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NO 51

To the Public.

I have purchased the Insurance Agency heretofore owned and operated by Mr. C. P. Shepherd, the transfer to take effect Oct 1st.

I will combine the two agencies in the future and all parties holding policies in any company belonging to Mr. Shepherd's agency will be notified as to their expirations. I would be pleased to renew all policies as they expire in the above mentioned agency. I represent nothing but first-class old line companies and expect to devote my entire time to the Insurance business. Parties entrusting their property to my care may rest assured that it will receive the best and most careful attention.

R. L. MADDUX.

Brotherhood of St Andrews, Boston, Mass. One fare for round trip. Dates of sale Oct. 6th to 9th.

Farmers Improvement Society of Texas (colored) Eagle Lake, Texas. Convention rates. Dates of sale Oct 7th and 8th.

National Convention Christian Church, Omaha, Neb. One fare for round trip. Dates of sale Oct 13 and 14.

San Angelo Press.

Judge R. B. Truly, of Ballinger, spent Saturday in San Angelo.

Will Gressett, of Ballinger, was here Monday and Tuesday. He is a mechanic.

Master Lawrence Harris and Cad Williams were here from Ballinger peddling peaches Saturday.

M. C. Cobb, a Ballinger confectionery man, spent yesterday and day before on private business in the city.

C. A. Daily has returned from a visit to his Runnels county ranch interests, and says that the cotton crop is short. It will average from one-fifth to one-sixth of a bale per acre.

DR. P. M. PAYNE.

Practice Limited to Diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat.

BROWNWOOD, TEXAS

Notice.

M. C. Cobb retires from the firm of M. C. Cobb & Co. this week and I will conduct the business alone at the same old stand. We thank the public for their liberal patronage in the past and I ask a continuance of the same. LITT CHASTAIN.

For Sale.

One single horse in good condition; cheap cash. H. A. L. Gamm. Don't forget to call for your ride tickets at Ann Conralls.

Notice.

I will be in Winters the 22nd of this month (Sept) and Ballinger the 29th. Parties desiring dental work would do well to consult me. Dr. J. F. Riggs.

J. E. Brewer solicits your repairing.

September's Reign is Nearly O'er, October Days Are Near.

You may think that I was starting to write poetry, but no. Its just to remind you that cold weather is approaching faster than you think. Don't you think it would be wise to plan a trip to my store before the cold weather rush commences. My stocks just now are at their brightest, assortments are complete and we will be glad to show you the latest styles. Come to my store and compare styles and prices—look at the new goods, feel free to ask questions without our saying a word. You will find reasons why you should trade with me.

Special values in the Following Lines:

All Wool Tricot

The proper cloth for ladies waists and childrens dresses. Nice line of colors to make your selection from. Priced at only.....25c per yd

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This is another great wool waist season an excellent line of fadey striped waisting in all the leading shades, at only50c per yd

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We have a splendid line of Kimona flannels. They look as nice as the finest French flannels popularly priced at20 and 15c per yd

Brown Domestic

2000 yards of extra heavy brown domestic this is a special purchase. Come in short lengths 4 to 20 yds in piece worth 7c. come and buy what you want as long as it lasts at50c per yd

We have many other things to show you. Come and look through our stock.

H. Winkler

The Big "13"

Do you want Insurance? If so, look over the "BIG 13" and see how they strike you for strength:

- (1) Home of New York, established in 1853 assets \$15,255,890.
- (2) Aetna of Hartford, established in 1819 assets \$14,071,940.
- (3) Royal of Liverpool, established in 1845 assets \$7,440,281.
- (4) Phenix of London, established in 1782 assets \$2,897,059.
- (5) Hartford of Hartford, established in 1810 assets \$12,259,076.
- (6) Scottish Union & National of Edinburgh, established in 1824 assets \$4,404,937.
- (7) Springfield of Springfield, Mass., established in 1849 assets \$5,898,887.
- (8) Fire Association of Philadelphia, established in 1817 assets \$6,315,526.
- (9) Liverpool, London & Globe of London, established in 1836 assets \$10,315,391.
- (10) New Hampshire of Manchester N. H., established in 1869 assets \$3,475,984.
- (11) Orient of Hartford Conn. established in 1867 assets \$2,200,723
- (12) Penn Fire of Philadelphia, established in 1825 assets \$5,480,663.
- (13) Traders of Chicago, established in 1863 assets \$2,532,430.

For safety, security and prompt adjustments the above leads.

R. L. MADDUX

Don't forget that the Ballinger Ice Factory is ready to deliver you ice on short notice. Phone no 54. EDWIN DAY, Mgr.

Watches, Watches, Watches.

Elgin and Waltham, the best thats made and plenty of them too. J. E. Brewer, the jeweler.

Bargains in Real Estate.

No. 1. A good six room house, two galleries, two good wells, good stable, good fence around premises, one acre of ground situated in a desirable part of Ballinger, price \$1000.

No. 2. A good 4 room house with two galleries, good well, stable and outhouses; situated in a convenient part of Ballinger, price \$900.

No. 3. A three room house, two galleries, stable, good well, located in a desirable part of Ballinger; 4 acres of fine land in cultivation upon which improvements are situated. This place can be bought for \$600 cash or \$800 on time payment.

No. 4. A good six-room dwelling, good picket fence around yard, water works, etc. two lots, price \$850. Easy terms.

No. 5. A good 4 room house; good cistern, good stable and outhouses, water works. Near the business part of town. Price \$700. \$4.50 cash, \$2.50 on time.

No. 6. 1099 acres in one enclosure 10 miles northeast of Winters, 885 acres in one tract with a good two room house, two tanks and 50 acres in cultivation. This will be sold at \$4 per acre. Tract No 2 contains 173 acres pasture land adjacent and enclosed by same fence as tract No 1. Price \$2.50.

This is a rare bargain and anyone wanting a good stock farm would do well to investigate this offer.

No. 7. One hundred and six acre farm. Forty acres in cultivation. Seventy-five acres good valley land, balance good grass. Good three room house. Grainery. Schools and churches convenient. Price \$7 per acre.

No. 8. 640 acres. Permanent water. 100 acres in cultivation. 4-room dwelling. Underground cistern; cellar, lots, out houses, sheds etc. 150 bearing fruit trees in orchard. Convenient to church, school and postoffice. 10 miles north of Ballinger and 6 miles southwest of Winters. Price \$10 per acre. \$1500 cash, the balance on 5, 10 or 20 years time to suit the purchaser.

9. A good 6-room dwelling, two galleries, halls etc. One lot. Good well. Located in the choicest residence portion of Ballinger. Price \$1000. Terms one-half cash, balance in two equal annual payments.

From now on I will publish a list of real estate listed with me for sale and parties desiring quick sales would do well to consult me. C. P. SHEPHERD.

Farmers.

Bring your cotton to the Ice Factory Gin. We will gin and wrap your cotton for the seed and pay you in addition \$4.00. Will pay more or less as the price of cotton seed varies.

The Ice Factory Gin.

To the Farmers.

We will gin and wrap your cotton for the seed and pay \$4.00 extra as long as present prices prevail. Will pay more or less as the price of seed goes up or down. BALLINGER MILLING CO.

Call and see the "nobby" line of Fall Dry Goods at L. Markowitz & Bro.

Miss Minnie Guion Francis Entertains.

Last Friday night at her home on Murrell and 9th streets Miss Minnie Guion Francis entertained, under the auspices of the Azelia Club of which she is a member, in honor of Miss Mildred Erwin who left Monday for Nashville to enter Ward Seminary.

Ballinger's youth and beauty were out in full array and spent the time in dancing and various other amusements until the wee small hour of 3:00 when they bade their hostess goodbye with reluctance and wished Miss Mildred a happy and successful year at school.

Drowned in the Colorado River.

Last Tuesday afternoon while playing on the bank of the Colorado river near the wagon bridge little Walter Rollins, 3 years old, fell in and before help could reach him was drowned.

Dr. T. E. Butler was on the opposite bank of the river at the time of the sad accident and George Rollins, the father, was working near by but before either could render aid the little fellow was too far gone to need it.

The Banner-Leader extends sympathy to the bereaved parents in this their sad hour of sorrow.

Will Sow More Wheat.

Ballinger, Texas, Sept. 21.—A fine rain fell over this county this morning, continuing about four hours. This will practically insure plenty of fall and winter grass, so stockmen say, and as a consequence cattlemen are jubilant. It is thought that farmers will now sow a large acreage of wheat this fall.—Dallas News.

J. W. Powell is anxious to make bond for all county officers of this and adjoining counties. Also bonds of administrators etc. He represents the Fidelity and Deposit Co of Maryland, the strongest bonding company in the world. He also acts as guardian, administrator, trustee assignee, etc. Call on him when you wish such services.

More Rain.

Some very good rains have fallen in this section since the last issue of the Press. On last Friday San Angelo was visited by a light shower. Christoval had a good grass rain, and the precipitation was light at Sonora, Ballinger, Robert Lee, Bronte, Miles and Menardville.

Sunday the equinoxial season brought quite a downpour, two good rains falling in San Angelo and vicinity, morning and evening, while like rains were reported from other portions of Tom Green, Coke, Concho, Menard, Sterling, Runnels and Irion counties. The rains reported will do much good to the range and feed crops and more is expected.—San Angelo Press.

Ladies

If any one can please you in a hat or price. Mrs. Forbes can. She has the largest and cheapest stock in Ballinger.



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ter Order of the Eastern Star
Waco, Texas, and return, con-
vention rates. Dates of sale
Oct 12 and 13th.
Glad to have you come in any
time. J. E. Brewer.

ALL ROADS UNITED.

**Plans for Colonization of the
Southwest Now Only Lacks
Minor Details.**

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 30.—The
great Southwest will be colo-
nized. This was decided here
today by the unanimous vote of
the passenger officials repre-
senting the railroads traversing
that section of the United States
at the second meeting of a gen-
eral conference held at the head-
quarters of the Southwestern
Passenger Bureau in St. Louis.
Rates and dates have been
agreed upon. It was agreed
that a colonist rate of one-half
of one fare, plus \$2 for one way
tickets, be promulgated, the
basis to apply from all South-
western Passenger Bureau ter-
minals to all points in the home-
seekers' territory, to be first ef-
fective on the third Tuesday of
next October and to continue on
every homeseekers' date to the
end of April. The dates are to
be the first and third Tuesday
of every month. The home-
seekers' rate, which has long
been effective will continue to
be one fare, plus \$2, for the
round trip, effective on the same
dates. This arrangement will
enable homeseekers to accom-
pany land agents on round trips
of inspection in the country to
be colonized and in addition give
low rates one way for colonists
who may decide to move into the
states and territories of the
Southwest on the reports sub-
mitted by the homeseekers.

It was also recommended by
the passenger officials that a
central bureau be organized,
with headquarters in St. Louis,
with a general immigration agent
in charge, to be under the man-
agement of four active members.
This bureau will be necessary
to carry out the plans for adver-
tising the Southwest by setting
forth in pamphlet form the re-
sources, climate, government,
etc., of the lands to be occupied.
The four principal gateways to
the Southwest, St. Louis, Kan-
sas City, Memphis and New Or-
leans, will be invited to work
with the central bureau in push-
ing the colonization scheme and
locating industries on the var-
ious lines of railroads.

The passenger officials also
contemplate making the freight
departments of their respective
railroads to agree upon a reduc-
tion in the freight rates on em-
igrant movables, effective on the
same dates as the passenger
rates. It was stated by the re-
presentatives present at yester-
day's meeting that this recom-
mendation would be as sure to
go through as the low passenger
rates.

The colonization plan adopted
differs from that of the North-
western roads. The latter lines
have generally made rates to all
common points, usually the
large cities of the Northwest.
The colonist rates to the South-
west will be made to all points,
without regard to the population
of a town or a city, and in many
instances to points for the loca-
tion of new towns. The terri-
tory embraced in the coloniza-
tion scheme covers the greater
part of Missouri, a large section
of Louisiana and all of Arkansas,
Texas, Oklahoma and the Indian
Territory. All roads will use
the same rates and dates, but
will be free to colonize any and
all points in the sections trav-
ersed in these States and Territ-
ories. There will be no restriction
as to territory.

One of the Boys.

A good one is told of three
young men who were preambu-
lating with their respective best
girls, a short way out of town.
They had stopped to admire
some of nature's adornments by
the wayside, and were comfort-
ably seated, when an old man,
apparently a Jew, walked wearily
toward the three couples. One
of the young men suggested, for
the amusement of the girls, that
they have some sport out of the
approaching Jew. The other
young men readily agreed, so
the following program was
quickly arranged.

When the Jew approached suf-
ficiently near, the first was to
greet him with, "How are you,
Father Abraham?" and the
second youth, irrespective of the
old man's answer, was to say,
"How are you, Father Isaac?"
The third in like manner, "How
are you, Father Jacob." The
girls were immensely tickled at
the prospective fun, so accord-
ing to program, when the old
man was about up to the crowd,
the first young man said, while
the girls tittered with suppress-
ed merriment, "How are you
Father Abraham?" The old Jew
raised his eyes, that twinkled
merrily, but made no response.
The second young man came in
with his volley, "How are you
Father Isaac?" The old man
cut his eyes at young man No. 2,
but still said nothing. Young
man No. 3 then shot in his little
say of "How are you, Father
Jacob?" The girls laughed in a
quiet way. The boys each look-
ed at his girl as if for a smile of
approbation at his Herculean ef-
forts at wit and winked know-
ingly at each other. The old
gentleman quietly placed his
small bundle on the ground and
removing his hat from his head,
quietly replied:

"Young gentleman, you are
slightly mistaken. I am neither
Father Abraham, Father Isaac,
nor am I Father Jacob, but I
will tell you who I am,—I am
Saul, the son of Cis, in search
for my father's asses, and be-
hold! I have found them." Re-
suming his burden and replacing
his hat on his head, he good
naturally remarked, "Good day
gentlemen," and went quietly on
his way. The young men looked
sadly at each other while the
girls looked languidly down the
road to repress the almost un-
controllable laughter at the turn
affairs had taken. The young
men never entirely recovered
their equanimity until they were
safely away from their best
girls, when each felt that he had
made a mistake somewhere on
the road.

Texas State Fair and Dallas
Exposition, Dallas, Texas, and
return \$7.75. Dates of sale Sept
25th to Oct 12th.

National Encampment G. A. R.,
Washington, D. C., and return,
rate \$40.90. Dates of sale Oct.
2nd, 3rd and 4th.

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For our guests who wish to retire early, a sleeping-car will be
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Both trains will run thru to Denver. Each will carry thru
coaches and sleeping cars, and meals will be served, en route, in
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territory, there is still "ONLY ONE ROAD" which has any at all. We
have also direct Colorado line; make the best time, and haul nearly
everybody who goes. And, using our line, "YOU DON'T HAVE TO
APOLOGIZE," you know.

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Devoured by Worms.

Children often cry, not from pain, but from hunger, although fed abundantly. The entire trouble arises from inanition. Their food is not assimilated, but devoured by worms. A few doses of White's Cream Vermifuge will cause them to cease crying and begin to thrive at once, very much to the surprise and joy of the mother. 25c at E D Walker's Drug Store.

—Buy yourself a new dress, make biscuit for supper with Housekeepers Delight flour and all will be well"—Davis Noyes Co. 23-1f

21 Years a Dyspeptic.

R. H. Foster, 318 S. 2d St., Alt Lake City, writes: "I have been bothered with dyspepsia or digestion for 21 years; tried any doctors without relief; recently I got a bottle of Herbine. The bottle cured me and I am now tapering off on the second. I have recommended it to my friends; it is curing them too." 25c at E D Walker's Drug Store.

—Trade with Asa Cordill and get your trade tickets.

Croup

Usually begins with the symptoms of a common cold: there is chilliness, sneezing, sore throat, hot skin, quick pulse, hoarseness and impeded respiration. Give frequent small doses of Ballard's Horehound Syrup (the child will cry for it) and at the first sign of a croupy cough, apply frequently Ballard's Snow Liniment externally to the throat. 50c at E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

Bright's Disease.

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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.

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Advertisd Letter List.

Letters and wholly written Postal Cards remaining in the Ballinger, Texas Post Office, unclaimed for two weeks, at close of business on Saturday Sept 20, 1902. In calling for letters please say advertised, giving date of his list.

Duncan, Mrs Ella.
Rhodes, Mrs. Bessie.
Buttery, Will.
Green, Jno. M.
Kerley, George.
Neub, Wm.

—Asa Cordill for Jewelry. On and after September 15th.

we will make stamp pictures at the regular price, 50cts for 25. If you want cut prices come at once. GREENWOOD & OSTEEN.

A Parson's Noble Act.

"I want all the world to know," writes Rev. C. J. Budlong of Ashaway, R. I. "what a thoroughly good and reliable medicine I found in Electric Bitters. They cured me of jaundice and liver trouble that had caused me great suffering for many years. For a genuine, all-around cure they excel anything I ever saw." Electric Bitters are the surprise of all for their wonderful work in liver, kidney and stomach troubles. Don't fail to try them. Only 50cts. Satisfaction is guaranteed by J. Y. Pearce, Druggist.

Arkansas Negro Camp Meeting.

"Back in the seventies," said a man from Arkansas, "I attended a negro revival in one of the counties lying in the St. Francis basin, and the church was within a stone's throw of the St. Francis river, a beautifully clear stream which gurgles out of the earth somewhere above the sunlands, and sweeps along the eastern edge of Crowley's ridge, emptying into the Mississippi about ten miles above Helena. The spirit of religion had been stirred up to fever heat and the negroes were fearfully wrought up. They made the hills ring for miles around the place where the meeting was being held. There were many converts, many men and women who had gone up to the mourner's bench to be prayed for. The white people of the surrounding country would occasionally go to church just to watch the proceedings, hear the strange, wierd music of the singers and see the negroes shout. Negroes are great shouters in the backwoods and they tell the most amusing and marvelous tales imaginable when they are giving their experiences. Mohammed's description of his visit through the seven upper regions is not a marker in comparison. One night a bad negro was suddenly converted. He told of his experience with the redeeming spirit. At the end of his miraculous story he was overcome by his feelings and began to shout, and the shouting wound up in a swoon. He was carried out of the church and laid on the side of the hill in a bed of leaves. Leaves were plentiful, as it was in the fall of year, and the negro convert was almost buried in these dry and fallen vestments of the trees. The negro did not remain in his swoon very long. There was a crowd of mischievous boys in the neighborhood. One of them stuck a match to the dry leaves, and in a short while the negro was almost enveloped in flame. He came to, jumped up, and made a desperate dash down the side of the hill. He never knew the cause of the fire and the next day he was telling the most marvelous stories about the dream he had of going to hell, and he always believed the devil had something to do with setting the leaves afire. It made a consistent Christian out of him."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Raised From The Dead.

C. W. Landis, "Porter" for the Oriental Hotel, Chanute, Kan., says: "I knew what it was to suffer with neuralgia, deed I did, and I got a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment and I was 'raised from the dead.' I tried to get some more, but before I had 'deposed of my bottle, I was cured entirely. I am tellin' de truth too." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at E D Walker's Drug Store.

Lingering Summer Colds.

Don't let a cold run at this season. Summer colds are the hardest kind to cure and may linger along for months. A long siege like this will pull down the strongest constitution. One Minute Cough Cure will break up the cough at once. Safe, sure, acts at once. Cures coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, all throat and lung troubles. The children like it.—E. D. Walker.

An editor desiring the news, asked a man to write it from his neighborhood and got this reply: "We have two school marms, the hog cholera and about fifty bushels of potatoes, and a ternal fool who married a cross eyed girl because she had a mule and forty acres of land, and the same is your humble correspondent."

A Sad Disappointment.

Ineffective liver medicine is a disappointment, but you don't want to purge, strain and break the glands of the stomach and bowels. DeWitt's Little Early Risers never disappoint. They cleanse the system of all poison and putrid matter and do it so gently that one enjoys the pleasant effects. They are a tonic to the liver. Cure billiousness, torpid liver and prevent fever. E D Walker.

The king of Belgium has shown how much he lacks of being a man by refusing to enter the chamber wherein his dead wife lay, simply because his daughter who married against his will was in the room with the queen. He refused to enter until she left the room. The queen died alone. The people are indignant over the king's neglect of his queen.

Fortune Favors a Texan.

Having distressing pains in head and stomach, and being without appetite, I began to use Dr. King's New Life Pills," writes W. P. Whitehead, of Kennedale, Tex., "and soon felt like a new man." Infalible in stomach and liver troubles. Only 25c at J. Y. Pearce's Drug Store. DR. W. A. GUSTAVUS, DENTIST over Walker's Drug Store

Abilene, Texas, Sept. 19, 1902.

EDITOR BANNER-LEADER: I am pleasantly located here in Simmons College. We are getting along nicely. Have matriculated 112. Others to come. Everybody well pleased. You will please change my address from Winters to Abilene and oblige M. C. BISHOP.

A Boy's Wild Ride For Life.

With family around expecting him to die, and a son riding for life, 18 miles, to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption Coughs and Colds, W H Brown, of Leesville, Ind., endured death's agonies from asthma, but the wonderful medicine gave instant relief and soon cured him. He writes: "I now sleep soundly every night." Like marvelous cures of consumption, pneumonia, bronchitis, coughs, colds, and grip prove it matchless merit for all throat and lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles 50 cents and \$1.00 Trial bottles free at J. Y. Pearce's Drug Store.

We are always ready to quote prices. Don't fail to give us a trial when in need of grain or groceries. GODWIN & ALVIS.

Sante Fe Excursion Rates.

National Baptist Convention (colored) Birmingham, Ala., September 17th to 24th. Limit September 29th. Rate one standard first class limited fare for the round trip.

Macon, Ga.—Annual Meeting Farmers National Congress, Oct. 7th to 10th, limit Oct. 15th, one first class limited fare for the round trip.

Tourist rates to Port Lavaca, Boerne, Kerrville, Marfa, Antlers, Kosoma, I. T., Galveston, California, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Lampasas and San Angelo. For rates and limit see Santa Fe agents.

Take Care of the Stomach.

The man or woman whose digestion is perfect and whose stomach performs its every function is never sick. Kodol cleanses, purifies and sweetens the stomach and cures postively and permanently all stomach trouble, indigestion and dyspepsia. It is the wonderful reconstructive tonic that is making so many sick people well and weak people strong by conveying to their bodies all of the nourishment in the food they eat. Rev. J. H. Holladay, of Holladay, Miss. writes: "Kodol has cured me. I consider it the best remedy I ever used for dyspepsia and stomach troubles. I was given up by physicians. Kodol saved my life." Take it after meals.—E D Walker.

The Comanche Pioneer Exponent has entered on its sixteenth year. The editor takes occasion to make a short review of its history, and expresses his tho'ts about the paper and its policy in a gentlemanly way. The Exponent now has a new Babcock press and a Steinmetz folding machine. Under the management of Editor Adams the paper has prospered and proved a credit to Comanche and Comanche county. Among other things the editor says: "To me the low rumble of the printing presses, the fretting of the engine, the clatter of the folding machine, the thumping of the mailer, the click of the type, and coarse voice of the devil for 'more copy' is as sweet as the music of the Syrens were to the ears of the mariners and a handsomely printed paper is as a Raphael to the art lover."

Beware of the Knife.

No profession has advanced more rapidly of late than surgery, but it should not be used except where absolutely necessary. In cases of piles for example, it is seldom needed. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cures quickly and permanently. Unequaled for cuts, burns, bruises, wounds, skin diseases. Accept no counterfeits. "I was so troubled with bleeding piles that I lost much blood and strength," says J. C. Phillips, Paris, Ill. "DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured me in a short time." Soothes and heals.—E D Walker.

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.

—For matting at bargains, see Bowden.

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For Sale.

A good three-room house; good well, cellar and out houses. One acre of ground located in the town of Winters, Tex. Price \$250. Will take wagon and team at cash prices. For particulars enquire of Banner-Leader, Ballinger, Texas.

The Ballinger Commercial Club still keeps forging to the front. At their meeting last Tuesday the Sec. reported the payment to A. J. Smith of \$75 for work done on the Paint Rock road. W. A. Davis reported work progressing on the San Angelo road. J. McGregor reported surveyor McElrath of Coleman county was assisting surveyor Williams of Runnels county in locating the Ballinger and Wingate road. Much good will grow out of this co-operative neighborly building up of our county roads. J. W. P.

We represent nothing but strictly reliable Fire Insurance Companies. **R. G. ERWIN & CO.**

TRIP IS ABANDONED.

President Roosevelt Had to Undergo a Surgical Operation Tuesday.

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 23.—President Roosevelt this afternoon was forced to abandon the remainder of his trip to the Northwest and undergo a surgical operation. The accident which befell him at Pittsfield, Mass., when a trolley car crushed into his carriage, is responsible for the sudden ending of the President's trip and his being compelled to undergo the operation.

In that accident his knee was

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EDD HARDIGREE.

Commissioner and Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 3:
C. J. HORTON.

For Justice of the Peace and Commissioner Precinct No. 4:
C. C. CULLWELL.

badly bruised and an abscess soon formed which gave him some trouble but not enough at first to interfere with his plans. The hardships of his present trip, however so aggravated the trouble that Dr. Lung, his official physician, together with Dr. Richardson, who accompanied him on the trip, thought it advisable to consult other doctors. Accordingly Drs. Oliver and Cook were called to the Columbia Club, where the President was to be entertained at luncheon. They decided that an operation was necessary and that it should be performed at once. This decision was arrived at before luncheon, but was not allowed to interfere with that meal.

LATE NEWS OF ROOSEVELT.
Pittsburg, Sept. 24. The special train carrying the presidential party arrived at the union station at 7:30 o'clock and left for the east ten minutes later, following the New York and Chicago limited. The train was closed and no one could be seen. President Roosevelt was reported to be sleeping and resting easy.

WOUND NOT PAINFUL.
Johnstown, Pa., Sept. 24.—President Roosevelt passed an excellent night, in fact the best he has had since he started on his western trip. His leg is about free from pain and temperature normal.

While the reports indicate that President Roosevelt is in no grave danger, there was manifested today great interest in his condition and his progress towards Washington.

The news of the sudden illness, the operation and the sub-

Farmers Wagon and Feed Yard.
Close to court house. Good accommodations. Hay and grain for sale. Fees 5 and 15 cents. **J. D. JUSTICE**

sequent abandonment of the president's journey through the northwest, came as a shock to the public who, watching his rapid progress from place to place, felt a kind of satisfaction in having a president who was so strong and could withstand so much.

The operation was a minor one to relieve the swelling of one of the president's limbs which had been troubling him since his recent trolley car accident in which he was severely shaken up.

It is fully expected that President Roosevelt will be all right in a short time, though his trip through the west will have to be given up.

Fell Into A Trap.

The current number of the New Voice, the national prohibition organ, published at Chicago, contains some racy reading in the way of letters of acceptance by Texas publishers of the advertising contract recently sent out by Clarence T. Johnson, of Washington, D. C. The proposition was nothing more or less than a decoy sent out from the Washington Bureau of the New Voice. "When the article in the Dallas News and other daily papers appeared some weeks since," says the Voice, "the prohibition leaders knew they were paid for, but how to prove the fact, and how to sift the Texas newspaper sheep from the goats was not an easy problem. To accomplish this end, the now celebrated "Clarence T. Johnson" letter was sent out. It was written on stationery prepared for the purpose, a common method employed by secret service men in ferreting out counterfeiters, forgers, thieves and crooks." "Clarence T. Johnson" is a fourteen year old boy and harmless.

The proposition was mailed to 500 of the 800 papers in Texas, and asked for rates on 1000 to 10,000 lines of "anti-prohibition write-ups, to be paid for as news matter without advertising marks of any kind," and also as "editorial." The Telephone received one of these propositions, which was promptly consigned to the waste basket, and it met similar treatment at the hands of hundreds of other publishers; but it is astonishing how many were caught in the trap. We have always had faith in the incorruptibility of the country press, but judging from the letters of acceptance to Johnson—all of which are in the possession of the editor of the New Voice and are being published in full—a great many publishers are ready to be sold like hogs and sheep at from 2 to 35 cents per line. The editors of 154 leading papers offered to run it as "news matter, without advertising marks of any kind," while 45 offered to sell their news space, editorial space or anything else and actually quoted rates at which they would debase themselves.

The Voice is being extensively circulated throughout the state, and the effect of the exposure will no doubt be to largely decrease the influence of the country press—especially of those accepting the proposition, a list of which is given.—Dublin Telephone.

Thursday, October the 2nd, being Jewish New Year our store will be closed all day.
H. WINKLER.

J. F. LUSK & CO.

Is the place to buy your grain, groceries and feed of all kinds. Fresh goods prompt delivery is our motto.

A New Millinery Store
I have opened up in Mrs. Green's "old stand" one of the most complete and up-to-date millinery stock ever brought to Ballinger. I have had a number of years experience and will have an expert assistant. Let us show you our line of goods.
MRS. J. W. GODWIN

The managers of the St Louis Exposition will act wisely if they investigate the merits of newspaper advertising as compared with pamphlets and the use of bill boards. This is a busy age and the average man has very little time to spare wherein he may stop to read gaudy hangers or sizeable bill boards. He wants something he can read while eating breakfast, or going down town on the cars, or in the evening after supper, and the daily and weekly newspapers fill the bill to his complete satisfaction. Expert advertisers express the opinion that if the St. Louis exposition managers will reduce the "circus" advertising to a minimum and come out strong on newspaper advertising they will reap a rich reward.—Com-moner.

To The Public.

With this issue of the Banner-Leader my announcement for Public Weigher of Precinct No. 1 of Runnels county appears. I expect to make the race as an Independent candidate. By this expression I do not mean to "bolt" the Democratic ticket for I have always been a democrat and voted in the primaries, but because of certain conditions which have developed since the primary and at the solicitation of friends I have decided to submit my name for the office of Public Weigher of Precinct No. 1 of Runnels county.

B. LEATHERWOOD.

Next door to Winkler's is the place to buy groceries.
Godwin & Alvis.

R. G. Erwin & Co will insure you in nothing but old line companies.

Notice.

This is to notify the public that Mr. W. E. Eskridge has retired from the cotton weighing business of Ballinger, leaving that business entirely to me. I have leased his cotton yard near the depot, where I will be pleased to serve the public to the best of my ability.

J. F. STUART.

—W. W. Fowler, physician and surgeon over Walker's

No failures ever occur with the Companies R. G. Erwin & Co. represent.

The queen of the Belgians died of heart disease while sitting at dinner

We're the printers.

Wall Paper
J. Y. PEARCE.

Those new hat pins at Brewer's are beauties and so cheap too.

First car bagging and ties received.

MILLER MERCANTILE CO

Wanted

Fifty cords of wood.
J. W. POWELL.

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

First car bagging and ties received.

MILLER MERCANTILE CO.

—Currie & Shaffer still sell the famous "Noxall" collar—the best ever sold in the west.

Spring dusters, whips, bridles, collars, saddle blankets, marals, etc., etc., at Currie & Shaffer's.

Have just received a lot of new mounts and cards. All the latest styles. **Greenwood & Osteen.**

To The Ladies.

For correct style, perfect fit, and neat sewing go to Mrs. Edwin Day.

Notice.

All parties holding registered jury script will please call at the Treasurer's office and I will pay same.
W. F. SHARP.

Don't forget we are here to stay, figure with us in your potographic work.
Greenwood & Osteen.

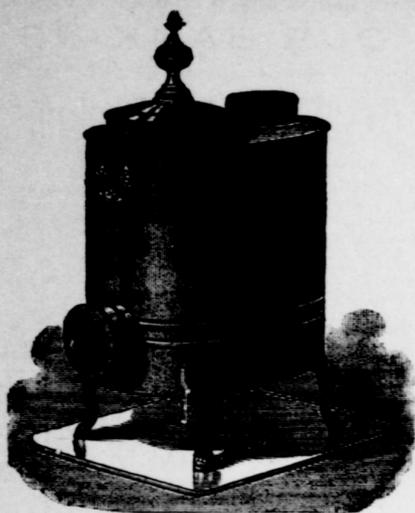
If the tires on your buggy or wagon need setting try my cold tire setter—no heating, drilling holes or rubbing the point off.
JOHN PECHACEK.

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John Pechacek.

Old papers for sale at the office 20cts per 100.

Take your old shoes to Currie & Shaffer and have them made new.

VAN PELT & KIRK



Have just received a car of Wagons and Buggies which lead anything on the market. We always keep a full line of Hardware, Stoves, etc. Winter is approaching. Don't you need a stove?

VAN PELT & KIRK

Special Rates
TO
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VIA



ACCOUNT

Dallas Fair

From Ballinger \$7.75. On sale daily Sept. 26th to Oct. 12th Return Oct. 13th. Through coaches and sleepers. No change of cars. W. M. WRIGHT Agent



Good
Horse
Sense

teaches that glue and old eggs (used to glaze some coffees with) are not fit to drink.

Lion Coffee

is never glazed—it's undoctored coffee. The sealed package keeps it fresh and pure.

que wedding was recent-
nized, at the Baptist
in Paragould, Ark., says
le Rock Advertiser, the
ting parties being Mr.
pencer, a young man of
two summers, and Mrs.
Cravens, who has wit
the dawn of seventy-four
ars. The happy couple
enjoying the sweet re-
of love's young dream
king in the ecstatic joys
experienced in second
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Mr. Bryan's Commoner,
l, "Go sin no more," de-
a wide reproduction and
loquent and deserved re-
o the mean, unmanly spirit
ely prevalent that would
ly add to the agony of a
sinner who had made an un-

lucky slip from grace and drive
him to deeper despair, by cast-
ing stones at him in his shame
instead of offering him a helping
hand —Nacogdoches Sentinel

Rev. Sam Small, for many
years an eloquent evangelist and
an able writer and speaker on
public questions, recently yield-
ed to temptation and became in-
toxicated. He is not the only
one who has made that mistake
but the fact that he had for years
been a tetotalter and had won
distinction as a minister of the
gospel has made him the target
for cruel jests and the victim of
malicious criticism. It is a sad
commentary on human nature
that those who themselves make
no effort to set a good example
are often prone to exult over the
fall of one who is striving to fol-
low a high ideal. For two de-
cades Mr. Small led an exem-
plary life and rendered valuable
service to his fellows and this
service remains to his credit; if
in an unguarded moment he has
been overmastered by an appet-
ite once strong, but long sup-
pressed, let us be grateful for
the good he has done, charitable
toward his recent lapse and
hopeful that he may yet have a
long career of usefulness before
him. If none but the innocent
were in the habit of casting
stones at the accused it would
be easier for the guilty to hear
and heed the admonition, "Go sin
no more," which for nearly two
thousand years has been both a
correction and an inspiration to
the erring.

The newspaper men of San
Antonio held meetings on Wed-
nesday and Thursday of last
week and organized for the pur-
pose of preparing for the cele-
bration of "Texas World's Fair
Commission and Texas Press
Day" at the International Fair in
San Antonio on Oct 28. The Fair
Association has promised to put
on an especially attractive pro-
gram for that day, and assur-
ances have been given that the
railroads will make very low
rates. The newspaper men will
extend invitations to the World's
Fair officials and to other dis-
tinguished gentlemen to be
present.

A good 12 inch turning plow
in good condition. Price \$3.00.
For particulars call at Banner-
Leader office.

Markowitz's Fall Dry Goods
have arrived.

MEMBERS OF OUR FIRM

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J. F. Currie
Jo Wilmeth

J. N. Adams
Walter Davis
W. E. Allen

Trade Headquarters

Doubtless the question is
now being discussed by
every family throughout th
entire county as to the BEST
and CHEAPEST places to
make their purchases of Fall
and Winter Dry Goods and
Groceries. The Davis-Noyes
Co. has probably given this
more consideration than you
have and to convince you we
only ask you to visit our
store and price throughout
our mammoth stock of every-
thing you need. We have
had experienced buyers in
the eastern markets where
they have selected many
bargains all of which we are
offering to the public at the
lowest possible prices consis-
tent with legitimate business
principles. We are making
a specialty of our very large
stock of clothing and in fact
we are making specialty of
each and every line. Come
to see us we want your trade

Davis-Noyes Co.

The Home Paper.

Many people never stop to
weigh the town paper, its value
and true worth. They tell you
that the semi-weekly Dallas News
or the Atlanta Constitution are
better than the town paper,
therefore they prefer taking
them. Well, that is all right, but
there are different view points
from which to value the two pa-
pers and to estimate which is the
more valuable. To illustrate, a
cultivator is a more valuable
farming implement than a rake,
but there are times when you
need the rake when the cultiva-
tor could be of no service to you
whatever. So it is with the
town paper and the great news-

papers. When the day for local
"hurrahing" the day for "card
of thanks," obituaries, church
and lodge announcements, telling
the public when our "dear
friends" and "mothers-in-law"
visit us, bragging on some fellow
for doing his duty or a thousand
and one other things of real lo-
cal interest, the great papers
are not "in it" at all. Then it is
that you will run half way across
town to get the local paper that
some one else has paid for—or
owes for probably. A town
without a paper is a dead town—
it is a town without a spirit—a
town without a mouth. Your

great semi-weeklies do not know
you. They are not in touch with
you. They do not care much
about you. They know you as a
spot on the earth and not as a
real important something. They
use you but you can't use them.

These are a few facts about the
town paper. It is no orphan ex-
isting on the charity of a gener-
ous public. It earns all it gets
—cussing thrown in. Adver-
tisers should patronize it because
it pays them—not the paper.
Every one should pay his sub-
scription voluntarily, because
the paper is your best and
cheapest friend.—Hico Weekly
News.

J. A. Ostertag & Co.'s

Closing Out Sale

As we are going to discontinue the Stove and Crockery line, we will offer same for 60 days, after Sept 1st, at

Actual Cost

for Cash. This will be the time to buy a new Stove, China and Crockery at a bargain as we are going to sell it all, and the first to come will get first choice. We have some fine goods in this line that will go cheap. Come see them.

TWO CARS OF NEW FURNITURE

Has arrived which is the finest line ever brought to this city, and we will make you prices that you can give. We went direct to market and selected our stock, consequently we know what we can offer you in **New and Up-to-date Furniture.**

When in the market for anything in our line let us figure with you, we can save you money.

Yours for Furniture,

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Lord Salisbury is reported better.

President Roosevelt begins his tour of the North.

Stanley Spencer sails over London in an airship.

Consignment of anthracite coal from Wales arrives at New York.

Mexico moves slowly in the matter of changing from silver to gold standard.

The peace of Europe is threatened by the revolutionary movements in Macedonia.

The total number of dead in the Birmingham panic among negroes amounts to 110.

Several nations are now fussing over possession of the site of Abraham's home at Bagdad.

Great Britain answers Secretary Hay's note and will look into the treatment of Jews by Roumania.

Circuit Attorney Folk wants \$15,000 appropriated to meet the expenses of the prosecution of the St Louis hoodlers.

A cotton seed war is threatened in Mississippi, where new mills and a small crop has reduced the amount of available seed.

London tailors are mightily stirred over the report that the American clothes makers have organized a \$30,000,000 combine.

President Roosevelt addressed an immense crowd at the music hall in Cincinnati. His subject was the trusts and his works were heartily applauded.

A condemned murderer in New Jersey turns on his guards as he is being prepared for the gallows and is not subdued until the sheriff turns the hose on him. He is carried to his execution in dripping garments.

Big Show Ballinger, Oct. 4.

Campbell Bros. Shows

READ

CAMPBELL BROS. GAVE A NICE STREET PARADE AND A CLEAN PERFORMANCE.

At about 10:30 a. m., amid the music from several excellent bands and the cheers of thousands of people along Broadway, the elegant circus parade of the Campbell Bros. show in triumph passed up Fargo's main thoroughfare. It was a magnificent parade. There were the rich and costly equippages, beautiful beyond description, the handsome uniforms, the magnificent array of blooded horses, the great elephant and other smaller ones, one-humped and two-humped camels, a large number of cages of animals, some of them open and displaying the wild beasts of the forests and plains of the tropics and of the mountains of the north. Sitting in the cages with ferocious looking beasts were the trainers calm but watchful. There was the enormous behemoth. A monster in size and horrible in appearance, with its enormous mouth opening ever and anon, closing upon the bits of food thrown into the cavern by the trainer. Last but not least there was the noisy steam calliope, which always attracts a great deal of at-

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Real Estate Agent, Abstractor and Conveyancer.
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Mrs. Laura S. Webb,
Vice-President Woman's Democratic Clubs of Northern Ohio.

"I dreaded the change of life which was fast approaching. I noticed Wine of Cardui, and decided to try a bottle. I experienced some relief for three months and now I menstruate with no pain and I shall take it off and on now until I have passed the climax."

Female weakness, disordered menses, falling of the womb and ovarian troubles do not wear off. They follow a woman to the change of life. Do not wait but take Wine of Cardui now and avoid the trouble. Wine of Cardui never fails to benefit a suffering woman of any age. Wine of Cardui relieved Mrs. Webb when she was in danger. When you come to the change of life Mrs. Webb's letter will mean more to you than it does now. But you may now avoid the suffering she endured. Druggists sell \$1 bottles of Wine of Cardui.

(WINE OF CARDUI)

attention and is bound to be conspicuous. The Campbell Bros have a fine one. There was the free exhibition before the doors of the main tent on North Broadway. The attendance was flattering despite the rain and the threatening elements. Thousands thronged the large tents. There were words of praise for the remarkable menagerie, the large variety of splendid animals and the special attractions were all that could be desired. The acting was of high order and gave entire satisfaction to the great audience that filled the tent. Hair raising feats brought out the applause of the spectators again and again and the clowns with their funny diversions were a feature that captured all. The Campbell Bros made a great hit and will no doubt have a full tent this evening.—Daily Forum, Fargo, N. D.

For Sale.

A second-hand cooking stove in good condition. For particulars call on W. W. MCKINLEY

Card of Thanks.

We wish to heartily thank our friends and neighbors for their very kind assistance during the recent illness of our husband and father.

Mrs. A. J. Thomas and family.

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can win a hundred victories by proxy if you will cheer, when you have an opportunity, a hundred stirring souls. Blessings on him who heartily cheers another on his way. When he gets to the portals of heaven and St Peter asks what he has done he need not hang his head when he says "I cheered."—Ex.

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For

CAMPBELL BROS SHOWS.

Campbell Bros. had their "opening day" last Saturday and entertained the biggest crowd that ever congregated under canvas at Fairbury and gave them the best show that ever exhibited here in every respect. Their course through the country will be followed with interest by their many friends here, and next November when the band plays "The Campbells are Coming" and give the whole outfit, baby elephant and all a hearty welcome home. Their train of 20 cars presents a fine appearance going through the country and is a big advertisement for Fairbury. The Campbell Bros. desire through the Times, to extend their sincere thanks to their friends at Fairbury for the generous "send-off" they gave the circus in opening the season of 1902, and hope to greet them all again when the season closes. —Times, Fairbury, Neb., Saturday, May 10, 1902
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Dan Moser went to Santa Anna Tuesday.

Walter Murray, of Winters, spent last Sunday in Ballinger.

M. C. Smith spent last Saturday in Brownwood on legal business.

Attorney Brown, of Coleman, spent Saturday in Ballinger on legal business.

Miss Katie Belle Gregory was the guest of Miss Minnie Oliver of Winters this week.

L. C. Proctor and wife of Norton were the guests of friends in Ballinger Monday.

Reuben Gentry, of Maverick, spent Monday in Ballinger on business.

Mrs. H. H. Lockett left Monday afternoon for Austin to visit her sister Mrs. Wm. Armstrong.

Miss Young, a charming young lady of San Angelo, is visiting Miss Inez Newman of this city.

Ellis county has decided to contest the prohibition held there some time since.

Free Fall Festivities, Ft Worth Texas. Convention rates. Dates of sale Oct 14th to 15th.

W. A. Norman takes Mr. Eubank's place as telegraph operator while he is in McKinney.

M. C. Cobb has accepted a position with a wholesale grocery house at San Angelo and expects to move about Oct. 1.

Mrs. Archie Hutchinson of Norton, left on the afternoon train Monday for Houston to visit relatives.

R. G. Erwin accompanied his sister as far as Brownwood Monday afternoon returning on the next train.

J. W. Powell sold this week lot 2 in block 44 to J. M. DeMotive and bought lots 9 and 10 in block 57 from Richmond Thomas.

A real estate deal was effected last week whereby W. W. Scott sold to Wm Halley his ranch near Content for \$9000.

Ed Eubank left Tuesday afternoon for McKinney to attend district court in the interest of the G. C. & S. F. R. R. Co.

Mrs. Dave Cohen, after spending the summer with her parents, Capt Bonsall and wife, left for her home at Houston Saturday afternoon.

Attorney McCartney of the law firm of Jenkins and McCartney of Brownwood was transacting legal business in Ballinger this week.

Miss Emma Lankford entertained a few of her friends at her home in West End Wednesday night. All report an enjoyable time.

There will be preaching at the C. P. church next Sunday, both morning and night. The pastor will be in the pulpit. Everybody cordially invited.

Mrs. T. T. Crosson and daughter, after spending the summer in Houston and vicinity visiting friends and relatives, came in Sunday.

Mrs. N. P. Jones and three children, who have been visiting Cal Carpenter for the past three months, left for their home in Dallas Wednesday.

C. B. Rodgers, special agent for the Traders' Fire Insurance Co. of Chicago, spent Thursday in Ballinger looking after the interests of his company.

H. E. Petty, one of Norton's hustling citizens, was in Ballinger Wednesday. He informed a Banner-Leader man that he expected to put in a blacksmith shop at Norton soon.

Miss Jessie Woodward returned Monday night from an extended visit to relatives and friends at Coleman.

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STRICKLIN & MATER

C. W. Odom and wife of Maverick, spent Tuesday night in Ballinger as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Shepherd.

J. R. McVay and wife left Thursday morning for Eden, where Mrs. McVay's mother lives. Mrs. McVay will spend a month there.

On Sept. 22 1902 at 6 p. m. at the residence of Rev. J. W. Raby on Valley Creek, Mr. W. R. Blanchard and Miss Mary Willie Smith, of Bronte, were united in marriage.

Judge Hill, one of San Angelo's legal lights, passed through Ballinger Tuesday afternoon enroute to Temple on legal business. Judge stated that the lapped lease question in Tom Green county was causing no little litigation.

E. M. Pressler, a former citizen of Runnels, but who now resides near Santa Anna, Coleman county, spent Tuesday in Ballinger trying to rent some Runnels county soil for next farming season.

Miss Mildred Erwin left Monday afternoon for Nashville, Tenn., to enter Ward Seminary. We regret to lose Miss Mildred from Ballinger.

W. F. Bodgers, of Winters, shipped a car of mules and horses to Louisiana last week. 26 horses 4 mules. He sold the horses for \$23.00 around and the mules for \$50.00. Mr. Rodgers intends making another shipment soon.

Horace Thomson spent Sunday in Brownwood the guest of friends. From the report of the Daily Bulletin of that city Horace has more than a "passing" interest there.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

Sunday, Sept. 8th 6 p. m.
Leader—Miss Nelle Gregory.
Song.

Prayer.
Subject—The Shepherd and His Sheep—John 10:1-4; 11:15-18.
Song.

The Shepherd Psalm—Psalm 22:1-9—Pearl Green.

Solo—Mr. P. K. Laxson.
Christ the Good Shepherd—John 10:1-8—Mrs. Birdie Lynch.
Voluntary Reading.

Duett—Misses Jewell Caper-ton and Nette Massey.
The Under Shepherd's Work John 21:15-23—Mr. J. H. Kelley.
Roll Call.
Song.

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My pastures are posted and hunters and intruders must stay out or they will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. J. H. PARRAMORE.

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