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POSTAL TELEGRAPH HERE DECEMBER 1

New Telegraph Co. Will Put in Office at A. & S. Depot. Ready for Business Dec. 1.—May Come Up Town.

Agent Dolan, of the Abilene & Southern railway, informs us that he has received notice that the Postal Telegraph Company would open an office in this city and will open temporarily for business at the Abilene & Southern depot. The line is now being run to Ballinger and the material for the new office has been shipped.

We do not care to discourage the Postal Telegraph people, but we must say that we do not believe the line will pay expenses with the office so far away from the business part of town. What the Ballinger people are clamoring for and will be satisfied with nothing less, is an up-town office. It was hoped that either the Western Union or the Postal would see fit to put in an up-town office, and the line that does so will get the business of the town. A petition to both companies seems to have had no effect.

With the Postal coming and stopping at the depot it may be that this will bring the Western Union up town.

W. O. W. ORGANIZE LODGE AT HATCHEL

Ballinger Degree Team and Number of Members Start New Lodge Off With Twenty-Six Members.

J. F. Lusk, C. C. Schuchardt, Robt. McGregor, F. L. Harper, Dr. McKinney, W. W. Bird, and a number of others of the Ballinger Woodmen Lodge including the degree team, went to Hatchel last night where they organized a lodge at that place. The meeting was held at the Bowman school house, and will be known as Hatchell W. O. W. lodge.

The Ballinger degree team initiated a number of members and instructed the new lodge in the secret work. The lodge starts out with twenty-six charter members.

J. R. Holiday was elected Counsel commander of the new lodge and G. P. Cunningham Adm. Leut.

After the work of organizing was completed a banquet spread was given in honor of the occasion and the Ballinger delegation is in its prime of the splendid hospitality of the Hatchell people.

HARTON ROBBERY SAFE IS CRACKED

The Banner, Texas, Nov. 18.—Decided to open the safe early this morning and seventy dollars. A jewelry was taken in cases. The robbery occurred when the store was closed this morning. Officers believe the burglar is responsible for recent other.

had business in

THE MARCH OF PROSPERITY



In the bond issue election, now pending in this precinct, we find all classes of men in the good roads procession, and ready to march to the polls on December 18th and cast a vote that will erect a monument to the present generation for ages to come—Good Roads. Never before in the history of the country, were the people—all classes of people—the farmer, the merchant, the banker, the laboring man, so unanimous on any question as on the Good Roads question, and in this we can see "The Great March of Prosperity."

MANY APPRECIATE HOME CREAMERY

Farmers Preparing to Make Most of Opportunity Given by New Company.

This reporter has interviewed quite a number of farmers with reference to the home Creamery, which will begin operation here at an early date, and the opinion generally expressed may be summed up in the expression of a farmer, who said: "The creamery is a great thing for the man on the farm, affording, as it does, an avenue for making ready money at all seasons of the year, in addition to regular farm crops. Without taking from other industries, it brings a new source of income within reach of every agriculturist, and for that reason will meet the hearty support of all."

Many farmers have already purchased cows, and others are arranging to do so. From the very first, the creamery will have a large run of business, and be entirely self-sustaining.

COLONEL IKE PRYOR AND GOVERNORSHIP

Special to The Banner. San Antonio, Texas, Nov. 18.—Col. Ike T. Pryor declines to become candidate for governor, his friends are still urging him to enter the race. He is assured the united support of the Cattle Raisers' Association, which he headed as President, for three terms. Business interests prevent candidacy.

J. A. Harris went to Miles Thursday, for a day's visit with his parents, of that city.

NEW DRUGGIST ARRIVES.

R. W. Goodwin, accompanied by his wife and two children, arrived from Terrell last night, and will make Ballinger their home. Mr. Goodwin will have charge of the new drug store for Dr. I. N. Thompson, on Eighth Street.

HAD A GOOD TIME AT BALLINGER

Angelo Odd Fellows Report Royal Entertainment Tuesday—Delighted That San Angelo Was First in Team Work.

Those of the local Odd Fellows who attended the semi-annual convention of the Concho-Colorado Association of Odd Fellows, returned from the neighboring town at an early hour Wednesday morning. Those returning report a splendid program and excellent entertainment.

"Best time I ever had," said Attorney S. C. Autry. "The people there know how to entertain and do it up in the proper style. Would be willing to go back again to-morrow, if the same stunt was pulled off again."

"Such a headache," said Contractor August Balfanz as he rubbed his head. "Those Ballinger people are the royal entertainers."

Others expressed themselves in a similar vein. All say there was never anything just-as nice.

The local Thrift Bank Knights are delighted that Angelo won first place in the team.—San Angelo Standard.

Miss Goldie Green left Thursday for San Angelo, where she will arrange for a special home talent play. She will likely use the same vehicle as presented here, "The Microbe of Love."

BALLINGER MAN STRIKES COAL

H. Giesecke Interested in Rich Coal Find.—Sixty-Two Foot Shaft Six Foot Vein.

H. Giesecke associated with T. H. Paul and G. M. Ryan, of Hopkins county, recently organized a company, taking out a charter in the name of the Como Lignite & Coal Co., of Como, Hopkins county, and put down a test shaft on some land they had under lease in Hopkins county.

They went down sixty-two feet and struck a six foot vein of fine coal. Mr. Giesecke has just received this information and he is very optimistic over the outlook for his new company. He thinks they have struck coal in large quantities and its rather easy reach of the top of the ground. The company is chartered for 10 thousand dollars.

FT. WORTH LOSES ASSOCIATION

Special to The Banner.

Fort Worth, Texas, Nov. 18.—Headquarters of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association will probably be removed from Fort Worth Jan. 1, according to Secretary Crowley, who to-day declared the city had not fulfilled its contract to pay headquarters rent. Dallas and San Antonio have applied for the headquarters of the organization. Crowley says Board of Trade is in arrears with rent for nineteen months, amounting to \$1,900. The removal will be decided at the December meeting of the Executive Committee. Dallas offers \$1,200 yearly for headquarters.

TEXAS CATTLEMEN VICTIMS NEFARIOUS SCHEME

Forty-One Other States Plot to Ruin Business of Texas Cattle Raisers by Throwing State into Quarantine Area.

Special to The Banner.

Fort Worth, Texas, Nov. 18.—Texas to-day took up the gauntlet hurled at it by 42 other states in a crusade to crush cattlemen of this state. It was disclosed at stockmen's Conference here this morning that representatives from 41 states held a secret meeting in Chicago, on October 10th, and took action to induce federal government to abolish the provisional quarantine area. This would throw Texas back into the infected area, entailing losses, and confiscation to all cattlemen in the state. The co-operation of all Texas Cattle Raisers, the Cattle Raisers Association, and other organizations, will be absolutely

necessary to effectively resist boycott.

These startling developments were made known at today's meeting here, attended by representatives of all Texas cattle interests. The reports of the Chicago meeting were at first doubted, but absolute proof of the matter was presented. A sub-committee was appointed to draft a strong protest against action of other states, and the petition will be sent to Secretary of Agriculture Wilson. Another session is to be held late this afternoon. Governor Campbell was not present, but wrote assuring support. It is claimed the scheme was gotten up to enrich cattlemen of other states at expense of Texas.

FORGE CHECKS ON ROWENA BANK

One Check for \$10 and One for \$70 Turned Down by Rowena Bank and Man Arrested.

Cashier A. C. Homann of the Rowena State Bank, and Deputy Sheriff Miklak, were here this evening to place in jail a young man giving his name as Knoff on a charge of forgery. The deputy Sheriff brought the prisoner, and as Mr. Homann had business down here he came along also.

Knoff presented 2 checks bearing the signature of F. Blumentritt on Mr. Homann's bank. One check was for \$70 and the other for \$10. Mr. Homann did not think the signature genuine so he turned them down until he could see Mr. Blumentritt, who stated he did not give the checks and the young man was promptly arrested.

In presenting the checks Knoff stated that he received them in pay for work, but when told that Mr. Blumentritt had denied issuing any such checks he changed his story and said he found them in the road.

Knoff is only a boy, being about sixteen or seventeen years old, and it is thought that he had an accomplice in his work. He is in jail and will perhaps be given an examining trial tomorrow.

EMBEZZLED \$24,000 ONE YEAR IN PRISON

Special to The Banner.

Muskogee, Okla., Nov. 18.—Tony Matney, former District Clerk of Muskogee county, was found guilty this morning of embezzling \$24,000 of county funds, \$7,000 of which was fees paid by litigants into the United States court, before statehood. He was sentenced to one year in prison and \$1,000 fine. Litigants, whose money is involved, have instituted suits for recovery of amounts from Matney's bondmen.

Judge W. E. Wood had business in Winters Thursday.

THEFT OF \$7 LANDS TWO MEN IN JAIL

Two Cotton Pickers Arrested at Paint Rock for Stealing Money at Hatchel.

Sheriff Maddox of Concho county, brought two men by the name of Coke and Burk to Ballinger this morning and placed them in jail on a charge of theft. Coke and Burk had been picking cotton for a man by the name of Fritts, of the Hatchell neighborhood. The cotton pickers came up missing and so did seven dollars in cash that Mr. Fritts had laying around handy. Besides stealing the money they are charged with cutting up some cotton sacks.

Mr. Maddox arrested the men at Paint Rock upon advice from the Runnels county officials, and they are now enjoying the hospital

BRADY ASSISTANT ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Special to The Banner.

Austin, Texas, Nov. 18.—It is understood here to-day that John W. Brady, now county attorney of Travis county, will succeed Jewell P. Lightfoot as first assistant Attorney General when the latter becomes Attorney General in January, following Davidson's resignation. Ever since it became known that Lightfoot would be advanced it has been the general opinion that he would likely choose Brady as first assistant as the two men have been closely associated in prosecuting anti-trust suits.

NEXT MEETING SYNOD GOES TO SHERMAN.

Special to The Banner.

San Angelo, Texas, Nov. 13.—Sherman was this morning chosen as the next meeting place of the Texas Presbyterian Synod which has been in convention in this city. Thomas Stone Clyde, President of Austin College at Sherman, was elected moderator of the next convention.

PROMINENT LAND OWNERS HERE

H. J. Ross Will Make Home for More Farmers.—Owns Land Near Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Ross, of Santa Rosa, California, are here looking after land interest. Mr. Ross owns about 6 hundred acres of the valuable California land four miles south of Ballinger. He already has part of it in cultivation and his business here is to build houses, and put more of the land in cultivation. To those who do not know it would be quite a surprise to them to see the great amount of new land being converted into farms within a few miles radius of Ballinger.

Mr. Ross has great confidence in the future of Ballinger and he is not pushing the sale of his land, but prefers to hold it for the wonderful increase in value that is sure to be realized. The Giesecke-Bennett Company are local agents for Mr. Ross and looks after his interests during his absence.

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SWEETWATER GETS MACHINE SHOPS

The Citizens of Sweetwater Have the \$25,000 for the Santa Fe Shop.

Special to The Banner. Sweetwater, Tex., Nov. 15.—The citizens' committee to-day completed their canvass and report having raised the \$25,000 bonus for the round house and car shops of the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe railroad. This place will be on the main line as soon as the "cut-off" is completed.

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BOND ELECTION ORDERED FOR DECEMBER 18TH

Commissioners' Court Passes Order Calling for Issuance of \$100,000 Worth of Bonds in Ballinger Precinct.

Before adjourning this morning the Commissioners' Court of Runnels county, passed perhaps the most important order ever passed by a Runnels county Commissioners' Court. Acting upon a good lengthy petition bearing the signatures of tax-payers and property owners of the precinct, the court ordered an election for the issuance of one hundred thousand dollars worth of road bonds for Commissioners' Precinct, which is the Ballinger precinct. The election was ordered to be held at the voting boxes in Precinct No. 1, on the 18th day of December, 1909.

This means, provided the bond issue carries, which it no doubt will, that all roads leading into Ballinger will be improved to the extent of one hundred thousand

dollars, and that the improvements will include the building of bridge No. 2 across the Colorado river at the foot of Eighth Street, and the straightening of the crooked roads, and just such other work as it necessary to build first class public roads.

Precinct No. 1 takes in all the county south of Ballinger to the Concho county line and embraces a large scope of county north and east and covers a splendid farming territory owned by farmers who want good roads, and stand ready to co-operate with the Commissioners and Business League to secure good roads.

It is the intention of the court to make the entire issue of \$100,000 in bonds and float them just as needed, and levy a tax to cover the interest and sinking fund on what is sold.

FT. WORTH MESSENGER BOYS STRIKE

Western Union Messenger Boys Strike at Fort Worth.—Want More Pay.

Special to The Banner:

Fort Worth, Texas, Nov. 15.—The entire force of the Western Union messenger boys of this city went out on a strike to-day for an increase in wages. The boys demand seven cents a mile for messages delivered which they have to carry more than one mile. They claim that messenger boys of other towns receive this rate while they get only two cents a mile. Fearing trouble, the telegraph company's clerks appointed deputy sheriffs and got two policemen stationed at the office.

WINS INSURANCE SUIT.

L. C. Alexander won out in the suit against an insurance company for loss sustained in the fire that destroyed the Dan Isom houses on Eighth Street.

Mr. Alexander had the house insured for \$800, and had contracted to sell the house to Mr. Isom. Mr. Isom had moved in to the house but the deed had never been executed, the title to the property being in Mr. Alexander's name at the time of the fire. The policy had never been transferred to Isom and the insurance company held that this made the policy null and void but the law did not so hold and the court gave judgment for \$800.

GOOD ROADS.

Commissioners' Court is in session this week and most of the time has been taken up on roads. This question is getting to be very important, and the cry is for more roads and better roads. The Commissioners' Court have a big job on hand and they all seem willing and anxious to do all they can in this direction. Co-operation of course is needed by the people and it is necessary to have it, in order to make a success of the road question.

Every precinct in the county wants new roads and the railroads building in will change things considerably and from this time on, the road question will be up and the result will be that in time, the people and county will be greatly benefited.—Paint Rock Herald.

NUMBER FIGHTS SATURDAY NIGHT

There were a number of fights in town Saturday night, two or three amounting to so little that no arrests were made.

At Hubbard's saloon Tony Stone struck at Jim Demoville with a knife, cutting him only slightly and incidentally bruising up a Mexican in the melee. The Mexican was drunk and both he and Stone were arrested and fined.

Phillipe Garze, a Mexican, became gay from overmuch drink at local fandango and had to be arrested. Officers Pilcher and Slaughter went to secure him, and as they left the building they were struck by unknown parties, the blows did little harm.

INVALID LADY GOES TO HER PEOPLE.

An old lady, who became paralyzed while the Parker Carnival Company was at San Angelo, and was left at Ballinger when the carnival was here, and who has been in the sanitarium here ever since, was carried to San Marcos Saturday evening where she will be left with her daughters, who are with the show. The old lady had three daughters with the carnival company, playing in the Dixie show, and when the show left Ballinger they left the old lady here with the hopes that she would get well, which she failed to do, and her people failed to put up the money to pay her bills here, and the sanitarium people loaded her on the train this evening and carried her to San Antonio where she will be turned over to her people.

It is one of those pitiful cases, where all love for the parent has been lost.

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Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble, it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been thoroughly tested in private practice, and has proved so successful that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper, who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root, and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Home of Swamp-Root, Binghamton, N. Y. The regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles are sold by all druggists. Don't make any mistake but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

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PHONE 40.

THE LURE OF THE WEST.

By James Blair Harris.

There is a charm about the West I know, and yet can hardly find words to express. I have seen somewhat of the grandeur of its everlasting hills, and have watched herds of cattle and flocks of sheep graze over its limitless valleys; I have watched its gorgeous sunsets with awe, and marvelled at the virgin beauty of its cloudless dawns; I have traveled over the reaches of boundless plains, and never-ending Mesas, and find my very being inoculated with the spirit of its invigorating presence. Once known, the lure of the west is ever an insistent voice, calling with a quivering note through intervening space, saying "Welcome Pal, to

my friendly domain." From the sheep camps of Wyoming to the cattle range of Southwest Texas; from the gold mines of Nevada to the copper lodes of Arizona and from the apple orchards of the Oregon valleys to the irrigated plains of New Mexico and California the thralls of western wizardry has enwrapped the hearts of those who have once come within the radius of its mystic influence, and no casual visitor has been allowed to leave the land heart-free.

When the savage aborigines possessed the land, they tilled the oases that here and there blessed the desert and thanked the Great Spirit for the benediction of food and drink, worshipping at the shrine of the cross-like Yucca. Great valleys of

the East, and forests at the North offered superior advantages of game, maize and comfort, but rather than forsake the land of their love and the foot-hills of their race, the savages bore with patience the lean existence of the arid West.

The Mormons trekked to the distant west, intent on securing freedom of spirit and a surcease of persecution. They found all they sought, and freedom of body as well as mind. The panacea of the West changed them from a fleeing people to a wealthy race, and a brotherhood of power and consequence.

The "Forty-niners" rushed across the continent to the far West, seeking gold alone. But of the wealth of the West, varied and magnificent as it is, gold has long been relegated to a minor, although spectacular position. Ranges, fields, gardens and orchards now far exceed in value the fabulous wealth of the vaunted El Dorados of the past and present.

The present-day teeming population of the West—the boundless prospering West—has erected splendid cities where cattle once grazed, and has builded up a civilization comparable to that of earth's most cultured peoples. All because they love the land wholeheartedly, and have responded to the lure of its persistent call.

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MARLIN GETS NEXT MEETING ICE MAKERS.

Special to The Banner. San Antonio, Tex., Nov. 17.—Southwestern Ice Manufacturers Association this afternoon selected Marlin as next place of meeting. Officers will be elected tomorrow.

FREE—A map with the best paper in the county. Call at the Banner-Leader office.

Will Robertson left Tuesday afternoon for Goldthwaite, on a visit with relatives.

LIVED IN THIS COUNTRY IN 1873

San Angelo Man Comes Down to Locate Site for Ward School. The Joke Turns.

P. R. Clark, of San Angelo, is here to-day and when introduced to the writer "unbosomed" himself before he was aware that he was talking to a newspaper man.

When asked what was the object of his visit to Ballinger, Mr. Clark said that Pat Murphy sent him down to locate a site for a San Angelo ward school, but we learned before we got through with Mr. Clark that he was connected with the San Angelo State Bank & Trust Company, and that he was in the cattle buying business. He was here to see H. Giesecke on business.

"I never saw a place change so," said Mr. Clark. "I was in this country in '63, before there were any houses, or anything else much for that matter," and I was in Ballinger ten or twelve years ago. Your town has certainly grown, and I can now look back and see the opportunities lost in not investing in land when it was cheap." But," said Mr. Clark, "to figure in the interest and taxes on the investment from the time I was figuring up to the present, it would have amounted to a great deal." Mr. Clark said he saw in store for Ballinger a steady and substantial growth, and that with the good territory surrounding the town it was bound to be a good town for all time to come and by the time San Angelo reaches far enough this way to claim us as a school ward, we will be far enough that way to have a pretty good claim on San Angelo. Mr. Clark overlooked the opportunity to say a good word for San Angelo and express his opinion of the large land holders of his town who are refusing to put their land where the farmers can get the benefit of it, and at the same time make San Angelo grow.

SCHOOL PATRONS MUST BUY COAL

School Board Has No Funds With Which to Buy Coal.—Patrons Must Dig Up.

On account of the school tax amendment being tied up in court, the local school has no funds with which to buy coal. They can not use the State money for any purpose except to pay teachers salary, and the general fun is exhausted and winter has caught the school board without both cash and coal, as we might say without credit, as the coal man sells for cash.

The board has decided the best way out of the trouble is to call on the patrons to contribute, and each family will be asked to give fifty cents. This will supply the ready cash and Jack Frost will be kept out of the school rooms.

BOHEMIAN MISSIONARY HERE.

Rev. Joseph Sesulka, a Bohemian missionary for the Presbyterian church, U. S. A., was in Ballinger awhile Monday. Rev. Sesulka lives in Hill county and has been out in the Rowena country looking after a church the Presbyterians organized there some time ago. He expressed himself as being surprised at the interest the Bohemian people are taking in the work at Rowena.

J. R. Kidwell, of Valera, had business in Ballinger Tuesday. He commented on our city's remarkable growth.

Mrs. J. J. Erwin left Saturday for Miles, where she will visit the family of Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Ewing.

PRESBYTERIANS MEET AT FESTIVE BOARD

Threefold Purpose Accomplished By Successful Gathering Last Night.—Church Out of Debt.

As announced in these columns the members, or the Presbyterian Brotherhood, of the Eighth Street Presbyterian church, assembled at the dining parlors of the Afferbach Cafe last night, where for two hours a most pleasant evening was spent, notwithstanding that it was expensive for some of those present.

The splendid supper was served and an hour or more spent in short impromptu talks by quite a number of those present. The good to be accomplished by the work of the Brotherhood, was pointed out, as well as the benefit to be derived from such social meetings.

Jo Wilmeth, who acted as toast master, was the last to take the floor and discussed the financial condition of the Eighth Street church. He stated that the church owned about \$12,000 worth of property, and did not owe but \$570, and he made an appeal for this. Rallying to Mr. Wilmeth's support and acting upon the suggestion or move, enough money was made up, a majority of which was paid in cash before the meeting adjourned to insure the debt being paid off within the next twenty-four hours.

Those who enjoyed the occasion were: W. E. Allen, E. V. Bate-man, H. R. Bradford, Dongal Cameron, C. C. Cockerell, J. D. Coulter, J. T. Dawson, C. A. Doose, Olin Ferguson, Dr. J. H. Grant, J. A. Guy, M. M. Hamlin, Everett Hardgrave, Geo. Kerley, T. S. Lankford, Jesse McAdams, J. W. Medley, W. S. Mullin, J. D. Norwood, J. A. Ostertag, S. C. Royalty, Will Schleyer, W. A. Taylor, W. T. Turner, J. B. Wilmeth, W. L. Waiden, Dr. R. T. Bolyn, Eding Taylor, Howard and Herbert Grant, A. W. Sledge, Rev. G. W. Grant, J. N. Adams, of the First Baptist church was an invited guest.

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GOV. HASKELL WILL PLEAD NOT GUILTY

Haskell and Other Defendants Will Plead Not Guilty.—To Further Delay Trial.

Special to The Banner. Chickasha, Okla., Nov. 16.—Gov. C. N. Haskell and five co-defendants, charged with conspiracy to defraud the government out of Muskogee town site lots, whose demurrers were overruled yesterday by federal Judge Marshall, will appear at federal court here Saturday and plead "not guilty." The defense will then probably file additional motions which will further delay the trial.

Haskell's attorney, C. T. Smith, said to-day that the court had eliminated so many parts of the indictments, that not enough was left to constitute cause for any action. If Haskell's counsel can delay the trial Saturday, the case will not come up again until the early part of next year when court meets at Muskogee.

evening from a visit to San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Odom went to San Antonio Saturday evening. Miss Myra Penn returned this

WINTERS MAN HELD ON GRAVE CHARGE.

Sheriff Jim Flynt returned from Winters Sunday with a man suspected of robbery. Quite a sum of money was stolen, and the sheriff suspects this man. An examining trial will be held early Tuesday.

PAINT ROCK PAPER CHANGES HANDS

Concho Herald Sold by Gerard Huston to New Stock Co., Headed by Rev. D. M. West.

A deal of vital interest to people of Concho county has been brought to light in the fact that The Concho Herald has been sold by Gerald Huston, who has successfully conducted the publication for a year, to a stock company of citizens, headed by Rev. D. M. West, of Miles. Mr. Huston has given the people a good paper, but the new company plans to add new equipment, the incorporation being capitalized at \$3,000. An 8-page home print paper will be issued and that it will be a "hummer" is freely predicted by those acquainted with the men behind the move.

Rev. D. M. West is now editor of the Miles Messenger, and is too well acquainted in West Texas to require any recommendation from us. He is alert, live and progressive and will see to it that Paint Rock gets a classy newspaper each week.

Paint Rock is strictly on the move; new buildings are going up daily, and no question about it, the city will grow to at least 2,000 inhabitants, and that very soon.

OUR PUBLIC SCHOOL ENROLLMENT GROWS

The enrollment of pupils in attendance at the city public schools continually increases and at the close of the second month has reached 708. This is a much larger enrollment than has been had in previous years.

The quarterly examinations are taking place in the High School department this week, and the students are unusually busy.

Work in the various rooms is going along systematically, and Ballinger can well be proud of her efficient public schools.

THE WRONG MAN IS ARRESTED.

Coleman officials came over Monday after a young man of this city, on a charge of theft of an overcoat, said to have been committed some time since. The young man was not the party wanted and the matter went no further.

M. E. Harrell, of Truitt, was in the city on business Tuesday.

Rev. C. L. Power, of Winters, was here awhile Saturday en route to Bronte.

Mrs. M. C. Cobb returned from a visit to her sister at San Angelo Saturday evening.

H. A. Shurman, of Paint Rock, is spending a few days in the city. He has just returned from Marlin, with greatly improved health.

WESTERN UNION CHANGES CONTROL

Special to The Banner. New York, N. Y., Nov. 16.—The American Bell Telephone Co. to-day secured control of the Western Union Telegraph Company, by taking over a number of large blocks of stock in the latter organization.

Cash Cash Cash

Notice One and All

On and after March 1st 1909, I will put my Business, on a cash basis to one and all, no favoritism shown.

JO HARDIN, WOOD AND COAL

So Please Don't Ask for Credit. PHONE 212

DR. PRICE'S CREAM Baking Powder

The Official Tests show Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder to be most efficient in strength, of highest purity and healthfulness.

NO ALUM No Lime Phosphates

Avoid Baking Powders made from alum. They may raise the cake, but alum is deleterious and no one can eat food mixed with it without injury to health



Uncle Sam Supervises the Union and Strength Represented by First National Bank

OF BALLINGER

Recently consolidated with and succeeding the

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CAPITAL \$200,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS OVER \$750,000.00
We are not liable for the Deposits in any other Bank.

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THE GREAT EASTERN BARGAIN STORE

THE PRICE IS THE THING

812 HUTCHINGS AVE

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We Are Here to Stay And are receiving New Goods Daily. In conjunction with the two stocks of Dry Goods, Notions, Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Ladies' Ready Made Suits, Skirts, Jackets, Men's, Boys' and Youths' Suits, Millinery, Etc, consisting of \$15,000.00 worth of new up-to-date and seasonable Merchandise to be sold at **50 Cents on The Dollar** and are going to be disposed of regardless of Cost of Raw Material. **SPECIAL:** Our Millinery Stock is complete. A store within itself, consisting of new up-to-date shapes in Pattern Hats, Etc., to be sold regardless of cost of Raw Material. **A Challenge to Short Crops.** A feast of bargains never before heard of, for dependable goods, your opportunity is now. This entire stock at the mercy of the people. A Salvage Sale of most wonderful bargains. Early Buyers will reap the harvest of their lives. Below are a few of the money saving bargains offered you:

American Print Calicos, all fast colors, sale price, per yard... 4c	Cotton Checks, in fast colors; sale price the yard... 4 1-2c	Shirting, extra heavy, fast colors, the 12 1-2 cents kind; sale price 7c	Spool Cotton..... 2c	Handkerchiefs, sale price..... 2c
Outing Flannel, all fast colors, sale price, the yard..... 5 1-2c	Men's Underwear, extra heavy sanitary fleeced, all colors, garment..... 33c	Canvas Gloves, sale price the pair..... 5c	Men's Sox, black, tan and colored per pair..... 6c	Children's Hose in fast colors, sale price, per pair..... 6c
Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, the 15 and 25 cents kind, sale price, each..... 8c	Pants worth \$2.00, sale price 98c	Men's Overalls with bib and straps sale price..... 24c	Bed Spreads in white, colored and fringed, extra large size, sale price..... 98c	Work Shirts, nice full sizes, the 75 cent kind, sale price..... 33c
Shoes at the price of Raw Material.	Towels, sale price..... 4c	Petticoats, black mercerized extra full sizes, the \$1.50 kind, sale price..... 79c	Ladies' Tailor-Made Suits, in the very latest styles and colors price..... \$6 and up	Mens' Suits, all colors, cut in latest designs, worth \$10 sale price per suit..... \$4.98

Space is entirely too small to name the many bargains offered you in this great bargain Salvage Sale. All we ask is come and be convinced. Remember the place. Go Where the Crowd Goes. They lead you to

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News items appreciated. Phone 27.

Vote for the bond issue!

\$100,000 spent on roads in Precinct No. 1, will help some; don't you think?

West Texas weather is varied enough to please all but the professional growler.

Taft's homecoming was marred by a cabinet row. Either Ballinger or Pinchot must go. Which?

The Simmons foot-ball team is a dandy aggregation of brawny players, and will some of the big state teams "a run for the money."

There is a reason for our slogan, "watch The Banner grow." For The Banner is the fastest growing paper in this section. We are only a few months old, and point with pride to our record. "A paper for all the people."

Live stock men can get the Ft. Worth daily market report, fresh right off the wires, by reading their home paper, The Daily Banner.

Perhaps Ballinger business men are so well dieted at home that a mere banquet hasn't any attractions worth speaking of.

The farmer that has his oats planted is smiling since the good rain Saturday. Smiling will be good when harvest times comes around too.

If Abilene can afford to subscribe \$100,000 in bonds for another railroad, how much could Ballinger afford to subscribe on a like proposition?

Ballinger, Precinct No. 1, is going to vote to issue one hundred thousand dollars in bonds to build roads; that's a foregone fact, and we should get ready to celebrate. Let's plan that banquet!

The Banner pays at least \$800 a year more for news than any other paper in Runnels county. Much news in to-day's Banner will be found in tomorrow's Dallas and Fort Worth papers.

A number of fights in town Saturday night, and more work for our peace officers. The combinate will pay for their loss of temper in cash or work—and we trust the lesson may do them good.

Ballinger merchants are sending out hundreds of dollars worth of goods every day. Trade is good, and the merchant that hasn't got his share, might mend the error of his way by using a little printers ink.

Good road enthusiasm is at white heat, and the farmers are to be congratulated in grasping the opportunity to get good roads.

The Ballinger foot-ball team is game enough, even if the game they put over is rather discouraging. "Try again" is a good axiom, however.

We have lost lots of valuable time and worn out many wagons driving over bad roads. The good road move is certainly not assuming a tangible shape a day too soon.

The Brownwood Bulletin is now boosting for a bigger population in Brownwood. Monday's paper announced a new girl at the home of Editor Will H. Mayes. One issue last week announced a new girl at the home of Business Manager H. F. Mayes. Any old newspaper can give advice about town building, but when the editor gets in the harness and blazes the way the results are always more noticeable.—Brady Standard.

It is gratifying to a Ballinger booster to look back over the past year and observe the wonderful progress Ballinger has made towards becoming a city. Since January 1st thousands of feet of cement walk has added to the beauty of Ballinger. There has hardly been a day that a large force of men and team could not be seen at work on our streets. Free mail delivery has been inaugurated, and many improvements in the way of more, better and larger business houses. The result of a year's push and progress is a good starter, and we predict greater things within the next 12 months.

CAN SHIP CREAM.

The Brownwood Bulletin says there is not one reason why Brownwood should not have a creamery. We know of no reason, unless it should be that Brownwood can ship her cream to Ballinger.—Ballinger Daily Banner.

The Bulletin is very much in earnest about the establishment of a creamery at Brownwood, but if Brownwood remains indifferent, the Bulletin is going to urge that our farmers invest in good cows and ship their cream to Brady, Ballinger or other near-by towns with creameries. The Bulletin is for Brownwood first, its neighbors next and the rest of the world.—Brownwood Bulletin.

OUTRAGE.

The procedure of the mob at Cairo, Illinois, during the lynching and dismemberment of Will James, self-confessed murderer and brute, was not nothing short of an outrage against civilized society. It was a veritable orgy of crime, the details of which are too disgustingly revolting to bear repetition.

It has been said, and truly so, that "two wrongs do not make a right." Mob law is perhaps never absolutely justifiable, although there are times when most of us may be led to so believe. But when mobs carry on their vengeance quietly, and preserve at least the semblance of order and justice, their work is certainly open to less criticism than when such revolting procedure is indulged as blackens and horrifies the story of this crime. It is sincerely to be hoped that every brute guilty of the crime James was guilty of, meets condign punishment, and that with all possible speed. But to punish such crimes in the manner undertaken and carried out by this mob, is

but adding fuel to the flames that will burn away the barriers between civilized law and barbarian lawlessness.

Had this series of horrors occurred in the South, many Northern papers would take advantage of the opportunity to fling barbed insults against our citizenry. As it occurred in the North, perhaps, they will have the grace to recognize that all people are creatures of passion, and North, South, East or West, very frequently indulge in actions indefensible from a humanitarian standpoint. Ourselves, we take the latter view of the matter, and wish to make no capital out of the unfortunate occurrences of any section or state.

IS IT BUSINESS?

During the present fall season, perhaps, half the local newspapers of Texas have received offers for advertising space from one or more mail-order concerns. These offers have been made in good faith, the catalogue houses believing such advertising worth the money, and offering to pay regular rates for the space. In nine cases out of ten, the newspapers have rejected such business, and consigned the proposition to the oblivion of an editor's waste basket. In doing this, have the newspapers men used good business judgment? The question is worth considering.

If the newspapers carried this advertising, it would be a direct mean of turning much trade from local channels into distant marts. Certainly that would work an injury to the local dealers. But the editor would secure the money for his commodity, and apparently both he and the mail-order people should be satisfied.

But you ask, "What of the local merchant meanwhile, where does he come in? Should not the ed-

itor consider him?" And the answer would depend.

For in many towns the average business man sends a large bulk of his printing to outside houses. It is perhaps a bit "tony", and is fashionable to have our state-ery printed in "Metropolisville," don't you know. And again, many business men don't advertise because everybody knows where they are, and it is of course foolish to waste ink and paper perpetually reminding folks of what they already know. All of which would justify the newspaper man in following suit, and getting the money wherever possible, since "business is business".

Of course there are some towns, like Ballinger, where a spirit of loyalty to the home papers is cultivated by the business men, and where the newspaper men laugh the foreign mail-order advertisers out of court. Under such conditions, it would pay both newspapers and merchants to "trade at home," indulging the live and let live, policy. It might be added that enough money is spent in the average town, yearly, on grafting advertising schemes alone, to double the efficiency of the local newspapers, were the money spent in that legitimate channel of trade.

POSTED KEEP OUT.

My place on Valley creek posted and I give fair warning to all trespassers to stay out. Positively no fishing, hunting, cutting timber, gathering pecans, or trespassing in any way will be tolerated. This means everybody and I will prosecute those who violate this warning.
wtf
J. W. RABY.

Rev. M. E. Hudson Tuesday from a visit to the Baptists Convention at Dallas. reports a great meeting, in ev-way.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT ON PETITION.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels—

On this, the 13th day of November, 1909, this court being in regular session, came on to be considered the petition of Joe Wilmeth and more than fifty other persons, citizens and tax-paying voters of Commissioners' Precinct No. One, of said County and State, which has been created as Road District No. One, of said County and State, praying that bonds be issued by said Road District No. One, of Runnels County, Texas, in the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, bearing 5 per cent rate of interest, maturing 40 years from date thereof, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof;

And it appearing to the court that said petition is signed by more than fifty of the resident property tax-paying voters of said Road District No. One, of Runnels County, Texas, and that the amount of bonds to be issued will not exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of such Road District No. One of Runnels County, Texas,

It is therefore considered and ordered by the court that an election be held in said Road District No. One, of Runnels County, Texas, on the 18th day of December, 1909, which is not less than thirty days from the date of this order, to determine whether or not the bonds of said Road District No. One, of Runnels County, Texas, shall be issued in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars, bearing 5 per cent rate of interest and maturing 40 years from the date thereof; and whether or not a tax shall be levied upon the property of said Road District No. One, of Runnels County, Texas, subject to taxation for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds, and provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity.

Notice of said election shall be given by publication in a newspaper published in said County for four successive weeks before the date of said election, and in addition thereto there shall be posted notices of such election at three public places in said Road District No. One, of Runnels County, Texas, one of which shall be at the Court House door, for three weeks prior to said election. Said election shall be held at the following regular voting places in said Road District No. One: Court House in the City of Ballinger; Runnels School House; town of Benoit; Fuzzy Creek School House, and Pony Creek School House, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers of said election at each voting place, respectively, as hereinbefore designated, namely C. R. Crews, for Ballinger; W. R. Nunn, for the Runnels School House; H. Vandevanter, for the town of Benoit; B. Mattison for Fuzzy Creek School House; and Jno. Bigsby, for Pony Creek School House.

Said election shall be held under the provisions of the Road District Act passed at the First Called Session of the Thirty-first Legislature, and only qualified voters who are property tax-payers of said Road District No. One, of Runnels County, Texas, shall be allowed to vote, and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREFOR," and those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREFOR."

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws of the State governing general elections.

A copy of this order signed by the County Judge of said County shall serve as a proper notice of said election, and the County Judge of said County is directed to cause said notice to be published in a newspaper published in said Road District No. One, of Runnels County, Texas, for four successive weeks next preceding said election, and caused to be posted a notice thereof at three public places in said Road District No. One, of Runnels County, Texas, one of which shall be at the Court House door, for three weeks prior to said election.

R. S. GRIGGS, County Judge.

SHIP OWNERS IN SWINDLING SCHEME

Special to The Banner. Houston, Texas, Nov. 18.—It developed here that a conspiracy exists among owners of ships operating at Texas ports and especially Galveston, to smuggle Chinese into this country from Mexico. After the orientals were in the United States they would arrange their arrest. The government would then deport them at its own expense and the fares netted the ship men a good revenue. Parties are under arrest at Galveston and will be given a hearing when whole scheme will be discovered.

PROGRESSIVE STORE ADVERTISE GOODS. Guion & Doose, the grocers, are serving luncheon, this afternoon, advertising some leading brands of coffee, fruit, etc.

Men's heavy fleeced underwear, 33c each. The Globe. dw1

A PHYSICIAN'S DIAGNOSIS OF KIDNEY TROUBLE.

A Seemingly Common Disease which Becomes Fatal through Neglect and which May Be Readily Cured by Prompt Attention.

More than two-thirds of the annual death rate, physicians claim, is directly traceable to kidney disorders.

Interested by this remarkable assertion and desiring to acquire a better understanding of the origin of the disease, a prominent physician was recently interviewed as to the symptoms of such troubles.

"To what do you attribute the great destructiveness of kidney disease?" was asked.

"The hold which the disease gains in the body before the victim becomes aware of his true condition, and the rapidity with which it eats its way into the vital organs."

"Would not the proverbial 'ounce of prevention' check the progress of the disease?"

"There is no doubt of it. The trouble is that victims of this disease mistake the symptoms for some trifling ailment in the stomach or bowels; therefore they do nothing to arrest the course of the disease until it is well advanced."

"What is the origin of kidney trouble?"

"Almost invariably bad digestion, followed by torpid liver and a constipated habit."

"What are the symptoms?" "Headache, dizzy spells, sluggish brain, restless nights, pale or sallow skin, bad breath, lack of appetite, heartburn, sour belching, backache or tenderness over the kidneys, nervous weakness, dark rings around the eyes, tired feeling, too much or too little urine, and sediment in urine."

ITS EFFECT ON THE HEART.

"In what way is the heart affected from kidney trouble?"

"In all cases the heart is disturbed, though in many instances the palpitation does not become alarming until the disease has advanced to a serious point. A severe heart throbbing and nervous trembling is noticeable, especially after a little bodily exercise; the victim frequently imagines he has heart disease."

HOW TO CURE IT.

"What is the proper course of treatment for kidney disease?"

"First, to get rid of uric acid and other poisons in the system. This can be done by stimulating the bladder and bowels so that they will act more freely. The suffering kidneys must be strengthened, the liver and stomach toned up and the digestion improved."

Prickly Ash Bitters is a remedy that answers these requirements completely. It is not only a system tonic and regulator, but its healing and restorative influence will build up the weakened kidneys and urge them to a better performance of their duties. It gives strength and tone to the liver, stomach and heart and promotes harmony of action throughout the body.

M. W. Burr, village blacksmith and respected citizen of Starks, La., says: "I was troubled with kidney and liver disorder for 19 years. I was in continual misery until I began taking Prickly Ash Bitters which has entirely cured me, and I am now a strong, healthy and hearty man. I give it to my wife and four children and they are in the best of health, too. I feel that Prickly Ash Bitters is the best remedy on earth and that everybody should keep a bottle at home."

Get the genuine with the figure "3" in red on front label. Sold by druggists. Price \$1.00.

CYCLONE STRIKES NEAR MT. PLEASANT

Full Report Show That Three Houses Were Blown Down Near Mount Pleasant.

Special to Banner. Mt. Pleasant, Tex., Nov. 15.—Additional reports received here to-day from out lying country districts say that the cyclonic storm of last night destroyed three houses. These were owned by Hugh Nelson, Will Searcey and W. T. Bolden.

Calico 4 1-2 cents; outings 5 cents; all piece goods going. dw1t The Globe.

WATERS PIERCE MONEY HELPED

Thanks to Fine State's Finances Are On Good Basis.

Austin, Texas, Nov. 18.—Texas may be said to be at this writing on a firm financial basis—thanks, of course, in a great measure, to the great Waters Pierce Oil Co. fine of nearly \$2,000,000 which was merged into the general revenue. At the close of business Saturday night there was a total of \$3,045,194.37 in cash in the treasury vaults and in the 31 state depositories over the state. The amount in the depositories amounts to \$2,015,194.37 and the remainder \$1,030,000, is in cash in the vaults. This includes the amount to the credit of the available school fund, which, however, at this particular time is very low, the treasury having only recently paid out \$65,000 of the apportionment made for the month of November. The above amount also includes \$805,481.46 collections made during the present month of interest due on public lands and also a certain percentage of the principal.

Under the change in the law regarding the remitting of land interests, it has been possible this year to make the collections much more promptly. The records in the state treasury department show that thus far there has been collected on account of interest and principal due on the public domain the great sum of \$1,252,446.80. This does not, however, represent the total collections, as those indebted to the state on land purchased have until the early part of next year in which to remit, although the time for payment is on or before November 1st.

Tax collections have also had much to do with the fat condition of the state's strong box, as the collections alone from the Baskin-McGregor liquor law has been close to a million dollars.

2 DINNER SET GIVEN AWAY AT THE HUB THURSDAY.

G. L. Ash, of Marie, Texas, receives the second dinner set given away. This is a beautiful 42 piece dinner set with an initial in gold. One set given away every Tuesday and Thursday. Go to the store and see these sets. They will explain the plan. d&w

FOR SALE—Registered Duroc Jersey Swine. Bred sows and gilts; open gilts; service boars and 3 mo. pigs at farmers price. Our head comprises the most popular blood lines and most of the aged hogs are prize winners. Can furnish pairs, trios or heads properly mated. Registered Jersey bull calf, high grade cows and heifers. Call on or address Glendale Stock Farm, Miles, Texas. 10-4t

Tenderness or aching in the small of back is a serious symptom. The kidneys are suffering. Take PRICKLY ASH BITTERS at once! It is a reliable kidney remedy and system regulator and will cure the trouble before it develops its dangerous stage. City Drug Store, Special Agents.

Judge Ed. S. McCarver went to Winters Wednesday afternoon on a short trip.

Cures a Cold in 24 Hours

The old idea that a cold must run its course is a dangerous idea to entertain. Colds should be cured as quickly as possible—that will be in 24 hours if

OUR OWN COLD TABLETS

are taken as soon as a cold manifests itself. Even if you neglect treatment until later these tablets will cure quicker than anything yet discovered.

Our Own Cold Tablets

stop the progress of a starting cold almost instantly and in a few hours will banish every vestige of it. Keep the remedy handy during the next few months and be free from colds.

Price 25c

City Drug Store

FOR AGED PEOPLE.

Old Folks Should be Careful in Their Selection of Regulative Medicine.

With advanced age comes inactive bowel movement and sluggish liver. Nature is unable to perform her proper functions and requires assistance. Otherwise, there is constant suffering from constipation and its attendant evils. Old folks should never use physic that is harsh and irritating. We have a safe, dependable and altogether ideal remedy that is particularly adapted to the requirements of aged people and persons of weak constitution who suffer from constipation or other bowel disorder. We are so certain that it will completely relieve these complaints and give absolute satisfaction in every particular,

that we offer them with our personal guarantee that they shall cost the user nothing if they fail to substantiate our claims. This remedy is called Rexall Orderlies.

Rexall Orderlies are eaten like candy. They have a soothing, rearing, strengthening, tonic and regulative action upon the dry mucous lining and the relaxed muscular coat of the bowell. They produce a natural, successive contraction and relaxation of the muscular fibres of the bowel walls, generating a wave-like motion which forces their contents onward and outward, thus stimulating nature in perfect bowel movement. They tone up and strengthen the nerves and muscles and restore the bowels and associate organs to more vigorous and healthy activity. They may be taken at any time without inconvenience do not cause any griping, nausea, diarrhoea, excessive looseness, flatulence or other disagreeable effect. Try Rexall Orderlies on our guarantee: 36 tablets 25 cts, and 12 tablets 10 cents. Remember you can obtain Rexall Remedies in Ballinger only at our store.—The Rexall Store. The Walker Drug Store.

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS can be depended on to cure the kidneys, correct the urine, strengthen the stomach and relieve backache. City Drug Store, Special Agents.

Land, live stock and insurance is our business; let us handle it for you. Office over Farmers & Merchants State Bank. M. D. Chastain & Co. wktf

J. H. Wilbourn, of the Ballinger Photo Company, went over to Winters on business, Thursday.

The Banner Job Printing.

TOLER & WOOD LAWYERS

Office in F. & M. Bank Building. Practice in All Courts

MOB HANGS NEGRO; SHERIFF TO JAIL

Special to The Banner. Washington, D. C., Nov. 15.—Former Sheriff Jas. Shipp, of Chattanooga, Tennessee, was here to-day sentenced to ninety days imprisonment by United States Supreme court for contempt of court in failing to prevent lynching of negro Ed. Johnson. The court had stayed Johnson's execution following conviction for assault, and Shipp let the mob hang the negro. Shipp has a son living at Dallas and one at Houston.

How about that PORTRAIT?

You have been intending to have made? Let us make it for you

N O W before the Holiday rush.

BALLINGER PHOTO CO.

J. H. WILBOURN, PROP.

Easy to Buy Hard to Beat

It isn't often that you can secure such big bargains in Real Estate but we have three or four splendid offers in farms which it will pay any man with a little ready capital to investigate.

RARE OPPORTUNITIES

These farms can be bought for a few hundred dollars down and the balance in payments to suit purchaser. Now is the time to secure a farm of your own. Interested parties should see us at once.

C. A. DOOSE & CO.

BALLINGER, - - - TEXAS

The Gateway to Success

Is across the pathway of every man. It is just ahead of many, ready to be opened.

Some carry keys, other 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 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.

GOVERNOR HASKELL MUST NOW FACE EARLY TRIAL

Oklahoma Governor and Five Associates Must Face Early Trial Saturday, in Muskogee Townsite Case.

Special to The Banner. Chickasha, Okla., Nov. 15.—Federal Judge Marshall to-day overruled the demurrers of Gov. C. N. Haskell and the five other prominent Oklahomans to indictments charging them with conspiracy against the government in obtaining Muskogee townsite lots. It was thought that this decision of Judge Marshall's would

compel Haskell and the other defendants to either stand trial in the near future or to plead guilty at once, but the governor's counsel has entered exceptions to the court's ruling and announced further motions to be filed. The defendants were ordered to appear before Judge Marshall next Saturday and either plead guilty or not guilty.

DIRECTORS OF FARMERS UNION ADJOURN.

Special to The Banner. Texarkana, Tex., Nov. 17.—The meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Farmers' Educational and Co-Operative Union of America adjourned to-day. By a large majority, the amendment to their constitution which doubles the membership dues was approved. The funds arising from this increase in dues will largely be used for the presidents salary, which is increased to three thousand dollars per annum by the same amendment. This amendment was adopted at the national convention at Birmingham, Ala., last September and was submitted to the local unions. The board audited the books of Treasurer McCulloch and approved them.

PEN INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE CONFERENCE.

Special to The Banner. Austin, Texas, Nov. 16.—The state penitentiary investigation committee held its first executive session here this morning. It is preparing an official report for the governor. The members refuse to discuss the results of their investigations, and to discuss the proceedings in the conference, or to say what recommendations will be made before their report is officially submitted.

Big line of shoes, boots and rubbers at sale prices. Men's \$3.50 hats, sale price \$2.68; men's \$4.00 hats, sale price \$3.39 at The Globe. d&w1 Bargains for all at The Globe.

CHURCH AND STATE ISSUE INVOLVED

Houston, Texas, Nov. 17.—An effort to mix church and state caused a stir at a Houston preachers meeting last night. They met to form a federation of city churches, and a warm debate resulted over recognizing state Anti-Saloon League and threatened to disrupt plans for the Association. Two ministers protested against by-laws, seating representatives of the Anti-Saloon League on the board of directors, the revolting members claiming that the Anti-Saloon League was injecting politics into its organization, and they urged complete separation of church and state, on this issue. Meeting adjourned without definite action being taken. Prohibition faction declares it will support the League representatives as qualified for church recognition. Promoters of the organization say this is the beginning of a hot fight.

DROP IN TEMPERATURE OF TWENTY DEGREES.

Special to The Banner. Tyler, Tex., Nov. 16.—Temperature here dropped twenty degrees in two hours this morning, when a cold wave from the north struck this city. The cold was more intense because of a hard rain last night.

HELPFUL WORDS.

From a Ballinger Citizens.

Is your back lame and painful? Does it ache especially after exertion? Is there a soreness in the kidney region? These symptoms indicate weak kidneys. There is danger in delay. Weak kidneys fast get weaker. Give your trouble prompt attention. Doan's Kidney Pills act quickly. They strengthen weak kidneys. Read this Ballinger testimony: E. A. Trail, Southwestern part of Ballinger, Texas, says: "I had no serious trouble from my kidneys, but was annoyed a great deal by a frequent desire to pass the kidney secretions. This weakness often obliged me to get out of bed several times at night and thus my rest was broken. When a friend told me that Doan's Kidney Pills would stop this trouble. I at once procured a supply at the Walker Drug Co. They acted like magic, soon relieving my aches and pains. It gives me pleasure to recommend Doan's Kidney Pills."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other. 9-2t

TO ATTEND SYNOD.

Rev. J. D. Leslie, of Ballinger, Rev. Powell, of Winters and several others went to San Angelo Wednesday evening to attend the Texas synod of the Southern Presbyterian church which convenes at 7:30 to-night. Vened at 7:30 Wednesday night.

TO THE PUBLIC.

Not gone but moved to the Farmers & Merchants State Bank, over the Postoffice, in the east rooms on second floor, and am better fitted up to serve the public, than ever before. Call and see me. 78-4tW1t G. W. Johnson, M.D.

R. L. Bennett left Wednesday evening for Dallas, Amarrillo, Canyon City and a number of other places, prospecting, to-days.

Hardware, tinware and piece goods must go. So come and get what you need almost at your own price, before it is all gone. d&w1t The Globe.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Afferbach and little son went to San Antonio Saturday evening.

LIGHTFOOT BECOMES ATTORNEY GENERAL

Gov. Campbell Appoints Jewell P. Lightfoot to Succeed Robert V. Davidson, Who Has Just Tendered Resignation.

Austin, Texas, Nov. 16.—Gov. Thomas M. Campbell to-day appointed Jewel P. Lightfoot to succeed Attorney General Davidson, who yesterday announced that he will resign, the resignation to take effect January first. Davidson resigned that he might devote all his time to his campaign for governor.

Lightfoot is at present first Assistant Attorney General and had already announced his intention of entering the race for Attorney General in the next campaign. As an assistant, he has been especially active in ousting corporations from the state for alleged violation of Texas' laws.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters advertised Nov. 13, 1909: Burps, C. G. Bowen, E. D. Bair, W. W. Brown, Mrs. Laura. Brown, Miss Lena. Jackson, Miss Emily Alby. Pinson, J. H. (2) Richardson, C. G. Rogers, Tom. Smith, W. A. Smith, Ed. Ware, James F.

Mexican Letters.

Sr. Thomas Riojas. Sr. Ramon De Luna. Sr. Betoriano Gonzales. Sr. Benigno R. Perez. Sr. Anastasic Gomes. Pedro Ybara. Sr. Jose Reyes. When calling for the above letters please say advertised and give date of the list. After two weeks these letters will be sent to the Dead Letter Office. Henry A. Cady, P. M.

TAKES PRISONER TO PEN.

Deputy Sheriff Collier, of Fort Worth, was here Wednesday after one Conduff, who was sentenced to in the District court to two years in the penitentiary on a charge of horse theft.

Shoes, skirts, hats and clothing. All going in the BIG SALE that is now on at The Globe. d-w1t

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We always try to attract and hold trade by giving our customers the best possible service, but the prices are always reasonable also. We want you to feel that when any item of drugs is required you can come to us for it with confidence that the quality will be the best, that you will receive competent and courteous attention, and the price will be right. City Drug Store

Ballinger Bicycle Shop We sell Bicycles, new and second hand. We are agents for Motor Cycles. Repair Work We repair bicycles, guns, phonographs, motor cycles, do key fitting. Give us a trial Ballinger Bicycle Shop 2 Cooks Restaurant old Stand

BARTON APPOINTED FINANCIAL AGENT.

Special to The Banner. Austin, Texas, Nov. 18.—Gov. Campbell to-day appointed his private Secretary, A. M. Barton, of Palestine, Financial Agent for the penitentiaries, succeeding J. C. Haynes, who resigned. Barton has been secretary of the penitentiary board, and is familiar with prison affairs.

CLARENCE BLOUNT DIED LAST NIGHT

After Long Illness Succumbs to Typhoid Fever.—Had Lived Here Four Years.

Clarence E. Blount, who had lived in this section for over four years, died Tuesday night at the residence of his father-in-law, G. L. Higgins, corner Sharp and Thirteenth Street, where he had been ill for some weeks of typhoid fever. Notwithstanding the best of treatment, his malady grew beyond control, and after a hard fight he relinquished the struggle of life, and entered into a life beyond. The funeral service was held at the residence at 4 p. m. Wednesday, conducted by Bro. Bandy, the interment taking place afterwards at the city cemetery.

Mr. Blount leaves a wife and two children to mourn his loss, along with scores of friends. He was raised in what is now the state of Oklahoma, and has followed farming most of his life, since attaining manhood. He was twenty-five years of age.

MADDOX GOING TO CONGRESS.

John F. Maddox, the young man who made such a game race for the Democratic nomination for the legislature in this district four years ago, writes Col. J. A. Baker, chairman of the invitation committee, of the West Texas Development Congress, that he will attend the congress here in December. He has the following to say in his letter accepting the invitation: "It is with pleasure that I acknowledge the invitation of your committee to attend the West Texas Development Congress, at San Angelo, Texas, December sixth. "I think this is one of the best movements ever made for West Texas, and I shall certainly attend."—San Angelo Standard.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following have been issued since our last report: J. C. Mayhew and Miss Minnie Ellen Wardeman. Fred Paul and Miss Ellen Mann. Rictor Rodriget and Martina Ortez. Emilio Ortiz and Loseba Cobicos. Oscar Riekman and Miss Rittie Brewer.

TWENTY-SIX ABOVE AT AMARILLO.

Special to The Banner. Amarillo, Tex., Nov. 16.—The lowest temperature of the season was recorded here this morning when the government thermometer registered 26 above zero.

BALLINGER FIRMS CLOSE THANKSGIVING

We, the undersigned business firms of Ballinger, do hereby agree to close our places of business, Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 25, 1909.

- First National Bank.
- Farmers & Merchants State Bank.
- The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Company.
- Hall Hardware Co.
- Guion & Doose.
- A. L. Spann & Co.
- J. O. Mixon.
- Jones, Walton & Co.
- John Pechacek.
- Cash Grocery Co.
- Bair & Conn.
- Great Eastern Bargain Store.
- Van Pelt, Kirk & Maek.
- Higdon, Melton, Jackson Co.
- Ballinger Dry Goods Co.
- R. L. Shaffer.
- R. A. Risser & Co.
- W. S. Morehead.
- A. J. Stockliss.
- Rosenwasser & Levy.
- Ed. Globber.
- C. H. Doose & Company.
- J. S. Stubbs & Co.
- W. A. Gustavus.
- Ostertag Furniture Co.
- Ballinger Grain Co.
- Hicks & Moore.
- Gressett & Son.
- Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co.
- J. E. Brewer.
- Clainstain & Simpson.
- J. L. McWhirter.
- Asa Cordill.
- Bennett Abstract Co.
- T. J. Kinzer.
- W. H. Davis.
- Winkler Dry Goods Co.
- T. S. Lankford.
- B. Dornberger.
- Giesecke-Bennett Co.
- Hartman & McAdams.
- Coneho Lumber Co.
- Crews Fur Co.
- Snyder Brost & Co.
- Ballinger Lumber Co.
- T. J. Middlebrook.
- Wm. Cameron & Co.
- Palace Barber Shop.
- Chown Barber Shop.
- Frank Maddox & Co.
- Lee Maddox.
- Reeves Printing Co.
- Z. M. Davis.
- Byrd Bros.
- Wilson Bros.
- Ballinger Produce Co.
- G. B. Whitmore & Co.
- Frank Wooden Tin Shop.
- E. L. Ray.
- R. A. Nahvirz.
- A. S. Lyons.
- The Hub.
- F. C. Miller.

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The Carlsbad of America, where Life Giving Waters Flow. Marlin Hot Water is stronger and hotter than the famous Carlsbad, Germany water, the analysis showing its chemical properties to be almost identical but twenty-five (25) per cent stronger. Marlin Hot Water is a sure specific for Rheumatism, Stomach Troubles and all Blood diseases. Thousands are testifying to remarkable and phenomenal cures effected. Round trip rates year round on all railroads, good for sixty days. Excellent hotel accommodations. Good boarding house facilities. Rates from \$5.00 a week to \$3.00 per day. For further particulars address

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\$20.00 Suits now.....	\$16.35	\$17.50 Suits now.....	\$13.85
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27.50 Suits now.....	21.85	12.50 Suits now.....	9.69
29.50 Suits now.....	23.95	7.50 Suits now.....	5.95



MILLINERY:

Every hat must go, nothing reserved. Our Millinery Department has enjoyed an unusually good business, but we have on hand dozens of pretty, stylish hats. You can find one just to your liking at a saving of 25 to 40 per cent, values that are unequaled on hats of art. Read a few of the prices—but they don't convey the beauty of the hats.

\$ 3.50 Hats are.....	\$2.85
4.00 Hats are.....	3.15
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—A BARGAIN EVENT

8.50 Hats are.....	5.89
10.00 Hats are.....	6.48
12.00 Hats are.....	8.25
7.50 Hats are.....	4.98



CLOTHING:

Half your troubles are over when you come here to buy your suit—not that we carry the largest stock in town, but our suits are bought with an eye on value—In the **Strouss Bros.**, line of "High Art" clothes you'll find every feature of high grade tailoring, excelled by none. You'll find the newest things in coloring and in style and the fits are perfect. We want to sell you your suit and believe we can show you why you should buy it here.

"HIGH ART" CLOTHES.

Men's Suits made of good worsted in the newest of this seasons colorings, style three button sack coat with deep front. Pants are cut full, a swell garment worth \$17.50; our price..... \$15.00
Men's Suits made of pure wool worsted. Color of dark olive green and sage green toned with stripes of darker color. Cot is three button, trimmed sleeves, pants cut full, made for regular and slims suits, worth \$20.00; our price..... \$17.50
Nobby Suits, a young man's suit strictly, made of all wool worsted (hard finished), colors of dark, green and grey in two tone effect. Pants have welted seams, belt straps effect. Pants have welted seams, belt straps and side buckles. You'll find none better at \$22.50; our price..... \$20.00

SUITS UNDER VALUE.

A good winter suit that has weight and will hold its color. Made of hard finish material and we have your size at a price you'll wonder how we can do it. Colors are dark grey, style three button sack. A suit that is worth \$12.50; priced at..... \$7.85
Men's Suits, in dark color. Coats have good serge lining, style three button sack, made of good quality worsted, a suit that is worth \$15.00 and was sold at that price. a bargain at..... \$8.95
Suits made of good quality of worsted and also black and styles are sack coats. Lined with extra quality serge and satine linings, colors navy and grey, in stripes and checks, suits that sold from \$16.50 to \$20.00; marked our price..... \$9.95

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We are giving away every Tuesday and Thursday a 42 piece dinner set, with initial in gold—just as a special incubement for more of your business it cost you no more to have this opportunity, you pay no more for your goods than if we were not making this extraordinary offer.

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MAYOR KIRK GETS WHITE QUAIL

First Bird of the Kind Ever Seen
in This Country. —Caught
Alive.

Some time before the quail season opened a covey of quail with two snow white birds in the bunch was located near town. Several have been out and tried to kill the birds or catch them alive, but it fell to the good luck of Mayor Kirk to get the bird and get him alive.

R. P. Conn and Mr. Kirk went out Tuesday evening to hunt a few hours, and they struck the bunch containing the white quail, but one of the birds was missing, and it is supposed that a hawk had caught it. The remaining white one was brought down by Mr. Kirk, and only one shot struck

the bird, breaking its wing. Mr. Kirk's friends are complimenting him very highly for his wonderful marksmanship, in that he did not kill the bird; but only allowed one shot to cripple it so that it could be caught.

This is the first white quail ever seen in this country. It is the same sign and resembles a "Bob White" in every respect, except that it is a snow white.

The bird is on exhibition at the Walker Drug Co. Mr. Kirk will try to save its life, but in case the broken wing causes it to die, he will place it in the hands of a taxidermist and have it mounted.

Coffees and Teas, fresh... Can grind coffee if wanted.—Miller Mercantile Company.

H. Zdaril went to San Angelo Wednesday to attend the Texas synod of the Southern Presbyterian church.

PARDON ISSUED TO LEE MORRIS

Negro Who Saved Life of Jailer
Brodie Last September
Given His Liberty for
His Heroic Act.

Austin, Texas, Nov. 17.—When Governor Campbell Monday afternoon heard the story of Lee Morris, a negro sentenced to two years in the penitentiary, now in the Travis county jail, he promptly pardoned the prisoner. Morris, like most of his race, was fond of gambling, and was caught, or rather convicted of having played a game of monte and exhibiting a gaming device and betting on the result. The bet was just 50 cents. Think of it! Just 50 cents. He was tried under the new law, making it a penitentiary offense to exhibit a game, and sentenced

to a term in the penitentiary. The court of criminal appeals recently affirmed the case and it seemed inevitable that Morris would have to spend two years in the penitentiary. He had been in jail since last December and his case was tried last April. His chance came last September when a daring attempt was made by three desperate negro prisoners to escape. They overpowered Jailer Brodie and was beating him to death, when Morris, who had been made a trusty, at the risk of his life, rushed in to the aid of the jailer. He pounded the three negroes with dish pans and plates and other things handy. He fought like a demon and succeeded in getting the negroes to desist, to the delight of Jailer Brodie, who was nearly choked to death and had otherwise been seriously wounded about the head and face. This was a lucky stroke for Morris, for since that time he has been

NEXT ASSOCIATION ODD FELLOWS AT WINTERS

Vote Favors Winters on First Ballot.
San Angelo Team Wins First
Honors in Contest. Oc-
casion Great Success.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Colorado-Concho Odd Fellows Association, Tuesday night, it was decided that the next meeting be held at Winters. This meeting, which is the regular annual meeting, will occur April 26, 1910.

Being only a semi-annual meeting, new officers of the association were not elected at the Ballinger meeting. However, all the contests in team work took place. San Angelo was awarded first prize for the best all-round team work; Miles also receiving three awards for different phases of her team's work.

The meeting at Ballinger was a success in every sense of the word. At the night meeting fully two hundred visiting members were present. The night meeting took place immediately after a banquet which was attended by all the visiting Odd Fellows and Rebekahs, and also some friends. The fare consisted of barbecued mutton and beef, roast, turkey, coffee, celery, cranberry sauce, oranges, apples, cake, pie, and everything else one could desire.

At the meeting at the Court House Tuesday afternoon, the general public was made welcome, a considerable portion of the crowd being in the gallery.

The following program was carried out, being too late for mention in Tuesday's Banner.

Address of Welcome in behalf of Runnels Lodge No. 291, by Judge C. O. Harris. Judge Harris said that he had been an Odd Fellow twenty-five years and that he expected to remain an Odd Fellow all his life. He told of the work the lodge was doing, being a friend to the widow, a father to the orphans, and a brother to the sick. "Just so long as we believe in God; the Father Almighty," said Judge Harris, "just so long as the people of our nation spend millions of dollars every year for the support of the needy, just so long as the hearts of men can be united by bonds of love and truth—just that long will the membership of our order increase and just that long will an Odd Fellow be welcome anywhere."

Bro. Whitaker, responding for the Bronte lodge, reported eighty five members, and said all the boys were in the same crowd and at all times were united.

In behalf of the Eola lodge, Bro. Douglas thanked the Ballinger people for the "double-

barreled welcome" extended, saying that "if there is one word that sinks deep into the heart of every man when among strangers, it is that word "welcome." And if there is one word that the angels of heaven delight in saying, it is the same word.

Bro. Banowsky, responded for the Miles lodge, saying lots of good things for the Ballinger people.

W. C. Spence, for Norton, expressed his pleasure at being present at a meeting such as this, where not only the fraternal bonds were strengthened, but where "the chords that bind us together as men are made stronger," and in behalf of the Norton visitors, he thanked the Ballinger people for their welcome.

Mr. Roach for Paint Rock, A. M. Jordan for Winters and Mr. Eason for Wingate returned thanks to the Ballinger people, and all we heartily cheered. Especially was Mr. Eason's talk enjoyed, as he seemed filled up and running over with good humor.

The address of the day was by Rev. W. Bion Adkins. After a few introductory remarks he said in part: "This institution has for its only aim the making of real, true, honest men. We do not expect to ever turn out a perfect man, but it is our aim to come as near the perfect man as possible. All ages have tried to produce a perfect man, but only one has ever existed. This man was the ideal of God himself and should also be our ideal. A good man is of far greater value than all the bright constellations of the heavens and so our lodge is engaged in a noble work. The preachers are behind the Odd Fellows, because they realize that to bring the Bible to a poor man's heart, first he must be fed and clothed."

The speaker also had a good word for the Rebekahs, and also stated that this was one of the first lodges, that organized a woman's department.

Rev. Adkin closed by showing how nearly the work of the lodge followed the work of the Bible, how it clothed the naked, fed the hungry and helped the needy.

The greatness of our work," said he, "can never be known until that great day when all the gates of heaven will stand ajar for the entrance of all those who have been true Odd Fellows."

permitted to meander all around the jail. Jailer Brodie promised to all in his power to get Morris a pardon. The matter was taken up with the court officials, and Judge Calhoun, District Attorney J. R. Hamilton, Sheriff Matthews, Judge Wilcox and many others all signed the application for a pardon.

ENGINEER BADLY BURNED AT ENNIS

Special to The Banner.

Ennis, Tex., Nov. 17.—L. Wade, an engineer on the Houston & Texas Central railroad, was seriously burned by steam this morning, when a steam pipe bursted on a locomotive as it was taking an engine from the round house. Wade's limbs were badly scalded.

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.

Miss Anna McCullom went to San Angelo Wednesday at noon,

CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTHWEST

A. & M. of Texas and Oklahoma Sooners Play This Evening.

Special to The Banner.

Dallas, Texas, Nov. 17.—The foot-ball championship of the Southwest will be decided in this city this afternoon when the husky farmers from Texas A. & M. will meet the Oklahoma State University warriors in battle royal.

Both managers are confident of winning the game, the Oklahoma supporters placing their faith in the heavy line and steady determination of the "Sooners," while Moran, coach for A. & M. says his team will win by means of their back field. This back field was what enabled A. & M. to defeat Texas University so easily and it is possibly the best that any Texas school ever had.

The A. & M. boys have not lost a game this season and in open play they are considered nearly invincible; on the other hand, the Oklahoma men average 10 pounds over their Texas opponents and in straight line bucks their work is wonderful. They will try to play as close a game as possible, while the A. & M. men will try for the open game.

Texas A. & M. has not been defeated this year. Oklahoma has lost but one game. That one was to Kansas University early in the season by a 12 to 0 score.

Gaston park gridiron is in fine condition and at three o'clock this evening the weather was all that could be desired. Immense crowds will witness the game.

Among the A. & M. rooters will be City Assessor of Fort Worth; Bob Little-John, who introduced foot-ball into the college in 1891.

ATTEMPT TO ROB FT. WORTH CHURCH

Fort Worth, Texas, Nov. 17.—The third burglary of the First Baptist church of this city, in the past four months, was attempted early this morning, by two masked robbers, whose plans were foiled by Sam Criswell, night watchman, as the men entered the pastor's study, supposedly to crack the church safe. Criswell, who was sleeping in the study, was awakened by the flash of the burglar's lantern. He sprang from his cot and chased them through the building, from belfry to basement. They finally escaped thru

a window. A typewriter, and a small sum of money were stolen in former robberies.

TODAY'S NEWS AT STATE CAPITAL

Special to The Banner.

Austin, Texas, Nov. 17.—The Texas Supreme court to-day remanded the case of Dillay vs. Jasper Lumber Company from Jefferson county, holding that sale ought to be set aside, as the property sold for an insufficient price. The ruling says the lower court erred in declining to hear evidence in support of motion to remove the receiver, because of alleged collusion between him and president of defendant company.

The Supreme court to-day reversed judgment of the court of Civil Appeals in the case of the Fort Worth driving club vs. the Fort Worth Fair Association, and reinstated injunction granted by the District court at Austin.

The penitentiary investigating committee to-day examined H. P. Erwin, of Dallas, who served two terms in penitentiary and whose citizenship has not been restored. He told of the abuse of miners. The committee continues in executive session, preparing its report to Governor Campbell.

ABILENE MAN KILLED YESTERDAY

Abilene, Tex., Nov. 16.—Shortly before 8 o'clock Sunday night S. C. Hackley, aged 72, was shot three times and killed by his brother-in-law, R. Y. Payton, aged 63, following a quarrel between the two men. The shooting occurred in the Hadley home, a local boarding house, where both men lived. The Coroner's verdict was that Hackley came to his death from wounds received from a revolver in the hands of R. Y. Payton.

Both men are pioneer citizens of Abilene and have large families.

When officers arrived on the scene Payton voluntarily surrendered and was lodged in jail.

Three shots were fired, all taking effect. One struck Hackley just above the left nipple and ranged downward in the region of the heart. The second shot took effect in the right breast and the third struck in the stomach, penetrating the kidneys.

According to the testimony of County Phician Cash, either of the three shots would have proven fatal. Payton was placed in jail here and will be given an examining trial tomorrow morning before Justice Keeble.

CLAY COUNTY GAS FIELD ENLARGING

Three New Wells Have Been Brought in.—Many Visitors Attracted.

Petrolia, Clay Co., Tex., Nov. 16.—Companies interested in the natural gas field in this section, from which they propose to supply Fort Worth and Dallas with fuel through a pipe line, are boring more wells and succeeding in enlarging the proven field.

On the Webber & Smith tract a well has been brought in with an estimated capacity of 15,000,000 feet.

Some of these new wells were opened yesterday and the roar of the gas could be heard several miles. People were attracted from sections ten and fifteen miles from the field and many visitors made their appearance.

There is much interest in the situation and the probabilities of further enlargement of the field, and it now seems that there will be plenty of natural gas for Ft. Worth and Dallas and some other places.

To date about twelve good wells have been brought in.

FIVE CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR

Five Men Want to be Governor of New State.

Special to The Banner.

Guthrie, Okla., Nov. 17.—The campaign for the second gubernatorial position to-day becomes a race between five men. Doubtless there would be six candidates, but Governor Chas. N. Haskell is barred from holding the position again by the state constitution which prohibits two terms in succession. With this number in the field, the campaign promises some lively political meetings before the final primaries which take place August 17.

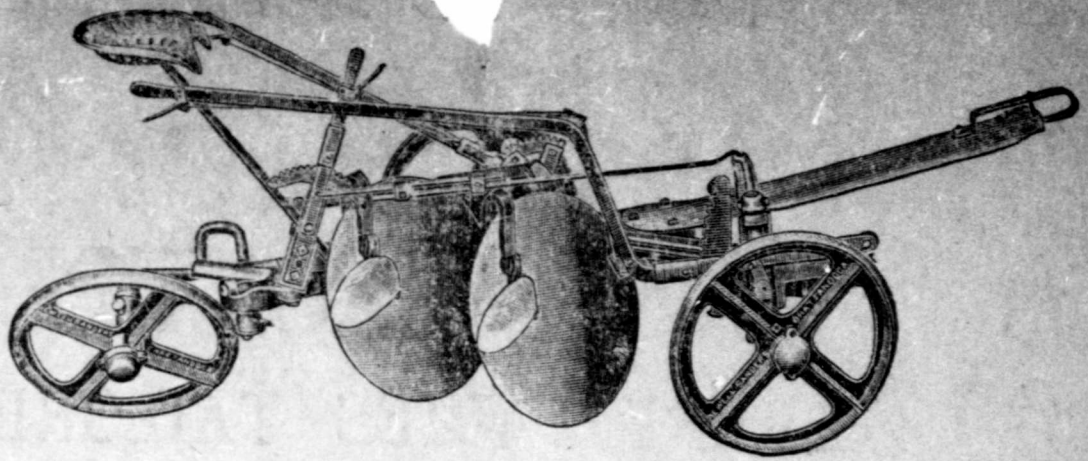
Three of the candidates are democrats while two are republicans. The democrats are Lee Cruce, of Ardmore, the last to enter the race and whose stand-by is his friend "Alfalfa Bill" Murray, Tishomingo; and Jesse Dunn, of Alva. Dunn is at present Associate Justice of the State Supreme Court. The republicans are S. C. Jones, of Oklahoma City and John Bandid, of Muskogee.

JAILED IN CONTEMPT OF SUPREME COURT

Are Now in Washington Jail, Comfortably Located, but Must Serve Sentence.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 16.—For the first time in American history six men are in jail tonight for contempt of the United States Supreme Court. They are Joseph F. Shipp, former sheriff of Chattanooga, Jeremiah Gibaron, his jailer, and Luther Williams, for 90 days each; Nick Nolan, Henry Padgett, and William Mayes, 60 days each for failing to protect Ed. Johnson, a negro, whose execution was stayed by the Supreme Court, from a mob.

The men were sentenced and sent to Washington jail, where they are comfortably located in a big room.



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WILL NAVIGATE UPPER RED RIVER

Special to The Banner.

Shreveport, La., Nov. 16.—The Red River Improvement Association and Shreveport Transportation Association this morning accepted proposition of Texans and Oklahomans along the upper Red river to raise a fund of \$100,000 to assist movement to restore navigation from New Orleans to Denison. N. H. Ragland, of Paris, secretary of the Red River Improvement Association, declared this amount would be raised promptly. The Association is urging additional federal appropriation for river improvements only \$50,000, now being available. Steamboats are to be operated by a Transportation Company, recently organized.

BOILER MAKERS WIN TYLER STRIKE

Special to The Banner.

Tyler, Texas, Nov. 15.—The boilermakers in the local shops of the Cotton Belt railroad, who struck for increase in wages and contract, won complete victory to-day, when railroad company acceded to demands. Wages were increased from thirty-eight to forty cents per hour with contracts. Helpers wages were increased two and a half cents per hour and flange turners from forty and a half to forty-two and a half cents per hour.

COLD WAVE OVER THE ENTIRE WEST

Special to The Banner.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 16.—A cold wave is prevailing throughout the West and Southwest to-day. Heavy snow is falling in Nebraska, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, and Wyoming. Nebraska is covered with a foot snow. A blizzard is raging in Wisconsin and the cold wave extends to Texas, where the temperature has dropped twenty degrees.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Nix, of Greenville, Texas, arrived Monday, on a visit to the family of S. A. Husky. Mr. Nix is a railroad engineer, running out of Greenville to Shreveport. This is his second visit to Ballinger, and he thinks we have a mighty good town.

Points Worth Knowing

The non-interest-bearing and unsecured deposits of this bank will be secured by the depositors guaranty fund of the State of Texas, on and after the first day of January 1910. This plan has been almost universally adopted by the State Banks throughout Texas and is known to be a sure and solid plan of guaranty. Further information will be furnished upon request.

THE WINTERS STATE BANK

Winters, Texas.

REPORTER DIZZY AT SIGHT O' MONEY

Longing Eyes of Banner Man Views Sight of \$100,000 in New Money Received by First National Bank.

A Banner reporter grew positively dizzy Tuesday morning, as he viewed the biggest bunch of the "long green" ever received in West Texas. It was a cool \$100,000 in bills of five, ten and twenty dollar denominations, which The First National Bank of this city had just received by insured registered mail from United States Treasury, at Washington, D. C.

This money represents the increased circulation of The First National and \$12,500 more is yet to be received. As soon as the bills are properly signed and cut, they will be put in local circulation, and largely increase the balance in local clearings.

This shipment of money is by far the largest ever received in Ballinger, and is doubtless the largest ever received in the state, outside of the larger cities.

M. E. CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

Stamford Conference Finishes Business and Adjourns.—Appointments for Brownwood District.

The West Texas M. E. Conference adjourned late Monday evening, after an unusually interesting session. All business was satisfactorily concluded and the conference was notable for the spirit of zeal and enthusiasm manifested. Following are a number of the Brownwood district:

Presiding Elder, Rev. J. A. Whitehurst; Ballinger, Rev. J. A. Biggs; Bronte, Rev. C. L. Spann; Coleman Station, Rev. W. W. Moss; Coleman Circuit, Rev. J. T. Kidwell; Santa Anna, Rev. H. F. Brooks; Talpa, Rev. W. C. Harris; Wingate Circuit, Rev. H. C. Boman.

SELLS DELIVERY BUSINESS.

R. Q. Manley has sold his transfer business to the Ballinger Transfer Co., and is on the look out for a farm. He says he will move to the country as soon as he can rent a farm.

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What's All This Fuss About?

Some people are asking. Why about THE STORE AHEAD---about its Merchandise
 About its Wonderful Activity.



An old Judge used to say a Lawyer must have three things to be successful: 1 Activity. 2 Activity. 3 Activity. And if he knows a little law in addition, it will not militate against his success. A Store must first and last be active. Not one out of a thousand people realize how strenuously active The Store Ahead is. They know that something New--something Different, is constantly claiming their attention, but little do they realize the planning that the management of the Store goes to, to keep before them something Different and Better than is usually the case. We have planned to give Thanks to you during the last half of November--Thanksgiving Time. So we shall make the remaining days of November a Real Thanksgiving Event, long to be remembered by the people of this section, and urge you to be on hand and note the Saving

Activity in the **MILLINERY, READY-to-WEAR** and **SKIRT** Sections---Great Reductions

 <p>ing this Sale</p>	<h3>50 New Arrivals</h3> <p>Today's Express brought to us 50 New Tailored Suits in quite a range of colors and sizes. These are beauties and will be sold remarkably cheap.</p> <p>1 Lot \$25.00 Suits, real values at \$25.00 Sale Price</p> <p>\$19.50</p> <p>1 Lot \$22.50 Values, as long as they last, Sale Price</p> <p>\$16.95</p> <p>1 Lot \$18.50 and \$20.00 Values, cheap at this price, Extraordinary values, during this Sale</p> <p>\$14.95</p> <p>These Suits are the Latest Styles</p>		<h3>Hats for Street and Dress</h3> <p>Do you need a Street or Dress Hat? If so you cannot afford to pass this opportunity by. We recently purchased 100 Ladies' Hats, New Styles, worth \$5.00, 6.00, 7.50, and 8.50, choice of the lot</p> <p>\$4.48</p> <p>We will sell you all show or pattern Hats, for less than the cost of materials.</p> <p>Special Extra--Read:</p> <p>1 Lot Hats bought at Special Prices worth \$3.50, 4.50 and 5.00, choice on table</p> <p>\$2.50</p>	
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Remarkable Value Giving in the Cloak Section For Women and Children. Recently Purchased 1 Lot of 50 Ladies' Coats in black and Tan, gray and Red, that are actually worth \$10.00, 13.50, 15.00 and 18.50. Choice, the lot, worth double - - - - - \$7.95

It's Winter Time, Sir. You Must Consider buying that Suit and Overcoat

 <p>Copyright 1909 The House of Kuppenheimer Chicago</p>	<h2>Kuppenheimer and Alfred Benjamin Clothes</h2> <p>The World's Best Makes to Select From.</p> <h3>Clothes Confidence:</h3> <p>Come with the assurance that you are correctly attired for any and all occasions. Alfred Benjamin and Kuppenheimer Correct Clothes for Men and Young Men reflect every essential of standard fashion and give that personal sense of efficiency that very perfectly tailored, accurately fitted clothes can give.</p> <p>They are sold exclusively in Our Men's Clothing Department, where any day you can see many New Fall Models. These Suits will give you Service, and give it at a moderat cost. Prices range</p> <p>\$15.00 \$18.50 \$22.50 and \$25.00</p> <p>Big Line of Broken Sizes, worth up to \$12.50, Choice of the lot</p> <p>\$4.98</p>	 <p>Copyright 1909 The House of Kuppenheimer Chicago</p>
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<h4>A Thought of Comforts & Blankets</h4> <p>Now is the time to lay in these necessary cold weather articles. Special prices on Quilts and Blankets. A saving here and you will agree with us. Come and see.</p>		<h4>Winter and Wool Underwear Go</h4> <p>Hand in Hand. Immense line of Wool Underwear and Top Shirts here. Wool Undershirts and Drawers to match at \$1, 1.25, 1.50 and up. Wool Overshirts at \$1, 1.25, 1.50 up.</p>
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