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BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY, MAY 25, 1901

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We Save You Dollars;

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Same Goods
For Less
Money.

Our Verdict: We submit to the verdict of your judgement our right to your patronage. There's a full measure of truth goes with every advertisement. **BRIN'S ONE PRICE CASH DRY GOODS HOUSE.** We never misrepresent; We never buy trash; therefore, we never sell trash. Bear this in mind.

White Batistes with lots of
patterns, most popular
at 10c and 12c per yd.

10c yd

White Batistes, stripes
and checks, white and tinted
patterns, regular price all over 12 1/2c yd.
our price.

9c yd

Elegant Line of Soft Sheen Zephyrs,
suitable for shirt waists and dresses,
worth 15c, our price

10c yd

Large Line of Percales, large range of
beautiful patterns, value 12 1/2c, our price

9c yd

Nice Quality White Dimity, value
12 1/2c, our price

8 1-3c yd

Do you do silk embroidering or silk
crocheting? We have just received a
full line of Belding's silks, the best
known make for all fancy work. Come
and see.

Have you seen our beautiful line of
Ladies Ready Made Silk Shirt Waists?
Latest styles, newest colorings, prices
within the reach of all.

Large line of Ladies Crash, Pique and
Duck Skirts, they fit right, look right
and are right. We save you time and
labor making these, for we sell them
cheaper than you can make them.

Shirts' Shirts!! Shirts!!! All styles,
all kinds for men and boys. Prices 25
per cent cheaper than you have ever
seen before.

Men's, Boy's and Children's clothing
newest styles, best make, they all bear
Brin's Popular Low Prices.

Our Millinery is giving great satisfac-
tion. Our trimmings are the latest and
best, our prices the lowest. Brin's hap-
py combination: High Quality, Low
Prices.

BRIN'S ONE PRICE CASH DRY GOODS HOUSE makes your seventy-five cents look like a dollar. It's easy to match a price, but not so easy to equal quality. Price for Price, Quality for Quality, we can't be matched. Follow the crowd here and you'll have money in your pocket that wouldn't be there if you bought elsewhere.

Yours for economy and sold satisfaction,

BRIN'S,

Ballinger's Only One Price Strictly Cash Dry Goods House. Lee Maddox
Old stand, 8th Street, Ballinger, Texas.

Be sure to note Mr. Allen
this week.

Asa Cordill's watches at Asa

Wilson is now associated
with a new process marble
works, recently established in
our city.

Mr. Hall & Cobb's ice cream
is the best in equal.

Blount Earl, recently moved to
our county from Leon county,
left Thursday for an overland
trip to Schleicher and other
western counties.

—Seth Thomas clocks, at Cordill's

Rev. G. W. Givens went to
Brownwood Wednesday on spec-
ial business

—Rings at Brewer's.

Dr. Broiles has been treating
me six weeks for stomach trouble,
also catarrh. I could scarcely do
any kind of labor, but now I am
well and strong enough to work
all the time. P. K. Laxson.

—Get a late model Elgin or
Waltham watch from Brewer and
you are sure to have the correct
time.

FOR SALE.

A farm consisting of 240 acres
situated 3 1/2 miles N. E. of Win-
ters. 85 acres in good state of
cultivation, 2 room house and
out buildings, good well and
windmill. If sold quick will go
at \$9.00 per acre. Terms easy.

HOFF & DALE,
Winters, Texas.

—We would have you know that
Jas. E. Brewer's repairing of
watches and jewelry is first class
and guaranteed.

—Give Asa Cordill your watch-
repairing and it will be done in
the best manner.

Your patronage solicited when
needing cool drinks, ice cream or
find candies.—HALL & COBB.

Markowitz Bros. Bankrupt

SALE.

The Other Man's Loss Is Your Gain.

We have purchased and now offer at a fraction of its REAL value the entire stock of the Model Clothing Co., of Galveston. No finer goods anywhere. No old stock. All new since the September storm, and now offered at one-half their value.

The "old reliable," "one price" and that the highest, the "regular" "old timer" long price and long time are out of date in this town. It is now the

KOLD, KEEN, KASH KUTTER

the coupons of business. Dont wait—dont procrastinate—dont delay—dont stop, until you see the Unprecedented Values Offered—a "GUSHER" of Bargains in every line. Compare these with the "old regular."

50 Prints, our 5 and 6c values at 4c
50 yds Scotch Lawn at 4c
50 " Brown L L Domestic at 4c
50 yds Bleached " at 3 1/2c
Colored Dimities, Lawns, Swisses
and Organdies,
50 and 25c quality at 20c
" 20c " " 15c
" 15c " " 11c
" 10c " " 8 1/2c

Straw Hats. our 50, 75, 1.00 and 1.25
quality. your choice for 50 cts

Men's and Boy's Hats, Clothing, Sox,
Shirts, Suspenders, Neckwear, Under-
wear, in fact everything in our Gent's
Furnishing Goods Department will be
sold for a song and you furnish the
music.

Laces and Embroideries at a great
sacrifice.

Ladies Shirt Waists,
our \$2.50 qual. at \$1.75
" 1.75 & 1.50 " " 1.00 & 75c
" 1.00 " 75 " " 75 " 50c

Black Taffeta & Poi du Soi Silks
at greatly reduced prices and
Waist Silks at less than cost.

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To Build Up a Town.

S. A. Eishburn, secretary of the Commercial Club, has had printed and is distributing cards headed, "How to Build up(?) a Town," and reading as follows:

Join no organizations looking to the upbuilding of your town. This will prove an encouragement to those who give their time and money to sustain such organizations.

Impugn the motives of those who join and charge them with a desire to advertise themselves. This inspires patriotic men to work all the harder for the public good.

Pour cold water on every new enterprise, predict its early failure, and contribute to that end by patronizing its rivals in other towns. This will encourage others to put their money in home enterprises.

When a committee calls on you for a contribution to any good cause, act like a sore-headed bear and yield up what you do give as begrudgingly as possible. This lightens the burden of the committeemen and sends them on their way rejoicing in their work of love.

When strangers visit your town let them wander around loose and enlighten themselves by reading the signs and pumping the professional loafer. They will carry away a delightful remembrance of their visit and advertise the town wherever they go.

"Cuss out" your public officials (to their backs of course) and accuse them of everything from petty larceny to high treason, no matter whether you can substantiate your charges or not. This will prove a keen incentive to the complete fulfillment of their official obligations.

Whenever your town paper differs in the slightest with your ideas of public policy, declare that it has been bought up and promptly cut off your patronage. The editor will turn the other cheek and redouble his efforts in behalf of the town and its "good people."

Oppose any enterprise which is not in exact accordance with your own ideas. This will be conducive to that spirit of concession and unity which is necessary to progress.

Give sparingly, if at all, to movements for the general good of the town, even if you are the largest property owner in it. This will spur on to greater exertion the public-spirited citizens your town now has and induce the coming of others.

Observe these rules closely and there can be no doubt about the growth of your town. It will grow and continue to grow—up in weeds—until it shall ultimately become a fit habitation alone for bats and owls.

Scarcity of Wind and Rain.

Often makes a Pump Jack necessary. Those made by F. F. Collins Mfg. Co., San Antonio, Texas, are built especially for Texas requirements and are always ready to supply needful water. Write them for description and prices.

The San Angelo Press has changed owners again, A. H. Weatherly having sold to Dr. S. C. Parsons, of Columbus, Ga. The firm name is now Smith and Parsons. The Banner-Leader wishes Dr. Parsons success in his new field.

The friends of the Banner-Leader will find us in new quarters.

"Our little girl was unconscious from strangulation during a sudden and terrible attack of croup. I quickly secured a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure, giving her three doses. The croup was mastered and our little darling speedily recovered." So writes A. L. Spafford, Chester, Mich.—E. D. Walker. 5

Memory is the tax-gatherer of the past.

You are much more liable to disease when your liver and bowels do not act properly. De Witt's Little Early Risers remove the cause of disease.—E. D. Walker. 5

Egotism is the alphabet of only one letter.

The least in quantity and most in quality describes De Witt's Little Early Risers, the famous pills for constipation and liver complaints.—E. D. Walker. 5

Time well arranged indicates a well ordered mind.

For Whooping-Cough, Asthma, Bronchitis, or Consumption, no medicine equals Ballards Horehound Syrup. Price 25 and 50 cents. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store. 5

The greatest liar is he who talks most of himself.

Unless a woman eats sufficient nourishing food she can neither gain nor keep a good complexion. Food, when digested, is the base of all health, all strength, and all beauty. Herbine will help digest what you eat, and give you the clear, bright, beautiful skin of health. Price 50 and 75 cents. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store. 5

Life is too short to be wasted in hatred and petty worries.

Mr. W. J. Baxter, of North Brook, N. C. says he suffered with piles for fifteen years with no good results until he used De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve and that quickly cured him.—E. D. Walker. 5

The royal road to wealth is paved with industry and frugality.

In Constipation Herbine affords a natural, healthful remedy, acting promptly. A few small doses will usually be found to so regulate the excretory functions that they are able to operate without any aid whatever. Price 50 cents. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store. 5

Love does for nothing what many a man wouldn't do if paid for it.

Many a fair young child, whose pallor has puzzled the mother, until she has suspected rightly her darling was troubled with worms, has regained the rosy hue of health with a few doses of White's Cream Vermifuge. Price 25cts. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store. 5

A wise man occasionally makes mistakes, but he doesn't repeat them.

A. L. Clark who once made Ballinger his home but later moved to Prairie City, Iowa, bought a paper and sold it, is again in the newspaper field, this time being part owner of the Lake City News of that state.

"COMPETITION"

Competition is the life of trade, and we are ready to meet "it." Our Companies have no equals doing business in Texas. They have the largest capital to back them, always adjust a loss promptly and satisfactorily.

We challenge investigation. When you need insurance of any kind give us a call.

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There's Pleasure and Satisfaction

In buying the best and our aim is to please, hence we sell nothing but the best in Groceries and Grain.

We invite you to visit us in our new quarters near the Postoffice. We are well stocked on

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which we offer at very reasonable prices. Visit us.

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WORMS! WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE

For 20 Years Has Led all Worm Remedies. Sold by all Druggists. Prepared by JAMES F. BALLARD, St. Louis.

For Sale by E. D. WALKER, Ballinger, Texas.

A man shouldn't be blamed for his ignorance if he doesn't know enough to find it out.

De Witt's Little Early Risers search the remotest parts of the bowels and remove the impurities speedily with no discomfort. They are famous for their efficacy. Easy to take, never gripe.—E. D. Walker. 5

A fool knows other people's business better than a wise man knows his own.

Ballard's Snow Liniment cures Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Headache, Sick Headache, Sore Throat Cuts, Sprains, Bruises, Old Sores, Corns, and all pain and inflammation. The most penetrating liniment in the world. Price 25 and 50 cents. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store. 5

Beauty is only skin deep but it answers the purpose just as if it were deeper.

Wall Paper

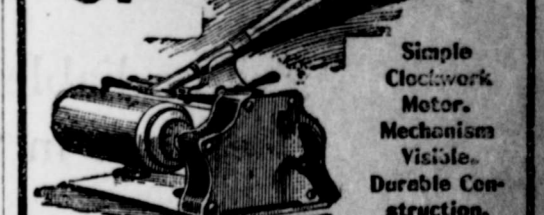
J. Y. PEARCE.

A hopeless man is deserted by himself, and he who deserts himself is soon deserted by his friends.

Big Line of New Matting just received. J. A. OSTERTAG & Co.

A REAL GRAPHOPHONE

..FOR..
\$5.00



NO BOTHER, MUCH FUN

All the Wonders and Pleasures of a High-Priced Talking Machine. When accompanied by a Recorder this Graphophone can be used to make Records. Price with Recorder, \$7.50. Reproduces all the standard Records. Send order and money to our nearest office. COLUMBIA PHONOGRAPH CO. Dept. 30. NEW YORK, 113-145 Broadway. CHICAGO, 88 Wabash Ave. ST. LOUIS, 726-732 Olive St. WASHINGTON, 910 Pennsylvania Ave. PHILADELPHIA, 1032 Chestnut St. BALTIMORE, 110 E. Baltimore St. BUFFALO, 313 Main St. SAN FRANCISCO, 125 Geary St. LONDON, PARIS, BERLIN.

C. C. Cockrell, formerly of this place and for some years tax assessor of this county, but who now resides in Ballinger, spent the best part of the week among his relatives and old friends and around Jewett. Mr. Cockrell is in fine health and retains all the courteous, entertaining and urbane qualities we all knew and admired in him long years ago.—Jewett Messenger.

You take a dose of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin tonight and get up with a clear head tomorrow. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

Moral darkness is moral disease.

Eczema Can Be Cured.

Remick's Eczema Cure and Remick's Pepsin Blood Tonic will cure the most obstinate case. At E. D. Walker's.

No man has the right to say, "I have got to live;" he must live to say, "I have got to do right."

Mark Twain says: "It is not always easy to stand prosperity—another man's I mean." It is still harder to see your friends and neighbors rejoicing in good health, while you don't even dare to eat boiled cabbage. Take Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. Keep your stomach and bowels in order. Eat what you like and envy no one. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

The man who coins his conscience into cash will never make a percentage large enough to buy it back.

The Octopus.

One tentacle gripping the stomach, another tickling the heart, a third fumbling around the liver, tightening their hold every hour—dyspepsia is the monster that does all this and worse. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin will make it let go mighty quick. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

Innocence may be but ignorance, but virtue wins victory after strife.

Ft. Worth & Rio Grande Railway

The Great Southwestern outlet for Ft. Worth trade. The Ideal Live Stock Route, to cattle markets and the Indian Territory. Time and expense saved shippers over this route. The shortest and most direct route from points in the San Angelo country to all points

NORTH, EAST AND WEST

Via Brownwood and Ft. Worth. Ft. W. R. G. train No. 4 leaving Brownwood at 10 o'clock p. m. has a Pullman Buffet Sleeper Car and is an ideal train for the public, as it arrives in Ft. Worth before departure of any of the early morning trains on other lines.

For further information regarding rates, etc., apply to or address any agent of the company or to

L. B. Comer, G. P. A., Ft. Worth Texas.

D. F. Johnson, Agent, Brownwood, Texas.

The fuller blown the rose of pleasure the sooner its petals will fall.

"Nerve Waste."

One of the most helpful books on nerve weakness ever issued is that entitled "Nerve Waste," by Dr. Sawyer of San Francisco, now in its fifth thousand. This work of an experienced and reputable physician is in agreeable contrast to the vast sum of false teaching which prevails on this interesting subject. It abounds in carefully considered and practical advice, and has the two great merits of wisdom and sincerity.

It is indorsed by both the religious and secular press. The Chicago Advance says: "A perusal of the book and the application of its principles will put health, hope and heart into thousands of lives that are now suffering through nervous impairment."

The book is \$1.00 by mail, postpaid. One of the most interesting chapters—Chapter xx, on Nerves and Nerve Tonics—has been printed separately as a sample chapter, and will be sent to any address for stamp by the publishers, The Pacific Pub. Co., Box 2658, San Francisco.

GLOBER & SHAW

Solicit your trade when you want the best meat—

Pork, Veal, Roasts, Steaks, Sausage, Etc.

They are killing Wilson's Fed Steers, the fattest money can get.

Phone 126.

Free Delivery.

A bad conscience burns.

Rough, Isn't He?

In an interview given to a representative of the Houston Post the big ex Governor expressed himself in the following language in regard to recent visitors to the State:

"I am too busy now to discuss those free lunch, sore toed knights of the curbstone who came through here recently to criticise Texas citizens and condemn Texas laws. Next time New York permits a gang to come among us I hope she will have a sprinkling of Waldorf waiters to teach them the civilities of life, and especially that it is the height of grossness to condemn a people and their institutions while junketing around as their guests. I was proud to see that St. Louis crowd of very respectable capitalists and gentlemen visit us recently. While our people may not be very polished they know the difference between 'pot-licker curs' and self-respecting gentlemen."

Almost a Famine.

Caused by the present enormous demand for Well Casing, Pipe, and Water Supplies. The F. F. Collins Mfg. Co., San Antonio, Texas, usually have plenty of all sizes. They are headquarters for everything in the Water Supply line.

Same Over This Way.

The rain that has lately fallen in this section has indeed been a blessing. From all parts of the county comes the news of fine rains and the people who a week ago were very much discouraged are now cheerful and happy. We have a tendency in this country to get the blues too soon. It usually rains in time, perhaps not in time to make the crops for which we wish, but in time to make all that we need. While it sometimes gets very dry, there is usually enough rain to make a comfortable living for every one who works. Taking everything together there is no finer country in the wide, wide world than this part of Texas.—Bulletin.

Don't use Coal and Wood Fuel.

Save this cost of creating power by using Gasoline Engines. F. F. Collins Mfg. Co., San Antonio, Texas, have all sizes of the "SPRINGFIELD" from 1 to 50 Horse Power, mounted or Stationary. Write them for prices.

Down in Texas, right on the edge of the new oil district, they have a remarkable natural phenomenon in the shape of a lemonade lake. Sour lake the people have always called it. It is real lemonade, but is not sweetened. This has to be done by the hand of art. Since the oil discoveries began and their multiplication in every direction set in, there has been a good deal of public uneasiness in Southwestern Texas lest some of the "kairorene" should get into the lemonade lake. That would indeed be a public calamity.—New York Mail and Express.

"I have been suffering from Dyspepsia for the past twenty years and have been unable after trying all preparations and physicians to get any relief. After taking one bottle of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure I found relief and am now in better health than I have been for twenty years. I can not praise Kodol Dyspepsia Cure too highly." Thus writes Mrs. C. W. Roberts, North Creek, Ark.—E. D. Walker.

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A Good Thing, Push It Along.

We have a good stock of Staple and Fancy Groceries as good as can be found in Ballinger. Our prices are low enough. Our salesmen are polite and accommodating. Our delivery of goods prompt. We are enjoying a splendid trade but can handle more. Can't we serve you during 1901.

Yours, for groceries

MILLER MERCANTILE COMPANY.

SAFER AND BETTER.

Never send money by mail. A bank draft is always safer; it is also better in other ways. We sell the draft; they are good throughout the United States and Canada. Our charges are very low. Will allow interest on time deposits.

The W. C. PARKS BANKING COMPANY.

Coleman Cuttings.

On Wednesday several members of the Coleman Oil and Development Company went out to look over their oil property. It is stated by outside parties that the oil stands 40 feet deep in the well. It is further stated that active operations will be commenced as soon as the necessary preparations are completed for the vigorous prosecution of the work.

W. P. Cusenbary sunk a well on State Mountain at Talpa and found a fine flow of water at a depth of 30 feet. The mountain is about 60 feet higher than the surrounding country. He has probably by this time sunk the well to the depth of 100 feet, and it may be that he has plenty of oil and the stream flowing out over the surface.

The case of John Pearl, who received a death sentence at our last term of court, has been set for consideration by court of Criminal Appeals for May 22nd. Some days ago Pearl tore up the iron bedstead upon which he had been sleeping, and with pieces of the bedstead had managed to throw the lock of the cell out of order so that it could not lock the cell. The theory is that Pearl's intention was to knock the deputy on the head when he brought in his supper and make his escape.

Fish stories and oil gushers will have to give way to grasshopper stories now days. Here is one that is fact and J. E. Stevens will vouch for it: The other day a farmer living out on Bachelor's prong devoted a couple of hours to the festive hopper. He took a piece of canvas about 15 feet in length, attached a staff to either end and a chain to the bottom, and with his wife working at one end of canvas went seining after them around the edges of his field. Within two hours he had caught, by actual measure, thirteen pints of grasshoppers. He counted the number in one pint and found 1300 to the pint, making a grand total of 16,900 grasshoppers.—Democrat.

Auntly Billous.

Druggist—"Pills, eh! Anti-bilious, I suppose." Child—"No, sir; uncles is." Druggist—"Well, if uncle is bilious, he don't need pills. What he wants is a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which is guaranteed to cure constipation and all stomach troubles. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

Notaries Public.

The following Notaries Public have been appointed and must appear before the County Clerk and qualify on June 1st. The fee is \$2.00, viz., \$1.00 to send for commission to Austin and \$1.00 for qualification and recording:

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| Jack McGregor | Sam Baker |
| P J Barron | C A Doose |
| C P Shepherd | J T Billups |
| R L Bennett | W R Spencer |
| T Alf O'Reilly | Jno I Guion |
| C O Harris | Max Lange |
| C F Dickinson | C S Miller |
| B B Stone | C C F Blanchard |
| Guion Gregg | J M Crosson |
| J W Patterson | C S Woodward |
| J A Allen | P L Meeks |
| H E Dickinson | W D Currier |
| Mc D Townsend | J T Brown |
| R B Truly | J W Powell |
| Alt A Hanscomb | W G Cathey |
| H W Robinson | J A Grimes |

Dissolution Notice.

The firm of Woodward & Gwinn, real estate agents, by mutual consent, has this day dissolved partnership, and will be known hereafter under the firm name of Woodward & Collier, Mr. W. N. Collier occupying the place in the firm that I vacate. It is with kindest feelings that I dissolve partnership with C. S. Woodward as our relations have always been perfectly satisfactory and I sincerely wish the new firm success.

C. K. GWINN,

Ballinger, May 20, 1901.

Advertised Letter List.

Letters and wholly written Postal Cards remaining in the Ballinger, Texas, Post Office, unclaimed for two weeks, at close of Business on Saturday May 18, 1901. In calling for these letters please say advertised, giving date of this list. H. A. CADY, P. M. Rice, Mrs. Nancy. Riggins, Miss Emmie. Allen, G. F. Couch, Aver. Miller, J. B. Thomson, C. M.

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Impugn the motives of those who join and charge them with a desire to advertise themselves. This inspires patriotic men to work all the harder for the public good.

Pour cold water on every new enterprise, predict its early failure, and contribute to that end by patronizing its rivals in other towns. This will encourage others to put their money in home enterprises.

When a committee calls on you for a contribution to any good cause, act like a sore-headed bear and yield up what you do give as begrudgingly as possible. This lightens the burden of the committeemen and sends them on their way rejoicing in their work of love.

When strangers visit your town let them wander around loose and enlighten themselves by reading the signs and pumping the professional loafer. They will carry away a delightful remembrance of their visit and advertise the town wherever they go.

"Cuss out" your public officials (to their backs of course) and accuse them of everything from petty larceny to high treason, no matter whether you can substantiate your charges or not. This will prove a keen incentive to the complete fulfillment of their official obligations.

Whenever your town paper differs in the slightest with your ideas of public policy, declare that it has been bought up and promptly cut off your patronage. The editor will turn the other cheek and redouble his efforts in behalf of the town and its "good people."

Oppose any enterprise which is not in exact accordance with your own ideas. This will be conducive to that spirit of concession and unity which is necessary to progress.

Give sparingly, if at all, to movements for the general good of the town, even if you are the largest property owner in it. This will spur on to greater exertion the public spirited citizens your town now has and induce the coming of others.

Observe these rules closely and there can be no doubt about the growth of your town. It will grow and continue to grow—up in weeds—until it shall ultimately become a fit habitation alone for bats and owls.

Scarcity of Wind and Rain.

Often makes a Pump Jack necessary. Those made by F. F. Collins Mfg. Co., San Antonio, Texas, are built especially for Texas requirements and are always ready to supply needful water. Write them for description and prices.

The San Angelo Press has changed owners again, A. H. Weatherly having sold to Dr. S. C. Parsons, of Columbus, Ga. The firm name is now Smith and Parsons. The Banner-Leader wishes Dr. Parsons success in his new field.

The friends of the Banner-Leader will find us in new quarters.

"Our little girl was unconscious from strangulation during a sudden and terrible attack of croup. I quickly secured a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure, giving her three doses. The croup was mastered and our little darling speedily recovered." So writes A L Spafford, Chester, Mich.—E D Walker. 5

Memory is the tax-gatherer of the past.

You are much more liable to disease when your liver and bowels do not act properly. De Witt's Little Early Risers remove the cause of disease.—E. D. Walker. 5

Egotism is the alphabet of only one letter.

The least in quantity and most in quality describes De Witt's Little Early Risers, the famous pills for constipation and liver complaints.—E D Walker. 5

Time well arranged indicates a well ordered mind.

For Whooping-Cough, Asthma, Bronchitis, or Consumption, no medicine equals Ballard's Horehound Syrup. Price 25 and 50 cents. At E D Walker's Drug Store. 5

The greatest liar is he who talks most of himself.

Unless a woman eats sufficient nourishing food she can neither gain nor keep a good complexion. Food, when digested, is the base of all health, all strength, and all beauty. Herbine will help digest what you eat, and give you the clear, bright, beautiful skin of health. Price 50 and 75 cents. At E D Walker's Drug Store. 5

Life is too short to be wasted in hatred and petty worries.

Mr. W. J. Baxter, of North Brook, N. C. says he suffered with piles for fifteen years with no good results until he used De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve and that quickly cured him.—E D Walker. 5

The royal road to wealth is paved with industry and frugality.

In Constipation Herbine affords a natural, healthful remedy, acting promptly. A few small doses will usually be found to so regulate the excretory functions that they are able to operate without any aid whatever. Price 50 cents, At E. D. Walker's Drug Store. 5

Love does for nothing what many a man wouldn't do if paid for it.

Many a fair young child, whose pallor has puzzled the mother, until she has suspected rightly her darling was troubled with worms, has regained the rosy hue of health with a few doses of White's Cream Vermifuge. Price 25cts. At E D Walker's Drug Store. 5

A wise man occasionally makes mistakes, but he doesn't repeat them.

A. L. Clark who once made Ballinger his home but later moved to Prairie City, Iowa, bought a paper and sold it, is again in the newspaper field, this time being part owner of the Lake City News of that state.

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A man shouldn't be blamed for his ignorance if he doesn't know enough to find it out.

De Witt's Little Early Risers search the remotest parts of the bowels and remove the impurities speedily with no discomfort. They are famous for their efficacy. Easy to take, never gripe.—E D Walker. 5

A fool knows other people's business better than a wise man knows his own.

Ballard's Snow Liniment cures Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Headache, Sick Headache, Sore Throat Cuts, Sprains, Bruises, Old Sores, Corns, and all pain and inflammation. The most penetrating liniment in the world. Price 25 and 50 cents. At E D Walker's Drug Store. 5

Beauty is only skin deep but it answers the purpose just as if it were deeper.

Wall Paper
J. Y. PEARCE.

A hopeless man is deserted by himself, and he who deserts himself is soon deserted by his friends.

—Big Line of New Matting just received. J. A. OSTERTAG & Co.

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BALTIMORE, 110 E. Baltimore St.
BUFFALO, 375 Main St.
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LONDON. PARIS. BERLIN.

C. C. Cockrell, formerly of this place and for some years tax assessor of this county, but who now resides in Ballinger, spent the best part of the week among his relatives and old friends and around Jewett. Mr. Cockrell is in fine health and retains all the courteous, entertaining and urbane qualities we all knew and admired in him long years ago.—Jewett Messenger.

You take a dose of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin tonight and get up with a clear head tomorrow. At E D Walker's Drug Store. 5

Moral darkness is moral disease.

Eczema Can Be Cured.

Remick's Eczema Cure and Remick's Pepsin Blood Tonic will cure the most obstinate case. At E. D. Walker's.

No man has the right to say, "I have got to live;" he must live to say, "I have got to do right."

Mark Twain says: "It is not always easy to stand prosperity—another man's I mean." It is still harder to see your friends and neighbors rejoicing in good health, while you don't even dare to eat boiled cabbage. Take Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. Keep your stomach and bowels in order. Eat what you like and envy no one. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

The man who coins his conscience into cash will never make a percentage large enough to buy it back.

The Octopus.

One tentacle gripping the stomach, another tickling the heart, a third fumbling around the liver, tightening their hold every hour—dyspepsia is the monster that does all this and worse. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin will make it let go mighty quick. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

Innocence may be but ignorance, but virtue wins victory after strife.

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The fuller blown the rose of pleasure the sooner its petals will fall.

"Nerve Waste."

One of the most helpful books on nerve weakness ever issued is that entitled "Nerve Waste," by Dr. Sawyer of San Francisco, now in its fifth thousand. This work of an experienced and reputable physician is in agreeable contrast to the vast sum of false teaching which prevails on this interesting subject. It abounds in carefully considered and practical advice, and has the two great merits of wisdom and sincerity.

It is indorsed by both the religious and secular press. The Chicago Advance says: "A perusal of the book and the application of its principles will put health, hope and heart into thousands of lives that are now suffering through nervous impairment."

The book is \$1.00 by mail, postpaid. One of the most interesting chapters—Chapter XX, on Nervines and Nerve Tonics—has been printed separately as a sample chapter, and will be sent to any address for stamp by the publishers, The Pacific Pub. Co., Box 2658, San Francisco.

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A bad conscience burns.

Rough, Isn't He?

In an interview given to a representative of the Houston Post the big ex Governor expressed himself in the following language in regard to recent visitors to the State:

"I am too busy now to discuss those free lunch, sore toed knights of the curbstone who came through here recently to criticize Texas citizens and condemn Texas laws. Next time New York permits a gang to come among us I hope she will have a sprinkling of Waldorf waiters to teach them the civilities of life, and especially that it is the height of grossness to condemn a people and their institutions while junketing around as their guests. I was proud to see that St. Louis crowd of very respectable capitalists and gentlemen visit us recently. While our people may not be very polished they know the difference between 'pot-licker curs' and self-respecting gentlemen."

Almost a Famine.

Caused by the present enormous demand for Well Casing, Pipe, and Water Supplies. The F. F. Collins Mfg. Co., San Antonio, Texas, usually have plenty of all sizes. They are headquarters for everything in the Water Supply line.

Same Over This Way.

The rain that has lately fallen in this section has indeed been a blessing. From all parts of the county comes the news of fine rains and the people who a week ago were very much discouraged are now cheerful and happy. We have a tendency in this country to get the blues too soon. It usually rains in time, perhaps not in time to make the crops for which we wish, but in time to make all that we need. While it sometimes gets very dry, there is usually enough rain to make a comfortable living for every one who works. Taking everything together there is no finer country in the wide, wide world than this part of Texas.—Bulletin.

Don't use Coal and Wood Fuel.

Save this cost of creating power by using Gasoline Engines. F. F. Collins Mfg. Co., San Antonio, Texas, have all sizes of the "SPRINGFIELD" from 1 to 50 Horse Power, mounted or Stationary. Write them for prices.

Down in Texas, right on the edge of the new oil district, they have a remarkable natural phenomenon in the shape of a lemonade lake. Sour lake the people have always called it. It is real lemonade, but is not sweetened. This has to be done by the hand of art. Since the oil discoveries began and their multiplication in every direction set in, there has been a good deal of public uneasiness in Southwestern Texas lest some of the "kairosene" should get into the lemonade lake. That would indeed be a public calamity.—New York Mail and Express.

"I have been suffering from Dyspepsia for the past twenty years and have been unable after trying all preparations and physicians to get any relief. After taking one bottle of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure I found relief and am now in better health than I have been for twenty years. I can not praise Kodol Dyspepsia Cure too highly." Thus writes Mrs. C. W. Roberts, North Creek, Ark.—E. D. Walker.

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We have a good stock of Staple and Fancy Groceries as good as can be found in Ballinger. Our prices are low enough. Our salesmen are polite and accommodating. Our delivery of goods prompt. We are enjoying a splendid trade but can handle more. Can't we serve you during 1901.

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Confederate Reunion.

The committee appointed to select the grounds for the reunion at or near Maverick, to be held August 1st and 2nd, are requested to meet at Maverick Wednesday, June 5th. Also as many of Richard Coke and Henry E. McCulloch Camps and John J. Walker Camp of Sons of Confederacy as can conveniently do so, for the purpose of selecting the grounds and making such arrangements as may be necessary for the carrying out of the reunion. The committee is as follows: Comrades J. W. Mackey, J. C. Thaxton, J. A. Grimes, J. W. West, W. J. Gannaway, P. S. Stark, Joe McCutchins.

Respectfully,

T. JONES WEBB, Chairman.

Nothing has ever been produced to equal or compare with Tabler's Buckeye Pile Ointment as a curative and healing application for Piles, Fissures, blind and bleeding, external or internal, and Itching and Bleeding of the Rectum. The relief is immediate and cure infallible. Price 50 cts. in bottle, tubes 75 cents.—At E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

Two young Indiana fellows, fancying themselves to be in love with the same girl, have agreed to settle the question of which shall have her by a match fight with fists. The best man is to take the girl. That is their program. The girl may spoil it by taking some other fellow with more sense than either of these two.—Hamilton Rustler.

A man recently from Beaumont states that he had to walk a mile out of the city to read a letter from his wife, for the reason that as soon as any one began the reading of a piece of paper down there every one crowded around and began to rubberneck over his shoulder. This but evidences the fact that the American public is always on the lookout for something.—Hamilton Rustler.

There is a certain amount of reciprocity due even to a newspaper. While papers usually boost church meetings, picnics, lodges and all public enterprises that do not make a charge, without any cost to those enterprises, the papers have a right to expect that what printing is done and paid for by them should be given to the papers and not to some shop that never contributes to their success. It has come to be recognized as the right principle to help those who help you as far as you can consistently do so.—Brownwood Bulletin.

W. K. Shipman, of San Angelo, was in Ballinger last week setting up some fine monuments he had recently sold. The Banner-Leader will visit him each week. He said business was rushing.

SAFER AND BETTER.

Never send money by mail. A bank draft is always safer; it is also better in other ways. We sell the draft; they are good throughout the United States and Canada. Our charges are very low. Will allow interest on time deposits.

The W. C. PARKS BANKING COMPANY.

Coleman Cuttings.

On Wednesday several members of the Coleman Oil and Development Company went out to look over their oil property. It is stated by outside parties that the oil stands 40 feet deep in the well. It is further stated that active operations will be commenced as soon as the necessary preparations are completed for the vigorous prosecution of the work.

W. P. Cusenbary sunk a well on State Mountain at Talpa and found a fine flow of water at a depth of 30 feet. The mountain is about 60 feet higher than the surrounding country. He has probably by this time sunk the well to the depth of 100 feet, and it may be that he has plenty of oil and the stream flowing out over the surface.

The case of John Pearl, who received a death sentence at our last term of court, has been set for consideration by court of Criminal Appeals for May 22nd. Some days ago Pearl tore up the iron bedstead upon which he had been sleeping, and with pieces of the bedstead had managed to throw the lock of the cell out of order so that it could not lock the cell. The theory is that Pearl's intention was to knock the deputy on the head when he brought in his supper and make his escape.

Fish stories and oil gushers will have to give way to grasshopper stories now days. Here is one that is fact and J. E. Stevens will vouch for it: The other day a farmer living out on Bachelor's prong devoted a couple of hours to the festive hopper. He took a piece of canvas about 15 feet in length, attached a staff to either end and a chain to the bottom, and with his wife working at one end of canvas went seining after them around the edges of his field. Within two hours he had caught, by actual measure, thirteen pints of grasshoppers. He counted the number in one pint and found 1300 to the pint, making a grand total of 16,900 grasshoppers.—Democrat.

Auntie Bilious.

Druggist—"Pills, eh! Anti-bilious, I suppose." Child—"No, sir; uncle is." Druggist—"Well, if uncle is bilious, he don't need pills. What he wants is a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which is guaranteed to cure constipation and all stomach troubles. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

Notaries Public.

The following Notaries Public have been appointed and must appear before the County Clerk and qualify on June 1st. The fee is \$2.00, viz., \$1.00 to send for commission to Austin and \$1.00 for qualification and recording:

Jack McGregor	Sam Baker
P J Barron	C A Dose
C P Shepherd	J T Billups
R L Bennett	W R Spencer
T Alf O'Reilly	Jno I Guion
C O Harris	Max Lange
C F Dickinson	C S Miller
B B Stone	C C F Blanchard
Guion Gregg	J M Crosson
J W Patterson	C S Woodward
J A Allen	P L Meeks
H E Dickinson	W D Currier
Mc D Townsend	J T Brown
R B Truly	J W Powell
Alt A Hanscomb	W G Cathey
H W Robinson	J A Grimes

Dissolution Notice.

The firm of Woodward & Gwinn, real estate agents, by mutual consent, has this day dissolved partnership, and will be known hereafter under the firm name of Woodward & Collier, Mr. W. N. Collier occupying the place in the firm that I vacate. It is with kindest feelings that I dissolve partnership with C. S. Woodward as our relations have always been perfectly satisfactory and I sincerely wish the new firm success.

C. K. GWINN,

Ballinger, May 20, 1901.

Advertised Letter List.

Letters and wholly written Postal Cards remaining in the Ballinger, Texas, Post Office, unclaimed for two weeks, at close of Business on Saturday May 18, 1901. In calling for these letters please say advertised, giving date of this list H. A. CADY, P. M. Rice, Mrs. Nancy. Riggins, Miss Emmie. Allen, G. F. Couch, Aver. Miller, J. B. Thomson, C. M.

You lose more than we do if you don't advertise in the Banner-Leader.

Baby carriages—all sorts, all prices at J. A. Ostertag & Co's.

A man is not dry the minute he is saved from drowning.

Notice to the Public.

We, the undersigned barbers, have agreed to close our shops at 8 p. m. for the months of June, July and August except on Saturday nights.

J. A. DANCER,
T. P. HUBBARD,
LEE & PIKE.

Early Closing.

We, the undersigned, hereby agree to close our respective places of business during the months of June, July and August promptly at 7:30 p. m., and we would respectfully solicit our customers to place orders accordingly. Saturday night will be excepted from the above agreement.

J. A. Ostertag & Co.
Miller Mercantile Co.—would rather have it 7 p. m.

T. S. Lankford,
Crews & McGregor,
Mrs. Alice Green,
W. J. Bowden & Co.
Van Pelt & Kirk,
John Hoffer,
L. Markowitz & Bro.
Hall Hardware Co.
Davis & Co.
Lee Maddox—7 o'clock or no go.

H. Brin.
W. Doose.
Lange & Doose.
Cicero Smith.
Ballinger Lumber Co.

Content News.

Messrs. C. F. Freeman, C. W. Miller, Tom Kosson and Dr. J. M. Smith were in Abilene this week.

Messrs. Joe Hood and Charley Woodrow are in Winters this week. They are hauling lumber from Ballinger to erect their houses.

Associate, in company with Miss Cordie Bright went out to the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Killeen last Saturday. We are glad to number them among our friends and will say we are going again a little later.

Dr. Rismger was in Content this week. He was on his way to Taylor county from Gatesville.

Messrs. W. M. Yarbrough and Worth Moore, of Bell county, who have been prospecting in West Texas, are well pleased and we may as well count them Runnels county citizens.

We are glad to see Lonnie Baldwin up again.

Mrs. Jim Sistrunk has been very sick this week.

Esq. and Mrs. Troller were in Ballinger first of the week.

Bettis, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Abner Lockett, was very sick the first of the week with bronchitis.

Miss Daisy Miller will celebrate her 13th birthday Saturday evening. She has invited her teacher and class mates to be with her and all anticipate an enjoyable evening.

Mr. Jim Hamon and Misses Ollie Warnica and Ethel Whittington, Mr. Paul Hamon and Miss Cordie Bright and several other parties whose names we failed to get, attended an exhibition near Oak Lawn Friday night.

Hurrah for the Banner-Leader! We think it is getting better each issue.

ASSOCIATE.

Dr. Broiles has treated me six weeks for catarrh and throat trouble of two years standing resulting from la grippe. I am improved so wonderfully that I might say that I am practically well. I am better than for two years past and feel like telling of this wonderful cure that others may go and get cured.

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Proceedings of Commissioners Court.

At a meeting of the Commissioners Court of Runnels county held at the court house in Ballinger at the regular May term, with the usual officers and commissioners being present, the following business was transacted:

Reports of the several Justices of Peace of the county examined and approved.

The following accounts were allowed: Joe Aschbacher, \$5.00; Geo. D. Barnard & Co., \$22.20; Van Pelt & Kirk, \$18.90; Maverick Clark & Co., \$32.55; Dorsey Printing Co., \$22.00; E. D. Walker, \$15.15; E. M. Blackburn \$83.25; Clark & Courts, \$39.15; J. F. Currie \$6.65; Fred Leatch \$32.00; Hall Hardware Co., \$61.00; Banner-Leader \$7.50; Lee Maddox, \$83.50; A. Schawe, \$8.10; R. P. Kirk \$38.00; C. P. Shepherd, for Insurance of court house, \$625.00; A. Globber, \$1.00; B. W. Pilcher, H. E. Dickinson, \$32.50; M. D. Chastain, \$24.00; S. D. Williams, \$12.50; U. Mullins, \$1.00; J. F. Currie, \$4.00.

Quarterly report of W. F. Sharp, County Treasurer: Jury fund, \$1056.10; Road and bridge fund, 2nd class, \$4389.89; Com. Court fund, \$4570.20; Special fund \$4200.40; Advertising fund, \$33.22. Approved and ordered recorded.

Report of Ed Globber, butcher, examined and approved.

Report of Constable Pilcher examined and approved.

Report of B. B. Stone examined and approved.

The following are the managers of elections in their several precincts for the ensuing two years, to wit:

- Ballinger No. 1, J. F. Lusk
- Content " 2, Joseph Troller
- Oak Creek " 3, J. A. Allen
- Miles " 4, S. M. Farmer
- Maverick " 5, C. W. Adams
- Antelope " 6, J. M. Johnson
- Runnels " 7, John Nunn
- Pierce " 8, D. D. Davis
- Norwood " 9, Wash Clayton
- Lone Star " 10, J. K. Kirby
- Wingate " 11, J. W. Gannaway
- Winters " 12, T. A. Fannin
- Cochran " 14, C. P. Crews
- Rowena " 15, S. N. Allison

J. W. Powell offers great bargains in city lots and city residences. His prices are reasonable and terms to suit the purchaser—monthly, quarterly or yearly. Anything to make sales and make them quickly. Lots from \$15 to \$250, residences from \$150 to \$2500. Will build you a house if you pay one-fifth of its cost.

Struck Oil.

A lucky strike was made by the physician in Illinois who discovered the formula of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. Lucky for all sufferers from dyspepsia, constipation, stomach and bowel troubles. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store, 5

Mayer-Abney.

Wednesday evening at 8:45 at the home of the bride, the marriage of Miss E. May Abney and Mr. Hervey F. Mayer was solemnized. Preceding the ceremony, Miss Belle Grinnan, in her always charming manner, rendered the suggestive little ballad, "I Love Thee, 'Tis All That I Can Say," to Miss Brin's accompaniment.

Immediately following, the bridal couple, attended by Miss Gertrude Glover and Mr. Fred Abney, brother of the bride, entered to the ever popular strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, played by Mrs. Clarence A. Trigg, the bridal party forming in a semi-circle 'neath a drapery of ribbon, from which was suspended the typical double heart pierced by the conventional lover's dart.

Rev. Chapman, of the Methodist church, in language touched with eloquent simplicity, uttered the impressive and mystic words.

The bride was gowned in a handsome tailor suit of castor broadcloth, elaborately appliqued in black and gold, and carried an exquisite bouquet of Marechal Neil roses.

The groom was neatly attired in the conventional black.

Miss Glover wore a handsome gown of pastelle blue silk, trimmed in applique and velvet, and also carried roses.

After many congratulations, the bridal party were driven to the Santa Fe station, where they departed for their future home.

The sincere regret which is expressed by the numerous friends of Miss Abney, occasioned by her departure, can give only some slight suggestions of her popularity. Her absence will be keenly felt, not only in the social sphere, but in the church circles, where she was ever a popular favorite and a conscientious worker.

The groom so well known and so greatly admired in the social and business realms of Brownwood, is counted as the very embodiment of integrity and nobility, or in a word, true manliness.

Those present were Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Abney, Mr. Fred Abney, Mrs. M. E. Abney, Blanket, Mr. J. W. Davis, Mr. E. E. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Will H. Mayer and family, Miss Flora Mayer, Rogers, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Trigg, Misses Belle Grinnan, Julia F. Brin, Grace Spangenberg, Gertrude Glover, Messrs. Arch Grinnan, Arthur Bell, G. N. Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayer were the recipients of numerous costly and elegant presents.

May they always know that perfect joy where God and love hold sway, is the sincere wish of many Brownwood friends.—Brownwood Bulletin.

The W. O. W. Picnic.

It seems that the best way to get rain in West Texas is to plan having a W. O. W. picnic on a certain date. The experience of the Ballinger camp at least justifies this assertion. Last year their picnic was rained out. This year a heavy rain visited this section Friday night before the picnic on Saturday and that afternoon the weather was so threatening that the proceedings were cut short. A beautiful place on the bank of the river just below the ford was the spot chosen, long tables were laden with good things prepared by the ladies and the first thing on the program was "dinner," to which ample justice was done and yet there was much left. Then an address of welcome was given by Judge R. B. Truly in which he spoke the sentiments of

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true western hospitality. C. F. Dickinson, in a more lengthy address, gave the aims and objects of the order, its origin etc. He received an appreciated hearing. Calls were then made for our esteemed county judge, T. T. Crosson, but his well known timidity would not permit him to appear on the platform. Calls for Williams! Williams! met with a more ready response and Marion Williams gave his views to the people in a speech in which were combined good sense and ready wit. At intervals the band, Ballinger's pride, furnished music of a kind calculated to please the ear of the most fastidious. There were other features mapped out for the day, such as a violin quartette, a recitation from Miss Truly, a baseball game, etc, but these were necessarily omitted because of the signs of rain so evident. The affair, while it lasted, was pleasant and the Woodmen are to be congratulated.

Four years ago it will be remembered that the story went the rounds of the Texas press of how young Franz Dohman, a student in the University of Texas, blind from young boyhood, carried off the highest honors in scholarship in the academic department. It will be interesting to those who read that story to know that Mr. Dohman is at present studying mathematics and philosophy in the best universities in Europe, where he is meeting with the same distin-

guished success that marked his career in Texas. Hardly less noticeable is the achievement of the young man who this year stands highest in a graduating class of fifty. This young man entered the University four years ago and during this entire time has supported himself by milking the cows, feeding the stock and doing other outside work for a private family in Austin. The time spent in this work has not prevented him from excelling all his fellow-students in the class room, and as a reward for his scholastic brilliancy he will be recommended for a teaching position in the institution that has made possible such an achievement. This is only a single illustration of the great work that is being done by the State University, which by its free tuition offers to every ambitious and talented boy and girl in Texas an opportunity for obtaining the highest and best training afforded by mental culture.

The town that rests upon its laurels and thinks that it will grow because it has good surroundings is like the merchant who thinks his business will increase whether he tries to boom it or not. He may hold his own for a time, but in the end more active competitors will surpass him. So it is with a town. The town that doesn't push and hustle and grow and bloom drags along in the same old style.—Weatherford Herald.

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CALUMET "K"

A Romance of the Great Wheat Corner.

Wheat speculation, love and business are the motives of a great serial story by Merwin Webster, authors of the Short Line War, which will be begun in the Saturday Evening Post of May 25.

Ex-President Cleveland will contribute to the following issue (June 1) an able paper on the Waste of Public Money. In this article Mr. Cleveland sounds a warning note against National extravagance and the criminally reckless expenditure of public money.

Mexican War Veterans.

The gloried veterans of the Mexican war are in session at Fort Worth this week. They are a noble band of men with an average age of 78. They are as follows: L. L. Godfrey, Falls county, 78 years of age, resident of Texas forty-five years; G. W. Pendleton, Crews, Runnels county, 77 years of age, resident of Texas fifty years; T. A. Kirk, Milano Junction, Milam county, 76 years of age, resident of Texas fifty years; J. C. Griffith, Terrell, 76 years of age, resident of Texas sixty-three years; Jesse J. Jergins, Huntsville, survivor of three wars, aged 77, resident of Texas sixty-four years; W. L. Monroe, Terrell, aged 74, fifty years in Texas next month; Solomon Ingram, Comanche county, aged 75, resident of Texas for thirty-two years; William E. Estes, Texarkana, 72 years of age; George A. Adams, Tyler, Smith county, 79 years of age.

The commissioner's court of Menard county has passed an order for the organization of Schleicher county, which has since its creation been attached to Menard county for judicial purposes. An election for county officers will be held the 9th of July next.

Texas Cotton Seed Crushers Association, Dallas Texas. Rate \$7.75 for round trip. Sale June 4th 1901.

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Mrs. John A. Weeks, of Llano, was the guest of Ballinger friends this week.

Judge T. C. Wilkinson, of the Brownwood bar, is here today on legal business.

Lawyers Smith, Stone and Shepherd are in Winters today on business connected with their profession.

L. H. Brown, a Coleman attorney, is here to-day consulting C. O. Harris with reference to the sale of a Concho county ranch.

Dr. Broiles has treated me for deafness, catarrh, stomach trouble and bronchitis, all of which have improved so much that I want to tell others who are similarly afflicted to go to Dr. Broiles who does not have to experiment but cures. I am practically cured already. D. C. HOWARD.

At Little Rock, Ark., the Presbyterians are holding a meeting of the General Assembly. Many important church questions will come up for consideration, chief among them being the problem of inserting a footnote to the confession of faith on the "elect infant" clause.

During the past week good rains have fallen in nearly every part of Texas and farmers and stockmen generally are greatly encouraged. In some places the rains, with accompanying wind and in some cases hail, were so heavy as to do more or less injury to growing crops, but in the main they were very beneficial.

Alexander Edwin Sweet, founder of the famous Texas Siftings, with the pen names of "Col. Bill Snort" and "Rev. Whangdoodle," died in New York a few days since. He was a man of natural literary character, a soldier of the confederate army, and a lawyer in practice. He ranked along the line with the best humorous writers.

A general strike has been ordered by the Order of Machinists in all shops in the country where a nine hour day has not been granted. A minimum wage scale is also demanded by the men. The order embraces some 50,000 men, but in a large number of places the nine-hour day has already been allowed.

Refuse to Change the Name.

The General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian church in session at West Point, Miss., refuses to change the name of the church. Proceedings are reported: "In the Cumberland Presbyterian General Assembly, Rev. H. F. Smith of Kansas proposed that the name of the church be changed to the American Presbyterian church. The motion was tabled without debate, the vote being so nearly unanimous that it is not likely ever again to be raised. The women's elder-ship question was settled by suffering the young woman to hold her seat.

An ad interim committee appointed by the last assembly reported in favor of disciplining any divorced person who marries again, except the innocent party to infidelity. Ministers are forbidden to perform the marriage ceremonies for divorced persons not thus innocent. After considerable discussion the vote was postponed. It is likely to be adopted.

—Succeeds where others fail. In what? Watch and jewelry work. —Jas. E. Brewer's.

If you saw the fine samples of Fruit and Grapes exhibited in our town last year by D. G. Price, General Agent of the Lampasas Nursery, you will not buy Fruit Trees until the General Agent, Mr. Price, calls this summer, for he will find you in time to take your orders. Buy trees that are acclimated.

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At the request of the membership of the Baptist church here, Rev. D. M. West, the pastor, went to Brownwood last week to solicit Sid Williams, the evangelist, to come to Ballinger. He secured his promise to come this summer, but previous engagements prevent a definite date being arranged.

Prof. F. D. Shepherd, who for a long term of years has held the position of superintendent of the Brownwood public schools, has been elected to a similar situation in McKinney with a \$200 raise in salary. Prof. Shepherd is a brother of C. P. Shepherd of this city.

C. K. Gwinn bade farewell to Ballinger associations Thursday afternoon, leaving at that time for his new home, Alvin. We will miss him and his family from our town.

Rev. M. S. Smith requests us to announce services both morning and night at the Presbyterian church, he having returned from the late meeting of the General Assembly.

Misses Inez and Verna Moser are in Brownwood this week visiting friends and attending the Fitzgerald revival. They will be away a couple of weeks at least.

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W. P. Cusenbary, of Talpa, was in town Saturday.

Miss Belle Mathes spent last Thursday and Friday in Hico looking after securing an art class which she will teach there next winter.—Hamilton Rustler.

Rev. J. A. Pankey, the Presbyterian pastor at Winters, was in town Saturday enroute to Miles to hold services. His charges will be Winters, Miles, Talpa and either Paint Rock or Robert Lee.

Mr. Fitzhugh, father of Rev. Fitzhugh, visited his son last week. He has sold his interests in Hood county and has it in mind to locate in the west, possibly in Ruannels county. The Banner-Leader trusts it may be so.

Miss Edna Myers, one of Ballinger's popular and successful teachers, left Friday for Shelbina, Mo., to spend a couple of months with home folks. She, the Banner-Leader is glad to say, will teach in Ballinger again next year.

M. Barbee and son Lige purchased the Hector McKinzie ranch situated thirteen miles north of El Dorado in Schleicher county this week. This ranch consists of mostly leased land, and the price paid was about \$6,500.—Concho Herald.

Dan and Willard Moser have purchased the interest of their brother, Percy, in the cattle business and left Monday for their ranch near Sheffield, taking about 400 head of cattle with them. The Banner-Leader wishes them good luck and that not many years may elapse before they are numbered among the cattle kings of the west.

C. K. Gwinn returned Saturday night from his Alvin trip. While gone he rented a twenty-acre truck farm and will move to that place as soon as he can make the necessary arrangements. The Banner Leader regrets exceedingly to lose this estimable family from Ballinger, but wishes them unbounded success, such as they deserve, in their new location.

Miss Belle Mathes, of Memphis Tenn., was in Hico last week in the interest of an art and elocution class here next fall. If Miss Mathes can secure a sufficient number of pupils she will return here in September. Some one will canvass the town within the next few weeks and by the middle of June we will know for certain if we are to have Miss Mathes with us.—Hico Vedette.

H. C. Connor, the blacksmith and wheelwright, of Talpa, was in town Monday. Meeting him, the Banner-Leader reporter learned of the havoc played by the wind Friday night in his town. Five residences were twisted off their foundations, his shop was unroofed and a new building just going up was flattened out. Happily the damage is not very great and no one was hurt.

Charley Cockrell of Ballinger was here last Friday, being a witness in a land suit. He was for many years tax assessor of this county and knows everybody, and they know him. He called on your reporter while here and talked over old times. Charley is a good newspaper man, and is assistant editor of the Ballinger paper, and for awhile was engaged in the business in this county. He reads the Sun, and says it is like a letter from home.—Centreville Correspondent Jewett Sun.

No man is great whose aims are small.

Obituary.

At about 3 o'clock p. m. May 15, 1901, the death angel came and removed from our midst our beloved friend, Miss Delsia Brooks, the daughter of Mr. P. H. Brooks of Dry Ridge.

Miss Delsia was an humble, devoted and faithful Christian and a courageous church member. She loved her church, her home and her friends, and seemed to live only to honor and glorify them.

But her time to work for her Saviour in this world was short, and at a time when least expected God said "It is finished, come up higher." How sad to think that she is gone and we will meet her no more in this world. Our church will have one less to testify for the Saviour and our social circle is robbed of one of its purest, noblest and best members, but heaven is all the richer. Ah, how sweet to know that there is one more spirit saved to shout the praise of Him who saved us and washed us in His Holy blood.

We will meet her no more on earth, but after all it is not so sad. She is not dead, she has only gone home. Although we have to say "Farewell" it is only for a little while. And then all who love her God shall meet her where death and parting are no more.

O noble friend, thy memory liveth
As the gentle summer breeze
In the hearts of friends this evening
As we walk among the trees.
Peaceful be thy silent slumbers,
Peaceful in that grave so low;
Thou no more will join our numbers,
Thou no more our songs shall know.
Yet again we hope to meet thee
When this day of life is fled;
There in Heaven with joy to greet thee
Where no farewell tears are shed.
A Friend.

Need Name Items.

MR. BANNER MAN: You are very kind to publish my bad writing and spelling and I hope I will have the opportunity to return your kind hospitalities. If you should come this way I will do my best to make you think I mean all I say. Stop; the latch is on the outside of the door.

I heard some parties discussing Saul yesterday, and I smiled. One good brother said Saul was a bad man always. I think if he will read first Samuel 9th and 10th he will find Saul was turned into another man. SAUL.

Credentials for St. Peter.

Just before we die, says a western editor, we want all whom we have pleased in the publication of this paper to give us a little statement to the effect. If the list is a respectable one—we mean in regard to length—we will take it with us and when Peter meets us at the gate with a "Who are you, sir?" we will hand him the list and proudly say, "I am the editor who pleased everybody." Then good St. Peter will say: "Come in, come right in. You will have to occupy the parlor until we can prepare special quarters for you. You are the first of that class who has applied for admission. I will soon have things in shape. In the meantime I will leave an order for a special harp and a crown with an extra row of jewels. I am powerful glad to see you. How is my old friend—er—er—well, I can't think of the name of any friend in your town, but how are they? You don't know how glad I am to see you. Sit down again."

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Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ratliff spent
Sunday with Miles friends.

The residence of Mr. and Mrs.
J. E. Wells is about completed
and they are now occupying it.

D. A. Cameron is now city ex-
pressman and deliveryman, hav-
ing bought out Mr. Barbee's busi-
ness last week.

Mr. Edwin Day has wonder-
fully improved the looks of his
home place by the addition of
galleries, gables, etc.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Helm, of
California, who have been guests
of S. P. Hathaway, returned home
Saturday. Mrs. Helm is a sister
of Mr. Hathaway.

Miss May Harris went to Brown-
wood last Friday and for a few
days was the guest of Mrs. J. A.
Austin of that city. She returned
home Sunday night.

The picnic Saturday was the
means of starting considerable
discussion about a bigger picnic
in Ballinger on her 15th anniver-
sary day, June 29th. Let us have
it.

L. Markowitz sold his residence
near the Baptist church to A. W.
Sledge this week for \$800. Mr.
and Mrs. Sledge will take pos-
session as soon as Mr. and Mrs.
Markowitz can make other ar-
rangements.

The Sunday law was certainly
in effect in Ballinger last Sunday
and lots of folks did without
smoking and drinking because of
it. Capt. Smith gave due notice
that the law must be enforced
and enforced it was. Much com-
ment was heard on the subject.

A fishing party composed of
Lee Watson, of Brownwood,
Arch Holman, of San Angelo,
Messrs. W. A. Norman, D. P.
Gay, R. A. Hall, John Hoffer,
H. A. Cady and Max Lange, left
Ballinger Monday for the Kick-
apoo to fish, hunt, and otherwise
have a good time. They may
not catch many fish, nor kill
much game but the good time is
a sure thing. They carried that
with them. They will return
Saturday.

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Is almost daily reported at
some point in Texas. If the
reader wants to try and strike
one, or go after water, we advise
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tion.

Mr. Geo. Pearce, late of Illi-
nois, has accepted a position with
his cousin J. Y. Pearce, the drug-
gist, as prescription clerk, J. W.
Dyer having resigned. Mr. Dyer
will rest a couple of months be-
fore accepting any other position,
though he has had several offer-
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& Co's.

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tree. See ad elsewhere in this
issue.

Miss Stella Couch visited San
Angelo friends Saturday and Sun-
day.

C. B. Rendleman, the Plano
binder man, was in Ballinger a
few days last week.

J. W. Francis spent a few days
in San Angelo last week return-
ing Sunday evening.

Drexel Gwinn has secured
profitable employment at Dublin
and has gone to that point.

W. P. Nash, foreman of the
Brownwood News spent Sunday
and Monday with his family in
Ballinger.

T. F. Weikel, late of La Grange,
but now located at Rowena, in
this county, was in Ballinger
Monday.

Frank Allen took the east-
bound train Monday with San
Antonio as his final destination.
He expects to be gone a week or
more.

John Elsworth, assistant fore-
man on the Waco Times Herald,
returned home Monday after a
pleasant visit with the family of
W. P. Nash here.

F. L. Pierce, of Winters, was in
Ballinger Monday and Tuesday.
Frank is a rustler, a fine fellow,
and the Banner-Leader is pleased
to see him succeeding.

Mrs. C. K. Gwinn left on Mon-
day's train for her new home in
Alvin, Herby accompanying her.
The Banner-Leader wishes them
pleasant surroundings in their
new home.

The Misses Kyle, who for sev-
eral weeks past have been the
charming guests of their cousins,
Messrs. J. I. and T. P. Hubbard,
left Monday evening for their
home in San Marcos.

"Don't shoot," says Capt. J. E.
Smith to the boys, "on the edge
of town along the river." He
says numerous complaints have
come to him because of this prac-
tice and further says it must be
stopped.

In another column see the lib-
eral proposition the Banner-
Leader makes its friends. We
guarantee this to be a fair propo-
sition and invite you to investi-
gate it. Will be pleased to show
you samples.

Mrs. C. R. Miller and family
have moved to Houston where
her husband, a commercial travel-
er, makes his headquarters. Bal-
linger regrets to lose this estim-
able family but trusts they may be
pleasantly situated in their new
home.

Skin affections will readily dis-
appear by using De Witt's Witch
Hazel Salve. Look out for coun-
terfeits. If you get De Witt's
you get good results. It is the
quick and positive cure for piles.
—E D Walker. 5

Rev. J. A. Biggs, of Goldth-
waite, did not preach at the
Methodist church Sunday as was
announced in these columns last
week, but instead arrived Monday
night and Tuesday night address-
ed a congregation assembled at
that church.

Why Try "Collins" Wind Mills.
Because—Simplicity makes
Durability; Heaviness makes
strength; Ball Bearing makes it
run light; Steel Gear don't cut
out, or wear out, as quick as cast
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I promise good horses, handsome rigs, prompt and polite
attention and in return solicit the patronage and good will of
all. My prices are moderate.
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Pure Juices from Natural Roots.
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Avoid Baking Powders containing alum. They are injurious to health

—Some beautiful chatelain watches at Asa Cordill's.

Dr. W. B. Halley left Ballinger Thursday for Salado to attend commencement exercises of his alma mater.

It's all right if you bought your watch of Jas. E. Brewer.

Rev. O. M. Fitzhugh went down to Brownwood Thursday to spend a day at the big meeting at that place, but will be back in time to hold services both morning and night at the Cumberland church, Sunday

Silver and gold thimbles at Brewer's.

Mr. Carl Burley has accepted a lucrative position with the San Angelo Lumber Co., and went up Thursday night to assume his duties. The Banner-Leader is sincere in its wishes for his continued success.

—Buy jewelry from Asa Cordill and you'll get the best.

Mrs. Frank Miles is at home from Weatherford where she went to visit her daughter, Miss Myrtle, who was quite ill, but who fortunately recovered sufficiently to accompany her mother home. The balmy western breezes will soon bring her to accustomed health, we trust.

—Intermittent alarm clocks at Asa Cordill's. "Must get up."

Two weeks ago Mrs. H. Brin lost a gold scarf pin with her baby's name engraved on it. A small local inserted in the Banner-Leader found the pin promptly. And yet some people don't believe in advertising. It depends on the medium. The Banner-Leader always brings results.

—Stick pins—the up-to-date kind—at Brewer's.

Mrs. Nannie Curtis, of Sherman, organizer and lecturer for the W. C. T. U., came in from San Angelo Thursday and that night spoke entertainingly to the audience which had assembled at the court house to greet her. Friday night she delivered a lecture on "Contending Forces" which met with marked appreciation.

—More new watches at Asa Cordill's.

Last Monday night witnessed the closing of the Maverick public school, under the direction of Prof. C. E. Bullock. The exercises were varied and entertaining, every part passing off without a hitch. Prof. Bullock has had remarkable success with his school and it is the wish of all the patrons that he accept the position another year.

—"Watch" your boy! Jas. E. Brewer will furnish the watch.

Dr. Broiles began treating me four weeks ago for catarrh and deafness, also stomach trouble, restlessness and sleeplessness. I am better than for a long time, sleep well, have a better appetite and can hear well. I am so grateful to this specialist.

Mrs. A. W. OVERTON.

Hall & Cobb are nicely prepared to accommodate ice cream customers now.

A "hop" was given in the new Noyes building Saturday night.

Judge R. B. Truly went to San Angelo Thursday to attend district court.

Mrs. J. R. McVay is the guest this week of her mother, who lives at Eden.

Asa Cordill went to Winters Wednesday to attend a Sunday School picnic.

Lawyer C. F. Dickinson went to Sonora Wednesday night on legal business.

W. R. Spencer went to Robert Lee on legal business Wednesday, returning Thursday.

J. O. Lee, the barber, has been troubled the past week with an attack of pneumonia.

J. H. Grant, manager of the Brownwood Lumber Co., arrived in Ballinger Wednesday night.

Fine rains reported from all sections of our county and our citizens generally in fine spirits.

C. O. Harris, Prof. Haberkorn and two parties from Brownwood spent Wednesday on the Concho river.

T. J. Stocks was among those who met the delayed train Thursday morning. He was going to San Angelo.

Mrs. Dr. Marberry, of San Angelo, returned home Thursday after a pleasant but brief visit with Ballinger friends.

Judge Fisher, Chief Justice Court of Civil Appeals, of Austin, spent Wednesday in Ballinger, meeting with the legal fraternity.

Dr. Broiles, as advertised, was here Friday and was kept busy. He is a man of his word and his patients can rely on his statements.

J. D. Gamble, formerly of Wingate but now located at Paint Rock, was in town Thursday and stopped the editor long enough to give him a few words of cheer.

Epworth League Program.

Topic—"A Promise and Prophecy"—Ps. 72.

Leader—Mrs. Dickinson.

Song and Scripture Reading.

Prayer.

The Great Light—Isa. 9:1-7.—Miss Ethel Truly.

A Light to the Gentiles—Isa. 42:1-9.—Mr. Brewer.

The King in the Midst—Zech. 2:6-13—Leader.

Song.

Japan, Our Church There—Miss Bryce Scoggin.

Select Reading—Miss Adrienne Truly.

Song.

League Benediction.

Christian Endeavor Program.

The following is the program for the C. E. next Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock:

Topic—Missions: Promises and Prophecies.

Leader—Miss Ada Stocks.

Song.

Prayer.

Song.

Scripture Reading.

Leader's Comments.

Song.

Mission Promises.—Henry Reeves.

Mission Commands—Miss Emma Lankford.

Song.

Mission Prophecies—J. B. Wilmeth.

How to Help Missions—Open Discussion.

Roll Call and Consecration Responses.

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40c Quality Embroidery Tissue closing at 29c	
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15c " Figured Dimities " " 11 1/2c	
12 1/2c " " " " 9 1/2c	
35c and 25c French Oranadies " " 15c	
25 pcs Scotch Lawns " " 13 1/2c	

Two Special Lots in Ladies Shirt Waists.

Lot No. 1. Consists of Shirt Waists that sold from 75c to \$1.25, the line is some broken in sizes, you can have your choice of the lot at

50c each.

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9-4 Brown Sheeting at	12 1/2c
Yard wide Brown L.L. Domestic at	4c
Yard wide Bleach Dom. 6 1/2c quality at	5c
Best Grade of 5c calicoes, all styles at	4c

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\$2.00 Quality Spreads, Special Price	\$1.65
\$1.75 " " " "	1.45
\$1.50 " " " "	1.25
\$1.25 " " " "	.95c
85c " " " "	.70c

Mattings and Window Shades at Special Prices

15c Chinese Matting Reduced to	11c
20c " " " "	15c
25c " Japanese " " "	20c
30c " " " "	24c
35c " " " "	27 1/2c

Window Shade Special

8 doz Linen Gpaque Cloth Window Shades, worth 40c, for this sale only

25c each

Mens Suits and Pants at Reduced Prices

\$15.00 Men's Suits Reduced to	\$11.50
12.50 " " " "	9.50
10.00 " " " "	7.50
8.50 " " " "	6.75
7.50 " " " "	5.75
5.00 " Pants " " "	3.90
4.00 " " " "	3.25
3.50 " " " "	2.65
3.00 " " " "	2.45
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1 Lot of Ladies Slippers, several different lots, but have only one, two and three pairs of a kind. Regular prices \$1.50 to \$1.75, if you can find the size you want in this lot you can have our choice for

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My line of Embroideries and Laces is by far the largest line shown in Ballinger and the prices are always the lowest, an order to make this the most successful special sale held here the price will be lowered on the entire line of Embroideries and Laces.

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12 1/2c " " " "	9c "
15c " " " "	11c "
20c " " " "	15c "
25c " " " "	19c "

All other grades are reduced in same proportion.

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