

# BANNER-LEADER.

VOL. XXI

BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY, April 18 1903

NO 27

## It's a Pleasure

Yes, 'tis a great pleasure to have your Spring Suit of the newest materials, the latest cut, perfect fit. You admire yourself and feel as though others admire you and they do too! Doesn't take an awful lot of money to dress well when you buy here. We are ready to show you the finest line of spring suits you ever saw. We sell you a good suit as cheap as \$7.50, a real nice suit \$10 or high as \$25 or anywhere between. Our clothing is a combination of style, service, economy

### CURRIE-NOYES CO.

## GROCERIES

The good or bad temper of the cook largely depends on the grade or kind of groceries furnished to the kitchen and the same holds true of the husband at the end of the month when the bills are presented and the PRICE is considered. We offer a solution of this problem. Go to the Big Currie-Noyes Co's. Grocery Store, there you will find the quality of the goods all O K and prices the lowest. This will prevent trouble with the cook and husband

### CURRIE-NOYES CO.

#### Santa Fe Excursion Rates.

General Assembly Presbyterian Church, Lexington, Va., May 21st to June 2nd. Round trip one and one third fare on certificate plan.

National Convention American Water Works Ass'n, Detroit, Mich., June 23 to 26. One and one third fare on certificate plan for round trip.

National Assembly Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Nashville, Tenn., May 21 to 29. One fare plus \$2.25 for round trip. Sell May 18, 19 and 20. return June 3rd.

Biennial Meeting Supreme Council Catholic Knights of America, St. Louis, Mo., May 12th and 16th. Rate one and one third fare on certificate plan.

Battle of Flowers, San Antonio, Tex., April 20th and 21st. Rate \$11.30 for round trip. Sell April 20th, return April 23rd.

Congress of American Physicians and surgeons, Washington, D. C., May 12 to 14. Round trip one and one third fare on certificate plan.

Mexican War Veterans Ass'n, Ft Worth, Tex., June 2nd and 3rd. Rate 6.10 for round trip.

State Christian Endeavor Convention, Temple Tex., June 9th to 11th. Rate 6.30 for round trip.

American Medical Association, New Orleans, La., May 5th to

8th. Rate 21.05 for round trip. State Medical Ass'n, San Antonio, Apr. 25 to May 1st. Rate \$11.30. Sell Apr. 27. return May 2nd.

Supreme Meeting Court of Honor, Kansas City, Mo. May 26, 27 and 28. Round trip rate \$27.50 on the certificate plan.

Dedication of New Buildings: Daughters of the Republic, Texas Veteran's Association and Texas State Historical Ass'n, Waco, Texas April 19, 20 and 21. Rate \$7.45 for round trip.

For further particulars call on or address J. M. Edwards, Ticket Agent, Ballinger, Texas

#### 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.

Messrs. Chas. S. Miller, S. P. Gregg, and County Surveyor Williams went out and surveyed and subdivided the Lewis Mountain Pasture this week, preparatory to placing the lands on the market this spring.

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**FORCE**  
when you are

#### B. Y. P. U. Program.

Sunday, Apr. 19, 1903.  
Leader—Whit Patterson.  
Subject—The Sacred Sabbath.  
Opening Song.

Prayer.  
Reading Lesson—Matt. 12:1-13  
Song.

Readings:  
The Sabbath Made for Man—  
Louis Alexander.

Jesus, Lord of the Sabbath—  
S. W. Cobb

Observing the Lord's Day as  
a Christian—Miss Evie Routh.

God Desires Mercy Rather  
than Sacrifice—Miss Josie Glen.  
Quartette.

Recitation—Miss Bess Miller.  
Voluntary Talks on Subject—  
"How should we keep the Lord's  
Day?"

Song.  
Union Benediction.

#### Methodist Revival.

I will begin a revival meeting  
at the Methodist church next  
Sunday to continue indefinitely.  
Bro. D. A. McGuire of May,  
Brown county, will assist me.

This meeting is not for Metho-  
dists alone but for all Christian  
people of Ballinger and I cordi-  
ally invite your assistance and  
co-operation in our efforts for a  
grand revival.

C. M. Shuffler.

We will pay cash for red top  
cane seed, for a few days only.

GODWIN & ALVIS.

#### 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 April  
11, 1903. In calling for letters  
please say advertised stating  
date of this list.

Collins, J. M.

Smith, Bud.

Fitchit, S. Matild.

#### San Angelo Press.

H. A. Thomson, of Ballinger,  
who has an extensive ranch in  
Schleicher county, was in the  
city Thursday. Mr. Thomson  
started a shipment of cattle to  
the territory Friday and will  
follow with another on the 21,  
in all shipping about 1000 head.

Walter A. Norman, the Ballin-  
ger telephone man and capitalist,  
was in the city last Thursday.  
Mr. Norman expressed confi-  
dence that his town would have  
a cotton seed oil mill and per-  
haps in time for this year's crop.

Rev. Robt. Hall, of San An-  
tonio, was the guest of his  
cousin, Mrs. E. L. McAlpine,  
last week.

J. H. Kelly, the horse and  
mule buyer of Ballinger, was in  
the city last Saturday on busi-  
ness.

Meeting Texas Dental Ass'n,  
Houston, Tex., May 14 to 16.  
Rate \$14.15 for round trip on the  
certificate plan.

#### FREE FOR ALL FIGHT.

J. S. Walker and Lee Bagley  
Wounded, Latter Very Dan-  
gerously.

Three negroes and a white  
man engaged in a free for all  
fight back of the Exchange sa-  
loon at 5 o'clock this afternoon.  
The dispute arose over Booker  
T. Washington.

As a result J. S. Walker, who  
has been with the Crown hotel  
3 months, is badly wounded over  
eye and has deep gash in back  
just below left lung. He will  
probably recover. Lee Bagley  
has one eye closed and is cut in  
hand. Doc Bagley, who did the  
cutting, is in jail. Geo. Bearce,  
the white man, denies being im-  
plicated—Brownwood Daily Bul-  
letin of Wednesday.

The Ladies of the Shakespeare  
club have secured the services  
of Miss Mollie Jackson, an elocu-  
tionist of considerable note, to  
assist in getting up an entertain-  
ment to be given at the Opera  
House in the near future.

#### For Sale.

A fine milch cow in fine con-  
dition for further particulars call  
on or write J. P. HUFFAKER,  
Ballinger, Texas.

Lecture by Gov. Bob Taylor,  
Brownwood, Tex., April 21st.  
Rate \$1.25 for round trip. Sell  
April 21st, return same night.

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### EXCHANGE CLIPPINGS.

#### San Angelo Standard.

State Senator J. W. Hill took advantage of the lull in legislative affairs this week to spend Saturday and Sunday here looking after his private business leaving for Austin Monday afternoon. The Senator refused to be interviewed during his stay in the city.

C. A. Dailey leased to S. J. Blocker, the past week, 6500 acres of German Improvement Co. land situated from 15 to 25 miles east of San Angelo and fronting on Main Concho river. The price paid was 22c per acre per annum.

Mrs E. L. McAlpine and children returned Monday night from a visit to relatives at Ballinger. They were accompanied home by their cousin, Rev. Robt Hall.

J. M. Clifton, of Ft. Worth, is buying muttons in the San Angelo country. He offered a party \$3 a head for a car load of gearlings Thursday, but the offer was refused.

The Standard learns that among the probable candidates for appointment as city attorney will be Messrs. W. H. Allen, Lee Upton and J. T. Thomson.

#### Winters Recorder.

The public school closed last Friday, after having turned out a successful term, both in report

## SOFT CORE

Like the running brook, the red blood that flows through the veins has to come from somewhere.

The springs of red blood are found in the soft core of the bones called the marrow and some say red blood also comes from the spleen. Healthy bone marrow and healthy spleen are full of fat.

Scott's Emulsion makes new blood by feeding the bone marrow and the spleen with the richest of all fats, the pure cod liver oil.

For pale school girls and invalids and for all whose blood is thin and pale, Scott's Emulsion is a pleasant and rich blood food. It not only feeds the blood-making organs but gives them strength to do their proper work.

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SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists,  
415 Pearl Street, New York.  
See and get all druggists.

and attendance. The attendance was much larger at the opening, many of the pupils having stopped, being thus compelled by circumstances, the attendance at the close of the term being about one hundred. Prof. Rotramel will continue a private school.

Dale & Beard opened up Monday in the Red Front building. Their line consists of groceries, canned goods, etc., in fact every thing that an up to date grocery store should keep.

W. H. Whitley says he ordered a bill of goods from St. Louis and the express charges were within 90 cents of the actual cost of the goods. Bully for the Wells Fargo.

A. F. Adams and C. C. Cooper went down to Ballinger the first of the week to take in the public sale.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Blackwood Saturday April 4 a fine boy.

#### Miles Messenger.

The papers were drawn up and the contract signed on Thursday evening for the erection of fine stone building, with combination iron and glass front, on Robinson Street, next to the Robinson buildings. The building is to be put up by H. W. Robinson, and we are informed is to be used for a new bank. Harvey & Son got the contract and the construction of the building is to begin at once. The building of a stone business house is moving in the right direction and the Messenger hopes others will soon follow the example of Mr. Robinson.

At the school trustee election last Saturday I. A. Curry and W. S. Crabb were elected for the following term. The vote is reported as light, and that very little interest was taken.

Mrs. Forbes, the well known milliner of Ballinger was here Wednesday to superintend the Millinery display at her store, of which Miss Emma Bennett is manager.

Joe Thiele made a business trip to Ballinger Thursday evening returning home that night.

C. J. Gilliam was one of Miles business men who made a trip to Ballinger Monday.

#### DalHart Sun.

The editor of the DalHart Sun was evidently feeling his oats as shown by the following squib which appears in the last issue of his valuable sheet:

DalHart is a few days, so far—we mean it is young—and full of themes, schemes and dreams. It was free born and is frolicsome, healthy and highstrung, active and ambitious. Who knows its future? None will even dare guess. Thoughts of its future inflate, stimulate and agitate even its most conservative inhabitants, and originates agrivates and perpetuates envy in the hearts of rivals. DalHart's reputation abroad is a conglomeration of tricks, cliques and politics, cuss words, whirlwinds and high-life; but she overcomes and bobs up serenely and smilingly to tired hunters of homes and seekers of nest-eggs of fortune. All that is said against her only tends to advertise her and excites the curiosity of travelers, who, after once hearing of the little wonder "burns the breeze" till gratified. Stranger, you will find things in DalHart that you will dislike, but there is something to fasci-

nate and attract all kinds and classes. The uniqueness of things dispel all monotony, and when once here you will feel that you are just a notch or two higher than you have ever been before—in a strange land but not among strangers. Come a jumpin'.

<b>Produce</b>	<b>Groceries</b>
Eggs, Chickens, Butter, Etc.	Flour Meat Lard, Etc.
GROCERIES ALWAYS FRESH AND CLEAN, THE LATEST THE MARKET AFFORDS.	COURTEOUS TREATMENT PROMPT SERVICE IS OUR MOTTO.
When you want groceries we should like to figure with you. Our stock is complete Prices the lowest possible.	
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The latest novelties in Spring and Summer Dress Wear always at

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Rev. O. M. Fitzhugh, of Ballinger, will preach for us on Saturday night before and on 4th Sunday in April, morning and evening. Every member of the church is expected to attend all of these services. Public cordially invited.  
R. W. OAKES Pastor.  
—Santa Anna News.

**To the Public**

I have put on a delivery wagon and would be pleased to have a share of your delivery business. Rates reasonable and service prompt. Phone 100.

**Ward's Wagon Yard**

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Does General Repair Work. Horseshoeing a specialty. Solicits a share of your patronage.

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Horses boarded and cared for at reasonable rates. Your patronage solicited.

San Angelo, Texas, Jan. 24, 1903

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Dear Sirs:—Please give me the price on 6 doz. Bass Prairie Dog Poison, I have used it for three seasons and it is good.  
Yours.

Copy of a letter received by us today We have such ones almost every day.

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For Sale By J. Y. PEARCE

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The BALLINGER LUMBER CO., handle first class stuff for building purposes. They figure close and accurately on all bills and furnish just what they represent. When in need of anything in our line let me figure with you. Lime, Cement, Sash, Doors and blinds always on hand. : : : :

**J. R. McVAY, Manager**  
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Carpenter and  
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Full Roller Process Flour and Bolted  
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Does a general practice.  
Diseases of women and  
children a specialty. Of-  
fice over the K of P  
hall. Phone 28.

## Easter Sunday.

Easter Sunday came at last and Sunday found crowds of all classes out in their "glad rags," and no doubt the ladies can tell to a detail the hats and dresses they saw worn.

After forty days of self-denial those who observe Lent are now free to engage in any festivities and entertainments they may choose.

Easter originated among the Catholics in this wise: When the Gauls were brought under the dominion of the Pope at Rome many hundred years ago, in accepting the Catholic religion they refused to give up their celebration of the close of winter and the opening of spring. A compromise was effected and the day embodied in the calendar of Catholic observances. For forty days prior to Easter Lent is observed as a time of mourning for the crucifixion of Christ. Good Friday or Friday before Easter they observe as the anniversary of His death. Lent closed Saturday and Sunday in joyful recognition of His resurrection, the observers of the custom arraying themselves in glad attire.

From the Catholic church the custom spread to the Episcopal and now Easter is observed more or less by nearly all churches, Protestant and Catholic.

## Suppose You Are to Live 50 Years.

The total cost of a business and shorthand course in Tyler College is \$125. That is you get the benefit of these courses 50 years for a total cost of \$125 or \$250 a year.

These courses increase the earning capacity of the average young person from \$300 to \$840 a year—which is a clear gain of \$540 a year.

In other words \$250 a year invested in education brings a return of \$540 a year, or 21600 per cent interest on the investment. Can you beat it?

You are placed in line of promotion, kept busy and in good company and can soon be independent.

A practical education is no lottery. There are no blanks. No odds. What's your vacation, it will be worth ten times its cost. It is as durable as life, as handy as human need. It is worth a sacrifice. Will you make it?

Tyler College, Tyler, Texas, the largest commercial and shorthand school in the South will furnish catalogue and full particulars free for the asking.

## A Great Sensation.

There was a big sensation in Leesville, Ind., when W. H. Brown of that place, who was expected to die, had his life saved by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. He writes: "I endured insufferable agonies from Asthma but your New Discovery gave me complete relief and soon thereafter effected a complete cure." Similar cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis and Grip are numerous. It's the peerless remedy for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00 Guaranteed by J. Y. Pearce, druggist.

Lime, brick, cement and all kind of building material at the Ballinger Lumber Co.

We buy chickens, eggs and other produce.  
Godwin & Alvis.

DRS. HALLEY & LOVE, Phy-  
sician and Surgeons, Over  
Walker's Drug Store.

## The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. Kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

Bladder troubles most always result from a derangement of the kidneys and a cure is obtained quickest by a proper treatment of the kidneys. If you are feeling badly you can make no mistake by taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases.

Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and sold by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sized bottles. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful new discovery and a book that tells all about it, both Home of Swamp-Root, sent free by mail. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper.

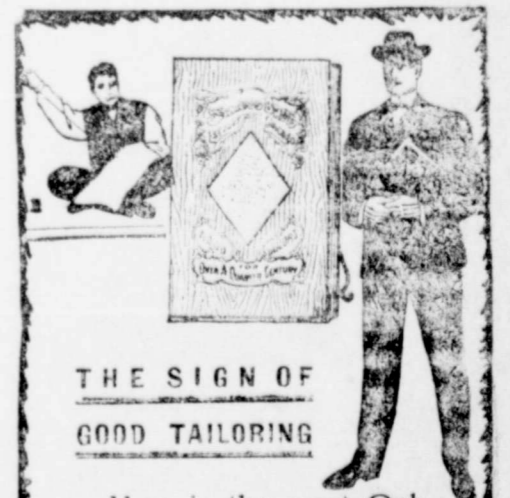
Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

## A Ballinger Boy Honored.

In the competitive examination at Abilene last week Thad Thomson succeeded in securing the appointment as midshipman to Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland. Considering the number of applicants and the difficult physical and mental examination this is an honor that any boy might well feel proud of and we are glad to see one of Ballinger's boys receive it.

Bulletin readers will be glad to learn that Dr. F. D. Shepherd has decided to cast his lot among us, this time as a physician. No one ever made a better superintendent of the public schools than did Mr. Shepherd, and his many friends wish him equal success in his new profession. He will occupy an office over the Shropshire Drug Company.—Brownwood Bulletin

Mr. Barker, wife and family left Monday for Louisiana where he has secured employment in a saw mill. He came to Ballinger from Mississippi some two months ago and engaged in the freighting business. He sold his team and wagon to Uncle Jack Stocks.



Here is the great Oak-Easel now on display at our store. It contains the line of beautiful new spring tailoring samples sent us by

**STRAUSS BROS., Chicago**  
Good Tailors for 26 Years

The Oak-Easel is the connecting link between the tailor and the faultlessly finished garments which give you so much pleasure to wear. It's really a lesson in good clothes buying to see this great collection of tailoring novelties.

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### NEWS NOTES.

#### State and National. Culled for the Busy Reader.

It has been discovered that President Roosevelt carries a gun, notwithstanding the precautions taken by the secret service men who always accompany him. He called on Gov. Van Sant of Minn., and when the colored waiter went out in the hall to get their overcoats, which were much alike, he made a mistake and handed the governor the president's coat and in this way the gun was discovered.

A head end collision at Halifax, Nova Scotia, on the night of April 12 resulted in the death of four, two fatally wounded and one missing. The engineer of one train failing to obey orders was the cause of the wreck.

A wreck occurred at Miles Saturday, April 11th, in which 8 cars loaded with cattle were derailed. No one was hurt and only a few cattle were killed.

A Mrs. Matthews of Shreveport, La., who conducted a boarding house, was criminally assaulted and murdered with an ax, in her bedroom on the night of April the 11th. Ed Porter (colored) was the dastardly beast who committed the crime. He was killed while trying to escape the officers.

It seems that the Legislature

### A TEXAS WONDER.

#### Hall's Great Discovery.

One small bottle of the Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, cures all kidney and bladder trouble, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder trouble in children. If not sold by your druggist will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months treatment. Dr. Ernest W. Hall, Sole Manufacturer, P. O. Box 629, St. Louis, Mo. Send for testimonials. Sold by all druggists and E. D. Walker.

#### READ THIS.

Cisco, Tex., Oct. 18 1901.—Dr. E. W. Hall, St. Louis: Dear Sir—We have sold your Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, for several years. I frankly say that we have never sold a kidney and bladder medicine that proved to be a greater remedy.

MAXWELL & ST. JOHN.

is inclined to retaliate on the governor by cutting the salary of his stenographer (which position is now filled by his son) from \$1200 to \$1000 because of so many vetoes on appropriation bills.

In addition to the Carnegie Library Brownwood is to have a ball park. \$1000 was subscribed by the business men there this week to fix up the park. It will be used for ball park, shooting grounds and race track.

The Gentiles of Utah are after Reed Smoot again and an effort will be made to unseat him when Congress convenes again. His opponents are preparing for a vigorous fight.

Quo warranto proceedings have been instituted by some of Oak Cliff's citizens to prevent the annexation of that city with Dallas. The promoters of these proceedings claim that the bill recently passed for annexation is not legal. It will be carried to the higher courts.

Buffalo Bill (Wm. F. Cody) was hurt at Manchester, England, last Monday. While giving the performance his horse reared and fell backwards on him.

The Brownwood National Bank has increased its capital stock from \$60,000 to \$100,000.

A fearful race-riot broke out in Joplin, Mo., last Wednesday night in which a negro by the name of Thos. Gillyard was hanged to a telephone pole on a main street. The cause of the riot was that some negro shot a policeman and he was supposed to be the one. Every negro was driven out of Joplin and many of their homes were burned.

Another big fire swept over Spindle Top Heights at an early hour Wednesday morning incurring a loss of \$1,000,000. The Hog Swayne syndicate were the heaviest losers. Their loss alone will probably reach \$500,000. A green employe with a lantern was the cause of the fire.

The Drummer's Oil Co. was in the destructive fire at Beaumont last Wednesday. This is the Co. in which considerable Ballinger capital is invested. We extend our sympathy to the Ballinger oil syndicate.

#### Wm. F. Smith of Indiana Claims He Was Robbed of \$135.

Wm. F. Smith claims that he was robbed of \$135 in Brownwood last night. He has been here only a day or two and last night got on a drunk. He slept in a house in the lower part of town, the reputation of which is none too good, and on awakening this morning missed his money.

The officers have been making diligent search for the thief, but up to the hour of going to press but one arrest had been made. The one arrested, a woman, was released.—Daily Bulletin of Thursday.

#### Meeting of City Council.

The City Council met Wednesday afternoon and the new officers were installed. Judge Powell was absent in Sweetwater attending some legal business. No business was transacted.

#### Ranches for Sale.

Seven small ranches in the Concho country at \$2.00 and \$2.25 per acre; half cash, balance 40 years time.

White Billows flour at Godwin & Alvis.

## These Warm Days

Remind us that Refrigerator, Ice Cream and Water Cooler time is at hand



COME IN AND SEE OUR LINE. WE CAN SHOW YOU SOMETHING GOOD.

### Spring House Cleaning is here

Don't you need some new Matting  
Carpeting or some Window Shades

Our line is always complete and  
our display of patterns the latest

## J. A. OSTERTAG & CO.

### A. Hall's

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A Michigan boy, the son of a Baptist clergyman, has inherited the traditional baptism by immersion principles, and by the close attention given to the ceremony as performed by his fond parent is able to repeat it word for word. A few days ago he filled a tub with water in the back kitchen and catching the family cat and her two kittens proceeded to teach them one of the essential rights of the Baptist church. The kittens underwent the ordeal without protest, but the cat showed her displeasure by scratching the boy's face. Throwing the offending animal down, he said in disgust: "Darn it, be a Methodist then if you want to."

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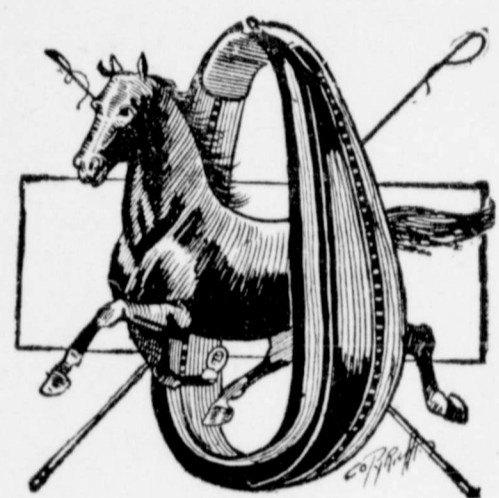
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**Stock News.**

Campbell & Cunningham of the I. T. made the following purchases in cattle this week from the following parties:

C. H. Willingham 57 two-year-old steers at \$17.50.

Joe Johnson 300 2-year-old steers at \$17.

A. M. Millar 170 two-year-old steers at \$17.

Wm. Allen 306 two-year-old steers at \$17.

S. R. Munsey 12 two-year-old steers at \$18.

Will Routh 53 two-year-old steers at \$17.

Kenzie Routh 11 two-year-old steers at \$15.

Doc Vancil 33 three-year-old steers at \$25.

Hermann Geisecke 72 two-year-old steers at \$17 and 38 three-year-olds at \$25.

Wood & Wright 46 two-year-old steers at \$17.

D. C. Simpson 21 two-year-olds at \$17 and 10 threes at \$25.

A. Schawe 36 three and four year old steers at \$24.

A. J. Roper 8 two-year-olds at \$17 and 23 three-year-olds at \$24.

J. R. Hamilton of Concho county shipped 2310 muttons to St. Louis from this point Friday.

Globber & Shaw shipped 24 fat three-year-old steers to Kansas City Friday.

G. R. Casey shipped 230 four and five year old steers to Kansas City Friday.

Tom Shaw will ship Saturday April 18th 800 cows to St. Louis.

**Ballinger Fire.**

Quite a little excitement prevailed Thursday afternoon over the discovery of Will Vaughn's barn being on fire. An effort was made by the fire boys to save it but they were too late.

Lee Maddox's barn just across the alley also burned and Ben Stone's on the adjoining lot burned. Considerable feed was stored in each barn thus entailing rather a heavy loss. Fencing adjoining the barns for quite a distance was damaged. Following is the approximate loss:

Will Vaughn's barn and contents value \$250, covered by insurance.

Lee Maddox's barn and contents, value \$300, no insurance.

Ben Stone's barn and contents, value \$125, no insurance.

The fire is supposed to have originated from Will Vaughn's two children playing with matches.

**The Newspaper Man.**

He seldom is handsome or natty,  
And none of the charms of the dude,

Is oft more abstracted than chatty,  
And sometimes unbearably rude.

He courts us, then slights us and grieves us,  
As much as he possibly can;

He kisses us, loves us and leaves us—  
This perfidious newspaper man

Our mothers won't have him come calling,  
He's no earthly good as a "catch;"

His morals (they say) are appalling;  
His finances usually match.

He's rollicking, reckless, uncaring;  
Lives but for the hour, the day;

He's dangerous, dubious, daring,  
Not fit for a husband they say.

But, somehow, we girls are forgiving,  
Perhaps he but needs us the more.

Because he goes wrong in the living,  
And knows the old world to its core.

So we pass up the dude and the schemer  
Who leads in society's van,

And cherish the thinker and dreamer  
Enshrined in the newspaper man.

An exchange presents the following problem in finance: "A banker, sauntering home, saw a \$5 note on the curbstone. Of course he picked it up and took the number in order to find the owner. While at home his wife remarked that the butcher had sent in a bill for meat amounting to \$5. The only money he had with him was the money he had found, which he gave her and she paid the butcher. The butcher paid it to a farmer for a calf and the farmer paid it to a merchant, who in turn paid it to the wash woman, and she owing the banker a note of \$5, went to bank and paid the note. The banker recognized the note as the one he had found and which up to that time had settled \$25 worth of debt. On a more careful consideration he found the note was counterfeit. Who was the loser?"

Your watch put in perfect repair at Asa Cordill's.

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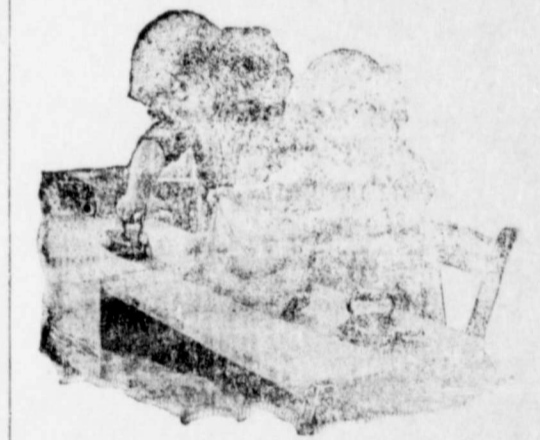
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**Notice.**

I hereby give notice that all parties that hunt, fish or get wood on my ranch will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.  
**H. C. WYLIE.**

**Farm Stock.**

Too close confinement of hogs injure the quality of the meat. All animals require exercise to develop properly and have normal health, and good health and vitality are necessary to the production of good wholesome flesh food for man.

Alfalfa hay is a most excellent feed for hogs, to go with any kind of dry grain. It is not only highly nutritious but aids in the digestion of the grain. By feeding the hay, we do away with the danger of over-pasturing the alfalfa, which sometimes injures the stand or destroys it entirely. Hogs sometimes eat out the crown of the plants, cattle or horses seldom do.

The Annual Joint Convention of the Louisiana State Agricultural Society and Louisiana Stockbreeder's Association will be held in Alexandria, La., on April 22, 23 and 24, next. Hon.

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James Wilson, U. S. Secretary of Agriculture, has been invited and several prominent agriculturists and stock men from other states are expected to take part in the proceedings. It will be the endeavor of the officers of both associations to make this meeting the most successful in their history. For particulars address, W. H. Dalrymple, Secretary, Baton Rouge, La.

It is much less trouble to dehorn calves four days old than cows or steers from two to four years old. Then why not dehorn all the calves while young? A pencil of caustic potash and a few drops of water are all the apparatus needed. Secure the calf, wet the little rudimentary horn and rub it with the potash pencil and the work is done. As far as is possible to ascertain there is no pain resulting from the operation, and the work can be done in two or three minutes

Of course all farmers have noticed the large number of barren stalks in almost every field of corn. These barren stalks tasse and produce pollen, but the female blossom, or silks, are not pollenized and no ears are formed. It has been determined by tests at the experimet stations that this barrenness is the result of seeds, that have grown from plants fertilized by barren stalks. Where barren stalks have been cut away before the maturity of the pollen the num

ber of barren stalks grown from the seed thus produced was greatly reduced. Therefore seed grown in fields having many barren stalks should never be used for planting

A good corn crop depends mainly on good preparation, good seed, good planting and good cultivation, and sometimes rain, or lack of it, has something to do with it. The latter we can not control. The former we can if we will, have just to our taste. The good preparation will this year be lacking, as it has been too wet for any sort of preparation for about four months. However, much of preparation may be done after planting—and must be if it is done at all. But as the earth has much water in it and proper surface cultivation will keep most of it there until taken up by the corn roots, there is a fair prospect of good corn crops this year. After the ground is once thoroughly and deeply broken, under the rows and between them, then simply scratching the surface will do the work, provided it is done often enough.

Intensive farming is the kind that must eventually predominate in the Southwest. The intensive system will sooner or later be adopted on large as well as small farms. There is as much reason why every acre of a 500-acre farm should be made to produce a maximum yield, as that the same should be done on only a few acres. But it will be a long time before this is done. But in these days the small farmer has no reasonable excuse for not crowding every acre he has, not only in producing large crops, but valuable crops, for the ultimate result is the number of dollars the crop will bring. For this purpose the farmer has a long list of fruits and vegetables to select from. An acre of cotton may yield twenty five or thirty dollars. An acre of many fruits and vegetables may easily sell for five times as much, with little if any more labor than is applied to the acre of cotton. An acre of corn, making 30 bushels, may sell for fifteen dollars, while an acre of tomatoes, or many other vegetables, can be sold for ten to twenty times as much. The only obstacle in the way of a general adoption of the intensive system is lack of the special knowledge required, and that difficulty is being rapidly removed by agricultural colleges, farmer's institutes, and agricultural papers, books and bulletins and other means of disseminating agricultural knowledge. Those who hold aloof from these modern and efficient means of education may content themselves with their surrounding and conditions, for they will never acquire the needed knowledge spontaneously.

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**Wanted.**

We would like to ask, through the columns of your paper, if there is any person who has used Green's August Flower for the cure of Indigestion, Dyspepsia and Liver Troubles that has not been cured—and we also mean their results, such as sour stomach, fermentation of food, habitual costiveness, nervous dyspepsia, headaches, despondent feelings, sleeplessness—in fact, any trouble connected with the stomach or liver? This medicine has been sold for many years in all civilized countries, and we wish to correspond with you and send you one of our books free of cost. If you never tried August Flower, try a 25 cent bottle first. We have never known of its failing. If so, something more serious is the matter with you. The 25 cent size has just been introduced this year. Regular size 75 cents. At all druggists.

G. G. GREEN,  
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Dr. Marberry was called to Ballinger Saturday to see Mrs. H. A. Thomson.

**Cures Blood Poison, Cancer, Ulcers, Eczema, Carbuncles, Etc. Medicine Free.**

Robert Ward, Maxey, Ga., says: "I suffered from blood poison, my head, face and shoulders were one mass of corruption, aches in bones and joints, burning, itching, scabby skin, was all run down and discouraged, but Botanic Blood Balm cured me perfectly, healed all the sores and gave my skin the rich glow of health. Blood Balm put new life into my blood and new ambition into my brain." Geo. A. Williams of Roxbury, with face covered with pimples, chronic sore on back of head, suppurating swelling on neck, eating ulcer on leg, bone pains, itching skin was cured perfectly by Botanic Blood Balm—sores all healed. Botanic Blood Balm cures all malignant blood troubles, such as eczema, scabs and scales, pimples, running sores, carbuncles, scrofula, etc. Especially advised for all obstinate cases that have reached the second or third stage. Improves the digestion, strengthens weak kidneys. Druggists \$1. To prove it cures sample of Blood Balm will be sent free and prepaid by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and free medical advice sent in sealed letter.

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Due notice is hereby served on the public generally that De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve is the only salve on the market that is made from the pure, unadulterated witch hazel. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve has cured thousands of cases of piles that would not yield to any other treatment and this fact has brought out many worthless counterfeits. Those persons who get the genuine DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve are never disappointed because it cures.—E. D. Walker.

Lawrence Harris went to Dallas Sunday afternoon to accompany his sister Miss May back to her school.

**Robbed the Grave.**

A startling incident, is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at J. Y. Pearce's drug store.

H. F. Mayes, editor of the Brownwood Bulletin spent Saturday in Balinger on business.

**Walks Without Crutches.**

I was much afflicted with sciatica, writes Ed C. Nud, Iowa, Sedgwick Co., Kan., "going about on crutches and suffering a deal of pain. I was induced to try Ballard's Snow Liniment, which relieved me. It is the greatest liniment I ever used; have recommended it to a number of persons and all express themselves as being benefitted by it. I now walk without crutches, able to perform a great deal of light labor on the farm." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at E. D. Walker's drug store.

Rev. Clark of Glen Cove filled the pulpit at the Methodist church Sunday night.

**Makes a Clean Sweep.**

There's nothing like doing a thing thoroughly. Of all the salves you ever heard of Bucklen's Arnica Salve is the best. It sweeps away and cures Burns, Sores, Bruises, Cuts, Boils, Ulcers, Skin Eruption and Piles. It's only 25c, and guaranteed to give satisfaction by J. Y. Pearce, druggist.

Rev. Gilliam of Brownwood preached two able sermons at the Cumberland Presbyterian church last Sunday.

**A Sweet Breath**

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**Good for Children**

The pleasant to take and harmless One Minute Cough Cure gives immediate relief in all cases of cough, croup and la grippe because it does not pass immediately into the stomach, but takes effect right at the seat of the trouble. It draws out the inflammation, heals and soothes and permanently cures by enabling the lungs to contribute pure life giving and life sustaining oxygen to the blood and tissues. E. D. Walker.

T. D. Shepherd principal of the Coleman public school spent Sunday here with his brother C. P. of this place.

**For liver troubles and constipation**

There's nothing better in creation Than Little Early Risers, the famous little pills They always effect a cure and save doctor's bills.

Little Early Risers are different from all other pills. They do not weaken the system, but act as a tonic to the tissues by arousing the secretions and restoring the liver to the full performance of its functions naturally.—E. D. Walker.

C. C. Culwell, "His Honor" of the Miles precinct came down from Miles Monday to consult Capt. J. E. Smith on some matters of business.

**Beauty and Strength.**

Are desirable. You are strong and vigorous when your blood is pure. Many—nay, most—women, fail to properly digest their food, and so become pale, sallow, thin and weak, while the brightness, freshness and beauty of the skin and complexion depart. Remedy this unpleasant evil, by eating nourishing food, and taking a small dose of Herbine after each meal, to digest what you have eaten. 50c at E. D. Walker's drug store.

Miss Earl Williams came in Saturday afternoon from Rock Springs Coke county, where she has just completed a five month school term. Miss Earl is one of Runnels counties best qualified teachers.

**Save the Loved Ones!**

Mrs. Mary A. Vliet, Newcastle Colo., writes: "I believe Ballard's Horehound Syrup is superior to any other cough medicine, and will do all that is claimed for it, and it is so pleasant to take. My little girl wants to take it when she has no need for it." Ballard's Horehound Syrup is the great cure for all pulmonary troubles. 25c, 50c and \$1 at E. D. Walker's drug store.

Asa Cordill and wife, mother and sister, Miss Moody, left Monday afternoon for Royse City to visit relatives. Asa will attend to some business matters in Dallas while on the trip.

**Herbine Cures**

Fever and age. A dose will usually stop a chill, a continuance always cures. Mrs. W. M. Stroud, Midlothian, Tex., May 31, 1899, writes. "We have used Herbine in our family for eight years, and found it the best medicine we have ever used, for la grippe, bilious fever and malaria. 50c at E. D. Walker's drug store.

**I. & G. N. Excursion Rates.**

State Epworth League Conference, San Antonio. Sell tickets April 23rd for trains arriving in San Antonio morning of April 24th. Limit April 28th.

Grand Council of Texas U. C. T. of America, Austin. Sell tickets for trains arriving in Austin April 29th and 30th. Limit May 4th.

Annual Reunion United Confederate Veterans, New Orleans, La. Extremely low rates. Sell tickets May 17th and 18. Limit to leave New Orleans May 24th. Privilege of extension, final limit June 16th.

Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, Fort Worth. Sell tickets April 26 and 27th. Limit May 1st.

State Baptist Foreign Mission Convention, Palestine. Sell tickets April 21 and 22. Limit April 27th.

State Medical Association, San Antonio. Sell tickets April 27th. Limit May 3rd.

Dedication Ceremonies Louisiana Purchase Exposition, St. Louis, Mo. Sell tickets April 29 and 30. Limit to leave St. Louis May 6th.

Battle of Flowers, San Jacinto Celebration, San Antonio April 21st. Extremely low rates. Announcement later.

Marlin, the great health resort. Sell tickets every day in the year. Limited 60 days from date of sale for return.

For further information call on ticket agents or address, D. J. PRICE, G. P. & T. A. I. N. G. N. R. R.

**Santa Fe Excursion Rates.**

Grand Council United Commercial Travelers of America, Austin, Tex. Sell April 29 and 30th. Limit to May 4th for return. \$8.80 for round trip.

Grand Lodge K. of P. Fort Worth. Sell April 19 and 20. Limit to April 24th for return. Rate \$6.70.

State Epworth League Conference, San Antonio, Tex. Sell April 23. Limit to April 28. Rate \$11.30 for round trip.

State Baptist Foreign Missions Convention, Palestine, Tex. One and one third fare for round trip. Sell April 21 and 22. Limit to April 27 for final return.

Annual Convention International Ass'n of Chiefs of Police, New Orleans, La., May 12th to 16th. Rate one and one third fare on the certificate plan.

Meeting Texas Bankers Ass'n, Denison and Sherman, Texas, May 1<sup>st</sup> and 13. One and one third fare for round trip.

Nat'l Ass'n of Master Plumbers of the U. S., San Francisco, May 19 to 22. General Assembly Presbyterian Church in U. S. Los Angeles, Cal., May 21st to June 2nd. Round trip \$50.75.

State Volunteer Fireman Convention, Corsicana, Tex., May 13th and 15th. Rate \$8.45 for round trip.

United Confederate Veterans Reunion, New Orleans, La., May 19 to 22. Rate 14.75 for round trip. Sell May 17 and 18th. Return May 25th with extension of limit if desired.

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W. C. Penn spent last Sunday in Brownwood with relatives.

Fine diamonds and diamond jewelry in stock at Asa Cordill's.

Ladies, I have some beautiful cut glass. Call and see Asa Cordill.

Go to Wylie Moss and have a lawn swing made for summer pleasure.

F. P. Abney went to Brownwood Tuesday to attend some business matters.

Squire T. E. Brown, Justice of the Peace at Crews was in Ballinger Tuesday.

James E. Brewer now has a nice line of fountain pens from 75cts up guaranteed.

F. J. Williams left for St. James, La., Wednesday to take charge of the Mills of that city.

Don't allow your diamonds to get loose in their mountings. Have them examined by Asa Cordill.

A new line of diamonds just received at Brewer's. Buy your girl a diamond ring and make her happy.

W. C. Penn had a fine driving horse shipped from Brownwood this week. He is a beauty and a high stepper.

Ward Moser, who has been spending several days with home folks, left Saturday afternoon for Fort Worth.

The finest line of dusters ever brought to this market will be seen at my store.

T. S. Lankford.

Mr. Anderson of Denison spent several days here the latter part of last week. He wants to buy a newspaper in a western town.

Hon. C. H. Jenkins of Brownwood was a passenger on Tuesday's afternoon train. He had been up to San Angelo on legal business.

Rev. O. M. Fitzhugh came in Monday from San Angelo where he has been to assist in a revival meeting. He reports a pleasant time and a successful meeting.

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Quite a crowd gathered at the Crown Saloon to see a cockfight that was pulled off Monday afternoon between Mike C. Boyd and J. O. Lee. Boyd used one of his Shamrock cocks and Lee used one of his grays. After five pittings of fast fighting Boyd won. The crowd was quiet and perfect order and good feeling prevailed.

Mrs. Will Odom will sing a solo at the C. P. church next Sunday morning and otherwise assist with the music. The pastor of the church, Rev. O. M. Fitzhugh, will be in his pulpit both morning and night. The public generally is cordially invited to attend these services.

The following Miles ladies came down on the afternoon train Wednesday to do some shopping: Mrs. Frank Lewin, Mrs. H. E. Jackson, Misses Nora Yarbrough, Annie Owens, Grace Meinke, Mary Thiele, Theresa Thiele and Emma Bennett. C. C. Thomas was the chaperone.

Hon. W. A. Wright of San Angelo was a passenger on the east-bound train last Sunday afternoon enroute to Lampasas to attend district court. He is leading counsel in the Otto Schaur murder case which is to be tried there.

Mrs. L. V. Packard of Waco was the guest of Mrs. A. H. Van Pelt the past week. She returned home Tuesday. Her husband represents Simmons Hardware Co of St. Louis.

Prof. Woodruff principal of the Blanket public school passed through Ballinger Tuesday on his way home. He had been out to Maverick to visit Tom Bowden his brother-in-law.

Judge J. W. Powell went to Sweetwater Wednesday in response to a telegram from Lee Good to attend an important suit there in which Lee Good is a party.

If Madame Rumor is to be credited there will be "something doing" along matrimonial lines in the near future. Look out for the wedding bells.

Miss Katharine Myers, who teaches near Norton, spent Saturday and Sunday last week with her sister H. Edna Myers.

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T. S. Lankford.

Mrs. Leo Markowitz went to San Angelo Saturday night to spend Easter with friends.

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Dr. Myrick of Crews was in town Thursday.

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A new stock of whips just received at Hixson Bros. Racket Store.

Lee Currie was quite sick several days this week with mumps.

Geo Pearce came in Thursday to interview the drug trade of the town.

Wm. Pumphrey brought in a bale of cotton Thursday from his farm near Pumphrey.

R. K. Wylie and wife left Wednesday for Hot Springs, Ark., and other northern points.

Phone 19 for ice and it will be promptly delivered.

Walter Carpenter.

Judge H. C. Crozier, county Judge of Concho county was in Ballinger Wednesday on business.

Brown F. Lee of San Angelo and a Mr. Runge of Galveston, two legal lights, were visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

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John Scott, a young man from Mexia, has been the guest of Nesby Gustavus the past week. He returned home Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Jas E. Brewer and baby left Friday afternoon for Winters to spend several days visiting relatives. Her mother will accompany her.

A. J. Roper, one of Winters prosperous farmers and stockmen, spent several days the latter part of this week in Ballinger the guest of friends.

Mr. Webb of Dallas, State Agent for the Franklin Life Ins. Co. of Springfield, Illinois, spent Tuesday here looking after the interests of his Company.

Frank Rather and Jim Dancer went to Coke county last Tuesday the former on insurance business, the latter to see old friends, he having been reared in that county.

Bob Taylor, the famous word painter, will lecture in Brownwood the 21st. The west-bound train will be held there until 11:30 to accommodate the passengers coming west.

A Mr. Woodward of Rosenberg has been here the past ten days prospecting with a view to going into the dry goods business. As yet he has not fully made up his mind but will probably locate.

Rev. C. M. Shuffler came in Monday night from Moody where he has been conducting a revival meeting the past ten days. He reports a very successful meeting. There were about ninety conversions and reclamations.

Henry Bean came in from Temple Thursday night and reports that section of the country actually needing rain. Mr. Bean bought some land down on the Concho last December and will move his family there in September.

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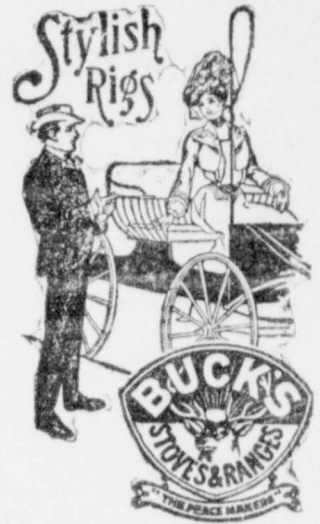
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