

# BANNER-LEADER.

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BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 1902

NO 24

## L. Markowitz & Bro

LEADERS IN DRY GOODS

We have received our Spring line of Dry Goods, including the latest and handsomest things on the market and we are marking them. However we will take pleasure in showing you through our stock. We are sure we can show you a line of goods unequalled in West Texas.

Yours to Please,

L. Markowitz & Bro.  
EVERYTHING IN DRY GOODS

land agent, therefore I can't give much satisfaction as to land. We had a nice little snow here yesterday, which continued six hours. The depth was eight inches. This snow cheers the farmers of this section, as it has been quite a spell since we had any falling weather. This snow fell on February 4.

Hylton, Tex. J. A. PHILLIPS.

### Card of Thanks.

M. C. Taylor and wife wish to thank their many friends who so generously aided them in rebuilding their home, which was completely demolished by the storm.

Adam Scharf, of Dolphus, Ohio, representing the McCoy Pottery Co., was doing Ballinger yesterday.

Geo. Hull left on yesterday evening's train for Proctor, where his brother J. D. Hull, is dangerously ill.

B. C. Jackson was one of the large number who came down from San Angelo to attend the Sam Murray trial.

Col. Buck Walton, of Austin, was here yesterday. He is an attorney for the defense in the Sam Murray murder case.

Mrs. H. F. Mayes left yesterday afternoon for Brownwood. Mr. Mayes will make the trip today in his buggy behind "Bess," his fine black driver.

Claude Hudspeth arrived from the west yesterday and left today for Menard, where he will look after the interests of his candidacy for the legislature.

On April 5th, an election of school trustees will be held throughout the county. The people should turn out at each voting box and elect the very best men they can.

District Attorney Taylor, of San Angelo, was here yesterday. He is one of the attorneys for the prosecution in the Sam Murray murder case. Mr. Taylor has been connected with this case from its first incipency.

Supt J. A. Starnes, of Ballinger, and J. S. Abbott, have applied to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction for recognition of a summer normal at this place. If they succeed in getting the normal located in San Angelo, it will be very beneficial to those preparing to teach in the great Concho Country, as well as to students who wish to increase their scholarship during the summer months.—Standard.

Sheriff Kirk received a 'phone message from Runnels Sunday stating that he was wanted there immediately, and he left. Arriving there and at the house where he was needed, he was met at the gate and invited in. But instead of addressing him as Mr. or Sheriff Kirk the man addressed him as "Doctor" and told him to "hurry in" that the patient needed attention. Kirk fainted and his deputy ran to the nearest 'phone and called for a physician, then brought our sheriff home in a bewildered condition. Don't 'phone for Kirk unless you need a man with a gun. He can't cure colic, nor relieve you of the grippe.

### Ballinger at San Angelo.

H. Winkler, Ballinger's leading dry goods merchant, spent Friday in the city.

J. Y. Pearce, druggist, of Ballinger, who is interested in the Concho drug store, spent Thursday and Friday of last week in the city. Mr. Pearce expressed great satisfaction with the business of the Concho and of course thinks well of the Queen of the Conchos.

R. H. Jones of Ballinger, accompanied by his daughter, came up last week on a visit to his cousin, M. C. Jones. This is their first meeting since 1860 and the reader can imagine there was pleasure in the greeting.

J. M. Slaughter completed his house at Maverick, came to San Angelo and returned accompanied by his family and household goods, Friday. The Press wishes Mr. Slaughter the greatest prosperity in his new location.

The recent rain was a God send to the people of Runnels county. Many who owned stock had about exhausted their supply of feed and were unable to secure more. Now the grass will come and the feed will not be needed.

R. H. Jones, one of Runnels county's substantial farmers, paid the Press an appreciated call Friday. He said the late rain did his country a world of good. The value of it could hardly be estimated. It was worth thousands in its relief of anxiety alone.—Press.

"It's better than a letter"

Housekeepers Delight is the finest made—sold by Davis-Noyes Co. 23 tf

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Five room house, possession at once. For terms and particulars apply to

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### Runnels County.

The following is what a Hylton boy has to say about Runnels county through the columns of the March number of the Louisville (Ky.) Home and Farm:

If you will again allow me space in your valuable paper, I will try and give my several correspondents the information they ask for. I have been asked some questions on points which I know nothing about, but will answer them as best I can. So here goes.

First, in answer to the physician, we have physicians in this country, but it is rather hard work for some of them. Chills, fever and malaria never occur in Runnels county unless they have been contracted in the East. At least, I have never heard of any. Sometimes I hear of a case of pneumonia which has been brought on by exposure. As for board, I think you could get board in Runnels much cheaper than in the East. I will say that rheumatism is pretty bad in this locality. To the man who has to work for wages I will say this country is not as good for a man of that kind as it was several years ago. But a man who is willing to work can make a living here. To the correspondent of Anderson, Ok.: This county is fenced and is not much good for a big stockman, although there is a great deal of stock raised in Runnels and surrounding counties. Northwest Texas is considered a good stock country. All school lands have been taken up in this county. There are some railroad and school lands out here in adjoining counties, but I gave the prices in my last letter as best I could.

I am a farmer boy and not a

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—Asa Cordill sets the pace in jewelry circles. Get his prices always before buying.

Judge T. T. Crosson spent Monday in Miles and Tuesday in San Angelo on business.

E. W. Patterson and wife, of Norton, were in the city yesterday shopping.

'Phone No. 167 for Wood.

"Cash"

F. M. HONEA

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100 strips of Fine Embroidery medium and wide edges, 4 1-2 and 5 yards in strip worth not less than 75c, your choice per strip only 50c  
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Solicit the trade of all who appreciate a first class establishment of the kind. A full line of fresh Candies, Cigars, Tobacco, Periodicals, etc. in stock.

**M. C. COBB  
& Company,**

On the Corner.

J. F. Currie made a flying business trip to Bronte Monday.

Miss Emma Lankford has accepted a position in the store of H. Winkler.

J. C. Olive, a substantial citizen of the Wingate community was in town Saturday.

Geo. F. Kornegay and family will occupy the residence next door to the home of J. J. Erwin.

H. P. Jordan, once a citizen and business man of Ballinger, is now a candidate for county and district clerk of McCulloch county.

From the Lake City (Iowa) News we learn of the death of Rev. W. G. Riteldaffer, father of Mrs. A. L. Clark, formerly of Ballinger.

Judge J. O. Woodward, ex-judge of this district, was in Ballinger Monday winding up certain legal matters in which he is interested.

W. W. McKinley desires it understood that in view of the fact that all his time is taken up by his blacksmith duties he will discontinue his laundry basket.

H. Z. Parrott, a prosperous citizen of the fertile Valley Creek country, was in Tuesday. He reported corn coming up and everything ready for the approach of warm weather.

Miss Francis entertained a number of her associates among the young ladies Monday afternoon. The time was pleasantly passed in learning the new and fascinating game of ping pong.

Harry Jackson, county surveyor of Schleicher, returned from Ballinger Wednesday, where he was a witness in the case of State vs. Kilpatrick, charged with the murder of Thornton of Concho county. The case was continued.—Standard.

A letter received Saturday from R. R. Holland states that he has verbally closed a contract with the trustees at Lubbock to serve as principal of that school during 1902-1903. Prof. Holland is considered one of the finest instors in the west, and having served in this same capacity at Lubbock in 1900 his re-election goes to prove the truth of the assertion.

A fine lot of young heifers and bulls, Durhams and Herefords were unloaded here Monday. There were 8 heifers and 6 bulls, the property of Messrs. Bevans, Russell and Callan of Menardville, the latter two owning the Herefords, Mr. Bevans the Durhams. They were bought in Fort Worth during the convention and were the prettiest lot of fine stock seen in this country in a long time. The price paid was said to be away up in the pictures.

While in the City of Mexico. Dr. Brown says he had the pleasure of meeting an old Gatesville boy in the person of Bob Royalty, who holds the position of paying teller with the United States Banking Co. at the snug little salary of \$175 per month. The doctor says he talked with the bank officials and they expressed themselves as being highly pleased with Bob and had put him down on the list for promotion as soon as the opportunity offered. His friends here will be glad to learn of his prosperity.—Gatesville Messenger.

Bob Royalty is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Royalty of this city, and grew from boyhood to mature manhood here. His friends will be delighted to learn of the rapid strides he is making on the path to fame and fortune.

Dr. J. M. Smith, of Content, was in Ballinger Saturday and left a large order for stationery with the BANNER-LEADER. He is enjoying a lucrative practice and has lately taken in Dr. B. E. Franklin of Tennessee as a partner. We are glad to claim Dr. Smith as a friend and patron.

J. F. Lusk is quietly congratulating himself that his duties as school trustee will soon be at end. However his friends, and there are lots of them, will see to it that he is re-elected in spite of his protests, since there is no better material in Ballinger for that important position. The election occurs early in April.

A Coke county team hitched to a wagon and standing in front of Chilton's store. Monday, began running and went down Eighth street at a lively rate, but were checked as they reached Chastain's store. No damage resulted from the runaway.

J. S. Venable, a Brownwood stockman, was here Monday. He has recently sold his McCulloch county ranch and cattle to the White Bros., for about \$40,000. It was a cash transaction, delivery to be made about the last of this month.

F. L. Pierce, Winters' chief executive, was in town Saturday. He has recently added lumber to the numerous other lines of merchandise he handles. We are glad to note his prosperity and wish for its continuance.

R. P. Taylor, a staunch citizen of Maverick, was in Saturday. He called and subscribed for the BANNER-LEADER and reported his vicinity well drenched by last week's rain. The land was too wet as late as Saturday to plow.

W. N. Waddell, of Fort Worth, sold his 30,000 acre ranch in Borden county and 2,000 head of cattle last week to F. A. Abney of West Virginia for \$120,000.

Monday, the 17th, was St. Patrick's day, and in Ballinger the green ribbon, which indicates a devotee of the Irish saint, was much in evidence.

W. J. Turner whose ranch is in Borden county near Gale, was here Saturday greeting friends. He was returning home from the convention.

A man was in from the Concho river Saturday with a lot of fine fish. He was not long in disposing of them at fair prices.

J. A. Burley, manager of the F. J. Williams Lumber Co., has rented the P. E. Truly residence in West End.

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**T. A. FANNIN.**

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One Casady Sulkey.  
One 9 inch steel beam plow.  
One 10 inch steel beam plow.  
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Give us your printing.

Capt. S. M. Woods, of Brownwood, was a visitor to Ballinger Saturday.

Your assistance in gathering local news items will be heartily appreciated by the BANNER-LEADER editor.

W. A. Swinney, of Eden, sold to Jake French, of Temple, 440 3 year old steers at \$23.50 per head.—Concho Herald.

Dr. A. S. Love and wife and M. G. Hodnette and wife have rented and will shortly occupy the W. N. Collier residence, near H. A. Cady's.

John W. Boynton, of Hamilton, was in the city this week en route to Runnels county, where he thinks of locating.—Brownwood Daily Bulletin.

Dr. A. L. Taylor, the Sutton county candidate for representative from this district, was here last week, and left feeling, as he said, assured that Runnels county would do the right thing by him.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Cohen, who have been citizens of our city for several months, left Friday of last week for Coleman. Later Mr. Cohen will go to Houston where he has accepted a lucrative position in a large establishment.

Division Superintendent W. B. Scott, of the Santa Fe, has tendered his resignation, effective March 17th, to accept a position as General Superintendent of the Southern Pacific with headquarters at San Antonio. All the railway people who know this worthy official rejoice over his promotion.

George F. Kornegay passed through town last night en route to Ballinger, where he goes to take editorial and business charge of the Banner-Leader. We know George well enough to recommend him unqualifiedly to the people of Ballinger in every way.—Brownwood Daily Bulletin.

Mrs. Mary Hunt Odom, who for some months past has been visiting relatives and friends in Ballinger, left Saturday for Galveston to be with her son. Later she plans to go to California to visit a brother and also to attend the convention of the Women's Confederate Clubs.

C. P. Shepherd has been elected Superintendent of the Methodist Sunday School to succeed H. F. Mayes resigned. Mr. Shepherd will make a good superintendent. He should have the co-operation and support of all members of the church that his duties may be made pleasant.

The Coke County Rustler was out in a new gown last week—just as it should have been, for its editor likewise donned a new suit and took unto himself a "better two thirds." Miss Lula Newton was the charming young lady to whom Mr. Beeman was joined in holy wedlock. The BANNER-LEADER offers congratulations.

The candidates will have to hustle if they see and interview the voters of Runnels county. The people are actually so busy, you can't interest them with politics for more than a few minutes at a time.

John Chaillette, of Brownwood, has been awarded the contract for building the power-house dam at San Angelo and he was here Monday to make a contract for 100 cars of rock to be used in the dam.

The drouth is only to be remembered as one of the unpleasanties of the past. It is grass, budding trees, flowers and bee music now. This country is flourishing.

Eddie Schawe, who is in the mercantile business at Bronte, was in our city Sunday the guest of his parents. Bronte, he said, was prospering, and smiling over the recent rain.

C. P. Shepherd visited Maverick Saturday in the interest of his insurance agency. He reports the entire citizenship of that little burg in good spirits over the hopeful outlook.

About a dozen wagons loaded with farm and ranch supplies left Ballinger Monday for Coke county. Ballinger is fast becoming the hub of this section of Texas.

Mrs. B. W. Pilcher returned Saturday night from a visit to her sister Mrs. B. M. Pilcher, of Cisco, who has been seriously ill, but is now rapidly recovering.

Miss Maud Erwin was at home to a number of her friends last Friday evening. The time was very pleasantly passed in cards, conversation and music.

Editor P. E. Truly of the Press was down from San Angelo Sunday evening to meet Mrs. Truly on her return from Eastland.

R. A. Hall came down from San Angelo Sunday evening to arrange for moving his household effects to San Angelo soon.

Mrs. J. H. Grant returned to her home at Winters Monday after a brief visit with relatives in Ballinger.

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General Medicine and Surgery.  
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**- BALLINGER. -**

**Notice.**  
I have all my old notes and accounts for collection and they must be closed up. Please call and attend to them at once.  
**LEE MADDOX.**

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At Jas. E. Brewer's you will find the best quality of jewelry at the lowest prices.

Asa Cordill will sell you a Seth Thomas clock without alarm for \$2.25.

A pretty line of watches at bargain prices—Asa Cordill.

DR. W. A. GUSTAVUS, DENTIST, Over Walker's Drug Store.

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bones, will buy until Apr. 1st  
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Eggs, Butter or any old thing  
that's fresh, go to  
Miller Mercantile Co.

Well now, if you want the best  
get the Live Oak Flour at  
Miller Mercantile Co

—See Jas. E. Brewer before you  
buy a watch or jewelry of any  
kind, he will not be undersold

C. E. Woodrow, ginner of  
Winters, was doing business in  
Ballinger Wednesday.

Miss Tub Thompson, of Santa  
Anna, is the guest of her cousins,  
Misses Mamie and Kate Thom-  
son.

J. B. Wilmeth, of the Parks  
Banking Co., is off to Galveston  
to attend the Banker's Conven-  
tion.

H. E. Petty, M. C. Taylor, J.  
W. Robinett and M. I. Rayburn,  
citizens of Maverick, were on  
the streets Wednesday.

R. A. Hall, cashier of the San  
Angelo National Bank passed  
through Wednesday evening en  
route to the convention at Gal-  
veston.

The Cumberland Presbyte-  
rians have abandoned the use of  
acetiline gas lights and on Wed-  
nesday had thirty electric lights  
placed in their church.

D. M. Baker and wife left  
Wednesday evening for Galves-  
ton, where they will attend the  
Bankers' Convention. At the  
close of the convention they will  
take an excursion to Havana,  
Cuba.

The little three year old son  
of Lee Maddox was bitten in the  
face by a dog Monday evening.  
The child was playing with the  
dog and had made it mad. The  
bite was very painful, but not  
necessarily dangerous.

Hon. O. T. Maxwell's name  
appears in the announcement  
column this week as a candidate  
for Congress. Mr. Maxwell is  
strongly endorsed by his home  
people and is well and favorably  
known throughout the 15th con-  
gressional district. He has  
always supported the platform,  
principles and nominees of his  
party and is in thorough accord  
with it upon all questions of na-  
tional importance. His honesty,  
capability and political record  
are unquestioned. In brief, Mr.  
Maxwell is a broad-gauged gen-  
tleman and statesman. His  
candidacy merits consideration.

**Advertised Letter List.**

Letters and wholly written  
Postal Cards remaining in the  
Ballinger, Texas Post Office, un-  
claimed for two weeks, at close  
of business on Saturday March  
15th, 1902. In calling for letters  
please say advertised, giving  
date of this list.

**LADIES:**

Clark, Mrs. M. J.  
Hill, Miss Burnse.  
Jones, Miss Della.

**GENTLEMEN:**

Bomar, Riley.  
Chaffin, J. O.  
Howden, Alonzo.  
Mues, Albert.  
O'Neil, Owen Roe.  
Phate, F.

**Residence Burned.**

About 10 o'clock Tuesday  
morning the residence of J. B.  
Alvis, a mile west town, caught  
on fire from a defective flue and  
before discovered the flames  
were beyond control. Mrs. Al-  
vis was at home, but was in a  
front room and knew nothing of  
the fire until some of the neigh-  
bors arrived. It was then too  
late to recover but few things  
from the flames. With the con-  
tents that burned was a new  
\$600 piano. The house was in-  
sured for \$800 and the contents  
for \$1000 in the Hartford insur-  
ance company. Mr. Alvis will  
no doubt rebuild as soon as the  
insurance is adjusted.

**Content Correspondence.**

Content, Tex., Mch. 14, '02  
The independent school taught  
by Miss Ruth Hamon closed to-  
day with a picnic which was  
well attended. People began  
gathering about 10 a. m at the  
"fat hole" on Jim Ned and soon  
there was a nice crowd, both  
old and young, and the old  
gentlemen began breaking wood  
for a fire with which to cook  
coffee while the old ladies chat-  
ted cheerfully and the young  
people engaged in domino play-  
ing. The time soon came for  
lunch to be spread and the an-  
nouncement was made by Rev.  
Paul Hamon that dinner was  
ready. All ate heartily, espe-  
cially the writer and Paul, and  
enough was gathered up to feed  
as many more.

After refreshments, the young  
people passed the evening driv-  
ing, playing croquet and pitch-  
ing dollars; the old gentlemen  
seated themselves under the  
shade of a pecan tree and told of  
bygone days in old Georgia, Ala-  
bama and Mississippi, while the  
old ladies chatted pleasantly on  
subjects unknown to me. And  
my dear reader, you don't know  
how the recent rain and that  
good dinner has pleased me.

The only excuse I will offer  
for writing this is, the Content  
correspondent was not there.

A PATRON.

Don't "crowd the season" with  
your ambition to fish. It don't  
always pay. You may "get a  
bite," but not the kind you  
want. Monday was a beautiful  
day and several prominent  
Brownwood gentlemen, includ-  
ing Rev. Chapman and Dr. Harp-  
ham, went fishing. The latter  
named gentlemen failed to get a  
decent bite and concluded to  
hunt. They hunted, they found,  
and were conquered. They ran  
amuck a 9 year old skunk and,  
according to the Daily Bulletin,  
their friends are sending their  
meals to them in the woods,  
where they wait for the gentle  
southern breeze to disinfect  
their clothes.

D. C. Underwood spent Fri-  
day in Brownwood on land busi-  
ness.

Dunc. McGregor, of Coleman,  
was here Monday visiting his  
brothers.

F. P. Abney went to Brown-  
wood Monday evening on busi-  
ness, returning Tuesday night.

Prof. M. G. Hodnett and Dr.  
Love will move their families  
into the Collier residence to-  
morrow.

Miss Nellie Gregory returned  
Saturday from a visit to her  
sister, Miss Katie Bell, a teacher  
in the Content school.

Misses May Harris and Leona  
Miller recently assisted Prof.  
Haberhorn, of Brownwood, in a  
piano and violin recital.

Miss Neal Guion is quite un-  
well and it is feared she is con-  
tracting slow fever. We wish  
her an early recovery.

W. W. Chastain decided he  
could do without the BANNER-  
LEADER no longer and on Mon-  
day morning subscribed.

Warren Williams, recently of  
Norwood, but now a citizen of  
Miles, was in with his family  
Monday purchasing supplies.

H. H. Kendall and family, who  
were the guests of C. O. Harris  
and family last week, returned  
Saturday to their home in Ennis.

Judge J. D. Scruggs, of Men-  
ardville, spent Tuesday in Bal-  
linger and left that evening for  
Missouri, where he will visit  
relatives.

C. C. Schuchard, county treas-  
urer and furniture dealer of  
Menardville, was here Monday  
and Tuesday purchasing stock  
for his store.

Several wagons loaded with  
lumber left Ballinger for differ-  
ent parts of the county Monday.  
Improvement in Runnels county  
has not ceased.

The Banner-Leader job print-  
ing department has turned out  
a large bulk of neat work this  
week. We do the best job  
printing in the West.

Wagons left Ballinger Tuesday  
with a large boiler, engine and  
other machinery, to be used as an  
irrigating outfit on the farm of  
E. V. D. Stucken at Menard-  
ville.

Tom Russell and Dick Riley,  
two prominent stockmen of Men-  
ardville, were here Monday on  
their way to the Indian Terri-  
tory to look after livestock in-  
terests there.

The second quarterly confer-  
ence of the Methodist church  
was held Monday. All reports  
and all business was brought up  
in first rate shape, which means  
that the church's condition is  
good.

C. F. Dickinson left Sunday  
evening for Ennis in answer to  
a telegram from his wife an-  
nouncing the death of her moth-  
er, Mrs. Crutcher, who had  
been ill for several days. The  
Banner-Leader sincerely regrets  
the death of this good lady and  
offers condolence to the be-  
reaved.

A card party was given by  
Misses Mamie and Kate Thom-  
son Tuesday evening in honor  
of their visiting cousin Miss  
Tub Thompson, of Santa Anna.  
Those present were, Misses  
Maude Erwin, Lousie Luckett,  
Edna Odom, Minnie Guion Fran-  
cis and Beatrice Thomson and  
Messrs. Sam Parks, George  
Holman, Arthur Chilton, Foster  
Ryan, Bob McGregor and Harry  
Thomson.

**"THE LONG TRAIL"  
OF THE CATTLE RANGE.**

Has given prominence in history to the now world famous Texas  
Panhandle. But a few years ago the wonderful possibilities of this  
region as a wheat country became known, and great things were  
prophecied for "The Granary of the South," which subsequent  
harvests justified. Comparatively recent is the demand of good  
livers for "Vernon Cantaloupes," but it's come to stay. Those  
acquainted with this section and its wealth as a producer of feed  
stuffs, corn and cotton have long believed in it, nor have they been  
moving away. When Northwest Texas remained conspicuous for  
its excellence in the face of almost universal discouraging crop  
conditions, people began to see reasons for the faith of those invit-  
ing them to enter and possess the land; and now, with farms and  
ranches being bought daily by new settlers coming in by wagon  
and rail, three new railroads now building and four more projected  
seeking a share of the general prosperity, good reason is evident  
for the favor with which the territory along "THE DENVER  
ROAD" is regarded by prospectors.

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### Publisher's Notice.

Cards of Thanks, Resolutions of Respect, Obituaries and similar notices published in the BANNER-LEADER will be charged for at regular advertising rates. Advertising for church, school and charity benefits will be charged at half rates.

THE MAYES PRINTING CO.

Erath county voted for prohibition, last Saturday, by a majority of about 250.

The oldest living ex-confederate veteran is Isaac Brock, of Valley Mills, Texas. He is 113 years old and will attend the great re-union at Dallas.

The contract was let Tuesday for the erection in Milford, of the central building for the Texas Presbyterian College for girls, the contract being \$19 663, not including plumbing, heating and lighting

W. A. Tuley, successor to L. B. Comer as General Passenger Agent of the Fort Worth & Rio Grande railway has assumed duties and all communications in regard to transportation over that road should be addressed to him at Fort Worth.

The Brady Enterprise editor warbles the following stanza without stammering:

We detest the despicable little "runt" who is forever and ever insinuating and never says what he would like to. If you have anything to say about a man say it out.

The spring rush of immigration from Europe to the United States is now on. Between 15,000 and 17,000 prospective American citizens arrive in this country every week. Five steamships crowded with Germans, Frenchmen, Italians and Poles arrived at New York on Monday.

Rev. Seth Ward, pastor of the Central Methodist Church of Galveston, has been invited to preach the commencement sermon for Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee. Vanderbilt is the leading educational institution of the Southern Methodist church and one of the leading universities of the South. This is the first time a Texan has been invited to deliver the commencement sermon of this institution.

## ANNOUNCEMENT COLUMN.

The Banner-Leader desires it understood that cash in hand must accompany all orders for insertion of names in these columns.

For Justice of the Peace and Commissioner, Precinct No. 1:

CAPT. J. E. SMITH.  
(Re-election)  
W. H. WEEKS.  
IKE O. WOODEN.

For Constable Precinct No. 1.

J. A. DEMOVILLE.  
B. W. PILCHER.

For Public Weigher:

FRANK STUART.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector

R. P. KIRK (Re-election.)  
PARKER G. WOODWARD.  
J. W. CLAMPITT.

For Treasurer

W. F. SHARP (Re-election.)

For County and District Clerk

E. M. BLACKBURN.  
W. L. TOWNER (Re-election)

For Tax Assessor:

W. T. PADGETT.

For Representative 102nd Representative District:

DR. A. L. TAYLOR,  
of Sonora.  
CLAUDE B. HUDSPETH,  
of Ozona.

For County Judge.

C. H. WILLINGHAM.  
T. T. CROSSON (re-election)

For Congress 16th Congressional District:

O. T. MAXWELL, of Cisco.

The San Angelo Press is out in a new dress this week, is full of news, and the make-up is excellent.

Rent houses are scarce in Ballinger, and it seems that the scarcity will continue, for as soon as a new house is finished it is occupied. Any kind of an old house rents for a very fair price.

E. M. Baygent, of San Angelo, trapped during one month's time, thirty-one wolves, sixty-three skunks, ten possums, six coons and two wildcats, all on the Door Key ranch. How is that for a record on exterminating pests?

The Dallas News thinks that inasmuch as General Miles has made application to the War Office to be permitted to go and take charge of the military operations in the Philippines, that there is every reason to believe that the war in the Philippines is at an end.

The Turkish government has flatly refused the demand of the United States for the repayment of the sum of money, \$72,500, paid to the brigands as a ransom for Miss Ellen M. Stone and her companion, Mme. Tsilka. The question arises, what will Uncle Sam do about it?

Edward Green, husband of Hetty Green, known as the richest woman in America, died at his home in Bellow's Falls, Vermont, Wednesday. He had been ill for a long time of a complication of diseases. He was the father of E. H. R. Green, president of the Texas Midland railroad.

A San Antonio man claims to have discovered within 400 miles of San Antonio an immense deposit of pure alum. The discovery was made by accident, a lump of alum being found embedded in the ground, and it proved a lead to what the discoverer says is "a mountain of alum." He claims that this is the first alum ever discovered in the United States, and that as soon as papers can be made out and filed arrangements will be made to develop the mine. Melchler, the discoverer, has specimens of the alum, which have been pronounced pure by competent judges.

The bill of the physicians and surgeons who attended President McKinley during his last days is only \$100,000, which Congress of course will be asked to pay. Some of the members of congress have the audacity (?) to speak right out already and call this extortion. Of course if McKinley had survived the assassin's wound these professional gentlemen would not have charged more than the law should allow them, but as he didn't, they want to test Uncle Sam's nerve.

The extension of the Frisco railroad from Brownwood to Brady will begin in April, but instead of completing the road to Brady by November, as was the contract, the Brady people have granted the road an extension of time of four months, and the road is under contract to reach Brady in March, 1903.

The Llano Mining Milling and Smelting Company will soon purchase an ore crusher and milling plant of a capacity of fifty tons per day. The ore obtained from the mines of this company on Sharp mountain three miles from Llano average \$11 per ton in gold and \$4 in silver.

March has but few friends. It brings us many showers, but very little rain. It was named for Mars, the God of War, who was the son of Jupiter, and was always hunting a fight. March takes a great deal of "cussin'" as does the average "scrap" hunter.

The Chicago News says Prince Henry has been made an LL. D., but as he has not been elected a Daughter of the American Revolution he will go home with a great, unsatisfied longing in his heart.

Cecil Rhodes, the diamond king, is sinking and will probably not live but a few days. Oxygen in large quantities is being administered by his physicians to prolong his life as much as possible.

A solid block of business houses in the town of Aspermont was destroyed by fire Monday morning. All losses were partially covered by insurance.

A mass meeting of the citizens of Mitchell county was held at Colorado Saturday, at which resolutions were adopted demanding the abrogation of the lease law.

### Land Notes Wanted.

Parties holding small land notes and desiring cash on same will call on

C. P. SHEPHERD.

# The DAVIS-NOYES CO.,

## We Are Beginning

To receive and open a part of the purchase of Dry Goods made by our buyer, Mr. J. F. Currie, while in the eastern markets. This line we offer for your inspection before making your Spring purchase of either staple or fancy Dry Goods, Boots, Shoes or Gents Furnishing Goods. We are confident we can please you. Give us a trial

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To call your attention to our large and complete line of High Grade Groceries, Staple Goods and Feed. We make close prices and guarantee satisfaction. When you need anything in our line come and see us.

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—Asa Cordill, the Jeweler.  
—Books to rent at Rannels County News Co., Ballinger Texas.

### Wall Paper

I. Y. PEARCE.

**New York's Civil Service.**  
Next year's appropriation for the civil service commission of New York city is \$86,000. The state expends for the same purpose \$40,000, of which \$2,450 is for printing and \$11,000 for postage.

**Early Definition of Saunterer.**  
A saunterer is believed by some etymologists to have originally signified a man without lands, such a person naturally wandering to and fro in search of employment.

**Doctors in Congress.**  
There is one physician in the present senate and four physicians in the present house of representatives. There is one druggist in the present house of representatives.

**Population's Rate of Increase.**  
Such has been the increase in population in civilized countries that the space occupied by one person a century ago must now contain three.

**Mecca for Southern Negroes.**  
It is said by a correspondent of the Baltimore Sun that West Virginia is rapidly becoming more and more the mecca of the negroes of the South. The climate of this state, as a whole, is congenial to this race, and the great coal and coking industries in operation in almost every county, together with the extensive railroad construction being carried on, furnish ready as well as lucrative employment for negro laborers, of whom 15,000 are employed in the mines.

**Crusade Against Needless Noise.**  
The crusade against unnecessary noise, started in various parts of the country, has been taken up by the Lackawanna railroad in the form of a general order to employes requiring them to desist from noisy conversation and loud calling around passenger stations at night. The object of the order is to obtain a minimum of noise about trains and stations, especially at times when sleeping passengers are likely to be disturbed.—New York Times.

## Another Railroad for Ballinger.

It is Possible for Us to Secure The Texas Northwestern.

LETTER FROM GENERAL MANAGER MYERS.

Below is a letter to the BANNER-LEADER from General Manager Carlos D. Myers, calling our attention to the fact that the extension of The Texas Northwestern Railroad might come by Ballinger if sufficient inducements should be offered. The fact of the business is, Ballinger is on a direct line from Denver to San Antonio, and being the commercial center of a vast area of territory, promises to be one of the busiest, thriftiest cities of the West. This, these railroad people know, and it will be an easy matter to induce them to build this way.

Ballinger can well afford to offer a good bonus in order to get the road, and she can ill afford not make the offer. This is an age of hustle and grab and if we fail to get up and go after what we need we will always be numbered with the non-progressive.

We are sure Ballinger will do the right thing and at once make an effort to get this railroad.

We suggest that a mass meeting of the citizens be called, and an interest aroused that will cause everyone to think and realize the necessity of trying to secure the road; then appoint a committee to ascertain what amount could be raised and offered as a bonus. Here is the letter. Read it:

OFFICE OF  
THE TEXAS NORTHWESTERN RAILROAD.  
759 ROSE BUILDING.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 18, 1902.

EDITOR BANNER-LEADER,  
Ballinger, Texas.

DEAR SIR:

I have this day sent to J. I. Guion of your town a letter in reference to the following:

As our projected railway, on present proposed lines, will run within a few miles of your town, I have advised him to bring before a proper committee of your citizens the suggestion that should they feel disposed to make a donation such as a bonus and sufficient land for right-of way, our company might be prevailed upon to change our present route, giving your town the benefit of a trunk line railway. To the North we would connect you with Denver and northern points; South, with San Antonio and other southern cities. Would suggest that you see Mr. Guion and cooperate with him in his efforts to give your town the advantages of a trunk line railway.

Feeling that you will appreciate these conditions, I am,

Yours respectfully,

CARLOS D. MYERS, Gen Mgr.

### Sante Fe Excursion Rates.

Grand American Handicap Shooting Tournament, Kansas City Mo., March 31st, to April 5th, 1902. Limit April 7th, 1902. Rate one first class limited standard fare, plus \$2.00.

Homeseekers' Excursion to California, first and third Tuesdays of March, April and May 1902. See Santa Fe agent for rate and limit.

State Convention Travelers' Protective Association, Waco, Texas, April 3rd, to 5th, 1902, limit April 5th, 1902. Rate convention plan.

Reunion Scottish Rite Masons, Galveston, Texas, March 24th, to 27th, 1902. Limit March 28th 1902. Rate convention plan.

Biennial meeting, Knights of Pythias, San Francisco, Cal. August 12th, to 15th, 1902. See Santa Fe agent for rate and limit.

Meeting Lumbermen's Convention, Houston Texas. Dates of sale April 6th and 7th. Rate \$11.70 for round trip.

National Convention People's Party, Louisville, Ky. One fare plus \$2.00 for round trip. Dates of sale March 31 and April 1st.

—You have the best if you buy of Asa Cordill.

—Any publication supplied at Rannels County News Co., Ballinger, Texas.

### Hotel Arrivals.

ROYALTY.—Thursday. S. E. Taylor, B. W. Rimes, San Angelo; Joseph Funk, J. B. Ashford and wife, Sherwood; W. R. Smith, Colorado; V. Massey, Water Valley; John W. Goodwin, J. H. Baker, Brownwood; Jas. Manning, Maratrow; J. C. Loggaa, Fort Chadbourne; Chas L. Blanton; St. Louis.

The following is a list of parties who registered at the City hotel Thursday, nearly if not quite all of them being here to attend the Sam Murray murder trial: W. P. Moore, Oscar Cain, Tal Rutledge, Albert Baze, Bob Mimms, Sherwood; Chas. Gordon, K. M. Mayes, Jim Neil, San Angelo; Chris Arwood, Thompson McDonald, Mose Taylor, Ozona; J. M. McMurray, Cololerrdo; J. J. Walls, Abilene; Buck Walton, Austin; H. N. Beakley, Coleman; Mrs. Lucy Cole, Waco.

Work has begun on the extension of the Texas Central railway from Burnet to Lampasas, a distance of twenty-six miles.

—Chatelaine purses, a few left on hand, will be to your interest to get one now—Jas E. Brewer.

—The tornado sea son is here Dig a storm house, insure your life and property with Stone & Gregg and let the wind blow.

## DON'T BE GAUGHT

Napping this year. Don't let your neighbors get ahead of you. See us now for Up-To-Date Garden Tools. New stock of everything that is latest and most labor saving. A "DANDY" Windmill is a paying investment. Never gets a lame back nor a sore arm from pumping too long. You will make no mistake if you supply your spring needs here

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**THE GLASS OF FASHION.**

The new *Tuxedo jacket blouse* is much used for velvet, corduroy and lightweight ladies' cloth.

All of the long wraps are very graceful this fall and much fuller than formerly from the knees down.

The style of hairdressing so universally chosen during several seasons past and known as "the extreme pompadour" has passed entirely from fashionable favor.

Pompadour or Marie Antoinette silk are extensively employed in the making of draped corselets, belts, blouse fronts, collar and coat linings, colonial waistcoats, etc.

Brown cloth forms a smart autumn tailor costume, with cream nappa revers trimmed with gold threaded applique. The vest is of Persian embroidery, outlined with gold.

The new shades of green camel's hair, faced cloth and venetian for winter costumes are combined with various handsome furs and look remarkably well with nearly every sort.

Narrow ruffles of black point d'esprit, either shirred or plaited through the center, are an inexpensive and very effective sort of trimming to select in making over a silk or satin gown either in black or colors.—New York Post.

**ITEMS OF INTEREST.**

Chicago's first hotel, the old Green Tree Inn, is to be torn down.

About one-third of the population of the national capital is of negro descent. This season the Maine woods have yielded an albino moose, three or four albino deer and two pure albino squirrels.

Canoe building is one of the industries of Kennebunkport, Me., which used to build great ships and even now launches an occasional schooner.

Mining experts say that the Klondike reached its zenith last year, when the output was valued at \$22,000,000. This year's valuation is placed at \$18,000,000. Since 1896 the total yield has been \$65,000,000.

They say that after the Duchess of York had visited one of the schools in Toronto and had graciously written her name on the school register the teacher passed around the ink bottle in order that each pupil might dip a finger in the ink into which a princess had dipped the pen.

**THE CYNIC.**

Nine out of ten people are looking for sympathy. Isn't it too bad that dissipation doesn't prolong life?

People wonder what lovers talk about. Get it, and you'll find out.

Do people occasionally run from you because you are a bore? Watch yourself the next time you stop a man to have a good long "talk."

An Atchison man who expects a baby at his house in three months is already thinking up bright things he is going to have it say.—Atchison Globe.

It was night in the nursery. Jack lay in his crib, rosy and sweet, all ready for a dream.

On Jack's toy table stood Mother Spot, the china cat, and her two kittens, Speck and Dot. They had real cat natures hidden under their hard exteriors, and no one but Jack had ever found it out.

"Speck and Dot," said Mother Spot, "Jack had an awful scare today. His uncle brought him a tin mouse."

"Meow!" cried Speck and Dot, and it sounded exactly as if they were cracking "mouse, meow!"

"I know where that mouse is!" said Spot.

"Tell us," cried the kittens.

"Under the bed. And if you have the least spark of your ancestors' spirit go for it."

Down from Jack's table leaped those three china cats and straight for the tin mouse, who was so frightened he simply stared and without a word awaited his fate.

They fell upon him, those three china cats. They tore him to pieces, and then, covered with glory and brown paint, they crept back to Jack's table and waited.

In the morning nurse found the remnants of the mouse under the bed, and she said sadly:

"Jack, it was naughty of you to break the mouse even if you didn't like him."

And Jack wondered what made nurse so silly.

**Oldest Federal Judge.**

Judge John Jay Jackson of Parkersburg, W. Va., who recently celebrated his fortieth anniversary as judge of the federal court for the northern district of that state, is the oldest federal judge in point of service in the United States. On Aug. 3, 1861, he was handed by Attorney General Edward Bates a commission signed by Abraham Lincoln appointing him judge of the then western district of Virginia. Judge Jackson is the only living appointee of President Lincoln. When off the bench, Judge Jackson is a pleasant companion, full of wit, humor and energy, and appreciates a good joke as much as any of his associates.

**Favorite Nearly Everywhere.**

Constipation means dullness, depression, headache, generally disordered health. DeWitt's Little Early Risers stimulate the liver, open the bowels and relieve this condition. Safe, speedy and thorough. They never gripe. Favorite pills. E. D. Walker.

**The Shamrock.**

"Chosen leaf Of bard and chief, Old Erin's native Shamrock."

Of the lore of Ireland no tale has been told so often or has sunk so deep into the hearts of the hearers as the story of the shamrock. By reason of this the little bit of clover is akin to religion and inspiration. In the rude huts along the rocky heights of Galway, in the poor cabins, in the bog lands of the South, in the cities and in the villages the children of Ireland are told as they rest in their mother's arms that the three leafed modest little emblem represents the trinity, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. They are told that St. Patrick used it to illustrate to the pagans of the unity of the trinity—how three can be one. They are also told it represents the three virtues—Faith, Hope and Charity—and that it was blessed by St. Patrick and that no serpent will touch it.

On this recurring day in Asia, Africa and the far South and the frozen North, the scattered children of Erin will kiss the leaves of shamrock and breath a prayer of "God save Ireland."

The tender leaves of the shamrock hold together the Irish race. For many weeks the mails from the green shores of Erin have been heavy with packets bearing sprigs of shamrock destined to far distant lands. To the wanderer from home the shamrock is cherished with such ardor as only the Irish people know, and today and tonight the millions of noble men and women whose hearts beat strong with love and reverence for the land of their forefathers will live again in memories of the past.

It is a beautiful custom, this wearing of the shamrock. It typifies more forcibly than could any other act the strength of nationality in the Irish race. It has endured for centuries. It will endure as long as time. It is the essence of poetry, religion and fraternity.—Richard Spillane.

To allay pains, subdue inflammation, heal foul sores and ulcers, the most satisfactory results are obtained by using Ballard's Snow Liniment. Price, 25 cts. and 50 cts. at E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

**Kosciusko Monument for Milwaukee.**

An elaborate monument to Kosciusko is to be erected in Kosciusko Park, Milwaukee. The monument will be 27 feet high and will stand in the center of a little lake. N. Brod, the artist, says it will cost about \$13,000.

**Life of Steel Rails.**

The life of a steel rail under regular traffic is not more than twelve years. On a siding or spur it will serve for a much longer period.

You can be cheerful and happy only when you are well. If you feel "out of sorts" take *Herbine*, it will brace you up. Price, 50 cents at E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

Job work neatly done.

The result of an over-indulgence in food or drink are properly rectified, without pain or discomfort, by taking a few doses of *Herbine*. Price 50 cents at E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

At Muskogee, I. T., Monday, eight fullblood Cherokee Indians were arrested for refusing to enroll before the Dawes Commission and were placed in jail upon a charge of being in contempt of the Federal Court. These Indians are members of the Keloowah Society, composed of an element in the Cherokee nation opposed to enrollment. After placing them in jail the Government officials pleaded with them to submit, but they declined stoutly. Argument being of no avail, an order was issued that each prisoner should have his hair cut. They were lined up to take their turn in the barber's chair, and when the first Indian had lost his shock of hair the others broke down and signified their willingness, and with sullen faces they signed their names to the enrollment and were released.

**Clerk's Wise Suggestion.**

"I have lately been much troubled with dyspepsia, belching and sour stomach," writes M. S. Mead, leading pharmacist of Attleboro, Mass. "I could eat hardly anything without suffering several hours. My clerk suggested I try *Kodol Dyspepsia Cure* which I did with most happy results. I have had no more trouble and when one can go to eating mince pie, cheese, candy, and nuts after such a time, their digestion must be pretty good. I endorse *Kodol Dyspepsia Cure* heartily." You don't have to diet. Eat all the good food you want but don't overload the stomach. *Kodol Dyspepsia Cure* digests your food. E. D. Walker.

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INTERESTING, ILLUSTRATED LITERATURE, 10c. POSTAGE. W. S. KEENAN, G. P. A. GALVESTON.

Presiding Elder W. H. Matthews arrived Sunday from a tour of the western part of the Brownwood district. He preached an able sermon at the Methodist church Sunday night.

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**Grain and Groceries.**

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A full supply on hand of all kinds  
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For 20 Years Has Led all Worm Remedies.  
SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.  
Prepared by JAMES F. BALLARD.  
For Sale by E. D. WALKER, Ballinger, Texas.

**Grave of Old Blackbird.**  
Old Blackbird's grave in Nebraska is to be marked with a suitable monument to replace the rotted pole which now calls the traveler's attention to it. The Indian chief was medaled by President Van Buren for his valor in the Black Hawk war and was known throughout the northwest in pioneer days as the "white man's friend."

**Hindu's Advertisement in English.**  
A Hindu baker's assistant in Bombay, on setting up in business for himself, bethought him of catering for the English community as well as for the native one. With this end in view he had the following notification painted over his doorway: "Ram Bux solicits respectful patronage. He is a first-class British loafer."

**A Fatal Objection.**  
The Brussel's man's invention by which talkers over a telephone may see each other will not become popular. The usefulness of the telephone would be largely destroyed if, when one called up a woman he had to wait till she made her toilet before she answered.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

**Fig Treated "Like a Christian."**  
A young woman in London took a pig in infancy and brought it up, as she says, "like a Christian." Complaint was made to the authorities the other day, and the sanitary officers who went to investigate found the pig in bed between two sheets, with its head on a pillow and its body covered with a white lace counterpane.

**A Quiet Senator.**  
By all odds the quietest man in the United States senate is Mr. Simon of Oregon, who never makes a speech or enters into debate. He is the smallest man physically in that august body, is always found in his seat, spends his time reading or writing and always votes with the republican leaders.—Chicago Chronicle.

**A Prominent Trades Unionist.**  
Thomas Atkinson of England, who helped Stephenson build the Rocket, has been seventy years in a trades union and heads the membership list of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers. He is ninety years of age and has drawn benefit money from the union for twenty-seven years.

**Nine-Tenths of all the People Suffer from a Diseased Liver.**

**HERBINE.**  
Pure Juices from Natural Roots.  
REGULATES the Liver, Stomach and Bowels, Cleanses the System, Purifies the Blood.  
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### Bright's Disease.

The largest sum ever paid for a prescription, changed hands in San Francisco, Aug. 30, 1901. The transfer involved in coin and stock \$112,500.00 and was paid by a party of business men for a specific for Bright's Disease and Diabetes, hitherto incurable diseases.

They commenced the serious investigation of the Specific Nov. 15, 1900. They interviewed scores of the cured and tried it out on its own merits by putting over three dozen cases on the treatment and watching them. They also got physicians to name chronic, incurable cases, and administered it with the physicians for judges. Up to Aug. 25, eighty seven per cent of the test cases were either well or progressing favorably.

There being but thirteen per cent of failures, the parties were satisfied and closed the transaction. The proceedings of the investigating committee and the clinical reports of the test cases were published and will be mailed free on application. Address JOHN I. FULTON COMPANY, 420 Montgomery St. San Francisco, Cal.



## Kodol Dyspepsia Cure

Digests what you eat.

This preparation contains all of the digestants and digests all kinds of food. It gives instant relief and never fails to cure. It allows you to eat all the food you want. The most sensitive stomachs can take it. By its use many thousands of dyspeptics have been cured after everything else failed. It is unequalled for all stomach troubles.

It can't help

but do you good

Prepared only by E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago. The \$1. bottle contains 2 1/2 times the dose.

Much pain and uneasiness is caused by piles, sparing neither age nor sex. Tabler's Buckeye Pile Ointment cures the most obstinate cases. Price, 50 cts. in bottles, tubes 75 at E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

"Why didn't you come when I rang?" said a lady to her servant. "Because I didn't hear the bell." "Hereafter when you don't hear the bell, you must come and tell me so." "Yes'm."

### Practically Starving.

"After using a few bottles of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure my wife received perfect and permanent relief from a severe and chronic case of stomach trouble," says J. R. Holly, real estate, insurance and loan agent, of Macomb, Ill. "Before using Kodol Dyspepsia Cure she could not eat an ordinary meal without intense suffering. She is now entirely cured. Several physicians and many remedies had failed to give relief." You don't have to diet. Eat any good food you want, but don't overload the stomach. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will always digest it for you. E. D. Walker.

One or more banks are organized in Texas nearly every week. Nearly every town of 500 people has its bank. A bank with a capital of \$25000 was organized at Lott, McLennan county, this week.

Tabler's Buckeye Pile Ointment is no panacea, but is recommended for Piles only. These it will cure. Price 50 cents in bottles; Tubes, 75 cents at E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

We see inefficient people all along life's pathway who started out with a good education and great promise but they have gradually "gone to seed." Their early ambition oozed out, their ideals gradually dropped to lower standards. Many of them did not have enough determination to stick to their tasks until they succeeded. They finally subsided and became in a sense, satisfied to fall to the rear. There isn't a more lamentable sight than that of a side-tracked man or woman who has lost his or her grip on life. Lost health, lost fortune, almost anything may be overcome if one does not lose courage and ambition; but when these are gone, there is no hope. When the struggle is given up, and a man voluntarily subsides into a semi-satisfied state there is practically no chance of getting him started again.—Ex.

CAUSES OF STOMACH TROUBLES  
Our Professors Claim That Quick Lunches Bring on Diseases.

The "business lunch" threatens to accomplish the destruction of the human race—or so much of it as dwells in large American cities—if the statistics adduced by eminent physicians and surgeons, at a meeting of the Chicago Medical Society are bound to be the unflinching mirrors of destiny that the doctors promise.

In the alarming increase of intestinal or "gastric" ulcers such eminent medical practitioners as Dr. N. S. Davis, Jr. W. A. Evans, J. B. Herrick and E. W. Andrews announced in a symposium that they feared the American stomach would give out in the course of time unless the public becomes wise enough to curb and regulate the lunch counter method of hasty eating.

It would seem that danger from gastric ulceration is not confined alone to the men, who are the consumers of the business lunches, but that women are also threatened. To the women's habit of eating a few bites at many hours of the day their imminent peril is ascribed.

Everyone should counteract the danger brought about by too hasty or overeating by taking at meal times Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin and Herb Laxative Compound. This wonderful medicine will keep the stomach in a perfectly healthy condition, preventing and permanently curing indigestion, constipation, biliousness, sick headache, and all complications arising from stomach trouble. Try it today. Its pleasant taste and almost immediate effect will be a revelation to you. 50c and \$1.00 bottles.

There are 154 lawyers in the city of Manila, as shown by the register in the Supreme Court. Of these fifty-nine are other than Spanish and Philippino, being mostly Americans. Many, of both classes, hold salaried positions under the Government in the legal work of the departments.

### Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on the ranches and lands formerly owned by W. J. Turner in Runnels county, near Wingate, for the purpose of hunting, fishing, cutting wood, gathering pecans, working stock or hunting hogs will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Lange & Doose Agents,  
Ballinger Texas.

### Trip in Potato Sack.

Chicago, Ill.—Billed as a sack of potatoes, a young man has arrived in Chicago from Kansas City tied up in a sack. For three days and half he had been confined in the sack and during that time he had traveled close to 700 miles in a freight car. The sack which covered him was inclosed in an open fruit case.

The traveler, who is Martin Klansdigger, a machinist of Kansas City, was nearly famished when he was cut from his prison at the Chicago and Northwestern freight house by a friend who had been waiting for a day and a half in the city for him to arrive.

Klansdigger began his journey with only a quart of water and two pounds of crackers in the sack with him, this being a condition of the wager of \$300 which caused him to make the perilous trip. When released Klansdigger was nearly blinded by the dust which had crept into the sack and his throat and mouth were so parched that he could hardly speak, his little cask of water having been spilled after he had been on his journey only a day.

For nearly three days he had been without water and he stated when he was able to talk that had it not rained Wednesday he would certainly have died of thirst. During most of the storm the car in which he was packed was side tracked out in some small country town and the water came through a crack in the sack.

### For the Complexion.

The complexion always suffers from biliousness or constipation. Unless the bowels are kept open the impurities from the body appear in the form of unsightly eruptions. De Witt's Little Early Risers keep the liver and bowels in healthy condition and remove the cause of such troubles. C. E. Hooper, Albany, Ga., says: "I took De Witt's Little Early Risers for biliousness. They were just what I needed. I am feeling better now than in years." Never gripe or distress. Safe thorough and gentle. The very best pills. E. D. Walker.

Albert T. Patrick's trial continues, and he is proving an alibi. The evidence introduced this week is very favorable for him and he says he is safe. We are just waiting to see which of the two, Patrick or valet Jones, will be the object of wholesale slobbery. Of course Patrick will be a hero if he is acquitted, and if he is convicted Jones will be an angel, according to the crazy element.

If your child is cross or peevish, it is no doubt troubled with worms. White's Cream Vermifuge will remove the worms, and its tonic effect restore its natural cheerfulness. Price, 25 cents at E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

### A Smart Kid.

A Missouri boy was compelled by his teacher to write an essay on "The Mouth" for some infraction of discipline, and this is what he wrote:

"Your mouth is the front door of your face. It is the aperture to the cold storage of our anatomy. Some mouths look like peaches and cream and some like a hole in a brick wall to admit a new door or window. The mouth is a hot bed for tooth ache and the bunghole of oratory. The mouth is the crimson aisle to your liver. It is patriotism's fountain and the tool chest for pie. Without a mouth the politician would be a wanderer on the face of the earth and go down to an unhonored grave. It is the grocer's friend, the orator's pride and the dentist's hope. It puts some men on the rostrum and some in jail. It is temptation's lunch counter when attached to a man.—Ex.

Have you a cough? A dose of Ballard's Horehound Syrup will relieve it. Price, 25 cents and 50 cents at E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

J. T. Greer, stone mason, received word last week that he was heir to an estate in West Virginia of the cash value of \$9,000 and left Sunday evening for that state to take possession of his wealth.

### Surgeon's Knife Not Needed.

Surgery is no longer necessary to cure piles. De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve cures such cases at once, removing the necessity for dangerous, painful and expensive operations. For scalds, cuts, burns, wounds, bruises, sores and skin diseases it is unequalled. Beware of counterfeits. E. D. Walker.

—My motto is to select the best quality and pay cash, thus enable me to give you the most for your money. Jas. E. Brewer.

Jeweler.

### The Buzzard and the Bee.

The buzzard has a strong beak, a capacious stomach and a ravenous appetite. It sometimes soars in graceful circles above the haunts of men, but it is always looking for something to eat. Its eye is sharp and its scent is keen, but all its energies are employed in producing food—and it is not very discriminating in its taste. In fact it revels in carrion while it lives and when it dies leaves nothing but a foul odor to remind the world of its existence.

The bee has an instinct for sweetness; it communes daily with buds and blossoms and lives amid the perfume of the flowers. It sets an example of industry, patience and frugality; it fares well, but in addition to making its own living it leaves a storehouse full of honey to testify to its activity.

Among human beings there are some who resemble the buzzard and some are like the bee. Some make no other use of their faculties than to search constantly for food and drink. They live in the dining room and, ignoring all appeals addressed to the head or heart, keep close to the flesh pots.

There are others and may the swarm increase who find pleasure in useful toil and recreation in helpfulness; they extract good from life, but they leave as a legacy to posterity more of the good than they themselves consume. Such enjoy life and add to the enjoyment of both those who live with them and those who live after them.

The buzzard must be a buzzard and the bee must be a bee—this is fate, but man is free to choose which he will imitate.—Commoner.

### Could Not Breathe.

Coughs, colos, croup, grip, bronchitis, other throat and lung troubles are quickly cured by One Minute Cough Cure. One Minute Cough Cure is not a mere expectorant, which gives only temporary relief. It softens and liquifies the mucus, draws out the inflammation and removes the cause of the disease. Absolutely safe. Acts at once. "One Minute Cough Cure will do all that is claimed of it," "Says Justice of the Peace, J. Q. Hood, Crosby Miss. "My wife could not get her breath and was relieved by the first dose. It has been a benefit to all my family." E. D. Walker.

### THE FACTS IN THE CASE

When you read a thing you like to feel that it's the truth. The Dallas Semi-Weekly News gives the facts in the case.

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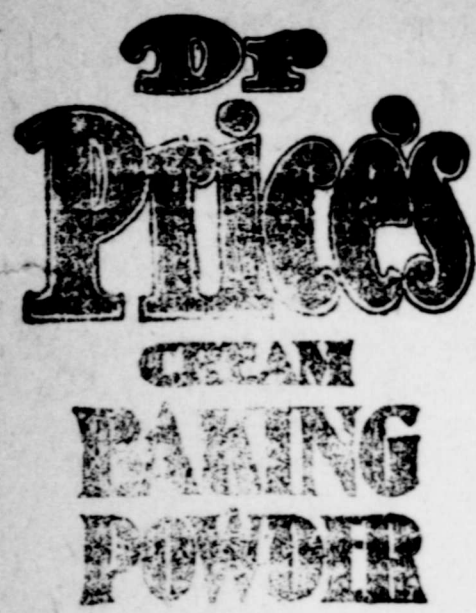
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PRICE BAKING POWDER CO., CHICAGO.

The game law forbids bird shooting after March 15th.

W. A. Norman left yesterday evening for Brownwood on business.

Judge W. R. Smith, of Colorado City, was acquainting himself with Ballinger people Thursday.

We are requested to announce that all jurors in the special venire must appear at the Court house Monday at 1:30 p. m. The Sam Murray case is set for that time.

Haywood Miller has returned from a stay of several weeks in Arizona.

Walter Mullen, a Winters ranchman, was here yesterday on business.

J. H. Miller is reported quite sick today. We hope to see him up and at his place of business again soon.

J. T. Brown, of Winters, was in the city yesterday. He has been a reader of the BANNER-LEADER for several years and says he cannot get along without it. He renewed his subscription to this paper and the Dallas News.

The baseball season has about dawned, and Ballinger will have a crack team, but we trust our boys have a higher regard for themselves than to play on the Sabbath, as is the practice of many of the teams over the state.

Miss Maud Erwin entertained a few of her friends at high-five Friday evening. The parlors were most inviting with their profusion of roses and other flowers. At the close of a most interesting game the guests were invited to the dining room where delicious refreshments were served.

The table was a thing of beauty with its masses of violets. This color scheme was artistically carried out in all the elegant table appointments.

Those present vote this one of the most delightful small gatherings of the season.

**Epworth League Program.**

Song.

Prayer.

Leader—Miss Sammie Padgett.

Subject—"Evangelization of the World."

Topical outlines: (1) Opportunities (2) Facilities, (3) Resources.—Rev. 3:7-13.

1. What are the opportunities of the church?—Rev. Albert E. Turney.

Song.

2. What are the facilities of the church?—Jas. E. Brewer.

Song.

3. What are the resources of the church?—Rev. A. F. Bowden.

Song.

5. Are the opportunities, facilities and resources of the church sufficient to enable her to evangelize the world in this generation?—Rev. C. M. Shuffler.

The fishing season is upon us with its many pleasures and disappointments. The "man with the hoe" has given place to the "man with the pole," and the banks of the nearest streams bear evidence of the visits of the patient and oftentimes unsuccessful fisherman.

We the undersigned have agreed to close our shops at 8 o'clock p. m. from April 1st until Sept 1st, 1902.

J. A. Dancer.

T. P. Hubbard.

J. L. McWhirter.

Lee & Copeland

Judge G. W. Perryman, of Robert Lee, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Tom Durham and baby left Wednesday evening for Coleman to spend several days visiting Mrs. D's sister.

Mrs. J. A. Forbes, whom the BANNER-LEADER reported seriously ill last week is, we are pleased to note, convalescing.

Mrs. Lizzie Mitchell left last Saturday for Borden county, where she will reside with the family of her brother, W. A. Turner.

Robt. E. Gray, who has been the mechanical man on the Coke County Rustler for several months, arrived in Ballinger yesterday.

Tom Durham, who has been holding cases on the Ledger for several months, left Wednesday night for San Angelo to accept a position on the Standard.

Sheriff Kirk apprehended and arrested this week Will Hall, wanted in Coleman, and another man whose name we did not learn, wanted at Eldorado, on charges of misdemeanor.

Harry Sharp is spending a few days in Brownwood in the interest, we presume, of his candidacy for matrimony. He left Ballinger Wednesday morning on the local freight train.

—A watch given away at Jas. E. Brewer's. Call and see the conditions.

E. Summral, a good citizen of Robert Lee and a regular reader of the Banner-Leader, was in the city yesterday. He called at this office and renewed for another year.

D. Swift sold his half interest in the Adams & Swift Edwards county ranch to Hiram Sharp, for \$750 without movable improvements.—Devils River News.

Mrs. S. A. Johnson, mother of Mrs. R. B. Truly of this city and Mrs. P. E. Truly of San Angelo, died at her home in Eastland last Friday morning. She was sixty-four years old, and a noble Christian lady.

Send the BANNER-LEADER to that relative or friend to whom you write so often, then he will get a letter from you even if you are too busy to write. Do you not think he (or she) would like to read this week's paper.

Try Davis Noyes Co. for anything in the Dry Goods or Grocery line.

—Come and see our laces and embroideries before you buy. Hixson Bros. Racket Store. 23-tf

—It is always the unexpected that happens. Provide against unexpected financial loss by insuring with Stone & Gregg.

—We have just received a fine lot of embroideries and laces that we will sell at lowest cash prices. Hixson Bros Racket Store. 23-tf

**Display of Fine Hats**  
St. Louis and Chicago latest Productions.

We have arranged to have our Opening of Spring Millinery on

**Tuesday, March 25th.**

When we will show the latest and finest productions of the Milliners Art. All are invited.

**Misses Lola & Jennie Lewis**  
AT WINKLER'S

A reduction of 10 per cent given on all purchases.

Mr. Curtis, state organizer of the W. C. T. U., will lecture Monday night, the 24th inst., at the C. P. church. Everybody cordially invited to hear him.

O. T., the little eight-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Woodward was dangerously ill Wednesday, but is reported convalescent and we trust will soon be entirely well again.

Besides the special venire of seventy men and a large number of witnesses and attorneys there were many people in on errands of business Thursday, and the streets presented a lively appearance.

W. U. Dannelly, a ranchman from near Carlsbad New Mexico, arrived Thursday of last week and remained till Saturday a guest of his brother-in-law, Frank Stewart. He left Saturday for Fort Worth, from which point his wife will accompany him home.

—The BANNER-LEADER has blank chattel mortgages, blank crop mortgages and blank notes for sale. 23-tf

**Opening**  
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**1500 Yards**

Fine Embroidery, Insertions and Laces, 3 to 14 inches wide to be sold

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Curries's  
Old Stand.

**Millinery Opening,**  
Tuesday, March 25th, 1902.

The ladies are cordially invited to visit my store on the above date and see the prettiest display of pattern hats and fine millinery ever shown in Ballinger.

**MRS. ALICE GREEN.**

Davis-Noyes Co. are leaders.

—We have it, and at the right price. Hixson Bros. Racket Store. 23-tf

V. R. Byrd, for several years a faithful attache of the Santa Fe Railway, and well known "all along the line," has resigned his position and accepted work on the Frisco road out of Brownwood.

Frank Anson, of Coleman county, has sold all of his cattle at a handsome figure, leased his fine ranch for ten years, and will go to England with his family and attend the king's coronation ceremonies.—Standard.

Claude Patton, a piano tuner, who married in Brownwood a few years ago, was arrested at Crowley, La., this week on a charge of bigamy. He left his wife and child in Texas and was recently married to a pretty young lady of Morgan City, La. The girl's mother was suspicious of Patton and had him arrested.

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**y, March 25th and 26th**

occupying Currie's old made in order to make r the ladies and girls and lay days. We will also idies Muslin Underwear / in charge of that depart- g. \* \* \* \* \*

**J. D. NORWOOD**  
Manager