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AT COST.



From now until the First Day of January 1903, We will sell our Entire Stock of *Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes,* In fact everything we carry in our Stock—

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NOTICE OF INTENTION

Of the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company to apply to the next Legislature of Texas for an Act authorizing it to purchase or lease all of the properties of the Gulf, Beaumont & Kansas City Railway Company and of the Gulf, Beaumont & Great Northern Company.

The undersigned will apply to the Legislature of the State of Texas, convening in January, 1903, for the passage of a law authorizing the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company to purchase, or to lease, for a term of years, not exceeding nine

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E. D. WALKER

hundred and, ninety-nine (999) all of the railroads and all other properties, and all of the rights and franchises pertaining thereto of the Gulf, Beaumont & Kansas City Railway Company, and of the Gulf, Beaumont & Great Northern Railway Company, and when so purchased, or leased, to operate the same under its charter as a part of its own line, and authorizing the last two named companies and each of them, and their respective stockholders, to so sell, or lease all of their said properties, rights and franchises to said Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company.

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By E. P. Ripley, President
GULF, BEAUMONT & GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY CO.,
By E. P. Ripley, President

A Solid Gold Spike

A Solid 14-karat Gold Spike will be driven at point between Italy and Ft Worth early in December, with appropriate ceremonies which will mark the completion of the Ft Worth division of "The Texas Railroad" the I. & G. N. between Ft Worth and Galveston. This new line is now in operation between Italy, Mertens, Waco, Marlin, Calvert, Bryan, Navasota, Houston and Galveston, and will be ballasted and in operation between Italy and Ft. Worth early in January, thus forming a great trunk line between North and South Texas as well as between North and Southwest Texas and Mexico.

Construction on our new line between Navasota and Madisonville, via Anderson is being pushed rapidly.

We're the printers

It's About Now!

This is the time of the year when you wonder if a new suit of clothes will help your good looks, generally it will and from our large stock you can pick one that will please you and wear splendidly.

We will give a special discount of

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for this week on men's boys' and childrens' suits also on odd pants

LADIES

Now is time to buy your dress goods and trimmings. See our line before you buy. A most beautiful line of fine Embroideries, the prettiest ever brought to Ballinger.

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Ladies

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Mrs. Emma Godwin

W F Rodgers of Winters was in town Monday.

R. A. Hall, San Angelo's popular bank cashier, spent Sunday in Ballinger.

Henry R. Bean of Temple was prospecting in Runnels county Monday with a view to locating. He stated that a great many Bell county people had their eye on Runnels county for a home.

Brownwood Loses Compress.

The compress which was in the process of erection between the two Frisco depots at Brownwood will be moved to Santa Anna. This is a result of a \$2500 bonus and a lot and water offered by Santa Anna.

This shows what a little enterprise can do for a town. If Ballinger would get up and go after an oil mill as Santa Anna did this compress we would soon be employing from 20 to 30 men in Ballinger and thus keep more money within the confines of old Runnels.

T. J. Watson, who resides on the Gay ranch at the mouth of Valley Creek, dropped in to see us one day this week. He stated that he had 40 acres of wheat planted and that it looked fine; he made over 20 bushel per acre this year. Mr. Watson is originally from Bell county and one of our best farmers.

R. E. L. Saner of the law firm, Saner & Saner of Dallas spent Tuesday with his friend Sam Parks. They were roommates while attending the University of Texas. Mr. Saner has the management of all the lands in Texas belonging to the University.

Dr. J. A. Younger and wife left Saturday afternoon for New Orleans where the doctor will attend clinic lectures for about six weeks and on his return to Ballinger expects to re-enter the active practice of medicine.

Bob Bonsall of Galveston, chief clerk in the real estate department of the G. C. & S. F., spent Monday here on business with Judge C. H. Willingham who handles the Railway Co's real estate interests in Ballinger.

C. W. Hester who resides on the Overby farm near Winters was a pleasant caller Saturday and while here ordered us to send some copies of our special edition to some of his friends in Louisiana.

The Miles Messenger, under the new management of Marion Mullins came out as an 8-page edition instead of four, its usual size. We congratulate our brother editor on being able to enlarge.

The good rains which have fallen this week may damage the present cotton crop slightly yet for next year's grain crop it will be of great value. Winter rains in West Texas are necessary for a good crop.

Miss Minnie Guion Francis who has been visiting her aunt Mrs. McAlpine of San Angelo for the past ten days returned home Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. W. R. Spences came in Saturday morning from Beaumont where she has been as Ballinger's delegate to the Woman's Federation of Clubs.

J. F. Chumley a former citizen of Runnels but who now resides in Coke county was trading here Saturday and dropped in to see us a moment.

Tom Massey and wife, who reside near Miles, spent Sunday in Ballinger the guest of their cousin Miss Nette Massey.

R. K. Wylie and wife left Saturday for Hot Springs, Arkansas to spend several weeks.

Mrs. Margaret Swope of Kempner visited H. A. Massey and wife Sunday.

Alfred Doose, W. A. Davis and Wylie Moss spent Monday in our sister city Miles.

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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 MADDON

Stolen Sweets.

Tommie had started to the pasture to drive home the cows.

On his way he had passed an acre of the finest ribbon cane in their own field and had not stolen a stalk.

At the far side of the pasture Patson's cane patch loomed up fresh and green.

Tommie stopped and considered.

"Billie said their cane was sweeter than oun," he mused.

He moved reluctantly at first. Then he walked a little faster and faster, and at last he was running as swiftly as his legs would carry him.

He dived under the fence and crawled on all fours into the cane patch.

"Snap."

Tommie had broken off a long, blue jointed cane and was stripping it as only a boy can do.

Some one was whistling merrily.

Tommie peeped out and saw Mr. Patson with a gun on his shoulder standing leaning against the fence.

He laid his cane down carefully so as not to make the leaves rustle, and then he dropped down flat on the ground.

Mr. Patson was still whistling. Tommie watched him and wished he would go away.

But the sun went down and the shadows deepened, and Mr. Patson leaned against the fence and whistled.

Tommie could hear the cows lowing at the pasture gate, wanting to go home. A lizard scampers over the hard leaves, making them rustle. Tommie frowned.

The wind had died out completely and a star showed dimly in the sky.

And still Mr. Patson whistled. "Tommie-e-e."

It was Tommie's mother calling him.

"Wish he'd go away," he almost sobbed.

But Mr. Patson just stood there whistling.

Then Tommie heard voices coming nearer, and every few moments they called his name.

"Oh, Mr. Patson," he called.

"What?"

"I want to go home, please," said Tommie.

"Then why don't you go?"

"You won't shoot?" pleadingly.

"No. But what were you doing in my cane patch?"

"Billie said your cane was sweeter than oun."

"But it isn't," laughed Mr. Patson.

"No," said Tommie, crawling through the fence.

"But I can lick Billie," he muttered between sobs.—Dallas News.

Markowitz's Fall Dry Goods have arrived.

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Editor and Doctor.

If the editor makes a mistake he has to apologize for it, but if the doctor makes one he buries it. If we make one there's a law suit, tall swearing and a smell of sulphur, but if the doctor makes one there is a funeral, cut flowers and a smell of varnish. The doctor can use a word a yard long without knowing what it means, but if the editor uses it he has to spell it. If the doctor goes to see another man's wife he charges for the visit. If the editor calls on another man's wife, he gets a charge of buckshot. Any medical college can make a doctor. You can't make an editor. He has to be born. When a doctor gets drunk, it's a case of "overcome by heat," and if he dies, it is heart trouble. When an editor gets drunk, it's a case of too much booze, and if he dies it's delirium tremens.—Ex.

One Thing Thou Lackest.

He who raises up sons or daughters and neglects to teach them some vocation by which they can earn an honest living robs the country of useful citizens and bequeaths to it the material of which paupers, tramps, criminals and anarchists are made.

The public schools do an important work, but they furnish only a part of the fundamental education necessary. From a broad winning standpoint, the work of the public schools and that of old line colleges and universities is very deficient. Their work ought to be supplemented with some good every day training, such as a practical knowledge of single and double entry bookkeeping, how to write checks, drafts, notes, contracts, mortgages, in short, banking, ordinary business law, plain rapid penmanship, typewriting, etc. etc, not merely copying this from text books. The school ought to be provided with actual banks, railroad, mercantile, commission, real estate insurance, shipping offices etc, so that all students may learn these things in a practical way by doing the work itself, and not merely reading about it or copying from books. In this way these things will not be to learn over again when students leave school and go out to take charge of any business.

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For Sale.

A piano in good condition, been used for two years. Original cost \$350, price \$175, \$50 cash, balance \$50 every three months until paid. For particulars call on Banner-Leader.

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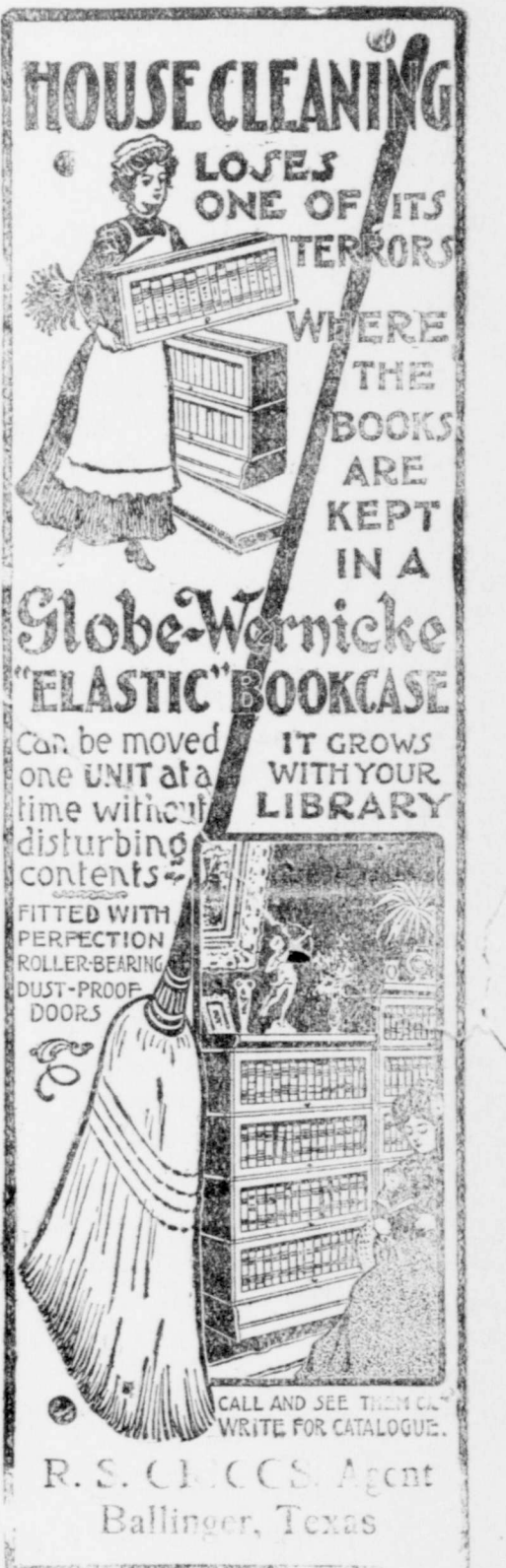
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