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122 Men Start Working On Projects in County

One hundred and twenty-two men were put to work on relief projects in Ballinger and vicinity Tuesday afternoon. In a telephone conversation with officials at Austin Monday evening, permission was given to build culverts in the city. This project called for the employment of 80 men. Ten men were at work in one of the municipal parks and 32 on the Pony Creek road under the direction of Commissioner T. J. Parrish.

Over 500 men, 315 of whom are in destitute circumstances, are registered at the Ballinger office. The number at work Tuesday was but a few of those needing employment urgently. Relief money can only be spent on projects that have been approved at Austin and the lack of approved projects has slowed the work here considerably. At least two-thirds more jobs must have employment in a short time and local authorities are using every means possible to provide it.

Drury Hathaway, county relief administrator, outlined the entire plan to Rotary Club members Tuesday and pointed to so many projects being slow to receive approval because there was no money to furnish materials. He stated 531 relief roll workers were apportioned this county but that only about 200 were being hired this week on account of lack of jobs. He said the caliche topping of the Pony road would be finished this week and 32 men must be discharged then.

Mayor W. C. McCarver spoke on the necessity of providing projects and creating jobs for those in dire straits. He pointed out that the city government had spent all its street and bridge fund last year in relief work.

K. V. Northington, city secretary, in a short review of projects finished and to be commenced soon, stated that some criticism had been made of wasted effort. He asserted this was probably true but that the money for relief would be spent somewhere and that jobs such as weed cutting on vacant lots were advanced as projects in the absence of something more permanent. In the list of completed projects, besides that on lateral roads and about the school campus; a pump station building was erected, city parks improved, 22 blocks of caliche streets built, a clean-up campaign conducted that netted something of value to the community. At present construction is underway on 100 rock culverts on the principal streets, a drainage system to remove flood waters from the downtown district has been filed, projects are on file to build a concrete bandstand and swimming pool in city park No. 1, and other plans are being drafted.

Laborers are divided into four classes as soon as given physical examinations. Class 1 is for heavy duty, class 2 for light duty, class 3 for some kind of work after treatment for disabilities, and class 4 for no work at all. In the able-bodied classes over 300 are listed who are not employed except on relief project work.

County Judge Paul Trimmer explained what had been delaying road building in this county. Six projects will be submitted at once, he said, and intimated that he would take them to Austin in an effort to get them approved immediately and work orders issued. The state highway department will have nothing to do with these projects except on designated highways and on them

Firemen Prepare For Convention Here in February

The Ballinger fire department is making plans for the largest meeting of the Hill Country Firemen's Association in the history of the organization. Firemen of this district will assemble here in February for the semi-annual convention. The Ballinger department has been planning the program and entertainment for the past month and a number of committees are working on the details at this time.

Weekly meetings of the local department are held each Thursday evening and in addition to the regular drills, a check-up is made of the progress being made by the committees planning the convention. The department will need money to help defray expenses of the convention and after the Christmas holidays a series of entertainments will be presented to raise the needed funds.

"When fire losses are low the department is 'broke,'" a local fireman declared Tuesday. The organization, all volunteer, has no income other than contributions and these are usually received after fires. This year there have been very few fires and the total loss to date is the least in many years. With this excellent record for the department and the city, donations have amounted to practically nothing and the treasury is very low.

MAVERICK P.-T. ASSOCIATION HOLDS INTERESTING MEETING

The Maverick Parent-Teacher Association met Thursday afternoon, December 7, at the school auditorium with Mrs. Garland McAuley as leader. The subject was "Nutrition and Growth." Mrs. McAuley very ably discussed "Feeding the Family the Proper Food the Cheapest Way." Mrs. Georgie Stephens, county nurse, talked on the general subject for the afternoon. After her discourse questions were asked and an interesting round-table discussion followed. Miss Maud Brookshier and Mrs. Curtis Bryan were hostesses for the afternoon and sandwiches and punch were served to those present.

Since the November meeting the Maverick P.-T. A. has sponsored a play, "An Old Fashioned Mother," and \$29.20 was taken in. The money will be used to complete the hand-washing facility for the school. The hot lunch project will be started very soon.

LOCAL HUNTERS RETURN FROM BIG BEND REGION

J. F. McMillan, M. B. Wardlaw and Frank Dickey returned Sunday from the Big Bend region where they had been several days on their annual hunt. They brought home three big bucks.

Mrs. L. R. Tigner went to Abilene Friday to meet her mother, Mrs. W. D. Gregory, who had been visiting her son and family at Stamford.

will furnish supervision. As soon as possible work will be commenced on three road projects in the northern and three in the southern portion of the county.

Winters Man Held In Abilene Jail On Murder Charge

D. L. George, of Winters, was charged in Abilene Monday with the murder of Sam Eckles, of Ovalo, and remanded to the Taylor county jail without bond. The slaying occurred Monday noon at a residence rented by Mrs. George, 1125 Mulberry Street, Abilene. Mrs. George and three of the couple's children recently moved to Abilene.

According to Abilene officers Eckles was shot twice with a .45 calibre pistol, one bullet hitting his left ear and the other piercing his heart. The two men met in the house a few minutes before the shooting and talked in a friendly manner, Mrs. George related.

One of the bullets fired entered an adjoining residence, going through a window, striking the dining table and lodging in the wall. Fortunately no one was in the room at the time.

A statement made by George to the Taylor county attorney said trouble had been brewing between the two men for some time. He also told the authorities that Eckles had visited his home on several occasions during the husband's absence.

Funeral services for Eckles were held Tuesday afternoon at Merkel and interment made there.

Mrs. L. Daniels is in the Halley & Love Sanitarium for treatment of an infected thumb. Surgeons expressed the opinion Wednesday that it would be necessary to remove one joint of the digit.

Burglars Scared From Wholesale House by Alarm

A burglar alarm at the Walker-Smith Company's warehouse sounded Tuesday morning at 12:50 and scared away burglars but not until after they had wrecked the front door and gained admission to the building. Luther Williams, night patrolman, was on duty in the downtown district and went to the warehouse as soon as he heard the alarm. He found the front door broken and open.

Albert Fryar, local manager, was notified and went to the house but found nothing missing after a hasty inspection. A check-up was made later of the cigarette stock and other items usually stolen and employees believe the burglars were frightened away without obtaining loot.

Mr. Fryar said the front door had three locks on it and all were broken as well as the door facing being battered in.

The wholesale grocery has been robbed on numerous occasions and about a year ago a burglar alarm was installed. The alarm is loud enough to summon police from the business district.

METHODIST WOMEN SELL OUT AT SALE

Methodist women who served a chill dinner Saturday sold everything they had prepared and closed their restaurant early in the afternoon. All pies, cakes and candy, a number of aprons and other items were bought. Over \$32 was realized.

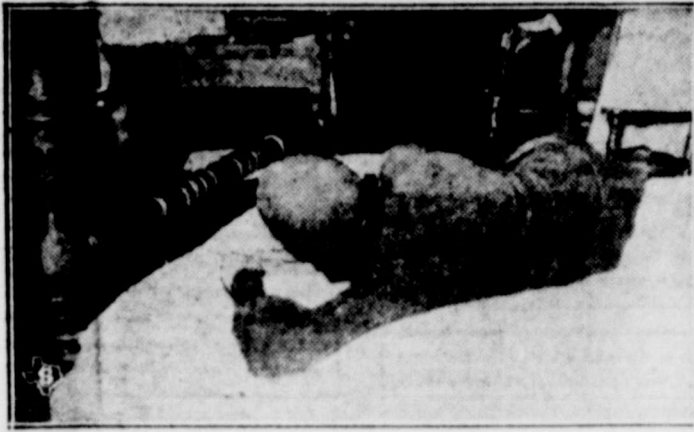
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Huge Booze Cache at Brady Seized



U. S. Custom officers and local officers at Brady, Texas, found this stack of barrels, full of Cuban alcohol and Belgian Cologne, buried in two pits seven miles north of Brady, after several raids in San Antonio divulged the location of this cache. Seven men were arrested in Brady following the raid and charges of violating the U. S. revenue laws and conspiracy to defraud the U. S. tariff were filed in San Antonio. These are the first federal revenue charges since the repeal of the 18th amendment. The liquors pictured above were worth \$7,000.

Lady Will Never Forget This Moment



It happened during the trial of Toy G. Woolley in Dallas. Woolley shot his wife to death with a shotgun. The state claims it was murder; the defense, trying to prove it an accident, reconstructed the bedroom in court. The obliging lady pictured above, a neighbor of the Woolley's and one of the first to reach the dead woman, reclined upon the bed while lawyers told the jury how the charge of shot tore through Dorothy Woolley's breast. Then "Bang! Bang!" Camera flashes exploded; two bed slats gave way with a crash. And was the lady's face red?

Two Oil Wells Expected To Be Finished this Week

Keen interest is centering on two Runnels county oil tests, one due to come in this week-end and the other a few days later. Two others are nearing pay sand and within the next ten days or two weeks the McMillan field may be increased by four more producers.

The Mann-Wade No. 2, on the T. B. Wade land, near the largest producer in the county, has been drilled to 2,325 feet where casing is being lowered and cemented prior to bringing it in. As soon as the cement is dry, drilling will be resumed and pay sand should be encountered in five to seven feet deeper. Every precaution is being taken by the drillers, which accounts for the slow progress being made recently.

The other well which may be completed within a few days is the Mann et al. H. E. Wade, one mile north of production. The bit was working around 2,470 feet Wednesday, and casing is being lowered as drilling proceeds. Much interest is shown in this well which would extend the proven territory by one mile. The log has run satisfactorily and every indication points to a producer.

Drilling has been resumed on the Golden Petroleum Company No. 2 around 2,300 feet. Casing has been set to slightly below 2,200 feet. A joint of pipe in the bottom of the hole has been drilled through and the hole is in good shape. The location is in the heart of proven territory, the test being an offset to the company's producer.

H. G. Agnew & Sons are drilling below 2,325 feet and lowering casing as they go. This well, an offset to the Mann-Wade, is located on the H. B. Fowler place and pay is expected to be reached at about 2,530 feet.

Agnew & Sons have made four other locations, two on the H. B. Fowler farm and two on the H. E. Wade farm and at this time are rigging up for another test on the Fowler place south of the well now being drilled. The Agnews own several rigs being used in this field.

The D. D. Thomas-T. B. Wade, north of the Mann producer, is down 575 feet and good progress is reported.

The Lohn-Elkins No. 1, on the J. L. Elkins land, three-fourths of a mile east of production, is

being rigged up. All machinery and necessary equipment is on the location and drillers will be ready to commence continuous tours in a few days.

The Wahlenmaier Petroleum Company, drilling on the Thomas C. Hall tract two miles north of Ballinger, has shut down at 2,050 feet to wait for casing, and will resume work as soon as it arrives. A number of other deals have been closed and are being perfected but probably will not be announced until after the tests near pay sand are brought in.

Goodfellows Need Much More Money To Care for Tots

Goodfellows are needed. It appears that the committee in charge of spreading this Christmas cheer will have to wait until the last minute before it can tell how to make purchases for distribution among needy children of the city. It will also be necessary to make all purchases this year on December 23 as Christmas eve falls on Sunday—therefore speed in making contributions is imperative.

The small amount donated to date is not enough to start the work. A check-up of the record cards at the relief administrator's office discloses there are many tots to be cared for by the Good-fellow Santa Claus this year. The committee does not intend to buy as many big baskets as in previous years, but the increased number of deserving cases will require about the same amount of money.

Those in charge of the movement expect to be able to handle the program with about \$200. Other cities have been making extensive drives for funds and are far ahead of Ballinger with their cheer funds.

Within the next few days pots for donations will be placed on the sidewalks to receive loose change that would not be handed in at the Ledger office. They will also serve as a reminder to those who intend to give but have failed to do so that the time is very brief.

Below is a list of the donations to date:

Previously reported	\$28.00
Mrs. A. R. Jones	2.50
Cash	1.00
Mrs. A. J. Zappe	1.00
Mrs. M. P. Orgain	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Brock	2.00
F. M. Pearce	5.00

SINGERS TO MEET AT MILES

Singers of Ballinger, Winters, San Angelo, Rowena, Water Valley, Veribest, Mereta, Miles and vicinities will meet at the Miles Methodist Church at 2 p. m. Sunday, December 17, for a big song fest. A Brownwood quartet, representing the Hartford Music Company, will appear on the program. The Winters male quartet and the San Angelo male quartet also probably will attend. Many singers and a large crowd are expected. All singers and the public are cordially invited to be present.

Dr. O. B. Stanley, Jr., of Abilene, was a guest Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nixon, Jr.

Holt Calls Meet to Plan Move to Stop Cattle Thefts

Inspections Good; Loans are Sought On Two Projects

State Deputy Superintendent S. G. Boynton and County Superintendent R. E. White Monday began the second week of inspection of rural state aid schools. Mr. White stated that they were making fine progress and that he was delighted with the work being done by Mr. Boynton in the schools of this county. At each place visited the inspector found a fine school in operation with equipment in good condition and attendance up to standard.

Complete plans are to be mailed within a few days for federal loans on two projects in this county. One is for the erection of a community auditorium and gymnasium for the Mazeland school. A preliminary application for the loan was filed several months ago and the new plans to supplement the original application are very complete, including blue prints for the building. Seven sets of the plans were included with the revised application.

Another complete set of plans will be sent for a loan to erect a modern high school to serve the eastern section of the county at Crews. Seven sets for this project are being sent in by the architect in charge.

If the loans are granted they will be 30 per cent gift and the remaining 70 per cent to be paid back by the school districts.

FIRE TUESDAY MORNING DOES SLIGHT DAMAGE

The Ballinger fire department was called to a negro house on South Seventh Street near the Colorado River bridge Tuesday morning. A small hole was burned in the floor but the house and contents were not otherwise damaged. A stick of wood too long for the firebox of a stove burned in two and the end fell on the floor, causing the blaze.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Collingsworth, of Winters, spent Sunday here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nixon.

Turkey Pool Sold; Checks Ready for Members Friday

Marshall Lett, manager of the Runnels County Poultry Association, announced Wednesday that the Christmas turkey pool for the organization had been sold and all members having birds in this lot could get their checks at the county agent's office Friday and Saturday of this week.

The pool shipment from Ballinger amounted to a car and a half and four heavy cars were shipped from San Angelo. Mr. Lett said another pool would be formed the latter part of January, at which time he expected a better market. The Christmas pool brought ten cents for No. 1 birds, 6 cents for old toms, and 5 cents for No. 2s.

Mr. Lett said he believed only about 75 per cent of the turkeys raised in Runnels county in 1933 had been sold on the two markets this year.

Sheriff W. A. Holt is issuing a call to all cattle and sheep men of Runnels county to meet in the district courtroom of the court house here Friday evening at 7:30. The purpose of the meeting is to organize an anti-stealing club for the protection of livestock raisers. Officers and ranchmen from Coleman, Tom Green and Taylor counties will attend the meeting and assist in the organization.

Mr. Holt stated that many head of livestock had been stolen in this section within the past several weeks. Most of the modern rustlers use trucks and in the early morning hours drive into pastures, load up and hurry away. In some cases they butcher the animals on the spot and haul away the fresh meat, leaving the hides and refuse.

Local officers believe a county-wide organization will aid in many ways to stop stealing. It will cause a closer watch to be kept and will make it possible for possumen to get on the trail quicker when thefts are discovered. Officers from nearby counties have been here this week seeking thieves who stole cattle and sheep in their counties.

Mr. Holt asks every citizen of Runnels county who is interested in the anti-stealing organization to be here Friday evening.

PRIMARY P.-T. A. TO GET BENEFIT AT BRUNK'S

The Ballinger Primary Parent-Teacher Association will receive ten per cent of the box office receipts at Brunk's Comedians show Friday evening of this week. The money received will be used to buy supplies and medicine for underprivileged children in the primary building, and to purchase a Christmas tree for the last day of school before the holidays.

Members of the organization ask their friends to attend the show Friday evening and thereby help them secure funds to carry on their activities.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sturges returned Friday from Weatherford where they went to conduct a sale for a store in which they are interested.



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Can you imagine anyone who wouldn't be? This percolator is a honey—heavy gauge aluminum—beautifully designed—starts "perking" almost at once.

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Sheriff Holt Orders Clubs To Stop Selling 3.2 Beer

Sheriff W. A. Holt issued notice Saturday on clubs operating in Runnels county to close their doors and reopen. For more than a month several clubs have been open here and at other points in the county. Most of them operated on a membership plan whereby no direct sales of the beverage were made. After consideration county authorities decided to order the resorts closed and those who fail to comply will be charged with a violation of the law.

Mr. Holt informed The Ledger that he had notified four clubs in Ballinger and four at Winters

and would notify proprietors of others in the county during the week. No comment has been received from club operators as to whether they would fight the action or not.

A number of citizens in the county have complained against the clubs being permitted to operate and this in some measure prompted the action of the officers.

At Eden and Brady several operators of clubs and eating houses have been tried on charges that they served beer with meals. The first case tried at Brady resulted in an acquittal.

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'Night Flight' Cast Boasts 6 Famous Stars

John Barrymore, Helen Hayes, Clark Gable, Lionel Barrymore, Robert Montgomery and Myrna Loy form the amazingly strong multi-star cast which interprets "Night Flight," the new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer special production to be shown at the Palace Theatre in midnight preview, Christmas eve and Christmas day.

The story is a terrifically powerful tale of flying the mail by night in South America. It was directed by a man who holds a transport pilot's license, Clarence Brown. It is from the pen of Antoine de Saint-Exupery, a pilot on the very line he writes about.

Director Brown says of this tale, "Night Flight" is the only real, truly accurate, authentic and human airplane story so far written."

The principal characters are John Barrymore, stern, driving manager of the air line; Clark Gable, pilot of the storm-caught plane from Puntas Arenas; Robert Montgomery, pilot of a plane crossing towering mountains; Helen Hayes, fear-ridden wife of Gable; Lionel Barrymore, the lumbering inspector of airplanes; and Myrna Loy, wife of William Gargan, the pilot of the plane to Brazil.

It is around these players that a highly dramatic plot centers. There is terrific drama in the airport office, for example, during those minutes when the two Barrymores, Helen Hayes and Clark Gable, are listening intently for the faint messages of Gable's plane, off course, lost and with only a few minutes of gasoline left!

The picture is the second to be made at M-G-M by David O. Selznick, vice-president. It was adapted for the screen by Oliver H. P. Garrett.

In the supporting cast are: C. Henry Gordon, Leslie Fenton, Harry Beresford, Frank Conroy and Ralf Harold.

Bing Crosby Heads All-Star Cast of Film Musical, "Too Much Harmony"

Bing Crosby, Jack Oakie, Skeets Gallagher, Judith Allen, Harry Green, Lilyan Tashman and Ned Sparks head the star-packed cast of Paramount's sensational musical comedy smash, "Too Much Harmony," to be shown at the Palace Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

The film, directed by Edward Sutherland, centers around the on-and-off stage activities of a group of show people. Interpersed in the action as the novel plot unravels are eight brand new hit tunes, and several lavish production numbers, staged by the famous dance director, LeRoy Prinz, with a huge chorus of Hollywood's foremost beauties.

Crosby, last seen in "College Humor," has the stellar role of Eddie Bronson, musical comedy star who falls in love with Judith Allen when he discovers her doing a small time vaudeville act in the west. He brings her to Broadway for a big role in his new show, and then the fun begins. For along with her comes her fiancée, Jack Oakie, and Skeets Gallagher. Events both hilarious and dramatic occur with lightning-like rapidity, as Oakie and Crosby and Miss Allen attempt to solve the unfortunate triangle. The film comes to a highly amusing conclusion when Oakie impersonates a Texas millionaire, in order to alienate the affections of Crosby's scheming fiancée so that Bing and Judith can get together.

Harry Green is cast as a slightly

Texas News Photo—United Press All Southwest Conference Team



Here is the All-Southwest conference football team for 1933, selected by the United Press and Texas News Photos as a symposium of opinions of the coaches and sports writers of the conference. Murphy, stellar Arkansas quarterback, and Clem of Baylor were the only men to receive unanimous choice. Fuqua of S. M. U. was closely pushed for his position by Kuebler, rangy Arkansas end, as was Domingue of Texas A. and M. by Kitchner of T. C. U. and Witt of Rice. Domingue's fine playing in the Aggie-Tulane game early in the season had much to do with his selection. Hilliard of Texas and James of Baylor, who made the UP-TNP all-conference team last year, ran up against real competition this year and lost their positions to Petty of Baylor and Wilson of S. M. U. Arkansas, Baylor, T. C. U., S. M. U. and Texas placed two men each and Texas A. and M. one. Rice failed to gain a first team position.

cracked theatrical producer, Lilyan Tashman is a scheming and voluptuous siren, and Ned Sparks plays the role of Lem Spaw, a sphinx-faced person who knows all the answers to Jack Oakie's alleged jokes.

State Engineer Here To Conduct Sanitary Campaign in County

Fretress Thompson, state sanitary engineer, arrived here Thursday noon and will establish headquarters in Ballinger to conduct a sanitation campaign in Runnels county. He reported to Drury P. Hathaway, county relief administrator, with orders from the state health department to furnish him office space, a secretary, four foremen, four sanitary directors and eight laborers at once.

Until the relief board's offices are opened at American Legion Hall, Mr. Thompson will be quartered with Dr. J. W. Macune, county health officer. Later offices will be provided in the Legion building for the engineer and staff.

After a brief conference with Dr. Macune Mr. Thompson announced that a sanitary survey would be commenced in the Ballinger independent school district immediately and later extended to all parts of the county. The principal projects at this time are pit toilets and water supplies. Every encouragement will be given to better disposal plants to prevent spread of disease, including home septic tanks with connections. In a few places surveys are to be conducted for drainage systems if hazardous to health. If feasible these will be either eliminated or improved.

Forms are being prepared for the local survey and as soon as finished will be given to assistants to begin the campaign.

Ballinger friends announce the wedding of Grady Houston, of Belen, New Mexico, to Miss Ruby Goode, of San Angelo, the ceremony taking place at the bride's home December 13. Mr. Houston is manager of the Campbell Dairy at Belen and the couple will make home there.

Mrs. Holliday Hayley and little daughter, Mary Love, are here for a visit with Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Love.

Commissioner Urges Precautions to Avert Fires During Xmas

Raymond S. Mauk, state fire insurance commissioner, has sounded a warning of the danger of fires during the Christmas holidays. His statement released this week reads as follows:

"It is not intended to suggest that the Christmas celebration be transformed into a safety campaign. However, the suggestions that are made here for preventing fires are simple and sensible and there is no good reason why they should not be adopted. The pleasure of the holiday season should not be marred by easily avoidable fires.

"When setting up the Christmas tree it should be placed at a safe distance from any stove, fireplace, or other heating device.

"Candles have long been associated with Christmas celebrations, but they are altogether too dangerous to be used as tree decorations, or for window displays on Christmas eve, no matter what precautions may be taken. For tree lights we recommend strings of miniature electric lamps.

The artificial decorations used

on the tree and about the rooms should be of non-inflammable material—such decorations can be obtained almost as easily as can those made of paper, cotton, pyroxylin plastic (celluloid), or other highly combustible substances, and the difference in cost is quite small.

"Toy electric trains, motors and other appliances should not be attached to light sockets until all fuses and connections are in perfect order.

"Pennies or wire should never be used in replacing blown out electric fuses. The fuse is the safety valve on your wiring system to protect you against fire.

"Chimney fires are often started by burning papers and other light material in fireplaces and stoves. Sparks and burning embers discharged from the chimneys may fall on wooden shingle roofs and set fire to houses. This danger may be avoided by gathering up waste paper and other combustible refuse and storing them in covered metal containers to await the trash collector.

"Small children should never be permitted to handle fireworks. Entirely too many fires during the Christmas season result in fatalities."

H. B. Whitaker, of San Angelo, transacted business in Ballinger Monday.

L. C. Daugherty and Rollin Campbell left this week for the James River country to hunt deer a few days.

John L. Poulter, Fort Worth attorney, attended to legal business in district court here this week.

Mrs. D. S. Moore and Mrs. J. F. England and daughter, of Winters, attended to business and visited here Thursday.

Queen
Friday and Saturday

HOOT GIBSON
IN
Fighting Parson
also
"Plumber and Lady"
and
Cartoon

State Will Award Winters Highway Contract Dec. 19

The state highway department is advertising for bids on grading, drainage structures and caliche base course with asphalt surfacing on highway No. 4 from Winters to the Taylor county line and will open bids and award the contract December 19. The distance covered in this contract is slightly over 8 miles.

Plans are on file in the state highway office at Austin and in the office of G. M. Garrett, state resident highway engineer at Ballinger. Contractors can see blue prints at either place.

Large high-water bridges have already been built on this road. Five large structures have been finished about two months and are now open to traffic. Included in the bridge contract were the dirt approaches and fills, which

will take much work from the grading contract.

One specification in this contract is that regular federal wage scales apply which provide 35 cents an hour for ordinary and 45 cents an hour for skilled labor. Overtime and legal holiday work shall be paid for at the regular rates. The scale for all classes of laborers ranges from 35 to 75 cents per hour.

The job will require several months to complete and will give employment to a large number of men.

George Holliday attended to business in Ballinger Tuesday.

R. W. Earnshaw attended to business at San Angelo Thursday.

PALACE Friday and Saturday



"The Girl in Room 419"
Also
Comedy
and
"Fine Feathers"

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ARIZONA TO BROADWAY
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"Wonders of World"
and
"Radio Row"

PALACE Sunday - Monday - Tuesday

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In His Mouth

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THANKS... for unforgettable nights of bliss I can't replace.

TANTALIZING! TEASING! JOYOUS!

TOO MUCH HARMONY

A Paramount Picture with **BING CROSBY** the crooning star of "College Humor"

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Skeets GALLAGHER
JUDITH ALLEN
HARRY GREEN
LILYAN TASHMAN
and **NED SPARKS**

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HAS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGED RECENTLY?

Ledger subscribers are requested to notify the publishers of any change in their addresses promptly.

Nearly all West Texas needs rain but weather conditions that would please everybody are impossible to obtain.

Christmas is sometimes made a time of sorrow and tragedy. Bad fires generally occur then, and in every home that is being decorated the owner should remember not to use any inflammable materials.

Next week will see the final rush for Christmas gifts. Many people have delayed shopping this year for one reason or another and during the final week many will flock to Ballinger stores to make selections.

As the Christmas spirit increases people are asked to remember those more unfortunate than themselves and contribute to the Goodwill fund.

Be wise and advertise.

Odd Texas

TEXAS TREE IN THE HALL OF FAME! THE ONLY PICTURE OF A TREE IN THE HALL OF FAME AT WASHINGTON IS THE TREATY OAK AT AUSTIN, UNDER WHICH STEPHEN F. AUSTIN MADE HIS TREATY WITH THE INDIANS.

West Texas News Notes

J. O. Woodward, of Coleman, will retire from the state board of pardons January 1. He was appointed to the place by Gov. Dan Moody and has served on the board ever since.

The Concho county relief board has registered 404 individuals for relief work. The population of Concho county is 7,500 and the above report shows many need assistance.

Winters gins have about completed their 1933 season and to the past week-end had turned out 10,624 bales. This leads every other point in Runnels county by a considerable margin and retains for Winters the reputation of being the largest cotton center in the county.

Santa Anna citizens celebrated the opening of the First National Bank of that city with a gala fete last week. Bands were secured from adjoining towns, football games were featured, the business district was decorated and thousands of people witnessed the program.

Coleman merchants are organizing a trade council which will have representation from each division of business in that city. The organization will hold regular meetings and be ready at all times to pass on matters of interest to all lines of business.

Preparations are being made at Menard for the annual chamber of commerce banquet Friday of this week. The affair will be staged at the Bevens Hotel. Representatives of numerous other towns have been invited and out-of-town speakers will discuss matters of interest to this section.

For the past ten days Abilene

Dew, operator of the Blue Eagle Cafe was the first of 11 persons to be arraigned for the sale of the beverage.

A ten-year-old Mason boy, David Kothmann, last week showed expert hunters how to shoot by killing a big buck and a turkey gobbler the same day.

Fifteen carloads of turkeys were shipped from McCulloch county during the Thanksgiving season and more than that are expected for Christmas delivery.

This is to advise the public that we have only two representatives in Runnels county—Cecil A. Jones and J. W. Swafford.

BRUNK SHOW RECEIVING GOOD PATRONAGE HERE

The Fred G. Brunk Comedians, favorite tent theatre organization, has been playing to big audiences in Ballinger this week and will close its engagement here Saturday night.

A mystery drama will be presented Thursday evening for the lovers of tense-gripping stories. The three-act offering entitled "The House of Fear," is one of the leading plays of its kind on the American stage.

Friday evening the feature play of the week is promised and on this night the Ballinger Primary Parent-Teacher Association will share in the receipts which will be used in caring for underprivileged children of the city.

Brunk's will close its engagement here Saturday night, presenting "Stepping Husbands." A matinee will be presented at 3:30 p. m. Saturday.

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SMALL CROWD ATTENDS BIBLICAL PLAY HERE

A small audience witnessed the performance of "Queen Esther," presented at the Ballinger high school auditorium Tuesday evening by San Angelo talent.

The Biblical play in music was portrayed by 50 trained voices in full costume. The play was sponsored here by members of the Methodist Missionary Society.

Christmas Special Holly Green and Red Cardboard for the Christmas decorations and window cards—10c per sheet.

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W. L. Ellis, of Corpus Christi, visited relatives in Ballinger this week.

R. A. Perry, of Miles, was here Monday attending to private business and looking after county affairs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Library to Open Full Time; Legion Elects New Officers

A deal was closed Tuesday between Pat Williams Post No. 8 American Legion, Department of Texas, and the Runnels county relief board whereby the Carnegie library building was leased to the relief board until February 15.

One of the important conditions of the lease is the opening of the library full time with a full time librarian and one assistant and the securing of approximately 100 new books. This will be done at once with the assistance of the civil works association.

The relief board will move its offices at once to the library building, where records will be filed, registration and other work conducted. The relief board secures charge of the entire building with the provision that the Shakespeare Club room will be maintained for its meetings and the auditorium maintained and kept open to the public.

Food supplies and other materials on hand will be stored in the storerooms and basement by the relief board.

The state library association for several months has been endeavoring to have the Ballinger library opened continuously. With funds

available the way was made clear to reopen it after it had been closed several years. As soon as possible the opening date will be announced. An experienced librarian has been suggested to the relief board and the assistant is to be secured locally.

The American Legion post in session Tuesday afternoon elected officers to serve during the ensuing year. The following will be installed January 1: Troy Simpson, post commander; K. V. Northington, first vice-commander; W. W. Mitchell, second vice-commander; A. A. Brown, third vice-commander; H. T. Forson, adjutant; Frank Cameron, finance officer; D. G. Posey, service officer; E. W. McLaurin, chaplain; A. H. Wiespeape, sergeant-at-arms; and Alex McGregor, historian.

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TALPA TOPICS

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Livingston received a message December 11 announcing the arrival of Billy Bert Temple, of Pasadena, Calif. Mrs. C. E. Temple was formerly Miss Marcia Livingston.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Bonar were called to Wichita Falls Saturday to attend the funeral of Mr. Bonar's brother-in-law, Dave Cox. Mr. and Mrs. S. N. King and daughter, Mrs. Geo. Barnett spent Saturday night and Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Woodie Taber, of Valera.

J. F. Traugher and family moved to Abilene this week. Roy Smith and family, of Ingram, moved to the place vacated by the Traugher family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bell and children, Bill Ray, Linsey Warren and Mildred Warren, of Brownwood, left Sunday night for a week's trip to Portales, New Mexico.

Little Miss Billie Joe Bell is spending the week in Coleman with her aunt, Mrs. John Glesson. Mrs. Lillie Hale and daughter, Pansy, of San Antonio, visited friends here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Watts, of Valera, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ray visited relatives at Winters Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Deakins attended the funeral of Mrs. R. R. Bush, of Quaila, Monday. She was buried at Atoka Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Freeman and J. O. Freeman visited in Winters Monday.

Ira Deakins spent several days last week with relatives in Lubbock.

Mrs. I. C. Burnam, of Iowa Park, is visiting in the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. C. Kilgore.

Mrs. S. J. T. Williams, of Abilene, will speak at the Immanuel Baptist Church here Sunday morning and evening in the absence of her husband, who has been sick for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Huddle, of Post, visited in the E. C. Kilgore home last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willy Fuller spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Lucian King.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stokes and daughter, Ruth, and B. T. Stokes transacted business in Coleman Saturday.

NORTH NORTON DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The North Norton demonstration club held its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Bus Loyd Monday, December 11. Fourteen members and two visitors were present.

Handmade Christmas gifts were demonstrated by Mrs. Ernest Overman, Mrs. Lawrence Bryan, and Mrs. R. H. Murphy. Patterns for stuffed animals, wash ties and moccasins were available to members desiring them. Miss Holland Murphy gave a demonstration on hose mending.

Since our next club day comes on Christmas Day the members agreed to omit that meeting and meet the second Monday in January, 1934.

At the close of the program delicious hot chocolate and pink and green frosted cookies were served.

HERRING TOPICS

Several butchered hogs during the past week, since two northerners hit. Some of the meat was lost on account of warm weather after killing.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Alcorn spent the week-end at Santa Anna with Mrs. Alcorn's father.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hale and family, of Ballinger, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hale, and Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Alcorn spent Sunday in the W. A. Hale home.

Several from this community attended the singing at Glen Cove Sunday afternoon.

Welby Fuller and Miss Lemma Brevard were married Saturday evening at 7 o'clock in the home of Rev. M. C. Golden. The ceremony was witnessed by Noel Hale and Miss Evelyn Stobaugh. The happy couple will make home in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Kirby are the proud parents of a baby boy, who was christened Marvie Jo.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Faubion and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Avent.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Funderburk and children spent the week-end with relatives at Miles.

Several from this community attended the play at Crews Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Wood are the proud parents of a fine baby girl.

We are glad to report Mrs. Petrie recovering from a long illness. We hope she will soon be able to move into her new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Thelbert Hudgens, of near Ballinger, spent Sunday with Mrs. T. C. Payne and children.

BETHEL HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The regular meeting of the Bethel club was held in the home of Mrs. John Hornburg December 7. Twenty-two members and three visitors were present.

After a short business session Mr. Cameron demonstrated his wares by preparing a meal. This was enjoyed by all present.

The final plans for the Christmas bazaar to be held Saturday, December 16, in the old Behringer building at Ballinger, were completed. Everybody is invited to attend.

The next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. J. N. Nunley December 21.

BLANTON NEWS

Rev. Moreland, of Abilene, filled his regular, appointment here


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After a brief conference with Dr. Macune Mr. Thompson announced that a sanitary survey would be commenced in the Ballinger independent school district immediately and later extended to all parts of the county. The principal projects at this time are pit toilets and water supplies. Every encouragement will be given to better disposal plants to prevent spread of disease, including home septic tanks with connections. In a few places surveys are to be conducted for drainage systems if hazardous to health. If feasible these will be either eliminated or improved.

Forms are being prepared for the local survey and as soon as finished will be given to assistants to begin the campaign.

Ballinger friends announce the wedding of Grady Houston, of Texas, Ark., to Miss Ruby Goode, of San Angelo, the ceremony taking place at the bride's home December 13. Mr. Houston is manager of the Campbell Dairy at Belen and the couple will make home there.

Smart Farming



This sub-irrigated row in the county of Rosa and Rudolph Smaritz, East Bernard, Texas, furnished the family plenty of tomatoes for fall. Such irrigation systems are coming into use all over Texas. They are easy to install and lengthen the garden season.

family, and Mr. and Mrs. Charley Owens and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wood Sunday.

Miss Lois Wood and Miss Laura Sparks were guests of Misses Estelle and Lorena Nunn Sunday. We are sorry to report Mr. Lauanders still on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Patton, of the Bethel community, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Russell Sunday.

We are glad to report Mrs. Robert Foreman able to be back at Sunday school. She had been ill with influenza.

Mrs. Holliday visited her daughter, Mrs. Smith, Sunday.

Miss Virginia Bartlett spent the week-end with Miss Laura Bee Gibson, of Benoit.

with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wood, of near Ballinger.

Both Sunday schools were well attended.

Eugene Davenport had as his guest Saturday night, Barney Nunley.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Chapman, son and daughter, Lawrence and Selma, of Winters, and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Davenport, of Ballinger, spent Sunday in the Frank Krc home.

The Bethel Happy Homemakers Club invites the public to visit the building formerly occupied by the Sam Behringer grocery in Ballinger Saturday, December 16, especially at the noon hour when coffee, cake, pie and sandwiches will be sold at popular prices, also several other varieties of eats.

Mr. and Mrs. Manson Causey visited in the Joe Beuffer home Sunday.

Bethel went in for ball games wholeheartedly Friday. The boys basketball team went to Hatchel, where they were defeated, 26 to 5. The boys' indoor ball team lost to White Point by the score of 6 to 2. The girls' indoor team won from their opponents by the score of 6 to 1. The volley ball girls also defeated the opposing team by winning two games out of three played.

COMMUNITY XMAS TREE AT MAVERICK

A community Christmas tree will be held at the Maverick auditorium Friday night, December 22, beginning at 7 p. m. A special program will be furnished by the school. Then Santa Claus will take charge of the tree. This being a community affair, everybody, old and young, is invited.

As a special gift has been planned for each child present, and on account of other expenses, it is very necessary to ask a free will offering to take care of this. Mrs. Tunnell and Mrs. Pearl Marshall will receive contributions. Citizens are asked to please contribute at once.

BETHEL NEWS

A number of people butchered hogs during the recent cool weather.

The state inspector of rural schools visited Bethel Tuesday. He ate lunch prepared by Miss Elsie Gilkerson and the home economics class.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Wiley and son, Myrell, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Seals and family, of Ballinger; Mr. and Mrs. Archie Wiley, of Hagan; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wood and family, of Maverick; Miss Elma Wiley, of San Angelo; and Miss Corene Nunley spent Sunday

NEW IMPLEMENT MAN WITH WHITAKER BROS.

W. M. McCarty, of Crosbyton, has accepted a position in the implement department of Whitaker Brothers' Ballinger store. He arrived the first of this week and left Monday evening for San Angelo to attend to business a few days before starting work here. He will move his family here soon to make Ballinger home. Mr. McCarty formerly lived in Brownwood where he traveled for a hardware concern.

Rev. Walter H. Vanderpool and W. F. Mason went to Brownwood Tuesday to attend a meeting of ministers and district stewards of the Methodist Church.

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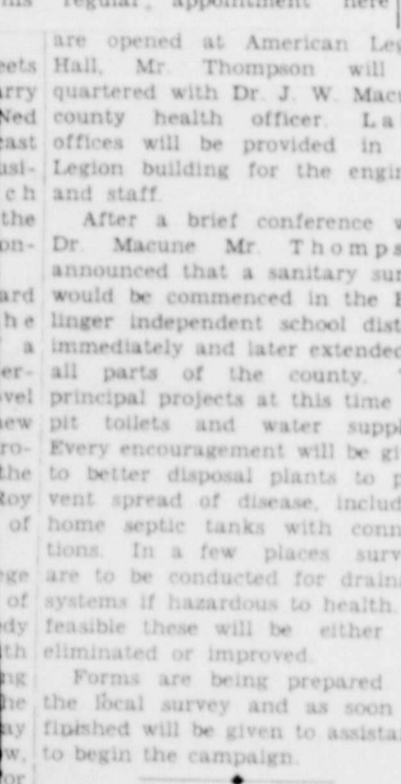
HAGAN HAPPENINGS

Mr. Tullos and son, J. D., have returned home from the plains. Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Turner and

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DISTINCTIVE NEW APPEARANCE enhanced by the newly designed chromium-plated radiator shell and grille, new hood louvers, new hub caps. Interiors are attractive, with new tufted upholstery, new mouldings, new cove-type headlining, new instrument panel, new arm rests, new hardware. Swivel-type sun visors in De Luxe bodies prevent glare from front or side.

FENDERS IN COLOR. On De Luxe cars fenders are in color to harmonize with body colors—wheel colors optional. New enamel finish on

all bodies and fenders has greater wearing quality and more enduring luster.

GREATER RIDING COMFORT results from increased spring flexibility. The spring leaves are newly designed for quieter and easier action. Shock absorbers are improved. Seat cushions are deeper, with new, softer springs. New type, individual bucket seats provide increased comfort for front-seat passengers in the Tudor Sedan. Adding to comfort is the new driving ease of the 15-to-1 steering gear ratio.

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9 P.-T. A. Groups Are Represented In Council Meeting

The Runnels county council of Parent-Teacher associations met at American Legion Hall in Ballinger Saturday, December 9, with the following associations represented: Bethel, Blanton, Maverick, Miles, Eagle Branch, Norton, Ballinger pre-school, Ballinger primary, and Ballinger intermediate and high school.

Mrs. Paul Trimmier, president, called the meeting to order, and Mrs. Joe Simmons, acting secretary, read the minutes. Mrs. George Stephens was elected secretary-treasurer after the resignation of Miss Rena Walker was accepted.

Reports made by the presidents of the various associations were exceptionally good, showing that there are active, wide-awake parent-teacher associations in the county.

Mrs. Simmons presented the goals of the children's council and asked that the council sponsor the presentation of a May Day program. Other goals that the P.-T. A. has been and is sponsoring are daily health instruction for every child in Runnels county and morning inspections practiced daily in each school in the county.

Members were urged to set aside a fund to be used to send delegates to the district conference to be held at Abilene in the spring. The next meeting of the council is to be held in February.

Pre-School Parent-Teacher Association

The Ballinger Pre-School Parent-Teacher Association held its regular meeting at 4 o'clock Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Joe Simmons. Mrs. W. A. Green called the meeting to order. Mrs. Stuart's rhythm band presented several pieces that were enthusiastically received. Mrs. J. A. Schnable presented her pupils in songs, readings, and dances. The following pupils gave this part of the program: Elaine Green, June Wright, Helen Saunders, Virginia Baker, Mary O'Neill, and Jerene Helwig.

After the program a business session was held, at which time it was voted that the association adopt a family for Christmas. Mrs. Green and Mrs. Simmons were asked to work out the details.

Mrs. Green talked on "Love and Friendship."

Twenty-two members and visitors attended.

Primary Parent-Teacher Association

The Ballinger Primary Parent-Teacher Association met in regular session at the primary building Wednesday. Mrs. James Striplin called the meeting to order. Forty-two members and visitors were present.

Mrs. W. A. Bridwell's rhythm band played several pieces which were greatly enjoyed. It was voted to have the Christmas tree for the entire primary school. Plans were made to have each child of the 340 visited at this time.

It was announced by the president that 10 per cent of the receipts at the Brunk's show Friday night would be given to the organization.

Talks were delivered by Mrs. Estes Lynn on "Love and Friendship," and by Mrs. Raby Padgett on "Living Together in the Family."

Year books were distributed.

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND PLANS TO BUILD 30 NEW EDIFICES

EDINBURGH, December 13.—The Church of Scotland is preparing for a national drive to raise \$900,000 to build thirty new churches in Scotland. It is the first campaign of the church to combat the effects of the exodus of congregations from the cities to the suburbs.

According to Rev. Harry Miller, of Edinburgh, changes have been so rapid in the last two years that new districts have sprung up in many parts of the country, and its residents are clamoring for churches. The campaign is to be one of the largest ever conducted in Scotland. Appeals for funds will be made in every church and prominent men will speak at mass meetings.

BAG-SEWING CONTEST SOUGHT IN AUSTRALIA

GAMAIN, Australia, Dec. 13.—Professional bag sewers want a nation-wide bag-sewing contest. They are backing Tom the Sailor, who puts twenty-two stitches in a full grain bag, carries it twenty paces and piles it at the rate of 600 bags a day.

As the last tier of the stack is nine bags high, he is climbing steps most of the time. Bill Chandler claims to average two bags a minute.



Billie Mace, sister of Clyde Barrow's "moll," Bonnie Parker, who has been questioned in Dallas in an effort to learn something of the whereabouts of Clyde, the nation's most sought-after desperado. Billie talks freely, telling all about the youthful killer's escapades, but as to where he and her sister can be found now, that's a different story. Her husband, Fred Mace, is now in the penitentiary.

ENLISTED IN THE ARMY WHEN ONLY 12 YEARS OLD

SYDNEY, New South Wales, Dec. 13.—That Victor Leslie Harris was only 12 years old when he fought in the World War has just been revealed. Harris is said to have volunteered at the age of 12 years 10 months. He claims to have been the youngest soldier with the Australian Imperial Force.

Unable to obtain his mother's permission to enlist, Harris left his home in Melbourne and went to Sydney, said he was 17, and was passed through the recruiting depot. On his arrival in England he was held back for guard duty at Salisbury Plain because of his youth, but was sent to France with a draft late in 1915.

He served in France with the Thirteenth Battalion under Captain Murray, the most-decorated man in the A. I. F., and was with him when he won the V. C. at Stormy Trench, Gueudecourt. It was at Gueudecourt that Harris first went "over the top" and was wounded.

THREE READ THE LEDGER MORE THAN 25 YEARS

Three men who have read this paper more than 25 years visited The Ledger office last week. Each came in to renew for another year.

J. S. Reese, of Benoit, has been reading the county site paper for 33 years and January 1 will begin his 34th year as a subscriber. During this period he has never missed an issue, reading it from front to back every week.

J. M. Nichols, of Winters route 3, is beginning his 32nd year as a regular subscriber. He also has never missed an issue and comes in to renew every fall before his expiration date.

J. D. Smith, of Winters route 1, is past the quarter century mark as a reader. For a long time Mr. Smith served as county commissioner for his precinct and while here this week recalled occasions when he and the paper differed on matters of public interest. Mr. Smith said he never "got mad" at the editor, however, and always loved him. He complimented the present publication and said he could not get along without it.

Hard to Take

Doctor: "You ought to be getting well by now. Have you carried out all my instructions?"

Patient: "Most of them, but I can't take that two-mile walk every morning, as you ordered. I get too dizzy."

Doctor: "What do you mean, dizzy?"

Patient: "Well, I guess I forgot to tell you. I'm a lighthouse keeper."—Women's World.

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Christmas Matinee Free for Children At Palace Theatre

W. D. Scales, manager of the Palace Theatre, announced Thursday that he would stage a free Christmas matinee for children on the morning of Saturday, December 23. The plan used in the past will be followed again this year; each child attending will bring fruit, clothing, toys, food, or useful gifts to be turned over to the Goodfellows for distribution to the poor of the city.

The show will open at 9:30 a. m. and continue until noon. Mr. Scales stated that several good films would be presented and it would be his Christmas present to the kiddies. "Children are invited to come and bring their friends," he said.

In previous years this free children's matinee has brought in many useful things for the needy. On several occasions there was more than a large truckload of food and clothing piled in the theatre lobby.

The kiddies are asked to bring their free-will donations in sacks, bundles or boxes, deposit them on the sidewalk, and enter the show. The entire Palace staff will be on hand to help handle the gifts and look after the children during the performance. Mr. Scales stated that every child would be welcome so long as any could get in the house.

FAMOUS LONDON GUILDS DECIDE TO AMALGAMATE

LONDON, Dec. 13.—The recently formed Company of Newspaper Makers, for which a royal charter is in process of preparation, is to amalgamate with the Worshipful Company of Stationers. The joint guild will be known as "Stationers and Newspaper Makers."

The stationers' company is of great antiquity—certainly as old as the opening years of the fifteenth century, and probably even older. Its charter was issued in 1557. The rule used to be that any one connected with the production of a book was eligible except the author. That was broken recently by the admission of some authors, including Kipling and Barrie.

Air-Minded.



Jewel Hopkins, golden voiced Dallas girl, goes air-minded with the coming of the gigantic American Legion aerial circus, December 3 between Dallas and Fort Worth at the Curtis-Wright airport. Jewel seems to be practicing balance so she can do some stunts for the ex-soldier boys, but who cares for balance? If Jewel will just keep posing, the spectators will be happy.

The Company of Newspaper Makers, the youngest of the city companies, was founded in 1931. Its first master was R. D. Blumenfeld, who was mainly responsible for its institution.

Advertised goods move.

Board of Trustees Approves Further Work on Campus

The board of trustees of the Ballinger independent school district voted Tuesday evening to submit another project for the beautification of the central campus in order to provide jobs for more unemployed men. The new project will be submitted to the state authorities at once and as soon as approved the work will be started.

The board also approved a contract with Mike C. Boyd for the shrubs to be planted around the buildings. This work will be done by the Ballinger Parent-Teacher Association and K. V. Northington. The shrubs will be set out at the right season.

Mrs. Joe Forman was elected a substitute teacher to take the place made vacant by Miss Alice Marlin, who is now teaching in the Coleman schools.

It was announced Wednesday that fifty children are being fed their noon meals at the school daily by means of RFC aid. Many of the pupils had been coming to school without noon lunches.

The trustees have contracted much work on the campus during the past summer and fall and the

improvements are of a permanent nature.

F. D. McCoy, of Winters, transacted business in Ballinger Thursday. He announced that Winters

had received approval on several relief projects and had employed a number of jobless men.

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Heavy 5-year-guarantee Rugs	\$7.45
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Eighth Street Presbyterian Church
Bible school at 9:30 a. m.
Carl Black, superintendent.
Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. by the pastor.
Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor.
A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend all services and worship with us.
J. EDWIN KERR, Minister

First Methodist Church
9:45 a. m., Sunday school, Sam Behringer, superintendent. Christmas program from 10 to 11:30 a. m.
7:15 p. m., Christmas concert.
A cordial welcome awaits you at all our services.
W. H. VANDERPOOL, Pastor

Ballinger Baptist Church
9:45 a. m., Sunday school, E. E. King, superintendent.
11 a. m., preaching service by pastor.
8:15 p. m., B. T. S. meeting, Ernest Moody, director.
7:15 p. m., preaching service by pastor.
7 p. m., Wednesday, prayer meeting.
J. H. McCLAIN, Pastor

First Presbyterian Church
9:45 a. m. Sunday school.
11 a. m. morning worship.
6 p. m. intermediate society.
7 p. m. evening worship.
If you do not worship elsewhere, you are cordially welcome at all of our services.
E. W. McLAURIN, Pastor

Church of the Nazarene
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., John Morris, superintendent.
Young People's meeting at 8:45 p. m.
Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by pastor.
W. M. S. Tuesday afternoon.
Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.
CHAS. W. BOWMAN, Pastor

Church of Christ
(Eighth Street, Bonnal Avenue)
Bible school meets at 9:45 a. m. with competent teachers for all classes.
Preaching by the minister at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Communion following.
Ladies' Bible class meets in the church building Monday at 3:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting and young people's meeting at 7 p. m. Wednesday.
The public is invited to attend any and all these services.
FRED ROSS, Minister

Church of God
Sunday school at 10 a. m.
Preaching at 11 a. m. by the pastor.
Young people's meeting at 8:45 p. m.
Preaching at 7:30 p. m. by the pastor.
Prayer meeting each Wednesday at 8 p. m.
W. S. HANCOCK, Pastor

First Christian Church
(Broadway and Murrell)
9:45 a. m., Bible school. A class for every age. We are never too old to learn something new from the Bible.
11 a. m., worship and communion service.
7:30 p. m., worship.
LEE WHIPPLE, Minister

BETHEL CLUB WOMEN TO HOLD BAZAAR HERE SATURDAY
Members of the Bethel home demonstration club will hold a bazaar in the building formerly occupied by the Sam Behringer grocery next Saturday, December 16. They will display their wares early in the morning and the bazaar will remain open until all articles are sold. Free coffee will be served and cakes, pies and candy will be sold.

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Details of 1934-35 Cotton Reduction Campaign Given

The following joint statement was issued Wednesday by County Agent Elmo V. Cook and County Home Demonstration Agent Lura Hollingsworth:
"The 1934-35 government cotton reduction plan offers Runnels county farmers an opportunity to put into practice on the farm a well balanced live-at-home program, with food for the family in the form of vegetables, berries, fruits, home-made syrup, canned and cured meats from animals fed on the farm, with ample pasture, both temporary and permanent for livestock used on the farm, and an abundance of feed for the animals which are not sold, or which do not produce products for sale. It is an opportunity for the farmer who has had all his land in crops, and most of that in cotton, to get back onto a balanced farm program.

"The government permits use of retired cotton acres for soil improvement crops, erosion preventing crops, food crops for consumption by the producer on his farm, and feed crops for production of livestock and livestock products consumed by the producer on the farm.

"Among food crops suitable for retired acres in Runnels county could be suggested vegetables, berries, fruits, pecans, syrup cane, sweet corn, and truck crops. Gardens and orchards should go a long way towards feeding the farm family. A young orchard can

be set on retired acres and the fruits and berries produced during 1934 and 1935 can be consumed by the farm family. After the termination of the two-year period, any fruit produced can be disposed of as the owner sees fit.

"Feed crops suggested are grain sorghums, corn, small grains, legumes such as cowpeas or peanuts, and silage crops. The government crop control program offers the farmer an opportunity to store up enough feed to run him over a year in case of a feed failure. Storing bundle feed in a trench silo when the grain is in the dough stage, and there is plenty of moisture in the stalk, is an ideal way of preserving it indefinitely, and safe from rot, fire, weevils, rats, or theft. A trench silo can be constructed in a few days with average farm equipment, and without cost, except for labor. Silage is the best known substitute for green grazing, and hedges or red top are good silage crops.

"For those who wish to plant for pasture, small grain and sweet clover mixtures afford good grazing in winter and spring months, while sudan is recognized as our best summer and fall grazing crop.

"Many Runnels county farmers are shy on permanent pastures. The A. & M. pasture specialist has recommended for sowing from February 1 to March 1 a mixture of Italian rye, rescue grass,

biennial sweet or hubam annual sweet clover, bur clover, and black medic."

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our many friends for their loving kindness, words of sympathy and the beautiful floral offering during the saddest of the death of our wife and mother. May God's richest blessings rest upon all, is our prayer.

F. E. Clayton
E. W. Clayton and family
C. M. Gibson and family
E. T. Branham and family
R. L. Clayton and family
O. C. Cox and family
Earl Clayton and family
R. O. Hamby and family
W. E. Walker and family
N. C. Clayton and family
H. H. Davis and family
E. R. Martin and family
Bryan Clayton and family
Aubrey Ashton and family
14-11"

BALLINGER INSURANCE MEN GO TO STATE CONVENTION

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nixon and Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Griffin left this week for Dallas to attend the state convention of Southwestern Life Insurance Company representatives. Both Ballinger agents won free trips to the convention, Mr. Nixon qualifying in the \$100,000 class and Mr. Griffin in the \$75,000 class for the year.

Baptists to Present Christmas Feature Sunday, Dec. 24th

The Ballinger Baptist Church, planning Christmas programs in the church and Sunday school on the morning of December 24, Christmas eve. Sunday school committees have been working on their programs which will be presented in each department. Four separate programs have been arranged—in the cradle roll, primary, beginners' and junior departments. Each of these contains the gift giving feature.

Rev. J. H. McClain, pastor, announced he would preach his Christmas sermon at the morning hour, and the choir under the direction of R. E. White is to render special music.

The Ballinger church as well as all other churches of this denomination will take offerings on Christmas eve morning for the Buckner Orphans Home. Last year food and clothing was gathered and shipped to the home during the Christmas season but this year the cash offering plan has been adopted and will be part of the program at every Baptist church that day.

The Christmas spirit will be further carried out at the evening service at the local church on Christmas eve.

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Blizzards Defeated By Wink Eleven; San Angelo Winner

The Winters Blizzards, champions of district 13-B, went down in defeat, 6-0, at Wink Saturday in the first bi-district football game. The Blizzards outplayed their opponents until the last few minutes of the game when the Wink eleven launched an offensive that netted a touchdown. Townsend and Cy Field were outstanding stars for Winters, racing the pigskin about the gridiron the entire afternoon, but could not score.

This game closed the season for the Winters team after an almost

perfect record, losing only to the Ballinger club on November 24.

The San Angelo entry remained in the state championship race Saturday by defeating the Bowie high school eleven of El Paso, 27 to 7. The San Angeloans will meet the Pampa gridsters this week-end on Tech Field, Lubbock, in the second bi-district tilt of the season. Pampa eliminated the Abilene Eagles at Pampa Saturday, 27 to 7.

The class A quarter finals will be played this week and the state championship game will be played Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Simpson, of Coleman, visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Goss, of Abilene, spent Sunday with relatives here.

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Currants, lb. 25c	Lemon and Orange	Peanut Bar Candy, 10-oz. 10c
White Figs, 2-lbs. 35c	Peel—Pineapple and Ginger	Extract, all flavors, 8-oz. 35c
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CREWS NEWS

Rev. Richards, of Tokeen, preached at the Crews Baptist Church Sunday and Sunday night.

The P.-T. A. met Friday night and held a business session. The regular meeting time is the first Thursday in each month.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wood are rejoicing over the arrival of a little 7-pound daughter, named Lagatha Joy.

Mrs. King spent a day or two last week at the bedside of her little grandson, Teddie McBeth, in a Sweetwater hospital critically ill. Recent news report him slightly improved.

Don Norris and Miss Alma Phipps visited relatives and friends at Drasco Friday night.

Miss Verna Meek, of Coleman county, visited her sister, Miss Clara Meek, last week.

Crews and Oxien communities are planning a Christmas tree at the Methodist church here Saturday night, December 23.

Mancie King and Weldon Brancham spent Thursday night and Friday in Sweetwater.

A basketball tournament will be held here Saturday. Several teams from a distance will be here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Berry and Mr. and Mrs. Thad Traylor visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Berry, of Ballinger, Sunday.

EAGLE BRANCH EVENTS

Herman Freeman visited Leo Freeman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cooper visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Cooper Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cooper have installed a new piano in their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Henson and daughter visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Adkins, of Crews, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Elkins returned home Saturday from Glen Rose, where Mrs. Elkins had been under treatment.

Ray Dameron is moving from this community Tuesday to a farm on the Colorado River below Ballinger.

Misses Louise and Marie Wade spent Sunday with Miss Novel Davidson.

Henry Wood spent Sunday with his little friend, Ralph Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Kelley and family and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Davis and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Dock Kelley, of Winters, Sunday.

Miss Donella Kelley spent the week-end with Miss Mary Jane Kelley, of Winters.

Earl Cooper visited Elvin and Melvin Berry, of Crews, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Gerhart and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kurtz and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Kurtz, and Miss Dora Brede-meyer were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. Jacob Sunday.

Miss Eula May Moore spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Walter

Schwartz, of Crews. The Helpers Club met with Mrs. Chas. Berry Wednesday of last week. The next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. H. G. Bradley Wednesday, December 20. The regular meeting of the Eagle Branch Parent-Teacher Association will be held at the school house Friday night of this week. A good program has been arranged. We anticipate having Mrs. Georgie Stephens, county nurse, deliver an interesting talk. The public is cordially invited.

December 1 Survey Shows 14 Vacant Houses in Ballinger

A municipal survey of vacant houses of all kinds in Ballinger on December 1 showed only 14, the smallest number in many years. Not many of the vacant places are desirable and the list includes residences and business houses as well as apartments. Occupied houses without city water connections on December 1 totaled 26.

Since September 1 residences here have been filling up at a rapid clip. Practically all livable quarters are occupied and large apartments are in demand. Business house vacancies are scarce, only a few desirable locations being reported.

City collections for last month totalled \$1,205.66 on this year's tax rolls and \$1,446 on the delinquent rolls. During the first few days of December tax collections were \$511.18. Water and sanitary levies brought in \$1,736.05 last month and to date in December total \$1,070.

The city engineering department spent the past ten days surveying locations for rock culverts, preparing plans to construct them with relief labor.

COUNTY'S QUOTA OF CUTTER COWS TO BE DELIVERED DEC. 30

Elmo V. Cook, county agent, received word Wednesday that cutter cows from Runnels county were to be delivered at Abilene Saturday, December 30. Runnels county's quota is 59, and to date Mr. Cook has accepted 49 cows. A number of others have been listed but were too thin or in some way did not meet the government beef specifications and were cut back.

Mr. Cook stated Wednesday that anyone who had cows he wished to put in this shipment should see him not later than next week and that ten more would be accepted.

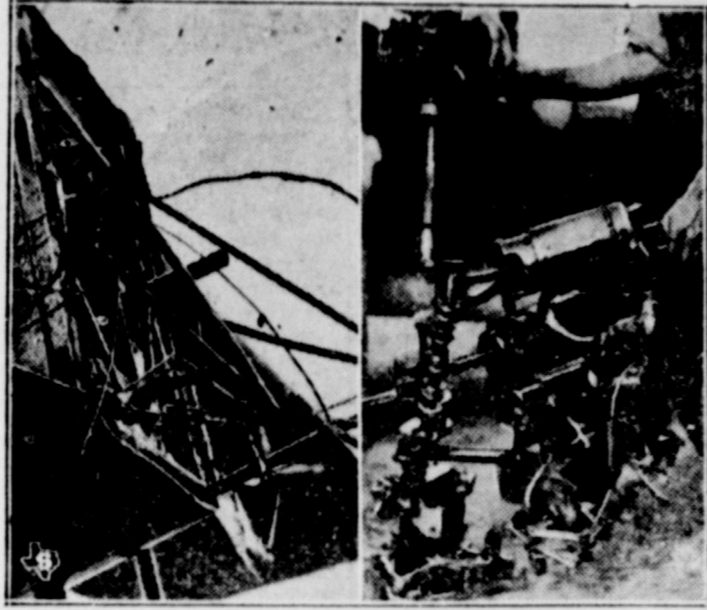
SWITZERLAND TO HAVE HUGE STATUE OF CHRIST

GENEVA, Dec. 13.—Switzerland is to have a statue of Christ twice as tall as the famous Christ of the Andes.

It will be nearly 100 feet in height and will stand beneath the soaring heights of Mont Blanc, not far from Copeau, in the valley of Chamonix. Christ will be shown with his hand raised in benediction.

Sam Briley, of Winters, attended to business in Ballinger Monday.

All Down Safe in Wierd Plane Mishap



Imagine driving along in an auto as a fast clip and the motor falling out. Then jump it up 1,500 feet in the air and imagine how Roy Taylor and Claude Gossett felt when the motor of their plane fell out as they flew over Commerce, Texas. Taylor quickly climbed into the front cockpit to balance the plane and a safe landing was made on a golf course. Left photo shows the plane with the motor missing; right shows what was left of the motor when it was picked up in the middle of Main street at Commerce.

Cowman Ropes Eagle Near Ballinger

Charles Evans was in town Monday exhibiting a large Mexican eagle which he roped on the West Texas Lumber Company ranch near the Humble Pipe Line station southeast of Ballinger. Mr. Evans saw the eagle, and mounted on his favorite cow pony, Bob, ran onto the large bird as it was leaving the ground and roped it by one wing. The bird sent out a distress cry and its mate, about the same size, came to the rescue and fought for a time to release the captive.

The eagle, measuring 7 feet 3 inches from wing tip to tip, was brought to Ballinger alive. Mr. Evans later took the big bird to San Angelo to have it mounted. He stated that these were the first eagles he had seen on the river ranch in some time. The captive was large enough to carry away a lamb but no marauding had been done by the pair. Mr. Evans tried to capture or kill the other eagle but it soared away after seeking vainly to loose the cowman's rope.

Postmaster Asks Patrons to Mail Packages Early

Postal authorities are urging early mailing of Christmas packages and cards. To date very little gift mailing has been done and it is only a short time until Christmas.

Postmaster J. A. Reese stated Tuesday that there was more reason than ever for early mailing this year as there will be no offices open on Christmas eve or Christmas day. The offices will be closed on Christmas eve because the falls on Sunday, and none will open Monday, Christmas day. This means the last date for the delivery of parcels and

other mail will be on December 23.

Mr. Reese said special delivery packages and letters only would be delivered December 24 and 25. The local postoffice staff will keep up with its work until the last minute, however, and give citizens of this section the best service possible. All outgoing mail will leave here every day and incoming mail will be worked and delivery made up to closing time December 23.

F. D. George, of Cleburne, is here this week attending to special advertising for The Hub.

Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw and son, John Weeks Earnshaw, left Tuesday morning for Dallas to visit friends a few days.

Mrs. G. W. Dunlap visited in San Angelo Saturday.

Women Are Needed City is Decorated To Help Red Cross in Christmas Colors; Issue Clothing Here Dress Show Windows

Neal Nutt, chairman of the Runnels county Red Cross chapter, is experiencing difficulty in securing women to aid in the organization's activities. Since assuming the office Thanksgiving day, Mr. Nutt has had the assistance of one woman for one afternoon.

Mr. Nutt stated Wednesday that so many were coming to his office to request clothing for women and children that it was impossible for him to investigate to see if they were worthy of help. For this kind of work it is necessary to determine just what is necessary and Mr. Nutt said he would have to have about four to assist him in this duty. The men appointed on the committee are all functioning and their part of the work is progressing nicely.

The Red Cross will distribute a large supply of clothing here this winter and investigations must be made before garments are issued. Any woman in Ballinger who will volunteer for this duty is requested to get in touch with Mr. Nutt at once.

The men on the committee all have businesses to attend to and their attention is needed there, especially at this season. They are having to devote much time to the charity calls but many of the clothing demands can better be handled by women.

SINGS ROLE ON KNEES BECAUSE HE'S TOO TALL

NICE, France, Dec. 13.—To fill the part of Sancho Panza in "Don Quixote" at the opera house in Nice, Captain George Chadwick must play the role on his knees.

The producer says that this is the only way of "shortening" Captain Chadwick's height. He is six feet tall and Don Quixote's famous squire was short and fat.

J. Milton Clayton, of the Talpa section, attended to business in Ballinger Monday.

windows are to be seen here. Practically every store with a show-window displays suggested Christmas gifts, trees and special lighting effects.

A number of windows were curtained Wednesday and Thursday while decorators worked feverishly on novel displays. These will be shown Friday and not later than Saturday morning. Some have extended their embellishments to the store fronts.

Card of Thanks

We wish to take this method of expressing our sincere thanks to our many friends in the Mavenek community who befriended and assisted us during the illness and death of our beloved mother and grandmother.

We also wish to express our thanks for the beautiful floral offering.

R. G. Edwards and family
14-26*

Candy

We have just received a large shipment of Elmer's and Hollingsworth's beautiful box chocolates in special Christmas packages.



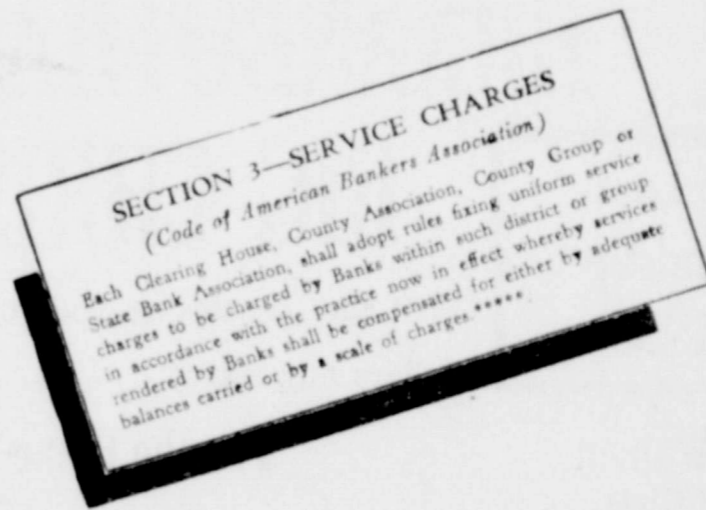
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Each such transaction, or service, in itself is small but each must be handled by experienced officers, clerks and bookkeepers and the total cost of all such services amounts to a substantial sum. It is for these and other valuable services that all Banks are now required to make a small charge.

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Schools

By Miss Louise Tinsley
 Many patrons have been coming to our chapel programs lately, and of course, we are very glad to see them interested. We have two chapel periods a week—devotional on Mondays and miscellaneous on Fridays. The Friday programs give pupils opportunities for practice in various arts, and at the same time, provide relaxation and amusement.

Our debating team of boys, Elliott Kemp and Rex Nixon, went to Brownwood Saturday to compete with the debaters there. They won a good victory over Brownwood, and it is a very promising year that lies before them, we think. A. F. Ligon and several girl debaters, including Mary Edith Wellhausen, Camille Behringer, Helen Routh, and Laura Edith Miller, were present also.

Mary Edith Wellhausen, secretary of the debating club, reported a meeting last Tuesday. The club president, Rex Nixon, and Elliott Kemp read several points on how to debate, and the same subject was also discussed by club members.

Six girls from the high school glee club sang Christmas carols at the Eastern Star meeting Monday night. Those on the program were: Frances Gustavus, Oleta Martin, Mary Edith Wellhausen, Maecle Halstead, Margaret Ransberger, and Ila Mae West.

The Primary P-T-A met Wednesday of this week. The program included, among other things, a musical entertainment given by the first grade rhythm band.

All children in the central building sang Christmas carols together Tuesday during recess. Mrs. Katherine Todd directed the pupils in the singing as they stood grouped about the front of the building.

Miss Elizabeth Parker visited her sister, Mrs. Nunley, in Coleman, last week-end.

Miss Katherine Scales visited in Abilene last week.

The Twentieth Century Literary Club of high school had representatives on the program at the meeting of the Shakespeare Club last Thursday afternoon. The students presented a model drill in club procedure in accordance with the parliamentary drill that the Shakespeare Club was having. The high school pupils illustrated

how a constitution should be adopted by presenting the one of their own club and adopting it, with the signatures of their charter members. Those taking part were: Dorothy Teague, Alma Davis, Erich Behrend, Mary Copeland, Laura Edith Miller, and Louise Tinsley. Miss Wynis Greer is sponsor of the literary club.

In the absence of the regular pastor Monday, the high school was entertained during the devotional hour by Mrs. Schnable, who gave several vocal numbers. The remainder of the period was filled out by various readings and other numbers from students. Miss Nona Diltz gave a humorous reading.

Miss Genevieve Green visited her home, near San Angelo, Saturday and Sunday.

Misses Gertrude and Virginia Keel were in San Angelo Saturday and Sunday of last week.

Mr. Nininger, curator of meteorites in the Museum of Natural History, Denver, visited our high school Tuesday morning, and gave the students a very instructive talk on the subject of "Meteorites." Mr. Nininger maintains his own research laboratory in Denver and at the present time is traveling in different sections of the country, searching for rare pieces of fallen meteorites.

SIX WHITES ON VANIKORO LIVE LIVES OF LONELINESS

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 13.—Living on the little tropical island of Vanikoro, southeast of the Solomons, six white men are enjoying life with the primitive natives, according to C. L. Dawn, manager of a timber company, who has just reached Sydney, after visiting the island.

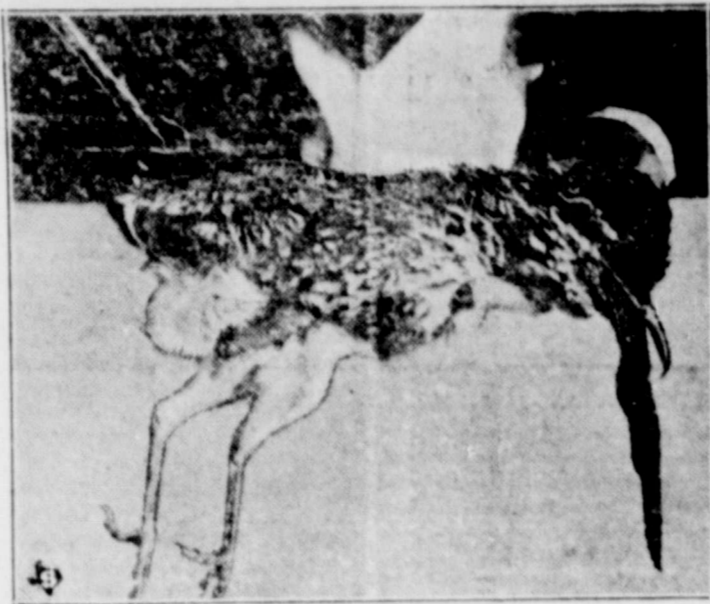
The six men, he said, live in houses above the water. The only communication they have with the outside world is through their radio station. They have three mails a year. The island is infested with crocodiles, which prevent the keeping of dogs and act as a great check to the multiplication of the wild pigs, which also flourish there. The water teems with fish and the six whites spend their spare time hooking many large varieties.

Electric Refrigerators Popular
 OSLO, Dec. 13.—The market for mechanical refrigerators is improving rapidly in Norway. More than 71 per cent of the homes in the land of hydroelectric power are wired for electricity.

Mrs. Frank Stubbs and Mrs. W. W. Chastain spent Tuesday in San Angelo, visiting relatives and friends.

Advertised goods move.

Picture Proves Ancient Texas Legend True



One of the Southwest's moot questions has been settled for all time. Legend tells that chaparral birds, or paisanos, or road runners, as they are sometimes called, are natural enemies of rattlesnakes. The bird pictured above, caught by dogs on the farm of J. C. Caraway near Robstown, Texas, proves the story for six inches of an 18-inch rattler dangled from his beak.

Lyon is Appointed Regional Chairman By School League

Supt. H. C. Lyon of the Ballinger schools this week received an appointment from the state inter-scholastic league, naming him regional chairman of the extemporaneous speaking division. His territory will include district 5 with Sweetwater as the center, district 6 with Breckenridge the center, district 7 around San Angelo, and district 8 in the vicinity of Brownwood. The region is composed of 38 counties and the contest to select the regional champions will be held at Abilene on April 20 and 21, 1934.

Mr. Lyon announced that a new plan had been set up for league contests. Instead of contestants going direct to the state competition from districts, regional winners will be decided and only these will be eligible to enter the state meet. In the past the crowd of students attending the Austin meeting in the late spring has been too large and the regional plan will reduce congestion. The naming of Mr. Lyon to this responsible position came to him unexpectedly, but he has accepted the appointment and will conduct the final contest at Abilene in the spring, certifying the winners from there to the state meet at Austin where the state champions will be determined.

Schools in this section will begin at once selecting entrants for the various contests. After eliminating to the best these will be entered in the county meet first,

and winners there will go to the district and then the regional meets.

FROZEN SKY WRITING TESTED IN ENGLAND

LONDON, December 13.—Successful tests of messages in smoke frozen on the face of the sky have been made in England and it is believed they soon will be a familiar feature of daily life.

The airplanes producing these messages work at a height of 20,000 feet, so that the pilots have to wear electrically heated suits. The intense cold at this altitude partially freezes the smoke as it comes in contact with the air, and this makes the messages legible for a longer period than usual. Also, at 20,000 feet atmospheric disturbances are less. Night sky-writing by means of a new searchlight projector is also developing. The projector throws colored patterns on the clouds.

COIN COLLECTION GIVES ROMAN RULERS' HISTORY

CARLETON, England, Dec. 13.—Declared to be the most valuable in the world, a collection of 900 Roman coins has just been placed in the Legionary Museum in Carleon. The coins were found during the excavation of the Roman amphitheater and other ruins in recent years. They embrace a complete record of Roman rulers from 48 B. C. to the fourth century.

Sam Behringer returned Tuesday from Los Angeles, where he had been for the past ten days attending to business.

1933 Farm Food Supply Demonstration

By Mrs. H. K. Reid
 (Farm Food Supply Demonstrator for Independence Club)

I am farm food supply demonstrator for my home demonstration club—Independence—in 1933. I am fifty-eight years old. There are three of the family at home now—my husband, son and self.

We own our home of 340 acres—300 of which are in cultivation and 40 acres in pasture. We plant everything we can, to eat ourselves and can more than enough to do each year.

We raise feed enough for ten head of work stock, nine cows and heifers, and hogs to make our meat for the year. We have two fields of about four acres each we plant in sudan for pasture.

We plant wheat, oats, corn, maize, cane and cotton. From the wheat we have our flour—both white and graham, and whole-wheat cereal. From our corn we have meal, hominy and grits. We cured 825 pounds of pork, and made 25 gallons of lard. During the year we received an average of 6 gallons of milk daily or 2,190 gallons for the year and 720 pounds of butter. I have 410 chickens. In my pantry I have 1,227 containers representing 127 varieties of canned food, and 50—raising flowers (I have a flower garden just in front of my vegetable garden).

In November I had growing 12 varieties in my garden.

I sell butter and feed the surplus milk to the chickens and hogs. I have sold more than enough to cover the expenses on my pantry.

All of my fruits are canned in syrup which gives them a better flavor and they are also ready for the table when opened.

My canned vegetables are seasoned with the meat we raised, and are also ready for the table after heating. I raised all the vegetables I canned except the sweet potatoes.

I not only have my meats, vegetables, pickles, relishes, fruits, jellies, jams and preserves, but I also have canned nuts, fruit cake, brown bread and crystallized fruits—from which I can easily and quickly prepare an entire meal in only a few minutes (for the sometimes unexpected guest).

I have done most of the canning myself but part of the credit goes to my husband for he has been so willing to cooperate in every way. He built a cabinet and installed a sink and running water in my kitchen.

Besides canning and raising chickens I have two other hobbies—raising flowers (I have a flower garden just in front of my vegetable garden).

table garden), and piecing and quilting pretty quilts.

With them all it takes most of my time—still I always manage for the reading of the papers and magazines.

CENTENARIAN COMPLETES HIKE OF OVER 300 MILES

BELGRADE, Dec. 13.—Despite that he celebrated his hundredth birthday recently, Sheriff Beganovitch, of Trojitz, has just walked 300 miles from his native village to Belgrade. The journey required fifteen days.

Having business to transact with the ministry of agriculture in Belgrade and being without funds, Beganovitch set out on foot. On the way the aged man begged the little food he needed and slept in sheds, under bridges and sometimes beneath the trees in the forests. When he has completed his business he intends to walk back home because he says he has not the money to waste on railway tickets.

DISCS USED TO EXERCISE ROMAN SOLDIERS FOUND

LLANRWST, Wales, Dec. 13.—Antiquarians have identified curious relics found recently by forestry workers on the old bowling green of Gwydyr Chapel in Llanrwst, Wales, as discs used in exercising by Roman soldiers. They resemble quoits, and were as popular among soldiers of ancient Rome as football is to soldiers of today.

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Sacred Concert at Methodist Church Sunday Evening

The first Christmas program of the year will be heard next Sunday evening at the First Methodist Church when the choir presents its annual sacred concert. The singers have been rehearsing for the past month on a full evening's program and a large committee of decorators has been busy this week preparing the settings and arranging the lighting effects.

Twenty-eight voices will be used for the concert and will appear in vestments. Eight Christmas numbers by the entire ensemble will be offered; and a solo by Mrs. J. A. Schnable, a female octet, a female quartet, a male quartet, a violin duet, an organ solo and a reading will be rendered.

The background of snow-covered cedar with hundreds of blue tinted lights will provide a pretty effect for the concert which will begin promptly at 7:30 p. m. The general public is invited to attend and the entire auditorium will be opened and made ready to take care of a large audience.

On next Sunday morning this church will hold its general Christmas program which will start at the Sunday school hour and continue until 11:30. Each department of the Sunday school will take part in the program and present gifts for the orphans home and the local Goodfellows Club. The cradle roll department will sponsor the christening of babies.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found the complete program for the concert.

Cotton Reduction Plan for 1934-35 Is Announced

COLLEGE STATION, Tex., Dec. 13.—In the new 1934-35 cotton contract offered by the agricultural adjustment administration, farmers agree to reduce cotton acres from 35% to 45% in return for land rental payments running as high as \$18 per acre, and a parity payment of one cent per pound for 40% of the average five-year production, says George E. Adams, of the Texas A. & M. College extension service, in charge of the cotton campaign.

A farmer who has grown an average of 40 acres of cotton making an average of 10 bales per year during 1928-32 would receive a total of \$89.92 in three payments next year if he signs a contract reducing his acres 40%, from 40 acres down to 24 acres. His land rental payment will be 3 1/2 cents for every pound of lint produced per acre on the average during 1928-32. In this case that would amount to \$4.37 per acre or \$89.92 for the 16 acres retired. Forty per cent of his average five-year production would be four bales, and

West Texas Beauty



Students of Simmons University Abilene, Texas, have voted this petite brunette, Miss Mildred Corby, the most beautiful girl in the school and named her University Queen. Her picture will head the list of favorites in the Bronco student annual.

his parity payment on this in December 1934 would be at least \$5 per bale or \$20. The land rental payments will be made in two installments, the first in March or April, and the second in August or September.

The land retired from production must be good average land, not gullied or eroded, and suited to cotton. The retired acres may be used only for two purposes: either to improve the land as capital stock, or if needed, to feed the family. Rented acres may be put in soil improvement crops or in crops designed to stop soil washing. If sown to feed or food crops all the resulting food and feed must be consumed on the farm. If fed to animals the meat or other livestock products must be consumed on the farm.

The farmer signing a contract must also agree not to increase the total acreage on the rest of the farm of crops named as basic commodities in the agricultural adjustment act, or to increase the production of livestock designated as basic commodities. That means that contracting cotton farmers may not increase above 1932 or 1933 their acreages of corn, wheat, rice and tobacco, or their production of hogs and of milk or dairy products, except as needed for home use.

THE INDEFINABLE ATOM EXPLAINED BY SCIENTIST

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 13.—What does an atom look like? Thirty years ago it was supposed to be a miniature solar system—a nucleus of mixed electrons and protons (hydrogen hearts) around which other electrons revolved. Such a structure could be drawn on paper and imagined. But Prof. Niels Bohr, shattered it and won the Nobel Prize in consequence. He showed that the electrons, instead of revolving around the nucleus in an orderly planetary way that could be predicted, actually jumped in a very unplanetary way from one orbit to another. In the process they emitted light, heat, electric waves and perhaps other forms of energy. From that day cause and effect disappeared; for there was no way of predicting what an electron was doing from one moment to another. It turned out that the orbits were only average positions.

What an atom is only the mathematicians can tell us, and their equations deal only with leaping electrons. In the California Institute of Technology Professor Bohr advised his hearers to forget about atomic models. All that we can do is to discuss masses and changes, and these cannot be pictured on paper. Models imply certainty. The atom is a bundle of uncertainties. The advice is not comforting but sound. It is better to have no picture than one which is totally wrong.

League Spelling Lists are Ready For '34 Contests

Advices from interscholastic league headquarters in Austin state that 200,000 copies of the current spelling list have been printed and are now ready for distribution, according to Curtis Bryan, recently elected director of spelling for the league in Runnels county. The price of the spelling bulletin of sixteen pages has been reduced to one cent a copy in quantities of one hundred or more. Schools requiring less than one hundred copies may club their orders to get the benefit of the cent-a-copy rate.

"Teachers of spelling are cautioned that the league spelling contest involves also a plain writing feature. Certain errors in writing are listed on page 43 of the current constitution and rules. It would be well to drill pupils to avoid the errors there listed.

"Words included in the list have been carefully selected and graded and form an excellent supplement to the state adopted text. None of the words in the state text appear in the spelling list of the league.

"It is hoped that there will be wide participation in this contest in this county. All one hundred per cent papers produced at the county meet are sent to the state office of the league where the papers are re-graded, and, if adjudged perfect, a suitable award is given."

BLANTON HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB MEETS

The Blanton home demonstration club met at the home of Mrs. J. L. Cooper Monday. The meeting opened with roll call. Plans were discussed for the next meeting, and as the regular date would be Christmas day it was decided to have a social on Wednesday evening of that week, to which the members' families would be invited. Mrs. Don Macune, Misses Mamie Ruth Boothe and Zell Reese were appointed as the entertainment committee.

After the business session Christmas cookies were demonstrated. The recipes follow:

Fudge Squares
 1/2 cup shortening 1/2 cup vanilla
 1 cup sugar 1 cup milk
 1 egg 1 cup flour
 2 oz. chocolate 1 cup nuts
 1 tsp. baking powder

Melt shortening, add sugar and unbeaten egg. Mix well, add melted chocolate, vanilla and milk. Add sifted flour and baking powder and nuts, mix well. Place in shallow pans which have been greased well and floured. Bake in moderate oven 20 or 30 minutes.

Chocolate Drop Cookies
 1/2 cup butter 1 1/2 cups flour
 1 cup brown sugar 1/4 cup vanilla
 1 egg 1 cup nuts
 3 squares chocolate 1/8 tsp. salt and 3/4 or 6 level tsp. of level tsp. baking powder
 1/2 cup sour milk

Young Lion Tamer



The world's only child lion tamer is Manuel King, aged 10, pictured above with one of ten lions he puts through their paces after he comes home from his fourth grade school every day. Manuel is the son of the famous W. A. "Snake" King, and was born and raised at Snakeville, King's strange animal and snake farm near Brownsville, Texas. The boy is soon to go on tour with his lions.

Cream butter and sugar, add unbeaten egg and beat until light, add melted chocolate, alternate flour, salt and baking powder or soda and milk. Add nuts and mix. Drop from end of spoon in moderate oven 10 minutes or until brown.

Four weeks ago the club made American cheese. As it takes four weeks for it cure it had never been sampled until Monday. Then cheese, crackers and cookies were served.

The meeting adjourned with plans for the social to be held at the home of Mrs. C. F. Tounget Wednesday evening, December 27.

GHOST SCARE ALARMS OLD ENGLISH VILLAGE

KEW, England, Dec. 13.—Executions on the village green many years ago are being repeated by ghosts, according to residents of Kew, and the village is in a near-panic. Ghostly knocking which sounds as though a scaffold is being built have been heard by many.

The Hon. Gilbert Coleridge, who lives on the green, said that he had been awakened by the knockings early in the morning. The vicar of Kew, the Rev. F. H. Biddlecomb, made references to the knockings at a vestry meeting. Councillor F. W. Frost, who also lives on the green, is not a believer in ghosts, but says that 100 years ago there were many underground passages and a very old monastery in Kew, and that today there is a haunted house in the neighborhood.

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County's Quota Of Cutter Cows Nearly Complete

County Agent Elmo V. Cook stated Monday that only 20 plow-up checks for cotton growers of this county had not been received. The shipments are irregular now but the complete pay-off is expected in a few weeks. No option cotton contracts have been received but the county agent believes they will arrive any day and as soon as they come in will notify those who hold options. A loan of \$20 per bale can be secured as soon as the forms arrive.

Mr. Cook said he had most of the quota of cutter cows for this county and within a few days he will be able to notify those selling the animals to deliver them at Abilene. He will issue receipts and permits in order that the cows may be placed in the Abilene pens. Those delivering animals there will receive as much as the Fort Worth market and not less than 1 1/2 cents per pound.

Samples of the 1934-35 cotton reduction contracts have been received and many farmers are visiting the county agent's office to study the plan.

OUR PERIPHERAL VISION IS CONSIDERED IMPORTANT

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 13.—Seeing something "out of the corner of the eye" is of such importance that, in the opinion

Follows Father



Pat Neff, Jr., pictured above, is following his father, Pat Neff, now president of Baylor University, Waco, into politics. The junior Neff has been appointed Assistant Attorney General of Texas by Jas. V. Allred, Attorney General.

of C. A. Parenteau, whose business it is to work out curves of lenses for the Bausch & Lomb laboratories in Rochester, it may be desirable to consider it in granting automobile licenses. "Peripheral vision" is the scientific designation of this method of seeing.

A man who cannot see out of the corner of his eye is far more of a highway menace than he realizes. He is unaware of a car approaching from a side road and when the inevitable crash comes naturally protests that he was looking straight ahead, as he is supposed to look.

Peripheral vision, which is effective within a total range of 180 degrees, is especially sensitive to moving objects. Because of it the brain registers things which we are scarcely conscious of having seen. It is thus that Dr. Parenteau explains why we suddenly remember a house or a friend although at the time we were unaware of having seen either. He

holds that lack of curtailment of peripheral vision explains some automobile accidents in which even cautious drivers play their part.

Frank Holliday returned Sunday from Camp Louis Farr, where he had been to attend the Boy Scout school for this area.

Bridge, Once Free, Pays \$875,519
 ST. LOUIS, Dec. 13.—St. Louis built a bridge across the Mississippi River years ago which was to be forever free to the traveling public. Due to the unemployment situation and the need for relief funds, the Board of Aldermen a year ago made it a toll bridge, with a rate of 10 cents for private automobiles and 15 cents for commercial vehicles. For the fiscal year just ended \$875,519 has been collected, all of which has been applied to relief work.

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Re-Elected



Mrs. A. F. Wood of Abilene, Texas, who has been re-elected president of the Texas Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teachers at the 24th meeting held in Sherman last week. Mrs. Wood formerly was president of the third district Parent-Teachers Association.

Sacred Christmas Concert FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday Evening, December 17, 1933

7:15 P. M.

- Organ Prelude Mrs. R. E. Bruce
- "And They Shall Call His Name Jesus" Hall
The Choir
- Prayer: Rev. W. H. Vanderpool
- Anthem: "The Christmas Story" Adams
K. W. Earnshaw, Baritone
Duet: Miss Evelyn Shepherd, Mrs. Raymond McShan
- Solo: "Glory to God in the Highest" Dressler
Mrs. J. A. Schnable
- Anthem: "Angel Voices" Lorenz
Mrs. J. B. Stewart, Soprano
Miss Katherine Todd, Violin
- "Christmas Lullaby" Wilson
Ladies' Octet
- Anthem: "O Little Town of Bethlehem" Holton
Miss Ruth Forger, Soprano
Miss Hattie Helwegler, Alto
L. S. Andrews, Tenor
- Offertory Mrs. Bruce
- Anthem: "The Lord is Here" Jordan
Duet: Misses Shepherd and Helwegler
- Anthem: "The Song That the Angel Sang" Soechtig
Duet: Mrs. Troy Simpson, Mrs. Levy Lee
- Quartet: "Underneath the Christmas Starlight" Wilson
Misses Forger and Helwegler, Misses Simpson and Schnable
- Anthem: "Shine, O Wonderful Star" Soechtig
Mrs. Schnable, Soprano
Mrs. Simpson, Contralto
- Violin Duet: "He Shall Feed His Flock" Handel-Flesch
(From "The Messiah")
Misses Katherine Todd and Carmen Demmer
- Anthem: "And There Were Shepherds" Wilson
Mrs. Lee, Soprano
Mrs. Simpson, Contralto
- Organ Postlude Mrs. Bruce

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LOST—Between Kelly Cottage and South Ballinger, lady's left hand Hanson woven glove. Finder please return to Ledger office. 14-11

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FOR SALE—Bundle feed for sale. Red rust-proof Seed Oats. John Jost, Rowena, Texas. 23-11

FOR RENT—Two room apartment, close in, modern conveniences. Also bed rooms. Phone 179. Mrs. D. C. Simpson. 26-11

Card of Thanks
Words cannot express our thanks and appreciation to our many friends, neighbors, and all, especially Miss Lottie Ivey, his cousin, who nursed him during his last hours, for their kind deeds, kind words and beautiful floral offerings to us and our dear husband and father, W. L. Stephenson. 14-11

We pray God's richest blessings upon each of you and hope when this sad hour comes to you, you may have just such friends as you have been to us.
His wife, children and grandchildren. 14-11

Jury Dismissed Tuesday After One Case Tried

Judge O. L. Parrish dismissed the petit jury in 119th district court Tuesday morning after the trial of one criminal case. The jury assembled Monday morning to hear evidence in the case of the State of Texas vs. H. O. "Boss" Green, charged with a liquor law violation. The verdict was not guilty, rendered after a short deliberation.

Other cases set for trial were continued until next week because witnesses or defendants were unable to appear in court. The case of the State of Texas vs. Lang Iden, charged with possession of liquor, and another prohibition act violation against "Boss" Green were set for Monday.

The third venire will assemble here next Monday morning for the final jury week of the court. A number of criminal and civil cases have been set for trial.

County Attorney Roy L. filed two cases Tuesday for further investigation. Mrs. Marie Taft was charged with possession of intoxicating liquor. She was arrested at Winters and brought here Tuesday. Buford Pennington, Winters youth, was charged with carrying a pistol.

HATCHEL CLUB WILL PRESENT COMEDY

The Hatchel Up-and-Doing Club has announced it will present a play at the Hatchel school auditorium Friday evening, December 15. "The Gates of Happiness," a three-act comedy-drama, is the title of the production. A selected cast of players will enact the roles. Admission will be ten cents for adults and children under 12 years of age free.

Notice
A comedy-drama entitled "Aaron Slick from Pumpkin Creek," is to be presented by the South Ballinger home demonstration club Wednesday evening, December 20, at the South Ward school building, commencing at 8 o'clock. Adults 10c, children 5c. 14-11

Miss Bernice Morley, of Quanah, spent the week-end with Ballinger friends. 25

IN MEMORIAM

W. L. Stephenson died at 2 a. m. Friday, December 8, at his residence four miles east of Tennyson, having been confined to his bed seven months, and was a sufferer from cancer ten years.

Mr. Stephenson was born October 30, 1862, in Sabine parish, Louisiana. Coming to Texas in 1872 he settled in Grimes county. He moved to Hamilton county in 1886, and to Coke county in 1909. He returned to Louisiana in 1884 and married his childhood sweetheart, Emma Victoria Williams, October 30. To this union was born seven children, two sons dying in infancy, two sons surviving, J. L. Stephenson, Bronte, and W. I. Stephenson, Norton. Three daughters survive, Pearl Hammock, Sudan; Mae Hudspeth, Robert Lee; and Lucy Cook, Kansas City, Mo.

Other survivors are the widow, twenty grandchildren, two great grandchildren and three brothers, L. M. Stephenson, Miles; H. F. Stephenson, Miles; and J. A. Stephenson, Quitaque, all of whom were with him at the last except J. A. Stephenson, who was unable to come.

Decedent was converted at the age of 21, and lived a Christian life to the end of his days. Although suffering a horrible disease he never murmured, dying with a smile on his face as he had always lived. He was loved and honored by all who knew him, honest in all of his dealings. He always helped in every way to build up the community in which he lived with schools and churches. Books could be written on his life and good deeds.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. D. M. West, Bronte; Rev. R. L. Denton, Norton; Rev. W. D. Richards, Tokeon; and Rev. M. C. Golden, Ballinger, at the Bronte Baptist Church. E. E. King, of King-Holt Undertaking Co., Ballinger, a long time friend of the family, had charge of the burial which was at Bronte.

Active pallbearers were the eldest grandsons and grandsons-in-law: Ira Stephenson, Bronte;

Marvin Stephenson, Bronte; Troy Hudspeth, Robert Lee; Floyd McCarty, Bronte; John Suggs, Bronte and Darrell Richards, Robert Lee. Honorary pallbearers were: Dr. W. B. Halley, Ballinger; J. L. Ham-bright, Norton; J. A. McClellan, Bronte; John Clark, Bronte; W. H. Cothran, Bronte; R. E. Walber, Bronte. Flower girls were: Rubine Stephenson McCarty, Bronte; Freda Stinebaugh Stephenson, Ballinger; Sybil Stephenson, Miles; Novella Nixon, Bronte; Lola Henry, Bronte.

With him at the last were fifty-five relatives who mourn the loss of one who was so near and dear to them.
—Contributed.

Here's Joyful News For Rheumatic Sufferers

Swiftly and Safely Uric Acid Starts To Go—In 24 Hours

Killing the pain of neuritis, sciatica and rheumatism with dope doesn't end your agony—you're got to get the excess uric acid out of your joints and muscles.

Thousands joyfully praise ALLENRU because they know by experience that when taken as directed the pain—the agony of rheumatism, backache, sciatica and neuritis leaves the body in 48 hours—no matter how stubborn and persistent.

Weeks Drug Store and leading druggists everywhere know that ALLENRU is so swiftly effective that one bottle is guaranteed to do exactly as stated or money back—and the price is but 85c.

STEPHENS HOME IS DAMAGED BY FIRE

The C. R. Stephens residence, 301 Eleventh Street, was slightly damaged Tuesday evening when fire was discovered in a closet. No alarm was turned in for the blaze which was soon taken care of by the first arrivals.

"MY HERO" She Cried!



After he had his hair cut, shave and shampoo at—

Campbell & Forson Barber Shop

Everyone likes to see anyone looking their best and that is only possible by being neatly groomed.



Ladies' Hair Cutting a Specialty

Campbell & Forson Barber Shop

Fred G. BRUNK'S COMEDIANS

Tenth Theatre Every Night this Week
Ballinger
Thursday Night
The Greatest Mystery Play of All Times

"The Home of Fear"

Out bats the bat, out cats the cat and makes a monkey out of the gorilla.

Friday Night

A Fast Stepping Comedy
"She Knew What She Wanted"

Friday night is also family night. The whole family for 30c.

Matinee 3 p. m.
Saturday

Get tickets free from the places that advertised at the tent.
Saturday Night

AND WHAT A SHOW!

"Stealing Husbands"



Gifts that Last

at

Lee Hardware Co.

For Boys and Girls
AIR RIFLES, FOOTBALLS, PLAY BALLS, TRICYCLES, WAGONS, TARGETS, ETC.

For Men and Women
KITCHEN UTENSILS, DISHES, GLASSWARE, POCKET KNIVES, ELECTRIC IRONS, HEATERS, PYREX GLASSWARE, REELS AND RODS, FLASHLIGHTS, IRONING BOARDS, SHOT GUN AND RIFLE SHELLS.

SOCIETY.

Teachers' Sorority Meets in San Angelo

Misses Fay Clark and Wynia Greer and Mrs. Levy Lee attended a meeting of the Delta Kappa Gamma sorority in San Angelo last Saturday.

The affair was a beautifully planned Christmas luncheon held in the Jacobean room at the Hilton Hotel. Green and red tapers in candelabra flanked a centerpiece using the Christmas colors.

Following interesting talks made by Mrs. H. P. Byler of San Angelo and Miss Greer, initiation ceremonies were held for Mrs. Lee.

Electra Visitor Complimented

Mrs. Rainey Elliott, of Electra, house guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. G. Douglas, was complimented by Mrs. Claude Stone on Saturday afternoon in her pretty Ninth Street home.

Three tables were daintily appointed for the games of contract played in rooms gay with Christmas decorations. Handkerchiefs went as cut prizes at each table and Mrs. Elliott's favor was

a linen lunch cloth.

Guests were: Mmes. Elliott, F. M. Pearce, W. B. Woody, Arthur Giesecke, E. W. Stasney, Alex McGregor, R. W. Earnshaw, Misses Margaret Guion, Evelyn Shepherd, Katharine Penn and Eugenia Baskin. Mrs. Douglas was a tea guest.

Mrs. Trimmer is Hostess at Party Series

Friends of Mrs. Paul Trimmer were guests at two hospitalities on Tuesday and Wednesday. On each occasion five tables were in play with bridge as diversion on Tuesday and forty-two at the Wednesday affair.

Red roses and cyclamen gave floral beauty to rooms where Christmas tallies drawn from a beautifully decorated tree denoted places. At the tea hour tables were centered with lighted red tapers.

Guests included: Mmes. F. M. Pearce, Alex McGregor, E. M. Lynn, Joe Neff, C. R. Stone, Harry Lynn, George Holman, Bruce Creasy, E. Shepperd, Arthur Giesecke, E. W. Stasney, Sim Cottle, Ralph Erwin, Raby Padgett, R. L. Harwell, Joe Simmons, Russ Murchison, E. L. Hagan, A. J. Thorp, E. A. Saunders, E. C. Baskin, Wm. Doose, R. G. Parks, J. B. Striplin.

Q. V. Miller, John I. Guion, Minnie Holman of San Angelo, C. R. Stephens, Z. A. Snell, J. M. Pyburn, E. A. Trail, C. S. Miller, G. M. Vaughn, R. T. Trail, Jack McGregor, T. H. Chancey, Bailey, Scott Mack, Oscar Pearson, E. W. McLaurin, George Milliken, Chester Cherry, Lucy Townsend, H. W. Lynn, M. C. Smitty, Misses Mary-att Smith and Margaret Guion.

Shakespeare Club Has Christmas Party

The attractive home of Mrs. E. C. Baskin on Sixth Street was the scene of the annual Christmas party for the Shakespeare Club Thursday afternoon. Mistletoe and autumn leaves combined with a Christmas motif made a colorful setting for the afternoon's program.

Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh told the Christmas story which was interspersed with group singing by the club.

Mrs. C. R. Stephens, as Santa Claus, gave gifts which had to be worn as they were received. The social committee composed of Mrs. Alex McGregor, Mrs. E. W. Stasney and Miss Margaret Guion passed delectable refreshments to about twenty-five.

It pays to read the ads.

Births

Rev. and Mrs. Lee Whipple are entertaining a fine baby girl who arrived at their home on Sixth Street Tuesday evening. Mrs. Whipple and daughter are both doing nicely.

Walter Woodward, of Coleman, attended to business in district court here Tuesday.

Get Real Relief From Monthly Pains

SEVERE monthly suffering is a sign of warning. If you are having aches and pains every month, heed the WARNING. What is the CAUSE of the trouble? When womanly aches and pains are due to a weak, run-down condition, take **CARDUI**. It has been used by women for over 50 years. It is a purely vegetable medicine and it cannot harm you. Thousands of women have said that when they had built up their strength with the help of **CARDUI**, real relief was obtained and their general health and feeling of well-being improved. If you suffer this way, try **CARDUI**, which you can get at the drug store.

Gifts that say MERRY CHRISTMAS INEXPENSIVELY

8 Shopping Days Left 8

And we are ready for the final rush. Your gift problem will be made easy by coming here.

Gift Department Many smart Christmas Gifts that are unusual, for your convenience

Smart Coats

Make her happy with one of these smart coats or if she prefers a new suit—We have them and they are stunning. The coats are such bargains—greatly reduced—but just what she needs now. All winter coats reduced

25% Off

on \$25.00 coats and up—others greatly reduced.

Smart Dresses

Just received—new evening dresses—new bright colored day dresses—new Sunday night frocks in all the pretty new shades. And of course smart dresses in the black and brown—and such reasonable prices. You can select just the right dress out of these.

\$2.95 - \$4.95
\$6.95
up to \$25.

SCARFS

Give her a scarf—a nice gift to brighten her coat or dress—Christmas Sale price only

89c TO \$2.95

HANKIES

Handkerchiefs in boxes—handmade in all dark shades and white for only 50c. Nice printed ones at

5c TO 25c

GLOVES

New gloves—both kid and fabric—black, brown, grey, and tan, reasonably priced—kid gloves \$1.50, \$1.95, \$2.25 up to \$2.95. Fabric gloves

75c TO \$1.59

BAGS

New smart bags—black, brown, grey and navy—beautiful gifts

\$1.29 TO \$3.95

A Women's Hosiery Ad For Men Only

Christmas and Hosiery go together, like ham and eggs. No woman ever had too many really beautiful stockings. The problem for the wise man is how to be sure he selects correctly.

We can tell you how to be sure you're right—get Humming Birds—the kind she buys when she wants something nice.

If you know her shoe size and what color clothes she wears, we can give you the correct size and colors.

In Special Gift Boxes
HUMMING BIRD Full Fashioned \$1 to \$1.50

Slippers

What Could Be More Thoughtful?

A gift that provides comfort, and one that's attractive as well, is certain to be welcome.

Children's Slippers, sizes 6 to 2, red and blue kid, sheep lined, pair **98c**

Children's Felt Slippers, red and blue, pair **79c**

Ladies' fancy Slippers, Mules and D'Orsay's, Satins and Crepes, 98c to **\$2.49**

BETTIS & STURGES

Christmas Sale Continues Through December 23rd