

River Crossing Here In Early Days Was Made by Ferry Boat

In the early days stage coaches, freight wagons and other vehicles crossed the Colorado River a short distance above Ballinger on a ferry boat. This boat was maintained for a number of years and early travelers experienced much trouble when rises on the river stopped traffic for days and even weeks at a time.

A regular stage line was operated between Abilene and Fort Concho and the line used the ferry at Ballinger. The regular flow of the river is said by the old timers to have been more in those days than at this time as few places were found where the stream could be forded.

Bridges were soon built to take care of travel for both railroad trains, wagons and men on horses.

The city now boasts of seven modern bridges crossing Elm Creek and the Colorado River and floods never halt traffic. One new bridge has just been opened which not only furnishes a crossing on Elm Creek but also serves as a overpass across the A. & S. railroad tracks.

In the early days wagons and stage coaches followed trails through this section where today hard surfaced highways serve as some of the most important trade arteries in the state.

SAYS BENTONITE MINERAL HAS MANY DIFFERENT USES

AUSTIN, June 23.—In discussing the uses to which bentonite mineral, of which there are two big deposits situated within twenty-five miles of San Antonio, may be put, Dr. E. H. Sellards, director of the Bureau of Economic Geology of the University of Texas, said that it is in demand for the manufacture of a medical dressing, as a retarder in the manufacture of gypsum plaster, as a filler in the manufacture of soap, as a filler in the manufacture of paper, as a harmless adulterant in drugs and candies.

"Bentonite containing sodium-potassium has been used as a base for salves and ointments," Dr. Sellards said in explaining other uses for the mineral. "Most facial beauty clays consist of alkali bentonites made into a paste with glycerin. It can also be used in massage creams. Bentonite, as a filler, binder or plastic, is a good paper filler, because it is very efficient in aiding the retention of china clay; it can be used for fillers for oilcloth, curtain cloth, linoleum, rope, and possibly for rubber. A likely important future use in Texas will be its addition to kaolin to give it the plasticity of high grade ball clay for the manufacture of pottery. Texas has deposits of very high grade china clay, but no good ball clay is known in the state.

"Bentonite used as a putty requires less linseed oil than whitening. There has been some utilization of it as a bonding agent in molding sands, especially for the high silica sands required in steel work. Its use in electrical insulation is patented. It is used by pencil manufacturers for indelible leads and crayons. It will remove oil and grease from glass and metal surfaces and can probably be used successfully in a number of kinds of cleansers.

"Alkali bentonites have proved successful and economical in actual practice on an industrial scale for de-inking old newspapers, enabling them to be recovered for use as paper. A mill when operating at the rate of 40 tons per day of de-inking newspaper stock made an average yearly saving of \$15 per ton over

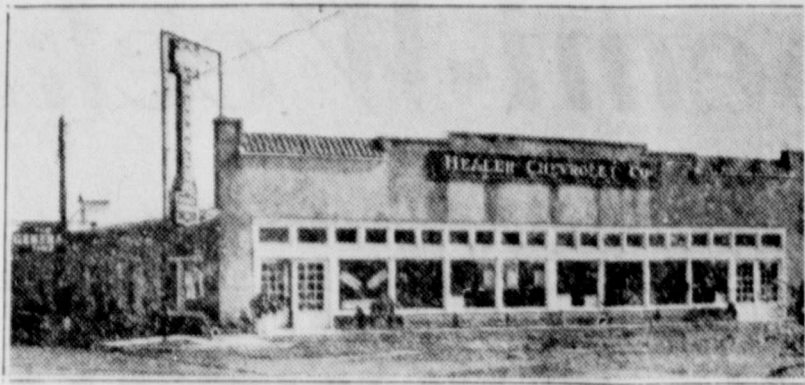
University Greatly Aided by Petroleum

AUSTIN, June 23.—During the eleven years since oil was discovered on land owned by the University of Texas in Reagan county, that institution has received a total of \$18,317,429.12 from sources directly connected with this product, according to the auditor's statement. All of this sum has been placed to the credit of the permanent fund of the university, and only the income from it is available for use, and it must be applied to the construction of buildings and improvements to the physical plant of the institution. It was in April, 1923, that the original well was completed on a block of university land in Reagan county. No great amount of interest at the time was aroused by the discovery. The development of that area since then has been along the most orderly lines of any field in Texas, and as a result of his method the production probably will continue for many years to come, according to the expressed views of petroleum engineers.

One of the most interesting features connected with oil production on lands of the university in Reagan county, is that a considerable part of it comes from a group of nine wells that are the deepest in the world, with the exception of a few that have been successfully drilled in California. These wells in Reagan county are around 9,000 feet in depth. Two more deep tests are now being drilled in the field.

Production and the low price for oil have brought about a big reduction in the monthly income of the university from royalties on costs of using ground wood pulp. About 2,500 tons per day of waste newspapers can be reclaimed by the use of bentonite. This use of bentonite, if expanded, would greatly reduce the cutting of forests for paper manufacture."

Home of Chevrolet in Ballinger



The home of the Batts Chevrolet Co. This picture was made when first constructed and was then the Healer Chevrolet Co.

production. During the flush period a few years ago the receipts from this source ran as high as \$260,000 in one month. During the first six months of this year the royalty payments have averaged approximately \$100,000 a month. The lowest amount received in any one month during the present fiscal year was \$56,451.52 in September. A total of \$98,891.85 was received last month.

KUDZU, ONCE ORNAMENTAL PLANT, NOW GOOD FORAGE

(By Associated Press) CLEMSON COLLEGE, S. C., June 23.—Kudzu, used for many years as an ornamental plant to produce shade, has been found by the Clemson College extension service to be useful as a pasture and hay plant.

Kudzu, a perennial of the legume family, is particularly adaptable to farms of the Southeast. S. L. Jeffords, extension agronomist said.

"As a forage plant," Jeffords explained, "kudzu, apparently is relished by all classes of livestock in both the green stage and the cured, or hay, stage. While it will grow on the poorest clay and sandy soils, it will produce the greatest amount of grazing and hay when planted on fertile soil. It has proved itself drought-resisting as compared with other legumes."

COMPLETE AZTEC CODEX IS ACQUIRED BY TULANE

(By Associated Press) NEW ORLEANS, June 23. Tulane University authorities possess what they assert is the only complete Aztec codex in the United States.

The codex, now on exhibit in the university museum, is a long scroll of deerskin bearing painted figures of men and women.

Four hundred years ago the Aztec nobles were told by their Spanish conquerors that those who could prove unblemished lineage for a certain number of generations would be exempt from taxation. Dr. Frans Blom, director of Tulane middle American research, said.

The Tulane codex is a record of one of the nobles seeking exemption in this way.

"Produce cheap milk to get by the depression," says Nelson Gerlinger of Jackson county who produced it at a feed cost of 6 1/2 cents per pound in March. He is a dairy herd demonstrator who weighs and tests each cow's milk and feeds carefully. His 12 cows produced 238 pounds of butterfat that month, bringing production receipts to \$100.80. Feed cost \$18.

Mark your eggs and butter with Rubber Stamps. Ballinger Printing Co.

Scanning New Books

By Ware Torrey

NEW YORK, June 23.—(P)—Sheila Kaye-Smith writes with insight of the importances in the lives of children in "Summer Holiday."

Selma and Moire walk their own path among the efforts at influence of Nurse and their parents. They play elaborate games with imaginary playmates, and find a secret charm in toys that have a part in the games.

"At present they much preferred things to people," Miss Kaye-Smith explains, "and Nurse was a thing—a thing to care for and help and protect you, not merely an uncomprehending unsettling personality, as their Father and Mother were.

"Jenner was a thing, sitting up on the box and clucking and cracking his whip, a thing to drive them to Platinix; the horses were no more things than Jenner, and no less persons. Mr. Huggett was a thing that owned Platinix, Mrs. Huggett a thing that made cakes and pies and laughed with her arms akimbo.

"They loved all these people as grown-up people love beloved things. Platinix itself was not a thing—at least not to Selma; to her it was rather a romance, a spirit, a dream and a gleam."

And at Platinix, where the summer is spent, Selma and Moire gather new experience that ranges from kittens and green pears to the ritual of proposals.

The Taking of Panama

"Panama is Burning" by Philip Lindsay, son of Norman Lindsay, is a flaringly vigorous account of the taking and looting of the city of Panama by Henry Morgan.

The story opens with the hunger-tortured march of Morgan and his men across the Isthmus. Battle with the Spaniards, gather-

ing of spoils and the orgies of the victors swiftly follow.

Sir Henry Morgan appears again, at a later date when he is hunting down the last of the great pirates by England's commission, in Rafael Sabatini's "The Black Swan."

Charles de Bernis, who marched with Morgan at Panama, shows quick wit and skillful sword play in his task of outwitting a gang of pirates and rescuing Priscilla Haradine.

Challenged by Love

Joan Sutherland's new novel, "Within the Web," pictures the self-confidence of a powerful business man challenged for the first time when he proves unable to estimate correctly the character of the woman he loves.

Seymour Waldman, Washington editor, studies the hearings of the War Policies Commission in his "Death and Profits." Waldman urges a national economic council

as a fundamental step not only to prevent war, but to make wartime profits impossible.

Carl J. Warden gives a careful tracing of man's development in "The Evolution of Human Behavior." In "The City Jungle" Felix Salten presents the personalities of a city zoo.

KIDNAPED COW RETURNED FOR GROCERIES RANSOM

(By Associated Press) MENARD, Tex., June 23.—Kidnaping for ransom has made its appearance in livestock circles in Texas.

A prize cow belonging to George Stangel, bank cashier, was taken from her pen recently. Stangel received a note telling him to place \$10 worth of groceries in the cemetery, whereupon he would be told the whereabouts of the animal.

At a given spot he found a note directing him to the cow, which he retrieved.

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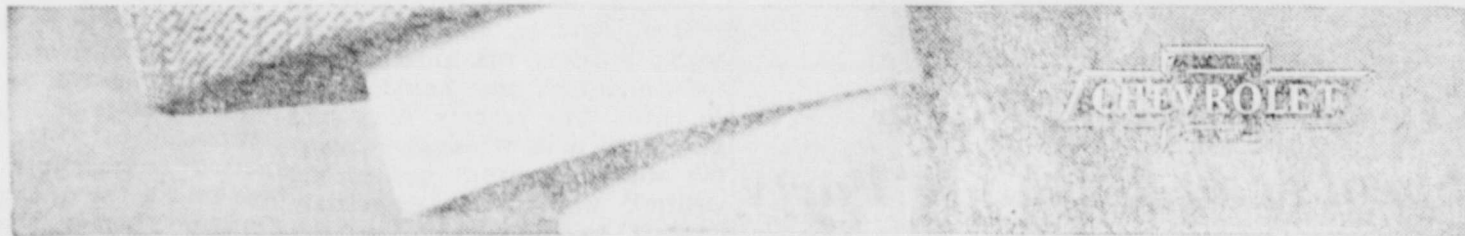
Whatever the year holds forth, we have faith in our farm customers to analyze their own needs and to use their best judgment to put their wrook for 1932 on a basis that is sound and profitable.

For the mutual success of the farmer and the bank, as well as all other interests of this community, there is no one thing of greater importance, or so filled with assurances for safety and prosperity as a Living at Home for every farm in this section.

Every customer who will take "LIVE AT HOME!" as his slogan for 1932 may depend upon the fullest support and cooperation of this bank.

The Winters State Bank

Winters, Texas "The Dependable Bank"



"SIX CYLINDERS no more-no less" says America

Since January 1st, buyers have chosen more Chevrolet Sixes than the combined total of all fours and all eights priced below \$1000



Look at what happened when America began lifting hoods and counting cylinders: Overwhelming preference for "SIX CYLINDERS. No more—No less." A sweeping endorsement of the soundness and correctness of the Chevrolet six-cylinder engine!

America knows its motor cars. And America knows you can't get around these facts about cylinders in a low-priced car: That six is the largest number you can have and still get unexcelled economy! That six is the fewest you can have and still get built-in smoothness! And who wants to sacrifice either of these great factors of motoring satisfaction?

America prefers the Chevrolet Six—because it strikes a happy medium between two extremes. It gives economy—the lowest operating and upkeep cost of any American car, as proved by the experience of tens of thousands of owners! It gives smoothness—the built-in smoothness that makes driving really comfortable, effortless, enjoyable! And it gives many other advantages just as essential and important as six cylinders. Advantages that no other low-priced car can match.

Fisher bodies—big, spacious, luxurious Fisher bodies—styled in the latest custom mode, built solidly and ruggedly to give long service! That matchless combination—Free Wheeling and Syncro-Mesh—for quick, quiet, effortless shifting and positive car control.

A dependable chassis, whose basic design has been proved in the hands of millions of satisfied owners.

Such features of riding-comfort as four parallel-mounted springs, four hydraulic shock absorbers, adequate weight and correct balance! And new reduced prices—as much as \$50 and \$55 lower than they were before!

Chevrolet is able to give this value, because Chevrolet is the world's largest producer of motor cars. Largest for three out of the past five years! Largest for the first six months of 1932! First in value—First in sales!

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WILMETH EVENTS

Mrs. John Hood, Mrs. W. S. Proctor, Mrs. Rosa Lee Gideon and Frankie Berryman visited in Abilene Monday.

G. R. Blackmon, H. K. Dickinson, Sam Freeman and John Henry Ball went to Elm Creek on a fishing trip Monday night. A fairly good catch is reported.

Rev. Swearington filled his regular appointment here Sunday morning and evening Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. services were well attended.

A number of young people from this community attended church services at Norton Saturday night. Mrs. John Hood is on the sick list this week.

Leonard Wright visited in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Proctor, of Winters, visited Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Proctor Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Long and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jackson, of Winters, Sunday.

Miss Leatress Corum, of Win-

ters, was the guest of Mrs. J. H. Long Friday night and Saturday.

DALE TOPICS

The farmers are busy cleaning their fields of weeds and grass. Recent rains have made double the amount of work to do.

The three-act comedy-drama, "It Happened in June," sponsored by the Dale young people, will be presented at Hatchel, Friday, June 24. The characters are as follows:

Betty Branson — Nora Green
Susie Crundel — Lois Green
Mollie Jessop

Mrs. Chas. Kruse
Neil Crundel — Edwina Adami
Evaline Scroggs

Eleanor Adami
Charles Atkins — Osmor Adami
Randy Stewart — Arlus Brevard
Jarvis Sneed — Irvin Ueckert
Jim Pritchett — Arthur Mayo

The small admission of ten cents will be charged for all over 10 years of age. Everyone is invited. The performance begins promptly at 8.30 o'clock Friday evening.

Mrs. W. H. Morley, of Weleetka, Oklahoma, is visiting her son, Earl Morley, and family.

OXIEN OCCURRENCES

A number from this community attended church at Hopewell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Martin and family and Mr. and Mrs. D. D. McDaniel were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morrison Sunday.

Fred and Stella Martin were dinner guests of Netha Stovall Sunday.

Aubrey Morrison and Cody Stacy motored to Ballinger Sunday morning to get Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Morrison and family who spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Lee McMillan.

Stella Martin spent Friday night with Netha Stovall.

Herbert Morrison and Bun Jeffreys were guests of Howard Morrison Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Martin had as their guests Sunday afternoon his father, sister, and a cousin and family of Santa Anna.

BLANTON NEWS

The boys' and girls' 4-H Club meeting was held Friday afternoon on the J. W. Reese farm. Dairy cattle were judged.

The different groups of the B. Y. P. U. met in a joint social Sat-

urday night at Blanton where various games were played in the open.

C. F. Tounget and family were dinner guests in the R. L. Boothe home Sunday.

Mrs. Lela Hill attended church at Eagle Branch Sunday.

S. E. Boothe and family, of Spur, and Miss Ethel Boothe, of Lubbock, are visiting in the home of J. P. Boothe and family. S. E. is a brother of J. P. Boothe.

Misses Wilma Malone, Willie Bell Hale and Addie Beth Woods were guests of Miss Laverne Boothe Sunday.

W. F. James and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Lester Dietz, of Crews, Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Macune were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Don Macune Sunday.

BUDAPEST TO BE HOST TO BOY SCOUT JAMBOREE

Budapest, Hungary, is making preparations for the Boy Scouts world jamboree, which will be held there in August, 1933.

Scouts from all parts of the world are expected to attend. Great Britain has provisionally promised to send 2,500 Scouts and other counties plan to be represented by large delegations.

First National Bank Started With City

The First National Bank of Ballinger began its existence on Ballinger's birthday, June 29, 1886. It gave the town the first and only banking institution at that time and has served this section in a capable way since.

A group of citizens with the idea of forming a bank in mind, attended the town lot sale, and jointly bought an entire block. This block now faces Eighth Street and Hutchings Avenue, extending west and north from the McCarver & Lynn building. It was agreed by the founders that the bank building would have first choice of all lots in the block and as soon as the deal was made the bank selected the corner now occupied by McCarver & Lynn.

That afternoon a meeting was held in a passenger coach on the Santa Fe tracks, where the organization was formed and a board of directors elected. The original directors were: W. S. Davis, R. A. Smith, D. M. Baker, W. C. Parks, and Brooke Smith. Immediately following the directors convened and elected W.

S. Davis, president, and D. M. Baker, cashier.

Before the local bank was organized D. M. Baker was engaged in the mercantile business at Runnels and made trips to Hutchings, now Ballinger, twice a week to accept deposits. He had conducted the small private banking business in connection with his other vocation for several years. Mr. Baker remained with the local institution until his death two years ago.

The exact time of opening the Ballinger bank is not definitely remembered or shown on the minutes of the institution, but it was very soon after the organization. A small frame building was built and this served for a number of years, later being replaced by a stone building. The first bank building was moved to another location and for years was used for a carpentry shop.

One of the first items of business was the fixing of salaries for the staff. The directors set the salary of the president and cashier at \$75 per month each and authorized these officers to employ a bookkeeper at a salary of \$1,000 per year. On December 24, 1886, after operating a little more than six months, the directors authorized payment of a

6 per cent dividend. The first statement of the condition of the bank was made on August 27, 1886, and an exact copy is published in a large advertisement of the First National Bank elsewhere in this issue.

"DISPOSSESSED" BY LAKE, FARMERS PLAN COLONY

(By Associated Press)
LAS VEGAS, Nev., June 23.—Moapa valley ranchers who will be forced to move from their farms by the rising waters of Hoover dam reservoir are considering establishment of a colony near here.

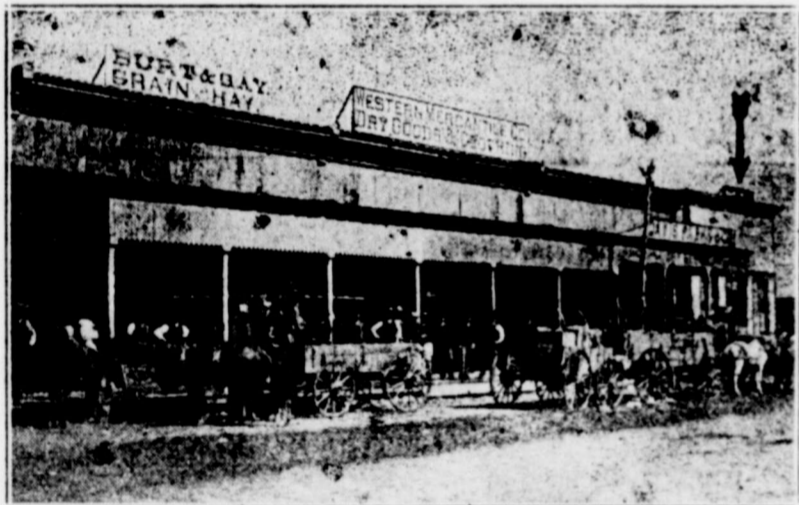
Lack of water has always made fruit raising in the favorable desert climate impossible but now the feasibility of engaging in the industry is being considered.

An area of several thousand acres on the Los Angeles highway is available and leaders of the Moapa valley group are urging a general movement to launch a citrus and deciduous fruit growing industry there.

Gus Moreland, sensational young Texas golfer, was defeated in a Fort Worth invitation meet by John Osborn, 60-year-old player from Paris, Texas.

Buy your printing at home.

Forty-Six Years of Safe Banking in Ballinger



The Home of the First National Bank 1886

Going Forward With Runnels County

It is pleasing to look back for a moment upon the trail which this bank and this community have traveled together through the years—years of steady growth and faithful service, of community progress and mutually helpful association.

The history of this bank has been bound up closely with the prosperity of this community. The story of our growth is written in a volume of many pages—each page bearing the story of some individual depositor's success in which we have had a part.

This is a strong home bank, devoted to the welfare and development of this community. We are old in experience but young in our enthusiasm and in our conviction that our best years of service are still before us.

You will find in this old, safe institution just that quality of friendly, helpful service which will be most valuable to your own progress. Our officers are more than just experienced bankers, long familiar with local conditions; they are friends and neighbors whose interests are the same as your own.



The Home of the First National Bank 1932

First Statement August 1886

Resources:	
Loans and Discounts	\$38,733.29
U. S. Bonds	12,500.00
Real Estate, Banking House and Fixtures	2,093.45
Cash and Exchange	20,875.63
	\$74,202.37
Liabilities:	
Capital Stock	\$50,000.00
Surplus and Profits	583.04
Deposits	23,619.33
	\$74,202.37

Last Statement December 1931

Resources:	
Loans and Discounts	\$288,345.40
Overdrafts	83.07
Banking House	40,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	10,000.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	4,500.00
U. S. Bonds	25,000.00
RESERVE:	
Banker's Acceptances	\$ 75,866.88
Bonds and Warrants	47,825.00
Bills of Exchange	5,347.93
CASH AND EXCHANGE	188,035.79
	\$685,004.17
Liabilities:	
Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	63,497.79
Circulation	25,000.00
DEPOSITS	496,506.38
	\$685,004.17

Come to Ballinger's 46th Birthday Celebration, June 29th

MEET YOUR OLD FRIENDS AT

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Since 1886 OF BALLINGER Since 1886

Final CLEARANCE AT THE HUB



June 24 to July 9

It is time to make room for fall merchandise and for 14 days we are offering the people of this trade territory further reductions in our big and complete stock of summer merchandise for men, women and children. Many extremely low bargains are not listed in this advertisement which we will be glad to show you when you visit our store.

PRICES DISREGARDED IN THIS FINAL CLEARANCE OF SUMMER GOODS

ALL SUMMER GOODS MUST GO!

All Summer Merchandise
Must Be Sold By
July 9

Nelly Don and Other Fast Color Wash Frocks

Eyelets Voiles and Prints

\$1.49 Cool Comfortable Smart

39 Suits and Dresses

Tripple Sheer, Chiffons and Prints

Values to \$17.95 **\$9.85** Sizes 12 to 50 Also Half Sizes

Cretonne

Beautiful Patterns in Final Clearance, the Yard

8c

Welcome to Ballinger's Birthday Celebration

Wednesday, June 29

When you come to Ballinger June 29 for Ballinger's 46th birthday celebration we want you to come in our store and shake hands with us. The Hub is a pioneer in this city in dry goods and we are proud that through many years we have had the happy privilege of dealing satisfactorily with thousands of customers. The quality merchandise we carry plus our equitable business dealings have made us many friends. We will be happy to have you here for the celebration June 29.

Ladies' Summer Hats

50 Straws, All Colors Dress and Sport

39c

65 high class Straws, Felts and Silk Sports, values to \$5.00 Final Clearance Price

98c

Wash Frocks

Special lot of fast colored prints, values from \$1.00 to \$1.95, Clearance Special

59c

KIDDIES'

Wash Dresses

Final Clearance

34c

Men's Straw Hats

Good quality, Clearance Price

49c and 79c

Every Spring Coat

Half Price

34 Frocks

For Street and Afternoon Wear Values to \$10.00

\$2.98

Special Lot

Ladies' Girdles

Values up to \$2.00, Final Clearance

79c

Ladies' and Misses'

Stepins

Made of Rayon and Mesh Good Quality

19c

Suits and Dresses

California Knitted Sport Suits, Dark Prints and Summer Sport Weaves. Values to \$16.75 Final Clearance

\$6.89

Ladies'

Underwear

Rayon Silk Teds, Stepins and Pajamas, 100 Odd pieces \$1.95 values Close Out

69c

Men's

Track Pants

New Fast Colored Patterns Final Clearance Price

23c

Ladies' Shoes

Entire stock of ladies' high grade shoes, Red Cross, Selby and other brands all last fitting, specializing in arch preservers. And all going at sacrifice clearance prices.

One lot of Patent and Satin Pumps and Blond Kid, values up to \$8, Final Clearance

\$1.49

Special lot of Ladies' Odd Sizes in Oxfords and Pumps, Final Clearance

49c

FIT-ALL-TOP HOSIERY



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Clearance Special \$1.19

One lot of Chiffon and Lace Meshes, Values \$1.00 to \$1.95 Final Clearance **59c**

One lot of Good Quality Rayon Hose, Service Weight Final Clearance **14c**

Men's Shoes

Final Summer Clearance on all high class men's shoes, Stacy Adams, Florsheim, Friendly Five and others go at Final Clearance Prices

Boys' Play Suits

75¢ and \$1.00 Values Final Clearance Price

59c

Men's Ties

Very Attractive Patterns 39¢ Each or

3 for \$1

A Washington Daybook

By Herbert Plummer

WASHINGTON, June 23.—(AP)—Representative Sam Rayburn of Texas, selected by Democrats of the Lone Star state to manage the campaign of John N. Garner for president, is silent around Washington when asked about his candidate.



SAM RAYBURN

He is as reticent as Mr. "Speaker" himself when conversation shifts to Chicago and the Democratic national convention.

But it's different when Rayburn gets back to Texas among the "home folks." He really talks then—publicly and privately—about Garner and his chances with freedom and frankness.

For example, in Houston a few days ago, he said:

"Garner will be second choice of more delegates at Chicago than any other candidate. . . . At this blackest hour, they believe that in this rugged son of the soil they see another Jackson, and in this hour the people are crying out, 'O, for an hour of Andrew Jackson. . . .'"

It's necessary, too, to go to Texas to find out the extent of plans underway to obtain the nomination for Garner.

Optimistic Over Chances

"During the past three months," Rayburn told the "home folks," "I have talked with leading Democrats from every state in the Union. They have told me of conditions within their state. For instance, a New Englander told me, 'Tell the people of Texas I go to the convention at Chicago solely because I want to cast a vote for John Garner.'"

And then a bit triumphantly he added:

" . . . In the great state of California our man won handsomely. . . . With California's 44 and Texas' 46 we have more votes already cast than Harding or Davis had. . . ."

Silent at Capitol

But back in Washington Rayburn is silent.

Nothing in the way of a comment or statement comes from the rooms of the interstate and foreign commerce committee where Rayburn has his office. There he'll talk to you at any time about freight rates and the like.

But about Garner's chances of getting the nomination—never.

FIVE GENERATIONS BUILD HOMES IN SAME LOCALITY

(By Associated Press) IVY, N. C., June 23. Five generations of Holcombes have built their homes on the same plantation here, and five homes stand as monuments to their builders.

Obediah Holcombe, whose descendants are believed to number more than 1,000, built the first house more than 100 years ago. The first house had but one room. The second, built by Dio Clestion Holcombe, had two rooms. Joel Holcombe built the third house and it contains three rooms.

John Gregg Holcombe, now living at 74, built the fourth home with seven rooms. His son, Nat, built the fifth, an eight-room residence.

C. Rhonemus, 96, of Clinton county, Ohio, has voted for eighteen Democratic candidates for president.

Friends or Foes?



How Premier Edouard Herriot (below) will act toward the growing ascendancy in Germany of Adolf Hitler, is troubling some Frenchmen. The camera caught Herriot in a reflective mood while Hitler is shown in a pose less truculent than usually marks this fiery crusader.

Committee Studies Phases of Cotton Industry in Texas

AUSTIN, June 23.—Proceedings of the recent annual meeting of the Texas Cotton Committee, headed by Dr. A. B. Cox, director of the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research and internationally recognized cotton expert, have been published in monograph form by the bureau. This session of the committee, which is composed of pre-eminent leaders in all phases of the cotton industry, marked the beginning of a series of studies and programs designed to devise the most advantageous program of cotton growing, marketing and economic use possible for Texas. This first meeting was devoted to an analysis of three points, Dr. Cox said, the paper read and the addresses made all pointing toward these problems. These were: An attempt to arrive at an under-

standing of what constitutes good cotton, an analysis of the quality of existing Texas cotton, and an analysis of the essentials of a sound cotton production program for Texas.

Among the subjects discussed at the meeting were the following, the texts of which are included in the published proceedings: "The Spinner's Answer to What is Good Cotton," "The Cotton Merchant's Answer to What is Good Cotton," "What is Good Cotton," "Important Factors in Determining the Characteristics of Good Cotton," "Staple Length of Texas Cotton," "Quality of Texas Cottons as Shown by Combings of the 1931 Crop," "Cotton Improvement: Essentials of the Program," "A Cotton Production Program in Relation to National Regions of Texas," "Essentials of a Cotton Marketing Program in Texas to Encourage Proper Production," "Creation of an Adequate and Permanent Seed Supply for a Cotton Production Program," "Community Development in Texas," "Functions of the State Department of Agriculture in the

"Cotton Program for Texas," "Functions of Ginners in a Cotton Improvement Program."

Copies of the proceedings are being sent to all members of the Texas Cotton Committee. Additional copies may be obtained by other interested members of the cotton trade for a nominal sum.

"MAKE MORE TAXPAYERS," SAYS AUSTRALIAN OFFICIAL

(By Associated Press) CANBERRA, June 23.—Asserting there are not enough taxpayers in Australia, C. J. Cerruty, federal auditor general, recommends that the government create some.

He argues that since only 265,000 of the country's 3,500,000 voters pay income taxes, the assessment should be levied on all who earn more than \$10 weekly. This, he says, would make them realize the responsibilities of citizenship since many now vote carelessly because it costs them nothing to do so.

Calling Cards, printed on short notice. Phone 27, we do the rest.

TELLS VEGETABLES THAT SURVIVE TEXAS SUMMER

DENTON, Tex., June 23.—The question, "Why try to have a garden during a Texas summer?" is a timely one. The answer is two-fold: first, for inexpensive food, for health, and for recreation a summer garden is an asset to any family.

In the second place, at a time when the production and conservation of a maximum food supply for the winter months is of utmost importance, a summer garden is deserving of thoughtful planning and careful tending.

There are two principal reasons why summer gardens in Texas have been overlooked in the past. First, on our farms when the harvest season of field crops begins, the further planting and cultivating of the garden stops. Secondly, when the spring garden has come to maturity it is assumed that the season for gardening is over.

It is true that the average Texas summer offers many ob-

stacles to the gardener, but experience has shown us that proper selection of vegetable varieties and constant cultivation to conserve moisture are the twin-keys to success. Following the excellent rains that have fallen over the greater part of Texas during the past few weeks is the opportune time to plant the summer garden.

Following are a few suggested vegetable varieties that should be considered: Okra, peppers, pumpkins, sorrel, squash, spinach, sweet potatoes, tomatoes, beans, corn, eggplant, gherkins (grown exclusively for sweet pickling. Use a fence-row, as this is a climbing plant.).

War Hero Tests Boats

PORTSMOUTH, England, June 23.—(AP)—Lawrence of Arabia, who thrilled Britain with his war exploits, gets thrills of his own now as "Aircraftman Shaw," trying out speed boats on the Solent as part of the government's work in developing seaplanes.

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MAKIE MUSINGS
 Charlotte Simmons, of Dallas, were the week-end guests in the W. A. Hale home.
 Miss Mona Avent visited Misses Della and Sammie Bragg Sunday afternoon.
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 Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Enser and family, of Bronte, were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Baker Sunday.
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 some way the rope which was on the mule became looped around Mr. Shelton's foot and the mule ran, dragging him around the lot and throwing him against the rope before it could be cut. Dr. Mitchell was called and found Mr. Shelton had sustained a

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Come to Ballinger

Shake Hands With Old Friends at Ballinger's 46th Birthday Celebration Wednesday, June 29

A full day of entertainment will be presented, honoring the pioneers who were here 46 years ago during the town lot sale when Ballinger was founded.

Plan to be Here for the Entire Day

Bring the entire family. Come for the "old timers" home-coming in the forenoon and stay until the lights are turned out. A good time assured all.

- Good Speakers---Good Music---Basket Dinner
- Old Time Dances With Old Time Music
- Parade of Pioneer Days
- Old Fiddlers Contest---Pistol Shooting Contest
- Fire Department Demonstration
- Negro Baseball Game---Big Street Dance

Bring a Basket Well Filled for Dinner

Program Starts Promptly at 10 a. m. On the Court House Lawn

Everything Absolutely Free

Ballinger Welcomes You!

- ### PROGRAM
- 10:00 a. m.—Parade of Pioneer Days, Band Concert, Welcome Address, Judge J. W. Powell, of Ballinger, Response, J. M. Wagstaff, of Abilene, Address of the Day, Judge C. O. Harris, of San Angelo, Master of Ceremonies, C. A. Doose, of Ballinger. All pioneers who were here at the town lot sale will occupy the large platform and will be introduced during the morning festivities.
 - Noon—Basket Dinner. All bringing baskets will spread lunch on court house lawn
 - 1:30 p. m.—Band Concert, Court House Lawn
 - 2:30 p. m.—Pistol Shooting Contest. Four strong teams and also two teams composed of the pioneers of '86
 - 4:00 p. m.—Negro Baseball Game between two of the fastest teams in West Texas, Fair Park
 - 6:00 p. m.—Fire Department Demonstration, Court House Lawn
 - 7:00 p. m.—Supper on Court House Lawn for those with Baskets
 - 8:00 p. m.—Old Fiddlers Contest. Downtown streets will be roped off and fiddlers from many sections of the Southwest will compete in a real old-time contest
 - 9:00 p. m.—Square Dancing on the Streets. Albert Spill, of Winters; White Turner, of Norton; W. A. Holt and others will call while pioneers dance the steps popular when Ballinger was born. Later in the night modern dancing with music by Ballinger Band.

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common diseases, such as bronchial asthma, hay fever, eczema, urticaria and gastro-intestinal disturbances are due to what we today term hypersensitiveness.



A street scene in Ballinger, 1908

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Welcome to Ballinger on June 29 for the celebration of the 46th anniversary of this city.

The birthday program on June 29 is all free. Committees were instructed in arranging the entertainment to prepare for nothing that would require a charge.

Members of the younger generation who will mingle here with the pioneers next Wednesday should give special respect to those who preceded them into this country and developed it for them.

Candidates are starting their final home stretch in which they receive their first test in the July primary. Office seekers are personally canvassing the town and thousands of cards are being handed out daily.

HOW'S your HEALTH

Edited by Dr. J. J. Mason, M.D., Academy of Medicine

HYPERSENSITIVENESS—II

Following the epoch making work of the great French scientist, Pasteur, who succeeded in controlling a number of diseases through the use of vaccines, a great deal of study was devoted to the effects of injected foreign substances upon the animal and the human body.

Before the use of typhoid vaccines, diphtheria antitoxin, tetanus antitoxin, and other similar vaccines and sera could be urged upon mankind, science had to reassure itself not only that these remedies are effective, but also that the "cure is not worse than the disease."

Despite objections from some quarters, we are most certain today that the injection of vaccines and sera is practically without danger, and without evil after effects.

Their good results, to give but two illustrations, are witnessed by the remarkable decline in the prevalence of diphtheria and of typhoid fever.

In the process of these studies we discover that a number of

The idea of hypersensitiveness can perhaps be expressed in its simplest form as an over-reaction on the part of the body to invading substances, particularly of a protein nature.

The condition of hypersensitiveness is frequently found to affect children.

The treatment for hypersensitiveness, or, as it is sometimes called, allergy, consists in either sparing the child contact with the substances to which it is sensitive, in attempting to desensitize the child, or in both.

At present we know of at least 300 substances that may induce hypersensitiveness.

These may include foods of all varieties and sorts, as well as feathers, furs, dusts of every kind, drugs, etc.

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MOVIES

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Spontaneous gaiety and much comedy are woven through the picture which is told with a background of George Gershwin music. This includes six musical numbers by the famous composer, the words of which were written by his talented brother, Ira Gershwin. They are "You Started It," "Blah-Blah-Blah-Blah With You," "Delishious," "Somebody From Somewhere," "Katinkitschka," and "New York Rhapsody."

Arlen Again Has Air Pilot Role in "Sky Bride" When Richard Arlen takes to the air in "Sky Bride," his newest picture, it will be his first appearance in an aviation film since "Wings," the production that started him on the road to screen fame.

It was "Wings" that installed three players in the fore ranks of film popularity. Like Arlen, Gary Cooper and Charles "Buddy" Rogers greatly increased their following through their performances in the picture. Twice since "Wings" Gary has appeared in air pictures, in "The Legion of the Condemned" and with Colleen Moore in "Lilac Time." "Buddy" played the chief role in "Young Eagles," following his air debut in "Wings."

Arlen is thoroughly at home in the air. He was a combat pilot with the Royal Flying Corps during the World War. "Sky Bride" unites once more Arlen, Jack Oakie, and Charles Starrett, who featured in "Touchdown," Virginia Bruce has the feminine lead and Robert Coogan, child prodigy of "Sooky," has an im-

portant part. "Sky Bride" is the Palace Theatre's feature for two days, Friday and Saturday of this week.

the government aid are the ones who would be expected to defend the country against the invasion of a foe," Commissioner J. E. McDonald, a member of the committee, said. "The postoffice de-

Society

Visitors Honored at Two Parties Miss Thelma Wylie of LaFeria, who was the house guest of Miss Nanell Jones, was the inspiration for two pretty parties last week.

On Monday afternoon Miss Jones and her mother, Mrs. J. S. Jones, were hostesses in her honor, in their home on Broadway. A pink and white theme was employed in all details. Pink gladioluses, roses, snap dragons and feverfew were combined with statice to give room and table decorations. Corsages were individual guest favors and accompanied the refreshment plate of pink and white brick cream and angel cake.

In the bridge games high score award, a bath powder set in a lacquered box went to Mrs. Levy

vases added beauty to the rooms where tables were appointed in a black and white theme. The dining room table was laid in lace over yellow and was centered with daisies in a black bowl with yellow tapers in black holders as supplementary adornment. Attractively wrapped gifts were selected from or returned to the table as games were won or lost. A "floating prize" which went to each guest holding four honors in one hand was won by Mrs. K. V. Northington who also held more other trophies as rewards for the most games won.

The refreshment plate contained angel cake and jello in the chosen colors.

Guests were: Misses Wylie, Jones, Fay Clark, Griffie Atkins, Maggie Herring, Mmes. Northington, C. W. Cheatham, J. N. Ogbourne, Wilma McKenzie, Burns Holt, Oscar Schott, and Fred Holliday.

partment is very hopeful of passage of the Fulmer amendment, which would make mandatory the purchase of supplies produced and manufactured in the United States, unless the domestic article is unreasonably higher than the imported.

"Texas congressmen have been very active in sponsoring this new use of cotton and in urging the adoption of the amendment and subsequent use of cotton twine by the postoffice department."

Bids for the twine, already in the hands of the postoffice department, show that the lowest cotton twine bid is \$1.61 a million yards higher than the low-

est jute bid, but as jute comes out of Massachusetts and the cotton twine out of Brooklyn, the saving in freight would greatly reduce the difference in price.

SPAGHETTI DEVICE DOES ALL EXCEPT TWIST A FORKFUL

(By Associated Press)

ROME, June 23.—The latest in Italian mechanical genius is a spaghetti machine which sets the housewife back only a small sum and occupies but little of her kitchen space.

By making slight adjustments it will produce spaghetti, noodles, macaroni and several other forms of the doughy dish that is the piece de resistance of each Italian meal.

It even kneads and flattens the dough into proper shape for the final clipping and moulding operations.

All the housewife has to do is

mix the eggs, flour and other ingredients and then turn a handle. Mount St. Charles College of Helena, Mont., whose football team was not scored against last fall, has changed its name to Carroll College.

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Forty-Six Years of Honest Effort has made of Ballinger a remarkable little city, one of which we are all proud, one in which we are glad to live and one that will furnish you with every good thing to be found in any larger place. We will help the rest of the citizenship celebrate the 46TH BIRTHDAY June 29th when friends and neighbors will join hands in an effort to have a good time, put aside our worries and talk over the many obstacles of the past and perhaps plan for better times in the future. I'll Be There June 29th—Won't You? J. M. Jones Grocery

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DOROTHY DARNIT By Charles McManus. A comic strip with four panels showing a man and a woman talking. Panel 1: Man says 'BETTER NOT LET MY PAPA CATCH YOU', Woman asks 'WHY?'. Panel 2: Man says 'YOU'RE THE MAN WHO GAVE MY SISTER THAT TRICK DOG AINTCHA?', Woman says 'YES'. Panel 3: Man says 'YOU SAID THAT DOG COULD HOLD THINGS IN HIS MOUTH', Woman says 'OH! HE'S A WONDER AT THAT!'. Panel 4: Man says 'I GUESS SO! LAST NIGHT HE HELD A LANTERN WHILE TWO BURGLARS ROBBED PAPA'S SAFE!'.

Rural

BENOIT NEWS

A good rain fell here Monday night and Tuesday morning. It was greatly appreciated by the farmers as some crops were needing moisture.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonas and family, of Pony, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cox and family Sunday.

The farmers of our community are still busy harvesting their grain crop.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moody and Miss Lois Ship, of Ballinger, were guests in the Gibson home Thursday.

Mrs. W. T. Hill and Mrs. Dolores Lane motored to Miles Sunday afternoon to attend the singing held there.

The Boys' 4-H Club meeting was held at the school house at 8 o'clock Monday morning with all members present. C. W. Lehmburg, county agent, met with the boys for an important meeting.

Gordon Gressett spent Tuesday afternoon with Woodrow Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hoffman and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Werner.

Miss Lurline Brookshier was the guest of Miss Cleo Hoffman Friday night.

Arnold and Edwin Werner were guests of relatives in Miles Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gibson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Brookshier Sunday.

F. Gressett is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Vogel-sang.

Those attending the ball game at Crews Sunday afternoon were Woodrow Cox, Gordon Gressett, and Misses Thelma and Naomi Cox, Elga and Pauline Jonas.

TALPA TOPICS

Rev. Todd, of Fort Worth, preached at the Immanuel Baptist Church Sunday morning and evening.

Misses Marie and Curtiss Gregory spent Wednesday and Thursday in Comanche.

Mrs. Roy Smith and children and Mrs. Mark Leverett and daughter, of Menard, spent several days as guests of their mother, Mrs. W. B. Payne.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Vincent and daughter, Jimmie Carrol, and Miss Adelaide Watkins spent Saturday night and Sunday in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Drummon, of San Antonio, spent the week-end and, and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Chapman and family, of Winters, spent Sunday in the R. C. Terry home.

Mrs. Triplett, of Brownwood,

spent the week-end, and Mr. Morgan, of Burkett, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stone.

Carl and Ted Bradford, of Santa Anna, are visiting in the Dr. Jones home.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Morris, of Coleman, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Dancer.

Billie Ruth Thompson and Margie Triplett, of Brownwood, spent last week with Fae and Rae Stone.

Grandpa Terry, of Pierce, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Will Terry. Andy Herring and Mat Fox spent the week-end at Fort Worth on business.

Mrs. Bill Denny and son, of Brownwood, are visiting her mother, Mrs. L. C. Jameson.

Mrs. George Simmons, of Ballinger, spent last week here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Evans and daughter spent Saturday night and Sunday in Eden.

Riley Bomar, of Electra, is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Guy spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Baker, of Ballinger.

Mrs. A. V. Livingston spent the week-end in Coleman with her mother, Mrs. Purcell.

Miss Selma Morton, of Crews, is visiting Miss Juanita Martin.

WINGATE NEWS

Farmers of this community are making good use of the fair weather to get their crops cleaned out. Most of them have started chopping cotton and hope there will be no more rain until they have finished chopping and also plowing it again. Threshers and

combines are seen in operation in many fields and it will only be a short time until that part of farm work is completed.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wood have recently returned from a visit to relatives at San Antonio.

Reports from those in school this summer show they are doing good work.

Mrs. Mack Whigham, of Gorman, is visiting in this community.

Robert Lloyd and Miss Gertrude Blackwell were united in marriage Friday. We wish for them many happy years together.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Wheat are the proud parents of a new baby girl.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wood spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Wood.

There will be church services at the Primitive Baptist Church Saturday and Sunday. Saturday is communion day.

Mrs. Brice is reported to be very ill from a cut on her hand.

We are sorry to report Deward Hensley on the sick list.

HERRING TOPICS

Rev. M. C. Golden filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Sunday. He also conducted services for the baptizing Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Hale and granddaughters, Misses Doris Jones and Charlotte Simmons, of Dallas, were the week-end guests in the W. A. Hale home.

Miss Mona Avent visited Misses Della and Sammie Bragg Sunday afternoon.

A very large crowd attended the

community social at Herring Friday evening. We greatly enjoyed the program rendered by the Ballingerites.

Mrs. Mary Kerby, of Electra, has been visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Kerby.

Miss Mary Lusk, of Midland, accompanied by a sister and an aunt, visited Mrs. E. E. Feeler this week.

The Girls' 4-H Club meeting was held in the home of Mrs. G. C. Avent. Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth was present and made hot rolls for lunch. Mrs. Hollingsworth also scored the articles of clothing made by the girls. The next regular meeting will be held in the J. P. Brevard home.

Mr. Day and daughter, Miss Ida Mae, of Santa Anna, are visiting their daughter and sister, Mrs. W. L. Alcorn.

W. A. Hale, Jr., attended the national guard meeting at Ballinger Monday night. He took typhoid serum so that he will be ready to attend camp at Palacios in August.

Miss Evelyn Payne, of Crews, spent the week-end with Miss Mona Avent.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Brevard, of Blanton, visited in our community Sunday.

Rev. M. C. Golden, of Ballinger, was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hale Sunday.

MARIE MUSINGS

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Encer and family, of Bronte, were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Baker Sunday.

Rev. Patterson, of Valley Creek, preached here Saturday night and

Sunday morning in the place of Rev. Pitts, of Bronte.

The Epworth League here is doing fine work and good programs are presented each Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Visitors are welcomed any time.

Miss Modena Black spent the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Mackey, of Bronte.

Mrs. E. E. King and sons, and daughter, Constance Patricia, of Slaton, are guests in the G. W. Shelton home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Barringer, of Lubbock, are spending this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Shelton and family.

Mrs. Annie Butler and daughter, Bernice, of San Angelo, and Miss Lee Willie, of Tennyson, are guests in the Elsie Baker home this week.

Tullie and Moody Welch and J. T. Shelton spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Gentry and daughter, Euline, were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harrell, of Bronte, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pruitt and family spent Sunday in the Jake Kevill home.

Miss Pearl Mae Warren, of Bronte, was the week-end guest of Mrs. E. A. Brookshier and daughter, Miss Laura Mae.

G. W. Shelton was the victim of a painful accident last Thursday noon while doctoring a mule. In some way the rope which was on the mule became looped around Mr. Shelton's foot and the mule ran, dragging him around the lot and throwing him against the rope before it could be cut. Dr. Mitchell was called and found Mr. Shelton had sustained a

broken rib and several bad bruises and cuts. The rib was set, other wounds dressed, and he is reported to be recovering rapidly.

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City's 46th Birthday Celebration

Wednesday, June 29, 1932

25 Years in Ballinger---52 Years in Texas---On With Runnels County First and Texas Next

Those of you who have traded with us for a quarter of a century know something about how we have done our part in helping to build and develop Runnels and adjoining counties, extending accommodations that helped to build communities and homes and improve farms. We have cooperated with you when conditions were good and when they were not so good. Today times and conditions have changed, we are facing different conditions to 25 years, 15 years 10 years, or even 2 or 3 years ago. We are ready today to do our part, our very best to help carry on, selling at lowest prices, using all the buying power at our command to enable us to sell merchandise at prices that will make your dollars go as far as possible. Today, as never before, it behooves us, farmer, professional, man ranchman, stock raiser, merchant and all to stand together as one man in the closest cooperation for the preservation and upbuilding of our country. Think seriously of this when you are tempted to put wings on your dollars, "clip the wings" and keep your dollars at home. Let us do our part to help make this section the very best place to live, better communities, better towns, better farms, better homes, better schools, better churches. We want you to come and enjoy Ballinger's birthday, make your headquarters with us, meet your friends here, use our telephones, drink our ice water—We welcome you.

New Conditions Make New Methods and New Prices---Read These

This Season's SILK DRESSES values to \$12.50 choice of lot \$4.95	Good BROWN DOMESTIC the yard 5c 20 yards for \$1 Good Canvas, the yard 3c	Full Fashioned Pure SILK HOSE Cheapest Price We've Ever Had the pair 50c	TENNIS SHOES For Men, Women and Children the pair 39c	A Group of LADIES' HATS Values up to \$3.95 Your Choice 95c	Beautiful BROADCLOTH 36 Inches Wide the yard 10c
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Back in the early 1900's the one big event in Ballinger was the annual reunion of the Confederate veterans. For three days the old soldiers and their families gathered here on the banks of the Colorado River at permanent grounds just below where Fair Park is now located. Ballinger is shown (above) all dressed up for the occasion and the picture below is of the grounds when the reunion was in full swing.



First Election in County was Held on November 2, 1886

On January 12, 1880, the commissioners' court of Coleman county met in called session, to hear and determine the petition of citizens of Runnels county, asking and praying that Runnels county be separated from Coleman county for judicial purposes. The petition was heard and granted on this date and Runnels county in all respect was given full control of all its governmental affairs.

On March 10, 1880 the first session of the Runnels county commissioners' court met in called session. The following officers were present: Syl Adams, county judge; Wm. Guest, commissioner of precinct No. 1; W. G. Preston, commissioner of precinct No. 2; P. S. Turner, commissioner of precinct No. 3; John Formwalt, sheriff; and W. M. Copeland, clerk. The court adjourned without transacting any business, met again on March 11 only to adjourn again, and transacted its first business on March 12, 1880. On this date the buying of books and stationery were attended to and a transcript of Runnels county records was purchased from A. G. Viz for the sum of \$100 cash and \$227 in county scrip. L. N. Taylor was appointed county attorney at this meeting and Thad Thomson was directed to locate all school land and report to the next meeting of the court. A temporary court house was located and this ended the first commissioners' court business ever transacted in Runnels county.

The next item of importance to decide was the location of the county seat. Maverick and the Elm Willet-Holmes and Henry Garmon surveys later called Runnels were the two contesting sites. The vote was taken, Maverick receiving 29 votes, and the surveys 59.

The county held its first election, according to the records on November 2, 1886, after having been duly organized. During this year Hon. L. S. Ross was elected governor, receiving 377 votes in this county while his opposition received 33 votes. County officers elected in the first county election were Syl Adams, county judge; W. L. Turner, county and district clerk; W. R. Spencer, county attorney; J. M. Formwalt, sheriff; W. H. Wilson, treasurer; D. C. Underwood, assessor; H. E. Dickinson, surveyor; C. H. Wilingham, commissioner precinct No. 1; H. Conner, constable precinct No. 1.

The first vote in the county on the wet and dry issue was on August 4, 1887, the county voting in the state election as follows: for statewide prohibition 234, against statewide prohibition 160, giving a majority for the dries of 74 votes.

One of the most interesting features in regard to county elections, was the vote upon the change of the county site from Runnels to Ballinger. Only three voting boxes in the county showed any vote at all and they were very light, a number of other boxes failed to record a single ballot. The vote for the change resulted in 246 favoring the change and 1 vote against. The vote by boxes was: Runnels No. 1, for locating at Ballinger 11, against 0; Ballinger No. 7, for locating at Ballinger 221, against 0; Content No. 2, for locating at Ballinger 14, against 1.

In 1890 the matter of incorporating Ballinger was submitted to the voters and apparently had considerable opposition. One hundred and nineteen voted in favor of the plan while 99 votes were registered against it. Immediately

following, on May 24, 1890, the first city election was held and the following candidates and votes recorded: For mayor, N. F. Bonsall 88 votes, B. S. Taylor 107 for alderman, the four polling the highest number of votes, were: A. Matthews 151, D. Ahrenbeck 119, L. F. Gressett 98 and Dan Sullivan 97. Mark Henry was elected marshal, receiving 105 votes. He had five opponents.

The first local option election on the liquor question was held on January 20, 1894, the wets winning. For prohibition received 293 votes and against prohibition 325 votes. Numerous wet and dry votes were taken in precinct elections. Winters going dry on June 8, 1901, 69 to 12.

CHURCHES

Ballinger Baptist Church
9:45 a. m., Sunday school, E. Shepperd, superintendent.

11 a. m., preaching services by pastor.

7:15 p. m., meeting of B. T. S., F. D. McCoy, director.

8:15 p. m., preaching services by pastor.

8:15 p. m., Wednesday, prayer meeting, followed by choir practice.

A hearty invitation is given to all who will worship with us.
J. H. McCLAIN, Pastor

First Christian Church
(Broadway and Murrell)
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.
Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

First Presbyterian Church
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
11 o'clock, morning worship.
8 p. m., evening worship.
Everyone is welcome to any and all the services of this congregation.

E. W. McLAURIN, Pastor

Church of Christ
(Eighth Street, Bonsal Avenue)
Bible school meets at 9:45 a. m.
Communion at 11 a. m.
Ladies' Bible class meets Mondays at 3:30 p. m. at church building.

Prayer meeting and young people's meeting 8 p. m. Wednesday.

The public is invited to attend any and all these services.

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church
Bible school at 9:45 a. m., S. P. Hathaway, superintendent.
Morning worship at 11 o'clock.
Evening worship at 8 o'clock.
There is a genuine welcome for strangers as well as members.
J. EDWIN KERR, Minister

Church of the Nazarene
Sunday school at 10 a. m.
11 o'clock morning service.
Junior Y. P. S. at 6 p. m.
Preaching at 8 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 8 p. m.
W. LAWSON BROWN, Pastor

First Methodist Church
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
11 a. m., morning worship.
8 p. m., evening worship.
Visitors will find a welcome at any and all services of this church.
CLAUDE P. JONES, Pastor

Church of God
Sunday school at 10 a. m.
Preaching service at 11 a. m.
Young people's meeting at 8:30 p. m.

Preaching service at 8 p. m.
Prayer meeting, Wednesday, at 4:45 p. m.
C. H. JOHNSON, Pastor

Births

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Owens are the proud parents of a 7½ pound baby boy, born Thursday morning. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

REGISTER OF PECAN WORKERS TO PROTECT PUBLIC IS PLANNED

AUSTIN, June 23.—Voluntary register of qualified pecan propagators will be instituted by the pecan division of the department of agriculture, the chief of the division has announced. The register of properly qualified and reliable pecan workers is designed to give protection to both orchard owners and workers from fakers now prevalent.

No official sanction can be given to the program and the action will be similar to that of a clearing house of information as to reliable pecan propagators, it was stated.

"The department is anxious to render service to both commercial propagators and pecan grove owners," said the statement issued by the department. "It would be a pleasure to bring together those qualified by experience and possessed with moral uprightness and dependable character who want to do the work and those owning the property that they desire improved."

"Propagators desiring to do commercial custom propagation may file with this division their name, qualifications, experience and approved references from parties for whom they have worked and from reliable business men or institutions as to their qualification and responsibility of contract."

"All parties interested in having top-working done and having had unsatisfactory dealings with propagators are requested to file their complaint with this division in order that a close check may be

kept on all those applying to serve the public."

Cost Her \$4.25 To Reduce 65 Pounds

"Worth It," Miss Eates Says

If you're young and fat read what Miss Bates of Beech, Iowa, has to say about Kruschen Salts—if you are middle age or old Kruschen shows you the way to lose fat—the SAFE way.

"I took one bottle of Kruschen Salts a month for five months. It amounted to \$4.25 and I reduced 65 lbs., but it was worth it. Imagine just 22 years old and weighing what I did. I could not enjoy myself as other girls did. I could not get the clothes I wanted. I think it is wonderful the results Kruschen Salts give."

To lose fat the safe, sane way—take one-half teaspoonful of Kruschen in a glass of hot water before breakfast every morning—eat less fatty meats, potatoes and sweets—a jar that costs but a small sum lasts 4 weeks. Get it at J. Y. Pearce Drug Co., Weeks Drug Store or any drug store in the world—but be sure for your health's sake to ask for and get Kruschen Salts. It's the little daily dose that does it.

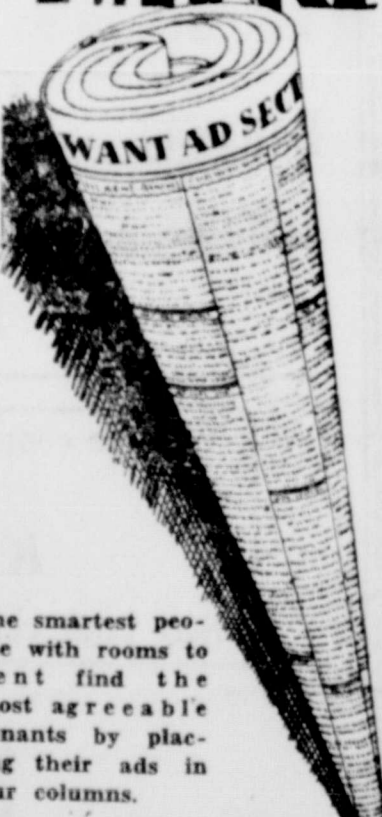
Deaths

Lonnie Cupp

Lonnie Cupp, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cupp, died in a San Angelo hospital Tuesday afternoon. The boy had been in failing health for some time. R. W. Bruce and Mr. Cupp took the child to Sanatorium Tuesday for an examination, and they were en route home when the boy became very ill. He was rushed to the hospital but efforts to save his life were unavailing.

The body was taken to the family home on the Bruce farm south of Ballinger and funeral services conducted Wednesday morning at the Runnels cemetery with interment at that place immediately following.

THERE is another nicely furnished ROOM!



WANT ADS

The smartest people with rooms to rent find the most agreeable tenants by placing their ads in our columns.



Wherever the most desirable rooms are available the Want Ad columns of THE LEDGER will direct you. No need to ring endless doorbells in your search, for your quest is simplified by the list of desirable locations, with features noted, so that you pick and choose before you start on an inspection.



Judge . . . Counselor . . . Friend

What is the best soap for dishes, for woollens, for the toilet? How much is rib roast today? How much for the new shoes Billy needs? Where can I get rompers and sun suits for Mary? Can I afford new linoleum for the kitchen now? What about a new chair or two for the porch? An electric fan would be nice, but how much does it cost?

In this very newspaper you will probably find the answers to these and many other questions. Questions you must answer if you are to be sure of getting the best value for your money, the most out of your weekly budget.

Advertising is a friendly thing, ready to help you plan every purchase, to fit it to your need and your purse. As you sit at home reading the newspaper, study the advertisements and make your decisions at your leisure, free from the bustle and confusion of the market-place.

Consult the Advertisements Before You Buy

First Court House Was Frame Shack

One of the first questions to confront citizens of Ballinger after the county seat election on December 21, 1887, was "what shall we do for a court house?" There were no vacant houses here and to secure a place large enough to accommodate county officers and provide room for holding court was a big problem. Mass meetings were held to discuss the proposition as some place was necessary at once to transact county business that was pressing.

About one year before the county seat election a large frame house had been built in the "flat" for a rooming house and citizens were anxious to get rid of the resort which had a questionable reputation. The house was located on the banks of the Colorado River about where the rifle club's target range is now, according to pioneer residents.

The commissioners' court purchased the building and moved it north of the railroad to about the corner of Broadway and Park Avenue. Remodeling was done and the wooden building served as the first hall of justice here. This was used as the court house until the present building was erected.

On August 13, 1888, the commissioners' court issued bonds for the construction of the present court house. In the one meeting the court inspected the plans, made the necessary changes, contracted for the plans and the supervision with the architect, issued the bonds and advertised for bids.

E. T. Heiner, architect, presented plans for the building and a deal was made with him, giving him 3 1/2 per cent of the contracted price of the building and an additional 1 1/2 per cent of the cost for supervision while it was under construction. He was also to receive his railroad fare to any point in the state necessary for him to go.

Bonds were ordered issued in the sum of \$30,000, in denominations of \$500 each, bearing 6 per cent interest. C. H. Willingham was appointed to act for the county in regard to the legality of the bonds with an opinion from the attorney general, and also in the sale of the bonds.

On October 1, 1888, the court met to open bids for the construction of the building and the contract was awarded to Lowell & Miller, of Dallas, for the consideration of \$29,015. W. A. Proctor was county judge and the four commissioners were C. H. Willingham, M. C. Bright, D. F. Higginbotham and E. W. Stokes.

Several years later the bonds were refunded, the interest reduced at 5 per cent, the reissued bonds being in the denomination of \$1,000. Four of these bonds, Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 5, still unpaid, are held by the Woodmen of the World. Payment has been optional since 1925.

After being abandoned by the county officials the frame structure was moved to the corner now occupied by the Security State Bank and was used for a number of years by the Dan Sullivan Saloon, and later for a hotel. The building was finally destroyed by fire and the lots sold to a group of business men for the construction of a bank building.

Many interesting tales are told of the hearing of cases in the first county court house. Lawyers, who in later years were recognized as leaders in their profession in the state, argued cases there and Western justice was handed many a criminal.

Before 1887 the court house was at Runnels and the ruins of the large stone building can still be seen there. An old stone jail was also built at Runnels. Both buildings were abandoned after the transfer of the county site to Ballinger.

Earl Schuhmann, of Rowena, was in Ballinger Wednesday visiting friends and attending to business.

Cotton Twine Costs Less Than Imported Kind on Foot Basis

The use of cotton twine instead of twines made from imported materials would furnish outlets for hundreds of thousands of bales of cotton annually, according to estimates and figures made by E. C. Oliver, Dallas, who has been collecting data on the subject.

In one North Texas city alone, he found, more than 100,000 pounds of imported twines are being used annually. South Texas vegetable shippers are using ten carloads of jute twine a year, while the Texas wool growers buy eleven carloads of the same kind of twine annually for tying their sacks. Even a majority of Texas newspapers, he learned, are using twine made from imported materials.

Cotton twine is slightly more expensive on the pound basis, Mr. Oliver says, but it really is the less expensive, for by measurements and weights he found that while he could buy (at wholesale prices) a pound of imported twine for 16.15 cents and a pound of cotton twine of equal breaking strength costs 20 cents (also wholesale), in the pound of imported twine there were only 1,080 feet while in the pound of cotton twine the footage was 1,575 feet. In other words, for 1 cent he could buy sixty feet of imported twine, but the one cent would pay for seventy-five feet of polished cotton twine, both of forty-pound breaking strength.

An effort is being made to interest some of the Texas cotton manufacturers in the project of adding twine equipment to their mills, giving them an additional product and at the same time affording stable sources of supply to buyers who would be interested in substituting a Southern article for one imported from overseas at a considerable saving in footage costs.—Progressive Texans, Inc.

July Celebrations Advertised Here

Advertising matter placed in Ballinger this week announcing attractions during the first several days of July offers cheap and entertaining selections to citizens of this section.

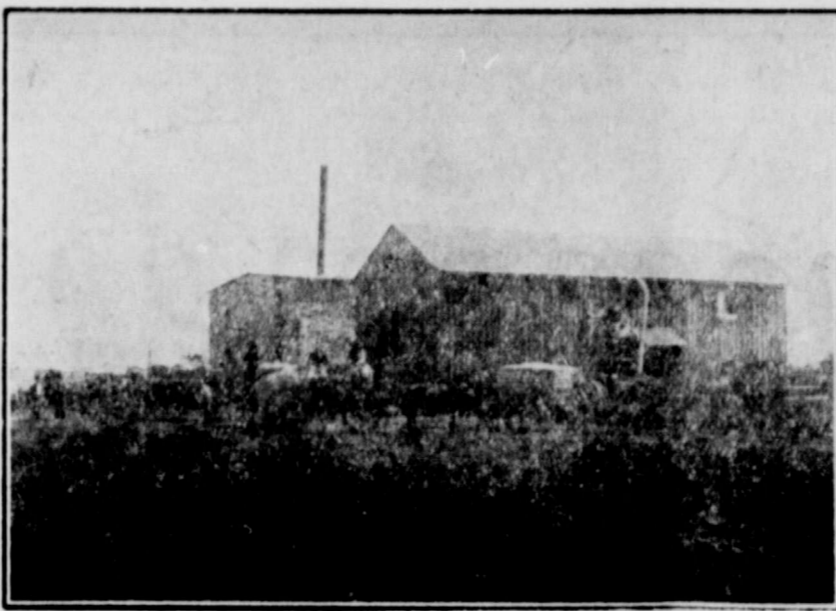
The nearest and one of the largest will be staged on July 4, one mile east of Winters. The all-day picnic, sponsored by the Winters American Legion post, is being advertised in all parts of West Texas. There will be speaking by state candidates in the morning, and in the afternoon district and county candidates will be presented for a few words.

Rodeo events, bronc and wild steer riding, wild cow milking, free baseball games, music by bands, and other features will constitute the program for the daylight hours. At night there will be an old time square dance on a special platform at the picnic grounds.

San Angelo promoters spent several days here this week advertising automobile races in which \$1,000 in cash prizes will be awarded July 4th.

The big three-day July program at Brady commences on the Fourth and continues through Tuesday and Wednesday. Horse racing will be an outstanding feature each afternoon. One hundred horses are already in stables there, including some of the fastest and best known animals in the Southwest. Baseball games will be played daily by teams in the Hill Country League, and from two to four bands will be heard daily. Carnival attractions, barbecue one day, motorboat races, rides, and other features are expected to attract attendance of 20,000 or more.

A two-day picnic will be held at Bronte on July 7 and 8. This occasion, under the auspices of the Bronte Band, is a biennial



The first cotton gin in Runnels county. The plant was constructed and operated here for many years under the management of J. W. Miller and Chas. S. Miller.



One of the first cotton fields which started that great industry in this county. The first crop was grown here in 1888 and since then Runnels county has led all West Texas in production of the staple.

affair. Barbecue and rodeo events will be featured and candidates from gubernatorial aspirants down are being invited.

The Texas Cowboys' Reunion will be held at Stamford on July 4. This great program has become an annual event and one of the best of its kind in the state.

Attractions at Cisco, Abilene and a number of other West Texas cities offer a variety of entertainment.

MAYOR OF CAROLINA TOWN LIVES IN DIFFERENT CITY

(By Associated Press) SYLVA, N. C., June 23.—H. E. Buchanan is mayor of Sylva, but a resident of Hendersonville, 70 miles away.

Mayor Buchanan, for a decade prominent in civic and political affairs of this little mountain city, was elected mayor last June.

Recently it became necessary for him to move away to care for his business interests, but he did not resign as mayor. He still holds the office. The mayor owns Sylva's principal theater.

BELGIUM STARTS INVENTORY OF NATIONAL RESOURCES

(By Associated Press) BRUSSELS, June 23.—Belgium is going to take inventory.

A government committee has been appointed to establish approximate worth of the country's roads, railways, public buildings, lands, forests, museums, and what not.

It will take two years to conclude the inventory, which is expected to reveal assets approximating \$1,000,000,000.

For instance, a preliminary valuation of Belgium's 27,500 miles of roads, lined with 800,000 trees, totals \$60,000,000.

The nation owns 2,200 public buildings, 100,000 acres of forests and 22,300 acres of vacant land.

Paul Jones, Drasco merchant, transacted business here Friday.

Iowa-born young men constitute 83 per cent of this year's University of Iowa football squad.

This year's Ohio corn crop is estimated at 162,564,000 bushels.



A typical pastoral scene in Runnels county in the 90's after sheep began to replace cattle on some ranches.

SAVE AT SAM BEHRINGER'S

We invite you to Ballinger's Birthday Celebration, June 29th.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SPECIALS

Fresh Tomatoes lb. 4c	Swift's Hams lb. 13c
Fresh Corn doz. 19c	Half or Whole
Walnuts lb. 15c	Bulk Dates lb. 19c
	Bulk Coffee lb. 25c

LOOK!

1 Arrow Soap Chips	.25
1 Sunbrite Cleanser	.08
1 Fork	.25
	58c

All for 19c



Not an uncommon sight in the "palmy days" when cotton was hauled here from points 50 to 75 miles distant. Both horses and oxen were used by the freighters.

First Cotton was Produced in Runnels County in 1888

Runnels county really began producing cotton in 1888 and since that time has had a steady increase in production of this major crop until it now leads all West Texas counties and ranks high in the state.

The first cotton gin was built here in the fall of 1888 by Charles S. Miller and brother, W. J. Miller. A few farmers had planted little acreage in the staple and when it was shown that cotton grew well in this region the problem of ginning confronted them. Miller brothers came to the rescue, installing a plant to take care of the crop. In 1888 they ginned 88 bales which was all raised in this county. The next year other farmers devoted a few acres to cotton with the result that production increased to 300 bales. Five hundred bales was the record for the next year and a steady increase in acreage was commenced.

Farmers began moving to West Texas when they realized that the cheap ranch land, mostly unfenced, was equal to the high priced black land of East Texas and other states. Other gins were built to take care of the production of farmers who were devoting large acreage to cotton. Cowmen began looking for cheaper grass land and allowed their fertile prairie lands to be subdivided into farms.

Special trains operated some week-ends brought hundreds of prospectors into this section, with the result that many bought tracts and moved here, bringing their families to make their future home.

Profits from early day farms were fair and cultivated acreage increased annually until in 1906 the county raised 35,525 bales and Ballinger alone received 54,000 bales, 15,000 more than were grown in the entire county. This

Lateral Road is Being Improved

Permanent and valuable improvements are being made on the road south of Ballinger to Pony. A concrete bridge across Spur Creek has been completed with the exception of the dirt approaches which will connect the span with the highway and a small amount of riprapping on the dump near the stream. T. J. Parrish, commissioner of precinct No. 1, expects this to be completed some time this week.

Two concrete culverts at bad crossing on this road are being built. The first is about one mile beyond the Spur Creek bridge and the other south of Pony at a deep ravine. Work is well underway on both jobs and should be finished in a day or so.

Next week a crew will be employed on the road from Bethel to Pony, topping portions which are low and become muddy in wet weather with a mixture of gravel and caliche. Mr. Parrish stated that when this job was completed there would be an all weather road from Pony to Bethel, connecting with the pavement on highway 4. The grade on this road has been put in good shape preparatory to topping and this will begin next week if the weather permits.

Wales' Flag Follows Trade LONDON, June 23.—(AP)—The Prince of Wales is to fly a new flag carrying the Cornish motto "One And All!" over Fort Belvidere, his country house, and also above the properties he owns in Cornwall and from which most of his income comes.

Misses Jean and Frances Yeagle and Ruth Kreiter, of Washington, D. C., who had been here for the two weeks visiting Mrs. George Pearce, left Wednesday for Phoenix, Arizona.

D. R. Smith left Wednesday afternoon for Los Angeles, California, where he will visit for a short time.

Mrs. R. L. Bennett, of Houston, is the guest of Mrs. George Pearce this week.

Rufus J. Wheeler, of Abilene, transacted business in Ballinger Thursday.

GREETINGS to the PIONEERS of Ballinger and Runnels County, and Others

At the 46th Birthday Celebration of Ballinger

Welcome---

To the delegates attending the Odd Fellows' Convention
We trust your visit here will be an occasion filled with pleasures you will long remember.

Farmers & Merchants State Bank of Ballinger



Wool brought to the Ballinger market. Until recent years much wool was freighted here by wagons from points 60 to 75 miles away. Rail facilities here provided transportation to consuming centers in the East.

46th Anniversary SALE

Commemorating Ballinger's 46th Birthday Celebration
BETTIS & STURGES

The Ladies' Store

Offers Entire Stock at Tremendous Reductions
From Friday, June 24 to July 1

New Piece Goods

Thousands of yards of the season's latest fabrics, bought in the first place at lowest prices of twenty years—Now radically reduced for this underselling event—Be sure to see them.



One lot Voiles and Batistes, 36 and 40 inches wide, very pretty patterns, values to 35c and a good assortment to select from **10c**

New 40 inch Chiffon Voiles in very pretty floral patterns and guaranteed fast colors, all the new and most wanted colors, values up to 35c the yard **19c**
 Come get your share only

40 inch wide all silk flat crepe, beautiful quality, regular \$1.00 value, colors white, black and pink, the yard **68c**

TO ARRIVE

39 inch brown domestic, good quality, regular 3c value, only

5c



The Reason Is Apparent

The reason for this event is apparent—we feel that we owe it to the people of Ballinger and surrounding territory to give them one more chance to buy their summer needs in this crisp new stock of summer merchandise before we start our campaign for fall business. Many new arrivals are already in the house for fall wear and if you contemplate visiting Ballinger during the city's 46th birthday celebration it might prove profitable for you to visit this store.

We Welcome You

Summer Footwear

Final Clearance of All Summer Footwear

These prices will maintained until stock is closed out

All \$3.00 shoes will be sold at only **\$1.95**

All \$4.00 and \$5.00 shoes to go at **\$2.98**

Late arrivals in summer sandals for **\$1.35 to \$1.95**



- New Shipment of Allen-A Anklets **19c**
- Children's Oxfords and Saldals **79c**
- Regular 50¢ Drapery Material, the yar d **19c**
- Ladies' Rayon Stepins **29c**

This is only a few of the many bargains you will find at this exclusive ladies store. Come see for yourself!

Final Clearance of All Spring and Summer

DRESSES

This lot includes late spring and early summer dresses of very pretty materials, to close out while they last, your choice only

\$4.88

Beautiful New Silk Hosiery



Hose No. 514—A 4-thread high twist, 45 gauge, all silk chiffon, dull finish, all silk hem, self picot edge, all silk Maccosin foot, narrow sole, curved French heel, regular \$1.95 value **89c**
 Special while they last

All silk, picot edge, full 45 gauge, garter run-stop, shadow welt, curved French heel, cradle foot with special toe guard, regular \$1.00 value **59c**
 while they last

Ladies' Dresses

Two hundred of these—Voiles, Batistes, Silks, Flat Crepes, Georgettes, Chiffons and Rayon Suits, formerly marked to sell up to \$9.85—Never before—Never again will you have a chance at such a bargain—choice now

59c

Towels

One lot fancy border heavy weight Turkish Towels, double thread, large size, fancy borders, as long as they last, each

12c

House Dresses

Lot 1—A big assortment of smocks and dresses in pretty voiles, rayons and prints and bright spring and summer colors, values to \$1.50, choice for

88c

Shantungs

A big assortment of these pure silk shantungs, one of the season's most popular materials, plain and printed patterns that are new and pretty—a big assortment, values up to \$1.00 the yard, now

59c

DRESSES



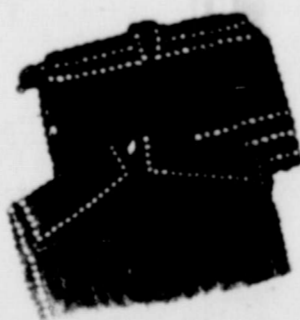
Forty new snappy styled Navys and Ruff Crepes, Chiffons and Sweater Suits, as well as some very pretty Printed Crepes, all good styles and former values to \$19.75, choice of the entire lot **\$3.88**

Brand new styles in Plain Flat Crepes, Shantungs, Wash and Ruff Crepes, Chiffons and Printed Crepes, with long and short sleeves in the latest styles and colors, values to \$29.75, choice **\$8.88**

Smart new Frisca Cloth Suits and California Sport Dresses as well as some new Chiffons, the prettiest dresses ever shown in the city, formerly priced to \$29.75, now **\$13.88**



Accessories



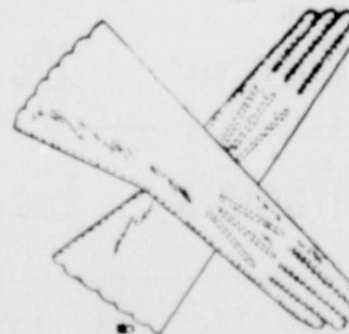
PURSES

A brand new assortment bought especially for this sale—Sharkskin and Pigskin, some with zippers, in white, tan and grey, choice now

59c



Compacts Filled only **89c**



GLOVES

New white gloves, just received, made of a beautiful fabric in white only, sizes 5½ to 8, choice now

59c

New Millinery



Group 1 includes an excellent group of white Panamas and straws in bright blues and greens, new goods and late styles, choice of the lot now **89c**

Group 2 features the new white and pastel colored straws and fabrics in a great variety of beautiful styles, and you have never before seen them at such a low price **\$1.69** now only

Group 3 includes our finest straws and fabrics in every price—white and pastel shades in the latest styles and all brand new—choice of the lot **\$3.88**