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BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY MCH 19, 1904

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PHONE

ructive Fire at San Angelo.

The old San Angelo hotel; caught fire Wednesday morning about 2 o'clock, and the entire business houses except two in the Malone Shoe Store was desthe flames under control. The given at \$25,000. burned houses are:

D Z Williams

First National Bank. J D Taylor, grocery

Cox & Cunningham, dry goods Robt Balfanz, barber shop

Farquhar, livery stable Armour Packing Co., ware-

The entire block with the exbuilding, together with all the ception of the Allen Saloon and the block, were destroyed before troyed. The total loss foots up the fire department could get \$50,000. The total insurance is

D Z Williams. who occupied San Angelo Hotel, occupied by the old hotel, was painfully of his effects, but the burns will not prove fatal.

business houses were destroyed. sale at Asa Cerdill's.

The fire was under good headway when discovered. It was only by some quick and decisive work that the department succeeded in from Brady bearing the news Leader will be found the anchecking its progress.

up to going to press is 15088.

burned in an effort to save some Gov. Bob Taylor's lecture at the estimated at \$25,00 with \$5000 no fight to make, but simply asks Opera House, Friday night Apr. insurance. Mr. Nord Moore the voters to consider his claims Most of the contents of the 1st. Reserved seats 75cts. On sustained serious injuries in and any support they can render

The Brady Fire.

that an entire block of business nouncement of H. P. Harkins of buildings burned there Wednes. Winters, for public weigher. jumping.

H. P. Harkins.

We are in receipt of a message In this issue of the Banner-

The total number of bales of day morning. The Silver King Mr. Harkins is an old Pell cotton shipped from Ballinger Hotel and Moore's livary stable county man, one of our best citiwere in this block, also a saloon zens, is honest and fair and will Don't fail to secure seats to and a bank. The total loss is make a good weigher. He has him will be appreciated.

\$15,000 Stock of Nice New Merchandise at ACTUAL COST

This is a Bonafide Cost Sale Sale Closes March 31st.

The HT

Ballinger, Texas

J.D. Norwood Mgr

Notice of Sheriff's Sale. By virtue of the first order of sale issued to me R. P. Kirk, Sheriff of Runnels county State of Texas, on March 7th, 1904, and delivered to me on the 8th day of March, 1904, said order of sale having been issued out of the District Court of Travis County, Texas, 53rd Judicial District, in cause No. 20,893, in which said cause T. A. Thomson, R. M. Thomson and H. A. Thomson are plaintiffs. and G. R. Casey & Company, G. R. Casey, G. M. Casey, Joe Wilmeth, trustee, and E. R. Jackson are defendants, and in which said cause judgment was rendered on the 15th day of February, A. D. 1904, in favor of said plaintiffs and against said G. R. Casey & Company, G. R. Casey and G. M. Casey for the sum of sixty-two thousand, nine hundred seventy-two and 64-100 (62,972 64) dollars with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent per annum, from the 15th day of February 1904 and costs of suit, and which said judgment is a foreclosure of a vendor's lien and of a deed of trust lien on the property hereinafter described as the same existed on the 14th day of August, 1902, and at all subsequent dates existed and still exists in favor of said plaintiffs, T. A. Tromson, R. M. Thomson and H. A. Thomson, and against the defendants, G. R Casey & Company, G. R. Casey, G. M. Casey, Joe Wilmeth, trustee; and E. R. Jackson, and any and all persons claiming by, through or under said defendants by any claim acquired pending said suit, which said foreclosure is in satisfaction pro tanto of said money judgment, interest and costs. I, R. P. Kirk, Sheriff of Runnels County, State of Texas, did, on the 8th day of March A. D. 1904, levy upon and seize, and I will, on the first Tuesday Geisecke.
in April, A. D. 1904, it being the 5th. 230 as of land (off the 5th day of April, A. D. 1904, northern dony of the E. T.

and 4:00 p. m. at the consuse cated by virtue of certificate deor of Runnels County, Texas, No. 10, and patented to W. H. in the City of Ballinger, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest and claim which the said defendants, G. R. Casey & Company, G. R. Casey, G. M Casey, Joe Wilmeth, trustee, and E. R. Jackson,



Sickness steals more savings than the burglar. Slowly, coin by coin, the money that has been so hardly earned id out for drugs and doctors. Sickis the worst enemy of the working , and the common cause of the work-man's sickness is disease of the ch often involving the heart, lungs, er, or kidneys. The use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Med-

Discovery will stop the stealing of savings by sickness. It cures disse of the stomach and other organs of It cures disstion and nutrition. It cures disthese diseases are caused by the condition of the stomach and

do FORFEIT will be paid by the dis Dispensary Medical Association, rietors, Buffalo, N. Y., if they cannot the original signature of the indial volunteering the testimonial below, also of the writers of every testimonial at the thousands which they are controlled the publishing, thus proving their general

day of August A. D. 1902, and at |22. lowing described real state, No. 258, Volume 3. which is situated in the Cunty which is known as the G. R. 529, Patent No. 912, Volume 2. Casey & Company pasture, nd scribed as follows:

dred and thirty-one (12,831) M. J. Parramore and conveyed acres of land, and is composed o H. A. Thomson and R. M. of the following described homson by said Paramore, and

(4428 acres) known as survey 14t 1902, Patent No. 560, Vol-535 in Section 9, located by vir- umo4 tue of Certificate No. 776, issued 13. 7154 acres of land out by decree of District Court of of thGeorge W. Dyer Survey San Augustine County, Texas, No. 48 for 836 acres, located by patented to Simeon Draper virtue Certificate No. 16-271, November 20th, 1854, by Patent and pate ed to George W. Dyer No. 337, Volume 11.

and labor survey (4605 acres) said surve now owned by R. known as survey No. 532 in M. Thomsond T. A. Thomson. Section No. 9, located by virtue of Certificate No. 93, issued by thirteen trac of land comprise the Board of Land Commissioners of Bexar County, Texas, and property descied in deed from patented to Edwin Dwyer, May T. A. Thomson, al to G. R. 22nd, 1873, Patent No. 381, Casey & Compa, recorded in Volume 19.

vey No 147 (640 acres) located Texas, and the sailand which by virtue of certificate No. 103, is described in deed trus reand patented to W. H. Letchford, corded in Volume 6. es 10 tc assignee, May 11th. 1872 by of the records of Run col Patent No. 250, Volume 8.

4th. 215 acres of land (off the west end) of the Day Land and by me for the purpose sa Cattle Company 349 acre survey, Tring the above described in No. 1, located by virtue of the soul of \$62.073 titicate No. 52, and patented to land costin full against R. M. Thomson and Thad said G. M Casey, bu' only pro Patent No. 371, Volume 7, ag all of said survey, less licres off the that end the Gold to

the hours of 10:00 a. m. R. R. evey No. 145, lo-Letchford, May 10th 1872, by Patent No. 287, Volume 8, being all of said survey No. 145, less the 410 acres heretofore sold to A. Herring.

> 6th. 342 acres of land, par of H. A. Thomson 576 acre survey No. 148, located for the public school fund by virtue of Certificate No. 103, issued to the E. T R. R Co. and patented to H. A. Thomson June 26th, 1890, by Patent No. 533, Volume 10, being all of said survey, less 160 acres heretofore sold to L. E. Cresswell, and 74 acres sold to H. E. Dickinson.

7th. 96 acres of land, part of the Absolem Jett 3.525,302 square varas survey No. 530 4-8. located by virtue of unlocated balance Certificate No. 6-5965, issued by the Commissioner of Claims and patented to W. D. Thomson, November 13th, 1875, Bible as his man of council. by Patent No. 377, Volume 2, being all the 230 acres acquired by R. M. Thomson, less the portion thereof theretofore conveyed by him to W. A. Thomson.

8th. 135 acres of land (off the west end) of the A. B. & M. 640 acres survey No. 25, located by virtue of Land Script No. 799, and patented to A. J. Rowe on 6th day of October, 1876, by Patent No. 131, Volume 26, being all of said survey, less 505 acres heretofore sold to Geisecke.

9th. 170 acres of land of the Samuel Gates survey of 177 cres, located by virtue of Certificate No. 500, and patented to the heirs of Samuel Gates, de- for good seed.

or any of them, had on the 14th ceased, by Fatent No. 68, Volume

all times subsequent thereto 10th. The T. T. Williamson and wnich they now have, and survey No. 151. 188 acres of which ary person claiming by, land, Abstract No. 857, located through or under them or either by virtue of Certificate No. 76, of them, by any claim pending and patented to T. T. Williamson this suit, has in and to the fol September 8th, 1883, by Patent

11th. 15 acres of land out of of Runnels and State of Txas, the T. T. Williamson survey No.

12th. 640 acres of land known which is more particularly 9- as M. J. Parramore Survey No. 26, Abstract No. 834, purchased Twelve thousand eight hun from the State of Texas by said thirteen different tracts of land: Pented to said H. A. Thomson Ist. The Norvell Travis league an R. M. Thomson. August

October 'th, 1874. by Patent 2nd. The Domingo Diaz league No. 403, Vume 20, being all of

The said above described 12,831 acres, 1 it is the same Volume 31, page, of the deed 3rd. The E. T. R. R. Co. sur- records of Ruis county. Texas.

The above sale will

Thomson, December 9th, 1 tanto as against said G. R. Casey Company and G. R. Casey. R. P. KIRK,

Sheriff of Runnels Co, Tex. Ballinger, Tex., March 8th 1904.

tical way, quoting passages of over thirty five years. with a great spiritual uplift.

Rev. Stanley of the Christian church filled his regular appointment at this place last Sun. less cases of lung trouble. New day. A considerable number of trial bottles, 25c, regular size, the C P members worshipped 75c. At all druggists. with his congregation that day, having no pastor at present, and all were high in praise of the spiritual and intellectual sermon delivered, having taken the

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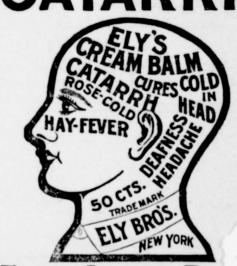
The time worn injunction, "Never put off 'til tomorrow what you can do today," is now generally presented in this form: "Do it dotay!" That is the terse This reporter had the pleasure advice we want to give you about last Sunday of listening to the that hacking cough or demoralclosing sermon at the Baptist izing cold with which you have church by Rev. Edgar A. Burton been struggling for several on his series of sermons entitled days, perhaps weeks. Take "The Mystical Circle of Ideal some reliable remedy for it Young Manhood." Rev. Burton TO DAY-and let that remedy be delivered a masterful discourse Dr. Foschee's German Syrup, in a thoroughly logical and prac- which has been in use for scripture to prove his points. few doses of it will undoubtedly Every young man and all others relieve your cough or cold. and who have been fortunate enough its continued use for a few days to hear this series of sermons, will cure you completely. No we know are better by having matter how deep-seated your heard them and will no doubt cough, even if dread consumpgo out to battle with life's work tion has attacked your lungs, German Syrup will surely effect a cure—as it has done before in thousands of apparently hope-

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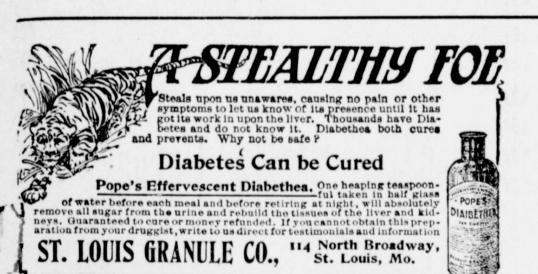
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> > S. A. HUGHES, General Immigration Agent.

> > > For Sale.

new at a bargain. For further basket is at Boyd Bros. barber information call on

THE BANNER LEADER.

Winters News.

Mrs. Fannin has returned from an extended visit to her parents.

The Methodists met Sunday night March 9th and organized old. Lankford & Hathaway. an Epworth League with twentyeight members to begin with. Following are the officers: Mr. T. A. Fannin, president; Miss Nina Landieth, vice president Miss Ethel Moore, president of charity and help department; Dr. Hicks, Pres. general literary work; Robert Yates, secre Moore, organist. There are the BEST. quite a number to join yet. Think we can and will have a membership of forty or fifty soon.

Mrs. Chas. Grant has been quite sick with measles for several days.

Miss Ruthie Farrar is on the sick list.

Several of the young people went down on the creek one evening after school to disturb the finny tribe. One young lady said she caught an alligator, a 'dry land one."

Miss Matte and Colonel Church of Pumphrey were in town this week.

Mr. Proctor has his new residence completed.

Mr. Beard is to have two new rooms to his house soon.

The carpenters are kept busy at Winters now. Miss Lenna Hunter is in the

store again after an attack of

Grandma Grant is home again after a short visit to relatives in Ballinger.

Rev. Sullivan filled his regular appointment Saturday and Sun-

Miss Bright of Content who has been assisting in the school returned home last week as her services were not needed longer, on account of so much sick ness which had decreased the school. Miss Bright made for herself quite a reputation as a teacher while here.

Mr. Will Murray traded his interest in the hardware store to Mr. J. Bedford for land.

Lumber is being hauled to build 'wo new rooms to the par sonage.

Mr. and Mrs. Chapman made a flying trip to Ballinger last week to see their son Henry who has lately moved there from

Mr. Chum Cathey of Wingate came over Saturday to attend the ball game.

The Baptist people met Sunday for the purpose of organiz ing a Baptist Young People's Union. The interest in this work seems to be great. Let the good work for the young people go on. There is nothing like educating the young minds and having them fully developed and trained for work in the

Miss Lucy Tinkle was visiting home folks Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Bob was all smiles.

The Baptist people organized a Sunday School Sunday.

"Dick."

For Sale Cheap.

On easy terms, a nice little soda fountain, only been in use a short time. Write or call at this office for particulars.

The Belton Steam Laundry does Al laundry work. Try us An Oliver typewriter good as and be convinced. The Belton shop or phone No. 134.

I. L. ALEXANDER, Agt.

Live Oak flour, the best to be had at Miller Mercanlile Co.

Get a new saddle at Bob Shaffers. They are the lest.

Will exchange new goods for

Mrs. Frank Allen of Ft Worth came in Saturday on a visit to Mrs. Abe Millar and family.

T. J. Cole and family left for home.—Sweetwater Reporter.

The "Just as good" kind of goods are not sold at J. L. Chastary and treasurer; Miss Ethel tain's. He sells only one kind-

> J. T. Bulloak and family have gone to Ballinger where they will make their future home .-Sweetwater Reporter.

of the country than all other disease put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Ballinger Saturday, their future Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system They offer one hundred dollars for

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BUSINESS MANAGER.

SANTA FE TRAIN SERVICE.

PASSENGER TRAINS.

West-bound due at Ballinger 11:30 a. m. East-bound due at Ballinger

4.45 p. m.

LOCAL TRAINS. West-bound due at Ballinger 3:15 p. m. East-bound due at Ballinger

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

10;40 a. m.

RATES-Strictly Cash in Advance: District Offices \$10.00 County Offices \$7.50 Precinct Offices \$2.50

We are authorized to make the fol lowing announcements, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary:

For Representative 95th District. C. B. HUDSPETH. D. M. WEST.

For County Judge.

B. B. STONE. T. T. CLOSSON.

For District and County Clerk, R. A. TERRY.

JOHN HOFFER. For County Attorney: GUION GREGG.

R. S. GRIGGS. For Sheriff & Tax Collector.

R. P. KIRK.

For Tax Assessor: W. T. PADGETT. J. F. LUSK. C. S. BOWDON.

> T. J. STOCKS. FRANK STUART. LOUIS A. MASSEY. CHAS. E. NANCE. H. P. HARKINS.

For County Surveyor.

H. E. DICKINSON. S. D. WILLIAMS. J. E. POWELL.

For Com. & Justice Peace Prec. No. 1.

J. E. SMITH. W.H. WEEKS. G. W. NEWMAN.

For Com. & Justice Peace Prec. No. 2. J.T. BILLUPS.

For County Commissioner Prec. No. 2. T.S. CROWDER.

Is this issue appears the announcement of T. T Crosson for re-election to the office of County Judge of Runnels county. In our estimation no higher encomium could be said of him than that he has done his full duty as the law directs regardless of friend or foe. While he is always loyal to his friends, when it comes to duty he dees it in full. Weigh him well when you go to cast your vote. He will appreciate your vote and influence and prove it by his fidelity to your interests as County Judge.

> J. E. POWELL, CIVIL ENGINEER & SURVEYOR.

Plans, Specifications and Estinates made on any kind of work and work superintended......

Land Surveying a Specialty.

Minister's Conference.

The Baptist pastors of this Content, Association will meet here next Tuesday to organize a conference to meet on every month. The following is the program of first meeting: Tuesday.

3 p. m. The need of a Pastor's cantile Co. Conference-E. A. Burton

4 p. m. Organization of Conference.

8 p. m. Echoes from the field Pastors and Missionaries Wednesday,

9 a. m. Devotional Exercises -W H Crow

9:30 a. m. Prayer in Evangelistic Efforts—S T Hazel I0:I5 a. m. Best methods to be pursued in Evangelizing our

Association—B S Sullivan 2:30 p. m. Devotional Exercises-R Cook

3 p. m. The need of more ters in view of our common acted. work--W S Maddox

4 p. m The Pastor and his people in reaching the unsaved-R M Cumbie

8 p. m. Preaching-W J New-

Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

T. T. Crosson.

Thanking the people of Runnels county for their generous support given me in the past in my candidacy for office; feeling that I have earnestly endeavored to prove myself worthy of such support; and having administer ed the law as I understood it. and believing such effort will meet with the approval of the good people of Runnels county, I ask for re-election to the office of County Judge, subject to the will of the Democratic party.

I realize that a public officer is a public servant, and that it is in and through the law, and the law only, that the demands of the people are made known to their servants.

My pledge is, that if elected my sincere desire, purpose and

Respectfully Submitted,

Dental Notice.

T. T. CROSSON.

This is to notify my friends and patrons that I have moved my dental office up stairs in the K. of P. building next door to Dr. Younger's office where I am better prepared than ever to give you first-class dental work at the right price.

S. B. Raby, D. D S

of better quality than the usual share of the tax money collected make of footwear, the styles recently, amounting to some are up-to date, the workmanship \$200,000. As a result of this is of the highest class, and the transfer the apportionment for styles of lasts are bound to give March will be about 50c per comfort to your feet.

THE FAIR.

Our whole-souled German citizen, Geo. Speidell, left Thursday evening for St. Louis, where he will be at the opening of the World's Fair. 'George has a patent insect catcher which he will exhibit at the fair.

J. A. Elliott of Edy, Falls county, visited his son in our county, who is manager of the Joe B. Johnson ranch down the

Our esteemed friend, A. M. Herrin, of the country north of paying the teachers while the Winters, had a friendly chat with the reporter Thursday.

E. C. Clinger and R. E. L Burnett of the Maverick county left Thursday evening for Sour Lake, Texas, to spend awhile.

St. Patrick's day was observed in Ballinger by a number of the sons of Emerald Isle.

tist, Over Walker's Drug Store. their salaries during the scholas-

Phone 82 to buy, sell or lease household good a.

School books bought sold and exchanged at J. Y. Pearce's drugstore.

Corn, oats, hay, chops, bran and cotton seed at Miller Mer-

Dr. Thos. A. Rape Physician and Surgeon. Office phone 38, residence phone 44.

W. W. Williams of Coryell county is in the city prospecting for city property.

Mrs. C. S. Woodward went to San Angelo this week to spend awhile with relatives and friends.

The Daughters of the Confed eracy are requested to meet next Monday afternoon, the 21st. intimate relations of our minis- Important business to be trans MRS. C. F. DICKINSON.

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A. L. Cox.

Notice.

The Board of Pharmacy of the 35th Judicial District will hold its annual meeting on Tuesday, March 26th, 1904, at Ballinger, Texas. All applicants for registration will meet the Board on the above date at 9 o'clock a. E. D. WALKER, Pres.

Ballinger Business College.

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> HENRY J. STOVALL. Ballinger, Texas.

A dispatch from Austin says: The Controller recently trans-The shoes which we carry are ferred to the available fund its capita, or a total of over \$225,000.

When this has been paid there is left only about \$450,000 of the original apportionment of over \$3,000,000 or \$5 for each child within the scholastic age. During April the available school fund will receive approximately \$200,000 interest from State and other bonds held by the permanent fund. That, with the regular tax money, will enable the Controller to almost pay all of the apportionment for 1903-04 in May, which will be earlier than in the past year and come near schools are in session. Heretofore, owing to the delay in collections and monthly apportionment, it has been in July and August before all the money was disbursed on the per capita allowance and the teachers were forced te wait for their salaries. If the apportionment is wiped out in May then nearly all of DR. W. A. Gustavus, Den the teachers will have received Charges right-work guaranteed tic session as they fall due.

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Is the Perplexing Question with Russia and Japan. Quality and Prices are more important with us. We carry a complete stock of

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WEDNESDAY, MCH. 23rd. Will have on display some Exquisite Patterns. Something New in Plume Effects, also a nice Line

of Ready to Wear Hats. We cordially invite you to inspect our stock.

Ballinger, Texas

Ther's a Good Day Coming

And it will be next Wednesday 23rd of March .-When Mrs. Stella Forbes will have her Grand Millinery opening of Street Pattern and Ready-to-Wear Hats, A prettier line of Hats cannot be found in West Texas and I fell sure I can please you. You are cordially invited to look at my goods whether you desire to purchase or not ..

Yours to please,

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Ballinger, Texas

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My New Stock has arrived and in Quality and Price, I guaranttee to please you.

My J. I. Case Cultivators and Riding Planters (1) are the best on the market.

Call and inspect my stock and I will satisfy yon.

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Women Brains

Generally reflect what it will pay them best to do before de ciding on a course of action. The best way is never found by accident or off hand. Our sale of Groceries is a grand picnic for money savers. If you want some of the money to put in the bank that you have been paying for provisions in the past come here and do your trading with us in the future

J. A. Hays, of Bronte, paid this city a short visit Tuesday.

We are sorry to note W. T. Ward on the sick list this week.

L. Litt of Coleman was the guest of H. Winkler and family last Sunday.

Tom Scott & Co. are putting in this week a new and up to date Nance comes highly recommendrefrigerator.

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Wingate this week.

J. H. Grant, the lumber man. came in from the west Monday and spent a day in our city.

Jim Brown and family passed through Ballinger this week from San Angelo enroute home at Abilene.

A Mr. Neace of eastern Texas bought out the repair and second hand store of Dillon Dannelley last Thursday.

readers this week.

August Glober, Jr., is having an extension put to the back of and convenience of his store.

C. H. Willingham has just finished putting in I0 acres in peach trees on his farm down the river, having set out 1000 trees. The Judge certainly believes in peach trees.

Rev. G. W. White and Mrs Stella Forbes left Tuesday evening for Brownwood where they go as delegates from the M. E. church at this place to the District Conference which convened at Brownwood Wednesday.

Rev J. S. Moore and daughter Miss Ethel, of Winters, came in Monday. Miss Ethel will spend a few days in our city and Mr. Moore returned Tuesday with North of Winters, was transact- tax assessor of Runnels county. part of his stock of goods for ing business with Ballinger peo. Mr. Lusk's friends in that see. Vest his store at Winters.

Chas. E. Nance.

In this issue appears the announcement of Chas. E. Nance for the office of Public Cotton Weigher of Precinct No. I subject to the action of the democratic party. Mr. Nance wants to weigh your cotton and while a comparative stranger Mr. ed as an honest upright gentle-R. S. Griggs made a business men and worthy in every res trip to Winters, Pumphrey and pect of your support and vote. His old home is at Pumphrey but he says he will be with the Ballinger people for awhile and with the citizens. Before you make up your mind let Mr. J. M. Edwards. Nance see you. He will appreciate your influence and vote and if elected promises faithful and efficient service.

Esquire Brown of the Crews country informed us that there L. S. Evans, who recently is to be a store at the new town bought a part of the Treadway of Truitt near Table Mountain place two miles from town, en west of old Crews. The prorolled with the Banner-Leader prietors are Golden Bros. Also that a postoffice will be asked for at that place.

Depot Agent, J. M. Edwards, his tin shop this week and it and family left Friday evening will add greatly to the looks to visit friends and relatives in the east a few days. Upon re. supplying in Ballinger Saturday. turning Mr. Ed wards will hold a position with the Citizens National bank of our city.

County Surveyor S. D. Williams is in the northern part of Sunday. the county this week surveyiny land lines for new settlers and also fixing the boundry lines for new roads leading from that section to Ballinger.

Mrs. King, of Rector, Ark., sister-in-law of W. A. Norman of our city, after visiting here for

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incorporated by a majority of

W. P. Cussenberry, of Talpa, for the ensuing yes spert last Saturday with Ballinger friends.

returned Friday evening of last week from the Stockmen's convention

John Osgood of the Norton country, was doing business with Ballinger merchants Mon-

Mr. Charleton of Milano Junc- box: make himself better acquainted tion is the new agent at the Santa Fe depot to relieve Mr.

> Editor J. H. Tucker is being urged by numerous friends to offer himself as a candidate for Mayor of Coleman.

County Commissioner C. C Culwell of the Miles country was a passenger on the east bound train Friday.

We appreciate your trade and you will appreciate our price if you will figure with us.

Smith & Hail

Tobe Edwards and R. L. Williams, representative citizens | H G Hayes. of the Content country, were

Geo. Wright and wife of Brownwood visited Wright's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Doose of Ballinger, last

Joe P. Johnson came in Mon day from the cattlemen's convention. He came home by the E A Jeans. way of Moody where he visited old friends for a day or two.

C. E. Abernathy and J. F. Lusk made a flying trip to the mountain country north of awhile returned home Sunday Crews last Friday. Mr. Abernathy was looking after land matters and Mr. Lusk in the A L. Cox, the stock-farmer of interest of his candidacy for

San Angelo voted to remain Election for School Trustees Ordered.

> Election of school ed by County Judge

son this week to be held the 2nd managers appointed for each Edwin Day and R. S. Griggs.

Nunn, D. C. Simpson, J. C. Swift.

Hollow school house-J A Allen. A T Tuerpe, W F McKown. Maverick No. 5-Maverick-

W L McAulay, Bedford Caperton, Jno A Grimes. Walthal No. 6-Walthal school house-S R Munsey, N T Guest

Davis No. 7—Davis school house—Lon Mapes J M Schneid-

er, J J Fox. Hale No. 8-Winters-T A Fannin, F L Pearce, J L Spears. Ballinger No. 9-Ballinger-CR Crews, HA Massey, HD

Pearce. Pearce No. 10-Pearce school house-S A Gaston, W M Glass,

Norwood No. 11-Norwood school house-H Connor, E T Delemater, B J Clayton. Hutchinson No 12-Wingate-

W G Cathey, J W Wyatt, J A Barnett No 13--Barnett school

Aschbacher, J W Battle. Miles No. 14-Miles-W

house-M D L Barnett-Joe

Norton No. I5-Norton school Procter TT Duncan

The following Lon Mapes and George Vaughn day of April, 1804, being the 1st citizens of Ballinger went up to Saturday in the month. The Norton last Saturday night to only requisite outside of the attend the Woodman supper at law governing the usual electhat place: Frank Stuart, J. F. tions is the payment of your Lusk, R. P. Kirk, R. A. Terry, poll tax. Following are the A. W. Sledge, B. B. Stone, names of boxes and places of Guion Gregg, W. P. Humphrey, holding the election and the Joe Keliehor, Prof. Stovall. The proceeds went to pay for Runnels No. 1-Runnels-Jno. the Woodmen hall at Norton. R S. Griggs had been invited to make a speech on Woodcraft, Lone Star No 2-Crews-W S but there being so many candi-Moorehead, A D Tally, W H dates present it was decided to have speeches from all the can-Content No. 3—Content—A A didates and defer the Woodcraft Hanscomb, M S Edwards, C W speech. The opening of the county campaign will be dated Ft Chadbourne No. 4-Dry from this occasion as all the candidates responded in nice little talks to the "dear people."

Epworth League Program.

March 20, 1904 Subject-Blessedness of the Divine Forgiveness.

Leader-Mr. Currie.

Song. Roll Call-Scriptural quotaions.

Prayer. Song.

Psa. 32:1-7—Leader.

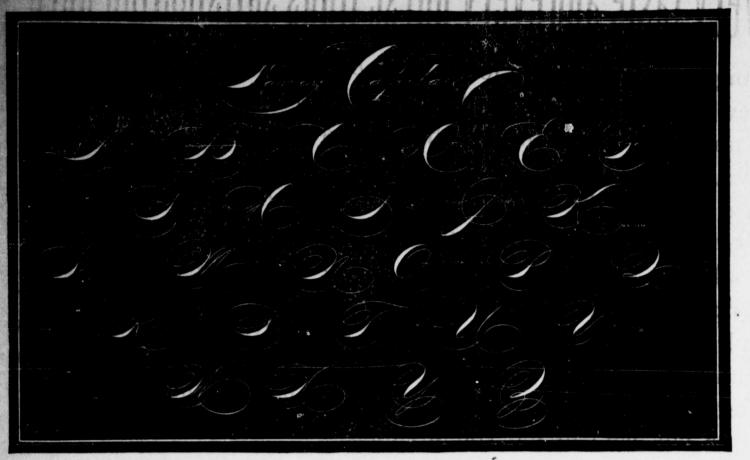
Forgiveness is to be personally sought-Ps 66:18-Mr. Brewer. To be asked for others as well as for ourselves-Ps. 67:I-2-Mr. Elliott.

The forgiveness of God is a perfect deliverance-Ps. 121:7-2 -Miss Alma Padgett.

Male Quartette. Collection.

Closing.

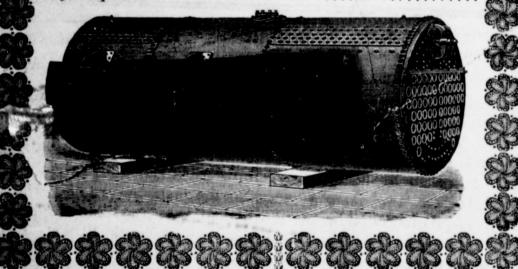
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編(O)SA内 BI BIV B Old Stand Opposite Currie Noyes Co.

A Linn county paper printed the following advertisement Saturday: "Lost a red cow wearing a halter with a stubbed What is the Value of a Smile? tail. Finder will please milk cow and return her, keeping the halter as a reward "

ing to a Missouri paper, who black despair and cheerfulness was visiting a friend in Kansas and hope. A kind smile is beand stopping on a farm for the yond price to the erring but refirst time in life, startled the penting, and cheers them to good old farmer one morning by struggle back to the path of rushing into the house, scream- right and duty, from which ing at the top of her voice: they have diverged in the pur-"Come quick! the little pigs have suit of pleasure and folly; while got the big pig down and are to the sorrowful, the desolate eating her up!'

boom is for every property thick clouds and fog which owner to do all he can to make sometimes entirely obscure a his property beautiful and at-landscape. A smile is a token tractive. When several people of warmth within; it shows the want the same piece of property kind heart of a friend, the it will bring a good price. When affectionate brother, the loving nobody wants it it will sell only child, and of the happy husband. at a sacrifice. A small invest. It adds a charm to the plainest ment in paint and a little work at face, it enhances the beauty of sowing grass and planting trees the most well favored, and it will add real value to many a

This little story in verse was old last week by a county exchange: "He didn't have a dollar he didn't have a dime. His cloth es and shoes were looking just as though they'd served their time. He didn't try to kill himself to dodge misfortune's whacks. Instead, he got some ashes and he filled five dozer sacks. Then, next he begged a dollar. In the paper in the morn he advertised tin polish that would put the sun to scorn. He kept on advertising, and just now, suffice to say, he's out in California at his cottage on the bay."—Ex

"Gentlemen of the jury," said an Araphoe lawyer. "what kind of swearing has been done in this case? Here we have a physician, a man who from his high calling, should scorn to tell an untruth. But what did he testify, gentleman? I put the question to him plainly. Where was he stabbed?" Unblushingly his feautures as cool and placid was staboed an inch and a half an inch above the umbilicus. witnesses that he was stabbed just below the railroad station."

Phone us, we will pay you good prices for Second Hand Goods. Lankford & Hathaway. ond Hand Goods.

Sam Jones on Divorce.

Another source of divorce is neglect. A man who will neglect his wife deserves to be strung up in a courthouse and covered with scandal. A woman who will neglect her husband for anything or anybody deserves all the scandal she gets. I pity a warm hearted, genial man that has married a cold-blooded woman. I have shaken hands with a few cold blooded women, and I had as soon shake a dead fish's tail. And a warm-hearted, loving wife with an old husband as cold as a dog's nose! I had rather be every old maid in Georgia than the wife of a tomb. stone. I believe in a man loving his wife and showing her that he loves her and telling her that he loves her. Some men don't kiss their wives once in three months. I believe every man ought to go home every day and put his arm around his wife and kiss her and tell her she is the dearest, best. prettiest, sweetest thing in the world. Of course some fellows would have to tell a lie to say it, but that sort of a lie is harmless and wholesome.

Who can tell? Like the sunshine, it is hard to estimate its value, for though it costs the giver nothing, it very likely A girl from New York, accord. means all the difference between and forsaken, it has the happiest effect, only comparable with that One way to make a real estate of the sun in dissipating the makes the gentle gracious woman appear a veritable angel in the eyes of the man who loves her.—Ex.

Cultivation Doubled His Crop.

J. T. Lipscomb, who owns a in Kaufman county, tried some experimental work on cotton raising last year. One of his tenants was tending twenty-four acres of cotton, and at the regular laying by time, Mr. Lipscomb directed him to cut off four acres and continue to plow the remaining twenty until picking time. The work was faithfully performed and resulted in only two average bales on the four acres worked in the usual way and in twenty bales of as heavy weight from the cotton worked out to the time of picking. Mr. Lipscomb says that all his land will be worked right up to the time of gathering hereafter.

The Ozona Texan gives the as marble, he replied that he following advice to young men: "Stand around, let the time to the left of the medial line and roll by, don't do anything, 'the world owes you a living.' There And yet, gentlemen, we have is no use working, the other proved by three unimpeachable fellow will do that. After awhile he will have lots of stuff, then you can have the pleasure of cussing him."

Lankford & Hathaway for Sec-

"Pop," inquired a small boy a few days ago. "what is it that goes around a button?" "A button hole, of course," replied the parent in a tone of voice that indicated he thought the question an easy one. "No it ain't," said the boy, "it's a goat!" Then he lit out .-- Ex.

The following are the temperatures noted at some of the hottest places in different countries: Hyderabad, 105 deg, Lahore, 107 deg; El Paso, 113 deg; Death Valley 122 deg; Algeria I27 deg; Fort Yuma, 128 deg; Jacobodad, 122 deg; Bahren, in the Persian gulf, I40

And now the doctors in Iowa have butted in with a law creating each one of them a board of examination of all persons proposing to marry. They must have a clean bill of health and undergo a thorough training by a physician on the duties of married life. That knocks all romance out of courts lips and marriages in Iowa and distinguishes that state for another "Iowa idea."-Austin States-

"My brother bought an automobile here last week," said an angry man to the salesman who stepped forward to greet him, 'and he says you told him if anything broke you would supply a new part."

"Certainly," said the clerk. 'What does he want?"

"He wants two deltoid muscles, a couple of knee pans, one elbow an' about half a yard of cuticle," said the man, "and he wants 'em right away.''

If you're feeling sort o' restless and you don't know what it is, if your energy is failing and you just con't tend to biz; if your blood seems kind of sluggish, you have got it sure as fate. and you'd better quit a workin' and begin to digging bait. If you find yourself a feelin' that you'd like to pick a fight, if you are not a sleeping and you hardly eat a bite; if your head just keeps a throbbing at a mile a minute rate, you have got itquit your working and begin a digging bait.

"Millions of meney in a mo ment of time." Perhaps the large plantation on East Fork, trouble with your watch is the need of a new one. Here is the place to get it. Jas. E. Brewer.

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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.

Lockhart, Tex., Dec. 12, 1902. Dr. E. W. Hall, St. Louis, Mo. Dear Sir-In 1899 I suffered from kidney and bladder troubles and less than one bottle of our Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery cured me and I can cheerfully recommend it. . Yours truly, S. S. NEWTON.

Be Cheerful.

Kind looks, kind words, kind ac's and warm hand-shakesthese are the secondary means of grace when men are in trouble and are fighting their unseen battles.

If you wish success in life, make perseverance your friend, experience your counselor, caution your elder brother and hope your guardian genius

The world delights in sunny people. The old are hungering for more than those who are always seeing some shadow of coming evil. The world is sombre enough even at the best, and it is scarcely worth while to go out seeking for shadows or to conjure up purely imaginary

The men whom I have seen succeed best in life, says Charles Kinsley, have always been cheerful and hopeful men, who went about their business with smiles on their faces, and took the chances of their normal life like men, facing rough and smooth alike as it came and so found the truth of the old proverb, that "Good times, and hard times and all kinds of times pass over."

Excursion Rates.

State Medical Ass'n, Austin, Tex. Sell April 20 and 26 Limit May 1st. Rate \$8 70

State Convention T. P. A., Austin, Tex. Sell April 28th Limit May 1st. Rate \$8.70

Grand Lodge K of P, Houston, Texas. Sell April 23 and 26 Limit April 30. Rate \$12.80.

Convention Hotel Men. San Antonio, Tex. Sell May 24 and 25. Limit May 28. \$II.30.

General Conference of the Methodist church, Los Angeles, Cal. Sell April 23rd to May Ist. Limit June 30. Rate \$45.00 from Galveston. See agent for particulars.

Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Texas, Paris, Texas. Sell April IIth and I2th. Limit pril 17. Rate \$12.05

ture by Gov. Bob Taylor, ngelo, Tex. Sell March imit April 1. Rate \$1.40 General Assembly Cumber and Presbyterian Church, Dallas, Tex. Sell May 18 and 19 last night. Limit May 28. Rate \$7.75

District Federation of Womens \$13.75

General Board of Missions M. E. Church South, Waco, Texas. What had she been eating? Sell May 2 and 3. Limit May 10. Rate \$7.75

Meeting International Good 9. Rate \$23.05.

Oscar Pearson, who has been goods box to tie her shoe and spending some time here, left two young men who were pass-Tuesday for San Augustine, County Echo. The Echo man Fla., and will spend a while with forgot to say that the young men friends at that place, before re turning to his home at Nashville, Tenn.

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Will lecture at the Opera House in Ballinger on the night of April 1st, 1904. The Subject will be

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It has long been conceded that Gov. Bob Taylor has no peer as a versatile entertainer. Our country is prolific of great oraters, word painters, humorists and story tellers, who spring up almost with every new day, but seldom de the centuries unveil a man who combines the talents of all these. Such a man is Bob Taylor, and the new lecture which he presents for the coming season gives the widest range to his varied talents. He has spent much time in its preparation and it is new from the first castle which he builds with silver tongue, through all of its delicate humor and side-splitting anecdotes, to its peroration of matchless beauty.

"Indeed. What was the mat-

ter-fright?" 'No nausea. The room was Clubs, Cuero, Tex. Sell April close and warm, and she found 4 and 5. Limit Ap.il 9 Rate herself suddenly very sick and Makes bonds for court pur-

dizzy; but she managed to get to a window and threw up a sash "Threw up a sash? Heavens!

A Salisbury man whe has am-Roads Ass'n, New Orleans, La. ple time to study the styles in Sell April 3 and 4. Limit April female hosiery, says the story of & Physician and Surgeon, Lot's wife turning to a pillar of salt can no longer be do bted. He says, the other day a young Oscar Davidson, nephew of lady put her foot upon a dry answered promptly day or night ing turned to rubber -Howard were from Glasgow.

There is not a competent, ablebodied man in Texas who cannot get a job if he wants it. Of course such lucrative places as bank cashiers, governor's secre-Buy your Lumber and Building taries, managers of big corporaplenty of other jobs open for the hustler who is not afraid of work. Any old job beats loafing.

"My wife came near fainting J. W. POWELL,

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S. A. HUGHES, General Immigration Agent

be hung, was visited by his wife who said: "My dear, would you executed?"

"No." replied he "That's just like you," she said 'you never wanted the children

J. J. Fox was called Wednesday by telegram to the bedside of his brother in Bee county who is reported dangerously sick.

The Menard County Enterprise is a very creditable special edition last week. Mr. Marvin Hunter, managing editor of the Enterprise, is issuing a splendid paper.

"A drop of ink, will make 'em think, and competition cry. A handsome ad will make you glad because they'll come and buy, says the Pittsburg Chronicle

The average boy's character is formed between the age of eight and fifteen. His associates fix his future, and he seldom changes his destiny .- Ex.

Think you could use a few yards at a very special price? We have some full yard wide in fancy patterns at only 15c and better quality at 20c the yard. THE FAIR.

A subscriber to an eastern local paper recently wrote to the editor of the paper, asking if he would take pay for the paper in chickens. The editor replied: "Yes. and wood and meal and meat and corn and potatoes and peaches and billy goats and pigs and horses and hay and land and mules and cows and calves and rabbits and wheat and any old thing you've got. We have, on rare occasions, even taken in money on subscription."

All Can Do Good.

les to be profit by may be

No man is so rich under obligation to his fellows, Money may procure pleasure, rest, and a position in the social, world, but it has never made a up his defects in character. We

man a gentleman, nor covered can all do something for those we come in contact with and even though our walk through life may be a humble one, yet we can in some sphere help some one who is in need.'

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Name.....

Meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee of the Democratic Party of Runnels County, met at the Courthouse on Saturday, March 12, at 1 p. m. The following members

were present: CS Bowdon, County Chairman CCF Blanchard, Secretary. CS Miller, Chairman Precinct No 1 & W Clayton, " W C Jones,

M S Edwards, " A F Adams, TS Crowder. WT Middlet'n " W G Allen. W L McAuley,"

S A Gaston,

P J Baron, The following members were

absent: J A Barr, Chairman Precinct No 2 WFMcKown, " TJMcCaughan" Wm Yarboro' "

Mr. Bowdon, the County Chairman, in a short and appropriate speech stated the object of the appointments he had chosen Democratic National Convention men who were sound Democrats and who would look to the inter- that a Democratic County Conest of the party.

On motion of A. F. Adams, all Democrats in the audience were invited to participate in the meeting, and make such suggestions as they deemed best.

2.—It was moved by T. S. bers of the Executive Committee. Crowder and seconded by A. F. be heard on the subject. Judge hold the primary election: Guion took the floor and made a MEMBERS OF THE RUNNELS COUNstrong speech in favor of holding a primary election. He was followed by C. H. Dickinson and Judge Willingham, who made strong and earnest appeals to the committee not to hold a primary election this year, but to turn all the candidates loose, in cinct No. 3. Norwood. order that a full vote would be cast at the November election and our vote in the State and District conventions would be materially increased. Mr. Crowder and Mr. A. F. Adams, in short but appropriate speeches. also addressed the meeting, urging the committee to order a pri-

mary election. Upon a vote being taken all the committee except M. S. Edwards, of Content, voted in favor of ordering a primary election.

3.—On motion of C. S. Miller, all candidates from member of congress down be voted for in the primary election.

4.—The statute fixes the date of the primary election, and the election is ordered for the second Saturday in July, the same being July 9th, and the polls are to be opened from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m.

5.—On motion made by Mr. Gaston it was ordered that the plurality vote decide the nominations made in the primary election.

6.—Upon motion duly seconded the following test was adopted: "I am a Democrat, and pledge myself to support all democratic nominees in the next gen eral election," and that the above test be printed at the head of each ticket.

7.—The Democratic Executive Committee shall meet at the Courthouse on Thursday, July 14th, to canvass the votes cast in the primary election and declare the nominee of the party.

8.—On motion duly seconded it was ordered that there be held ealling together of the commit- a Democratic County Conventee, and stated in his remark tion at the Courthouse on the that as the voters had failed to first Saturday in June, same beelect Precinct chairmen, that it ing June 4th, to select delegates became his duty to fill out the to the State Convention, which committee, and in making his meets to elect delegates to the

> 9.—It was moved and carried vention be held at the Courthouse on Thursday, July 21st for the purpose of electing delegates to the State and District Conventions, to elect a County Chairman, Secretary, and mem-

10.—It was moved and carried lutely to cure you. What is Adams, that we hold a Demo- that the Executive Committee of cratic primary election in Run- each precinct hold the primary Pearce S. H., nels County this year. The chair- election in his respective precinct Rowena, man asked if anyone wanted to and the following parties will Miles,

TY DEMOCRATIC EXECU-

TIVE COMMITTEE. C S Miller, Chairman Precinct No. 1, Ballinger.

W P Jones, Chairman Precinct No. 2, Runnels. G W Clayton, Chairman Pre-

No. 4. Crews.

cinct No. 5. Content. cinct No. 6, Antelope.

cinct No. 7, Winters.

No. 8, Cochran.

W T Middleton, Chairman Precinct No. 9, Pumphrey.

No. 10, Wingate.

W F McKown, Chairman Preeinet No. 11, Dry Hollow.

cinct No. 12, Norton. W L McAuley, Chairman Precinct No. 13, Maverick.

S A Gaston, Chairman Precinct No. 14, Pearce' Schoolhouse P J Barron, Chairman Precinct No. 15, Rowena.

Wm Yarborough, Chairman Precinct No. 16, Miles Station.

11.—It was moved and second ed that the County Chairman and Secretary prepare the ticket to be voted for in the Democratic primary election and that they assess the different candidates a sufficient sum to pay all necessary expenses.

12.-Upon motion duly seconded and adopted, the basis of representation in the county conventions was fixed as follows: one vote for every 25 votes or fractional part thereof in excess of 12, cast for Gov. Lanham in 1002, but each voting precinct shall be entitled to at least one

The votes of the different pre-

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cincts are as follows: Ballinger, Precinct 1, 9 votes. Runnels, 1 Norwood. 3, 1 Crews. 3 Content. 66 Antelope, Winters, 3 Cockran, Pumphrey, 9. Wingate, 66 10. 2 Dry Hollow, 11, 1 46 12. Norton. 66 Maverick, 13, 14,

There being no further business, upon motion the committee adjourned.

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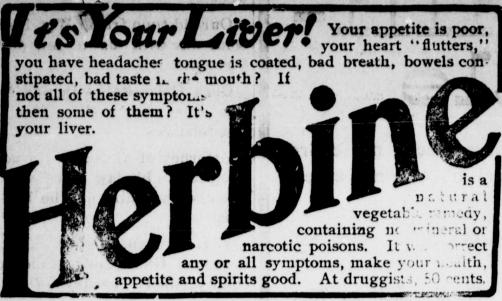
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Tabular Statement

Of the Assets, Expenditures and Indebtedness of Runnels County, Texas, for the Quarter ending Feb. 9th, 1904. JURY FUND, FIRST CLASS.

To Am't in hands of Treasurer, beginning of quarter...... \$ 401 30

To Am't received during quarter, Ex..... paid out " Ex. "A." to balance.....

\$ 327 30 866 33 1193 63 1193 63

.....Balance, 866 33

Script To Balance Registered Indebtedness due by this fund.....

2 00

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, SECOND CLASS.

To Am't in hands of Treasurer, beginning of quarter..... To Am't received during quarter, Ex...... 5542 51 paid out " Ex. "B." 1728 43 to balance..... 4768 20

6496 63 6496 63 Balance 4768 20 6 per ct. 20000 00

Bonds to Balance Registered Indebtedness due by this fund....... 4 per ct. 19594 00 Interest to February 10th, 1904, at..... 1653 10 41247 10

GENERAL COUNTY FUND, THIRD CLASS.

To Am't in hands of Treasurer, beginning of quarter...... 1691 32 To Am't received during quarter, Ex..... By Am't paid out " Ex. "C." 2066 73 " to balance..... 6833 298900 02 8900 02

.....Balance..... 6833 29

SPECIAL FUND, FOURTH CLASS.

being expelled from the inte-To Am't in hands of Treasurer, beginning of quarter...... 1482 91 369 27 " to balance..... 6447 91 6817 18 6817 18 6447 91

......Balance..... Jail 6 pret 6000 00 to appropriate all of its health Bonds to Balance Registered Indebtedness Ct. H " 35500 00 due by this fund.....

Interest to February 10th, 1904..... 300 00

1775 00

43575 00

ADVERTISING FUND, FIFTH CLASS. Havens, Versailles, O. For years To Am't in hands of Treasurer, beginning 4 61 of quarter..... disease and neither doctors or To Amount received during quarter, Ex. 6 89 paid out " " Ex. "E," to balance.....

11 50Balance..... 11 33

11 50

RECAPITULATION.

BALANCE IN EACH FUND AND ITS INDEBTEDNESS.

2 00 Road and Bridge, 2d Class...... 4768 20 General County, 3d Class...... 6833 29 43575 00 Special, 4th Class...... 6447-91 Advertising, 5th Class...... 11 83

Made, examined and approved in open Commissioners' Court of Runnels County, Texas, at Ballinger this Feb. 11th, 1904.

T. T. Crosson, Presiding Officer of Commissioners' Court. sumption. We procured a bottle Attest: W. L. Towner, County Clerk, Runnels County, Texas. By R. A. TERRY, Deputy.

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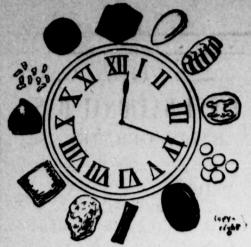
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Wingate.

News in this part of the county is very scarce. Still dry but there is no lack of sand storms The hardest north wind for many years struck this place the 3 of this month.

Mr. St. Clair, the Ballinger photo man, was seen on our streets last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Woodward of Ballinger, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Dean Thursday of last week.

Ray Dean happened to a painful but not serious accident Saturday night. While going to singing at the church his horse fell on him, bruising him up some.

Mr. Marsal Goodwin, of Mart, McClellan county, is here this week getting up a class in vocal Goodwin a competer and the people of 7/1..... do well to

people of Wingate attended the singing at New Hope Sunday night.

Mr. Miller of Brownwood is a guest of his sons. Jim and George Miller Mr. Miller was once a resident of Wingate and still likes this country.

Had McKown and Miss Rich ards of Oak Creek attended the singing here Sunday afternoon. Would be glad to have them with us often.

Mr. A. J. Street and daughter. Miss Bettie. have gone to Dalias for their spring stock of dry goods.

Johnnie Gannaway is slowly improving. It will be remembered he has been down with pneumonia for the past three

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Dog poisoning is the order of the day, as it is so dry there is nothing doing.

Ab Gannaway and Tom Smithson made a flying trip to unless it was to see the county clerk. Look out for weddings

Mr. Sidney McKandlass took his mother to Buffalo Gap last of some old political vulture; Saturday, where she will visit her sister for awhile.

We have noticed Mr. Will has not of a serious nature.

Your humble scribe attended night and will say it has improved immensely since our last atas it is now we are going to ask truth always clear the atmosour editor to come and attend before long.

A Question.

MR. EDITOR:

Was the executive committee by the democrats of Runnels county? If not who named

county democratic executive elected by the democrats of the county in convention assembled. If not so elected, but selected by one man, is that democracy?

"Question."

Thursday from Parsons, Kan., to visit relatives and friends.

Seats to Gov. Bob Taylor's lecture on sale at Asa Cordili's at 75cents, for Friday night, April the 1st.

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his Lome in Missouri Thursday there is nothing in this world so but he is glad to get back to like a mariner without a com- typesetting

Governor Bob Taylor on His Retiremement as Gover-

nor in 1899.

"I am about to shuffle off this Ballinger Thursday of last week. mortal coil of politics and fly Don't know what they went for away to the haven of my native of his ambition, he will soon feel mountains, where I may think and dream in peace, safe from the sickening sting of unjust criticism; safe from the talons Never again will I be inaugurated fact. Mr. Penn is the largest safe from the simy kiss and keen dagger of ingratitude. I I stand on its peaceful summit Mr. Will Durham went to Bal do not mean to say that all poli- and look down on the receding of this part. He says the comlinger Monday of this week. ticians are vultures or that they flood of politics The dove of my press will be in readiness for are all hypocrites or assassins; been mixing with the young for the great majority of our I go hence to labor and to love. folk considerably of late. Hope public men are upright and I take with me a heart full of what he is talking about. his business in the capital city is honest, and worthy of the confi- gratitude and a soul full of prec-'ence reposed in them by the people; yet there are black people for their unwavering conthe literary society again Friday wings in the political firmanent, and reptiles crawl and hiss in been kind and true. The record every capitol. But, thank God, I have made is an open book to tendance. If it still improves the live thunders of eternal all. I am willing to live by that phere, and the heel of justice may have committed, I have twelve children, eight are a will surely braise the serpent's kept steadily in view the honor and two sets of them are f head. I do not retire from this of the State and the happiness of office with the rankling of dis- the people. appointment and chagrin in my and all the members of the with melody. I am contented with my lot in life. Three times my native state, and that is glory enough for me.

"While I believe that the good in politics outweighs the bad. yet how thorny is the path, and Mrs. E. M. Bacon came in how unhappy the pilgrimage to him who dares to do his dnty. There are no flowers, except a few bouquets snatched from the graves of fallen foes; there is no happiness except the transient thrill of cruel triumph, which passes like a shadow across the cations for several new resi-

"Every honest man who runs for office is a candidate for trou-C. K. Gwinn returned from turn to ashes on the lips. To me

Farewell Address as Delivered by tossed waves of uncertainty, between the smiling cliffs of hope horse of political sentiment; he is the dromedary of politics. And even if he reaches the goal the beak of the vulture in his heart and the fang of the ser-

pent in his soul. humble public career now rests on the Ararat of private life, and branch from happier fields, and ious memories-gratitude to the fidence in me-precious memorecord. I am willing to die by it. For whatever mistakes I

"As I have already presented my views on public questions in bosom, but rather as one who my recent message to the Genretires from labor to rest, from eral Assembly, I deem it unthat met last Saturday and or war to peace, from trouble to necessary to further discuss dered a primary election elected happiness. I do not retire, the them on this happy occasionsomnambulist of a shattered happy to me, happy to us all. Ind dream, but with all the buds of only remains for me to bid vI h, on the Celebrated Paul Jones. kope bursting into bloom, and all all an affectionate and final n of The chairman, the secretary, the bowers of the future ringing well, and to express the portion of that the Christ who died and mercy's sake will gue cour Chief Executive, and all who committee are supposed to be I have won the laurel wreath of shall follow him, in the paths of honor, twined by the people of peace and love, and baptize them with the spirit of mercy. Fare well, farewell."

> Turning to Mr. McMillin, Gov. Taylor said: "And now. Benton McMillin, you have given your hand and heart to Tennessee. I pronounce you man and wife, and may the Lord have mercy on your souls.

L. B. Weinman, the architect of Fort Wortn, is in the city this week making plans and specifidences in Ballinger to be erected soon. Also for the business house of C. A. Doose, the land ble for fruits of political victory man, opposite the Citizens National Bank.

The San Angelo Standard has and reports his old home all right pathetic as a candidate. He is recently installed a Simplex machine. pass, drifting on the tempest- Standard is always up-to-now.

M. C. Smith had legal business at Rowena Thursday of this

Our old time friend Wm. Reinboldt was with us a few days this week.

Chas. Geisecke is in San Antonio this week visiting friends and relatives.

Attorney M. C. Smith is now equipped in his law office with a telephone upstairs in the Wilke block

J. L. Duncan, Justice of the Peace, of Glen Cove, Coleman county, died Tuesday of this week.

Our efficient sheriff R. P. Kirk had business at Miles one day this week looking after the violators of law.

Bob Taylor, an old Brownwood friend of the reporter, came in Friday on business with our grocery merchants.

Silas lzard, the popular tombstone man of San Angelo, was doing business in our city this week. He erected four tombstones Saturday and one Thursday in the Ballinger cemetery. Give him a trial and he will satisfy you.

The following were a merry picnicking party out from Ballinger last Tuesday: Misses Louise Fentress, Sadie Fentress, Mildred Erwin, Kate Thomson, and the frowning crags of fear. Mrs. Clara Ransom, Messrs W. He is a walking petition and a C. Penn, Tom Patterson, Guion living prayer; he is the pack Gregg, H. H. Thomson, Thad Thomson and John Hancock.

H. T. Williams, of Brownwood, was here again this week and we are informed by W. C Penn, a reliable source, that the com-"I am no longer a candidate. press for Ballinger is a settled into public office. The ark of my cotton buyer in this section and keeps in touch with every interdestiny has brought me an olive the cotton crop of 1904, and he comes mighty near knowing

Responsive to President Roose. velt's race suicide lamentation a man named Winneberger in ries of my friends, who have Washington has come to the rescue of his country. He weighs 115 pounds and is the father of four pairs of twins and one of quadruplets. Of enough to go to school. The President ought to appoint him chief of the Multiplication Bureau of the Census Office.

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