSWERS DEATH CALL

By United Press

EL PASO, Jan. 14.—General Victoriana Huerta, formerly provisional president of the Republic of Mexico, and who has been in the hands of United States Federal authorities for since last June, passed over the great divide at eight thirty-five o'clock last night. Huerta has been in the hands of United States and death was not unexpected.

Up to a late hour today funeral arrangements had not been perfected but efforts are being made to arrange for the body to be buried on Mexican soil.

Huerta's Rise and Fall.

Born 1857 of well-to-do parents of Spanish and Indian ancestry.

Entered Chapultepec military academy 1875, where he remained 4 years. Then entered army.

1880-1892 led soldier's life. Rid Matanzas of Flores Zegasa's band. Promoted to Lieut.-Col. 1892-1902 surveyed Mexico for government. Made Brigadier-General, highest rank except commander-in-chief.

In 1911 first came to public notice when Gen. P. Diaz, driven into exile by Madero, chose Huerta to give him a safe conduct to Vera Cruz.

1913—Feb. 18.—Huerta joined Felix Diaz, ousted Madero, and had himself declared provisional president.

Feb. 23.—Madero and Suarez slain.

Feb. 27.—Villa took up arms against Huerta.

April 19.—Carranza made provisional president of constitutionalists.

July 13.—Ambassador Henry Lane Wilson recalled from Mexico.

Aug. 13.—Huerta refused to recognize John Lind, President Wilson's envoy.

Aug. 23.—President Wilson read famous "watchful waiting" message to Congress.

Oct. 10.—Huerta dissolved congress, declaring himself dictator, imprisoning 110 deputies.

Nov. 3.—President Wilson asked Huerta to resign, and not appoint any of his official family as successor. Refused.

Nov. 13.—President Wilson formally declared "Huerta must go." Lind left Mexico City.

1914—Jan. 26.—Huerta balked plot to assassinate him, arresting Felix Diaz followers.

Feb. 3.—President Wilson lifted embargo on arms to aid constitutionalists.

March 17.—147 mutineers of Huerta garrison at Jolulita executed.

March 18.—Huerta reopened negotiations with Lind at Vera Cruz.

April 9.—Bluejackets from U. S. Dolphin arrested, Admiral Fletcher considered it insult to flag and asked salute from Huerta commander.

April 14.—Huerta refused to apologize for Dolphin incident. President Wilson ordered Atlantic fleet to Mexican waters.

April 17.—Huerta offered to salute flag is United States reciprocated.

April 18.—President Wilson demanded unconditional salute.

April 20.—Congress gave President power to coerce Huerta.

April 21.—Admiral Fletcher seized Vera Cruz customs house. Nineteen U. S. bluejackets killed.

April 22.—Huerta handed American Charge O'Shaughnessy his passports.

April 23.—United States formally severed diplomatic relations with Huerta.

April 24.—Fifth U. S. army corps sailed for Vera Cruz via Galveston.

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LOCAL LADIES TO SEND BELGIUM AID

Mrs. Jno. I. Guion has received a letter from Mrs. John W. Spivey, field secretary for Belgium Relief Work in Texas, asking that the ladies of Ballinger call a meeting and participate in the work of carrying help to the three million destitute women and children of Belgium and Northern France.

Mrs. Guion has issued a call for a meeting to be held in Ballinger next Wednesday afternoon at the Carnegie Library. The ladies of the town are requested to meet at the library at three o'clock on the above date.

Following is the letter received by Mrs. Guion and which gives some idea as to the plans of the Belgium Relief Committee:

Marlin, Texas.

Jan. 8, 1916.

Dear Madam:

I have been appointed by the Governor as Field Secretary for Belgium Relief Work in Texas; and Mrs. Fred Fleming, State Chairman, has given me your name as Chairman of your city.

If you have not already done so, I write to ask you to call a meeting of your committee as soon as possible. The appeal made before Christmas gave us too short a time to accomplish what Texas should accomplish.

Remember, there are over three million people in Belgium and Northern France, mostly women and children, who must be clothed this winter. If warm garments and shoes for those destitute people are not sent at once, their sufferings will be acute. Mrs. Fleming states that it is necessary for us to go frankly to the people of Texas, and ask them to help clothe the destitute in the localities above mentioned.

Marlin has had her campaign. I want to give you our plan, which was simple and took only one hour of each woman's time. We divided the town up, giving one street to each of two women; and all went out the same day.

The people were prepared for their coming by a notice appearing in the daily paper the day before, stating what this committee wanted. We also promised that all money contributed would be spent with our merchants for material or clothing, thus keeping our money at home, and yet serving every purpose. This worked splendidly, and our collection amounted to nearly fifty dollars in money, and quite a lot of new merchandise.

Marlin is a town of 5,000 inhabitants; and if Marlin can do this, other towns can do the same. Any material or clothing should be sent to your nearest receiving station named below. Money collected should be sent to the City National Bank, Dallas, stating what it is for; or may be invested in new material and clothing, if you prefer, and sent to your receiving station for forwarding.

Stations to which goods may be sent: Texas Warehouse Co., Houston; Seobey Fireproof Storage Co., San Antonio; Robert Frazier, Express Agent, Waco; Fort Worth Warehouse and Storage Co., Ft. Worth; Western Transfer Co., Dallas.

Also remember, that owing to drastic sanitary regulations by the military government, the introduction of second-hand clothing is forbidden. Therefore, new piece goods of suitable kinds, such as cotton flannel, flannelette, woolen goods, or new ready-made garments for men, women and children, are asked for.

Please report to me the result of your campaign, so I can report to our State Chairman, giving me statement of the total amount raised, whether in money or goods, and to whom you have sent same.

Trusting you will give this your immediate attention, and thanking you in advance for your co-operation in this worthy cause, I am,

Sincerely yours,
MRS. JOHN W. SPIVEY.

Later: Marlin's collection amounted to \$135.00.

WILSON ADMINISTRATION STANDS PAT ON MEXICAN POLICY; NO INTERVENTION

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Senator Weeks introduced a resolution in the Senate today declaring that all responsibility in the Mexican trouble rests with the United States Congress and not with the president, and the resolution favors immediate intervention.

Following a cabinet meeting this morning it was officially announced that the administration is standing pat on its Mexican policy and was opposed to intervention, and that when Americans went into Mexico they did so at the risk of their own lives.

Dispatches received here from London bring the news that the British government is preparing to ask the state department if this government intends to take any action in Mexico for the protection of the British subjects.

Carranza, in a message to Ambassador Arredondo, says that the bandits who massacred the nineteen Americans a week ago, are being pursued by Mexican soldiers and would meet with "condign punishments."

AMERICANS RIOTING FOR VENGEANCE

By United Press.

EL PASO, Jan. 14.—This city is quiet today after being placed under martial law, following rioting throughout the night last night that filled the hospitals with injured Mexicans.

The feeling here over the murdering of Americans in Mexico is expected to lead to further outbreaks, however, and Mexicans are being rushed across the river by the wholesale, or thrown in jail to escape American mobs that are being formed in different sections of the city.

SHERIFF PERKINS GETS A NEGRO BURGLAR

Sheriff Perkins left Ballinger at noon Friday with a negro prisoner handcuffed and will turn the negro over to the Tom Green County officers and return to Ballinger this afternoon.

The negro's name is Robert Johnson and he is wanted at San Angelo for burglary, having entered a residence in that city a few days ago and robbed it of valuables consisting of clothing, jewelry, etc.

Mr. Perkins received a postal card giving description of the negro and he was on the watch out for him. He learned that a negro suiting the description of Johnson had been in Ballinger, and was somewhere close around yesterday afternoon.

An investigation revealed the fact that the negro had sold a part of the stolen goods here and Mr. Perkins got on his trail and caught him near Hatchel yesterday afternoon. The negro was en route to Abilene and it is supposed that he expected to catch the Abilene and Southern train either at Hatchel or Winters.

STATE DEPARTMENT SAYS AMERICANS ARE SAFE.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Dispatches received here today from Chihuahua, say that all Americans at Madera, Chihuahua, are safe, and that the report that twelve more Americans had been massacred near that city was false.

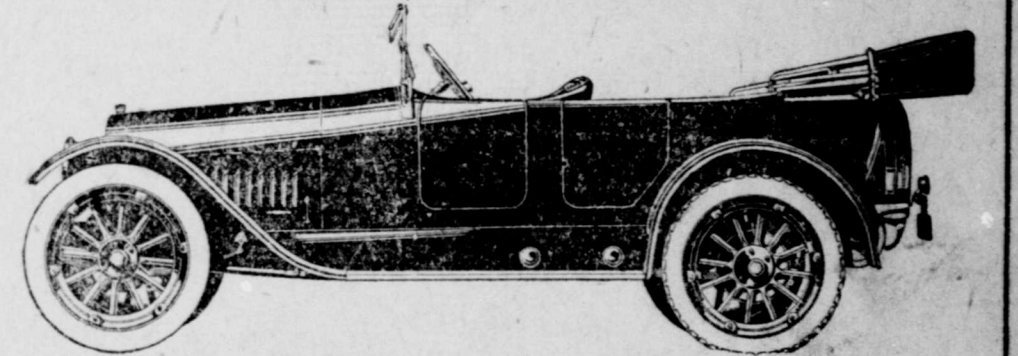
AUSTRIANS HOLD MONTENEGRIN CAPITAL

By United Press.

VIENNA, Jan. 14.—Austrian troops entered Cetinje, the capital of Montenegro, today, and King Nicholas signed an armistice.

Warren Williams returned to Miles at noon Friday after a visit to his daughter, Mr. Tom Liveley. Mr. Williams is one of the pioneer citizens of this county, but he informed us that he had disposed of all his interests at Miles, and was contemplating making San Angelo his home.

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Opposite Court House Lawn

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Hatching time will soon be here. Swat the rat.

There are six candidates for tax assessor in the race in Coleman county, and the game is young.

Did you know that the year 1915 began on Friday? Yet it was not such a bad year.

We predict that the calamity howler will soon be abroad in the land. In fact there is just a little grunting going on now.

Just a little more money in the banks now than two months ago makes just a little more optimism for the banker, and the depositor as well.

The moving picture and auto industry are among the young industries in America, but they are the healthiest baby industries in America.

Twelve cent cotton about planting time is calculated to cause a farmer to make his rows just a little longer. It will be a bad policy to forget diversification, regardless of high price cotton. The world must eat to live.

Senator Sheppard in declining to make race for delegates to National convention says that candidates and office holders should not represent the democratic party in the National convention. Why not make the rule apply to republican candidates and office holders also, Morris?

We are told that the chick show will go by default for the lack of some one to take the lead and put up the cash. Poultry in-

Advertisement for Fire Insurance, listing various services and contact information for Miss Maggie Sharp.

Industry has received a big boost through the poultry exhibits for the past three years, and we see a big mistake in allowing the enthusiasts to wane.

The Ledger is in favor of more food inspectors, health and sanitary officers. They are a great deal more important than inspectors of some other things the people are being taxed to keep going.

A Boston Cigar Co., has sent out the copy to Texas newspapers for an ad calling for a space of from a quarter to a half page with instruction to run the ad and send bill. We sent the bill first, and so far have failed to hear from Boston.

Some towns adopt one scheme to get on the map and some another. It seems that Brownwood has selected the Dallas way of doing things. Highway robbers relieved a peanut dealer of \$300 in the bayou city last week, and a few days later robbed a livery stable man of fifty cents.

Since the beginning of the war in Europe 195,000 horses have been concentrated at St. Louis and shipped to the fighters. This bunch of horses cost the allies \$135,000,000, or about \$185 per head, while the price paid to the horse raisers figured from \$100 to \$125 per head.

Three boys were sent from Brownwood to the reformatory last week for burglary. We understand that three or four boys in Ballinger are bidding for a place in the Gatesville home, and that the matter will probably be presented to the court when it convenes.

We are receiving almost daily appeals from candidates for state office, with nicely written or printed "news items" about them, with the request to please publish. If we have any space to donate to the cause we will give it to the candidate who is running for the little county office.

Lewis Haney, professor of economics, says, "The tenant farmer hasn't a chance." Prof. Haney is not talking about tenant farmers in Rannels county. We know of several who made enough money last year to buy land and they are doing it.

How To Cure Colds. Avoid exposure and drafts. Eat right. Take Dr. King's New Discovery. It is prepared from Pine Tar, healing balsams and mild laxatives.

JUST FOR ARGUMENT'S SAKE

We understand that great numbers of Brown county people wrote to Santa Claus to send them a bottle of whiskey for Christmas, and but very few were disappointed.

According to the Calvert Picayune, "some women say a man is like a stuffed sausage—smooth on the outside, but you can't tell just how much hog their is on the inside."

Why should it be permitted? It is barbarious, nothing less. Only the brutal element in any college upholds it. Each state should pass a law making it a misdemeanor—a felony would be better.—West Times.

A woman with a new set of furs and a man that has recently killed a deer are two people that busy folks have no time to monkey with.

The editor of the Kerrville Sun is in a class to himself and should be classed as one of the curiosities of the age, if he finds no fun in looking at a pretty woman with a new set of furs.

Thousands of farmers who in past years had to stay at home in rainy weather, because of muddy, boggy roads, can come to town any day in the year now whether the town be West, McGregor, Loreana or Waco.

The time is coming when we can boast of our good roads, but at present we can only say that they are passable—in some places and impassable in others, in wet weather.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured.

with Local Applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies.

Sold by Druggists, Price 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

MOVING LAND MARK FOR SECOND TIME

An old two story green house, for many years standing on the highest point in Ballinger, near the home of E. L. Rasbury, is being torn down and the lumber will be hauled to Norton where it will be used by J. D. Miller in making improvements in that thriving little inland town.

This house was formerly known as the Dickinson place. It was moved to Ballinger from Rannels and was one of the first houses to be built in the county. It was placed on wheels and moved to Ballinger and its removal from Rannels wiped out an old land mark for what was one time the capital of the county.

Mr. Miller purchased it some time ago, and the material in it will not be used for kindling but for making repairs in other buildings.

Advertisement for CHEICHESTER'S PILLS, describing the product and its benefits.

Judge Jennings of Miles, was here Friday on legal business, and took time to remind a number of his friends that he was in the race for county judge.

Advertisement for CASTORIA, For Infants and Children, The Kind You Have Always Bought.

If you are a Ballinger booster you will spend 10 cents for a copy of the Prosperity Edition and mail it to a friend or relative.

MORE AUTOS THAN VOTERS IN COUNTY

AUSTIN, Tex. Jan. 14.—No political subdivision of the United States has as many automobiles per capita to its population as Sutton County, Texas, according to the claim of Sam Stokes, clerk of that county.

The voting population of the county is approximately 800, and there are registered in Stokes' office nearly 1,000 automobiles. This record is perhaps all the more remarkable for the fact that there is not a railroad in Sutton county. It is about 60 miles from the nearest railroad point.

Stokes also asserts that Sutton county has more wealth per capita than any county in Texas. It is in the heart of the sheep and cattle country of Western Texas. The high prices of these ranch products have brought an enormous amount of money to the people of that region during the last year or two.

BAPTIST LAUNCH \$1,000,000 CAMPAIGN

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 14.—The campaign to raise \$1,000,000 for educational work in the state was opened by the Baptist General Conference of Texas today.

The first leg of the campaign, which will extend over four years, will end March 19. It is planned to raise \$250,000 between now and that date. The money will be used for the benefit of Baylor Medical college of Dallas, Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary of Fort Worth and the 14 other colleges and academies under the direction of the conference.

Dr. George W. Truett, of this city, has charge of the work. Each of the 4,000 Baptist congregations in the state has been asked to grant its pastor leave of absence during the entire first leg of the campaign, so he can take charge of the work personally in his own community.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

All Copy for Political Announcements must be accompanied by Cash.

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 25th:

- Representative 111th District: WALACE E. HAWKINS. For County Clerk: W. C. McCARVER, C. C. COCKRELL. For Tax Assessor: C. C. SCHUCHARD, T. H. CURRY, JOE TURNER.

DEATH OF GRANDMA CHASTAIN

(Menard Messenger)

Tuesday morning at one o'clock occurred the death of Mrs. Littleton (Grandma) Chastain at the home of her son, Will Chastain. Mrs. Chastain was one of the pioneer settlers of Menard County, and was loved and respected by everybody.

Mrs. Chastain was born in Dickens County, August 16th, 1833, and was married to Littleton Chastain, Dec. 20th, 1849. They moved to Collin County in 1855 and from there to Menard County in 1882. She was converted in 1856 and has been a faithful member of the Missionary Baptist church up until the time of her death.

Seven children were born to them, the eldest dying three years ago. Those living are: Mrs. Evelyn Burk of Denton, M. D. Chastain of Ballinger, Mrs. Leitha Menzies, Mrs. M. C. Harshaw of Clovis, New Mexico, Will Chastain and P. L. Chastain of Denison.

The funeral services were held at the cemetery at eleven o'clock. Rev. Nichols of the Baptist officiated.

Try some of that good home-made lard at ROTEN'S. It's white as snow and as pure as Wilson's politics. Phone 101. trd

Advertisement for Leach Auto Works, effective January 10th, 1916, offering quality service and repairs.

Advertisement for N. Passur, 'Watch Me Grow' in my new store, offering confections and drinks.

Advertisement for Silver Moon Dairy, OUR MOTTO IS: 'Quality First, Last and Always'.

There is an insistent demand upon the part of a large number of Brady citizens that traffic laws be enacted, and, better still, enforced.

Traffic laws should be made to apply to all towns. People are fast learning the wisdom of turning to the right and observing the laws that make for safety.

There are some people who want to criticize the officers, the drug stores and others because they cannot buy their favorite cold drink or cigar on Sunday.

A man shows his disrespect for the law when he criticises an officer for doing what his oath of office binds him to do, and an officer whose duty it is to enforce the law should be "canned" if he fails to at least make an effort to do his duty.

Hazing has been practiced in all colleges for years. Sometimes the brutality indulged in has proven fatal. A father is now suing for damages a college which allowed his boy to be hazed to death.

Advertisement for The Ballinger Cotton Oil Co., featuring light globes and quality products.

Advertisement for THE JACKSON DAIRY, offering good milk and service.

Advertisement for MILLER MERCANTILE CO., offering economy in grocery purchases.

26 Years

There is nothing of the experiment in dealing with the GEO. ALLEN MUSIC HOUSE. It is 26 years old. The man who started it owns and controls it today. The idea of an exalted business policy, of doing business along legitimate lines, has been perpetuated and strengthened each year. It represents a steady growth of one up-building policy, continuous and consistent. Its history is a record built up,—not on a series of changes or accidents, but a steady growth along intelligent and conservative lines. It has become a factor in the musical life of the southwest—steady and sure.

There is peculiar satisfaction among musicians in having connection with it. A feeling of sympathetic appreciation exists between the patron and the house, a feeling that is hardly confined by distances. The dominating influence of the house is a musical one. True musical natures appreciate and are drawn to each other as no other natures are drawn.

Judge for yourself. Are you contemplating the purchase of an elegant GRAND PIANO? None are nearer the highest ideas of pianodrom than the "Soulful" Sohmer & Co., or the Boardman & Gray. Do you prefer a superior Upright Piano? They are found here in the two named makes and also in the superb toned Mathushek Piano that has justly earned the reputation of "the most durable piano in the world." Investigate them; ask for full information regarding them and others in our line.

Perhaps you are not a performer on the piano. Then you may buy a piano that you CAN play,—the wonderful AUTOPIANO, the player piano with a reputation that is world-wide, used by His Holiness, the Pope of Rome, the only player piano that, by Pontifical Decree has been named the Official Purveyor to the Holy See. A supreme honor and one of the greatest triumphs ever achieved by an American manufacturer. Uncle Sam has selected and bought more than 100 of them for the battleships of his navy. Certainly you would be proud of one of them, and they are well within your reach.

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San Angelo

DAINTY MIRIAM NESBITT AT PRINCESS TONIGHT IN 4 ACT EDISON MULTIPLE REEL.

The most striking thing about Edison features is their feminine players' beauty—and they have one of the largest companies of girl actors in America. Miriam Nesbitt is a fair example, and in addition Miss Nesbitt has acquired what many other pretty actresses have missed entirely:

that of dramatic ability. She will be seen at the Princess Theatre tonight in a four part Edison drama, "The Way Back," written by Mary Rider. A good cast supports Miss Nesbitt. "The Millionaire Baby," is the V. L. S. E. feature next Thursday night at the Princess, in which Harry Mestayer and Grace Darmond appear again. These two stars, famous for the interpretation of "The House of a Thousand Candles," are fast becoming the most popular artists in Ballinger. "The Millionaire Baby," was written by Anna Katherine Green and is a characteristic mystery novel by this author. A slight dash of theatrical life add zest and vim to some of the scenes, and a good old-fashioned happy ending fills the cup of joy for all. It will command prices of ten and twenty cents here owing to the extreme cost of manufacture. The admission tonight at the Princess is a dime to all.

Ballinger and Winters Service Line

Makes four trips each way. Call for and deliver passengers any where in Ballinger or Winters. Price: 75c One Way. Leave Ballinger at—7:00 a. m. 9:30 a. m. 1:30 p. m. 4:00 p. m. Leave Winters at—8:30 a. m. 11:30 a. m. 2:30 p. m. 5:30 p. m. Phone Ballinger 135 Phone Winters 92 Good cars and careful drivers. W. E. BROOKS

TRAVEL DEMANDS FOR NEW BRIDGE

Prominent and leading financial citizens of this city are agitating the building of a new steel bridge on the Colorado river where the old bridge now stands and where life and limb is endangered by congested travel every day.

The present bridge was constructed twenty-five years ago, and at that time met the requirements, for the population of this county was less than three thousand, and where only one man crossed the bridge at that time one hundred are crossing today.

It seems a waste of space to mention here the inadequacy of the present crossing and the great demand for a more sane and safer way of getting from one side of the Colorado river to the other, but some have no doubt never given this question a thought, and seldom have occasion to witness the congested condition that is caused daily at this bridge.

Less than a week ago a serious accident was narrowly averted when a funeral procession was crossing at the bridge. Thirty-six vehicles were tied up in such way that a number of lives were endangered. It is well known that the bridge is too narrow for autos, buggies, wagons and pedestrians. The thick settled section just south of the river is responsible for a heavy local travel and the transient travel is rapidly increasing. Many children cross the bridge daily.

It has been suggested by those back of the proposition that a bridge be constructed affording a passage way for vehicles going and coming, the driving to the right idea being carried out in planning the bridge, and a special walk be provided for those on foot.

It is also the purpose of the men interested in the improvements that the new bridge not be a loss to the county, but that it be moved further up the Colorado river where the country is rapidly settling and developing and where the people on the south side of the river are compelled to travel five or six miles out of the way in order to reach Ballinger, it being necessary for them to come to the bridge here in order to get across the river, when a more direct route can be had by crossing the river and traveling the road to Ballinger on the north side of the river.

The commissioners court made a trip over the country in the northwest part of the county this week, and they have also discussed the new bridge proposition and we are reliably informed that the proposition is one that they consider important and are ready to take some action in the matter.

The people of this county can no longer stand back and decline to build roads and bridges just because it will cost the county a little money. We are living in an age when time is valuable. We should also consider that life and limb should be placed at a higher premium than a few paltry dollars.

We understand that the move for the bridge and also for increased road work in this county will be put on foot in a tangible way in a short time, and the people will be appealed to strictly from a common sense standpoint and efforts made to pull the county out of the rut from a good road standpoint.

For Rheumatism.

As soon as an attack of Rheumatism begins apply Sloan's Liniment. Don't waste time and suffer unnecessary agony. A few drops of Sloan's Liniment on the affected parts is all you need. The pain goes at once.

A grateful sufferer writes:—"I was suffering for three weeks with Chronic Rheumatism and Stiff Neck, although I tried many medicines, they failed, and I was under the care of a doctor. Fortunately I heard of Sloan's Liniment and after using it three or four days am up and well. I am employed at the biggest department store in S. F. where they employ from six to eight hundred hands, and they surely will hear about Sloan's Liniment.—H. B. Smith, San Francisco, Cal.—Jan. 1915. At all druggists.

Tad Richards, D. R. Smith, Wylie Walden and Druggists Owens, of Winters, were looking after business in Ballinger Thursday.

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WHO WANTS TO DIE?

NOT YOU, OF COURSE! Then it behooves you to keep that erratic stomach in better working order. Talk it over with us the next time you pass our store, and most likely we have a "life preserver" for you. Most people live to a ripe old age in this community, and we sell most of them "life preservers" too. We have many makes, all good and you can take your pick. The cost won't break you, and the remedy may make you.

The Walker Drug Co.

TELEPHONES 12 and 13

WHAT SHALL THE CLOSING HOUR BE?

There seems to be some misunderstanding, a difference of choice or a cross fire between the local merchants in the selection of a time to close the stores in the afternoon of the long day season of the year—March first to Sept. first.

We are informed that a petition was drafted and started on the rounds seeking the signatures of the merchants for an agreement to close at six o'clock in the afternoon from March first to September first on all days except Saturdays and First Monday's.

Some signed the petition as it was written, agreeing to the six o'clock hour. Some signed the petition with 6:30 written after their name, and some declined to sign.

It has been the custom in years past for the merchants to adopt a closing hour and abide by it. The public does not expect the merchants to stay on the job 18 hours a day and work his employees long hours just for the sake of making a few paltry sales, and the merchant who does it makes himself conspicuous by his contrastiness, and does not gain business by such tactics.

As to what hour shall be adopted is a matter for the merchants to settle among themselves, but it is to be hoped that the spirit of co-operation for the good of all will guide in the matter, and if there is a merchant in Ballinger who declines to join in a move for that which prevents the making of Jack a dull boy, he should be made an object lesson of by the confining of his trade to the hours when all other stores are closed. We want to say "boyceoted," but its might not sound just right in this case—the penalty would be too mild.

Shoes Wanted.

at Wendorf's Busy Shoe Shop. Work done by the Champion shoe finishing machine, soles sewed on in quick time. Come to see us.

H. L. WENDORF
13-tf Hutchings Ave.

W. T. Padgett is in Miles for the last two days of this week for the convenience of the tax payers in that side of the county. He will spend several days in Winters the last of next week.

Five pounds good Pea Berry Coffee for one dollar. Roten's Grocery Store. Phone 101. 13-tfd

WHEN IS AN AMERICAN NOT AN AMERICAN

By Ed. L. Keen.

United Press Staff Correspondent LONDON, Jan. 14.—When is an American not an American? That is a hard nut to crack, according to the American embassy in London. Rather, it is a whole bushel of hard nuts to crack. But some of the nuts have been cracked, it was learned today, with the result that scores of "Americans" in England are now without a country.

The issuance of passports is one of the embassy's most troublesome duties. Numerous Americans who have resided in England for ten, fifteen or twenty years decided after the war began, and more particularly after the Zeppelins put London on their calling list, that they had better inquire into their citizenship. All wanted American passports. Some wanted to go back to America. Others were bound for France or other comparatively Zeppelin-less climes. There was the rub.

Passport officials at Uncle Sam's London address struggled with the problem. The applicants, many of them with English accent, so long had they been out of touch with the Statue of Liberty, were forced to answer im-

posing lists of questions, which were forwarded to the State Department at Washington.

The Department of State, acting on a musty and long unused law, decreed that to be recognized an American in a foreign country, a person must report to the proper American authorities at various times; duly pay taxes in America if he or she has enough property to be taxed; or make a visit home once in a while. A great many Anglicized Americans had failed in this, in whole, or in part. They are now persons without a country. A passport is required to go "most anywhere" at present. So America's lost citizens are marooned—in England.

Constipation and Indigestion
"I have used Chamberlain's Tablets and must say they are the best I have ever used for constipation and indigestion. My wife also used them for indigestion and they did her good," writes Eugene S. Knight, Wilmington, N. C. Obtainable everywhere.

Mrs. Chas. Tibbs returned to her home at Itasca, Thursday afternoon. She had been here since the holidays visiting her parents. Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Gregory.

We are in the market for all the oats and wheat in Rannels County. Don't sell until you get our prices. Missouri Milling Co. 13-3td-3tw.

Makes Hungry People Happy

- ☛ Christmas cheer last for a few days and then fades away.
- ☛ Our Grocery cheer last throughout the year, and never fades, and it is all in what you eat.
- ☛ Hungry people are happy as a lark when they eat our groceries, because the quality is in what they eat.
- ☛ When dad pays the bill he, too, is some happy, and his satisfaction is over the price.
- ☛ Fact is, they just flood the whole family with cheer because they are fine to eat, easy to cook, and stimulating to a degree.
- ☛ Can you beat it?

L. B. Stubbs

'Phones 93 and 94

Show Your Wife How

to write checks for her bills instead of counting out the money and then not be able to tell where her cash has gone. This bank has a special department for women's accounts and will be glad to show any one how much better a check is than ready money.

The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.
Ballinger, Texas



Announcing Our Great

MID-WINTER

If ever printers ink carried a memorable announcement to our friends and patrons this is it. In face of the fact that the price of goods has advanced 25 to 50 per cent. in the last few months, due to the unprecedented demand for merchandise, and to the famine in dyestuffs, and the consequent increase in the cost of production, we are offering you the following special reductions. It will pay you to come a long way to attend this extraordinary sale. We must clear our shelves.

Sale Commences Saturday, January 1

Staples

- Very best outing, clearance sale 8½c
- 15c percale, clearance sale . 12c
- 10c percale, clearance sale . 8½c
- 10c gingham, clearance sale . 8½c
- 10c cheviots, clearance sale . 8½c
- 10c drilling, clearance sale . 8½c
- 10-4 brown sheeting, . . . 25c
- 9-4 brown sheeting 22c

Blankets and Quilts

- LARGE VARIETY OF CHOICE GOODS.
- \$7.00 values, clearance sale . \$5.75
 - \$6.50 values, clearance sale . \$5.15
 - \$5.50 values, clearance sale . \$4.35
 - \$5.00 values, clearance sale . \$3.85
 - \$3.50 values, clearance sale . \$2.95
 - \$2.50 values, clearance sale . \$1.90
 - \$1.75 values, clearance sale . \$1.45
 - \$1.50 values, clearance sale . \$1.23
 - \$1.25 values, clearance sale . . 95c
 - \$1.00 values, clearance sale . . 70c
 - 50c values, clearance sale . . . 35c

Fur scarfs and muffs at One-half Price

Ladies' Sweaters

- Values \$3.50 to \$9.00 at the extreme clearance sale price \$1.95
- \$2.50 sweaters, clearance sale \$1.50
- \$1.50 sweaters, clearance sale 75c

Absolute Clearance on Ladies' Coats and Suits

- \$15 values, clearance sale - \$9.00
- \$12.50 values, clearance sale - \$7.50
- \$10 values, clearance sale - \$6.25
- \$9 values, clearance sale - \$5.65
- \$7.50 values, clearance sale - \$4.15
- \$5 values, clearance sale - \$3.15
- \$4 values, clearance sale - \$2.65
- \$2.50 values, clearance sale - \$1.90



Shetland Floss

- Shetland floss, regular price \$1.50, clearance sale per box . . . \$1.20
- Eiderdown Yarn, regular price \$2.00, clearance sale price per box . . . \$1.60

Ladies' House Dresses

Why sew when you can buy these practical dresses so cheap



- \$2.00 values, clearance sale \$1.58
- \$1.50 values, clearance sale \$1.20
- \$1.25 values, clearance sale 98c
- \$1.00 values, clearance sale 85c

Clearance Sale Prices on Corsets

- \$5.00 Warner corsets, clearance sale - - - \$3.90
- \$3.00 Warner corsets, clearance sale - - - \$2.40
- \$2.00 Warner corsets, clearance sale - - - \$1.55
- \$1.75 Warner corsets, clearance sale - - - \$1.45
- \$1.50 Warner corsets, clearance sale - - - \$1.23
- \$1.25 Warner corsets, clearance sale - - - \$1.05
- \$1.00 Warner corsets, clearance sale - - - 89c
- 50c Warner corset, clearance sale - - - 43c

Ladies' Underwear at a Great Saving

- \$1.50 values, clearance sale, - - - - - \$1.20
- \$1.25 values, clearance sale, - - - - - 95c
- \$1.00 values, clearance sale - - - - - 85c
- 75c values, clearance sale - - - - - 63c
- 50c values, clearance sale - - - - - 43c
- 25c values, clearance sale - - - - - 21c

Dress Goods at Clearance Sale Prices

- \$2.00 and \$2.25 values, clearance sale - - \$1.55
- \$1.50 values, clearance sale - - - - - \$1.20
- \$1.25 values, clearance sale - - - - - 95c
- \$1.00 values, clearance sale - - - - - 85c
- 85c values, clearance sale - - - - - 57c
- 50c values, clearance sale - - - - - 41c
- 35c values, clearance sale - - - - - 27c
- 25c values, clearance sale - - - - - 19c
- 20c values, clearance sale - - - - - 16c
- 12 1-2c values, clearance sale - - - - - 9 1-2c
- 10c values, clearance sale - - - - - 8 1-2c

Trunks and Bags at Big Reductions

- \$17.50 values, clearance sale \$13.25
- \$15.00 values, clearance sale \$11.95
- \$12.50 values, clearance sale \$9.90
- \$10.00 values, clearance sale \$7.85
- \$8.50 values, clearance sale \$6.90
- \$7.50 values, clearance sale \$6.35
- \$5.00 values, clearance sale \$3.98
- \$3.50 values, clearance sale \$2.90
- \$2.50 values, clearance sale \$1.98
- \$2.00 values, clearance sale \$1.58
- \$1.75 values, clearance sale \$1.45
- \$1.50 values, clearance sale \$1.20
- \$1.25 values, clearance sale 98c
- \$1.00 values, clearance sale 79c

Men's and Ladies' Raincoats at Sale Prices

- \$6.00 raincoats, clearance sale \$4.95
- \$5.00 raincoats, clearance sale \$4.15
- \$4.00 raincoats, clearance sale \$3.35

A Screaming Fire

10c Bleached Domestic, best quality, Sa
Forty bolts go at this price

No Goods Charged at Sale Prices

Ladies' Purses Reduced

- \$5.00 ladies' purses, clearance sale \$3.98
- \$3.50 ladies' purses, clearance sale \$2.75
- \$2.50 ladies' purses, clearance sale \$1.85
- \$1.50 ladies' purses, clearance sale \$1.15
- \$1.25 ladies' purses, clearance sale 98c

Ladies' Gloves at Clearance Prices

- \$2.00 ladies' gloves, clearance sale \$1.55
- \$1.75 ladies' gloves, clearance sale \$1.45
- \$1.50 ladies' gloves, clearance sale \$1.27
- \$1.25 ladies' gloves, clearance sale \$1.05
- \$1.00 ladies' gloves, clearance sale 79c
- 75c ladies' gloves, clearance sale 55c
- 50c ladies' gloves, clearance sale 43c
- 25c ladies' gloves, clearance sale 19c

Misses' and Children's Union Suits

- 50c values, clearance sale 39c
- 35c values, clearance sale 27c
- 25c values, clearance sale 19c

Children's Drawers and Shirts

- One lot children's drawers and shirts, 25c values 19c

Table Linens Reduced

- \$1.75 values, clearance sale \$1.48
- \$1.50 values, clearance sale \$1.23
- \$1.25 values, clearance sale \$1.05
- \$1.00 values, clearance sale 85c
- 75c values, clearance sale 57c
- 50c values, clearance sale 43c

No telephone or mail orders filled on Domestic at 6c or Gingham at 6 1-2c

The success of our sales is due to the fact that we advise to forehanded buyers is: anticipate you will be higher, colors will be less reliable.

EXTRA---Special for Thursday

Very best 10c Gingham, fifty pieces, the year

Ballinger Dry

Ballinger, Texas

Men's P

Woolens, Corduroy

- \$6.00 and \$6.50 values, clearance sale \$4.50
- \$5.00 values, clearance sale \$3.50
- \$4.50 values, clearance sale \$3.00
- \$4.00 values, clearance sale \$2.50
- \$3.50 values, clearance sale \$2.00
- \$3.50 values, clearance sale \$2.50
- \$2.50 values, clearance sale \$1.75
- \$1.75 values, clearance sale \$1.50
- \$1.50 values, clearance sale \$1.25

Boy's S

- \$15.00; \$12.50 and \$10.00 values, clearance sale the extremely low price
- \$7.50 and \$8.50 suits, clearance sale \$5.00
- \$6.00 and \$6.50 suits, clearance sale \$4.00
- \$5.00 suits, clearance sale \$4.00
- \$4.00 suits, clearance sale \$3.00

Men's and Boys' Wear

- \$2.00 values, clearance sale \$1.50
- \$1.50 values, clearance sale \$1.25
- \$1.25 values, clearance sale \$1.00
- \$1.00 values, clearance sale 75c
- 75c values, clearance sale 50c
- 50c values, clearance sale 25c
- 25c values, clearance sale 19c

MEN'S ODD

Men's odd vests, clearance sale each

WINTER CLEARANCE SALE

That nearly every thing in dry goods line from brass pins to suits of clothes has advanced from 10 to 35 per cent. We dare to put on sale our entire stock of fall and winter goods and also a number of staples at most radical prices before the winter is half gone to make room for our large spring and summer purchases.

Opens Monday, January 15 and Closes Saturday, January 22

Monday Day Special

Tuesday only, the yard - - - **6c**
Come early.

Knives

- Whip Cord . . . \$4.95
- Price sale \$4.15
- Price sale \$3.75
- Price sale \$3.35
- Price sale \$2.85
- Price sale \$2.35
- Price sale \$1.98
- Price sale \$1.45
- Price sale \$1.23
- Price sale 98c

Laces and Embroideries on Sale

- 5c values, clearance sale 3 1-2c
- 6 1-4 and 7 1-2c values, clearance sale 5c
- 8 1-2c values, clearance sale 7c
- 10c values, clearance sale 7c
- 12 1-2c values, clearance sale 10c
- 15c values, clearance sale 11c
- 25c values, clearance sale 19c
- 50c values, clearance sale 39c
- 75c values, clearance sale 55c
- \$1.00 values, clearance sale 79c
- \$1.50 values, clearance sale \$1.20
- \$2.00 values, clearance sale \$1.55

Notions

- 25c Shinola sets, clearance sale 20c
- 25c Williams talcum powder, clearance sale 19c
- \$1.00 window shades, clearance sale 75c
- 60c window shades, clearance sale 48c
- 35c window shades, clearance sale 27c
- 35c rubber heels, clearance sale 25c
- 10c braids, clearance sale 8c
- \$1.00 knit caps, clearance sale 35c
- \$2.00 ladies' vests, clearance sale 48c
- 25c Shaving mirrors, clearance sale 19c

Children's Dresses

- \$1.25 children's dresses, clearance sale 95c
- 65c children's dresses, clearance sale 48c

Middy Blouses

- \$1.00 middies, clearance sale 85c
- 50c middies, clearance sale 35c

Overgaiters

- 75c values, clearance sale 48c
- 35c values, clearance sale 27c

Extra Dress Goods Special

Consisting of linens, poplins, Scotch plaids, printed crepes, etc., values 25c, 35c and 50c, about 30 pieces on one table, choice the yard **15c**

Sale Prices are CASH

VESTS
Clearance **25c**

But we are not afraid to offer real bargains. Our customers want for some time to come. Goods will

Thursday, January 20th.

6 1-2c

W. G. Goods Co.
"Quality First"

Men's Suits and Overcoats



The high prices on woolsens and dyes makes them worth 25 per cent more than what we bought them at, but we don't want to carry them over to next season.

- \$25.00 and \$22.50 values - - - \$16.95
- \$20.00 values - - - \$14.85
- \$17.50 and \$18.00 values - - - \$12.95
- \$15.00 values, clearance price - - - \$11.65
- \$12.50 values, clearance price - - - \$9.65
- \$10.00 values, clearance price - - - \$7.75

Men's Shirts

Including Wool and Soft Shirts

- \$3.00 values, clearance sale - - - \$2.25
- \$2.50 values, clearance sale - - - \$1.98
- \$2.00 values, clearance sale - - - \$1.59
- \$1.75 values, clearance sale - - - \$1.45
- \$1.50 values, clearance sale - - - \$1.23
- \$1.25 values, clearance sale - - - 98c
- \$1.00 values, clearance sale - - - 79c
- 75c values, clearance sale - - - 48c
- 50c values, clearance sale - - - 44c

For men who wear from 32 to 36 size. 50 suits, values \$18.00 to \$30.00, Kirschbaum make, all-wool. At the extremely low price

\$9.95

Boy's Pants

- \$3.00 values, clearance sale - - - \$2.20
- \$2.50 values, clearance sale - - - \$1.98
- \$2.00 values, clearance sale - - - \$1.49
- \$1.75 values, clearance sale - - - \$1.38
- \$1.50 values, clearance sale - - - \$1.25
- \$1.25 values, clearance sale - - - 98c
- \$1.00 values, clearance sale - - - 73c
- 75c values, clearance sale - - - 60c

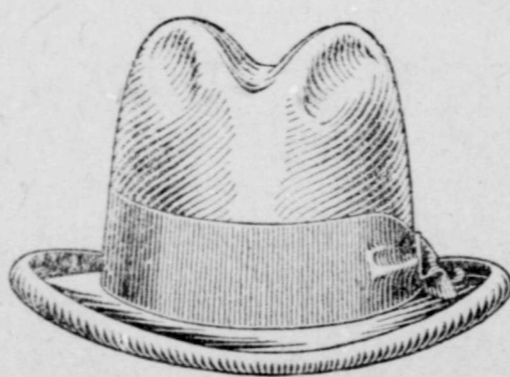
Men's and Boy's Sweaters

- \$4.00 values, clearance sale - - - \$3.15
- \$3.50 values, clearance sale - - - \$2.90
- \$2.50 values, clearance sale - - - \$1.98
- \$1.50 values, clearance sale - - - \$1.23
- \$1.25 values, clearance sale - - - 98c

One table men's hats, values up to \$3.50, to close at only **\$1.00**

Men's Hats Greatly Reduced

- \$7.50 Stetson Hats, clearance sale 66.25
- \$5.00 Stetson Hats, clearance sale 44.15
- \$4.00 Stetson Hats, clearance sale 33.45
- \$3.00 values, clearance sale 2.45
- \$1.50 values, clearance sale 1.15
- \$1.25 values, clearance sale 1.05



Shoes at Clearance Sale Prices

Shoes are going up all the time and will be higher, anticipate your wants at these low prices.

- \$6.50 and \$7.00 Strong and Garfield shoes, clearance sale - - \$5.65
- \$5.00 Regal shoes, - - \$4.25
- \$4.50 Regal shoes - - \$3.85
- \$4.00 Regal shoes - - \$3.35
- \$3.50 Regal shoes - - \$3.15
- \$3.00 shoes - - \$2.55

Ladies' Shoes

- \$4.50 and \$5.00 Red Cross shoes at - - \$3.75
- \$4.00 Red Cross shoes - \$3.35
- \$3.50 Red Cross shoes - \$2.85
- \$3.00 shoes at - - \$2.40
- \$2.50 shoes clearance sale - - \$2.15
- \$2.00 shoes, clearance sale \$1.67
- \$1.75 shoes, clearance sale \$1.45
- \$1.50 shoes, clearance sale \$1.23



Children's Shoes

- \$3.00 shoes, clearance sale \$2.45
- \$2.75 shoes, clearance sale \$2.30
- \$2.50 shoes, clearance sale \$2.15
- \$2.25 shoes, clearance sale \$1.85
- \$2.00 shoes, clearance sale \$1.67
- \$1.75 shoes, clearance sale \$1.45
- \$1.50 shoes, clearance sale \$1.23
- \$1.25 shoes, clearance sale \$1.05
- \$1.00 shoes, clearance sale 85c
- 75c shoes, clearance sale 63c
- 50c shoes, clearance sale 43c

Broken lots and odd pairs at a fraction of real worth.

One table ladies shoes, values up to \$5.00 choice - - \$1.98

Men's and Boy's Caps

- \$1.50 caps, clearance sale \$1.15
- \$1.00 caps, clearance sale 75c
- 75c caps, clearance sale 48c
- 50c caps, clearance sale 43c
- 35c caps, clearance sale 27c
- 25c caps, clearance sale 18c

Boy's Hats and Caps

One lot caps and boy's hats, values up to \$1.50, to close at **25c**

Ballinger Placed in the Eyes of Over One Million People

More than 200 Papers Comment on the Prosperity Edition of The Daily Ledger and The Banner-Ledger. 72 Page Country Paper Attracts Attention Wherever Received. Big Boost for Ballinger.

Figuring on a basis of 5000 readers to the paper, which is, on average, and with more than 200 hundred papers commenting on Ballinger's Prosperity Edition of The Ledger, one million people have learned indirectly something of the town and this country.

Notwithstanding that our egotism is bubbling to the overflow point, space forbids the reproduction of all the comments made, and we are only giving below a few of the many bouquets passed our way.

Frequent call for copies of the paper from manufacturers, and wholesalers and individuals in the Northern and Eastern cities, show that Ballinger has received an extensive class of advertising that it could not have received otherwise, and a class of advertising that money can not buy.

We appreciate fully the compliments from our brother editors, and from the public in general, and we regret that we can not give space to all the nice things said, but it would require this entire paper, and then some.

The Ballinger Ledger's Prosperity Edition consisted of sixty-four pages and proves beyond doubt that times are good in that section of the west. This information is further verified by the statement that the people of Rannels County have bought an automobile for every day of the year, and then some. The banks of that county have two million dollars deposits and one million in cash, one hundred dollars per capita for the county. The edition is illustrated with many interesting pictures and illuminated with good display and press work. We desire to extend congratulations to A. W. Sledge, the editor, C. P. Shepherd, business manager, the office force and those who assisted in compiling the edition. It is very good, indeed.—Temple Telegram.

The American is pleased to acknowledge receipt of the Prosperity Edition of the Ballinger Daily Ledger. It consists of sixty-four pages devoted to entertaining news, writeups and handsome illustrations of many improvements and industries in the prosperous field in which it is published. Those who have opportunity to read the edition will find in its pages evidence of the prosperity of the city of Ballinger, Rannels County and contiguous territory, which is among the richest agricultural section of Texas. The edition illustrates that creditable achievement in modern newspaper making is not confined to city offices, but it also attained in county offices as well. We congratulate the officers and employees of the Ballinger Printing Company upon the general excellence of the Ledger's prosperity edition.—Austin American.

The Ballinger Banner-Ledger on Friday, December 17, appeared with a splendid prosperity edition of seventy-two pages, devoted to the interests of Ballinger and Rannels county. Some idea of the prosperity which is evidently flourishing in Rannels County just now may be gathered from the record of seven banks in that county which have an aggregate capital of half a million with two million dollars in deposits—\$100 for each man, woman and child of Rannels County. It will not cause much surprise then to learn that an automobile license was issued every day in the present year.—Galveston Tribune.

As dependable reflectors, the special Christmas editions of Texas newspapers mirrored conditions in their respective territories and in such form as to indicate that prosperity has been distributed and diffused throughout the State to a degree unprecedented.

In content, quality and general excellence these specials were of exceptional worth, in themselves the highest tribute to the ability of their several makers. The sixty-four page edition of the Ballinger Ledger, one of the most notable season specials, was a convincing sample of the quality of Texas newspaper making. Others of equal attractiveness, a half score and more, might be mentioned as corroborative evidence that the Texas press is getting its share of that substan-

tial prosperity which it has helped to make.—Dallas Evening Journal.

The prosperity edition of the Ballinger Daily Ledger contains sixty-four pages, and is a splendid advertisement for Ballinger and Rannels county. The paper is far more than large in size. It is carefully edited and well illustrated, and is calculated to make folks take notice of that splendid section of the state. The people of Ballinger have reason to appreciate the enterprise of Editor A. W. Sledge and Business Manager C. P. Shepherd.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

A. W. Sledge a prominent member of the Texas Press association, a well known commercial secretary and editor-general of the Banner-Ledger, Ballinger, is the daddy of the greatest small town paper ever issued in Texas, as far as the Echo editor can remember back. The "Prosperity Edition" of the Banner-Ledger carried 72 pages. There was a plenty of news matter to make the great advertising patronage look well.—Richardson Echo.

The prosperity edition of the Ballinger Daily Ledger was about the best thing of the kind this office has ever seen. There were 64 6-column-pages of the issue, and it covered everything that is done and produced in that prosperous section of the state. It boasts that there are \$100 on deposit in the banks of the county for every individual inhabitant, and that is only about \$25 per capita better than this county has. As a general thing this writer is not a believer in special editions, but this one has almost convinced us that sometimes they may do good.—Lampasas Leader.

The Daily Ledger of Ballinger, Rannels county, comes to our desk 64 pages strong. If you thought that Ballinger was some little country town, you would be better educated when you read this Prosperity Edition.

One feature worthy of note is that the business men of the town showed their appreciation of the fact that special editions are for the advertisement of the entire town and county, and cannot possibly be issued without support. No newspaper office can afford such booster editions without liberal support and encouragement. One store took an entire section of eight pages to advertise their business. This was the Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Company and shows why they have fourteen big stores. They know the value of advertising. Ballinger is twice as much on the map as she was before.—The Garland News.

The Ballinger Daily Ledger came to the Picayune's exchange last week in a "Prosperity Edition" form, and so apparent was it that the paper had emanated from a prosperous section that the title was unnecessary. There were sixty-four pages in the edition, and we presume it will be a long, long time before any other small town daily will think, even of attempting to surpass that edition in number of pages, in make-up, in quality and quantity of advertising and news stories. Ballinger and the Ledger have set a mark to shoot at with other towns and papers that will, in our opinion, stand for a long time, unless progressive Ballinger and Editor Sledge decide to eclipse the record next year, and with a favorable season they will just about do it.—Beeville Picayune.

The mammoth "Prosperity Edition" of the Daily Ledger of Ballinger, Texas, reached our exchange table Monday morning, so large that the postmaster made a special trip to deliver it to us. The edition contained sixty-four pages of interesting history of Ballinger and Rannels county and advertising galore. Indeed it is the best special edition we have received this season and we have received many. In the edition it portrays the likeness of the Ledger force and we readily recognize one of the number as Editor Sledge. This gentleman is a news paper man of the first type and was largely instrumental in this great venture. The force, as we may judge, is capable of turning out even greater results and in

all it is a credit to any man's town. Success to you brethren.—Memphis Democrat.

The finest specimen of special editions we have seen in a long time came to hand this week. It was the "Prosperity Edition" of the Ballinger Ledger, of which publication A. W. Sledge is the guiding spirit. Editor Sledge spared neither time nor talent nor money in the production of this "Prosperity" number of his excellent paper, and his business people rallied to his support in a manner as unusual as was the occasion. The paper was a beauty from a mechanical standpoint, and along altogether different lines from any we have yet seen. It consisted of 64 pages. The text was a splendid presentation of the merits of West Texas. Rannels county and Ballinger. Altogether, it was one of the best efforts that has yet been made in Texas.—Rockdale Reporter.

The Ballinger Daily Ledger comes to The Transcript exchange table with a holiday edition, an issue of sixty-four pages. The appreciation of the business men of Ballinger is shown in the splendid advertising patronage bestowed. Full of interesting reading matter in addition to the "store

industrial edition we have ever seen published by a country office, is before us this week—a 64-page edition of the Ballinger Daily Ledger. The issue is profusely illustrated and contains page after page of advertising and reading matter, which gives one a most favorable impression of Ballinger and its future.—The Pearsall Leader.

Among the holiday editions received on our exchange table this week are two that stand out ahead, the Temple Mirror and the Ballinger Ledger. Both papers are well gotten up and show evidence of prosperity. The Ledger consisted of sixty-two pages, and the Mirror had so many we could not count 'em, and they were both so full of good stuff that we almost sat up all night to read them—but we didn't. They were beautiful, both of them.—Honey Grove Citizen.

We are in receipt of the big 64-page industrial and Christmas edition of the Ballinger Daily Ledger. It is a splendid piece of work and reflects much credit upon the public spiritedness and business thrift of that city.—Kerville Advance.

It is not usual for a daily paper

in a small town to get out an issue that will rank along the class with metropolitan dailies, but the at Ballinger, Texas, by Sledge & of which any town might be proud, but in their achievement last week they displayed enterprise that is scarce equalled and impossible to excel. The edition shows great care in the compilation of prosperity statistics and such other information of benefit and value to the county and to the citizens, as well as the readers-at-large. It shows care in the arrangement, care in the printing, and last, but not most important of all, it shows the appreciation of the merchants of Ballinger in the liberal patronage accorded.—Brady Standard.

The Ballinger Banner-Ledger last week issued a monster 72-page Prosperity Edition, which reflected much credit on the management, office force and the business men of that little city. Among the advertisers we note that of W. A. Nance, who formerly was in business here. He is conducting a garage there and is doing a nice business. The entire 72-pages are replete with excellent halftone pictures of Ballinger and Rannels county.—Hico News-Review.

ed and whose possibilities for further growth are immeasurable.—Denison Daily Herald.

On the Record exchange table are highly creditable Christmas editions of the following publications: Ballinger Banner-Ledger, Dublin Progress, Temple Mirror, Llano Searchlight, Kingsville Record, Gilmer Mirror, Sulphur Springs Gazette, Cuero Record, Cisco Round-Up, and other possibly a trifle less noticeable, but nevertheless speaking volumes for the progress and development of the section of the country in which they were published and the enterprise of the publishers.—Hamilton Herald.

The Ballinger Banner-Ledger, which is at all times a good paper, issued last week one of the finest special editions it has ever been our pleasure to inspect. The weekly edition contained 72-pages, while the daily issue contained sixty-four pages, all filled with valuable information concerning Ballinger and Rannels county together with local views and business announcements. Not only did the paper demonstrate the enterprise and progressiveness of its management, but it proved that Ballinger is indeed and in truth one of the most enterprising cities in Texas. The paper is a credit to its publishers and will be of lasting benefit to that splendid town.—Goldthwaite Eagle.

The Banner is in receipt of a fine big special of the Ballinger Ledger. It is made up of only 64 pages and it is a huge mass of reading material, facts, figures, news, history and advertising. The Ledger can lay claim to a splendid support on the part of its people. The big edition is a very worthy one and should be profitable to the owners and the little city.—Greenville Evening Banner.

The Ballinger Leader on December 17th issued a prosperity edition consisting of sixty-four pages, all filled with local stories of Ballinger and Rannels county. Filled with reproductions from photographs taken in and around Ballinger, the issue was a credit to the city, as well as the management of the paper. Practically every business house in Ballinger was represented in the advertising section.—Brenham Daily Banner.

These papers have received so many elaborately and handsomely gotten up "Christmas editions" and special editions of the various papers over the state, that it will be impossible to take note of each. It will probably be sufficient to say that there has not been a single one reaching this office which would not reflect credit upon its town and the editors and publishers. Right here we wish to say that it is our opinion that there is no state in the union which has a more capable, progressive and enterprising press than does Texas, and we are proud and consider ourselves fortunate to be located in a territory, where newspapers are so high classed, as those found in grand old Texas. Two editions are worthy of special mention however, because of their great volume of historical newsmatter and the exposition of the great resources pertaining to their particular sections. These are the Cameron Herald and the Ballinger Daily Ledger. The former come to us in 56 pages, while the latter almost equalled the recent edition of this paper of 76 pages, it having a total of 64, all well filled with attractive ads, and overflowing with news matter. The Cameron Herald is published in a town of about six thousand people while Ballinger we assume is something the same size as Cameron. Both are very creditable and are journalistic efforts worthy of the greatest praise.—McKinney Daily Courier-Gazette.

We have just received a copy of the Prosperity Edition of The Daily Ledger of Ballinger. It contains 64 pages and is chock full of interesting things about Ballinger and Rannels County. It is well gotten up and is worth reading. Any one interested in that section will do well to send

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HIGGINBOTHAM-CURRIE-WILLIAMS CO



Nine full pages of advertising in one issue by one advertiser is surely going strong. The house that took this plunge is the Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Company, of Ballinger, Texas, and the occasion was the "Prosperity Edition" of the local newspaper, The Daily Ledger. The opening page of this advertisement is really a strong, convincing editorial of the policies of the concern, others are devoted to the attractive presentation of many kinds of merchandise carried in stock, and a big double-page spread is given over to the portraits of the various departmental managers and buyers.—THE HABERDASHER.

news," the paper reflects the prosperity that has come to the thriving city of Ballinger and speaks much for the hustling qualities and indomitable enterprise of the managers of the Ledger, the men "behind the gun." The paper is a credit to the office sending it out and would be to a paper much larger than the Ledger.—Terrell Daily Transcript.

The Ballinger Banner-Ledger comes to our desk this week a seventy-two page Prosperity Edition, and certainly looks like prosperity. The issue is nicely gotten up with prosperity borders around each page, and the subject matter grouped into sections—news, financial, clubs and lodges, automobiles, rural schools, churches, and miscellaneous. Each section is complete within itself, and gives a world of information belonging therein. The entire edition is interspersed with good looking advertisements from the enterprising merchants of Ballinger and points drawing trade from that section. The publishers are to be congratulated upon the success of such a huge undertaking as the issue presents.—The Bowie Blade.

About the biggest and neatest

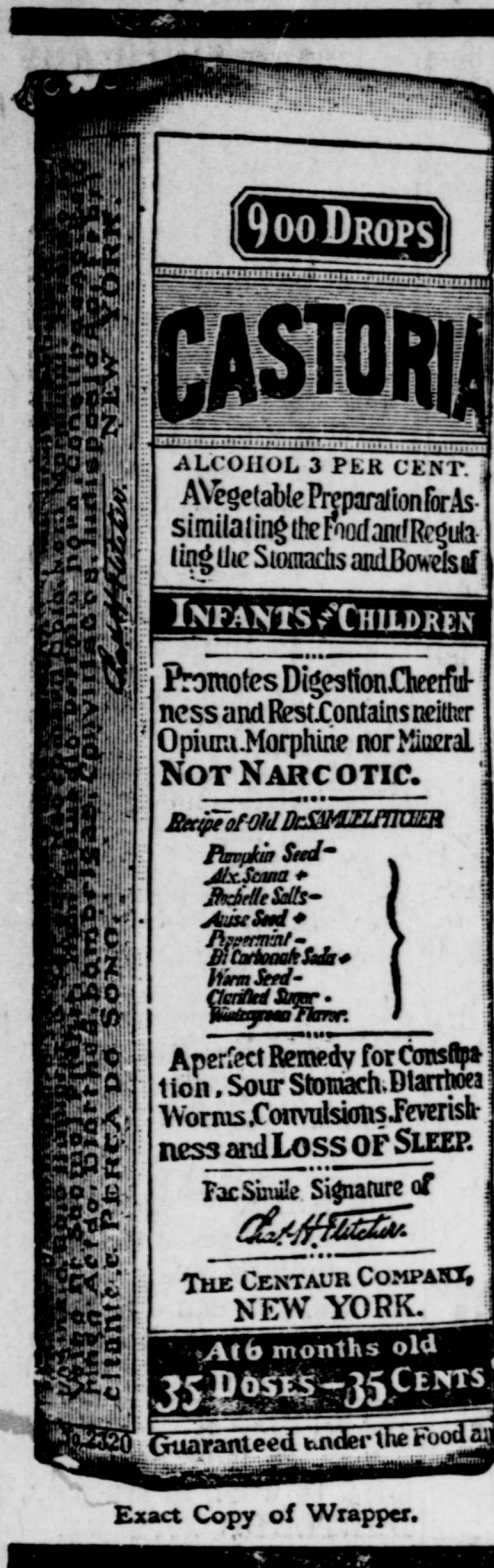
Ballinger Daily Ledger published Shepherd has done it. Those western hustlers put out a 64-page paper last week. They call it their "Prosperity Edition" and they have covered every line of industry in Rannels county and have compiled a complete history of current effort and achievement in the town and county. Their business men have contributed liberally in advertising; the publication is highly creditable to publishers and people.—Snyder Signal.

The Ballinger Banner-Ledger is grown big with its seventy-two pages of special matter of its town and county, and is a most creditable edition. It remains one of the former boom days of West Texas, and if that country keeps on prospering soon Ballinger will be its former self, and wear good clothes all the time.—Cameron Enterprise.

Among the wonderful papers that have come to our desk during the present season none surpasses the 64-page Prosperity Edition of the Daily Ledger of Ballinger, Rannels County, Texas. Editor A. W. Sledge and Business Manager C. P. Shepherd have all ways given Ballinger a newspaper

Among the big Christmas editions of the Texas papers coming to our notice is the Dec. 17 "Prosperity Edition" of the Ballinger Daily Ledger. It is 64-pages strong, with every evidence of proving all its name suggests for that section of Texas. Ballinger Rannels county, and the Ledger management are capably represented in the splendid medium employed and should reap rich results from such good advertising.—Mart Herald.

The Herald has received quite a number of Christmas editions issued from the offices of its Texas exchanges, but of all noted, the Ballinger Ledger seems to have outstripped all competitors in volume, character of matter presented and for typographical arrangement. Sixty-four pages comprises the number, and it contains valuable information of, and concerning Ballinger, Rannels county, and West Texas generally. The Herald congratulates its publisher, Mr. Sledge, upon the enterprise exhibited in presenting it to its readers and to the business men of its town such valuable evidence of its ability to render aid and assistance in the advancement and development of the section in which it is publish-



CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of J. C. Hathorn In Use For Over Thirty Years CASTORIA

are deserving of special mention. Especially worthy, however, is the Prosperity Edition of the Ballinger Daily Ledger, issued last Saturday. This edition consisted of sixty-four pages, and every page is filled with interesting advertising and descriptive reading matter. There are dozens of cuts showing scenes in Ballinger and Runnels county, and none of the many industries which are insuring the prosperity of the city and county were neglected when the special edition was compiled.

Too many newspapers regard the publication of a special edition as simply a scheme to make money for publisher. This idea must not be entirely lost to sight, because the newspaper is a business institution; but in publishing their special edition the managers of the Ballinger Ledger have spent a large share of their profits in buying cuts and in securing special articles which make the paper a splendid advertisement for the town and county. Our hats are off to them.—Brownwood Bulletin.

The 64-page Prosperity Edition of the Ballinger Ledger is at hand—a creditable showing of which both Editor Sledge and Business Manager Shepherd may well feel proud and at which the business interests of Ballinger and Runnels County should feel gratified. It is chock full of interesting reading matter and well displayed advertising and it will give the outsider a good idea of the business importance of Ballinger and Runnels county.—Denton Chronicle.

The Prosperity Edition just put out by the Ballinger Ledger, at Ballinger, Texas, is one of the neatest and up-to-the-minute editions that has reached this office in some time. With clever cover pages and carrying as it does the virtual story of what can be found in and around Runnels county, it is well worthy of a place among the worth while special editions that have been published in the state of Texas.—Texarkana Four States Press.

A copy of the "Prosperity Edition" of the Ballinger Ledger was found among our exchanges last week and it was a dandy. It contained 72 well filled pages all of which spoke for the prosperity of Runnels county. The News Editor was at one time on the Ledger force and still has great interest in the prosperity of Runnels county.—Big Lake News.

Congratulations to The Ballinger Ledger upon its achievement in issuing a 72-page prosperity edition. The issue was a winner.—Coleman Democrat.

The Ballinger Daily Ledger sprang a sixty-four page "Prosperity Edition" on its readers Friday. From the patronage the edition received it looks as though prosperity in the Ballinger country was no joke.—Waco Times-Herald.

The best special edition of any paper ever reaching the Enterprise office was the Prosperity Edition of the Ballinger Banner-Ledger which was issued just before Christmas. The edition was a credit to Ballinger and gave that town some advertising that will do good for many months. Ballinger should congratulate herself on her newspaper all the time and especially does this special edition show just what the boys who make the Banner-Ledger and the Daily Ledger can do when the citizenship of the town gets behind them with their money and encouragement and says "go ahead." Our copy has been filed away among others and takes its place at the head of the list.—Winters Enterprise.

The Ballinger Ledger came out last week with a 64-page issue called the Prosperity Edition. It is a wonderful accomplishment for a paper in a town no larger than Ballinger. Of course Ballinger is a good town, but is not so large as Dallas, or Saint Louis, and to see the enterprise manifested both by the Ledger and the business men of Ballinger as is shown in this edition of the Ledger in printing 64 pages of good live reading matter and mostly home advertisements, we say it is wonderful. Hurrah for the Ledger and for Ballinger.—Concho Herald.

The sixty-four page Prosperity Edition of the Ballinger Daily Ledger is on our desk. Although a little late with our comments, we wish to remark that it is the very best publication ever issued in Runnels county. In fact, it is the

healthiest edition published in West Texas in several years. Congratulations to Sledge and Shepherd.—San Angelo Standard.

The following exchanges issued extra creditable Christmas editions the past week: The Snyder Signal, 46 pages; The Daily Ledger, Ballinger, 64 pages; The Venus Express and Milford Weekly News, 16 pages each.—The Ferris Wheel.

The weeklies from neighboring towns come to us filled to the brim with generous Christmas ads and the ten page edition is the regular thing. However, the Banner-Ledger of Ballinger looms above all with its mammoth seventy-two page "Prosperity Special." The edition is filled with cuts of the various buildings and shows us an enterprising town filled with live merchants. Ballinger has but one newspaper plant and consequently that is a dandy. About a year ago at the instigation of its merchants upon whom the burden of supporting two papers fell, the two papers were consolidated into one and the results have been more than satisfactory not only to the merchants but to the community as well. San Angelo wits its famous Standard, Coleman with its Democrat-Voice show the advantages of one prosperous paper to a town instead of two which are merely existing. Mason, too has tried out the two paper idea and found it unsatisfactory as well as a burden.—Menard Messenger.

An article elsewhere speaks of the splendid editions, holiday expressions, that Texas papers are issuing just now. They are one and all a credit to the craft, but it is our pleasure and privilege to remark that for especial excellence this trio stand right up at the head: the Cameron Herald of December 18th with 56 pages and the Ballinger Banner-Ledger of the 17th with its 72 pages, with illustrations galore and reading matter first-class. Then on Sunday, December 19th, to complete the trio, came the Fort Worth Record, with its one hundred pages of reading, pictures and "ads." The people of the three cities have good reason to be proud of these papers. The fruitage will be great and of rich quality.—Waco Tribune.

The 74-page special Christmas Prosperity edition of the Ballinger Daily Ledger. Editor Sledge's fine paper, was worth a great deal more to Ballinger and to Runnels county than it was to the owners. Some newspaper men quit work entirely during the Christmas season, and some work themselves to a frazzle so they never look like anything again until the June meeting of the Texas Press Association. We used to belong to the latter class. But now we prefer getting odd jobs from the neighbors cutting wood, bringing in coal and attending to the chores, etc. If you give us our choice of getting out a special edition of our paper or fighting a bear, we'd promptly say: "Show us the bear!"—Ozona Stockman.

The 64-page Prosperity Edition of the Daily Ledger has just reached us and we wish to compliment you on its size and general appearance. This is one of the most complete special editions we have ever had the pleasure of going over and we are glad to see that you are receiving the support of the merchants and business men of your city. We intend to make mention of this edition in the next issue of our house organ, The Linotype South.

Yours very truly, MERGENTHALER LINOTYPE COMPANY, Fred W. Bott, Manager.

Winters Enterprise: The best special edition of any paper ever reaching the Enterprise office was the Prosperity Edition of the Ballinger Banner-Ledger, which was issued just before Christmas.

State Press did not see the special Banner-Ledger edition, but so many compliments to it have appeared in the Texas papers he is giving the Ballinger contemporary the benefit of his free ad.—State Press in Dallas News.

The Gist of It. "Last December I had a very severe cold and was nearly sick in bed. I bought two bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it was only a very few days until I was completely restored to health," writes O. J. McCall. Weatherly, Mo. If you would know the value of this remedy, ask any one who has used it. Obtainable everywhere.

WEST TEXAS MUSIC HOUSE 26 YEARS OLD

It is unusual for a man to establish a business and stay with it for twenty-six years. But it is not unusual for such "stickability" to bring success.

Twenty-six years ago George Allen engaged in the music business at San Angelo. Mr. Allen is still at the head of that business, and his business is one of the most successful in San Angelo, and he enjoys a patronage from a wide territory—perhaps his business extends over a greater territory than any other business in this section of the state, and his name is familiar in every home in this section where there are music lovers.

It is through a period of twenty-six years' honest dealings that Mr. Allen has established a music business that stands second to none. The people of this section know when they deal with Geo. Allen they will get what they order and that every instrument will be just as represented.

Mr. Allen gets behind his goods with his personal guarantee, and if he sells an instrument that he can not guarantee he tells the customer so at the time of the deal. He carries the largest stock of sheet music to be found West of Dallas, and has built up a large mail order business over this section of the state.

Mr. Allen's friends in the Ballinger territory will join The Ledger in congratulation for his twenty-six year old business.

To Cure Children's Colds.

Keep child dry, clothe comfortably, avoid exposure and give Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. It is pleasant, soothing, antiseptic, raises phlegm and reduces inflammation. The first dose gives relief, continued treatment with proper care will avoid serious illness or a long cold. Don't delay treatment. Don't let your child suffer. Get a bottle today. Insist on Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. 25c. at Druggists.

MIDWINTER MUSICAL FESTIVAL BIG EVENT

SAN ANTONIO, Jan. 14.—San Antonio is to have its first annual Midwinter Music Festival February 15, 16 and 17 at the Majestic Theatre in that city. Nowhere else in Texas will such a musical offering be made this year; in fact, no event of such proportions has ever been held in the Lone Star State. Not another city in the South or West is planning such an undertaking and but few in the North and East are to do anything bigger. In these three days, five great concerts are to be presented. The Music Festival Chorus of 250 voices. H. W. B. Barnes, conductor; the St. Louis Orchestra, Max Zach, conductor with its full home strength of eighty men (exclusive engagement in Texas at this time); and some of the best artists (both vocalists and instrumentalists) obtainable, including Metropolitan and Chicago Opera Stars and oratoria and concert singers of the highest attainments, will be featured.

Wednesday will be the all-star night, when operatic excerpts will be featured. Marcelia Craft, prima donna soprano of the Royal Opera Company, Munich, Bavaria, will sing the dramatic finale of Richard Strauss' famous opera "Salome" arranged especially for her use in concert form by the composer himself. Miss Craft pays a royalty of \$100 to Strauss every time she sings this excerpt. The orchestra will accompany her. The chorus will sing a Wagner number and a closing ensemble with orchestra and soloists.

Live Up Your Torpid Liver.

To keep your liver active use Dr. King's New Life Pills. They insure good digestion, relieve constipation, and tone up the whole system—keep your eye clear and your skin fresh and healthy looking. Only 25c at your druggist.

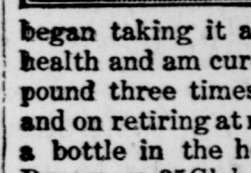
Prosperity Editions 10 cents per copy, wrapped ready for mailing.

To Drive Out Malaria And Build Up The System Take the Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. You know what you are taking, as the formula is printed on every label, showing it is Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form. The Quinine drives out malaria, the Iron builds up the system. 50 cents

WOMAN WEAK, DIZZY, NERVOUS

Health Restored by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Jamaica, N. Y.—"I suffered greatly with my head and with backache, was weak, dizzy, nervous, with hot flashes and felt very miserable, as I was irregular for two years. One day when I was feeling unusually bad my sister-in-law came in and said, 'I wish you would try Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound.' So I began taking it and I am now in good health and am cured. I took the Compound three times a day after meals, and on retiring at night. I always keep a bottle in the house."—Mrs. L. N. BURNHAM, 35 Globe Ave., Jamaica, N. Y.



Women who recover their health naturally tell others what helped them. Some write and allow their names and photographs to be published with testimonials. Many more tell their friends. If you need a medicine for Women's Ailments, try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Write Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) for anything you need to know about these troubles.

MRS. J. M. STEVENSON DEAD.

On December 26th, at 10 a. m. Mrs. J. M. Stevenson died in her home west of Goldsboro, having been sick but a few days. Brother and Sister Stevenson came to Runnels County 27 years ago and have lived in the county ever since. They had just returned from a visit to Coryell county, their old home, a short time ago.

Sister Stevenson is the daughter of Rev. F. M. Carey, an old settler of Runnels Co., her father being a Methodist preacher. She was dedicated in infancy, and in early childhood gave her heart to God and for most half a century lived an earnest christian life.

She leaves her companion, three boys, Frank, John, Carl and two girls, Bulah Edward and Mrs. Hat tie Bush to mourn her departure.

On December 25 she was talking of her father most of the day, who died years ago.—Novice News.

Mr. Stevenson is one of the pioneer citizens of this county. He has many friends in Ballinger who will join The Ledger in extending to him sympathy in the loss of his wife.

Bad Cold Quickly Broken Up.

Mrs. Martha Wilcox, Gowanda, N. Y., writes: "I first used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy about eight years ago. At that time I had a hard cold and coughed most of the time. It proved to be just what I needed. It broke up the cold in a few days, and the cough entirely disappeared. I have told many of my friends of the good I received through using this medicine, and all who have used it speak of it in the highest terms." Obtainable everywhere.

NOTICE MODERN WOODMEN.

There will be a call meeting Saturday night for the purpose of transacting important business. All members are urged to be present.

DEE OLIVER, V. C. J. L. CHASTAIN, Clerk.

Give us a chance to buy your oats and wheat. We pay top market. Missouri Milling Co. 13-3rd Stw.

We have issued the largest paper ever issued in Ballinger. The price is 10 cents, cheaper than you can buy the blank paper. Why not mail a copy to your friend back east.

County Attorney Shepherd is confined to his home today with the la grippe.



THE Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other States. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2305 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv.

BALLINGER PLACED IN THE EYES OF OVER ONE MILLION PEOPLE

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and get a copy of this edition.—Sabinal Sentinel.

Under the management of our good friend, A. W. Sledge, the Ballinger Daily Ledger issued last week a comprehensive 64-page Prosperity Edition. If Ballinger is what the Ledger portrays, then she is a peach, and the Ledger deserves all the success that she is receiving—and more.—Venus Express.

The Ballinger Banner-Ledger celebrates the 30th year of its town with a magnificent special edition accompanying its regular issue, comprising in all 172-pages. Ballinger is only about 100 miles from Comanche, but that is just difference enough to result in a tremendous difference of conditions during the last two years. The boll weevil struck Comanche county two years ago for the first time and cut its cotton crop down to a very small yield, while last year the west, from nearby to far off, raised a record breaker in both yield and acreage and another crop but little less this year. As a consequence, Ballinger is fairly smothering in wealth. We congratulate the Banner-Ledger on its enterprise, as well as its excellent excuse for it.—Comanche Vanguard.

Last Friday's issues of the Daily and Banner-Ledger, at Ballinger, were marked "Prosperity Editions," and they looked it. The Daily carried 64 pages and the Weekly 72, and both were chock full of business and other good things. Both were attractively illustrated and artistically printed and reflect credit upon the entire Ledger force, as well as the business men of Ballinger.—Santa Anna News.

Dr. Forbes & Watson Veterinary Surgeons, San Angelo, Ballinger and Coleman, Texas. E. R. Forbes, V. S. formerly State Veterinarian of Texas. T. W. Watson, V. S. formerly President State Board Veterinary Medical Examiners of Texas. Specialties—Surgery, Dentistry, Lameness and Ranch Practice, Tuberculin testing of cattle. Calls to ranches in any part of the state promptly answered. Office at The Union Wagon Yard Ballinger, Texas.

We have before us the Prosperity edition of the Ballinger Daily Ledger and its very appearance breathes its name. It's a sixty-four page epitome of what there is in Ballinger and Runnels county. As an example of the printers art it bespeaks a careful attention to detail and carries in its pages enough advertising to bring prosperity to its promoters. Summed up its a monument to the enterprise of the business men of Ballinger who made the issue possible.—Mineral Wells Index.

The Ballinger Ledger, daily and weekly and aged ten years got out an Industrial Edition of 64 pages showing both the town and county up to fine advantage. The pages are six column, standard measure and one firm takes seven pages of the 64 to tell what they have to sell. The other columns are filled with half-tones and local and editorial stuff that will be read and relished. The Ballinger Printing Company are to be congratulated upon this grand achievement.—Schulenberg Sticker.

We acknowledge receipt of the prosperity edition of the Ballinger Daily Ledger. This paper is published in eight sections, each section containing 8 pages or 64 pages in all. It is one of the best gotten up and illustrated papers it has ever been our pleasure to examine, and would be a credit to any large city or county in the great State of Texas. The people of Ballinger and Runnels county should be proud of their paper, especially the prosperity edition as it is calculated to be of great benefit to that portion of the state.—Llano Searchlight.

The Ballinger Ledger issued a 64-page booster edition last week. It was the largest paper ever issued in a town the size of Ballinger so far as our information goes. That issue of the Ballinger Ledger will be worth tens of thousands of dollars to that thriving and hustling county seat of Runnels county. In looking over this paper made the whole News Herald family want to live in Ballinger.—Italy News-Herald.

Most of the newspapers in this part of Texas issued special Christmas numbers and they were all creditable to the publishers and the towns and cities they represented. The Ballinger Ledger issued an edition of 64 pages that deserves special mention as it was one of the most attractive pieces of newspaper work we have examined in some time. The Merkel Mail also issued a fine number. Accept our hearty congratulations gentlemen.—Abilene Reporter

This is the open season for special editions of Texas newspapers. Every mail brings to the Bulletin's exchange table several splendid Christmas numbers of daily and weekly papers, which reflect optimism and prosperity throughout Texas. Many of these special editions

The Careful Man and his wife



put their money in the bank where it is safe from fire, burglars and their own temptation to spend it.

Husband and wife should both save money. What's the good for one to save and the other to spend? Just ask yourself today: "Who gets the money I earn?" Do I get it or does somebody else get it? You earned your money; it belongs to you. Keep it. Be a careful man and bank your money.

Bank With Us
...THE...
FIRST NATIONAL BANK
OF BALLINGER
"The Old Reliable"

Heurta Answers Death Call

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April 25—United States accepted offer of A. B. C. mediators to adjust crisis.

April 30.—Huerta agreed to accept A. B. C. mediation and declared armistice with Carranza pending negotiations.

May 30—Mediators assembled at Niagara Falls.

July 1—Mediators adjourned. Federals and constitutionalists expected to meet and discuss new terms.

July 3—With many military successes Carranza delayed naming peace delegates.

July 15—Huerta quit as pro-

visional president and fled to Europe.

1915—

April 12—Huerta arrived in New York from Spain. Bought home at Forest Hills, N. Y. Denied he would head new Mexican revolution.

June 18.—Huerta started for "Panama Exposition."

June 21.—Arrested by U. S. agents at Newman, Texas. Taken to El Paso and charged with violating U. S. neutrality by inciting new Mexican rebellion. Imprisoned at Fort Bliss.

When arrested at Newman, Texas, by federal officers accompanied by soldiers, General Victoriano Huerta remarked with elaborate irony: "Ah! American soldiers to greet me. That is very nice. Efficient watchful waiting."

With the passing of the grizzled, the meteoric career of Mexico's last dictator who sought to rule with a mailed fist becomes history. Across its pages are written battle, power, diplomacy, politics, wealth, women and wine. War trained, he was a staunch advocate of the doctrine of force he learned from his idol, Porfirio Diaz.

Possessing an indomitable will, ignorance of fear, physical strength and quick perception, Huerta the tyrannical and crafty, during his 17 turbulent months in the presidency nearly involved this nation and Mexico in war. Only the tolerance of the Washington administration averted disaster. His regime afforded this nation a chance to proclaim its Pan-American Policy cement-

I Buy, Sell and Trade For Most Any Old Thing.

Viols and Bicycles Repaired. Also Furniture Storage.

Jewel Cunningham
Ballinger, Texas
Next Door to Globe Store

NO ONE KNOWS

what one can do until one tries. The reason you may not have accumulated money was possibly because you did not try.

The interest we take in the success of our customers makes the trying to accumulate money easy. Just come in and get acquainted.

...The...
Farmers & Merchants State Bank
"The Bank that HELPS YOU Do Things"



Princess Theatre Thursday

ing ties of friendship with South America.

Huerta believed the best place for an enemy was the grave. He loved whiskey. Pain held no terror for him. During the Madero reign Huerta was nearly blind by a cataract over one eye.

An operation was performed without an anaesthetic. "Cut it off," he told the surgeon, and as cold bloodedly as Huerta spoke the surgeon cut. Huerta was silent and abrupt. His face was expressionless, hard, determined; his lips were tightly compressed, eyes cold, black and penetrating. Cunning and decisive a politician and diplomat of the first water, he had the cruelty of the aborigine, but no Indian loyalty. He boasted of his Indian ancestry, but Spanish blood flowed in his veins.

MRS. HATHAWAY IMPROVES

Mrs. S. P. Hathaway, who underwent an operation at the Halley & Love Sanitarium several days ago, is getting along nicely. She is able to be up and the physicians will permit her to return to her home as soon as the weather is favorable.

NEGRO BABY BURIED TODAY

The two year old negro baby that was burned to death about noon Thursday, was buried today. The child died yesterday afternoon, only living a few hours.

A negro man circulated among his white friends and raised the money to defray the burial expenses, and the child was buried in the negro section of the City Cemetery.

BARBER SHOP TO MOVE.

The north half of the building formerly occupied by N. Passur, is being fitted up for a barber shop and the Ballinger Barber Shop located in the Miller building, on the opposite side of the street will occupy the new stand.

Paul Trimmier returned home Friday at noon from a business trip east.

Mrs. John Sealy, of Goldthwaite, was the guest of Mrs. John Schooler this week, while en route to New Mexico where her family was moving.



A Thrill in Every Paragraph

That is what that most capable of all writers of railroad stories, Frank H. Spearman, has put into his latest and best work.

The Girl and the Game

A Story of Mountain Railroad Life.

It is a story of a young girl's struggle for success in the face of adversity—the revelation of Wall Street's control of America's railroad systems—the explanation of so-called "high society" with its pampered daughters, its financial trickery, its defeats and its victories. Never before has such an interesting subject been presented in a newspaper serial. You can read this remarkable story in these columns, and also see every thrilling incident pictured in movie theaters.

At The Queen Theatre

STOLEN HIS GARDEN SEED.

N. Passur says he lost the profit on a case of garden seed between noon and three o'clock this afternoon, when some one "swiped" thirty-eight packages of seed from his store. Mr. Passur says he does not enjoy being robbed in such way in broad open day light and he called on the officers to help him catch the thief.

POLL TAX PAYMENTS GRADUALLY INCREASE

In order to qualify for voting, more than fifteen hundred people in this county must pay their taxes within the remaining fourteen business days of this month, and the collector must issue an average of over one hundred receipts per day.

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