

## RELIABLE MERCHANDISE

AT

## HIGDON-MELTON-JACKSON COMPANY

THE STORE AHEAD

With the largest stock in Ballinger, selected in St. Louis, Chicago and New York by buyers of over 20 years experience, is it to be wondered at that the store has few if any competitors in Ballinger? It's true many try to imitate our methods of doing business, but the trading public cannot be fooled into paying the other fellow 25c for an article we sell for 15c. Buying and selling dry goods has been reduced to a science, and in this day and time the firm that is large enough to buy in immense quantities and get jobbers' discount, is the one that does the business, for he is able to save you the middle-man's profit. That's why we are selling goods of quality at the right prices. Can you wonder at this store's phenomenal growth?

### Dry Goods Section

Greatest line of dress goods and trimmings ever shown in the city. Suitings well worth 15c and 18c yard, only **12<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c**

Yard wide cashmere, all colors, usually sold at 50c per yard, our price only **35c**

Silk finish Soisette, worth 35c per yard only **25c**

English broadcloth, worth all of \$1.25 and \$1.50 yard. Our price is only **98c**

One thousand yards of fine silk, worth 75c and 85c per yard anywhere, our price **49c**

### Shoe Department

None But the Best Find Room in Our Shelves

We are Ballinger agents for Howard & Foster, Moore-Shafer, Craddock, and Terry shoes, the most progressive shoe makers in America, who guarantee every shoe they manufacture.

Howard and Foster men, \$5, \$4, and **3.50**

Moore-shafer for women, \$4, \$3.48, \$3 and **2.48**

Craddock-Terry for men, women and children, all leather or your money back; \$2.90, \$2.00, \$1.75 and down to per pair **98c**

### Clothing

**Men's Clothing and Overcoats**  
A \$10,000 stock to select from. Such makes as

KUPRENHEIMER & CO.—  
for men

SONNEBORN & CO.—  
for men

EDERHEIMER-STEIN CO.—  
for young men and boys

Men's clothes at \$25, \$20, \$18, \$15, \$12.50 down to **7.50**

Ederheimer-Stein for young men and boys, \$10 down to **1.50**

### Cotton Goods

We make a profit on these goods at the prices quoted.

Twenty yards of good outing flannel for **1.00**

12c and 15c good cotton flannel, per yard only **10c**

6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c and 7c cotton fancies and bordered goods, per yard **4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c**

The heaviest and best outing in town, worth 12<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c everywhere, here per yard only **8c**

Good apron check ginghams, well worth 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c yard, here only **4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c**

### Millinery

An elegant line of millinery. It is needless to say that Higdon-Melton-Jackson Company carry the best and most complete line of millinery in West Texas. Hundreds of ready-to-wear hats here. Every express brings to us the new things. Big line new arrivals at \$5, \$4, \$3.50, \$3.00 and **1.98**

*Higdon Melton Jackson Co.* Ballinger  
INCORPORATED  
THE STORE AHEAD  
Texas

The Place Where all are Treated Alike

## THE ARREST OF SAM PETERS

Taken From a Palace Car and Taken to Jail. Wanted at Ballinger

Yesterday morning Sheriff Emison received a wire from Sheriff Sanson, of Brady, to look out for and arrest one Sam Peters, who represents himself to be sales manager for the Globe Tailoring company, with headquarters at Dallas, on a charge of swindling. A little inquiry on the part of Sheriff Emison developed the fact that Peters had been in Brownwood and had attempted to work his same game, that of fleecing the tailors, from whom he first obtained big orders and then ask that they cash a small or large check, just as in his opinion they would stand for. His little game failed in Brownwood so far as we can learn, but he made the effort and was turned down. At Brady he was more successful, obtaining \$30 from Grover Kirk, whose suspicion was raised a few days after he had parted with his money, and who swore out a complaint charging swindle.

It was learned that Peters had gone west from Brownwood and later learned he had taken the train at Miles for the east. He was described very accurately, but to make sure Sheriff Emison and Sheriff Sanson, who had arrived in Brownwood in the meantime, took with them to the train a man who had met and knew Peters. But for this they perhaps would not have known their man, because he had taken the precaution to change clothes while enroute from Miles.

The man was placed under arrest and later taken to jail where he found a cordial welcome, but conveniences were not so modern as are found in the palace car in which he was traveling. Peters begged hard for a guard that he might not have to spend the night in jail, but he found the two sheriffs were not inclined to humor such a whim and entered the jail with the best of grace, yet a little humiliated.

Peters is a man of pleasing appearance and passes as a good fellow, especially when operating on the easy money fleeced from the unsuspecting victims. He spent several days in Brownwood and stepped a pretty lively gait, smoking the best Havanas the market afforded. His arrest is due perhaps to his easy graft, which caused him to linger longer in the vicinity than was good for his future happiness.

Sheriff Bob Kirk, at Ballinger, has informed the officers here that Peters is wanted there on a similar charge. In fact, Sheriff Kirk was at the train looking for him yesterday when he passed through enroute from Miles. The change of clothes was probably what caused him to escape the eagle eye of Sheriff Kirk.

Before being placed in jail here Peters denied that he was the man, but on searching his grip a supply of his cards was discovered and he was identified by more than one Brownwood person.

Sheriff Sanson returned to Brady this morning with Peters, where he will have to answer to the charge of swindling.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Aug. Halfman, one of Runnels county's good German citizens, made the Leader a pleasant call, and enrolls as a regular reader.

## FIRE BUGS BURN BUSY BALLINGER

### Three Fires in One Week, Two Fires in One Night, Cause Excitement

### PLAIN AND UNMISTAKABLE EVIDENCE OF INCENDIARISM

### It is no Longer Guess Work, But a Well Known Fact That Ballinger has a Fire Bug.

An account of the burning of the Clark building, the photo gallery and confectionery is published elsewhere in this paper. This fire occurred about one-thirty Monday morning, and many people expressed the thought that the house was set on fire by some one.

The thought was made stronger Wednesday night when fire destroyed the Union Saloon, the Red Front Pool Hall and Randolph Restaurant, all located in the frame buildings on south side of Hutchins Avenue, opposite the Globe. And this suspicion was made still stronger when an hour later on the same night, fire was discovered in the back end of the Hub dry goods store, and only on account of the late hour, and the fire being discovered before it gained headway, what might have been one of the most destructive fires in the history of Ballinger was averted.

It was about four o'clock Thursday morning when the saloon, pool hall and restaurant fire occurred. The fire had gained good headway and these buildings were pretty well burned down when the fire was discovered. The fire boys were on the scene in the usual quick time and succeeded in keeping the fire from spreading to the adjoining building but these buildings and the businesses were totally destroyed.

The pool hall building was owned by Judge Jno. I. Guion and the contents by W. H. Johnson. Mr. Johnson had \$500 insurance in the Eatna with Ernest Plummer on the contents, but there was no insurance on the building.

The saloon building was owned by I. N. Roark, and was insured in the L. L. & G. for \$250 with Ernest Plummer. The saloon belonged to Thee Smith. Mr. Smith had \$800 insurance on the stock and \$200 on the fixtures written in the Phoenix with the Lee Maddox agency. The restaurant was in the same building occupied by the saloon and was uninsured. It belonged to J. E. Randolph, and was a total loss.

The origin of this fire is unknown but many suspect incendiarism.

The Hub was set on fire by some one cutting the screen over the window and applying a torch to the shelving filled with underwear, shirts, etc. just on the inside of the building. A pane in the window was broken out by the workman when the second story of this building was built, and had never been put in, and all that was necessary to gain entrance to the building was to cut the screen over the window, this was done with a knife, and

the party who did the work must have had the place located and knew the window pane was out.

Dan Isom, Assistant Postmaster, who comes to the office early to get the mail ready for the mail hacks, discovered the fire, and by quick work with a few buckets of water nipped what would have been a serious fire in the bud.

Jno. F. Currie, proprietor of the Hub, has offered a reward of \$500 for the capture of the miscreant who is trying to burn him out, and others are anxious in the matter, and the reward will no doubt be made to reach \$1000.

The fires are causing considerable comment and excitement, and if the guilty party is caught it is a certain fact that he will get his just dues.

### Cotton Receipts

Ballinger has received from wagons at the two cotton yards in Ballinger since the first day of September 24,509 bales of cotton. This is the receipts at the two yards up to noon today. Many new pickers have been brought in during the week, but the bad weather has stopped picking, and the receipts for the next few days promises to be very light. It is a foregone conclusion by the most conservative cotton men that the receipts will reach the 40,000 mark by Christmas and during the months of January and February the receipts will pass the 50,000 mark. The local price today runs from 8.40 to 8.80.

J. R. Parker sends the Leader to John Hunter at Lenton, Texas. He pays for another year and instructs us to keep the paper going.

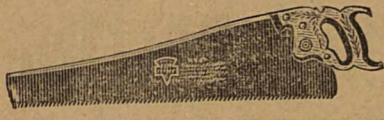
### THE OWL PHARMACY

Still bids for a share of your business, large or small. Our stock [is] complete. Prescriptions filled, carefully and accurately day or night. Phone Central Hotel for night pharmacist room 39.

COCKRELL & GRACE

# There's Something Doing Every Minute At Ballinger's Great Department Store

We "Sawed"  
the Profit



Here are a Few of the Many Bargains we are Offering, When the Dollar is Turned Loose With vs. We  
Ask for Your Business Strictly From a Business Standpoint, Amount You'll Save and Fair Treatment Received

30 yds good round thread cotton checks, worth 5c yd, for	\$1	10 yds Red Seal dress gingham, you know the quality	\$1
22 yds standard calicoes, all colors and bordered	\$1	12 yds extra heavy unbleached cotton flannel	\$1
22 yds 36-inch brown domestic, extra weight, full bolts	\$1	10 yds cotton flannel, Indian Head brand, worth 12 1/2c yd.,	\$1
14 yds 36-in. bleached domestic, free from starch, worth 10c yd.,	\$1	Good bed springs, best tempered steel wire, full size	\$1

Just Think!



Don't wait; don't delay; come to the busiest place in Ballinger and get your choice of the many bargains that are in store for you here. There is no quantity limit and they are going fast. Just received another shipment of new millinery. Bought that hat yet? No? Well, here's your opportunity

**Higginbotham Currie Co.**  
CAPITAL \$100,000.00 PAID UP  
WE SELL EVERYTHING AND LUMBER

Read our clothing advertisement on the last page of this paper. We make a specialty of men's wear, and can give you values equaled by few. This is not a "sale," but prices we sell our good merchandise at every day. Don't be late; come to see us. There's dollars to be saved on that fall bill

## COTTON THEIVES

### BOLD WORK

Farmers Lose Two Bales While Waiting Turn at Gin.

Ballinger gins have been crowded all the season and at times as high as sixty bales have been seen waiting their turn. The farmers would drive in the gin yard, take out their teams and leave the wagon loaded with seed cotton standing until their turn at the gin. Tuesday night George Dean left his wagon standing in the yard loaded with seed cotton. Some time during the night a team was hitched to the wagon, it was carried away, the cotton removed and the wa-

gon returned empty. This bale was stolen from the New gin.

S. J. Bishop lost a bale in the same way from the Day gin Tuesday night, but the thief had bad luck and Mr. Bishop got his bale back. The load of cotton was found about two miles from town on the Paint Rock road turned over in a ditch. It seems that the team hitched to this wagon were a little unruly, running the wagon in the ditch with the above results, and the thief left it.

The officers are working on the case, but have no clue to guide them and it is very probable the thieves will never be caught. It is the boldest work of the kind ever attempted in Ballinger, as the hands were at the gin and the gin running when the cotton was stolen. This was the case

at the Day gin, and as the New gin closes down at twelve o'clock at night it is not known what time the cotton disappeared.

### Drink Pure Water

The majority of the sickness is attributed to drinking impure water. Drinking the pure kind is the only sure way to avoid being sick. The Arctic Ice and Fuel Company are sending out pure distilled water in five gallon bottles. They sell you a water book and you can order the water just as you need it. Phone the Ice Plant and ask about it.

Large accounts are welcome too, for it is our purpose to serve all the people, whether their business be small or large.—Citizens' National Bank.

## NEGROES FALL OUT AND SHOOT

Dusky Damsel Causes Trouble Between two Sons of Ham

A shooting bee and a foot race was pulled off in the neighborhood of the Concho Lumber Co. Wednesday, in which two negro men and Sheriff Kirk took part. Mr. Kirk winning.

It seems that two colored gentlemen were in love with the same colored lady, and this of course caused trouble. A quarrel took place between the two suitors, and the one with the six shooter won in the fight. Several shots were fired, but all missed. Sheriff Kirk went after the participants, but failed to catch the negro with the gun. He caught the one who was shot at. The one that did the shooting escaped, leaving his hat behind. He is still at large at the time this is written, but it is almost certain that Mr. Kirk will land him.

### Mrs. Jo Wilmeth Entertains.

In honor of Mrs. J. W. Bone, who is to leave next week for her home at Denton, Texas, a Farewell party was given last night by Mrs. Jo Wilmeth at her apartment at the Central hotel. Mrs. Dan Moser assisted Mrs. Wilmeth in entertaining, and it was a very pleasant evening for those who were so fortunate as to be present.

Progressive "Forty-Two" was the principle feature of the evening's entertainment.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Risser, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Grundy, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Weeks, Mr. and Mrs. D. Reeder, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Shepherd, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hobby, Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Halley, Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Douglass, Dr. Fowler, Miss Minnie Lewis, Mr. Wright, of Bronte, Miss Bertha Rasbury.

### The Greatest Offer Ever Made

The Leader has made arrangements whereby we can give the Leader readers a large map 28x36 inches in three sheets, six pages showing the United States Texas, the world, and a lot of other valuable information. The map retails for \$1.50. It is printed on good heavy gloss map paper, is well clamped or bound at the top by a patent metal binding. We give the map absolutely free to every subscriber to the Leader and The Fort Worth Semi Weekly Record at the price of \$1.90 for the two papers. We will be glad to show you the map and give you this opportunity. We only have a limited number of the maps and the first comes gets them free.

### Big Sale of Wool Made to Boston Buyers

San Angelo, Texas, Nov. 10.—Half a million pounds of wool were sold here tonight on sealed bids to two Boston firms and will be baled and shipped at once to Boston, going by rail to Galveston and thence to Boston by steamers. G. W. Roote, representing Willett & Co., of Boston, bought the consignments of C. W. Hobbs and George Richardson, while James McGuirk, representing Goodhue, Suttle & Emery, bought the stock of March Bros. There were several wool buyers here and today they submitted sealed bids for the San Angelo stock which consisted partly of spring clip and all of the fall clip. The bids were opened tonight, with the result that the awards were made to the two Boston firms. Both buyers and sellers refused to make public the price paid, but it is known to be between 14 and 18 cents, and the sales indicate a strengthening of the wool market.

There will be no more wool for sale in this section until next March and the sales tonight clean up the year's output of the Concho country. San Angelo is now fairly established as the greatest inland wool market in the world.

### Deputy Clerk in Trouble

J. Shield, deputy county and district clerk, is wearing a blue, down-in-the-mouth, woe-begone looking countenance, and we learn that it is all caused on account of the marriage of his sister last week at the old Missouri home.

Miss Hattie Shields was married to Rufus J. Wheeler. It is not so much on account of the marriage of his sister that Mr. Shields is wearing a sad look, but mostly because he can't get married himself.

### The Weather

Runnel county received a pretty good rain this week. An inch and one fifth is the amount reported by the weather bureau and the temperature dropped to 30 degrees last night, the coldest of the season. A sprinkle of sleet fell last night and some snow this morning. As we go to press the prospects for clear weather is very favorable.

### Breaks Arm Again

Tull Adams, the twelve year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Adams, had the misfortune to get his arm broken while playing on the school grounds Tuesday. It will be remembered by readers of this paper that Tull broke his arm several weeks ago. He had recovered from this break and the bandage removed. The break Tuesday is at the same place on his right arm.

### In Commissioners' Court, Runnels County

Whereas, Hon. B. B. Stone, county judge; Hon. R. P. Kirk, sheriff; Mrs. Mary B. Sharp, treasurer, and Hon. W. P. Hawkins, commissioner, are soon to retire from office; and,

Whereas, we, the undersigned commissioners and clerk of the court of Runnels county, who are to continue in office, desire to express our appreciation of the valuable services rendered to the county by each of the above-named officials.

Therefore, be it resolved; That we tender to the said retiring officers our thanks for their untiring energy, fidelity to sworn duty, and the splendid condition of county affairs of which they have had charge, same devolving upon them many arduous labors, respectively, during their several terms of office, and that we express to them our sincere appreciation of the fact that in all our mutual relations and association together as officials, and in the discharge of all the duties devolving upon us in common, everything has been pleasant and harmonious, and especially do we wish to thank his Honor, Judge Stone, for his uniform kindness and consideration toward us as members of the commissioners' court during his entire term of four years as the presiding officer of said court, and for the able, wise and impartial manner in which he has directed and conducted the affairs of both the county and the commissioners' court.

Be it further resolved; That these resolutions be spread upon the Minutes of this court by the clerk thereof, and that a copy of same be furnished to each of the several papers in the county for publication in order that the public in general, and especially the retiring officials, may know the high esteem in which we hold them.

R. A. TERRY, Clerk  
W. H. WEEKS,  
Commissioner Prec. No. 1  
J. E. McADAMS,  
Commissioner Prec. No. 2  
C. N. CRAFT,  
Commissioner Prec. No. 4

### Bohemian Farmer Arrested

Taylor, Texas, Nov. 12.—Tom Adameck, a Bohemian farmer, was arrested here today on a charge of fatally wounding his wife. The woman's right ear was cut off, neck cut, barely missing jugular vein, deep gash inflicted over left eye, all fingers on right hand nearly severed, hanging only by skin, left hand pierced throw, jaw split and stabbed in back twice. That she was not killed almost instantly is considered almost miraculous.

When you see Ernest Plummer think of insurance; when you think of insurance see Earnest Plummer.

# Something for Everybody

## At The Hub

### See Our Special Bargain Counters

Bargains in every line—Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Notions, Novelties, etc. We are not complaining; for business has been exceedingly good with us this year. Our sales have been large, but our stock was larger and we still have lots of dependable merchandise to offer at the same bargain prices. Our goods are all of the best material, made to give full value and not merely to sell.

### See Our Clothing Counters

**\$8.00** BARGAIN COUNTER. This counter is filled with men's best Serge and Plaid Suits, well made throughout, sizes 35 to 42, something that will appeal to you at the low price of **\$8.00**

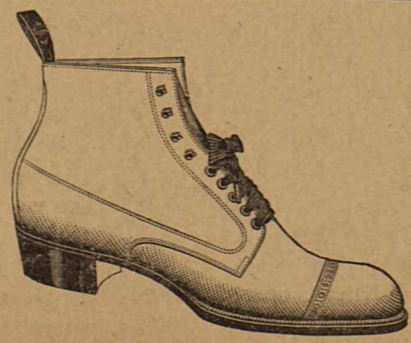
**\$10.00** BARGAIN COUNTER. Men's Browns, Plaids and Serges, the very best suit made for the price. A business suit of quality with snappy style effects. Our price is only **\$10.00**

**\$12.50** BARGAIN COUNTER. Extra special in men's suits. All shades and colors the latest, made of the best material by the best tailors, handsomely lined and trimmed, for only **\$12.50**



## SHOES

We have Shoes for every person in the family, from the smallest tots to the grown-up men and women. Eclipse is the brand, style and quality are unsurpassed. Prices for men's and women's range \$6.00 down to **\$2.00**



# THE HUB

# W. H. Davis' Record Breaking Sale

**B**eginning Saturday morning at 9 o'clock when, upon opening the doors at W. H. Davis' Great Consolidation Sale, a half dozen strong men were required to hold into some sort of order, the crowds surging to gain admittance. All previous records of business at this establishment were smashed when the store was closed against the still on-coming crowds late last Saturday night. Despite the fact that the store from top to bottom has been densely crowded throughout the first week of this GREAT SALE, the best of order was maintained. The force of clerks, numbering more than twenty, succeeded measurably in meeting the demands of the shoppers. This number will be materially increased for the second week of the sale. Mr. John Harbor, manager of this store, says that this is absolutely a bona-fide sale. Not a few articles on sale as leaders to attract your attention, but every article in the entire building on sale at WHOLESALE COST.

Remember sale continues until Saturday Night, Nov. 21. Now is the Time to Make Your Fall Purchases.  
**W. H. DAVIS,** Ballinger, Texas.

## Church Announcements

The Leader will be glad to have an announcement of the Services from each Church each week if copy is furnished by Thursday afternoon.

### Eighth Street Presbyterian Church.

The usual services will be held the coming Sunday. The Sunday School meets at 9:45 a. m. Pastor Fender will preach at both the preaching hours, 11 a. m. Subject, "The Will of God Concerning Me;" 7.30 p. m. subject, "The Battle for Man's Soul." Every one made welcome to these services. The members of those other churches whose pastors are absent are most cordially invited to worship at this church.

### First Baptist Church

Rev. M. E. Hudson will return from the Baptist conference at Fort Worth to-morrow and will fill his regular appointment at the First Baptist Church Sunday.

### License to Wed.

The County Clerk issued license to Wed, this week to E. W. Lemon and Miss Gertie Sneed; W. J. Douglass and Miss Eunice May Manning; H. Cochran and Miss Amanda Letress Wimberly; Eli Chapman and Miss Annie Brookes; Dr. W. H. McMorris and Mrs. Carrie Mitchel; J. E. Cook and Miss Pearl Delamater.

### Undertaking and Embalming.

We are still prepared to look after our undertaking and embalming trade, having a complete supply of undertaking goods on hand. Will appreciate all business given us.

tf Ostertag Furniture Co.

## YOUR LUMBER BILL

Will always be satisfactory if the Ballinger Lumber Company sells you. If you want to build a house, let us figure on your lumber and building material. We carry Lumber, Paint, Cement, Lime, Common and Fire Brick, Cedar Posts, etc., etc.

**BALLINGER LUMBER COMPANY**

## Late Telegraphic News.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Nov. 11.—Eleven men lost their lives in the collision of two Union Pacific freight trains last night at Borie, Wyo., and in the fire which broke out in the wreckage.

San Antonio, Texas, Nov. 12.—Despondent over the loss of a position with government experiment station, C. W. Childers, age 57, ended life today by shooting himself through the head.

Washington, Nov. 11.—The removal of George W. Hoefert as postmaster of Schulenburg, Texas, was the sequel to charges preferred against him that he was not courteous to the patrons of the office. An inspector was sent to investigate and confirmed the charges. John S. Stanley has been named to succeed him.

Galveston, Nov. 11.—Henry Schaal, a well-known musician, who has been in Galveston for the past fifteen years, was struck and instantly killed tonight by a street car. The accident occurred at Twenty-seventh Street and Avenue P, near the Auditorium. Schaal stepped in front of the car as it was coming to town.

Austin, Nov. 11.—Dr. B. M. Worsham, Superintendent of the State Lunatic Asylum here in Austin, after a number of years' service in that capacity, today tendered his resignation to become effective Jan. 1, 1909. His severance of connection with the State is due to his desire to again enter the practice of his profession, although he has as yet not made up his mind at what place he will continue his practice.

Dublin, Texas, Nov. 11.—Edward Andrew, son of W. B. Andrew, was severely burned this morning by overturning a pot of boiling coffee upon himself. He was serving the morning coffee and the lid of the pot came off, spilling the boiling coffee upon his hands and legs, both of which were badly scalded, the skin in several places slipping off as his clothes were removed.

Lawton, Ok., Nov. 11.—Proof that the Indians of the Oklahoma plains are rapidly taking unto themselves the ways of their white bretheren was evidenced when a Comanche brave was arrested today in the big pasture Indian reservation charged with carrying a gun. This is the first instance where an Indian of Southwestern Oklahoma has been charged with carrying firearms.

Spokane, Wash., Nov. 11.—While more than \$100,000 changed hands in Spokane on the result of the national election, the highest price, physically probably was paid by Archibald W. Eaton, a conductor on a local street car line, who agreed with J. A. Reeves, a fellow employee, that in the event of Bryan's defeat, he would use his nose in rolling a peanut a half block in a public thoroughfare. Eaton was game

and he did his little stunt while thousands of pedestrians followed his course. He occupied 30 minutes in covering the distance and in propelling the goober along Riverside avenue lost most of the cuticle from his nose. There were other freakish wagers, but the one in which Eaton held the loser's end was the limit of endurance. This is the third bet Eaton has lost on the same candidate, but he says he is going to get even with some one four years hence.

### How to Cure a Cold

Be as careful as you can you will occasionally take cold, and when you do, get a medicine of known reliability, one that has an established reputation and that is certain to effect a quick cure. Such a medicine is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It has gained a world wide reputation by its remarkable cures of this most common ailment, and can always be depended upon.

It acts on nature's plan, relieves the lungs, aids expectoration, opens the secretions and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. During the many years in which it has been in general use we have yet to learn of a single case of cold or attack of the grip having resulted in pneumonia when this remedy was used, which shows conclusively that it is a certain preventive of that dangerous disease. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy contains no opium or other narcotic and may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

### How to Treat a Sprain

Sprains, swellings and lameness are promptly relieved by Chamberlain's Liniment. This liniment reduces inflammation and soreness so that a sprain may be cured in about one-third the time required by the usual treatment. 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by Walker Drug Co.

### Migrating Needle.

An Aberdeen lady 30 years ago received a needle in her left foot, an event which she had forgotten until at the end of last year it presented itself in her right elbow and was easily removed.—Lancet.

### The Helping Hand.

All the gold in the world does not fill up more space than a single drop of warm human blood in the gap that exists between those who are well off and those who are not.—Alexander Kielland.

### We Wake Up Too Soon.

A Philadelphia paper says that diamonds may be burned like coal. We never get so far along as shoveling diamonds into the furnace before waking up.

### The World of Women.

The world of women divides itself into two parts, one of which is composed of feminine beings which it is more or less possible to fall in love with, and the other where we really feel as if we were in the company of men.—Karl Gjellerup.

### Not in This State.

Because an Indiana man was fined \$100 for embracing the wrong woman the Milwaukee Sentinel advises: "Before you hug a girl, take a good look at her." After that, in a good many cases, you may not want to hug her.—Washington Post

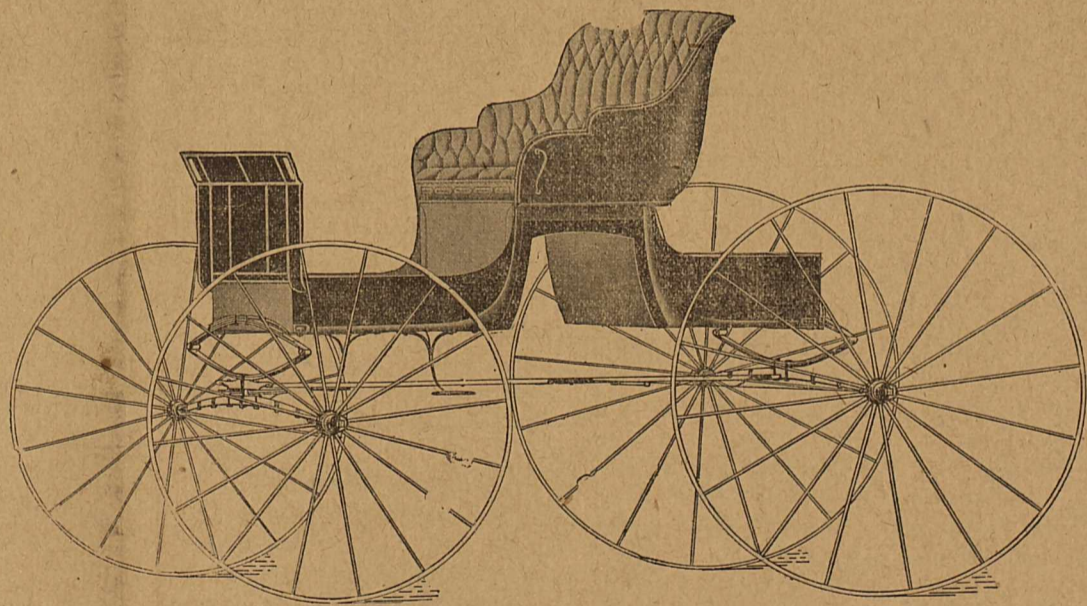
**International Marriages.**  
International marriages may prove excellent in this respect: The offspring generally inherit the physical qualities of both nations. But morally and intellectually it is doubtful whether such marriages are a success.—Gazette Medica, Milan.

**HOLIDAY FARES**  
To The  
**Old States**  
In The  
**Southeast**  
will be  
Very Low This Year  
via



If you expect to make a trip just call on any Santa Fe Agent—he will be glad to quote you Holiday Fares and explain train service. Or address  
**W. S. KEENAN**  
G. P. A. GALVESTON

## JUST RECEIVED



A Carload of COLUMBUS Buggies,  
A Carload of STUDEBAKER Wagons,  
A Carload of PETER SCHUTTLER Wagons.

These three lines of vehicles are in a class of their own. They have no competitors in quality and are sold at as low prices as the ordinary makes of "Experiments."

A car load of the well known and popular "LILY DARLING" line of Cook Stoves, Ranges and Heaters. Now is the time to select a stove and have it properly put up before cold weather sets in. Everything in Hardware. We want your business.

**HALL HARDWARE CO.**

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If you have visitors or if you know any item which would be of interest to our readers, please phone us, and if necessary we will send our reporter to get data. It is our endeavor to make the best paper possible, though we cannot learn the news unless you tell us.

For the past month every hotel in Ballinger has been crowded with guests and in many instances have been compelled to turn people away. It is to be regretted that we have not more hotel accommodation at this particular season of the year.

It is certainly an interesting sight to watch how things are moving in Ballinger business circles now-a-days. The banks are crowded from opening till closing time and people are on the move, trading, paying debts and planning for another year.

Supt. E. L. Hagan says the question has often been asked if the teaching of the agricultural course in public schools was obligatory or optional. For the benefit of the public we will say it is obligatory and all public schools must under the law teach the agricultural course.

The idea has always been with us that more stealing and robbery was committed during hard times, but such idea does not hold good any longer. This is a prosperous fall all over the South and never before has there been so much robbery going on. Every paper contains an account of some safe, postoffice or store having been robbed.

It is no longer guess work, but it is a well known fact that Ballinger has a fire bug. Every effort should be put forth to capture the low down, dirty puppy, and when he is caught another fire should be started to celebrate the capture. It is almost certain that he has caused certain Ballinger citizens to lose all they possessed.

Hardly a day passes but what parties are here prospecting for a business location and are compelled to go away on account of not being able to secure a house. There is not a vacant house in Ballinger, neither business nor residence, but applications are plentiful. The town is surely not full grown, but it can't grow on this account.

No better sign of prosperity is that than the flocking of shows to a town. The showman is the first to learn where the money is, and then to that place he skidoos. Ballinger has not been without a show for a month, and every kind of a fakir is expected to strike the town before the season is over. Guard your pocket book with care and turn a deaf ear to the slick tongue spieler.

It will be good news to our city readers to learn that the City Council is planning ways and means to improve the water supply. One of the aldermen informs us that it is their intention to take the matter up and complete arrangements at the earliest possible time. It is very probable that settling tanks will be built and that the pump house will be moved to the upper dam on account of the drain from the northern part of town going into the lower lake.

A car load of groceries, or something near a car load, was recently unloaded at Ballinger and is being delivered out over the country to fill orders secured by grocery peddlers. Some of the orders contain as much as five and six dollars worth of extracts, flavorings, etc. The people will accept this and pay the cash. What would you think of your local merchant if he should stuff your order in such manner and make you pay the price. But then some people think they can save by patronizing the mail order houses.

Did you know that Brady has received more than 15,000 bales of cotton this season? Show us the town on the map the size of, or even twice as large as Brady, which has done so well.—Brady Enterprise.

The above was written last Friday, or supposed to have been as that is the date of the paper it was clipped from. As Ballinger is more than twice as large as Brady, we can't accept the challenge and show up, but it will perhaps be interesting news to the Enterprise to know that we had 21,000 bales up to noon last Friday.

Ballinger needs more advertising. The outside world should know more of our country. The northwestern part of the State—the Panhandle country is no better, nor as good as this section of country, yet the cream of the immigration is going to that country and all on account of the advertising that country is getting. New settlers are flocking to that country. We regret to see this indifference on the part of our business men and citizens in regard to the development of our county. Nothing could be said against the Panhandle country, for it is a good country. But we have a land here that has many advantages. All kinds of crops are grown. Satisfactory results obtained by every farmer who uses the best methods in cultivating. Farmers have in many instances made enough in one year to pay for the land besides his living expenses while making the crop. There are not many places in the State that this can be done. Not more than 25 per cent of the tillable land of the county is in cultivation, and we have room for many new families and every time a new family locates in Runnels county it helps every merchant and business man in the town and adds that much to the wealth of our county. We need more people, and must have them if we keep going forward and keep building a better town. We are sleeping while other places are blowing about the wonderful advantages of their country. We are making no effort to attract attention and draw good people to our county. We have the cheap lands, we have the ideal climate and health giving country, and we should let the people know that this is a wealth producing country. The local papers are telling the good news in every issue, but it must be remembered that the local papers circulation in counties outside of Runnels is limited and does not reach the class of people who are looking for homes. Occasionally a man will send a copy of the paper to a friend in the old home county, and when he does it is like seed sown in good ground.

Quit knocking and be a booster for a while. You will like the change and will feel better.

"Love and a cough cannot be hidden;" but almost anything else may be unless it is advertised.

The city council has repealed the dog muzzling ordinance. It was a good law but was not enforced.

If you don't believe that Ballinger needs some sidewalks, just take a little walk in any direction from the business part of town and you will find out.

Rain, Snow, Sleet. Business is a little crippled in some lines for a few days. The wood and coal man is rejoicing. It is the coldest weather of the season.

Ballinger's paved streets are mighty nice this wet weather, but Oh, those horrid sidewalks! The ladies are compelled to stay at home; the men can roll up their pants and wade.

It is a little early in the season in this country, but it is late in East Texas, and prospectors are here looking for homes. They are through with their crops and do not want to start another in that section. Some have bought and are moving in.

As an evidence that business is good in every line in Ballinger and that all the hotels are crowded, the hotel DeMerville is doing a nice business. Jailer DeMerville informs us that he takes in guests at all hours of the night—just as they are rounded up and brought in by the officers.

Some miscreant cut a leather belt at the Day gin Tuesday night while the gin was running. We understand that a sharp knife was used and the belt whacked into. The same night a bale of seed cotton was stolen from the gin yard. Some men are so mean and void of principle that Satan will have no furnace in hell hot enough for them.

The farmers "that stuck" and stayed with Runnels county through the hard year of 1907 are now wearing broad smiles and have money to rattle. Those who returned to East Texas and told big scary tales about this country are no doubt still living on short rations and wish they could move to Runnels again. Take every year just as they come Runnels county is the best.

The old adage, "Its an ill wind that does not blow good to some one" is made to apply to the good rain this week. The rain will no doubt damage the cotton interest several thousand dollars worth, but the small grain benefit will offset the damage and have a profit balance. If the rain struck you at the wrong time don't kick; may be your neighbor was praying for it.

It is certainly very fortunate that the fire in the Hub was discovered Thursday morning before it gained good head way. The building has just recently been built two stories high and the second story is occupied by offices that would have been destroyed. The Citizens National Bank, and the post office in the adjoining building would have suffered. In fact the fire could have been the most destructive in the history of the town. The man that started the fire should be given the limit, and the limit would be a dose all too mild.

Our attention has been attracted by the beautiful Chrysanthemums now in full bloom. This is the first year in several that Ballinger has failed to have a flower show, and we can see what the town has lost. People who formerly had pretty yards have neglected them this year, and the interest in flower culture has fallen off. This should not be, but the ladies of the Floral Club did not receive the encouragement they were entitled to, and disheartened, they disbanded. It is to be hoped that the Club will reorganize, and that next year a show will be given that will eclipse all former efforts. Those who have raised flowers this year have been very successful.

The city council is facing another injunction suit filed by the livery stable, dairy men, hotel keepers and others, restraining the council from enforcing the sanitary law relatives to such places being inspected and a permit being granted by the board of health. The allegations set out are to the effect that the ordinance is unconstitutional, and that the ordinance is void on account of having been passed under the direction of an illegal mayor. The petition sets forth the plea that Mayor Hoffer has disqualified as mayor in qualifying as a health officer. The matter is to be thrashed out in court and until that time the business effected will continue to do business under the usual way, which they claim is right and properly conducted.

We call the attention of our readers to the resolutions passed by certain members of the commissioners court, published elsewhere in this issue. They are timely and appropriate. Runnels county may some day have as good officers, but we feel sure it will never have any better than those who retire next week have been. Their record stands out stronger in their behalf than anything that can be said, and their final report to the commissioners court are made in good and perfect order. Those signing the resolutions are cognizant of the worth and are in a position to testify to the valuable services of the retiring officers, as they have been daily associated with them, and their business relations have been such as to realize the good and efficient work, more than any body else. We join the court in saying good luck and best wishes wherever their business relations may be placed.

The prediction is made that within the foregoing twelve or fifteen months something like 1000 factories of one kind and another will be located in different parts of the great and growing south. It will indeed take something like that number of average capacity factories in addition to the number we already have to supply the increasing demand for finished products throughout the southland. Thoughtful men no longer think it practicable to take the raw material to northern or foreign factories to be transformed into the finished products which are in constant demand by the country's consumers. Since then so many factories are to find their way into and throughout the South why will it not behoove Texas to get up and hustle and bag its full quota of the number that are to be located? The season is highly propitious for this species of campaigning. Literature on the subject of the advantages the state and the different sections of the state afford should be exploited in the most careful, painstaking, and telling manner.—Austin Statesmen.

## THREE NEW STONE BUILDINGS

Will Take the Place of Those Destroyed by Fire.

Judge Jno. I. Guion who owns the lot where the pool hall burned Wednesday night, informs us that he will put a stone building on the lot at an early date.

W. H. Johnson sent a message to I. N. Roark, who is at Rockport, telling him of the destruction of his building by fire. Mr. Roark wired Mr. Johnson that he would replace the building with a stone building.

This will make that block a complete block of stone business houses, less than five years ago there were only three stone buildings on the block.

Work is in progress on the Giesecke building on Eighth

Street, and it is almost certain that Ballinger will have three new stone business houses by Jan 1st, 1909.

## Consumption Statistics

prove that a neglected cold or cough puts the lungs in so bad a condition that consumption germs find a fertile field for fastening on one. Stop the cough just as soon as it appears with Ballard's Horehound Syrup. Soothes the torn and inflamed tissues and makes you well again. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

## Trials of Winter

Do not permit yourself to be a victim to a cold or cough. They lead to pneumonia, consumption and elsewhere. Be wise; use Simmon's Cough Syrup. It cures coughs, heals lungs and will keep you right here to enjoy the beauties of spring.

The Banner-Leader has lot of old papers at 20c per 100.

# DON'T YOU KNOW

that if you are among the number that traded at The Globe during their Great Prosperity Sale, that you saved money on your purchases? Our Sale has been a great success, and we have sold many goods, and we feel that we have pleased our customers. Yet our stock is not reduced as much as it must be, and so we will continue to sell goods at the

## MARKED DOWN PRICES

It is right in the midst of a busy season, and we realize that many people have not bought their winter dry goods, clothing, etc. For this reason we will continue the VERY LOW PRICES, and make it possible for the late traders to save money. We had new goods on the road when our Special Sale was inaugurated. These have arrived and will be sold at the very low price. Every item is marked down. Ask the man that has traded here, and do not overlook our list of money-saving bargains

# The Globe

J. T. BAKER, Prop.

## Want Column

RATES: One cent a word for first insertion. One-half cent a word for each additional insertion.

Gray hairs won't come ten years ahead of regular schedule time if you solve your little worries in the Want Ad way—an advertising column for the little wants.

The day you neglected to read the Want Ads you "dropped a stitch"—probably the stitch that would have "saved nine".

FOR SALE. Two choice residence lots on 10th Street. R. G. Erwin.

HORSE FOR SALE. My saddle horse is now for sale. For particulars see me. Dovie Pipkin. 913

FOR SALE OR TRADE. New 22 Marlin repeating rifle. Call at Leader office for name of owner.

KODAK FOR SALE. Good Eastman Kodak 4x5 for sale. Price \$6. Call at Leader office for particulars.

POSTED. My pasture at mouth of Valley Creek is posted. Hunters will kindly keep out. B. B. Stone. 814

SAVE YOUR CARPETS. By placing old papers under them. 5000 old papers for sale at Leader office. You fix the price.

DELIVERY BOY WANTED. At once for grocery store, permanent place for right boy. Call at Leader office and get name of firm.

WELL DRILL FOR SALE. Good second hand Ft. Worth well drilling machine for sale. 180 feet new rope. Phone 251. W. R. White. 814

POSTED KEEP OUT. I will not allow anyone to hunt on my farm three miles south of town known as the Jim Hubbard place. All parties are warned to keep out. A. Hall. 714

SUIT CASE LOST. Between Ballinger and Paint Rock. The case contained three clocks, bundles of lace, shirts, collars, brushes, etc. Finder will please return to Leader office and get suitable reward.

HORSE LOST. Dark brown heavy set pony, shod in front. Collar marks, in fairly good condition, about seven years old. Pay liberal reward for horse or information leading to recovery. Currie Grocery Co.

SUIT CASE LOST. On the Paint Rock and Ballinger road, between the Walthall school house and Ballinger, imitation leather suit case, containing clothing and other articles. Finder return to Davis grocery store. N. A. Goodman, Ballinger. 11

FOR SALE. A 10 room residence well located in a convenient part of Ballinger, 2 lots, one corner, one inside, each 60x150 feet. House new, and modern in appearance. Price \$1800, \$600 cash, balance in three equal notes \$400 each due in 1, 2 and 3 years at 10 per cent. A bargain if taken at once. C. P. Shepherd, Ballinger, Texas.

LOST-REASONABLE REWARD. Lost or stolen, a Jersey bull two years old, no brand, large pided color. Had rings and wire on horns and was in good condition when last seen on Ballinger-Crews road about four miles from Crews. I will pay liberal reward for return or information leading to recovery of the bull. Sam Brandon, Crews, Texas. 813

THE REV. IRL R. HICKS ALMANAC For 1909, ready Nov. 15, 1908, best ever sent out, beautiful covers in colors fine portrait of Prof. Hicks in colors, all the old features and several new ones in the book. The best astronomical year book and the only one containing the original "Hicks Weather Forecasts." By mail 35c on news stands, 30c. One copy free with Word and Works, the best \$1 Monthly in America. Discounts on almanacs in quantities. Agents wanted. Word and Works Pub. Co., 2201 Locust Street, St. Louis, Mo. Every citizen owes it to himself, to his fellows and to Prof. Hicks to possess the "Hicks" forecasts—the only reliable.

### Martin's Fire Works.

The Martin Fire Works have only been able to put on one show this week on account of the bad weather. This is a good clean show and a certain per cent of the proceeds go to the Cemetery Association, and it is to be regretted that a show could not have been given every night. Tomorrow night is the last night and if the weather is suitable a show will be put on.

### Big Red Tag Sale

Long Brothers are advertising a Red Tag Sale, and will open their doors to the public at nine o'clock in the morning. They have some bargains for the fall traders, and will no doubt have a rush in their house for the good things.

### Railroad Extensions Galore

A prominent executive officer of a Texas railroad said to a reporter of The Fort Worth Telegram the other day: "The election of Taft settles the policies that will mark the national administration. Personally his election cut no ice with me. Under the prevailing system of money getting, however, it will have a big influence in money centers. You see practically all the money for investment purposes in large amounts comes from Europe. Europe can lend money at 2 per cent and remain content. The cheap money can be secured now. Whether it could have been secured in the event that Mr. Bryan had been elected is a question that is not up for solution. With this cheap money available, unless the Thirty-first legislature finds a new spot in the ribs of the railroads to plunge a knife, I believe that this money will be distributed so that Texas will reap benefits.

This is perfectly natural, for today Texas offers the most inviting field, when considered without regard to legislative features, to be fond anywhere. Just mark this prediction. The Rock Island will find the money to build from Graham to Stamford and then on to Tucumcari. The Frisco will find the money to extend the Brady line to San Antonio. The Santa Fe will find the money to build from Plainview to Coleman and the Texas Central will get the cash to extend from Rotan on northward to the plains and there is also a chance for the Weatherford, Mineral Wells and Northwestern to do a bit of building. I happen to know that all of these moves have long been planned. I know that the main reason they have not been carried out before—in fact the only reason—is that every time things have gotten ripe for action some club has been swung by men in public life and no man is anxious to be swatted by a club in the hands of an ambitious man."

### Bakery Talk.

"Here," said the grocer's boy, "is the cake of soap you ordered."  
"All right."  
"Here's the loaf sugar."  
"Yes."  
"Here's the roll of butter."  
"Put it down."  
"Well, hustle up and take them out of the basket. Do you think I'm going to layer round here all the time?"—Detroit Free Press.

### A Social Paradox.

"Society at that fashionable watering place is very exclusive. The regular residents will not allow any of the outsiders who come from season to season to get into the sacred inner circles."  
"That's odd."  
"What's odd about it?"  
"That it is the floating population who can't get in the swim."—Baltimore American.

### Luck.

"I suppose you wouldn't part with this dear old farmhouse for anything," said the enthusiastic girl.  
"No," answered Farmer Cornotssel.  
"I don't expect to."  
"You regard it as a kind of mascot, don't you?"  
"Well, the fellow that managed to sell it to my father was pretty lucky."—Washington Star.

### Commercial.

"Jones never can forget his business for a minute. Even at the ball last night—"  
"Well, what happened?"  
"When a young lady told him that her partner had engaged her for the next dance he immediately offered to buy out her partner."—Detroit Free Press.

### Sad News.

Mr. Hardhead—So my friend, Jolly-fello is now living in your city?  
Mr. Goodfello—Yes, indeed; been there for some years. He's one of the most popular men in town; no end of friends.  
Mr. Hardhead (sadly)—Then he still drinks.—New York Weekly.

### In Hard Luck.

Kind Lady—I suppose your lot is full of hardship.  
Tramp—Indeed, it is, mum. In th' winter w'en the farmers is doin' nothin' but eatin' apples an' drinkin' cider, it's too cold for us to tramp; an' in th' summer we're allers bein' offered work.—New York Weekly.

### Appropriate.

"What kind of a meter would you think most appropriate for a light poem?"  
"I would suggest a gas meter."—Baltimore American.

### A Story With a Moral

The Osceola Sentinel, an Iowa newspaper, publishes a short story which carries with it a moral that needs not to be dwelt upon. It says: "Mr. Brown keeps a boarding house. Around his table sat his wife, Mrs. Brown; the village milliner, Mrs. Andrews; Mr. Black, the baker; Mr. Jordan, a carpenter, and Mr. Hadley, a flour, feed and lumber merchant. Mr. Brown took ten dollars out of his pocket and handed it to Mrs. Brown with the remark that there was \$10 toward the \$20 he had promised her. Mrs. Brown handed the bill to Mrs. Andrews, the milliner, saying: 'That pays for my new bonnet.' Mrs. Andrews in turn passed it to Mr. Jordan, remarking that it would pay for the carpenter work he had done for her. Mr. Jordan

handed it to Mr. Hadley, requesting his receipted bill for flour, feed and lumber. Mr. Hadley gave the bill back to Mr. Brown, saying: 'That pays \$10 on my board.' Mr. Brown again passed it to Mrs. Brown, remarking that he had now paid her the \$20 he had promised her. She in turn paid it to Mr. Black to settle her bread and pastery account. Mr. Black handed it to Mr. Hadley, asking credit for the amount on his flour bill. Mr. Hadley again returned it to Mr. Brown with the remark that it settled for that month's board; whereupon Mr. Brown put it back in his pocket, observing that he had not supposed a greenback would go so far. But suppose Mrs. Brown had sent to a mail order house for her new bonnet, then the \$10 would have gone out of town, never and never to come back."

### Where Women Excel.

A writer in a London paper says that a woman who is a good house-keeper would, if she were a man, be a Kitchener or a Carnegie, so difficult are the requirements of the profession, with its endless string of meals. The writer hints that we are hearing less about pure food, and that there is a greater tendency to good, solid, substantial food, with more thought of good things to eat than of the alimentary principles.

### Kinematograph in Medicine.

The results which I have obtained with the kinematograph as an aid in the teaching of nervous diseases, and which I have been able to demonstrate at the Middlesex hospital and elsewhere have met with expressions of encouragement from my colleagues and other members of the medical profession.—Lancet.

### An Error of the Times.

Among the educated classes the tendency of the day is to make far too much of the children. One of the most objectionable of sights is to see well-trained, well-mannered little men and women of the world who are treated by their elders as if they were not only equals but superiors.—Country Life.

### Second-Hand Buttons.

What becomes of all the old buttons? Is there a market for them? There is no accounting for pins, needles or hooks and eyes; but buttons are far more expensive. I know a young matron who has more than 4,000 buttons of all sizes and styles and materials, but she will never sew one on a child's garment. "I could never think of using a second-hand button!" she says, putting her little foot down. When she wants a button she sends to the shop for a card of new ones. "Give the old ones to Johnny and let him sell them," she said to her husband; and the poor man has been trying for a month to find a purchaser for Johnny's stock.

### Expert Testimony.

A mountaineer intimated that he knew a great deal about a moonshiner on trial in a Kentucky court, and thereby got free transportation to Louisville to testify for the state.  
"What can you tell us about this man?" asked the district attorney.  
"Waal," he answered, swelling with importance, "I seen this feller riding along the road in the bet of a hot day on a pacing roan nag, and awaving of a flag and ablowing of a horn; and I ax him if that war a Blue Grass horse or a Chitterling breed, and he said it war."—Harper's Weekly.

# \$4,000 At Cost \$4,000

## Here's Your Chance to Save Money

## Sale Starts Wednesday, November 11th

On account of bad health, Mr. J. T. Billups will quit the mercantile business at Truitt, and will sell every item in his store, consisting of Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Ladies' and Gents' Furnishings, Notions, and Groceries at

# Actual Cost For Cash

The goods in this stock are all new and first class, and everything will go in this sale. It is a CLOSING OUT SALE and nothing will be reserved. It is your chance to buy good, seasonable, up-to-date goods at cost, and save money on many items you are compelled to have. The stock is large, but the early buyers will have the advantage in the selection. Come early and get first choice

## Sale Starts Wednesday, November 11

TRUITT, TEXAS

LEE MADDOX,  
Manager

TRUITT, TEXAS



# WE ARE Working Hard

And will be in shape for business by Monday, October 16th with a big line of new Furniture. We have some splendid bargains, and can save you money on your Furniture purchases. We need your patronage, will appreciate it and guarantee to give you value received for every dollar spent with us. Come and see us in our new home whether you want to buy or not

## OSTERTAG FURNITURE COMPANY

### Fagin's Kitchen.

Another piece of Dickens' London is being demolished in Fulwood's Rents, Holborn, the shallow basement of which is said to have been the original of Fagin's thieves' kitchen. It was also a resort of Jack Sheppard, and at an earlier date Francis Bacon lived in the building.

### Symbol of Wedding Ring.

The old Roman wedding ring was usually of iron, symbolical of the enduring bond, which perhaps explains the supposition of some authorities that it, in olden times, indicated the submission of the wearer, as did the iron ring worn about the neck and ankle.

### A Prayer for the Day.

The day returns and brings us the petty round of irritating concerns and duties. Help us to play the man, help us to perform them with laughter and kind faces; let cheerfulness abound with industry. Give us to go blithely on our business all this day, bring us to our resting beds weary and content and undishonored, and grant us in the end the gift of sleep. Amen.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

### Wasted.

A large amount of sympathy is bestowed upon people who can see no reason why they should be sympathized with.

### St. James' Day.

According to a saying that has long been current in London, "Whoever eats oysters on St. James' day will never want money." As a result Londoners, under the effect of this old superstition, begin to eat oysters on the 25th of July, instead of waiting for the coming of the first month with the "R." So far as can be ascertained, it makes no difference whether the oysters are eaten raw or cooked.—Circle.

### Money Well Spent.

Health is an important factor to the people of New York city and the public treasury expends \$6,300 each day in looking after it.

### Patience.

If a man were only as patient in business as he is in fishing what couldn't he accomplish.—Detroit Free Press.

### Aged Eggs.

Judging by the number of foreign eggs sold, the British public is not so punctilious in the matter of freshness as is supposed. Many of the "box" eggs sold are, it is safe to assume, eaten when six weeks old.—Grocers' Journal.

### Optimism Spells Success.

Nothing will so completely paralyze the creative power of the mind and body as a dark, gloomy, discouraged mental attitude. No great creative work can be done by a man who is not an optimist.—Success.

### Man's Blundering Reason.

Beasts, birds and insects, even to the minutest and meanest of their kind, act with the unerring province of instinct; man, the while, who possesses a higher faculty, abuses it, and therefore goes blundering on. They, by their unconsciousness and unhesitating obedience to the laws of nature, fulfill the end of their existence; he, in willful neglect of the laws of God, loses sight of the end of his.—Robert Southey.

### The Ruling Passion.

"Haven't you any purpose in life?" asked the minister of the melancholy druggist. "No," sighed the druggist, "but I've something just as good!"

### In the Light of Fortune.

Fortune displays our virtues and our vices, as light makes all objects apparent.—La Rochefoucauld.

### Sacrificed Life for Horse.

It was testified at an inquest at Bryn (Wales) on a young man named Owen Richards, who was killed by a fall of rock at a local colliery, that he had liberated his horse, which was attached to a tram, and in doing so delayed his own escape and was killed.

### With an Eye to Business.

A Billville jury, slow in arriving at a decision, and feeling the keen demands of appetite, sent the following note to the judge: "If you don't send us somethin' to eat quick, we'll have to find the defendant guilty; but if you'll send us three meals a day we'll stay here till he's innocent."

### Final Test.

Spongem—"I say, old man, in case I should die suddenly, will you make sure that I am really dead before they bury me?" Knox—"Yes; you may depend on me. I'll ask you to have a drink, and if you don't sit up and take notice, I'll tell the undertaker to go ahead and plant you."

### New York's Growth in Wealth.

New York city's land values are increasing faster than the total value of the entire output of all the gold and silver mines in the world.

### Making Work Noble.

Any sort of work is noble, the degree of nobility depending upon the care with which it is done.—Syracuse (N. Y.) Journal.

### Georgia Sentiment.

No matter how rough the road to heaven is, you'll feel the more like enjoying your rest when you get there.—Atlanta Constitution.

### Special Occasions.

It is only when they are nominated for office that some men care whether anybody knows which church they attend.—Washington Post.

### Ought to Be Able To.

"Do you think he can afford to maintain an auto?" "He ought to be able to. He's been an amateur photographer for four years and hasn't gone into bankruptcy yet."

### But He Is Not.

"If havin' de bes' of every argumnt amounted to as much as some men think it do," said Uncle Eben, "de base ball umpire ought to be de happies' man on earth."

### How to Find Out.

Some people never learn to appreciate the comforts of home until they have traveled on river steamboats.

### Habit Hard to Overcome.

Many people find it impossible to get over the habit of adulterating the truth which they use.

### A Man's Last Wish.

After a man has gained everything he has wished for he begins to wish he might begin all over again.

### Life's Requirements.

Thou must command and win, or serve and lose, suffer or triumph, be an anvil or a hammer.—Goethe.

### Bird Slaughter.

Of those living gems, the humming birds of America, 11,443 were put up at one of the regular auction sales in London not long ago.—London Spectator.

### One of Nature's Best Gifts.

Greatest of all gifts is tact, and second is the art of being a "mixer," and above both that talent of being able to see into everybody's mind, talk to them, and forget yourself.

### Chinese Sacred Number.

Five is the sacred number of the Chinese, who have five planets, five cardinal points, five virtues, five tastes, five musical tones, five ranks of nobility and five colors.

### A New Thought.

A Chicago beauty enhancer says that women can retain their good looks by encouraging pleasant thoughts. From this it will be assumed that those women who paint and powder are merely trying to conceal what's on their minds.

### Plenty of Time.

"Give me a little time," said the literary young man, according to Speed, "and I will do something to arouse the country." Three months later he had his chance. He was peddling alarm-clocks in a farming community.—Youth's Companion.

### The Majority Is Never Right?

The majority is never right. Never, I say. This is one of those society lies which a free, thinking man must rebel against. Who are they that make up the majority of a country's inhabitants? Are they the wise or the ignorant? I believe that we must agree that the ignorant are overwhelmingly in the majority everywhere on the wide earth. But it is never right that the ignorant should rule over the intelligent.—Henrik Ibsen.

### Valuable Coccoanut.

In Zanzibar island there grows a cocoanut which has only a very thin layer of meat, being entirely filled with milk; this furnishes the natives drink, both before and after fermentation.

### And the Questioner Wondered.

"Poor man! Have you always been blind?" "No, mum," answered Tired Timms, unthinkingly. "Last week I wuz lame, but dere wuzn't enuff in it."—New York Globe.

### The Truest Breeding.

Whoever makes the fewest persons uneasy is the best bred in the company.—Swift.

### Generous.

People who have little knowledge are always willing to scatter that little as far as they can.

### Stay in New York.

Nearly one-third of the immigrants who arrive in the port of New York never go beyond the city for a home.

### A Word to the Unwise.

Beware of the "good thing" that comes to your door and tries to break in.

### Italian Proverb.

A small cloud may hide both sun and moon.

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### GETTING EVEN.

She had refused him, and he stood twirling his mustache and looking quizzical until she was in a tearing temper.

"What are you standing there for?" she demanded, stamping her foot.

"Well, I am wondering," he said, slowly, "whom are you going to marry, since you won't marry me?"

"It's none of your business," she flamed, angrily.

"Oh, yes it is," he drawled. "At any rate, I'm interested. I shouldn't like you to marry a fellow I didn't think well of, you know, since I came near marrying you myself."

It seemed to her that she should faint with indignation.

"You never came near marrying me," she at length managed to gasp. "I didn't think even of marrying you, and as to whom I do marry, you have nothing to do with it. I shall marry anybody I please!"

"That's just it," he returned, thoughtfully; "suppose you don't please anybody?" Then there was nothing left to her but raving hysterics.

### No Use.

"If I should attempt to kiss you now," he asked in a trembling tone, "I suppose you would struggle desperately with me, wouldn't you?"

"Well," she replied, "I have just paid \$1.50 for having my hair dressed, and I wouldn't dare to struggle too much for fear it might be spoiled. I want it to look well at the opera to-night. You have no idea how easily one's hair is shaken down if one attempts to—oh, well—I thought you were going to—  
—are you fond of fudge?"—Chicago Record-Herald.

### Consolation.

Husband (meekly)—There's one consolation for us in having my wages reduced, even in the shopping season.

Wife (snappily)—What's that?  
Husband—I can be laid up sick without losing so much money.—Judge.

## THE TRIALS OF ARTHUR

The young woman with the auburn hair and tan suit, which harmonized with it, had been studiously gazing at the pictures, but she saw the young man coming down the long gallery before he saw her. Thus she was able to greet him with just the proper air of polite surprise, unmingled with any apparent pleasure, which the peculiar situation demanded.

"Why, Arthur!" she said. "So glad to see you!"

The tall young man set his jaw. "Then you've had a change of mind, haven't you?" he asked.

"I don't know what you are talking about," said the young woman in an injured tone. "Anyhow, I've seen so little of you of late—aren't the pictures lovely?"

"Very," said the young man, who had not looked at them. He led the way to a vacant bench. "I don't know when I've seen any pictures that I've enjoyed more. You ought to know why you haven't seen me!"

The young woman with the auburn hair shook her head pensively and sadly. "I'm sure I don't know," she told him. "It has made me feel very bad—I hate to have my friends grow tired of me."

The tall young man stared at her and turned a faint purple.

"Well, I like that!" he murmured. "Elizabeth, you have the most surpassing nerve of any girl who ever existed! Grown tired of you, indeed! Lay the blame on me if you like! Still,



"You Have the Most Surpassing Nerve!"

what could a fellow do when you were so extraordinarily busy all the time? One never saw you except from the middle distance either going or getting back from somewhere with that—  
—that Cummings! Don't think I'm fool enough to be jealous. Of course, you have a perfect right to go with Cummings or any one else as much as you please—only I can tell pretty well when I'm wanted and when I'm not."

"Why, Arthur!" said the young woman, reproachfully. "I am surprised at you. As if I was not always glad to see you!"

"See here," said the young man warmly. "How can you say that after the way you absolutely shook me—yes, shook me—at the Smiths?"

"Did you come here on purpose to be disagreeable?" demanded the young woman.

"I came to see the pictures," returned the young man, coldly.

"Then why don't you go and look at them?" she asked. "I'm sure I don't want to detain you! Here I was so glad to see you again and then you—you—"

The young man, glancing sternly at her, detected signs of moisture on her lashes.

"Elizabeth," he said, "don't do that! But honestly, you've treated me horribly. Now, haven't you?"

"I didn't mean to, Arthur," said the girl, with suspicious meekness. "I thought all the time that you simply weren't interested in me any more!"

The young man looked a little doubtful, but the tear on her eyelashes swung the balance in her favor.

"I don't see how you could even dream that," he said. "I was just cut up over your conduct with that impossible Cummings. So I stayed away. I thought that was what you wanted. I don't want to bother you."

"I don't see how you could be so foolish!" sighed the girl.

"Elizabeth," said the young man, "let's cut the pictures and go somewhere for dinner—and the theater after. You can telephone home."

The young woman looked slightly nonplused.

"That's so good of you, Arthur," she murmured, "but—but—well, you see, I'd promised to do those very things with Mr. Cummings. He's to be here in just about 15 minutes."

The young man got to his feet in a dignified manner. "Well, it doesn't matter in the least, not in the least," he ejaculated. "I really must be going now. How you can endure the insane chatter of that—and here I thought you meant what you said. Sorry to have bothered you! Good-by!"

The young woman smiled as she watched him stalk angrily down the gallery and away. Then she extracted a leaf from a powder paper book and daintily dabbed her face.

"If men aren't the funniest!" she confided to herself. "Not jealous! Oh, no! Poor Arthur!"—Chicago Daily News.

### Knew He was an Artist.

Miss Lakeside (of Chicago)—The gentleman you just bowed to is an artist, isn't he?

Miss Gotham—Yes, a great artist. You divined his profession from his finely-chiseled features, I presume.

Miss Lakeside—No; I smelled the turpentine.—New York Weekly.

### A Sad Blow.

Mr. Bliffers—Beg pardon, Mr. Hammer, but can you tell me where my wife is seated? I can't find her.

Mr. Hammer (auctioneer)—She has not been here to-day.

Mr. Bliffers (wildly)—My! My! She must be dead.—New York Weekly.

### A Man of Means.

Mrs. Stuckup—Is this Mr. Slimpurse you have engaged yourself to a man of means?

Sensible Daughter—Yes, mother. He means all he says, and that's the sort of a husband I want.—New York Weekly.

### Secret of Success.

Thin Boarder—I don't see how you manage to fare so well at this boarding house. I have industriously courted the landlady and all her daughters, but I'm half starved.

Fat Boarder—I courted the cook.—New York Weekly.

### A Killing Compliment.

He—You are a perfect duck of a girl.

She—Now you are making game of me.—Baltimore American.

### Hurrying Cupid.

"I'd like to buy a parlor sofa," announced the old gentleman with the gold-rimmed glasses. "My daughter has started receiving company from a young man."

"Ah, here is just what you want, sir," responded the polite clerk. "This will last a lifetime."

"Then it won't suit. Show me one that will wear out in six months. I don't believe in long engagements."—Chicago Daily News.

### Easy Order to Fill.

Dealer—Dogs! Yes, we have all the finest breeds sir, any number of prize—

Customer—Oh, I don't want any of the costly, ultrafashionable breeds. I want a common dog, a regular street cur, something that will be a nuisance to the neighbors.

Dealer—Um—well, they'll all be that.—New York Weekly.

### Tit for Tat.

"Duced bore, that fellow is. He always talks for about an hour about that baby of his, doesn't he?"

"Never did to me. Always leaves in about five minutes."

"Gee! How do you work it?"

"I dunno. I always read him a little of my poetry, and"—Cleveland Leader.

### Relationship in South Dakota.

"I notice she bowed to you. Is she an old acquaintance?"

"Y-yes; we're slightly acquainted. In fact, she's a sort of distant relation. She was the first wife of my second wife's first husband."—Chicago Tribune.

### Cause for Pain.

Patience—I see a new theory by the British Medical Journal is that persons resembling each other suffer from the same diseases.

Patrice—Well, if I looked like some people I know, I'd suffer all right.—Yonkers Statesman.

### Advancement.

"The pen is mightier than the sword," said the man who quotes.

"Yes," answered the military enthusiast, "but times have changed. That isn't saying the typewriter is mightier than the machine gun."—Washington Star.

### A Comparison.

"Bliggins makes a great fuss over trifles," said the critical person.

"Yes," answered the nervous man. "You can't ask him the time of day without his getting as excited as a cuckoo clock!"—Washington Star.

### Western Equivalent.

"What are these terrible simoons in the east that they tell about?"

"They are devouring storms of dust."

"What! Do they house-clean in the desert?"—Baltimore American.

### A Healthy Exercise.

Faddist Visitor—Are you allowed in this prison any exercise beneficial for your health?

Convict—Oh, yes, ma'am. By advice of my counsel, I have been skipping the rope.—Baltimore American.

### GOING.

"Has your sister made up her mind to go to the theater with me to-night?"

"It don't take her long to make up her mind."

"Then she is going?"

"If she can make up her face in time."—Houston Post.

### Classics Under Suspicion.

"Do you approve of the Greek drama?" inquired the student.

"No," answered the manager, "not if it gives some of these college boys their ideas of what to expect and how to behave in a theater."—Washington Star.

### Probably.

"Pa, why did they kill the fatted calf when the prodigal son returned?"

"Probably because the meat trust had made prices so high that they couldn't afford to patronize the butcher."—Chicago Record-Herald.

### Lost by Winning.

Wedderly—My wife and I matched pennies last night to see whether she'd get a new bonnet or I'd get a new hat.

Singleton—Who won?

Wedderly—I did; but my wife hasn't decided yet how she'll have the bonnet trimmed.—Chicago Daily News.

### Not Discussing It.

"Do you mean to tell me," said the incredulous man, "that the moon is made of green cheese?"

"Certainly not," said the imperturbable one. "Such a question would be a case for the pure food laws."—Washington Star.

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### WONDERFUL GROWTH IN NEWSPAPER

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We do not claim to have the largest circulation of any paper published in Texas, or in Rannels county, for that matter. We do claim to have the best paid up list of readers and a list we are proud of. Banner Leader readers are mostly Rannels county people and do their trading in Ballinger, and are home-owners. We are proud to know that the paper is growing in favor, and that new names are added daily. Following is a list of names added to our mailing list:

H. B. Lewis, A. S. Hudgens, G. W. Wilson, Lym Stokes, W. N. Buckner, L. P. Wood, R. W. Craig, Jno. Simmons, H. C. Martin, Tom Layme, W. M. Lewis, A. G. Smith, J. C. Moore, J. L. Headen, R. J. Deens, and Wm. Doose, all of Ballinger. E. F. Edwards, Winters; W. W. Wooten, Maverick; J. Z. T. Smith, Wingate; Miss Lola Lewis, Tokota; J. A. West, Rowena; J. A. Blalock, Crews; Eugene Holshouser, Winters; C. P. Coyd, Bagota; J. R. Harvey, Norton; E. S. Sprabery, Anson; E. B. Walker, Hatchel; J. W. Kelsey, Winters; W. W. Paschas, Winters; Aug. Halfmann, Ballinger.

#### RENEWALS.

H. C. King, Mrs. W. R. Nunn Jno. T. Wiley, R. W. Tindall, Dr. R. A. Dickinson, John Hoffer, W. G. Chapman, E. Schumm, T. J. Parish, W. R. Blanchard, J. M. Thomson, R. B. Johnson, J. P. Beddo, all of Ballinger. Miss Myrtle Dickinson, Ballinger; J. F. Clarey, Winters; M. D. Virden, Winters; D. N. Talley, Crews; J. T. Snellgrove, Norton; B. F. Sartain, Maverick; T. L. Hays, Brownwood; W. B. Wood, Ballinger; Miss Cynthia Wood, Denton; E. J. Rushing, Joaquin.

#### Photo Work in a Tent

We will do photo work in a tent, located just across the street east of State Bank until we can get a house. So all who had work destroyed in the fire, call and we will make it over for you.

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"It did not kill me but I think it would if it had not been for Hunt's Cure. I was tired, miserable and well nigh used up when I commenced using it for an old and severe case of eczema. One application relieved and one box cured me. I believe Hunt's Cure will cure any form of itching known to mankind."  
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Felix Schuchard has accepted a position with the Higdon Melton Jackson Company.

We want your cotton seed and will pay you the highest market price.—Rasbury & Bruce.

Miss Chriswell, of Cameron is a new saleslady for the Higdon Melton Jackson Company.

Comforts and blankets, the best and the cheapest at the Hub.

Rev. W. S. Maddox is here from Taylor county this week visiting his sons.

Don't forget that Santa Clause will stop at Kinzer's Store this year.

Mr. Chapman of Cameron came in first of the week, and now holds a position with the Higdon Melton Jackson Co.

Those beautiful linen waists for ladies at the Hub are just the latest out.

Mrs. J. R. Parker recently returned from a visit to John Hunter and family at Lenton Texas.

Worth Moore was here from Miles yesterday to bring the election returns.

Lawson Daily, of San Angelo, had business in Ballinger this week and was the guest of relatives while here.

A bank account is not only a luxury, but a necessity to a successful business man.—Citizens' National Bank.

C. H. Rummell, who has been with the Higdon Melton Jackson Co., has accepted a position with the Ballinger Dry Goods Co.

You can save money, by trading with Leader advertisers. They appreciate your trade and give you bargains.

Mr. and Mrs. Coulson and daughter came in from Coleman today to visit Col. J. L. Morgan and family and J. A. Weeks and family.

Buy old papers at the Leader office to put under your carpet and matting. You can have them at your own price.

Tom Lively is circulating a petition asking that the city council appoint him night-watchman. The council will meet in the morning to consider the matter.

We have buyers coming our way. List your property with us. Rodgers & Hall, Winters, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Johnson came in from Coleman last Saturday where they were married Friday. Mrs. Johnson was Mrs. Ella Henderson and is well and favorable known in Ballinger.

We are in position to handle any amount of good Vendor's Lien notes. The Citizen National Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Alexander are rejoicing over the arrival of a boy at their home. The young man arrived Wednesday, and is a healthy, fine looking little fellow.

Mrs. F. J. Harris who has been here from Lampassas visiting Judge and Mrs. J. W. Powell, went to San Angelo yesterday to attend the state meeting of the Federation of woman's clubs.

Judge C. H. Willingham, C. A. Doose and S. D. Williams, and J. W. Smith, of Minerals Wells, went out to the Wylie ranch yesterday to do some surveying.

If you want a good, six page, three sheet wall map, giving you a late map of Texas, of the United States and of the world, all absolutely free, call at the Leader office.

Lee Maddox went to Truitt last Monday where he will be for some time disposing of a stock of merchandise for J. T. Billups. Mr. Billups has been in bad health, but we are glad to say he is improving.

J. W. Carey, of Chicago, is here in the interest of the Carey-Lombard Lumber Co. Mr. Carey in Company with J. R. McVay made a trip up through the northwestern part of the county.

Don't miss the grand, glittering street parade of the Weideman's show next Thursday. See the wild west girls, the Indian congress and the rough rider boys. Big free exhibition in front of tent immediately after the parade.

Constable arrested a couple of negroes yesterday for playing cards. They appeared in Justice Court, plead guilty and paid the penalty, \$19.70 and went on back to the cotton fields. One of the negroes recently came in from Sommersville and the other from San Antonio.

Rev. P. H. Wilkerson, Superintendent of the American Sunday School Union of Texas, will be here next week in the interest of his work. Mr. Wilkerson represents a good cause and he has the best wishes of the Christian people, and will no doubt receive encouragement in his week when he comes to Ballinger.

Mrs. Irene Clark, of San Saba, is here visiting her uncle, Judge John I. Guion, and looking after property interests. Mrs. Clark owns the building in which the photogallery was burned last Monday morning, also the restaurant lot. She will probably put up a store building on the restaurant lot.

We are glad to state that Bartlett & Deekle, who lost their photo gallery in the fire last Monday morning, will open for business again. They say it is impossible to get a house at this particular time, but until they can find a suitable building they will be found in a tent on the corner of the court house square opposite the State Bank. These gentlemen lost all they had and had no insurance on their outfit, and it is necessary for them to start at the bottom again.

#### Big Show Next Week

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See the cowboys, wild west girls, Vaqueros, Senoritas, Guardirurales, champions of lariat, rough riders, pony express veterans, bucking broncos, cow ponies, Pinto ponies and Shetlands. A band of Sioux Indians, fresh from the camp fire and council, making their first acquaintance with civilization. Dainty aerialists, daring athletes, funny clowns, thrilling Indian fights and native war dances.

Two performances daily, afternoon at 2, evening at 8. Doors open one hour earlier.

#### Lyceum Course

The first attraction of the Lyceum Course, under the auspices of the Library Association, will appear in Ballinger on the night of Nov. 24th. The name of this attraction, is "The Scotch Singers," a lady quartette of a national reputation, and we are sure will please.

There will be four other attractions making 5 in all. Each and every citizen will be called on to buy a season ticket and the price will be \$2.50 each, making an average of 50 cents for each at-

traction. It is up to the people of Ballinger to support this effort on the part of the Library Association and encourage a good class of entertainments for our people.

Ballinger has not been as liberal in supporting high class entertainments as it should have been, but now since we are to have a new Carnegie Library we believe new interest will be created and stimulated along this line.

When the solicitor calls on you buy a season ticket and help out a good cause, besides you will get value received every time.

#### Bad Weather For Carnival,

The Danville & Kasper Carnival Co. came in from San Angelo last Sunday and set up tent in Ballinger Monday for twelve or fifteen shows. Most all the attractions are good, especially the large snake, the little woman and the octopus.

The usual free attractions are in shape to give free exhibition, but the bad weather has almost put the shows out of business. Tomorrow is the last day, and if the weather clears up they will no doubt have a big run.

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## EXCITING FIRE SUNDAY NIGHT

Blaze Started in Business District Causes Excitement and Destroys Property

Night Watchman Carpenter discovered smoke coming from the two story stone building occupied by the White Front Confectionery, Sunday night about one o'clock. The fire started in the hall in the second story and had got under good headway and had destroyed most of the contents of the second story before it broke through the roof. The alarm was turned in by Mr. Carpenter and the fire boys made quick work in putting out the fire and saving the building and contents in the lower story.

The second story was occupied by Bartlett and Dekle, photographers, R. T. Jones cotton office Evans & Sayers, land office. The fire started in the hall next to the photograph gallery, burning through the wall completely destroying the photo gallery. Messrs Bartlett and Dekle estimated their loss about \$1,500 without a cent of insurance. The cotton office and land office were both badly damaged by the fire, smoke and water, and no insurance. Conn & Wiley, proprietors of the White Front Confectionery carried insurance on their stock and fixtures and are protected in the loss which amounts to about \$1200.

The building is owned by Mrs. Clark, of San Saba, and the loss estimated at \$1000 is covered by insurance.

E. Schumm said every time he goes away from Ballinger and comes back it makes him home sick, and he has decided to buy a home for his family and stay here. Mr. Schumm went out west last year and bought a ranch and has been thinking of moving, but has decided to stay here, and we are glad of it for he is a good citizen and we have no such men to lose.

W. P. Hawkins, who spent the week here winding up his business in commissioners court went home yesterday. The court had not adjourned, but had reached a point where they could get along without Mr. Hawkins and his business at home demanded his attention. Mr. Hawkins has made a good commissioner, and retires from office with the good will of his constituency.

Rev. E. P. Williams left last Monday for Waco to attend the annual conference of the M. E. Church. Rev. Williams has been pastor of the Ballinger Methodist Church for four years, and under the laws of his church he will be sent to a new field and another man sent to Ballinger. It is to be regretted by many in Ballinger that this is the law for Rev. Williams has many friends here who would be glad to see him return again.



### Mrs. Sam Baker at Home,

Mrs. Sam Baker  
At Home  
Friday November the Sixth  
1908.

Were the dainty invitations received by over a hundred of Ballinger's elite. On arriving at the beautiful home of Mrs. Baker it reminded one of a peep into Fairyland for in every nook and corner were banked the most beautiful cut flowers of the richest hue.

The four rooms were most beautiful and much merriment prevailed during the hours of social chat.

Mrs. Baker was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Currie who most gracefully presided at the register book, and Miss Maggie Sharp.

Pinned on the walls of the four rooms were pictures suggesting familiar advertisements and each guest was handed a card upon which to write the answers and for more than an hour both hand and mind were busily engaged. Mesdames Baskin and Byrd were the most fortunate contestants, the prize being a most beautiful bouquet of white chrysanthemums.

We were then served a most delicious salad course with hot tea. Time passed so swiftly and pleasantly that ere we were aware the shadows were gathering and with much reluctance we bade our hostess good bye with thanks for a most delightful evening.

A Guest.

### Commissioners In Session

The Commissioners Court has been a busy body this week. The tedious job of canvassing the election returns consumed a good part of the week and the fixing of bonds for the newly elected officers is another feature that has been before the court. These matters will all be adjusted this week, and some of the new officers will qualify next week, and take charge of their work.

### Bridal Shower

On last Saturday afternoon guests responded to an invitation to the lovely home of Mrs. W. E. Sayle, the occasion being a bridal shower complementary to Miss Pearle Johnston. Mrs. Sayle was assisted in receiving by Miss Minnie Lewis and the "Beaux Nott" club.

The color scheme in the reception room was red, being most beautifully decorated in American Beauty roses and palms.

Miss Nell Millar invited each one to the register which was presided over by Miss Lee Plummer. The guests were then invited into the parlor by Mrs. Grundy where the decoration scheme was yellow, large yellow chrysanthemums being used in profusion. With the reception room, parlor and dining room thrown into one the suite presented a most beautiful picture.

During the afternoon, Miss Amelia Johnson delighted the guests with several vocal and instrumental selection which were greatly enjoyed. Between the parlor and dining room was suspended a white silk parasol filled with lovely gifts for the honoree. After a social tete-a-tete our hostess handed each guest a hand painted heart upon which to write a good wish for the bride elect. Many and varied were the wishes made for Miss Pearle by her friends.

After the wishes were read Miss Lois Crews in a most solemn manner played the sweet strains of the wedding march. Each one with wide open eyes watched every opening, not knowing just what to expect. Through the reception room and parlor came Miss Pearl, leaning on the arm of Mrs. Sayle when under the umbrella she was seated on a white satin pillow and Miss Alma Padgett pulled the Magic strand which showered on her the beautiful remembrances.

Mrs. McVay with her usual grace and dignity gave a toast to the bride, followed by Mrs.

Stephens to the groom, Mrs. Grundy to the hostess, Miss Moser to love, Miss Malone to boys, Miss Lewis to "Left Overs," Mrs. Lynn to guests.

The dining room was then thrown open to the guests and it was most beautiful in its decoration of white chrysanthemums, cut glass and china. From the electrolier were suspended white satin steamers which were looped at the corners of the table with ferns and brides roses. Here Miss Minnie Lewis assisted by Misses Johnson, Millar, Plummer and Mae Johnson, served a most delicious salad course with hot coffee.

Mrs. Sayle's cleverness as a hostess is two well known by her many Ballinger friends to need further comment.

Darkness came all too soon to bring to a close one of the most delightful and successful social functions of the season.

In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Sayle entertained five tables at Forty-Two and served dainty refreshments.

D. B. Scott and W. T. Vaughn, of San Marcos, are here prospecting, and expressed themselves at being well pleased with Runnels County. If they find land that suits them they will become citizens of this county.

Large accounts are welcome too, for it is our purpose to serve all the people, whether their business be small or large.—Citizens' National Bank.

### Colds and Croup in Children

"My little girl is subject to colds," says Mrs. Wm. H. Serig, No. 41 Fifth St. Wheeling, W. Va. "Last winter she had a severe spell and a terrible cough but I cured her with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy without the aid of a doctor, and my little boy has been prevented many times from having the croup by the use of this syrup. This remedy is for sale by Walker Drug Co."

### Tennessee's Great Sorrow

The news of the death of Hon. E. W. Carmack of Tennessee, as the result of a pistol duel on the streets of Nashville, will produce a profound shock in his beloved Southland, and throughout the entire country will be read with sorrow and regret. The press messages do not give sufficient details of the tragedy to form a basis for discussing the encounter and its causes, if one were inclined to do that, which is not the purpose of this mention of a deplorable calamity that has robbed Tennessee of one of her most brilliant sons and made the South poorer to the extent of his transcendent powers on the forum and in the press.

Whether on the hustings or wielding his pen in defense of Democratic principles and the right of the masses, E. W. Carmack was a power that the forces of greed and corruption dreaded and shunned. His matchless oratory, his intrepid leadership did not always bring success to his own ambition or the cause he represented, and although twice in recent years his political star had gone down in political defeat, it could not be, it was not true that he was marked for repeated slaughter by these he had loved long and served with increasing energy and brilliancy. There was a brighter day ahead for Tennessee and E. W. Carmack, but this has gone out almost in the midday of his usefulness, and the cloud that hang, over Tennessee causes tear-drops and heart-burnings in many other sections of a great country that knew and admired Carmack as they did very few other men of his day and generation.

As King David said in his lament of Abner, "Know ye not that a mighty man, a prince in Israel is fallen!"—San Angelo Standard.

Do you know of a man or woman who is conducting a successful business without the assistance of a bank account.—Citizens' National Bank.

## SLICK SWINDLER'S SCHEME FAILS

Stranger Calls on Ballinger Business Man for Favor. Business Man Gets Wise.

W. S. Morehead, the tailor, came near being the victim of a slick swindler Tuesday, but by a suspicious forethought he escaped.

A nice looking young man claiming to be a representative of The Globe Tailoring Co., of Chicago, called on Mr. Morehead, and of course wanted to sell him some goods, and after talking business for awhile he asked Mr. Morehead to go with him to the bank and endorse a draft on the Chicago house for some expense money, stating that he had failed to receive his check. Mr. Morehead expressed a willingness to do so, but for some reason the visit to the bank was not made just then and later Mr. Morehead thought it would be a safe and wise idea to wire the Chicago house and find out if the draft would be honored. He very promptly received a telegram to the effect that the man was not in the employ of the Chicago house and was not known by them.

The stranger got wise and did not seek the company of Mr. Morehead and disappeared just as mysteriously as he appeared.

Later in the day Mr. Morehead received a phone message from a tailor at Brady inquiring about the man, stating that he had visited that town and worked the Brady Tailors to the tune of \$80.

LATER—The would be traveling man appeared in Miles after leaving Ballinger and worked a Miles Tailor for \$45. He went to Brownwood and upon instruction from sheriff Kirk he was captured and turned over to the Brady Sheriff.

### City Marshal Uses Gun.

A couple of men became offended because the City Marshal asked them not to block the side walk. The two men were in a squabble and caused a crowd to congregate around them, blocking the side walk, when Marshal McKay asked them to step aside. This happened some time in the early part of the evening, and about eight o'clock last night the trouble came up and McKay used his gun to defend himself and in striking one of the men over the head with the gun a shot was accidentally fired going through the awning in front of the Walker Drug Co.

Negro cotton pickers are getting too common for us to take up space announcing the arrival of every shipment. At least 250 have come in during this week. Two carloads passed through Sunday en route for Miles. A negro has never been known to stay in Miles over thirty minutes before—not in the history of the town.

New customers are coming our way each day. Are you among the number? We have pleased them and can please you. Give us a trial. One price to all and satisfaction Guaranteed.

# Cash Grocery Co.

J. T. DAWSON, Manager

PHONE NO. 19

BALLINGER, TEXAS.

## MOTHER GIVES CHILD AWAY

Show Woman Has No Use For Little Girl and Leaves Her in Ballinger

There are cases in which a mother's love will cause the mother to suffer death for her child, there are cases where the child is a burden to the mother. A very sympathetic case is this in which a lady with the Carnival company here this week, gives her child to a Ballinger woman. In doing so the mother states that she has love for the little child, but circumstances are such that she is compelled to leave the child with someone who will give it a home. From what we could learn the particulars are as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Edna Newman came here with the Carnival. Mrs. Newman had a little three year old girl, Lurlene Cook. They secured board at the old

Pearce Hotel which is under the management of Andrew Franklin and wife. It seems that Newman prevailed upon the woman to give the little girl away, and Mr. and Mrs. Franklin expressed a willingness to accept her, and the parties went to the court house where the proper authorities issued a decree transferring the custody of the child from Mrs. Edna Newman to Andrew Franklin and wife, Jewel Franklin. The mother stated that she had been separated from the child's father, and that he would not help her support the child. She had married another man, and the general opinion is that the present husband persuaded the woman to give the child away.

### Former Ballinger School Teacher Dead

Prof. S. M. Byrd received a letter this week from Virginia carrying the sad news of the death of Miss Daisy Butt. Death occurred at the home in Fincastle, Va. Sunday, Nov. 1.

Miss Butt taught in the Ballinger school last year, and was re-elected, but accepted a position in the Southern Seminary, Buna Vista Va. where she was teaching when taken sick. She was one of the best teachers that Ballinger ever had, and many friends here who will learn of her death with sorrow.

### A Hair's Breadth Escape.

Do you know that every time you have a cough or cold and let it run on thinking it will just cure itself you are inviting pneumonia, consumption or some other pulmonary trouble? Don't risk it. Put your lungs back in perfect health and stop that cough with Ballard's Horehound Syrup. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

### Bronte Man Arrested.

Sheriff J. S. Jackson of Lampasas was in the city Saturday with M. R. Jones, whom he was to deliver to the sheriff of Coke county. Mr. Jones is charged with being an accomplice in the burning of the Jones store building and the Hickman warehouse at Bronte last winter.

The charge is that he hired a man to burn the store in order that he might get the insurance. He was recently caught in Oklahoma. His family have been living at Lampasas.—San Angelo Press.

Leader readers will remember the burning of the building at Bronte. Sheriff Kirk arrested the man that was charged with the burning. Jones, the man above referred to hired the man Kirk arrested to do the burning.

### Buys Fine Phaeton

The Hall Hardware Co. sold Sam Baker a fine Stanhope phaeton Monday. The deal is an unusual one in that the rig is the biggest price of the kind ever sold in Ballinger and demonstrates that this leading business firm handles high grade goods as well as the cheaper buggies. Mr. Baker paid \$275 for the phaeton. It is the prettiest vehicle in Ballinger.

### Fair Warning to Hunters

My place near town is posted, and I positively will not allow any hunting [or trespassing] on same. I warn all parties, friend or foe, that I will strictly enforce the law and prosecute to the limit any one for hunting, or in any way trespassing. Please stay out and avoid trouble. 3-3mos. Joe B. Johnson.

Don't sell your cotton seed until you see Rasbury & Bruce.

### W. H. M. S.

Crowded out last week.

Mrs. J. F. Currie was hostess to the Womans Home Mission Society Thursday afternoon, in honor of Mrs. E. P. Williams.

Her handsome home was as flowery and fragrant as a Riviera garden, with roses, chrysanthemums and ferns filling chrystrals and porcelains on table, mantle and piano.

A penny contest deresistance was planned and kept the guests doing some serious stunts in mental gymnastics from start to finish. The color scheme in every detail featured purple and gold, the Society colors. Questions pertaining to every conceivable subject, from the complexion of our next pastors wife, to the proper way to train a husband, was asked, and answered satisfactorily.

The hostess then in a few well chosen words thanked Mrs. Williams in behalf of the Society for her faithful services, and as a token of love and appreciation for her a little surprise was in store. She was immediately ushered into the dining room where a feast of dainty gifts were suspended from clothes lines. There were quantities of linen, silk, cambric, lawn, china silver and gold, all given in the spirit of love.

And neither was the good pastor forgotten in this shower, for a handsome gold handled umbrella was there for him from the following ladies: Mesdames Etta Burrows, G. G. Odom, S. C. Royalty, W. F. Sharp and N. F. Bonsall.

Delicious fruit punch was served throughout the afternoon by Miss Susie Sharp. An appetizing lunch proved a fitting finale to this afternoons pleasure.

### Post Office Robbed at Tokeen

The post office and store at Tokeen, in the northern part of this county was robbed last Saturday night. The robbers used nitro-glycerine to blow the safe open and made a nice job of it. About \$600 dollars in money was secured by the robbers, part of which belonged to Uncle Sam and part to the store.

Officers at Abilene and Ballinger were notified, but they had no clue to work from and no trace of the robbers has been found.

The post office safe at Clyde in Taylor county was robbed in a similar manner last week, and the opinion is that the same parties robbed the Tokeen post office and that a band of robbers are operating in that country.

### Strayed or Stolen.

One bay mare heavy set, 14 hands high, two years old bay filly, eight months old sorrell colt, with chain on neck. Liberal reward for return or information leading to recovery.

W. G. Chapman.

Inquire or write to Owl Pharmacy, Ballinger, Texas. 2t

The Banner-Leader has lot of old papers at 20c per 100.

When you see Ernest Plummer think of insurance; when you think of insurance see Earnest Plummer.

Now is the time to invest in Winters real estate. The railroad has been secured and property will double. Write us for particulars. Rodgers & Hall, Winters, Tex.

## YOUR MONEYS WORTH OR YOUR MONEY BACK

That is our motto. We give value received and are always ready to demonstrate the same to any and all customers.

Good Groceries, Clean Groceries and Groceries that please is the kind we sell.

## Grain, Hay, Feed.

Our Store is headquarters for Grain, Hay and Feed.

## M. D. Chastain

Corner 8th and Hutchings Ave.

## Ballinger Dry Goods Co.

### Millinery and Dressy Suits

We want you to call and see the very best and the very latest styles to be found in

## FALL, WINTER MILLINERY

and Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Garments. You will be offered the very highest quality in these lines at lowest possible prices. We are the recognized headquarters for the correct things in MEN'S SUITS, OVERCOATS and FURNISHINGS

## Our Line of Fine Finished Footwear For Ladies and Gentlemen

has never been equalled in Ballinger. Our specialty is "QUALITY FIRST" in everything. Price is always a second consideration. We solicit your trade.

## Ballinger Dry Goods Company

## Window Glass

Prepare for cold weather by repairing those broken windows NOW. We carry a complete stock of glass, in both single and double strengths.

Also Wall Paper, Oils, Paints, Varnishes, Japalac and Liquid Veneer

## J. Y. PEARCE

The Leading Druggist

## The Jeanes Method

## DIRECT from PRODUCER to CONSUMER

A car of New Mexico apples just arrived. Colorado Irish potatoes. East Texas yellow yams. Onions and other produce constantly arriving and for sale from car or from our building on 7th street, next door to Ballinger Grain Co. We have a fine cider mill and make pure apple cider and vinegar . . . FREE DELIVERY

# TWO BIG CARS

## NEW FURNITURE

JUST ARRIVED AT

## LANKFORD & HATHAWAY'S

We bought in big lots and bought cheap. We will give you advantage of the saving. This is all new stuff. High Grade, first class Furniture. Call and see our line. Remember we can furnish your home from kitchen to parlor, and save you money on the bill.

J. E. BREWER  
THE JEWELER

Repairing

Novelties

Umbrellas

Eye Glasses

Repairing

Chinaware

Silverware

Cut Glass

Repairing

Clocks

Watches

Pens

Repairing

Brooches

Fobs

Chains

Repairing

Bracelets

Rings

Diamonds

## FARMERS FAVOR HOLDING COTTON

Plan to Market the Crop Gradually From Month to Month.

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 10.—Seven southern states were represented at the opening session today of the conference of growers, merchants and others whose interests are allied with the growth and marketing of cotton, called by President Harvie Jordan of the Southern Cotton association, to discuss the present lower tendency of the spot price of the staple and the recent spread of the operations of the so called "night riders," and agree to measures such as will act as a remedy to present conditions.

The keynote of the conference as brought out in the several addresses and discussions today is that the delegates are strongly in favor of holding back the balance of the present cotton crop, marketing it gradually from month to month, thereby hoping to enhance the price. Resolutions to this effect have been submitted to the proper committees.

President Jordan in his address urged that 10 cents be fixed as the minimum price for which the crop should be marketed and declared that by concert of action the price could be forced to this figure before the close of November. He advocated the formation of a chain of warehouses whose receipts would be accepted as collateral for short-time loans. He denounced night riding and urged the adoption of resolutions condemning all forms of lawlessness.

### Johnson Valley Locals.

Railroad work and cotton picking seems to be the gossip of the day, late cotton is opening fast while a few early crops are gathered. Early frost has damaged the late cotton to some extent but there will be lots of cotton anyway.

Health of the country is good. Sunday was a fine day and all who attended church at this place heard two fine sermons. Bro. Dunn preached in the morning and Bro. Turney preached his closing sermon for the year in the afternoon.

Baldwin young people have organized a literary and debating society at the school to meet every Friday night. The young orators discussed socialism last Friday night. The subject "Resolved we should have a social form of government," was very intelligently discussed for a short time with Charley Kirkpatrick, Lee Sowell and Mr. Jordan affirmative and Eugene Holshouser, Louis and Tom Sowell negative. These young men handled the subject well and not being satisfied with the decision decided to debate the same subject two weeks later.

Mr. Cornelius Chapman of this place was married on Sunday the 15th inst. to Miss Blackburn of Goldthwaite, the happy couple came in home Tuesday and will make their home in this community.

L. C. Chapman will move back to Winters this week. We regret to lose this good family from our community.

THELMA.

### Notes From Winters

John Maddox was a visitor to Winters Wednesday finding lots of business in his line and enjoying meeting many friends.

R. Smith left yesterday for Ballinger where he receives a car load of meat hogs which he bought in East Texas. He will bring them to his home near Winters and will sell them to the public.

Tom Hambrick with his six yoke ox team is now hauling stone for that big house of Dale's and when he drives in town automobiles are forgotten and everybody stops and looks at the steers.

J. S. Lackey came out from Ballinger Wednesday and at once found employment with Springfield Bros. Mr. Lackey is an experienced carpenter, and wants to do his part towards building a bigger and better Winters.

R. L. Bennett, of the Bennett Abstract Co., spent yesterday in Winters meeting old friends, making new ones and picking up a nice lot of business for his popular house. He was accompanied by Mrs. Bennett, who enjoyed the drive and the visit.

Mr. D. Reeder of the Reeder Hutton Lumber Co., spent yesterday in Winters and along with other business for his yard, he sold the bill of lumber for the hotel addition. He was accompanied by Mrs. Reeder and Miss Ella Ward who enjoyed the drive and the visit to Winters. They came in Mr. Reeder's automobile, making the 18 mile run in 40 minutes.—Winters Enterprise.

### Drink Pure Water

The majority of the sickness is attributed to drinking impure water. Drinking the pure kind is the only sure way to avoid being sick. The Arctic Ice and Fuel Company are sending out pure distilled water in five gallon bottles. They sell you a water book and you can order the water just as you need it. Phone the Ice Plant and ask about it.

### Large Land Owner Here

H. Clemens, of New Braunfels came in last Tuesday night accompanied by his wife and baby. Mr. Clemens is a member of a syndicate that owns many acres of land in Runnels county, and he will remain here until Christmas, and will be connected with C. A. Dooze in looking after the business of the firm.

### A Broken Back.

That pain in your back caused by lumbago, stiff muscles or a strain is an easy thing to get rid of. Ballard's Snow Liniment cures rheumatism, lumbago, sore and stiff muscles, strains, sprains cuts, burns, bruises, scalds and all aches and pains. You need a bottle in your house. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

### Never Disappoints

"Many extensively advertised remedies are failures when put to the test. Hunt's Lightning Oil is an exception. Confidence in it is never misplaced—disappointment never follows its use. It is surely the greatest emergency remedy now obtainable. For cuts, burns, sprains, aches and pains, I know no equal."

GEO. E. PADLCOK,  
Doniphan, Mo.

### Mystic Weavers,

Crowded out last week

Mrs. Joe Wilmeth contributed one of the smartest affairs of the season's whirl Wednesday afternoon, when she entertained that industrious Club, the Mystic Weavers, at her apartments at the Central Hotel.

Mrs. Wilmeth is such an original hostess and always provides some unique and appropriate amusement for her guests. And on this occasion a spirited contest of progressive needle threading was waged.

Spools of silk thread attached to a dainty needle book were given everyone, partners being those whose thread corresponded in color. Tables were provided with a generous supply of needles placed there on, and each tried furiously to excel her opponents.

Mrs. C. P. Shepherd captured first prize, a pair of gold handled scissors, having threaded 116 needles in the allotted time. Mrs. J. O. Grundy came a close second having threaded 112, and was awarded with a silver thimble. Mrs. Ed Walker won the booby, a ball of darning cotton.

A delicious salad course, with sherbert was served. The hostess was assisted in entertaining by Misses Nelle Miller, Franc Baker, Ethel Truly and Mesdames W. B. Halley, D. Reeder and Dawson.

### Whiskey Produces Curls.

A lady in our town says that she washes her girl's hair in whiskey to make it curl. She declares that it does make the hair curl nicely, and we have given some thought to the curling properties of the fluid and now understand that men staggering after an over washing of the interior of their stomachs with it is due to their legs curling; that the reason their articulation is not distinct is because their tongues get the full curling effect of the draught. Strange the curling qualities of booze were not detected before now.—Brady Enterprise.

Every child in Texas and the entire South should be made to go to school five days in the week and 10 months in the year. The present system of working women and children in the cotton fields is responsible for cotton selling under 10 cents per pound, and is virtually robbing the children of something far more precious than all the wealth gained by their parents. By eliminating them from the fields what would be the result? There would be less cotton made, but the price would not fall far short of 25 cents.—Stephenville Tribune.

### Sick Headache

This distressing disease results from a disordered condition of the stomach, and can be cured by taking Chamberlain's Stomach and liver tablets. Get a free sample at Walker Drug Co. and try it.

### For Thirty Years

"Inclosed find money order for one dollar for which please send me its worth in Simmons Liver Purifier, put up in tin boxes. I have been using the medicine for thirty years."

THOS. H. REILLY,  
Jonesville, La.

No comments necessary. Price 25c per box.

### The Home Builder is the Lucky Man

Which is the independent householder, the one who owns his own home or the one who must be ready with his rent every month when the collector calls? We don't have to offer \$5 reward for the answer. You know it without being told. Everybody knows it.

Knowing, why don't you own your own home?

Other people do it. Hundreds who are not making any more than you have done it, so it isn't for want of wealth. You may feel as though you were unable to save. But what others have done you can do. Now do it.

Some of us are so easy-going that the only way we can make money is to go into debt. But you never can do it by going in debt to the tailor or to the grocer or the bookmaker or the stock broker. The cent per cent loan man can't help you—or at any rate he won't. But there's one man who can and will, and that's the man who will arrange to trust you for a piece of land, or build you a house on a lot and let you pay for it on installments.

If you have money enough to buy a lot and put up a house you probably don't need much advice. All we will say is that you are foolish if you don't put that money into your own home.

If you have only the money to buy a lot, you are still lucky. Go out and pick out a place where you want to live. You can then borrow enough to put up a house—possibly on a first loan; if not, there are firms building houses on installment mortgages for just such people as you.

If you haven't a lot, or money enough to buy one where you want it you may still get one of the ready made houses that are sold on easy terms. All sorts of propositions are being made, some with little down and some with a good deal down. Among them all you can find one that you can carry.

Cut out your rent by putting

it into property. Thousands of our readers have paid out enough in rent in the last ten years to give them absolute ownership of a better house than they are living in today. Look back over the years since you started house-keeping, Reckon up the amount you have paid out for rent, with nothing to show for it. When you have figured this out resolve that in the next ten years you will work for yourself instead of for the rent collector.—San Angelo Standard.

A young man fell from the west bound Frisco Monday morning and came near losing his life. The train was so badly crowded he was forced to ride on the platform, and was holding to the railing. Some one in a brutal way caught and wrenched his right hand from its hold, and he was so cold and numb he did not have strength to maintain his hold with his left hand, and fell overboard. He was within 50 feet of a public road to which he crawled, where he laid down and waited until a farmer came along in a wagon. He was brought to Stephenville where a local railway surgeon attended him.—Stephenville Tribune.

The small depositor is welcome at this bank.—Citizens' National Bank.

### The Greatest Offer Ever Made

The Leader has made arrangements whereby we can give the Leader readers a large map 28x36 inches in three sheets, six pages showing the United States Texas, the world, and a lot of other valuable information. The map retails for \$1.50. It is printed on good heavy gloss map paper, is well clamped or bound at the top by a patent metal binding. We give the map absolutely free to every subscriber to the Leader and The Fort Worth Semi Weekly Record at the price of \$1.90 for the two papers. We will be glad to show you the map and give you this opportunity. We only have a limited number of the maps and the first comes gets them free.

### What Would You Do?

In case of a burn or scald what would you do to relieve the pain? Such injuries are liable to occur in any family and everyone should be prepared for them. Chamberlain's Salve applied on a soft cloth will relieve the pain almost instantly, and unless the injury is a very severe one, will cause the parts to heal without leaving a scar. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

## Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription

Is the best of all medicines for the cure of diseases, disorders and weaknesses peculiar to women. It is the only preparation of its kind devised by a regularly graduated physician—an experienced and skilled specialist in the diseases of women.

It is a safe medicine in any condition of the system.

**THE ONE REMEDY** which contains no alcohol and no injurious habit-forming drugs and which creates no craving for such stimulants.

**THE ONE REMEDY** so good that its makers are not afraid to print its every ingredient on each outside bottle-wrapper and attest to the truthfulness of the same under oath.

It is sold by medicine dealers everywhere, and any dealer who hasn't it can get it. Don't take a substitute of unknown composition for this medicine of known composition. No counterfeit is as good as the genuine and the druggist who says something else is "just as good as Dr. Pierce's" is either mistaken or is trying to deceive you for his own selfish benefit. Such a man is not to be trusted. He is trifling with your most priceless possession—your health—may be your life itself. See that you get what you ask for.



## Try It Again

Was your bank account wiped out during the recent money stringency?

Don't be discouraged. Success consists not in falling down but in rising every time you fall. Open a new account again as soon as you can. Paying by check is always safer and more business like.

This bank will be glad to have your account, no matter how small.

We pay liberal interest on Saving Accounts and Time certificates.

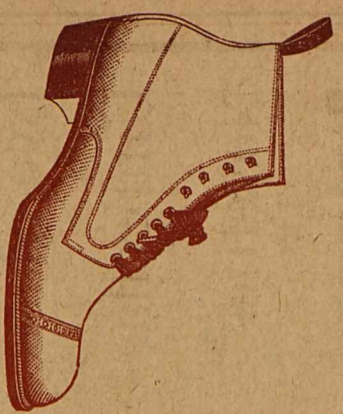
## THE CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER

"The bank that does things for you."

Come Saturday. Be on hand and get in on the "ground floor" of this great Red Tag Sale. Come every day and you will profit by the coming. A dazzling array of irresistible bargains will greet you at each visit. Every particle and every article of these mammoth stocks offered in this Red Tag Sale has the stamp of merit and carries our absolute guarantee for dependability. Every article a good one and every price a low one, marked in plain figures on the Red Tag. All you have to do is to come and see the cut made in prices, see the value of the goods, and you will be convinced that this is the greatest money saving sale that was ever put on in Ballinger.

### Men's Womens', Children

**Shoes**  
 \$1.50 men shoes, Red Tag sale price 1.10  
 \$2.50 men shoes, Red Tag sale price 1.90  
 \$3.50 men's shoes, Red Tag sale price 2.90  
 \$5.00 men's shoes, Red Tag sale price 4.10  
 \$6.00 and \$6.50 men's shoes, Red Tag sale price 4.65



### Men's, Women's and Children's Hose

Men's 10c gray mixed sox, Red Tag price 7c  
 Men's 10c and 15c black and tan half hose, Red Tag sale price 7c  
 Men's 25c and 35c black tan and fancy half hose, Red Tag sale price 18c  
 Men's 50c black, tan and fancy half hose, Red Tag sale price 38c  
 Ladies' 10c gray mixed hose, Red Tag sale price only 7c  
 Ladies' 10c and 15c black and tan hose, Red Tag sale price only 7c  
 Ladies' 25c and 35c black, tan and fancy hose Red Tag sale price only 18c  
 Ladies 50c black, tan and fancy hose, Red Tag sale price 38c  
 Children's 10c and 15c black and tan ribbed hose, Red Tag sale price 7c

### SPECIAL NOTICE

Our store will be closed Friday to re-arrange stock and mark Red Tag Prices.

### Men's and Boys' Hats

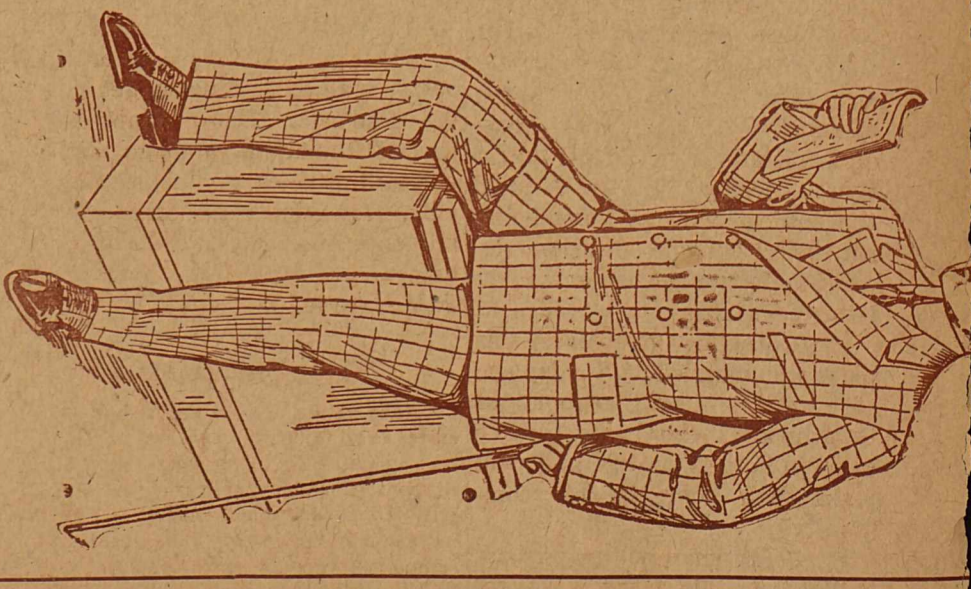
Big job lot at for choice 25c  
 Big job lot at for choice 50c  
 \$1.50 Men's hats, Red Tag price \$1.10  
 \$2.50 Men's hats, Red Tag price \$1.65  
 \$3.50 Men's hats, Red Tag price \$2.35

### Clothing for Everybody

\$6.00 men's suits, Red Tag price 3.90  
 \$8.50 men's suits, Red Tag price 4.90  
 \$10 and \$12.50 men's suits, Red Tag price 7.90  
 \$15 and \$20 men's suits, Red Tag price 11.90  
 Big line youths' and boys' suits at same portion of discount.  
 Big line of youths' and men's overcoats will go at less than wholesale cost.  
**Woolen Dress Goods**  
 All New Goods and Latest Patterns  
 50c values, Red Tag sale price only 38c  
 75c values, Red Tag sale price only 58c  
 \$1.00 values, Red Tag sale price only 88c  
 \$1.25 and \$1.50 values Red Tag sale price 98c

### Wool Over-Shirts

Men's \$1.00 blue and gray over-shirts, Red Tag sale price 75c  
 Men's \$1.50 blue, tan and gray over-shirts, Red Tag sale price 1.15  
 Men's \$2.00 blue, tan and gray shirts, Red Tag sale price \$1.65  
 Men's \$2.50 blue, tan and gray shirts, Red Tag sale price 1.75  
 Boys' \$1.60 blue over-shirts, Red Tag sale price only 75c  
 Big line of Men's Fancy Vests will be put in this Red Tag Sale at less than wholesale cost. Trunks and Suit Cases—A large assortment. All go at reduced prices.



## RED TAG FURNITURE SALE

This is Prosperity year, and it is a year when you will want to add handsome and comfortable furniture to your home. We are going to make this possible by including in our Red Tag Sale our big stock of nice furniture which is located in the building under the opera house. The knife will be used here and the profit cut and a Red Tag, marked in plain figures, attached to every piece of furniture to tell you of the great cut in prices. We must turn some of this stock into cash, and to make sure we will include this department in our Red Tag Sale

### Furnish Your Home

### We help bear the cost

Shrewd shoppers—those who appreciate the value of a dollar—will quickly realize the wisdom in buying where the Red Tags cover up the high prices and make money saving easy.

Iron beds, regular price \$2.65, Red Tag price 1.45  
 Iron beds, regular price \$3.50, Red Tag price 1.95  
 Iron beds, regular price \$4.50, Red Tag price 2.45  
 Bed springs, best spring steel, regular price \$2.50, sale price 1.35  
 Full size mattress, regular price \$2.50, sale price 1.85  
 Full size mattress, regular price \$3.50, sale price 2.65  
 Rocking chairs, regular price \$1.25, sale price 85c  
 Dining chairs, regular price \$1.00, sale price 75c  
 Kitchen safes, regular price \$4.50, sale price 3.00

### The RED TAGS

### Tell the Whole Story

When you see the Red Tag on any article you will know the price is cut to the core and means a saving to you. This entire stock of furniture goes in this sale to the first that come.

Bed room suit, regular price \$25.00, sale price 17.00  
 Bed room suit, regular price \$35.00, sale price 22.50  
 Folding beds, regular price \$25.00, sale price 17.00  
 Chiffoneers, regular price \$10.00, sale price 6.50  
 Baby buggies, regular price \$10.00, sale price 6.00  
 Odd dressers, regular price \$10.00, sale price 6.35  
 Children's high chairs and rockers 40c to 75c  
 Wall paper at your own price to close out.  
 New and second hand sewing machines from \$2.00 up to close out.

WE HAVE ALREADY EMPLOYED A LARGE FORCE OF EXPERIENCED CLERKS TO HELP IN THIS GREAT RED TAG SALE

### Men Pants and Overalls

Best blue Denim overalls and coats, sold at \$1.00, Red Tag price only 75c  
 Good blue Denim overalls and coats, sold at 75c, Red Tag price only 50c  
 Children's Brownies only 20c  
 \$1.50 men's pants, Red Tag price 95c  
 \$2.00 men's pants, Red Tag price 1.25  
 \$3.00 men's pants, Red Tag price 2.15  
 \$5.00 men's pants, Red Tag price 3.35

### Notion Department

Good pearl buttons per dozen only 3c  
 Wire hair pins per package only 1c  
 Brass pins per paper only 3c  
 Silkaine croquet cotton per spool only 3c  
 Safety pins per dozen only 3c  
 Talcum powder per box only 5c  
 Good toilet soap per cake only 3c  
 Williams' shaving soap per cake only 3c  
 Whitmore's shoe polish and paste only 7c

### Staple Department

All staple brands calicoes at per yard 4c  
 Se brown domestic, Red Tag price per yd 4c  
 8c brown domestic, Red Tag price yd 5c  
 10-4 bleached sheeting, Red Tag price yd 25c  
 Best outing flannel, regular 10c and 15c, sale price only 8c  
 8c shirting, Red Tag price 6c  
 Danville cotton plaid, Red Tag price 4c  
 Regular 10c and 15c Canton flannels, Red Tag sale price 9c  
 Yard wide bleached domestic, sells everywhere at 10c, Red Tag price only 7c

### Men's Furnishing Goods

Men's heavy fleeced lined shirts and drawers, regular price 65c, only 40c  
 Men's heavy ribbed underwear, sold at \$1.25, per garment only 80c  
 Big line men's Negligee dress shirts, 65c and 75c grade goes at 40c  
 Big line men's Negligee dress shirts, (Cinnett make) \$1.00 to \$1.25 grade goes at 85c  
 Large assortment men's ties, 25c to 75c kind, sale price one half.

For 15 Days

Fortune Favors that Man or Woman Who Investigates

For 15 Days

This is an opportunity so unusual, so phenomenal, that it behooves the most careless to stop and consider and investigate. People who are economical will grasp the great opportunity to secure their needs for this and the incoming season. You may be just as certain of the greatest savings ever known as that the sun will shine. Remember the opening day **Saturday Morning, Nov. 14th, at 9 o'clock**

# LONG BROTHERS

Eighth and Railroad Streets

Ballinger, Texas

# LONG BROTHERS' GREAT RED TAG SALE

## RED TAGS

Every line in this magnificent stock offers its unmatched opportunities. Red Tags tell the story of price-wrecking better than any writer can convey. We warn you to secure your portion of the vast offerings made possible by this store's "sagacity." See the message of economy to be read on the Red Tags

## TWO STOCKS---DRY GOODS and FURNITURE

# Beginning Saturday, Nov. 14

## AT NINE O'CLOCK

## RED TAGS

Hundreds of convincing, undisputable facts. Prices backed up by the merchandise, fully demonstrating and exemplifying our aim in underselling all others. Stronger than any words are the powerful messages of economy to be found in this great sale on the Red Tags. "Seeing is believing"



**T**HE CLIMAX of value-giving that surpasses all previous efforts in the annals of merchandising in Ballinger or the Western country. A sale of passing marvel. The "profit-destroying" Red Tag has been attached to every item and every article in these splendid stocks. We are going to give the people a rousing bargain feast of Fifteen days duration, a sale that will eclipse in value-giving any similar event ever before attempted in this city. We have the goods and will make the bargains. Every effort will be put forth to make this great sale a huge success. Money is what we want, and money we must have. We are going to convert these stocks of goods into cash regardless of cost, and our loss will be your gain. We have thousands of dollars worth of under-bought standard Merchandise that will be thrown into this great Red Tag Sale at prices a great deal under value, and in many instances at less than the actual cost of production.

Saturday Morning, November 14, at 9 o'Clock, Our Doors Will Swing Open for You to Get a Chance at a Grand Display

### A Creed,

I believe that happiness is not a matter of dollars, not a condition of society, but a condition of mind. You can be happy if you will.

I believe that success is a matter of inspiration and enthusiasm. Without these there can be no success.

I believe in the common people. They are more honest, more faithful, more true. There are so many people now trying to be intellectual giants that the simplicity and naturalness of the unlearned is restful.

I believe in the out of doors. It rests and fortifies me to withstand the fool's life in the city, where men labor in the fever and dirt.

I believe in the great teachers—but the greatest of all teachers is our mother. Her truths have remained immutable, her words of wisdom unimpeachable still.

I believe in my fellow men—not absolutely, not promiscuously, but to that degree in which I should expect them to believe in me.

I believe in cheerfulness. It is the sesame that leads to peace and comfort. It puts emphasis on a man's stomach rather than wrinkles in his brow. I prefer the surcingle class for mine.

I believe in some women—sometimes—and I would suggest that women believe in men likewise. Men, women and apples are not all perfect. Some must

have specks and yellow streaks.

I believe in making all the money I can and canning a part of it. The rest I believe in spending for the tillation of my gratification and in the payment of my wife's liberal millinery bills. I cannot travel this life's road again and I want to see some of the side-shows as I go along. At the same time I do not want to forget that some of the best shows may be away up at the end of the road.

I believe in bulldogs and whist, a fireplace and a book (if I may select it) and enough nights in society to keep my wife from hating home.

There are a lot more things in which I believe, but I believe this should suffice for one declaration of principle.

## THE "BRONICAL ZOO"

Uncle Hicks' Visit to New York.

"Uncle" Hicks, who drives the omnibus of one of the Adirondack resorts, is doing a roaring trade these days. Every run the omnibus makes between the station and the hotel sees every seat occupied, and there is an early rush to get the dickey seat with old "Uncle," in the hope that he will hold forth on his recent marvelous experiences in and about New York.

"Uncle" Hicks, he it known, has lived in the mountains for 75 years, and since his week in the "metropolis" he is inclined to say, with Chevalier, "It don't seem a day too much." But the mountain resort was thrown into consternation one morning last week when "Uncle" Hicks appeared at the station with a carpet bag, wearing his go-to-meeting raiment and minus the omnibus.

"Me?" he said, with the air of a man who has made up his mind. "I'm going to N'Yawk. I been thinkin' o' doin' it f'r th' las' 28 years—an' now I'm doin' it," he added, firmly.

And so "Uncle" Hicks departed with his carpet bag. The engine driver and the conductors knew "Uncle" Hicks and felt honored. "Uncle" was honored, too, for the engine tooted as he got aboard, and tooted vociferously when "Uncle" Hicks came back. There was a delegation of Adirondackers to meet him. Also the omnibus was waiting.

The Adirondackers who had crowded in to hear the wonderful tale were disappointed. "Uncle" Hicks chewed a "metropolis" cigar and gazed blankly at the landscape. He did vouchsafe a remark to the effect that "Summer seems ter be a bit late up this way."

Then the rush fell off and a reporter took advantage of an empty omnibus to get on the dickey. He approached the subject with reportorial tact. The impressions of a man who had waited 75 years before visiting the metropolis could not fail to be interesting from a psychological standpoint. The reporter recalled the first time he himself had seen the inside of the Hippodrome.

"The Hippodrome!" said "Uncle" Hicks, with a start of recollection. "I went thar twicet. The stage o' thar thar place is about 280 feet long and about 80 or 90 feet wide. I seen it in the program book. An' thar's a tank in it ye cu'd shoot, duck in. I seen more animiles—parformin' animiles—in thar thar place—"

"But whut tuk me—talkin' of animiles—was that Bronical Zoo?"

"The what did you say, uncle?"

"I said the Bronical Zoo," said "Uncle" Hicks, with a glare. "By dum, I seen animiles thar that I don't believe is livin' any other place. I seen a thing they call a zebra, which is just a blame mule painted up to look queer. But I know hosskind, an' it didn't fool me."

"I seen a sea lion, too. That was genuine, all right, 'cause it hadn't no feet. It flapped up on the rocks an' howled like mad. That's a dum queer beast. I must ha' looked at that beast for an hour 'n a quarter."

"Did you see the snakes, uncle?"

"Naw, I didn't," said "Uncle" Hicks. "I don't love them things well enough to go an' look at them for fun. But I seen a thing thar I wantit to ask someb'dy abaout. It was a bird—I reck'n it was meant for a bird—an' it had a bill like a shovel."

"Was it a toucan, uncle?"

"Naw, it warn't no toucan."

"Maybe it was a duck-mole."

"Now, it warn't no duck-mole, neither."

The reporter tried a few more, but in vain.

"Anyhow, it was a dum queer beast," said "Uncle" Hicks, with an air of finality. "Reck'n they got every blame thing on airth thar. They even got skunks."

"You must have gone in the subway to get there?" suggested the reporter.

"The subway," said uncle with a frown. "The way they hustle a man in thar place is a disgrace."

"But New York itself, uncle? How about Broadway?"

"Pretty fair town," said uncle, indifferently. "But I was disapp'inted some. Ye wud think t' hear folk talk it was a dum bad place f'r accidents an' murders and thieves. But I never lost a cent while I was thar, 'cept in one o' them blame slot m'chines. It either was a swindle or it wusn't workin'. But I went to a busy corner on Broadway and stood thar 15 minutes. I seen 30 trolley cars pass—I counted 'em—an' dezzens of automobiles and kerridges an' waggins—an' there wusn't a blame accident that I cu'd see."

"I went to a show on Broad Way, too. It was called 'A Day f'r a Night,' an' was a dum good show too."

"But what did you think of the tall buildings, uncle?"

"Uncle" Hicks turned a suspicious eye on the reporter.

"Funny thing," said he, "that everybody asks me that. Anyhow as everybody seems t' want t' know, they look mighty dang'rous t' me, but I reck'n the fellows that built 'em knew what they wur abaout."

"But talkin' about that Bronical Zoo—"

"And where did you live when you were in New York, Uncle Hicks?" the reporter interrupted.

"Why, I lived with my son. He's doin' well, my son, an' he's married an' got a little boy—my grandson—an' he lives on Central park west. He give me a pretty good time, my son did."

### TAKING NO CHANCES.



Evelyn—Don't you think, Harold, that June is a common month to get married in? Almost all the weddings take place that month.

Harold—Well, what's the matter with July, then?

Evelyn—No; let's make it the twentieth.

### The Viewpoint.

The pitiful pig in the sty  
May suppose that the patch of the sky  
Which it sees as it looks from the place  
Wherein it is narrowly pent,  
Is the end and beginning of space,  
Comprises the sky's whole extent.

The man who has never strayed far  
From where his poor interests are,  
May think the small spot where he  
Strains,

With never a thrill or a smile,  
Is the world's widest realm and contains  
All that may be counted worth while.  
—S. E. Kiser.

### Feminine Generalship.

Miss De Fashion (breathlessly)—  
Oh, mother! It won't do to wait three  
weeks before having my party. We  
must send out the invitations at once,  
and have it this week.

Mrs. De Fashion—Goodness me!  
What's the hurry?

Miss De Fashion—That odious Miss  
De Vere, whom Mr. Richfellow, so  
much admires, has a wart on her  
nose.—New York Weekly.

### Echoes of the Past.

William the Conqueror had just won  
the battle of Hastings.

"Well," he said, "I guess we may as  
well put up the sign, 'This Country  
Has Changed Hands.'"

Which, when you consider the fact  
that the country was under his heel,  
shows that William was lamentably  
careless and inexact in his rhetoric.—  
Chicago Tribune.

### Tommy Explains.

"Tommy, you have been to church  
two Sunday mornings in succession,  
that is doing splendidly—for you."

"Yes'm. Last Sunday the preacher  
was going to talk about Jonah an' the  
whale, but he only talked about Jonah.  
Said he'd preach the rest of it to-day,  
and I had to go again to-day to hear  
about the whale."—Chicago Tribune.

### Refined Torture.

"Lil, you just ought to have heard  
how Miss Capsicum talked the other  
day when she was real mad. You  
missed."

"What did she say, Jen?"

"Gracious! You don't expect me to  
say the dreadful things she said, do  
you?"—Chicago Tribune.

THE STATE OF TEXAS—By virtue of  
an order of Sale, issued out of the Hon-  
orable District Court of Runnels county,  
on Second day of November A.D. 1908  
by the Clerk thereof, in the case of  
D. J. Jones plaintiff versus W. H. Boren,  
and G. W. Johnston, Hardy  
Cabe and T. P. Weathered. No. 952,  
and to me as Sheriff, directed and del-  
ivered, I will proceed to sell for cash,  
within the hours prescribed by law for  
Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in  
December A.D. 1908 it being the First  
day of said month, before the Court  
House door of Said Runnels County, in  
the town of Ballinger the following de-  
scribed property, to-wit:

All of block number four (4) in  
Reader's Addition to the Town of Bal-  
linger, Runnels county, Texas levied on  
as the property of W. H. Boren, G.  
W. Johnston, Hardy Cabe, and T. P.  
Weathered to satisfy judgment amount-  
ing to \$1,008.50 in favor of D. J. Jones  
and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this second  
day of November A.D. 1908.

R. P. KIRK, Sheriff.

### Sheriff's Sale

THE STATE OF TEXAS—By virtue  
of an order of sale, issued out of the  
Honorable District Court of Runnels  
County, on 2nd day of Nov. A.D. 1908,  
by the Clerk thereof, in the case of G.  
B. Peers versus B. B. Andrews, M. E.  
Andrews, Jo Wilmeth and The Citizens  
National Bank of Ballinger, No. 940,  
and to me, as Sheriff, directed and del-  
ivered, I will proceed to sell for cash,  
within the hours prescribed by law for  
Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in  
December A.D. 1908, it being the 1st  
day of said month, before the Court  
House door of said Runnels County, in  
the town of Ballinger the following de-  
scribed property, to-wit:

Two Hundred and Fifty six acres of  
and situated in Runnels County, Texas,  
known as the Sterling Sansom Survey

No. 101½, beginning at the S. E. cor-  
ner of A. J. Loverly Survey, a stake  
from which a mesquite brs. N. 32½ E.  
27 varas, another brs. N. 76 W. 45  
varas; Thence east with north line of  
Beaty Seale & Forwood Survey 1128  
varas to N. E. corner of same; Thence  
north 1279 varas to stake in west line  
of H. & G. N. R. R. Sur. No. 18;  
Thence west 1128 varas to a stake in  
east line of A. J. Loverly Survey;  
Thence south 1279 varas to the place of  
beginning. Levied on as the property  
of said B. B. and M. E. Andrews, to  
satisfy a judgment amounting to  
\$5888.40 in favor of G. B. Peers, and a  
judgment in favor of The Citizens  
National Bank of Ballinger for the  
\$1018.52 and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 2nd day of  
Nov. A.D. 1908.

R. P. KIRK, Sheriff.  
Runnels County, Texas.

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A simple suit to foreclose a Vendors Lien developed the  
facts that two men in Winters were claiming the same prop-  
erty, both had deeds to it too.

Result was

Case continued one day, and this firm made an abstract  
for Plaintiff's Lawyers. By means of that Abstract, the law-  
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complete.

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do it right now, too.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS, By virtue  
 COUNTY OF RUNNELS of an Order of Sale, issued out of the  
 of an Order of Sale, issued out of the  
 Honorable District Court of Runnels  
 County, on 3rd day of Nov. A.D. 1908  
 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of  
 Julia C. McMinn versus Louis Pavlicek  
 et al. No. 909, and to me, as Sheriff,  
 directed and delivered, I will proceed  
 to sell for cash, within the hours pre-  
 scribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on  
 the First Tuesday in December, A.D.  
 1908, it being the 1st day of said month,  
 before the Court House door of said  
 Runnels County, in the City of Ballin-  
 ger the following described property, to-wit:

Lot No one (1) in block No. fifteen  
 (15) in the town of Miles, Runnels  
 County, Texas, as shown upon the  
 map of the plan of said town now on  
 file in the office of the County Clerk of  
 Runnels County, Texas, said town of  
 Miles being a part of the T. & N. O.  
 R. R. Co. Sur. No. 86, Pat. No. 412,  
 Cert. No. 1089, levied on as the prop-  
 erty of the defendant, Louis Pavlicek,  
 to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$65.38  
 in favor of The Citizens Building &  
 Loan Co. and all costs of suit; and a  
 further judgment amounting to \$327.30  
 in favor of Julia C. McMinn, and costs  
 of suit.

Given under my hand, this 4th day  
 of Nov. A.D. 1908.

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The Wood and Coal Dealer  
 handles the best grade of  
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I am prepared with a new and  
 up-to-date outfit to move your  
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**A. F. Voss**

ALL KINDS OF  
**INSURANCE**

OFFICE OVER  
 Citizens National Bank,

**Sheriff's Sale**

THE STATE OF TEXAS, By virtue  
 COUNTY OF RUNNELS of an Order of Sale, issued out of the  
 of an Order of Sale, issued out of the  
 Honorable District Court of Runnels  
 County, on second day of November  
 A.D. 1908, by the Clerk thereof, in the  
 case of William Dobrowski, plaintiff  
 versus W. H. Boren, K. V. Northing-  
 ton, C. S. Woodward, C. W. Northing-  
 ton, E. B. White and R. F. Golden,  
 No. 946, and to me, as Sheriff, directed  
 and delivered, I will proceed to sell for  
 cash, within the hours prescribed by  
 law for Sheriff's Sale, on the First  
 Tuesday in December A.D. 1908, it  
 being the First day of said month,  
 before the Court House door of said  
 Runnels County in the Town of Ballin-  
 ger the following described property, to-wit:

Lots number three-four and five in  
 block number one. Lot number twenty  
 in block number five. Lots number  
 one-two-five-six-seven and eight in  
 block number six. Lots numbers two-  
 three-four-five-eight and nine in block  
 number seven. Lots two-three-four  
 five and six in block number eight.  
 Lots numbers one-two-three-eight-nine  
 and ten in block number ten. Lot ten  
 in block number eleven. Lot number  
 one-two-three-four-five-six and seven in  
 block number twelve. Lots numbers  
 one-two-three-four-five-six-seven-eight  
 nine and ten in Block number thirteen,  
 and lots numbers seven, eight and nine  
 in block number eight, all of said lots  
 situated in Woodward Heights Addition  
 to the Town of Ballinger, in Runnels  
 County, Texas, levied on as the prop-  
 erty of W. H. Boren, K. V. Northing-  
 ton, C. S. Woodward, C. W. Northing-  
 ton, E. B. White and R. F. Golden to  
 satisfy a judgment amounting to \$3712.00  
 in favor of William Dobrowski and costs  
 of suit.

Given under my hand, this second  
 day of November AD. 1908.

R. P. KIRK, Sheriff.

**Sheriff's Sale**

THE STATE OF TEXAS—By virtue  
 COUNTY OF RUNNELS of an Order of Sale, issued out of the  
 of an Order of Sale, issued out of the  
 Honorable District Court of Runnels  
 County, on Second day of November  
 A.D. 1908, by the Clerk thereof, in the  
 case of W. W. Allen, plaintiff versus  
 J. B. Royalty and J. F. Ross No. 899,  
 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and de-  
 livered, I will proceed to sell for cash,  
 within the hours prescribed by law for  
 Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in  
 December A.D. 1908, it being the First  
 day of said month, before the Court  
 House door of said Runnels County, in  
 the town of Ballinger the following  
 described property, to-wit:

Lots numbers Eleven and Twelve  
 (11 & 12) in block number four (4) and  
 lot number one (1) in block number  
 eight (8) in Sunny Side Addition to the  
 Town of Ballinger, Runnels County  
 Texas, levied on as the property of  
 J. B. Royalty and J. F. Ross, defend-  
 ants to satisfy a judgment amounting  
 to \$36.75 in favor of W. W. Allen  
 and cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this second  
 day of November A.D. 1908.

R. P. KIRK, Sheriff.

**Sheriff's Sale.**

THE STATE OF TEXAS, By virtue  
 COUNTY OF RUNNELS of an Order of Sale, issued out of the  
 of an Order of Sale, issued out of the  
 Honorable District Court of Runnels  
 County, on second day of November  
 A.D. 1908, by the Clerk thereof, in the  
 case of Nick Stalworth, plaintiff versus  
 J. D. Tarver, defendant No. 950, and  
 to me, as Sheriff, directed and deliv-  
 ered, I will proceed to sell for cash,  
 within the hours prescribed by law for  
 Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday  
 in December A.D. 1908, it being the  
 First day of said month, before the  
 Court House door of said Runnels  
 County, in the town of Ballinger the  
 following described property, to-wit:

Three hundred and twenty acres of  
 land situated in Runnels County, Texas,  
 out of a six hundred and forty acre  
 tract known as the abstract No. 53,  
 Survey No. 515 originally granted to  
 The Buffalo Bayou-Brazos & Colorado  
 Rail Road Company, said three hun-  
 dred and twenty acres bounded as fol-  
 lows:---Beginning at a pile of stone the  
 north east corner of survey No. 515,  
 and the south west corner of survey  
 No. 516; Thence west 950 varas to  
 stone set in ground for north west  
 corner of this tract; Thence south 1900  
 varas to a stone set in the ground in  
 original south boundary line of this  
 survey for south west corner of this  
 tract; Thence east 950 varas to a stone  
 mound the original south east corner  
 of this survey and the north east  
 corner of Washington County survey  
 No. 9; Thence north 1900 varas to the  
 place of beginning, levied on as the  
 property of J. D. Tarver, the defend-  
 ant to satisfy a judgment amounting  
 to \$4787.00 in favor of Nick Stalworth  
 and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this second  
 day of November A. D. 1908.

R. P. KIRK, Sheriff.

Live Oak Flour the best.  
 Try a sack from Miller  
 Mercantile Co.

**Sheriff's Sale**

THE STATE OF TEXAS, By virtue  
 COUNTY OF RUNNELS of a certain Order of Sale issued out of  
 of a certain Order of Sale issued out of  
 the Honorable District Court of  
 Runnels County, on the fifth day of  
 November 1908, by R A Terry Clerk of  
 said Court against, W. F. Borders for  
 the sum of Four Thousand Eight Hun-  
 dred Eighteen and 35-100, (\$4818 35-100)  
 dollars and costs of suit, in cause No.  
 913 in said Court styled C S Miller  
 versus W F Borders et al and placed in  
 my hands for service, I, R P Kirk as  
 Sheriff of Runnels County, Texas did  
 on the 5th day of November 1908 levy  
 on certain Real Estate, situated in  
 Runnels County, described as follows,  
 to-wit:

480 acres of land, being all of a sur-  
 vey of 640 acres originally granted to  
 the S P R R Co. by virtue of certificate  
 No. 16-213 Patented to W J Hutchings  
 April 8th 1873 by Patent No. 429, vol. 6  
 known as Abstract No. 446, and Survey  
 No. 19, save and except the S. E.  
 quarter of said section, the said S. E.  
 quarter of said section, to which said  
 order of sale does not apply is described  
 as follows: Beginning at S. E. corner  
 of said survey No. 19; Thence west 954  
 vrs. stake for corner; Thence N. 990 3/4  
 vrs to stone for corner; Thence E. 954  
 vrs. to stone in E. B. line; Thence S.  
 990 3/4 vrs. to place of beginning, and  
 levied upon as the property of said  
 W. F. Borders. And on Tuesday, the  
 First day of December 1908, at the  
 Court House door, of Runnels County,  
 in the city of Ballinger, Texas, between  
 the hours of ten A. M. and four P. M.  
 I will sell said 480 acres of land at  
 public vendue, for cash, to the highest  
 bidder, as the property of said W. F.  
 Borders by virtue of said levy and said  
 Order of Sale.

And in compliance with law, I give  
 this notice by publication, in the En-  
 glish language, once a week for three  
 consecutive weeks immediately preced-  
 ing said day of sale, in the Banner-  
 Leader a newspaper published in Runnels  
 County.  
 Witness my hand this 5th day of Nov.  
 1908.

R. P. KIRK, Sheriff,  
 Runnels County.

**Sheriff's Sale**

THE STATE OF TEXAS, By virtue  
 COUNTY OF RUNNELS of a certain Order of Sale issued out of  
 of a certain Order of Sale issued out of  
 the Honorable District Court of Run-  
 nels County, on the 5th day of Nov.  
 1908, by R. A. Terry Clerk of said  
 Court against, Adolph Pavlicek and  
 Lewis Pavlicek, Wm. Lehr, Ed Lehr,  
 Emma Lehr, R. Blannar and Mary Blannar  
 for the sum of two thousand two hundred  
 and twenty (\$2220.00) dollars interest  
 and costs of suit, in cause No. 924 in  
 said Court, styled Rasbury & Bruce  
 versus Ad. Pavlicek and placed in my  
 hands for service, I, R. P. Kirk as  
 Sheriff of Runnels County, Texas, did  
 on the 5th day of November 1908 levy  
 on certain Real Estate, situated in  
 Runnels County, described as follows,  
 to-wit:

Lot No. 4 in block No. 4, lot 4 and 5  
 in block 5, lots Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 in  
 block No. 6, lots 4, 5, and 6 in block 7,  
 Lots 1 and 2 in block No. 9, lots Nos.  
 1, 2, 3, 7 and 8 in block No. 11, lots 9  
 and 10 in block No. 12, in Pavlicek and  
 Buciks Second Addition to the town of  
 Rowena, said County of Runnels Texas.  
 Also lot No. 13 in Pavlicek and Buciks  
 first addition to said town of Rowena.  
 Reference is made to the map of said  
 addition to said town on file in the  
 County Clerks office of said Runnels  
 and levied upon as the property of said  
 Adolph and Lewis Pavlicek. And on  
 Tuesday, the first day of December  
 1908, at the Court House door of Run-  
 nels County, in the City of Ballinger  
 Texas, between the hours of ten A. M.  
 and four P. M. I will sell said above  
 described lots at public vendue, for  
 cash, to the highest bidder, as the  
 property of said Adolph and Lewis  
 Pavlick by virtue of said levy and said  
 Order of Sale.

And in compliance with law, I give  
 this notice by publication, in the  
 English language, once a week for three  
 consecutive weeks immediately preced-  
 ing said day of sale, in the Banner-  
 Leader a newspaper published in Run-  
 nels County.

Witness my hand, this 5th day of  
 November 1908.

R. P. KIRK, Sheriff,  
 Runnels County.

**COMFORTING WORDS.**

**Many a Ballinger Household Will Find Them So.**

To have the pains and aches of  
 a bad back removed; to be en-  
 tirely free from annoying,  
 dangerous urinary disorders is  
 enough to make any kidney  
 sufferer grateful. To tell how  
 this great change can be brought  
 about will prove comforting  
 words to hundreds of Ballinger  
 readers.

W. S. McDermitt, living in the  
 Eastern part of San Angelo,  
 Texas, says: "For about four  
 years my back and kidneys gave  
 me considerable trouble. Every  
 time I caught cold it settled in  
 my kidneys and a dull aching  
 through the small of my back  
 would follow. My work requires  
 me to be on my feet the greater  
 part of the time and in a stooped  
 position. This served to aggrava-  
 te my trouble and kept me in  
 misery. Being advised by a  
 friend to try Doan's Kidney  
 Pills I procured a box. I used  
 them for a short time and was  
 relieved of my complaint. Doan's  
 Kidney Pills deserve a trial by  
 all sufferers of kidney  
 trouble."

For sale by all dealers. Price  
 50 cents. Foster Milburn Co.,  
 Buffalo, N. Y., sole agent  
 for the United States.  
 Remember the name—Doan's—  
 and take no other.

**Sheriff's Sale.**

THE STATE OF TEXAS By virtue  
 COUNTY OF RUNNELS of an Order of Sale, issued out of the  
 of an Order of Sale, issued out of the  
 Honorable District Court of Runnels  
 County, on second day of November  
 A.D. 1908, by the Clerk thereof, in the  
 case D. J. Jones and A. T. Rider, plain-  
 tiffs versus G. W. Johnston and  
 Hardy Cabe, defendants No. 953, and  
 to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered  
 I will proceed to sell for cash within  
 the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's  
 Sales, on the First Tuesday in Decem-  
 ber A.D. 1908, it being the First day  
 of said month, before the Court House  
 door of said Runnels County, in the  
 town of Ballinger, the following de-  
 scribed property, to-wit:

All of block number four (4) in  
 Reeder's Addition to the Town of Bal-  
 linger Runnels County, Texas, levied  
 on as the property of G. W. Johnston  
 and Hardy Cabe to satisfy a judgment  
 amounting to \$699.00 in favor of D. J.  
 Jones and A. T. Rider and cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this second  
 day of November A.D. 1908.

R. P. KIRK, Sheriff.

See our line of wagon harness.  
 R. L. Shaffer.

**Her Heart Was Broken**

because her complexion was  
 bad and she could find nothing  
 to clear it up. Ladies: a bad  
 complexion is caused by an  
 inactive liver. An inactive liver  
 will be put in perfect condition  
 by taking Ballard's Herbine.  
 The unequalled liver regulator.  
 Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

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We wish to call your  
 attention to our show  
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 splendid line of mus-  
 ical instruments. We  
 have some special bar-  
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- Mandolins
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- Violins
- Banjoes
- Accordions
- Harps
- Strings
- Keys
- Bridges
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- Rosin

Call and see us when  
 you want anything in  
 the drug line. "We're  
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 health."

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 Free delivery in city.

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Suits made to fit you, \$12.00 up  
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 We do all kinds of Cleaning,  
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is across the pathway of every man. It is just ahead of many,  
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Some carry keys, others who do not, turn away regretfully  
 and realize that the chance of a life time has slipped away from  
 them. LISTEN!!!

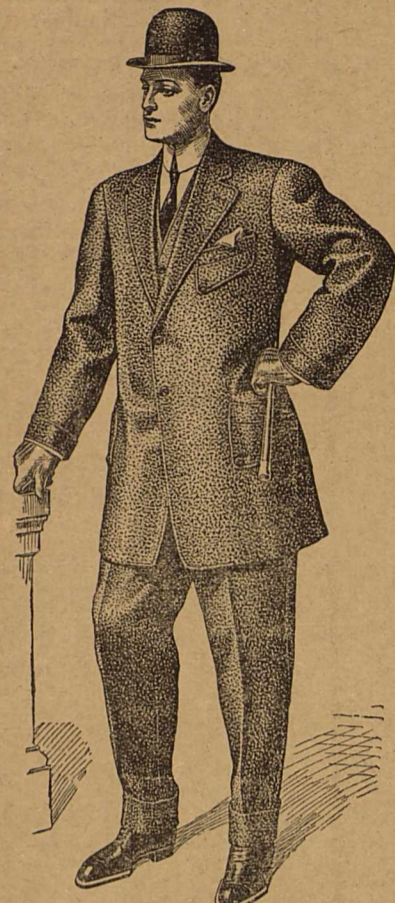
**No Man ever won Riches without making use of a Bank**

No man ever opened the gateway to success without that master  
 key of opportunity--A Bank Account. Whether you deposit your  
 money and check it out, or leave it to grow to large proportions,  
 start a bank account, and do it right away.

We offer you our Bank and its facilities to help you.

**The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.**

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# There's a Great Difference in Clothes

Hart, Schaffner & Marx are the Winners

WHEN you buy one of these garments you buy satisfaction from the time you put it on until it is gone, but not in one season. They are the kind that wear two seasons. When you wear them one season, press them and they are good for the next.

As to the make-up of these garments, all the minor things that are overlooked in other lines are not in these. Hand-worked button-holes, well padded shoulders that don't break down, all seams silk-sewed—in fact every little detail is brought out in this high-grade line. They have an individual look that other lines don't have, and look like they were built for your special form. The styles are so good that they will be accepted as the proper thing next season also. Every thread wool, or your money back is the kind of talk that stands back of this high grade line.

We want to see our customers dressed right and will take care of you if you'll only let us—the home of Hart, Schaffner & Marx.

Blue Serge and fancy weaves in Brown, single-breasted sack, half peg pants—These suits are equal to any \$25.00 line in workmanship. They are good ones and worth more than the price asked.....\$20.00

Velours and Worsteds in the new shades of Grey and Sage Green that are all wool and wont fade, belted, half peg to pants, cuffs on sleeves, center vent in back, they are worth \$30; special at.....\$25

Men's suits in two tone stripes of navy blue, brown and gray, cut very full in skirt of coat, extra quality of lining. This is strictly a high grade garment and worth more than the price of.....\$30

## MEN'S AND BOY'S CAPS

One of the best selected stocks of caps that you ever had an opportunity to buy from. If it's a dress cap we have it, or a cap for every-day wear. Fur, corduroy, heavy black cheviot, with ear muffs.

Boys' and men's caps, made of fancy chevots and wool serges, in all colors, golf style. They are extra values at.....50c

Boys' and men's caps, sizes 6 1/2 to 7 1/2, made of extra heavy corduroy, full saateen lined, pull down over ears, a good one for.....25c

## VISIT our HAT DEPARTMENT

Good hats that will wear and hold their shape. Stetson is a good one to tie on to. If you don't want to pay the price, then buy a "Star," made of extra clear stock, staple or fancy shapes, \$2.50, \$3.50

Men's hats made of good quality of stock, both black and white, 6 inch crown, 4 1/2 inch brim. These are real bargains at.....\$1.00

Black and white in men's hats, Columbia and Dakota shapes, extra heavy firm stock. They are worth more than the price of \$1.50

## Special Values in Every Suit --- Spero-Michael & Son Every Suit a Value—High Grade—Medium Prices

They are given up to be the best in their class. There are others, but none so good as this line to retail at \$8 to \$20. Not a line of "cheap", half made garments made to sell at a price. These cool mornings are the best argument possible that you ought to be preparing for winter in the matter of clothes. The best argument in the world why you should buy here is the matter of price—The dollars that we can save you on that suit. The matter of price is quite an argument, but quality is to be considered also. We have seen to it that prices are marked low enough to bring you here to buy your suit, and the quality high enough to bring you back again. It's your future business we want and plan for. If we don't give value received couldn't expect you back.

Men's suits in black and fancy weaves, extra well made, sizes 33 to 40, cuffs on sleeves, straps on pants, worth every cent of \$10, but we sell them at.....\$8.00

Fancy striped worsteds, grays, browns, blacks, cuff on sleeves, side buckles and straps on pants, 3 button sack style, a suit that would bring \$15, but our price is.....\$12.50

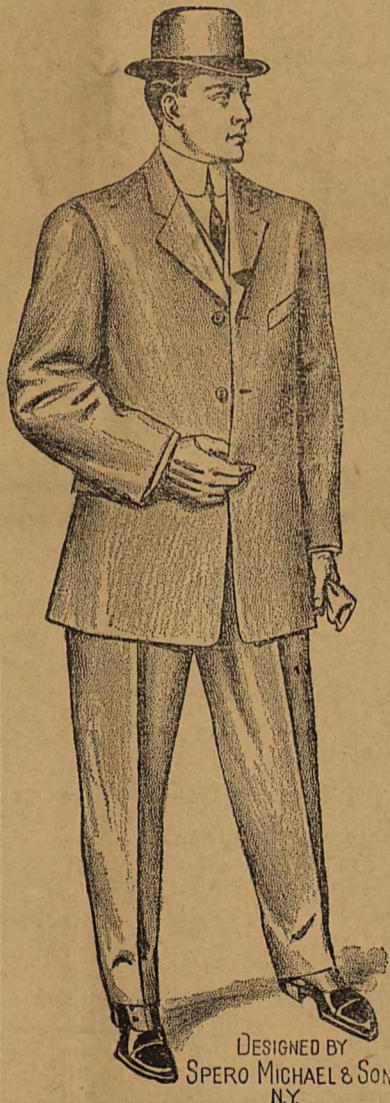
At the price of \$15.00 we can sell you a suit that will be an eye opener. Made of extra hard finished worsteds, all the leading shades, a high grade garment at.....\$15.00

**A SUIT BARGAIN** When we say bargain, it means bargain. Last week we advertised 104 suits at \$7.85, worth 12.50, 15.00, and 16.50. We sold nineteen suits out of this lot, but there are some choice patterns left. If you want a suit ask to see these suits, all sizes, 34 to 44, only three or four of a kind, but we have your size..... **\$7.85**



THE LATEST STYLES IN STIFF HATS

A BIG LINE OF NEW NECKWEAR



DESIGNED BY SPERO MICHAEL & SON N.Y.

BEST MEDIUM PRICE LINE—NEW MODELS

HIGGINBOTHAM-CURRIE COMPANY

MADE TO FIT—FIT TO WEAR

Light Crust Flower makes light crust bread. For sale by Currie Grocery Co.

Marshall Northington has accepted a position with R. A. Rissler & Co.

The Hub can sell you the best comfort and blanket to help keep out the cold nights.

Miss Emma Hickerson returned to her home at McGregor, Tuesday, after a visit to her sister, Mrs. A. L. Farris.

Currie Grocery Co. will pay you the highest market price for your chickens, eggs, turkeys, etc.

S. P. Stone brought a car-load of fat cows from W. E. Allen and shipped them to the Fort Worth market yesterday.

Live Oak Flour the best at Miller Mercantile Company guaranteed.

Herman Miller visited his brothers, W. J. and Chas. S. Miller last week and returned to his home at Bellville Sunday.

Let us make you a pair of trousers while you are in town.—A. J. Stocklas. Next door to the Walker Drug Co.

Mrs. Florence Venable returned to her home at Nevada, Texas last Sunday after a visit to her sister, Mrs. C. S. Phillips.

The only man in Rnnnels county who makes clothes on the bench is A. J. Stocklas. Next door to Walker Drug Co.

C. T. Bryant returned to his home in Milam county, Tuesday, after a visit to his son, J. M. Bryant.

Well, just what I have been looking for—a ready made Kimona. Both short and long at the Hub.

Bert Low, one of the Leader's readers from the blooming town of Winters, was looking after business in Ballinger Monday.

I have just added a nice line of embroidery to my stock. Call and see how cheap it is being sold, Kinzer.

Mrs. Stevenson, of Austin passed through Wednesday en route to Winters to visit her daughter Mrs. W. T. Coldwell.

Thirteen years of experience in making clothes.—A. J. Stocklas. Next door to Walker Drug Co.

S. P. Virden returned to his home in Falls county, first of the week after a visit to his brother W. D. Virden of the Winters country.

Full line of Chase & Sannbourn coffees and teas fresh. Can grind coffee if wanted.—Miller Mercantile Company.

Long Brothers are advertising a big Red Tag Sale in this issue of the Leader, and will open doors to a full house in the morning.

Kinzer says Santa Clause has sent him a message stating that he would leave a big lot of goods at his store, and that he was coming early this year.

W. A. Trenckman and wife returned to their home at Bellville last Sunday after a visit to Mrs. Trenckman's brothers, W. J. and Chas. S. Miller.

A rich man is the man who always has money. Put some of your money in the Citizens National Bank of Ballinger and you will begin to be rich right away.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Bruce went to Talpa Tuesday in response to a telegram stating that the little baby of Mr. and Mrs. Kidd was very low.

The small depositor is just as welcome as the large and the same courteous treatment will be extended him at the Citizens National Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bone who are well known in Ballinger, and who have been living at Bronte for the past year, will move to Denton, where Mr. Bone will be in the lumber business.

We clean press and repair your clothes while you sleep or wait.—A. J. Stocklas, Ballinger only tailor. Next door to Walker Drug Co.

Rev. M. E. Hudson, Mrs. J. B. Alvis and Miss Johnny Mixon went to Fort Worth Monday to attend the Baptist State Convention.

We want to buy your cotton, and it will be to your interest to see our buyer, Wicks Currie, before you close out. Currie Grocery Co.

The court house crowd are a busy set of people this week. The changes necessitate considerable work in making final reports to the commissioners court, fixing bonds etc.

Farmers, the Ballinger Cotton Oil Co. requests that you call at the mill or write them for one of their booklets telling how to feed cotton seed meal and is worth a great deal to the farmers, but cost you nothing. Ask for it. 4t

No matter what line of business you are engaged in—farming, merchandising, teaching, clerking or one of the professions, you should have an account with a bank—this bank.—Citizens' National Bank.

We are in receipt of a letter from T. T. Duncan, of Roscoe, in which Mr. Duncan sends his respects to the Leader in a substantial way. Mr. Duncan was at one time a good citizen of this county and we wish he would hurry up and return.

A hundred small accounts make a bank stronger than a dozen large ones. That is one of our reasons for urging the man of limited means to transact his business with us.—Citizens' National Bank.

The remains of an old man by the name of R. T. Young were brought in from Bronte last Sunday and embalmed by J. A. Oostertag and shipped to his home at Stephenville. Deceased was visiting his daughter at Bronte when he died.

J. Z. T. Smith of Wingate was in town last Saturday to meet his daughter, Mrs. B. F. Roberts from Nolan county, who will visit with her parents for a couple of weeks. Mr. Smith made the Leader a pleasant call while here.

E. D. Walker returned from a months stay with his little daughter in Galveston where an operation was performed on the little girl. We are glad to report that the operation was successful and that the little girl was able to return home with her father.

The services of the night watch, man came in good place Sunday night when he discovered the fire in the Clark building before it got under good headway. Mr. Carpenter was on duty and turned in the alarm, perhaps saving property owners and insurance companies many dollars.

## Do You

Do you have a Bank Account? Do you pay your bills by check? Have you stopped to consider the advantages of transacting your business by this method? Every check you issue in payment of bills is eventually returned to you to be retained as a receipt for the money paid.

If you have no bank account come to this bank and make your first deposit, and let us help you to systematize your business. We furnish you with a bank book and checks.

**First National Bank**  
Ballinger, - Texas.

The best wagon harness at Shaffer's.

Light Crust Flower makes baking easy. Get a sack for trial from Currie Grocery Co.

Miss Bell Oldham, of Odessa, came in last Sunday to visit Miss Clara Malone.

We furnish a bank book and checks free.—Citizens' National Bank.

## Eye Glasses

No matter the nature or the kind I can properly fit and adjust them. Expert advice and opinion offered

**B. F. WILEY**  
Martindale Stand

See those beautiful novelties in the show window at Kinzers.

Dr. E. C. Baskin, dentist office over Brewers jewelry store. tf

W. H. Harvey was here first of the week and returned to Wolf City Monday.

Kinzer's is the Largest Racket store in West Texas.

Treat your team right. Buy them a set of that wagon harness Shaffer is selling.

E. F. Edwards brought an auto load of passengers down from Winters, Monday.

Farm, Ranch and city property A good list to select from. Rodgers & Hall, Winters, Texas.

Live Oak Flour guaranteed none better. Miller Mercantile Co.

We have some choice lots for sale in Winters, Rodgers & Hall.

If its leather goods you want visit our store, R. L. Shaffer.

Ed Stone, of Glascock county, was here first of the week visiting his son, Judge B. B. Stone.

Don't pass by our shop when you want harness and saddle repair work. R. L. Shaffer.

H. Seligman and Wm. Shertz of Shertz, Texas are here this week looking after land interests.

Wagon harness the kind that stands hard pulling and long wear, at Shaffer's.

Jim Osburne, the jovial whiskey drummer came in from Austin Wednesday.

Kinzer runs the five and ten cents store where you can buy more for 5 and 10 cents than any other place in town.

Sell your cotton seed to Rasbury & Bruce and get what they are worth.

J. L. Speer, of Winters, passed through Tuesday enroute to Waco to attend the Methodist conference.

Pants made—6 hours, Suits—2 to 10 days.—A. J. Stocklas. Next door to Walker Drug Co. damage.

## HERE TO STAY

Able to do your work Satisfaction guaranteed Solicit your sign painting. Leave orders at Express office.

**S. S. PRINGE Jr.**