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3,461 Citizens Get Polls; 890 Less Than Last Year

Poll tax receipts issued in Runnels county to January 31 number 3,461. This is a decrease in eligible voters for the current year over last year of 890, 1937 receipts totaling 4,351.

The total for this year is slightly above the number issued in 1936, the last off-election year.

All tax payments have not been checked up at the county tax assessor-collector's office but will be about equal to previous years when slightly more than 80 per cent of the tax rolls were paid before the delinquent date.

Employees of the collector's office have commenced issuing new auto number plates but to Tuesday morning only 10 had been passed out. The first passenger vehicle plate went to Hubert Parrish, of Ballinger, the first commercial to Clarence Schoenfeld, Miles merchant, and the first farm truck was registered by H. L. Frick, of the Winters community.

Auto owners have the remainder of February and March in which to purchase their license plates and must have them on their cars by April 1. All plates are here and operators of any type of motor vehicle or trailer are urged to secure them at their earliest convenience to avoid the last minute rush.

TALPA F. F. A. CHAPTER TO HOLD PROJECT SHOW SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

The Talpa F. F. A. chapter will have its second annual project show February 18.

Judging will begin at 8:30 a. m. and continue until noon. There will be classes of dry lot calves and wet lot calves, registered breeding bucks and ewes, fat muttons and fat barrows. Prizes will be awarded to first, second, and third places in the different classes.

The following boys have been selected to serve on committees: Judging—Toppie Beaver, Ewing Fuller, and Dennis Stokes. Rules and Regulation—J. S. King, Johnnie Broyles, Hal Beck, Floyd Broyles, and Thurman Bradley.

Prize Money—Lamar Watkins, Bernie Norris, Kenneth Stukie, Lowell Maxwell, and J. A. Summers.

There will also be a rodeo in connection with the show.

TREES ON COURT HOUSE LAWN BEING TRIMMED

Using prison labor, county officials have ordered the trees in the court house park trimmed and all mistletoe cut from the branches. Work started Monday and will continue until all the parasite growths have been removed from the large trees.

The park will have about as much shade as ever this summer with trees back to normal size since they were trimmed back in 1936. The lawn keeper is getting the entire grounds in shape to have one of the best looking parks in recent years.

LITTLE DAMAGE RESULTS IN JONES STATION FIRE

Fire in the Roger Jones service station on Eighth Street Saturday night did a small amount of damage. The fire, originating from an oil stove, burned a small hole in the ceiling of one room. Firemen were on the scene in quick time after the alarm was sounded and extinguished the flames with chemical.

Fate Parker, driver of the chemical truck, was injured when struck by a car as he was hurrying to the city hall station to get the truck. An examination showed a bad sprain in one ankle and several torn ligaments.

O. B. Stanley, of San Diego, California, visited friends here several days last week.

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Students Allowed Holiday Tomorrow; Teachers to Brady

Tomorrow (Friday) will be a school holiday for practically all the students in Runnels county. Nearly every school will be closed tomorrow to permit teachers to attend the Mid-Texas Educational Association meeting at Brady Friday and Saturday.

A check-up in the Ballinger schools revealed all the teachers intending to attend the two-day convention, and County Superintendent E. C. Grindstaff stated that all rural schools were expected to allow the holiday so teachers could hear the fine programs.

Two excellent programs will be presented at general assemblies in the high school auditorium and all sectional groups will have full and complete programs.

Luncheons and teas have been arranged for special groups. Vocational teachers will be entertained at 12:30 p. m. Friday at the Brady Hotel. Elementary principals will meet at the same hour at the Station Cafe and a luncheon will be held in the dining room of the First Christian Church for the Delta Kappa Gamma society.

In addition to the above affairs there will be a tea for all women teachers at the home of Mrs. Charles Baker, from 4 until 6 p. m. tomorrow.

Safety Squadron To Demonstrate Rules of Traffic

A safety squadron will be here Tuesday afternoon, February 14, and will present an interesting program on the block in front of the Cameron Lumber Co. at 4 o'clock.

In collaboration with the national safety council's "save-a-life" campaign, Jan King, noted racing and thrill driver and an inveterate safety enthusiast, will stage a safe driving demonstration.

This demonstration will emphasize the use of proper hand signals to be used in making turns, stopping a car and driving backwards. Also, will be shown the proper and improper method of manipulating a car properly on a wet surface.

In addition to the safety program, Mr. King will make a series of interesting and spectacular ramp jumps, beginning at a height of 30 inches and going as high as 45 inches with the spring afforded by the ramp. An automobile weighing over 3,500 pounds is used in the performance (a Buick 8).

This safety program has the endorsement of the press and public in many cities and everyone able to attend this demonstration is urged to do so in an effort to make universal the proper signaling by hand to insure a universal safety in driving.

UNION SERVICE WILL WELCOME NEW PASTOR

Four Ballinger churches will dismiss their evening services Sunday for a union service at the Church of the Nazarene and welcome the new pastor, Rev. I. C. Mathis, to this city. This has been a custom of years' standing for the Ballinger Ministerial Alliance.

Pastors of the First Presbyterian, First Methodist, First Christian and Eighth Street Presbyterian churches have announced cancellation of services for the evening and will urge their members to attend the welcome service.

All church people of the community are invited to take part in this service and other churches who desire may enter as a congregation. The church auditorium will be arranged to take care of large attendance and the Nazarene people will have charge of the service with local ministers assisting.

Rev. Wallace Jones is in Fort Worth this week, attending the mid-winter meeting of pastors of Christian churches in the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sykes and Mrs. O. C. Sykes visited in Big Spring Sunday with J. L. Reed, who is in a hospital there.

When Nazi Storm Troopers Terrorized Jews



During the sporadic wave of attacks on the Jews in the Third Reich in 1928, members of the Nazi party frequently made pictures of the persecutions and sold them in shops as souvenirs or gave them to friends. The attacks were banned, all pictures were ordered confiscated and destroyed. These pictures, purported to have been made by Nazis, recently arrived here. The man pictured at the left is being compelled to take a broom and sweep the street. When he resisted them he was forced by Storm Troopers to climb into the wheelbarrow. Another suspect was made to push him through the streets.

Home Aid Project Supervisor Views Ballinger Set-up

Mrs. Kathryn McCollum, of Coleman, regional director of adult educational projects for the WPA, was in Ballinger Friday making investigations on the progress of a housekeeping aid project for Ballinger. This work was started two weeks ago and the Lions Club, Rotary Club, Shakespeare Club, and Business and Professional Women's Club have been asked to help in the financing. The first three mentioned have agreed to help finance the new project which will provide employment for a number of women under an experienced home economics teacher. The course will include sewing, home nursing, cooking and marketing, and after the women complete the course they can be called in on cases by the county health officer.

Mrs. McCollum looked over the quarters provided in American Legion Hall and filed out the papers making formal application for the project. The application will go to Washington and if approved, an inspector will be sent here to look over the building make suggestions as to the partitions needed. One stove has been donated and the clubs will pay the utilities bills and other necessary expenses. Foods will be issued at the WPA commodity room.

Miss Sarah Harwell, county health nurse, is very anxious to get the project underway here and has a number ready to enroll in the classes.

LOCAL MAN IS CHARGED WITH POSSESSING STILL

William N. Ellisor, 51, was arrested near Ballinger Monday and turned over to federal officers at San Angelo. He was charged with possession of a still and a quantity of untaxed liquor. State liquor control board agents from Austin made the arrest.

Ellisor was arraigned in court Tuesday morning and bond of \$1,000 was granted. He stated that he would not attempt to make bond and will be held in the Tom Green county jail. The next term of United States district court is calendared at San Angelo in April.

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C. C. Mass Meeting Held; Secretary Motley Resigns

Springs Gradually Filling City Lake; Supply is 'Gyp'

The Ballinger water situation is not as acute as some citizens believe and unless there is a long prolonged drought there will be ample water to take care of the requirements until the rainy season. Without rain the municipal lake is 14 1/2 inches higher than at the low point and is rising about half an inch a day from springs that flow into the creek. This half inch is in excess of what is used daily and will continue to increase the supply until the irrigation period begins.

If all water in the lake is exhausted, there is about a six weeks supply in the hole below the reservoir which can be used. Water in the upper lake is on a level with that in the lower and much can be drained into the lower reservoir if needed.

The water is "hard" because the gyp springs that are feeding the lake and nothing can be done to remedy this condition. Regular treatment is being given the water in the settling basins.

City Secretary K. V. Northington stated Monday that he believed the water supply was ample until spring rains which usually fall in this section. A rise on the creek would reduce the "hardness" of the water by washing out the gypsum and refilling the reservoir with fresh water.

TRI-COUNTY SINGERS TO MEET AT CONTENT

Members of the Tri-County Singing Association will meet at Content Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock and all singers are invited to attend. Invitations have been extended a number of special quartets and other groups and many singers in this section will be present to make up a large chorus.

Dr. J. M. Williams, of Brownwood, attended to business in Ballinger Tuesday.

Modern School at Olfen Will Soon be Finished

Olfen school children will soon be at home in a beautiful new building. Since approval of the WPA project supported by bonds voted by the patrons of the district, work has progressed rapidly and the new and modern building is shaping up fast.

The one-story structure is built of red brick with tile partitions, concrete floor and composition shingle roof which will make it practically fireproof. The walls and most of the partitions have been completed and the room frame work has been completed, paper is nailed on and it is ready for the shingles.

The inside walls will be plastered and new furniture will be installed as soon as the interior work is

finished. Electric wiring in metal conduits are being installed as the building progresses.

The entire building will be surrounded with concrete walks. There are three entrances to the building, one in front and others at each end. Large windows will provide excellent light and ventilation.

When completed the building will be one of the most modern in the common school districts of this section and will be another unit of the progressive community center at Olfen. One of the finest churches in this section and a large and convenient community hall make Olfen of the most complete community centers in West Texas.

'39 Budget of \$108,145.46 Approved by City Officials

School and City Elections Slated On April 1 and 4

Ballinger citizens will have opportunity to take part in two important elections in April. The first slated is a school trustee election on April 1, and the second is the election of two city commissioners and a mayor on the first Tuesday in April. So far there are no announcements for these posts and those who wish to seek the offices will have until ten days before the date of the election to file names for places on the ticket.

Two trustees are to be elected to the Ballinger school board in the election scheduled on April 1. Those completing their terms are J. A. Killough and Henry Doss, elected in 1936. They have not announced whether they will permit their names for reelection to a three-year term in the 1939 election.

Other members of the board are Albert Fryar, A. McGregor, Jim Dankworth, Oscar Herber and O. C. Sykes.

Present city officials are C. P. Shepherd, mayor, who took over the office on November 1, 1938, to finish the unexpired term upon the resignation of E. M. Lynn, and Commissioners E. Shepperd and George Holman, who have served several terms in this capacity.

The municipal election is to be held on April 4.

Special Meetings For Rotary Club Members Slated

The Ballinger Rotary Club Tuesday heard a negro quartet from Louisiana in a concert of negro spirituals presented under the arrangement of Paul Petty.

In the short business session preceding the program the president announced a district inter-city meeting at Abilene tomorrow (Friday) evening to which all Ballinger Rotarians and their wives are invited.

On February 24 a large group from the Ballinger club will attend the noon luncheon of the Abilene club and have charge of the program on that day. Approximately 20 local Rotarians have agreed to make the trip and the program is being prepared by E. E. King and E. Shepperd.

One of the social events for the local club included in the regular program will be held Tuesday evening when "ladies' night" is to be observed in a special valentine party in the basement of the First Methodist Church. Club members, their wives and special guests will be served by the Fellowship Sunday school class and a program of fun and entertainment will follow. Sam Behring is in charge of the program.

A number of Ballinger Rotarians are getting ready to assist the San Angelo club in entertaining the conference of the 129th district in April. Troy Simpson has been named round-up chairman for the local group and will endeavor to enlist large attendance from Ballinger each day of the conference. Mr. and Mrs. E. Shepperd, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Pearce and Mr. and Mrs. Troy Simpson will serve on the reception committee with members of the San Angelo club.

Misses Lillie and Iola Clayton, Minnie Edith Jones and Mrs. Wallace Jones spent the past weekend in Pecos, attending a district missionary meeting of the Christian church.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sturges spent Wednesday in Coleman, visiting relatives and attending to business.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jobe, of Odessa, were week-end visitors here. Mrs. W. A. Forgy accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Jobe home to spend several days.

City officials have adopted the financial budget for the city during 1939 and will operate this year under the plan approved.

In the general summary that WPA projects for the current year be confined to street paving in which the property owners will contribute to relieve the city's financial burden. Even if this is definitely determined as a policy, city officials declare it will be necessary to issue warrants and a raise in the tax rate for 1939 will probably be required.

Requirements to be met on the interest and sinking fund for the year are estimated to aggregate \$27,149.87. Of this amount, if everything is paid, only \$9,800 will derive from the 1938 tax rolls, for which a levy of 30c is made; and \$13,873.03 must be transferred from other accounts, a major portion of which will be moved from the water revenues account. Another part to be transferred will be a payment on light-system bonds of \$4,290 paid by the West Texas Utilities Co. The total indicated revenue from all sources for the year is \$28,175.09.

Expenditures anticipated for the year follow: \$6,189.65, by the administrative department; \$3,275, police department; \$2,443.40, fire department; \$4,300, street department; \$1,240, park work and upkeep; \$2,962, street lights; and \$9,000, WPA work.

Total anticipated income from all sources for the ensuing year is \$108,145.46. Divisions of this income are as follows:

1938 tax rolls, \$30,837.87
Delinquent taxes, \$7,585
Water accounts, \$23,000
Sanitary accounts, \$1,725
Interest on daily balances, \$157.50
Interest on securities, \$1,334.94
West Texas Utilities Co. bond payment, \$4,290
Issuance of warrants, \$6,000
Property owners contribution to paving, \$10,000
Farm income, \$290
Gas tax refunds, \$225
Spraying income, \$100
Miscellaneous, \$100
Fund transfers, \$11,133.03
Operating fund surplus, \$11,427.14.

CHANDLERS BEGIN ERECTION OF RESIDENCE ON BROADWAY

Dr. and Mrs. Oren H. Chandler have started construction of a new home on Broadway and the foundation work is well underway. The two-story, six-room house will be modern in every respect, with living room, dining room, kitchen and bath on the lower floor and three bedrooms and bath upstairs. The location is in the 900 block on Broadway, adjoining the residence of Mrs. Lella McAdams.

Alex Yarnell has the contract for the job and is employing a large force of carpenters and other workmen.

Several others have made plans to build in the near future and are getting bids at this time. Within a few weeks at least four other new residences probably will be started.

COUNTY'S FARM COUNCIL PLANS TO BE BROADCAST

Runnels county farm council plans for 1939 will be broadcast from station KRBC, Abilene, next Wednesday, February 15, from 11:30 to 11:45 a. m. County Agent John A. Barton and J. S. Neely, president of the farm council, will be the speakers on this program. Farmers of this county are urged to tune in at this time and hear details of the program.

O. B. McCarver, of Beaumont, spent the week-end in the home of his grandmother, Mrs. O. B. Corbett. Mr. McCarver recently returned from several months' stay in the West Indies.

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**City Collections
In Previous Month
Total \$25,343.09**

City collections during January totaled \$25,343.09. This included current tax payments of \$18,893.65; water receipts, \$1,478.21; delinquent taxes, \$468.23; sanitary receipts, \$139.55; received from West Texas Utilities Co., \$4,290.00; plumbing receipts, \$18.35; sale of bleach, \$6; fines, \$6.85; franchise tax from Community Gas Co., \$25; street repair on Broadway by A. J. Bell, \$7.25; and miscellaneous, \$7.25. Total tax collections for the year on January 31 amounted to \$34,783.44.

The street department was kept busy during the month blading 20 blocks, cutting sub-grade on 27 blocks, repairing one culvert on Eight Street, spreading gravel on five blocks, and spreading gravel on a number of downtown alleys. In addition the crew worked on WPA street projects.

A survey on February 1 revealed 15 vacant houses in Ballinger of all types and 6 without water connections. During the past month 1,100 water meters were read by city employees.

At city park all planting has been completed for the spring program with exception of a few pecan trees that will be set out later. More riprapping has been done on the creek bank next to the dam to prevent erosion and an ornamental concrete piece has been erected in the new section of the park. The keeper is getting the park in first-class condition for the spring rush which will soon start and this year the park will be more convenient for

entertainments than ever before. New tables and seats have been built during the winter.

Supervision of WPA projects has been continued by city employees, masonry curb and gutters having been built and the paving work done.

**Ballinger Banks to Observe
Holiday Monday**

Ballinger banks will not be open for business Monday, Lincoln's Birthday (February 12) coming on Sunday, the banks will observe Monday as the holiday and will be closed that day. Patrons are requested to take notice of this holiday and arrange any necessary business with the institutions prior to that date.

The Farmers & Merchants State Bank
The First National Bank
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OLDFEN GIRLS' 4-H CLUB

The Oldfen 4-H girls held their meeting in the community hall on February 2. The meeting opened with a song, followed by the motto, pledge and club prayer. The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the secretary-treasurer and approved.

The meeting was supervised by Miss Myra Tankersley, county home demonstration agent. She inspected most of the articles which were made by the club girls. So far the girls have made 47 garments. She distributed sheets containing instructions on care of the body and proper grooming. After short instructions on pleasing characteristics and personal care, she demonstrated proper make-up and the use for different occasions.

At the close of the meeting Miss

PRINCE'S BIRTHDAY



Because of the national emergency the customary birthday banquet for Crown Prince Akhito Tsugo Mō Miva of Japan was dispensed with recently when he became five years of age. The emperor and empress received congratulations for him.

Tankersley answered questions concerning her lecture on proper grooming.

**Country Clubbers
Talk Improvements
For Lake, Grounds**

Members of the Ballinger Country Club met Friday night to consider improvements totaling several thousand dollars. No definite action was taken at the meeting and a committee composed of H. G. Agnew, Joe Forman and A. J. Thorp was instructed to obtain precise figures on separate parts of the work and report at another meeting of the stockholders.

Plans for building grass greens on the golf course, laying water lines to all greens, installing a large pump and building a swimming pool 50 by 90 feet were items submitted to the members. Practically every shareholder present favored the proposed improvements and only delayed action to find out the exact cost before authorizing the expenditure.

Other minor items favored include lake improvement, some repairs on the club house and the instituting of stricter rules on its use.

The proposed swimming pool would be built of rock and concrete and the water surface would be from one to nine feet deep. It would be equipped with diving boards and other necessary accessories for the enjoyment of the swimmers.

The need of the pool is occasioned by moss growing in the lake which has been so rank the past two years that no swimming has been available. Efforts have been made to kill the moss but so far nothing has proved effective and committees appointed for this detail have given up remedying the condition. A majority of the members favor swimming provisions for the children and adults who like the sport, and golfers are very anxious to make their course modern.

**DAVIS OPENING IS
SCHEDULED FRIDAY**

C. C. Davis Co. will hold a formal opening Friday and Saturday since remodeling the store and adding a complete line of variety goods. The entire interior has been rearranged and the center section filled with tables displaying variety merchandise which will be stocked and pushed by the store in the future.

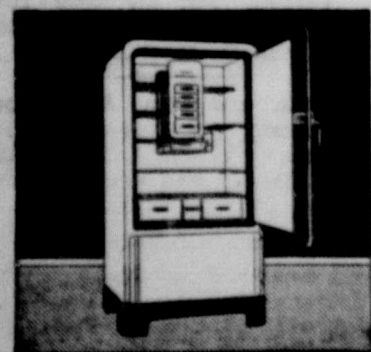
All other lines formerly handled by the store with the exception of silk dresses will be kept in the stock. Currier clothing for men, Stetson hats and a complete line of shoes will be kept in special departments and the women's departments will feature regular lines formerly carried by this firm.



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| 1936 CHEVROLET TUDOR | \$395 |
| 1936 FORD TUDOR | \$385 |
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| 1936 TERRAPLANE COACH | \$175 |
| 1936 FORD COUPE | \$350 |
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- Arm & Hammer Soda 3 lb. box **19c**
- Hair Oil 10c Size Bottle **5c** | Cup Soap Colgate's 3 for **10c**
- Heinz' Beans With Pork and Tomato Sauce 2 12-oz. Cans **15c**
- Heinz' Macaroni and Cheese 17-oz. Cans 2 for **27c**
- Heinz' Spaghetti You'll Like it! 17-oz. Can **10c**
- Piggly Wiggly Lime Rickey Sold With Guarantee No deposit on bottles 24-oz. Bottle **10c**
- Grapefruit Juice 12-oz. Bottle **5c**
- Gold Medal Flour Kiehn Tested 24 lbs. **85c** | 48 lbs. **\$1.55**
- Le Sueur Peas Petit Pois 8-oz. **10c**
- Lindy Med. sml. Peas 2 8-oz. **15c**
- Lindy Petit Pois Peas **15c**
- Lindy Peas Sml. Med. Early June 2 Tall cans **25c**
- Lea & Perrin Sauce **29c** | Seminole Tissue 3 1,000! Sheets **19c**
- Piggly Wiggly Coffee Carton Sea Island Sugar Free lb. **23c** | Prunes lb. **5c**
- Dole Pineapple Crushed or Tidbits 8-oz. Cans 3 for **23c** | Potted Meat 2 cans **5c**
- Dried Peaches, Apples Cello Pack lb. **10c** | Bulk Cocoanut Cello Pack lb. **17c** | Vienna Sausage **5c**
- Plymouth Peanut Butter Qt. **25c** | Plymouth Salad Dressing Qt. **25c**
- Plymouth Coffee "The Taste Tells" 2 lbs. **29c** | Piggly Wiggly Salad Dressing Qt. **33c**
- Sunray Crackers 2 lb. box **13c** | Chocolate Puff Cakes 2 lbs. **25c**

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

- Oranges California 150 size Doz. **17c**
- CARROTS RADISHES BEETS G. ONIONS } 2 Bunches **5c**
- Apples Winesap doz. **10c**
- Potatoes Idaho Russet 10 lbs. **25c**
- Oranges Texas Seedless doz. **12c**
- Onions Colorado Yellow 3 lbs. **10c**
- Bananas Central American doz. **12c**
- Cabbage lb. **1c**

Market Specials

- Cheese Texas Longhorn lb. **10c**
- Lard Pure Hog lb. **10c**
- Bologna lb. **10c**
- Jowls No. 1 Salt lb. **9c**
- Roast Pork Shoulder lb. **17c**
- Bacon Sugar Cured Unsliced lb. **21c**
- Steak Chuck Cuts lb. **15c**
- Bacon Armour's Star Sliced lb. **29c**



Women's, Society and Club News

Shakespeare Club Continues Study
Mrs. E. H. Forgy was leader for the continuation of the study of the sea for the Shakespeare Club meeting last week held in its room in the Carnegie Library building.

The club has voted to assist in sponsoring the new government health project. Mrs. R. T. Williams, president-elect, appointed the committee for the 1939-1940 club program. Members are Mrs. Horace Murphy, Mrs. Leonard Stallings and Mrs. Fred Kiechie.

Nautical terms were given in answer to roll call. Mrs. Forgy discussed "Merchant Marines" and Mrs. Horace Murphy read a group of Tomlinson's "Great Sea Stories."

Miss Lynn Hostess to Thursday Club
Miss Dorothy Lynn was hostess to Thursday Club members last week in her home on Seventh Street.

Red ghodesia blossoms, red potted plants and burning red tapers suggested the valentine color and all game appointments stressed this motif as did heart-shaped candies served during games. A salad plate with hot rolls and cookies was served with coffee.

Mrs. Jack Seales received high score award. Others included: Misses Louise Batts, Teddie Wardlaw, Merna Sue Clark, Virginia Lamm, Frances Taylor, Mmes. Herbert Sledge, Tom Guin, Sam Malone, Jr., Paul Kirk and George J. Stengel.

Triple-Four in Lynn Home
The Harry Lynn home was the scene of another club hospitality when Mrs. Lynn entertained the Triple-Four Contract Club Saturday afternoon.

The valentine theme was again emphasized in all details of the pretty affair.

Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw received a bingo trophy and a gift remembrance went to Mrs. K. V. Northington.

Misses Dorothy Lynn, Virginia Lamm, and Frances Taylor assisted in serving a plate of chicken salad, hot rolls, olives and mararons with coffee.

Included were: Mmes. L. R. Tigner, Northington, Claude Stone, E. W. Stasney, Earnshaw, J. A. Schnable, Alex McGregor, Tom Agnew, J. B. Striplin, Ross Murchison, E. C. Baskin, Delbert Vancil, Edgar Boelsche, Troy Simpson, and Miss Eugenia Baskin.

Mrs. Jonas and Mrs. Rudder Entertain Sewing Club
Mrs. S. M. Jonas and Mrs. L. B. Rudder were hostesses last Thursday afternoon to their sewing club in the Jonas home on Tenth Street.

Guests engaged in quilting, embroidery and conversation until the tea hour when the hostesses served a salad plate with coffee assisted by Misses Marcille Jonas and Ruthelene Caskey.

Included were: Mmes. Freeman Owens, Ruth Bankston, John McKay, Hugh Parrish, R. E. White, O. C. Sykes, F. C. Dickey, M. C. Wilson, Ed Schuhard, G. P. Teague and Royal Bishop.

Two Club Affairs in Robert Bruce Home

Mrs. Robert Bruce was hostess last Friday afternoon in her home on Broadway to Friday Contract Club members and a few added friends who played substitute hands.

Mrs. Alex McGregor received high score club prize and Mrs. Tommie Hall that for guests.

Others included: Mmes. I. N. Wilkinson of Winters, Robert Lowry, Paul Kirk, Bailey Mack, Leslie Baker, Loyd Herring, W. B. Woody, L. R. Tigner, C. W. Cheatham, Charles Bailey, Ross Murchison, Arthur Giesecke, Oren Chandlee, George Kirk, Herman Giesecke, Jr., Delbert Vancil, Jack Rudd, and Miss Virginia Holman.

On Tuesday evening, Mr. Bruce joined in entertaining members of an evening contract club.

High score award went to Miss Florence Westbrook.

Others were: Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Cheatham, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Bailey, Messrs. and Mmes. Hill Hampton, Ross Murchison, Jack Rudd, W. B. Woody, Arthur Giesecke, George Kirk and Alex McGregor.

EXCELLENT DESIGN



Pretty Miss Nanelle Rents displays something in a new swimming suit at Miami Beach. The suit is white satin with brilliant flowers.

Christian W. M. S. Studies India

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Christian Church met in the church parlors at the church on Broadway Monday afternoon.

Mrs. W. O. Wallace presided over the business session. Mrs. J. R. Lusk was leader for the program on India. Mrs. Wallace gave a talk on stewardship.

"According to Capacity." The devotional given by Mrs. Marvin Clark had for its theme "We Are Sent Forth." Mrs. James Hargett's topic was "The Book," and Mrs. Wallace Jones gave a map talk on "The Disciples' Work in India." Sixteen members were present.

Christian Women Attend District Conference

The Woman's Conference for the eleventh district of the Christian Woman's Work was held at the First Christian Church in Coleman Wednesday at an all-day meeting with Mrs. John Dresen of Abilene in charge.

Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh presented the morning devotional on "Why Stand Ye Here Idle." Others attending from here were: Mmes. Wallace Jones, Frank Atwell and W. O. Wallace.

Baptist Home Mission Work Outlined

A comprehensive survey of the mission work in the homeland was given Monday afternoon for the Baptist Woman's Missionary Society by Mrs. Elmer Shepperd. The information was especially timely as Week of Prayer for home missions will begin February 27. Mrs. A. S. Love read the calendar of prayer following a devotional on "Prayer" by Mrs. Clarence Morton.

Mrs. O. T. Toney was in the chair for the routine business session.

Thirty-six were in attendance

at the meeting held at the church on Eighth Street.

Barbecue for Sunday School Classes

Members of the Doss Bible Class and the R. W. Bruce Class of the First Methodist Church met Monday night in the church parlors for a barbecue dinner and social. Eighty-nine men were served at the dinner arranged by Joe Forman, L. W. Hamilton, J. A. Schnable and Jack Bridwell. Goat barbecue with the trimmings and doughnuts and coffee made up the menu.

Troy Simpson was in charge of the program which followed and presented the Golden Star singers, four negro men, of Monroe, Louisiana, who were in the city filling an engagement at the A. M. E. church. For more than twenty minutes the negroes delighted the audience with negro spirituals and gospel songs.

Following the musical program several members were called upon for short talks and Rev. E. D. Landreth closed with a brief humorous address in which he urged members to be loyal to the class and help build a new attendance record by Easter.

The Doss Bible Class plans the purchase of a piano for its classroom at once and the initiating of Sunday morning musical programs.

Methodist Young People to Norton

A county meeting of Methodist young people was held at the Norton Methodist church Tuesday evening. Plans were made for a choir composed of a group of selected young people from the county to sing at the youth crusade rally to be held in Winters February 23, at which time Bishop Ivan Lee Holt will speak.

A social and recreation hour was held following the program.

Attending from here were: Rev. E. D. Landreth, Owen Massey, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Redwine, Mary Jo Webb, Norma Gene Bankston, Winnie Merle Adair, Mary Simpson, Eula Mae Clark, Ruth Davis, Irene Harville, Lolita Morrison, Betty Heavenhill, Marcella Reneau, Margaret Howard, Bobby Clark, Wesley Gibbs, Corbett Davis, Murrell Landreth, Douglass Cox, Harris Lovelace, Bill Sykes and Dillard Adair.

Bachelor Girls Club Entertained in Paint Rock

Miss Pearl Currie entertained Bachelor Girls Contract Club Tuesday evening in her home in Paint Rock. Red carnations and tulips gave floral attractiveness to rooms and slender bud vases of carnations centered foursome tables where a dessert course was served with coffee preceding games. The valentine emblems were used in game accessories.

Miss Bernice Simmons received the capsule gift. Others included: Misses Virginia Lamm, Mary Jane Kiechie, Frances Taylor, Nanell Jones, Cathryn O'Neal, Eugenia

Baskin, Beth Stiles, Vhelma Parrish, Vernie Downing, Edna Mae Lowry, Evelyn Crowell and Imogene Waide of Paint Rock.

Mrs. Miller Hostess to Ace of Clubs

Mrs. Roy Miller was hostess to Ace of Clubs contract members Tuesday afternoon in her home in North Ballinger.

Low bowls of sweet peas decked rooms where matched bridge sets were in the valentine theme. A salad course with candy hearts and tea was served follow-

ing games in which Mrs. Edward Sommer received high score award. Others were: Mmes. W. E. Moss, H. G. Agnew, Rothal O'Kelly, Royal Bishop, Mike Wright and Bynum Britton.

Other society items on page ten

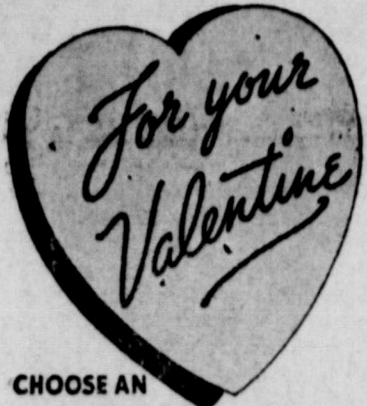
Mrs. E. F. Krc is ill at her home south of Ballinger. Her condition is such that she will be required to remain in bed for two weeks.

BALLINGERITES ATTEND SING-SONG AT MILES

A group of Ballinger people, between 50 and 60, attended the county-wide Church of Christ singing at Miles Sunday afternoon. The next meeting of these singers will be held at Winters on the first Sunday in March.

Mrs. P. P. Holton, Mrs. Zollie McQuire and Clarence Bryant attended the J. W. Copeland funeral at Winters Tuesday.

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'Out West With the Hardys' Has Colorful Ranch Locales

Choosing the wild open spaces as the locale for their varied adventures in romance and typical American life, the Judge Hardy Family returns to the screen again in "Out West with the Hardys," which is to be shown at the Ritz Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, February 12-13-14.

This picture is the fifth in the series on this average American family and carries on with the same stars in another action-filled episode of their colorful doings.

The story is replete with hilarious comedy, human and heart-warming paths, and trials and tribulations. The family goes West as guests on a huge ranch where Mickey Rooney as Andy Hardy finds his nemesis in a little Western girl, played by Virginia Weidler, 11-year-old actress. He leaves Polly (Ann Rutherford) behind in the city but returns to her in the end.

Meanwhile, Judge Hardy (Lewis Stone) finds his mettle tested in keeping the family together and to solve the mystery of some lost water rights. Marian Hardy (Cecilia Parker) again falls in love, this time with the ranch foreman, with Gordon Jones in this role. She also eventually returns to her Carvel boy friend, Don Castle.

BALLINGER BOWLERS BEAT WINTERS FIVE

The Ballinger bowling team defeated the Winters team in a three-game contest here Tuesday evening. The locals spotted the visitors the 100 points customary on the home alley and came out 110 points ahead in the final scoring.

This is the third meeting of the two teams, the Winters quartet winning the first two starts. Another match will be played at Winters next week.

A large group of Winters fans accompanied the team here Tuesday evening and watched the tussle which saw-sawed until the last frame of the final game.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. King returned Monday from Mt. Vernon, where they had been at the bedside of Mr. King's father, who was seriously ill. When they left there for home he was improved considerably.

Mrs. D. J. Patterson is at home after a visit with relatives at Abilene.

\$26,308 in Arrears Taxes Collected By City in 3 Years

The delinquent tax collecting instituted by the city of Ballinger has brought in a total of \$26,308.00 during the past three years. This includes one year before the beginning of the intensive campaign. In 1936 with only the regular office staff looking after delinquent tax collections a total of \$5,641.42 was received. In 1937 the active campaign was launched and collections increased to \$11,325.80. In 1938 the campaign was continued and during the 12-month period a total of \$9,141.38 was collected.

The same efforts will be made during 1939 and the beginning indicates that approximately \$500 per month will be collected from this source.

During the past three years with a added expenses caused by city-sponsored WPA projects, it has been necessary to collect from every possible source to keep municipal finances in good condition. During the three years many improvements have been made, including the large drainage system, masonry curbs and gutters, street paving, park improvement, erection of a community club house, and numerous other expensive projects, with no raise in the tax rate or without issuing warrants.

At the present there is an extensive street paving project underway which requires considerable cash to continue.

MRS. FRANK PEARCE'S MOTHER SUCCEUMS

Mrs. Adella G. Brown, mother of Mrs. Frank Pearce, died at her home in Chicago last Sunday after illness of several months' duration. Mrs. Pearce left here about a month ago to be at her mother's bedside and remained to be with her in her illness.

Decedent had made frequent visits to Ballinger and was well known by a number of local citizens.

Survivors include one son, Wellington G. Brown, Chicago; two daughters, Mrs. Frank Burton, Madison, Wisconsin, and Mrs. Pearce, of Ballinger.

The Lincoln highway, connecting New York and San Francisco, is 3,383 miles long.

Two-Dollar Bills Rated As Unlucky; Not Popular

The two-dollar bill is considered unlucky and for that reason is unpopular. Such bills were first issued as legal tender notes in 1862. Several theories have been advanced to explain the superstition regarding them. It is said that they are considered unlucky because they are often confused with dollar bills. For this reason, relates a writer in the Indianapolis News, many people tear off one corner of all two-dollar bills which come into their possession.

A banker believes the superstition had its origin in the fact that counterfeiters often split the two-dollar bills in order to make two twenty-dollar bills out of one twenty and a two. It is also said that two dollars was usually the price formerly paid for a vote by corrupt politicians and that it was paid with a two-dollar bill. The possession of such a bill after election was facetiously said to be prima facie evidence that one had sold his vote. Gamblers, especially regard the two-dollar bill as unlucky.

In 1925 the government made an unsuccessful attempt to popularize the two-dollar bill by inserting one of them in each pay envelope given to federal employees. Several newspapers offered to aid in the campaign by giving prizes for two-dollar bills containing certain serial numbers. The post office department, however, pronounced this practice a lottery and therefore a violation of postal laws.

Sturgeon Lives Longest

The more leisurely a fish is, the longer he lives. Most sluggish of Michigan fishes is the sturgeon, known to live as long as 83 years, and believed often to live 100 years. The female sturgeon does not spawn until she is 20 to 25 years old, relates a writer in the Detroit Free Press. Brook trout often do not live more than four years, although records show them to live a decade. Rainbow and brown trout are believed to live somewhat longer than brook trout. Smelt is another short-lived fish, with records showing only six years. Lake trout may live to be 20 years or more. Large-mouth bass have about a 17-year life span. Small-mouth bass generally do not live as long as the large-mouth species. Pike are believed to average slightly less than small-mouth bass. Rock bass are recorded at 13 years, bluegills at 11 and perch at 8 years. The age of fish is recorded by marks on their scales.

Almost Forgotten Islands

Among the most romantic islands in North America are the almost forgotten Magdalen islands, situated in the center of the Gulf of St. Lawrence and once owned by a famous Boston family. These islands are the last stronghold of the true Acadian spirit which flourished in the Canadian Maritimes during the Eighteenth century. Many quaint customs are retained by the inhabitants of these fertile, lonely isles, and the old Acadian tongue is spoken.

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'Old Pete' Shares Billing at Flea Circus



Grover Cleveland Alexander, once the hero of Gotham baseball crowds, recently spent a three-weeks' engagement in a New York penny museum whose chief attraction was a troupe of trained fleas. "Old Pete," as he was affectionately known, lectured on baseball and answered questions put to him by fans. A hit-and-run driver ended his career with the House of David team for whom he was pitching. Later he managed a semi-pro team near St. Louis.

Three of Four Throats Have Pneumonia Germ

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Three of these germ carriers actually had pneumonia probably explained by resistance of their bodies, which kept the germs from growing and spreading downward into the lungs.

Another reason may be that none of the persons tested proved to be carrying pneumonia germs of type 1, the type most commonly responsible for actual pneumonia.

Perhaps germs of this type 1 almost always cause pneumonia if they are there at all, while other germ types may be relatively harmless. Among Dr. Schlieffstein's hundred subjects, twenty-two different types of pneumonia germs were found out of the twenty-two types which have been identified. Commonest was type 3, a type responsible for some of the most severe pneumonia cases although not for the largest number of them.

Bob Vancil, son of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Vancil has been seriously ill at the family home on Sixth Street. His condition is considerably improved this week.

'Thanks for Everything' is Droll Tale of Average Man

District Meeting Of Chiropractors Held in Ballinger

The eastern division of the West Texas Chiropractic Association met here Sunday with Drs. J. E. Smith and Nettie Montgomery acting as hosts for the twenty chiropractors in attendance. The meeting was held at the Central Hotel and opened with a banquet at noon, served in the club dining room.

Attorney Paul Petty delivered the welcome address to the visitors in behalf of Ballinger and this was followed with a group of musical numbers presented by the Tucker Twins, Annette and Janette.

At the beginning of the business session, new officers were elected. Dr. Smith, of Ballinger, was made president; and Dr. Q. D. Gould, of Stamford, secretary. A motion carried to change meeting dates from Sunday to Saturday night and the group will meet once each month, except on the month the district convention is held.

The western division will hold a meeting at Alpine on March 5 and no meeting of the eastern division will be held. The next meeting for the local group will be held at Coleman on the first Saturday night in April.

Dr. Smith stated that the meeting here was very enjoyable and instructive and that the afternoon program provided a round-table discussion that was beneficial to all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Gray spent Sunday in Brownwood, visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Forson visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Richards, of Odessa, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Stallings went to Fort Worth this week to transact business and attend a play.

Mr. and Mrs. James Parrish visited at Sanatorium Sunday.

Expounding the droll idea that there is such a thing as a Mister Average Man in this country of ours, and that he would be worth a fortune to any promoter who knew how to handle him, "Thanks for Everything," is being shown at the Palace Theatre next Thursday and Friday, February 16-17. It promises to keep a delighted audience on the edge of their seats one minute and howling with glee the next.

With a cast of high and low comedy experts, the picture merrily proceeds to probe and explore this hapless common denominator of the American male to see what makes him tick, and the process gets more hilarious as each layer is exposed. But when the probers reach Mister Average Man's heart and meddle with his Miss America—he collects himself and establishes a new high average in the behavior of an American in love.

Wide-eyed Jack Haley was a happy choice for the role of Mister Average Man and he plays it for all it is worth, which is plenty. As Haley's tormentors, saturnine Adolph Menjou and dourish Jack Oakie were never better, while lovely blonde Arleen Whelan represents the emotion in the life of Mister Average Man—who therefore proves himself a rare picker of feminine charm.

Binnie Barnes, Tony Martin, George Barbier and Warren Hymer are declared as expertly funny as ever, and Gordon and Revel have written some rollicking new tunes which Haley and Martin sing. Darryl F. Zanuck is in charge of production.

R. W. Ely of Sweetwater, spent the first part of the week here, visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Schnable.

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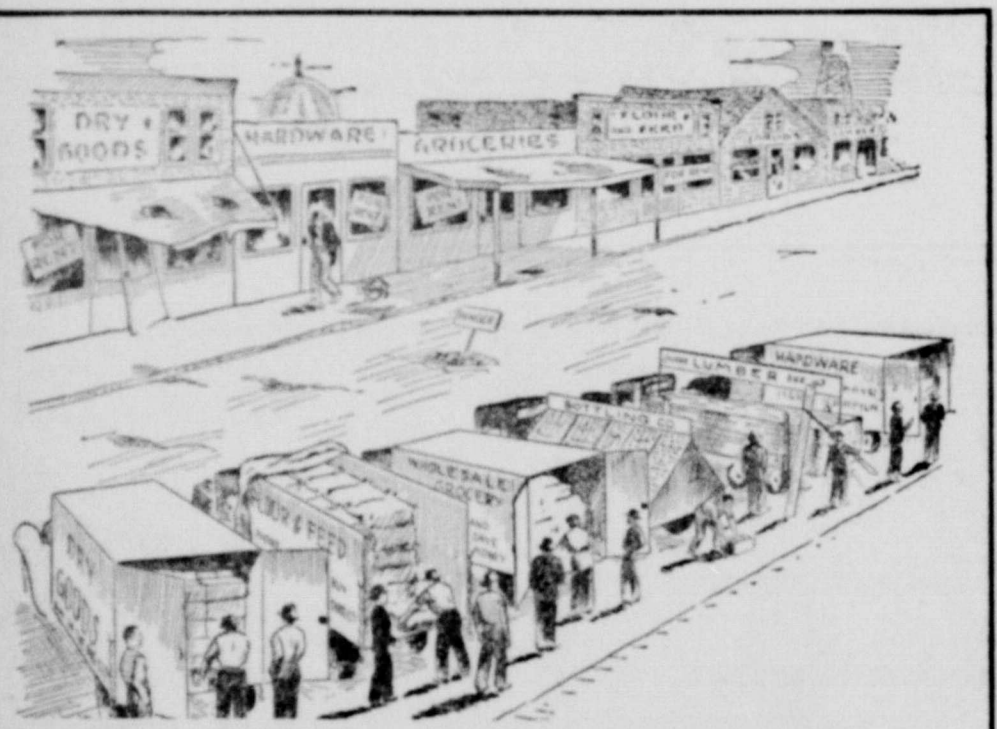
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Advertisement for the movie 'Out West With the Hardys' featuring Lewis Stone, Mickey Rooney, Cecilia Parker, and Fay Holden. The ad includes a large illustration of Mickey Rooney on a horse and several quotes from the film.

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Lone Star State Ranks First in Wild Grape Variety

COLLEGE STATION, Feb. 8.—Texas has more kinds of wild grapes than any other state, according to U. A. Randolph, horticulturist, grape investigations laboratory, Texas A. & M. agricultural experiment station at Montague. Commercial varieties, many of them developed from these native grapes, thrive over a wide area. There is no question of solving the problems of satisfactory grape production in Texas, Randolph declares.

The research program of grape investigation laboratories in Montague county has two main objectives: (1) widening the market possibilities for grapes by developing a variety of products, and (2) a reduction of cost per bushel through an increase in the efficiency of production.

At the moment two possible solutions of the juice marketing problem present themselves. One is the development of superior, distinctive blends of Texas varieties. The other is to find a Concord like juice.

As a first step in a study of blends 188 varieties have been secured and are now growing at the laboratory. It is planned to make a number of additions this winter. Immediately upon completion of the new laboratory building last summer, juice of 11 varieties was pressed from fruit obtained locally, and bottled for later experiment.

Laboratory tests by H. M. Reed, fruit products specialist of the Texas station who is associated in this work, shows that Texas grape juice has an exceptionally high sugar content. This means that little or no sugar would have to be added to give a product as sweet as northern juice, with correspondingly less cost.

The use of a southern grape in small quantities, such as Mustang, Muscadine or Herbesmont, would not only add a distinctive flavor, but would serve to distinguish the product and identify it. The present popularity of Concord juice is not so much a matter of high quality as of familiarity, Randolph believes.

The adaptability of certain soils to grape production is strikingly brought out by results of the past

growing season at the laboratory. A total of 2,757 rooted plants were set last spring in both the varietal and cultural work.

The plants are being grown on a hillside that had been terraced before setting. The vineyard was also given clean cultivation.

In order to find out just what can be done in the way of reducing cost per bushel through increasing yield per acre, sufficient Carman vines have been set to determine the relative usefulness of the three principal ingredients of the complete commercial fertilizer—nitrogen, phosphorus and potash.

Other work planned and just now getting under way includes experiments on the use of winter cover crops, on methods of making cuttings, on the effects of certain rootstocks such as Dog Ridge, Champanel and others with a few outstanding varieties, on the control of insects and diseases in the field, and the breeding of superior varieties for the region.

Quickest results may be expected from the juice work, which does not have to await the growth of vines. Studies of methods of propagation are also fairly rapid. The research program has been planned in the belief that there will be a demand for information on all phases of viticulture and that greatest return will come from sound practice all along the line.

A calf that is being fattened for beef will drink from five to ten gallons of water a day. Be sure that plenty of clean, fresh water is available at all times.

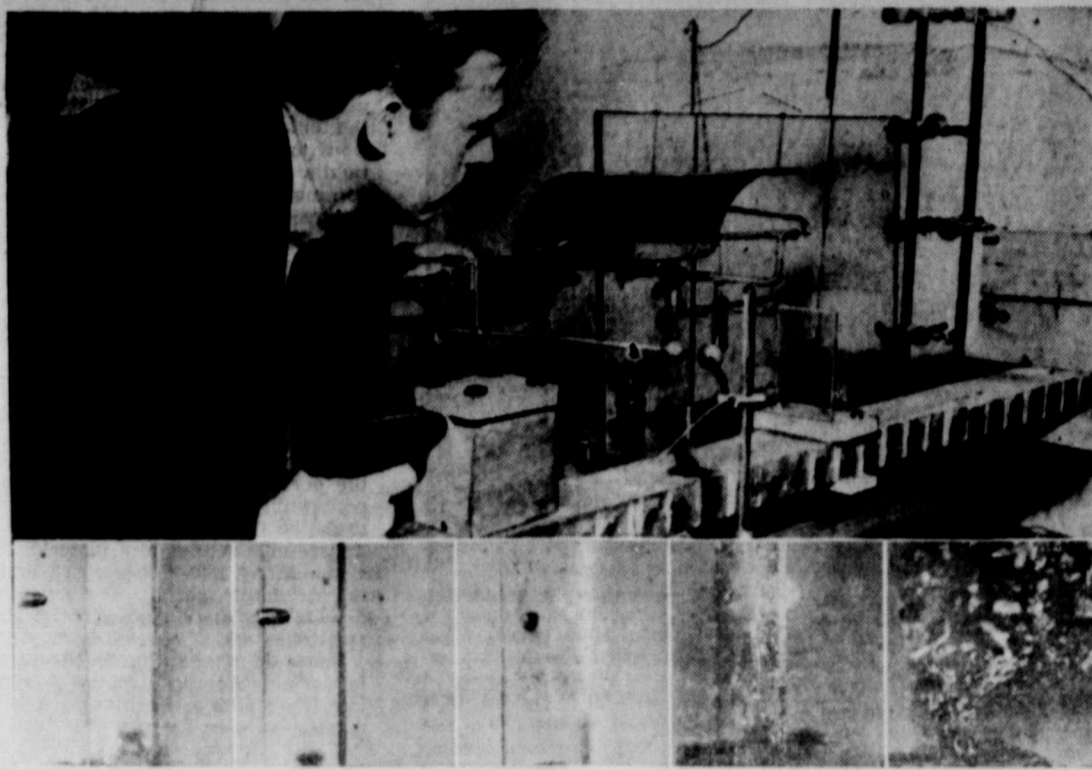
The average annual cash income from wheat in Missouri has been about \$25,000,000 for 30 years.

"If a man marries a widow by the name of Elizabeth with two children, what does he get?" A second-hand lizzie with two runabouts.

Vegetables provide bulk, and bulk helps the intestinal tract carry off waste and prevents constipation.

A new British plane has hinged wings.

Super Speed Pictures Show Bullet in Flight



Extremely rapid photographs, taken at one-millionth of a second, were demonstrated recently by Dr. F. W. Godwin of the Armour Institute of Technology. The process of photographing a bullet in flight (inset) as it breaks through a pane of glass was accomplished by shooting the bullet so that it passes just below two poles of a spark gap; the gases from the firing of the bullet trail the missile, thus setting off the spark gap, which in turn causes a discharge of 35,000 volts in a partial vacuum, for the necessary illumination. An ordinary miniature camera was used in the experiment.

NORTON SCHOOL NEWS

By Elizabeth Clifton

Basketball Team Attends Tournament

The basketball team attended a tournament at Winters Friday afternoon. They won over Maverick 29-28, only to lose to Crews 40-10.

Rev. Preston Addresses Students and Teachers

Rev. Preston delivered an inspirational message to the students from the seventh through the eleventh grades and their teachers last Tuesday afternoon. His subject was "Teaching Students What They Don't Know." This was the second time Rev. Preston has lectured in our school, the other occasion being about four years ago in 1935.

Juniors Order Rings

The junior class selected its class rings last Wednesday. They will arrive about the first of next September. The girls will receive wristlets and the boys, belt buckles.

Sh-h! But—

Not that it's a scandal, or anything to be kept so quiet, but that we're very glad to announce: "Mrs. Mac" and children, Phyllis and Monte, have joined us once again. They have been living in San Angelo.

Say, Jim, do you know anything about the open door policy? What? Oh, you asked Sandy. Well, he's wrong, for it has nothing whatever to do with basement doors!

Did you have a big time at the party at Maverick, Charley and Margaret? Ho-hum, I believe someone got sleepy, didn't they?

Mr. Mac, what's this I hear about your offering a course in housekeeping and cleaning? Indeed, and I'm sure it is needed.

Raymond, you really intended to get away with the man's ring, didn't you?

Well, Jack, it's a pleasure to be a human being instead of a calf if you do all calves as you did Link Kevil's. What's the matter, eyesight falling?

June and Slauch, are you partial to Bronte girls, especially sisters?

METHODS OF TREATING TREE WOUNDS IS GIVEN

COLLEGE STATION, Feb. 8.—The importance of using sanitary precautions and adequate wound protection in tree surgery is becoming increasingly evident, according to W. H. Friend, of the Texas A. & M. agricultural experiment station, Weslaco. The neglect of pruning wounds or the use of wound protectants of questionable value may result in rotting of the wood, parasitic fungi gaining access to the inner tissues of the trees. The most generally used wood protectants previously used were lead-zinc paint and pine tar. Of these two, pine tar was the most satisfactory and this material, with certain reservations, can still be considered a reliable protectant.

Dark colored wound protectants are not entirely satisfactory where the wound is fully exposed to the sun's rays. While in quest of a cheap and effective light reflecting wound dressing, a cheap white enamel was compounded that appears to be highly satisfactory for use during the dormant season when sap pressure is at a low ebb. During the summer season, there appears to be no way to avoid the two coat method of wound protection, if blistering and gumming are to be entirely prevented.

From extensive experimental work on wound dressings at the Lower Valley Station the following recommendations can be made: 1. Apply a priming coat of low surface tension to wounds made during the growing season. (Alcohol-rosin bichloride or plant-safe carbolineum).

2. Apply second coat of asphaltum-carbolineum or petroleum varnish zinc oxide enamel to mercuric oxide not less than sixty days after priming coat was applied.

3. Tarry fractions of some roofing cements cause abnormal callus development of conerous appearance.

4. Pure asphaltum of relatively low melting point when mixed (hot) with equal parts (boiling) plant-safe carbolineum is a cheap, safe and effective black wound protectant for use on citrus trees.

5. A mixture composed of 50% petroleum varnish, 48% zinc oxide, and 2% mercuric oxide is a more expensive but very effective white wound protectant for use on citrus trees, especially on wounds exposed to sun rays.

6. All tree wounds should be inspected at least twice each year. In order that infections may be checked before serious damage has been done, as infectious gummosis may gain access to the

trunk and cause early decline of the affected tree.

4-H CLUB BOYS' PIG CLUBS DO GOOD WORK IN TEXAS

COLLEGE STATION, Feb. 8.—Texas 4-H club members are showing the way towards profitable swine production as the state turns more and more toward the practice of marketing its feed crops through livestock.

Interest of 4-H boys in demonstrations continue to increase with the annual report of E. M. Regenbrecht, swine husbandman of the Texas A. & M. College extension service, showing that 5,816 boys carried demonstrations involving 6,726 hogs and that the number of boys who had completed their demonstrations at the end of the year reached 3,143, an increase of 55 per cent over the 1937 figure.

Records here show that 1,532 4-H boys carried swine demonstrations in 1934, 1,808 in 1935, 2,452 in 1936, and 4,518 in 1937. Club members in 193 Texas counties took part in the work during the year.

Regenbrecht said major developments in 4-H swine production in 1938, aside from the increase in number of boys and animals involved, included a greater use

if registered breeding stocks and a more general adoption of the ration recommended by county agricultural agents.

Many boys reported gains of from 180 to 250 pounds per pig in less than six months, and farmers are beginning to follow the lead of the 4-H club members in feeding practices, the swine husbandman pointed out.

STUDENT INSPECTIONS BEING GIVEN BY NURSE AND COUNTY'S DENTISTS

Runnels county dentists are making fine progress with the visits to schools in the county for inspections and stated this week that many corrections are being made already. The dentists, working in cooperation with the county health nurse, Miss Sarah Harwell, are visiting the schools, making free dental inspections of all pupils and filling out cards showing where defects are found. These cards are taken home to the parents and many children have been treated by dentists as a result of findings in the clinics.

Within a short time the work will be completed in all schools with each dentist cooperating making one visit a week.

Miss Harwell visited schools at Maverick, Mann, Spring Hill and Kristoff this week, making regular student inspections. Next week her schedule will take her to a staff nurses' meeting at San Angelo Monday and Tuesday. At this meeting an official of the American Red Cross will explain "Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick," a course offered by the Red Cross.

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Cook green vegetables in uncovered vessels to preserve the color, extension service food specialists advise.

Cook mild flavored green such as spinach with only the water which clings to the leaves after washing.

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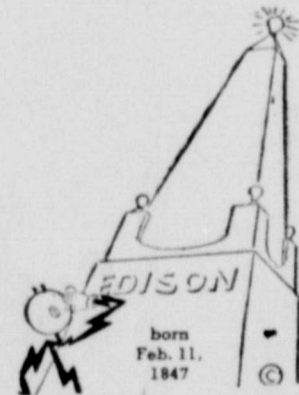
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- Q. Who invented the first electric light bulb?
- A. Thomas Alva Edison, now known as "the Wizard of Menlo Park."
- Q. Was he ever assisted by governmental subsidies during the many long years he worked to perfect electric lights?
- A. No. Electric light is the result of private initiative and inventive genius on the part of a man who sought to make the world a better place in which to live.
- Q. Did he succeed in doing that?
- A. Yes. Other individuals took up where he left off . . . constantly improving the light bulb Edison invented. Private industry, bent on spreading the use of GOOD LIGHT into every home in the land, learned how to manufacture the bulb more cheaply and efficiently.
- Q. Whose money made this possible?
- A. Private citizens invested their money in the electric industry, thus making it possible to carry on the research that led to present-day low rates for light and power. West Texas, along with the entire country, has profited from the investment of private funds which now provide not only good light but contribute to the support of whole communities through employment of thousands of men and women and through payment of huge sums in taxes.
- Q. Then Edison's invention has had far-reaching benefits for all?
- A. Yes. He—of all men—left the world a better place!

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HERRING HOURGLASS

There were large crowds at all services Sunday. Bro. Nixon brought good messages at both services. We invite everyone out to hear him at our next regular preaching dates, the first Sunday in each month and the Saturday night before.

Clyde Brevard is able to be up and around after being confined to his bed for some time.

Lexie Brevard is learning to walk again after being six months since she had been able to walk. We hope she will soon be well again.

Joe Bragg is still confined to his bed but is getting along very well. He has been sick a good while and we hope he will soon be up again.

Grady Miller was in bed sick a few days but is up again.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Wakins, of Talpa, visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Avant, Sunday and attended church.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Peek honored Mrs. Peek's grandfather, F. P. Stevens, of Coleman, Sunday with a birthday dinner on his 85th birthday. The centerpiece was a cake with 85 candles on it. Those present were: Mrs. Myrtle Strange, Glen Strange, Mrs. Oia Laws and daughters, Daisie and Nola Maudine, of Coleman; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Peek, Mrs. M. C. Peek, of Valera; Robert and Herbert Corum, of Coleman.

Visitors in the J. Rosford home Monday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Allen Jackson and daughter, Wanda Rae, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Peek and Lorena.

Ben Stacy and family, of Oden; Bro. Nixon and Roy Fuller were dinner guests in the Reuben Whitley home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hale, Mr. and Mrs. Welby Fuller, and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Brevard and family spent Sunday in the J. P. Brevard home.

Miss Maye Grissom returned home Friday night after spending the week with Miss Maree White.

Mrs. Charles Mathis and baby, of Dale; and Misses Opal and Faye Grissom, of Crews; visited in the W. L. White home last Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. J. Rosford spent Tuesday night with her mother, Mrs. C. W. Schwartz.

Miss Gloria West spent Tuesday night with Miss Lexie Brevard.

Miss Billie Jean White spent several days last week with Misses Opal and Faye Grissom.

Mr. Ede, of San Angelo, spent Sunday night in the S. L. Henderson home.

BERNOIT BEATS

What this community needs is a good rain, not a gully washer or a trash mover, but a slow, steady rain like we used to have a long time ago. Well do I remember the admonition of my mother as she told us to bury with our evening chores. We would hardly be through before it would begin to rain and all through the night we could hear the pitter-patter on the roof. Then in the morning the whole face of the earth would be covered with water. I remember the little tad frogs as they sang their morning song. I may grow old but I shall never forget the good old rains we used to have back East.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Spreen entertained Sunday with a turkey

dinner. Guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Milton Greenwood, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Spreen and Joyce, Mrs. Mary Spreen, Grandmother Greenwood, Miss Zeida Spreen and Elmer Greenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hill were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hill Sunday. Mrs. W. T. Hill was celebrating her birthday.

Miss Zaza Chenoweth, of Norton, spent the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clack, Inez and Helen were pleasant visitors in the W. T. Hill home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Clayton and Wanda and Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cox and Addie Ruth visited relatives in Eden Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Ashton visited in the A. N. Hoffman home Friday evening.

Miss Margaret Brookshier spent Wednesday night with Miss Norma Jean Hoffman.

The sewing club met Friday in the home of Mrs. Walter Lange. Mrs. Edgar Martin was guest of honor. After a variety of games had been played, hot chocolate, sandwiches and cookies were served to the members and several guests.

Ralph Spreen started to school Monday.

Mary Ruth Hill made the school honor roll last month with an average of ninety-two.

Francis Edgar Martin was ill the first of the week, and unable to attend school.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Robison, who built a nice stucco home last summer, have put up a large wind charger and installed electric lights, and have running water.

C. M. Gibson attended trades day in Ballinger first Monday.

Believe White Animals Should Be Held Sacred

Among many primitive peoples white animals of various sorts, albinos and otherwise, have been endowed with supernatural virtues. The animal selected for this reverence is usually one closely associated with the life of the people, like the elephant in Buddhist countries. The ordinary bison was the plains Indians' source of livelihood. It provided him with food, clothing and utensils and with the hides for making tents, recalls a writer in the Chicago Daily News.

Long before the Indians had guns and horses, they killed the bison by driving them into pens, or over the brink of high embankments. According to a story collected from among the Atsina Indians of Fort Belknap, the meat and hides of a herd thus taken was not touched if a white bison were found in the herd unless there was great scarcity of meat in the Indian camp.

Among the Atsina a white bison which was killed in a buffalo drive was skinned and the hide turned over to the keeper of the Turtle Pipe, a pipe which was said to possess great supernatural power. Among the Teton Sioux the white bison was believed to have taken the form, according to their legends, of a beautiful woman, who has a benevolent and powerful spirit.

References by early explorers to the white bison are few and widely scattered. It is believed that Juan Onate, who explored east Texas in 1601, is the first white man to make mention of the white bison. Onate, in mentioning the herds of bison he saw in the country, says that "all these cattle are of one color—namely, brown—and it was a great marvel to see a white bull in such a multitude."

The most profitable way to use ordinary feed produced on the average cotton farm, or any other farm, is to fatten a calf for beef for home consumption.

Eskimos make ice cream from fish oil, snow and sugar.

Burns Volume Guarded in Transport



Poet Robert Burns received \$80 for this edition of his work. When the securely wrapped single volume was transferred from the Morgan library in New York to Kearny, N. J., it was transported in an armored truck and insured for \$30,000. Reverend Richard D. Jones, third from left, borrowed the book from J. F. Morgan for the celebration of the Scottish bard's 180th birthday. It is a first edition volume, published in 1786 in Kilmarnock, Scotland.

Lost Eight Years, Radium is Found By 'Clucking Hen'

NEWCASTLE, England, Feb. 8.—The "clucking hen" recently devised by scientists to find lost radium has staged a remarkable success at the Royal Victoria Hospital, by finding a tube of radium lost eight years ago.

The tiny tubes in which radium is placed for treating cancer and similar diseases are so inconspicuous that nurses sometimes forget them and throw away the radium with the bandages or other dressings. Eight years ago at Victoria Hospital this happened to about \$50 worth of radium. Scores of hospital workers searched for days with no result. The lost radium finally was given up as gone for good.

Recently physical laboratories developed the radium-finding machine, christened in England the "clucking hen" because the machine emits a series of clicks or clucks as it picks up rays which the radium emits; more and faster clicks when the radium is nearby, slower and fewer ones when it is far away. Remembering the radium loss of eight years ago, Newcastle physicists took one of these machines and began searching the neighborhood.

Oats are the best grain for a young calf, but if you do not have oats, feed corn, milo, or any of the other grains.

Why Ocean Is Salty Is One of Oldest Problems

Theories attempting to account for the presence of salt in sea water are rather speculative and governed largely by the particular hypothesis advanced for the origin of the globe itself, notes a writer in the Indianapolis News. A few geologists are of the opinion that most of the salt went into the primeval ocean practically at its formation. It is more commonly assumed by geologists, however, that such salt is derived from the decomposition of rocks by flowing and percolating waters which finally deposit their burden in the sea. This is certainly the source of a large part of the salt in the ocean.

The sea is constantly receiving salt-laden water and at the same time losing water by evaporation. Since little, if any, of this salt rises in the vapor, the salinity of the ocean is gradually, though imperceptibly, increasing. It is not probable that the increase would be appreciable within any historic period. Many inland lakes are salty for the same reason. The streams flowing into them pass through soil and rocks which contain salt.

There is no salt in fresh water lakes because the streams flowing into them pass through regions containing little or no salt.

Romans Had Names for Dogs

The Romans had names for dogs, too, and their names were not so very different from our names. Their groups were canes villatici (house dogs), canes pastorales (shepherds), canes venatici (sporting dogs), pugnares or bellucosi (fighting or war dogs), naves sagaces (dogs which hunt by scent) and pedibus celeres (swift dogs which run by sight). Our groups are sporting dogs, which includes all the bird dogs; hounds, which includes hounds which run by scent and those which run by sight; working dogs, which includes the shepherds and some of the ancient war dogs; terriers, a new division since Roman days; toys, which includes the miniatures that were doubtlessly classified as house dogs in ancient days, and the non-sporting group, which includes everything else, some of which probably were house dogs, some probably not yet bred and some, while extant in some form or other, unknown to the Romans.

'Coast of Dead Ships'

Navigators and steamships may have dispelled the idea of a ship graveyard in the Sargasso sea, but the Namib desert in southwest Africa, known to seamen as the "Coast of Dead Ships," remains a very real thing to send shudders down the spines of modern mariners. Shipmasters are warned to give the treacherous shore a wide berth. Government charts are not dependable because the sand dunes are constantly shifting so that rolling sands may be piled where navigable water swelled a short time before.

Gen. Robert E. Lee started the first classes in journalism in the United States.

Columbus Was Searching For Spices on His Trip

When Columbus discovered America he was making a voyage in search of spices. In fact, much of the early exploration of the world was based on the hunger for the fragrant spices of the Tropics, according to a writer in the Prairie Farmer.

In 1937 the United States spent more than 12 million dollars for imported spices. Chief among the various spice imports amounting to nearly 40 per cent of the total were various kinds of pepper. Second in importance was mustard. Cinnamon and its near relative, cassia, from Ceylon, China and the Indies; ginger, mostly dried roots from Jamaica and West Africa; nutmeg and its wrapper, mace, from the East and West Indies; cloves from Madagascar and British East Africa, all came in in surprising quantities.

There is a great deal of art involved in the preparation and harvesting of these spices. The inner bark of the cinnamon or cassia must be cut from two-year-old trees if the spice is to be of the best quality. It must be stripped, rolled and fermented with the most exacting hand care. Mace, which is the covering of the nutmeg seed, must be cut from each nutmeg by hand. Yellow turmeric, which gives color to the popular mixture of spices known as curry, is the ground-up root stock of a plant closely related to ginger. Cloves and caper blossoms must be gathered before they burst into bloom, and spice berries and black peppercorns just before they are ripe.

Black and white pepper come from the same peppercorns. If the entire berry is ground, the pepper is black; if the black outer coat is stripped off, the mild white pepper results. The fiery cayenne is made by grinding the small pods of a plant related to the tomato. Paprika is similar but comes from a plant with much milder flavor.

Silage is the easiest roughage to feed in all kinds of weather conditions, and the trench silo is the cheapest and most efficient way of storing feed.

On January 1, 1937, the mortgage indebtedness on farms in the United States amounted to \$7,254,821,000.

British Scientists Promise Portable Climate in Tropics

LONDON, February 8.—Portable coolers for British residents or explorers in the tropics are a recent development of the Royal Institute of Tropical Hygiene. Years ago it was a standing joke that no Englishman traveled anywhere without his portable bathtub. Now it may be his portable cube of London climate.

The device is a folding house about the shape and size of a small cabin in a steamship. Light but reasonably heat-proof walls can be fitted together almost as easily as one puts up a tent. Attached is a small refrigerating unit not unlike those used for air-conditioning systems in single offices or bedrooms. This is designed not only to cool the air but to freeze out excess moisture in tropical climates where the humidity also is too high.

Fresh air needed for ventilation is taken in through the refrigerating unit, so that it is cooled and dried before being supplied. For use by explorers, the outfit is built so that it can be taken apart in many small loads, light enough to be loaded easily on an airplane or carried by human porters. On shipboard the outfit can be set up conveniently on deck or even a flatboat or large canoe. The fortunate possessor needs merely to set up his home, start the electric motor and sit down to eat, work, or sleep in a small sample of the climate of London.

Where there is no electricity, a small dynamo and portable gasoline engine like an outboard motor supply the necessary current.

Henry A. Leslie, a detective-inspector of Scotland Yard, completed on July 23, 1938, a three-month course at the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Washington.

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Scientists Study Aviators' Hearts With New Device

MOSCOW, Feb. 8.—To study how aviators' hearts behave at different heights and under different conditions of flying, Russian medical men have devised the longest-distance stethoscope on record. It enables a doctor on the ground to listen to the heartbeats of his flying patient miles above him in the air.

Previous work on heart troubles among aviators has been done by doctors flying in the plane. This is difficult. The doctor himself may be affected by the altitude. Noise of the plane often makes it impossible for the doctor to hear. It is hard for him to climb around and listen to the aviator's heartbeats without interfering with piloting the ship.

The new Russian device consists of a small microphone strapped to the pilot's chest, under his uniform. This is connected to a radio transmitter in the plane, so that the sounds of the heartbeats can be sent to earth. At the radio receiver on the ground, the doctor can listen to these heartbeats, record them on phonograph records or allow others to listen over a loud speaker.

A number of mysterious air accidents and man failures have been ascribed to heart disturb-

ances caused by rapid flight, dives or loops or merely by elevation and thin air. On a steep dive or a fast loop, centrifugal force may drive so much blood into the lower part of the body that the heart works poorly and the aviator faints.

The Russians hope to study such instances without risking their doctors, good doctors in Russia being scarcer than good aviators.

FATHER SERIOUSLY INJURED BY DAUGHTER'S COFFIN

CAPETOWN, Union of South Africa, Feb. 8.—While conveying the body of his daughter to his home, a man was almost crushed through the windshield of his car. The family had gone to Oudshoorn to visit the Congo Caves, and the daughter died there suddenly. The father removed the back seat of a large saloon car and had the coffin placed end on to the driver with the end protruding out of the baggage compartment.

About one hundred miles from Oudshoorn the car plunged down an embankment. The coffin was driven into the front seat, forcing the driver and father almost through the windshield. The men were injured and car and coffin badly damaged. The girl's body was taken to Capetown by truck.

Astrakhan, the skin of a newborn Persian lamb, is one of the most valuable products of the collective farms in Turkmenia.

Oil Was in Use as Early As in the Time of Noah

The first commercial oil well was drilled in America, but oil that seeped to the surface of the earth was used for simple purposes as far back as human knowledge goes, relates a writer in the Chicago Tribune. Noah, according to the Bible, used pitch to stop up leaks in the ark.

"And God said unto Noah . . . make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch."

The American Petroleum institute says the pitch was a form of petroleum from the shores of the Dead sea.

The Greeks used oil to set fire to enemy ships. There are records of its use among the early Chinese. The Indians were using crude oil for medicine when the Pilgrims came to America. The oil was skimmed from the surface of springs. The white men treated rheumatism with it. No such thing as a refining process had been heard of and uses of oil in its crude form were limited.

Old as is the use of oil, its origin is much more ancient. It comes from decomposed sea plants and animals that were covered with mud of seas long eras ago. Over countless years part of the mud turned to stone, some to limestone, and some to shale. These are "source rocks" of oil. Every continent has them.

The American Petroleum institute, in a history of oil, says that George Washington had an oil spring and that he listed it in his will as a valuable possession. It was on a tract of western Pennsylvania land which he bought in 1753. However, the task of getting oil did not become an industry until more than a hundred years later.

Citizens Donate For Aid of Quake Victims in Chile

A special canvass was made in Ballinger this week by the local Red Cross chapter to raise money to aid sufferers in the earthquake in Chile and a portion is to be kept in the local treasury for general charity here.

Four committees made a solicitation in the downtown area and reported raising about \$135. Part of this will be sent to national headquarters of the Red Cross and will be included in the national gift to the homeless in the South American nation.

The past three months have been difficult for the local chapter, many calls having been received which demanded aid at once. Last month was the heaviest of the winter and caused expenditure of the largest sum paid out in any one month.

Many people have been without jobs and with cold weather bringing much illness demands were far greater. R. P. Tunnell, chairman, stated today that transients were not being helped except in a few instances and that practically all aid was going to local residents in need. Every case is investigated before assistance is allowed and only dire necessities are being supplied.

New WPA projects soon to get underway will greatly relieve the condition here, it is believed.

Mrs. J. D. Motley and son, Corkill Motley, spent the first part of the week visiting friends at San Antonio and Alice.

Billy Jack May and Tony Nixon, students of John Tarleton College, Stephenville, were week-end visitors here.

Most medical authorities believe there is a marked hereditary factor in diabetes.

The star which perfices the number on currency means that the bill replaced an imperfect one.

Paralysis Victims Open Co-Operative Shop



Fourteen young men, all of whom were crippled by the 1916 infantile paralysis epidemic, have opened a multigraphing shop in New York, where they plan campaign letters, make layouts and do address work. All are high school graduates, and several have college educations. They obtained capital for their enterprise by forming an orchestra and playing for dances. Due to their physical condition they were forced to provide jobs for themselves.

Film of Corpuscles Indicates Cells May Eat Invading Germs

WASHINGTON, February 8.—Motion pictures which may mean that human beings need to have part of their food pre-digested by little separate animals living in the blood stream, such as the termite insects can digest wood only by help of separate animals in their digestive system, were shown at the annual exhibit of the Carnegie Institution.

The pictures showed a new and unsuspected behavior of the kind of white blood corpuscles called macrophages or large eating cells. It is not certain that these macrophages are exactly like all other white blood corpuscles but they do seem to have similar duties, such as wandering around the body to eat up waste debris or invading germs.

Several biologists have suggested that originally all the kinds of white corpuscles were small separate animals, not unlike the tiny amebas which still live in ponds and other natural waters. These ancestral corpuscles are supposed to have learned gradually to live inside the bodies of larger animals for the sake of food and protection, making themselves useful as scavengers.

The new fact disclosed by the motion pictures taken by the institution's department of embryology is that the large white cells not only eat germs but continually drink droplets of liquid serum from the blood, put this serum through some kind of digestive process in their bodies and then discharge it.

As yet, no one knows for certain what this means. One idea is that the white cells may partly digest necessary foods or other materials in the blood serum, so that such partly digested materials can get into ordinary body cells more easily.

Livestock Auction Sales Bring \$2,000; Dates Are Changed

The management of the Runnels County Auction Barns announces a change in date of the weekly sales to be held here, from Thursday as first announced, to Tuesday of each week. This change is made in order not to conflict with a sale at San Angelo scheduled each Thursday.

The barn is located near the Ballinger-Winters highway in the northern part of Ballinger and last Tuesday the second sale was held with a large crowd of buyers and many head of livestock in the pens. Sales for afternoon ran well over \$2,000 and the management is expecting each auction to grow.

Many have indicated that they would have stock at the sale next Tuesday and buyers from several West Texas counties will be here to enter the bidding.

A professional auctioneer will be on duty at each sale and the public is invited to attend.

A statue of Thomas Jefferson at the University of Virginia faces the building he designed in the later part of his life.

Old legends tell of men who had the power to look down into the earth and see where gold and silver lay hidden.

Pliny the Elder spoke of the delights of eating asparagus as early as 50 A. D.

A ration for fattening a beef calf consists of three things: roughage (hay, cottonseed hulls, corn fodder, etc.); protein supplements (in Texas that means cottonseed meal or cake); and grain, (milo, corn, barley, and so on).

SHOP and SAVE

Here are a list of bargains that will gladden the hearts of thrifty Ballinger housewives. Many not listed, come in and see—

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| No. 2 Phillips' Early June Peas 2 cans 15c | Dexter Sliced Bacon lb. 23c |
| Mammy Lou Meal 10 lbs. 25c | Kraft Cheese 2 lbs. 49c |
| Wash With Dreft lg. box 23c | No. 1 Salt lb. 9c |
| Betty, Sour Pickles qt. 10c | Bologna lb. 10c |
| Kellogg's Post Bran pkg. 10c | Glass Free with All Sweet Oleo lb. 19c |
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Arch Bridge Long Used; Most Graceful, Artistic

Of all bridges devised by mankind to span rivers, streams, or other natural breaks in the earth's surface that obstruct movement, the type known as the arch bridge is the most graceful and the most artistic. Perhaps also it is as ancient as any, with the possible exception of the single-span type of bridge, for men were building arches back in neolithic times, writes John A. Menaugh in the Chicago Tribune.

The principle of the arch has been known from very early days. When men of the later Stone age discovered that a wide opening could be spanned by leaning two stones together at its apex the first arch was made, and the ruins of such triangular arches still are widely found throughout the basin of the Mediterranean. From these first arches the whole business of building arch bridges—even down to modern times—developed. Many of the largest and strongest bridges are built upon the principle of the arch, although iron, steel, and reinforced concrete have supplanted stone and timbers of the earlier types.

It was the employment of stone, however, that was responsible for the origin of the arch as applied to bridge building.

Stone arches are constructed of rocks or stones that are naturally wedge shaped or have been cut into wedges.

Name Victoria Means 'Victorious'
The name Victoria, of Latin origin, obviously can have but one meaning—"the victorious," states Florence A. Cowles in the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Victoria Colonna (d. 1547) most beautiful woman in Italy in her day, was also a poet whose work is considered of high quality. Alexandrina Victoria (1819-1901) had her second name given to her as an afterthought but was destined to be its pre-eminent bearer in all history—Queen Victoria, who reigned over the British Empire for 64 years, longer than any other monarch in English history, and impressed upon her time her own high principles. Victoria was the name of her mother and of the first of her nine children, who became the Empress Frederick of Germany. It was also the name of the queen's favorite grandchild ("Aunt Tonia" to the Duke of Windsor) who died at 67 in 1935, having been an invalid all her life.

Gaur Is Wild Ox

A gaur is a wild ox, native of northeastern India, and is probably the largest living species of wild cattle. Full-grown males are sometimes 6 feet high at the shoulder and have horns 3 feet long with a basal diameter of 6 inches. The gaur is alert, wary and exceedingly pugnacious when brought to bay. A full-grown male is said to be a match even for a tiger. In India the animals are kept in partially domestic herds for their flesh. They are often erroneously called bison.

South American Nuts

Among South American nuts are the Brazil, or cassidine nuts which grow in a woody covering that holds 18 to 24 nuts each, packed together closely. Then there are the South American cream or paradise nuts, a more slender and delicate version of the Brazil nut. Souri nuts are several times as large as Brazils, rather oily and rich in flavor, and grow in shells that weigh as much as 25 pounds each.

The larva of the rat-tailed maggot has a telescopic air tube which can be extended to the surface for air, while the larva remains under water.

Stephen Girard, philanthropist, member and banker of Philadelphia, took an entire government loan of \$5,000,000 in the war of 1812.

THE GAME-OF-THE-MINUTE

Zig-Zag

ABOVE chart made by the scientific "Oph-thalm-o-graph" instrument, shows eye-movements in normal reading. AND BELOW is a comparative eye-movement chart of the same person reading by the proposed new Zig-Zag method. Try Zig-Zag yourself—right here. Try it on your folks and friends, too. Try the left-hand column; then try the other way, reading alternate lines from right to left!

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Manassa Mauler Behind Bars—as a Guest



Jack Dempsey, former heavyweight champion of the world, addresses a throng of prisoners at the state penitentiary in Raleigh, N. C., during a southern tour. The popular restaurant proprietor is still champion to a large share of his audience, many of whom have been in prison since the Manassa Mauler won his title from Jess Willard back in 1919.

When rains do come to this section numerous farm terraces will get their first test. During the past three months many lines have been run and most of the farmers have completed throwing up their terraces which will distribute and hold water on their fields.

There are numerous tanks in this county and throughout West Texas that have never been full of water. These tanks were built recently as a part of the ranchman's participation in the range program and there has not been enough rain since they were completed to fill them.

Many West Texans are looking for cash crops to replace the decreased cotton production brought about by acreage reduction the past several years. For many years cotton has been the leading money crop in this section and farmers are missing the dollars by the smaller amount raised each year.

Legume hays are high in protein and minerals and therefore the amount of protein supplements and minerals may be cut down where legumes are fed as roughages in fattening beef calves.

WEST TEXAS NEWS NOTES

In a mass meeting Monday Rowena business men made plans for holding a trades day once a month. Committees were appointed to work out the details and give this section of Runnels county and attract more business.

Noble Johnson No. 2-L. A. Patton was spudded near Melvin last week and regular tours have been organized. The No. 1 well has been completed to contract depth and is making approximately 5,000,000 cubic feet of gas daily.

Owens & Greer, of Abilene, have staked four new locations around a well brought in last week on the Roy Westbrook ranch near Santa Anna. The new locations are north and west of the producer which flowed 160 barrels of oil in a 24-hour gauge period.

To perfect the organization of the Brown County Fat Stock Show a meeting was held last week and County Agent C. W. Lehman was elected manager. The date for the show is February 13 and plans are well underway to take care of many animals which will be exhibited.

The Eastland county grand jury returned 40 felony indictments and four misdemeanors at the opening of district court last week. Members of the grand jury asked citizens of the county to offer every aid possible to the state highway patrol in making the roads safer.

Vocational agriculture students of the Winters high school will hold their annual show on February 18. Cash prizes aggregating \$200 are being offered by Winters business men for livestock and poultry which will be exhibited in separate divisions.

Coleman county ranchmen constructed 117 tanks during 1938 as part of their participation in the government program. The county led all other counties of West Texas in this work last year and the practice is expected to be continued on a large scale during 1939.

A contract for remodeling the first floor of the Coleman city hall was let Monday of last week to H. D. Collins. Numerous changes will be made in the floor plan to provide more convenient and efficient

working quarters for municipal officials.

Dates for the annual Hill Country Fair, Rodeo and Race Meet at Junction have been set for August 15, 16 and 17. The dates were changed out of courtesy to the West Texas Ram Sale at Eden. Goat sales, which have been popular heretofore, will be stressed this year, and sheep sales will be added.

A good showing was found at about 2,000 feet in the oil test on the A. E. Jones ranch near Millersville last week. Acid has been forced into the lime and the operators believe the well will produce from 20 to 50 barrels when it is cleaned out.

By way of showing appreciation to the public for assistance in buying new uniforms for the Eden band, the band mothers group will present a free program tonight. The best musical talent in the county will carry out the theme, "The Appealing Power of Music."

According to preliminary reports the voting strength of Erath county is approximately 4,400 this year. A complete check-up of poll tax payments had not been made last Thursday but the county tax collector said he was sure the total would not be less than this figure. Last year 4,852 poll tax receipts were issued.

The new service club organized at Bronte will be known as the Community Service Club. This name was adopted at a meeting of the members Wednesday night of last week. A program of civic work will be advanced.

Comanche was assured of a new berry canning plant next season when Walter Durham, manager of the Durham Pecan & Peanut Co., announced he would operate a cannery this year. He has purchased equipment and will be in the market for berries when picking begins. Indications are that farmers will have a larger acreage than ever before and are replacing other crops, limited by the government, with berries.

Menard business men started raising money this week to pay premiums at the annual livestock show to be held there on February 27. The committee is making plans for a ram-lamb division of the show and will provide prizes for same. A complete division will also be included in the show for 4-H club boys of the county.

Boy Scout leaders at Paint Rock met last week to make up a program for the year and adopted a budget of \$100, which will be donated by local business men. Scott Boswell was elected scoutmaster of the cub patrol and will begin direction of the below-age group at once.

Fort Stockton is to have a new theatre as soon as a building can be remodeled and equipped. G. A. Cole, theatre man with years of experience at Lamesa and Tahoka, has purchased a building and will convert it into a modern show-house. First run pictures will be shown and the projectors and sound apparatus will be the latest type.

The second annual livestock show held at Miles Saturday, January 28, was one of the best events of its kind ever held there and attracted a large crowd. More than 50 head of fat calves were

on display and a total of \$41 in prize money was won by the Miles F. F. A. chapter.

Notice to Banking Corporations, Associations or Individual Bankers

NOTICE is hereby given that applications will be received by the Commissioners' Court of Runnels County from Banking Corporations, Associations or Individual Bankers in said County desiring to be designated as County Depository. Such applications shall be filed with the County Judge not later than ten o'clock a. m. of the 13th day of February, 1939, and each application shall state the amount of paid up capital stock and permanent surplus of said bank and there shall be furnished with said application a statement showing the financial condition of said bank at date of said application.

PAUL TRIMMIE, County Judge.

U. OF T. STUDENT WORKING ON NEW CAR CARBURETOR

AUSTIN, Feb. 8.—Dollars and mileage leaking out of faulty carburetors may soon be wiped off the slate by Ralph E. Powers, of Austin, 25-year-old graduate student of the University of Texas, who for eight months has been working on a device to replace the carburetor.

In the engineering building's noisy machine shop here, is a device a "mechanical injector," is housed. A small apparatus made of stainless steel, the mechanical injector will surpass the carburetor in both economy and efficiency and will be almost foolproof as far as wearing out is concerned, Powers believes.

It furnishes gas to the cylinder of a car by means of a plunger type pump that sprays gasoline on the intake valve when the valve opens for air. Present carburetors feed a prepared mixture of air and gasoline to the cylinder but not always in the correct proportions, Powers explained.

"It is my aim to use a mechanical injector to provide the correct mixture of gasoline and air to the cylinder at any speed and no matter what the load of the car," he said. "If successful, I believe the mechanical injector will cost about as much as an ordinary carburetor."

Johnson grass hay, sudan grass hay, and prairie grass hay are excellent roughages to go with the grains and protein supplements in fattening beef calves. Hays made from the small grains, oats, wheat, and barley, are also good roughages when cut in the dough stage.

As a result of recent increases the British government now has 17,000 infantry, two regiments of cavalry, one battery of artillery and several armored cars in Palestine to preserve order.

The name of the capital of Portugal, Lisbon, derives through many changes from Ulysses, the Greek navigator, reputed in myths to have founded it.

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Hints for the Farm

Hint to bill-harassed husbands: Sign up the women-folks in a home demonstration or 4-H girls' club.

Records assembled show that home demonstration club women and 4-H club girls spent, on the average, less than \$25 a year for clothes and that most of them dressed nicely at a saving of \$50 a year.

In an effort to get an index of the value of clothing work as offered by the Texas A. & M. College extension service through home demonstration agents, Mrs. Dora A. Barnes, clothing specialist, asked 1,089 home demonstration club women and 8,294 4-H club girls to keep accurate records of their individual clothing expenditures. Records were also kept on the clothing cost of 1,217 families.

The figures assembled by Mrs. Barnes show that the women spent an average of \$25.99 for clothes during 1938 and the club girls \$23.22, while the cost per family averaged \$85.55 and the per person family average was \$32.54.

A total of 10,407 4-H club girls took part in the "Building for Living" program sponsored by the extension service, Mrs. Barnes said. The program included the improvement in personal appearance through observance of grooming, posture and health recommendations.

A by-product of the clothing work was the construction of 4,824 clothes closets and the addition of 869 sleeve ironing boards, 6,811 hat stand racks and 5,647 shoe racks.

MANY GAME PRESERVES ESTABLISHED IN TEXAS

COLLEGE STATION, Feb. 8.—There are almost nineteen and a half million acres involved in Texas game preserves demonstrations, and more than forty thousand signs bearing the legend "Game Preserve Demonstration with the Extension Service, Texas A. & M. College" to designate the areas. The work, started less than two years ago, recognizes wild life as a crop of the land and upholds the right of the land owner to receive compensation for hunting and fishing privileges in return for his efforts toward increasing game.

R. E. Callender, game management specialist of the extension service said county agricultural agents' annual reports showed that 15,633 individuals were tak-

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part in the demonstrations. Plans for the demonstration preserves call for regulated harvests of game when the amount of wild life warrants. In many cases, Callender pointed out, this means that preserves have been closed to sportsmen while the supply of game is built up. Individual organizations have the "say" as to the open seasons and amount of hunting to be allowed.

The specialist said 16,563 acres of the total was included in 1,072 organized cooperative areas, 2,850,272 in the holdings of individual cooperators, while 69,564 acres were managed by 4-H club boys. The cooperative organizations are located in 130 counties.

"I have no idea how much income former and ranchmen may get eventually through hunting and fishing licenses and day hunting privileges, but I expect it will come pretty close to paying the tax bill in many parts of the state," Callender declared. He said county agents in 18 counties had reported \$228.13 from this source.

Sportsmen in the near future may expect to pay for their hunting, but Callender thinks they will not mind because they will have an opportunity to "pop a few caps" instead of going home empty handed. "Free hunting is often hunting for nothing," he says. "Something had to be done for the sportsmen as well as the farmer and ranchman. At the rate we were going, all the good hunting would have been in the hands of a few groups within another decade or so."

Most of the improvement in game conditions is expected to come through providing cover, feed and natural conditions, but some artificial stocking is being carried on. Members in the movement, for instance, planted 10,943 game birds including 6,552 quail through the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission and stocked 840 old and 1,036 new tanks, totalling almost ten thousand acre feet of water, with 1,850,094 fish.

From start to finish of feeding give a calf that is being fattened for beef all the roughage he will eat, says George W. Barnes, animal husbandman of the Texas A. M. College extension service. This does not require any figuring, simply give him what he will eat.

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With the possible exception of whole cottonseed, protein supplement for balancing the grain ration in fattening calves for beef must be purchased. Cottonseed cake is the standard protein supplement in Texas.

In order to make beef for home consumption as economically as possible, begin to feed the calf grain as soon as he will eat. A calf makes more efficient use of grain while suckling his mother than later, says George W. Barnes, animal husbandman of the A. & M. College extension service.

Women that stop men cold always stand out alone or in groups

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CHURCHES

Ballinger Baptist Church
(400 Eighth Street)
Sunday, February 12, 1939:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Sermon, 11 a. m., by the pastor
Baptist Training Union, 6 p. m.
Sermon, 7 p. m., by the pastor
Monday:
Sunbeams, 2:30 p. m.
W. M. S. at church, 4 p. m.
Deacon's meeting, 7 p. m.
Tuesday:
10 a. m., workers' meeting at Ballinger church
Wednesday:
7 p. m., prayer meeting
Friday:
7 p. m., choir rehearsal, Gale Dunn, director.
The public is invited to worship with us.
CLARENCE A. MORTON, Pastor

First Presbyterian Church
(301 Broadway)
Sunday, February 12, 1939:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. A school of missions is being conducted in all departments of the Sunday school.
Morning worship, 11 o'clock
Sermon, "I Believe in God." (The first of a series on the Apostles' Creed).
This congregation will participate in the union evening service at the Church of the Nazarene Sunday evening.
Monday:
Circles of the Woman's Auxiliary meet at 4 p. m.
Wednesday:
Mid-week service, 7:30 p. m.
Study of the Book of Daniel.
DWIGHT A. SHARPE, Pastor.

First Methodist Church
Church school, 9:45 o'clock Sunday morning, Sam Behringer, superintendent.
Morning worship, 11 o'clock. The pastor will preach.
There will be no evening service at the church as the congregation will join other congregations of the city in the union service, according to custom, at the Nazarene church to welcome the new minister to the city. This is a beautiful custom and we are glad to join in its observance.
E. D. LANDRETH, Pastor.

Church of the Nazarene
(Ninth Street at Harris Avenue)
The Church of the Nazarene is getting acquainted with its new pastor, Rev. I. C. Mathis, formerly of Fort Worth. A cordial invitation is extended everyone to be in any services of this church.
Rev. James McGraw began his work in Fort Worth last week and Rev. Mathis met the local membership in all services Sunday. The new pastor stated that he and his family were happy to be here, to meet the friendly people and serve the Ballinger church.
Services Sunday are as follows:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Preaching, 11 a. m. Subject, "The Willing and Obedient."
At the evening service at 7 p. m. several Ballinger churches will dismiss and unite in a special welcome service at the Nazarene church. The new pastor will preach on "So Great Salvation."
A welcome to one and all and a prayer that God will make the entire service a blessing to everyone.
I. C. MATHIS, Pastor.

First Christian Church
(Broadway and Murrell)
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Communion service, 11 a. m., by pastor.
Vesper service, 5 p. m.
This church extends a sincere welcome to all who will come and

worship with us.
WALLACE JONES, Pastor.
Eighth Street Presbyterian Church
Sunday, February 12, 1939:
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
11 a. m., morning worship.
6:00 p. m., senior young people.
7:00 p. m., evening worship.
Wednesday:
7:00 p. m., prayer meeting.
CHARLES H. WARD, Pastor.

Church of Christ
(Eighth Street, Bonsall Avenue)
Sunday:
Churches of Christ radio hours, KRBC, 9 a. m. and 3 p. m.; KRLD 10:30 p. m.
Bible classes, 9:45 a. m.
Morning sermon, "Things the Lord Hates." Prov. 6:17-19.
Evening sermon, 7 p. m., "The Nature of the Kingdom of God." Lk. 17:20-21.
"Even a child is known by his doings: Whether his work be pure, and whether it be right." Prov. 20:11.
CLARENCE BRYANT, Minister.

Pentecostal Mission
(1001 Tenth Street)
Prayer meeting every Friday at 7:15 p. m.
Preaching service, Sunday 3 p. m.
Come, worship with us, you will find a warm welcome.
MARTHA V. GABY, Evangelist

Grace Baptist Church
(Eighth Street)
Sunday:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning sermon, 11 o'clock, by Rev. R. B. Purcell, of Pauls Valley, Oklahoma.
Evening worship, 7:30 o'clock, sermon by Rev. Purcell.
Wednesday:
Prayer service, 7:30 p. m. Rev. Max Wilkins, of Crane, will be a guest at this service.

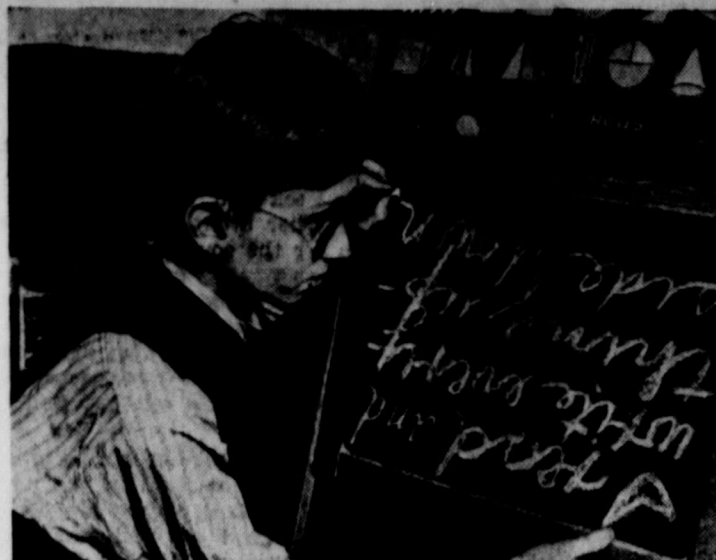
Church of God
(Corner of Sixth and Strong)
Sunday school, 10:00 a. m.
Preaching at 11:00 a. m.
Young people's meeting at 6:30 p. m.
Preaching at 7:00 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:00 p. m.
CHAS. S. BUSH AND WIFE, Pastors
LYDIA COUVISIER, Supt.

Foursquare Gospel Church
(Twelfth Street and Railroad Avenue)
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 o'clock.
Young People's Crusaders service, 7 p. m.
Evangelistic service, 8 p. m.
Prayer meeting, Tuesday, 8 p. m.
A welcome to all.
REV. AND MRS. E. O. CARROLL, Pastors

AVEYS VISITING GRANDSON
Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Avey left today for Beeville to visit their daughter, Mrs. E. B. Underwood, and husband. The main reason for the visit was to see the new grandson, born to Mr. and Mrs. Underwood two weeks ago. Grandpa and Grandma Avey said they could not wait any longer and would spend the week-end with the new boy.

Alfalfa is the king of all hays and is the standard legume roughage, although peanut, soybean, and cowpea hay are good substitutes.

The Whole World Topsy-Turvy to Him



Frank Balek, 12, Chicago youth, sees everything upside-down. He originated his own method of writing by beginning at the bottom, in the lower right hand corner, and writing from left to right. Not only does he read and write in this manner, but objects are also visually upside-down. He is in the fifth grade, and averages 85 in his studies, which indicates that his visual deflection does not impede his educational progress.

MISSIONARY RALLY TO BE HELD BY NAZARENES WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Next Wednesday, February 15, the Ballinger Church of the Nazarene will be visited by the general foreign missionary secretary at an all-day missionary rally. Mr. and Mrs. Warren C. Jones, of Kansas City, will be in charge of the program and will speak in the interest of home and foreign missions. Heavy attendance is anticipated for both morning and afternoon sessions.
Rev. I. C. Mathis, pastor, is making arrangements for the program and extends an invitation to all friends of the church to hear these prominent speakers.
Rev. J. C. Henson, superintendent of the San Antonio district, will also be present and several other notables probably will attend.
Services will commence at 10 a. m., lunch is to be served at the church at noon, and the program will close with a preaching service at 7:30 p. m.

A. O. Strother, Winters attorney, attended to business in Ballinger Tuesday.

Miss Wesley Jane Reese left Sunday for Stephenville, where she enrolled in John Tarleton College.

HATCHEL 4-H BOYS' CLUB

The Hatchel 4-H boys' club has elected officers for the current year and members have started projects which will be conducted during the next several months. Officers are: Glynn McClelland, president; Orville Dodd, vice-president; Owen Handley, secretary; Roy Gentry, local adult leader.

A number of the boys have entered the pig contest for the year and two are taking up baby beef feeding. Members to date are: Deaton Standley, Delbert Standley, Robert McClelland, H. K. Dickson, Glynn McClelland, Mac Certo, James Campbell, Orville Dodd, Owen Handley and Willard Gentry.

The entire membership will go to Mason this month to attend the 4-H club show.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Underwood are the proud parents of a son born Friday at their home in Beeville. Mrs. Underwood is the former Bobbie Marie Avey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Avey of this city.

Mrs. C. F. Bailey went to Fort Worth this week to visit friends and witness a performance of "Idiot's Delight" being presented in that city.

SURPRISE SERVICES WILL BE CONDUCTED AT FIVE CHURCHES

Five local churches will have surprise preachers on the evening of February 19. At a meeting of the Ballinger Ministerial Alliance Tuesday a plan was approved for the five ministers to exchange pulpits that evening and no con-

gregation will know who will be its preacher until time for the service to begin.

The visiting pastor will take charge of the service and conduct it as though he were "at home." Each congregation will be asked to make a special effort to give the visiting preacher a good audience and choirs will arrange special musical programs for the

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Churches participating are the First Christian, Eighth Street Presbyterian, Church of the Nazarene, First Presbyterian and First Methodist.

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IN SOCIETY

Music Club Meets with Mrs. Earnshaw
The Ballinger Music Club met in the Wilke Terrace home of Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw Tuesday evening with Mrs. Wallace Jones presiding over the business period. No definite date has been set for the Hardin-Simmons Stringed Ensemble appearance, but it will be some time in March. This is to be the club's annual guest artist program and will be free to the public. Miss Carmen Demmer, Mrs. Alex McGregor and Mrs. Levy Lee were appointed nominating committee members. Mrs. E. D. Landreth was elected to membership on the second vacancy. Mrs. W. B. Halley was program director on the opera "Lohengrin" by Wagner. Miss Lola Clayton gave highlights in the life of Wagner, and Mrs. L. Scher-

horn told the story. A recording of the beautiful "Prelude" by the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra was played. A four-part arrangement of "Faithful and True" (the Bridal Chorus) was sung by Mrs. Jack Nixon, Jr., Mrs. J. A. Schnable, Mrs. Levy Lee and Mrs. Troy Simpson with Miss Mary Talbot at the piano. In Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh's paper on "Some Famous Prima Donnas" she gave the life stories of Jenny Lind, Schumann-Heink, Galli-Curci, Lily Pons and Kirsten Flagstad. Present were: Misses Clayton, Fay Canady, Demmer, Hattie Mae Dunlap, Maggie Underwood, Wynis Greer, Talbot, Elouise Jones, Clara Beth Lynn, Mmes. Earnshaw, Lee, Arthur Giesecke, Halley, Nixon, Jones, Schermerhorn, Schnable, Stobaugh, Simpson, Layne More-

land, C. R. Stephens, J. F. Currie, Horace Murphy, Elmer Shepperd and L. R. Tigner.

Joint Celebration for Gene Williams and Jane Anderson
Gene Williams and Jane Anderson shared honors Tuesday afternoon on their fourth and third birthday anniversaries when their mothers, Mrs. Alton Williams and Mrs. Wesley Anderson gave a party for them at the Anderson home on Seventh Street. Games were played and pictures taken preceding the refreshment hour when the two pretty cakes were cut and served with ice cream. Children included besides the honorees were: Mary Jo Forman, Deann Saylor, Bonnard Tedley of Dallas, Betty Ruth Davis, Dora Jean Lawless, Billy Sanders, Carolyn Jones, Jimmy Endacott, and Jerry Hooks. Tuckers Are Hosts Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Tucky were hosts to their supper club Monday evening in their home on Broadway. Attractive sugar-plum cherry trees were quartet table center-



ROYAL REUNION
Three-year-old Lance, who was the center of a marital dispute between his parents last summer, being greeted by Count Haugwitz-Reventlow in St. Moritz, Switzerland. Lance's mother is the former Barbara Hutten.

pieces. Red nandina leaves and gilded pine cones in a lovely Italian glass bowl together with tall red tapers on an oval reflector centered the lace-laid dining room table. Other table and game appointments were adorned with hand-painted cherry clusters. The delicious dinner was served in three courses to Messrs. and Mmes. John Stitt, Felton Wright, Claude Collins, P. A. Cobden and J. C. Sturges, Jr.

Sunday School Class Entertains
The young married people's class of the Nazarene Sunday school entertained the Willing Workers' Class with a wiener roast Friday night at city park. Enjoying the affair were: Margaret Collihs, Ida Bell Willis, Billie Hendricks, Rosa Jean Brown, Lois Wilson, Minnie Lea Camp, Dale Brown, Rannels Smith, W. D. Wilson; Messrs. and Mmes. W. T. McQuary, Zan Turner, B. F. Watkins, M. R. Brown; Mrs. Arthur Perry, and Rev. and Mrs. I. C. Mathis.

Mrs. R. J. Hawk Entertains Club
Mrs. R. J. Hawk entertained her contract club Wednesday afternoon with a valentine party in her home on Ninth Street. Potted plants decorated rooms where heart symbols, in art, were used on tallies and score pads. Heart candies accompanied the salad plate with coffee served at the tea hour. Mrs. W. B. May received high score award and Mrs. Ralph Payette that for low. Others included: Mmes. Tommie Hall, G. A. Swann, Joe Eubank, A. C. Glover, O. L. Huddleston, Bynum Britton, Joe Beck, Jr., and James Parrish.

Know Your Neighbor Club in Clark Home
Mrs. Bill Clark was hostess to the Know Your Neighbor Sewing Club Wednesday afternoon in her home on Eleventh Street. Following an hour spent in handwork and chatter a salad plate was served with coffee to: Mmes. Layne Moreland, John A. Barton, Jack Nixon, Sr., Rothal O'Kelly, Cal Adair, Grace Thomas, Malcolm Morgan and Joe Flynt.

NAZARENE WOMEN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS
The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Ballinger Church of the Nazarene met Monday afternoon at the church. The meeting opened with the group singing, "Where He Leads I'll Follow." A season of definite prayer for foreign missionaries followed. The president, Mrs. Zan Turner, led in a round-table discussion of problems and things of interest pertaining to the society and its work. Mrs. I. C. Mathis was elected corresponding secretary to fill a vacancy made when a member recently moved away. The book of Ruth was studied with Miss Minnie Lea Camp in charge. Those present were: Mmes. Tom Arrant, M. D. Freeman, M. R. Brown, Earl Collins Mathis, W. T. McQuary, H. H. James, Arthur Perry, Eva Spoons, Pat Tillery, Turner, H. L. Boyd, Miss Camp and Rev. I. C. Mathis.



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Track Training Started by Local High School Boys

Ballinger high school coaches started track and field training this week and will push runners and other event men into condition for the county interscholastic meet at Winters on March 24 and 25. With the basketball season concluded attention will be centered on track training until the county meet and after that spring football training will get underway. More consideration will be given track this year than in the past and all football players are being urged to come out and take part in sprinting and other running events. In this way coaches think speed will be developed which will help winning in both track and football. A large crew of athletes is out each afternoon and every event on the program at the county meet will be filled with two or three youths. The Ballinger sprinters have a fair chance of going places in track this year as there are a number of fast men on the team. The basketball tournament at Winters ended Saturday night, the Ballinger quintet losing to the Winters Blizzards. The county meet is to be held in two sections this year. The rural school division is scheduled on March 17 and 18, and the A and B high school sections the following week-end. There is a white variety of tomato known as the Snow Ball.

FORMER BALLINGERITE WEDS AT SAN ANGELO
Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Garner are at home in Water Valley, following their marriage Thursday evening in San Angelo in the home of Rev. N. E. McQuire, pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church there. The bride, daughter of Mrs. Mae Shipp of Ballinger, was reared here and until recently was employed as dental assistant at Sanatorium. The bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Garner, of Water Valley, and is employed by the state highway department. Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh, Mrs. W. O. Wallace, Mrs. Frank Atwell and Mrs. Wallace Jones spent Wednesday in Coleman, attending a district missionary institute of Christian churches.

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BALLINGER SCHOOL NEWS
By Mary Jo Webb

Students Sing in Assembly

Friday, February 3, the whole student body enjoyed singing in unison. They were led by Mrs. Lee and Mr. Wright with Creola Henderson at the piano. Songs included "Sailing," "When Mother Nature Sings Her Lullaby" and "Whispering."

After this, Creola Henderson entertained with several piano selections including "When It's Darkness on the Delta" and "St. Louis Blues."

Cue and Curtain Club

The Cue and Curtain Club met

Wednesday, February 1, and saw members of the casts for the plays modeled costumes to be used in them. Those characters whose costumes were completed were Romeo, Paris, Grumio, and the pages. After the costumes were displayed the cast of "Taming of the Shrew" rehearsed.

Basketball

The basketball season has come to a close. Last week our team defeated Coleman 15-17. In the county tournament, they were less lucky. They were eliminated in a game with Winters. The score was 29-33. Our athletes are now preparing for the track season.

Senior Who's Who

Adair, Dillard—A real Bearcat with three stripes on his jacket.

Was eighteen years old last month and still has sound health. Has spent all his eleven school years here. Is going to college, but undecided as to the place. General sports fan.

Braden, James—A tall fellow from Rowena, one mile north, to be exact. He says he's sixteen years old. We think there's a deep dark secret that he was fifteen when school started. James may be our baby senior, but everybody says he is O.K.

Burnett, Carlos—Also known as Freckles, of which he has a few. Was seventeen years old in April and has always gone to school here. Has tooted in the band for five years. Likes tennis and one act plays, having competed in the play field for the last two years.

Anderson, Virginia—Arrived from Barnett her sophomore year and has been a Bearcat rooster since. Has been banner carrier for the pep squad the last two years. Proudly says she will be seventeen next month and is going to C. I. A.

Bankston, Norma Gene—Also arrived her sophomore year from Dallas. Has even tried to blow a bugle for the Bearcats the last two years. Known for her size which amounts to almost exactly nothing. Sometimes known as "Jig," sometimes "Bashful."

Where's That Birdie? Perhaps you've heard that Carlos tries to don Shakespearian tights with his shoes on.

Who's that vocalizing? Loika again. He may be B. H. S.'s Martinelli.

Who's that crawling on the floor? Just Percy looking for a lost button.

Well, of all things! Uncle Doug says he's glad it's a niece.

Who's that communist? Don't mind Sis. She's probably a Democrat at heart.

Anybody want a tooth? Ruby just found out she has too many. Virginia, one never gets too old for a spanking, or does one?

Chicago Paralyzed When Storm Strikes



Thousands of Chicago motorists found their cars buried deep in banks of snow recently when one of the worst storms in the city's history crippled all surface traffic. Approximately 15 inches of snow, whipped by high winds, marooned workers in residential areas. The blinding blizzard resulted in three train wrecks within the city.

Local Firemen Will Be Well Represented At Regional Meeting

A large delegation of Ballinger firemen will go to Brownwood next Tuesday to attend the annual convention of the Hill Country Firemen's Association. The local department will be represented by official delegates, a hose team, and most of the members, who will attend at least part of the sessions.

Chester Cape and O. K. Morgan have been named delegates and George McMillan and J. D. Motley are alternates. Ballingerites will assist in several events on the program. Chief Chester Cherry and Miss Faye Clark speaking during the afternoon session.

Not all members of the local hose team have been selected but a number are working out and six of the best will compete at Brownwood.

Marvin Hall, state fire insurance commissioner, will be one of the principal speakers at the Brownwood meeting. A number of other important officials will be heard and Brownwood colleges will provide entertainment to make up a very attractive program.

After the morning and afternoon sessions the races will be held late in the afternoon. This is to be followed by the annual banquet, and the program will be concluded with a dance at night.

The regional association will be asked to support Chief Cherry for the office of fourth vice-president at the state fire association meeting in June. Ballinger firemen are pushing the candidacy of Mr. Cherry for this office and have lined up much support for the popular local fire chief.

Leon Powell, of Junction, is president of the Hill Country association and John Hankins, of Junction, is secretary. At the Brownwood meeting new officers will be elected to direct the organization during the ensuing year.

PASTORS AND LAYMEN HOLD MEETING HERE

The Runnels County Methodist Pastors' and Laymen's Association met in the First Methodist Church here Tuesday for an all-day program. Rev. Hubert Crane, pastor at Norton, is chairman of the organization and presided at the meeting Tuesday. He opened the session with a devotional which was followed by a sermon at 11 o'clock by Rev. J. T. Knox, pastor at Drasco.

Each delegation attending brought a covered dish lunch and this was supplemented with drinks served by the Ballinger church at the noon hour.

The afternoon business session included reports from the various churches and plans for the summer work.

Dr. S. W. Williams, presiding elder of the Brownwood district, spoke to the pastors during the afternoon on the preparations for summer revivals.

Tuesday evening the young people of the county held their regular monthly meeting at the Norton church.

MEXICAN WOMEN SEEK MONEY FOR REVIVAL

Mrs. Catarina Guevara, president of the Mexican Baptist Missionary Society, is asking for financial aid in order that another minister may be brought to Ballinger to conduct a 15-day revival. The religious campaign would be held both in Ballinger and Bronte. The society meets each Monday at 3 o'clock at the Mexican Baptist church here.

When rayon was first put on the market silk manufacturers declared it was a transient fad.

Donations to Fire Department Total \$115 Since Xmas

The Ballinger fire department has received a number of good donations in recent weeks for its work in downtown fires. Since Christmas a total of \$115 has been given the local firemen and this comes at a time when the department is in need of cash to carry on its activities.

Those making contributions in recent weeks include: J. Y. Pearce, \$35, following the Texas Theatre fire; Bettis & Sturges, \$15, following the flames under control and from spreading to other buildings; J. T. Wiley, \$5, for extinguishing a fire in a servant's house in his back yard; H. Ford Taylor, \$5, for appreciation, and in addition he gave a benefit show at his theatre; H. W. Lynn, \$5, in appreciation of the splendid work done by the department; the Ballinger Rotary Club, \$25, in appreciation of the

department's work; and \$25 several weeks ago from Dr. A. S. Love, owner of the Perry Bros. store building.

Right at this time the firemen are facing considerable expense in sending delegates to the regional meeting at Brownwood Tuesday, and in conducting the state-wide campaign in behalf of their chief for an office in the state firemen's association.

Officers of the department stated that they deeply appreciated every gift and each will be thanked more personally in a letter.

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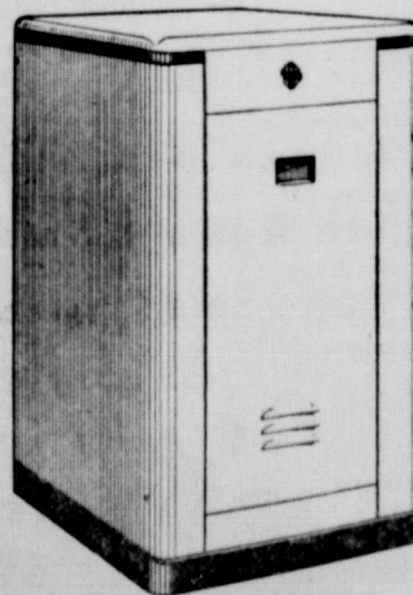
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DEBTIS

Mrs. Anna Elizabeth Martin
Mrs. Anna Elizabeth Martin, 81, died at her home northeast of Benoit today at noon. Arrangements for the funeral were pending word from relatives residing in other states this afternoon, but will be held at the Jennings Funeral Home chapel later this week.

Decedent moved to Rannels county in 1901 from Cedar Creek, Texas, and had made home here ever since. Her husband, S. W. Martin, who passed away on February 10, 1918, was engaged in ranching and farming prior to his death.

Survivors include five sons, Louis and Ross Martin, Talpa; Walter Martin, Stanton; Henry Martin, Rowena; Homer Martin, Barnhart; four daughters, Mrs. Ethel Clayton, Abilene; Mrs. Ethel Cox, Wichita Falls; Mrs. Mattie McDaniel, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Leora Wells, Talpa; a sister, Mrs. Mary Alice Williams, Winters; 28 grand children and 5 great grandchildren.

Jennings Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

J. W. Copeland
Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Winters Church of Christ for J. W. Copeland, 61, mayor and civic worker at Winters for many years. Mr. Copeland died shortly after 6 p. m. Sunday from a heart attack. He had been confined to his home several days with influenza and when he got up from bed fell dead following the heart attack.

Decedent and wife moved to Winters in 1898 and he engaged in freighting between Winters and Ballinger until 1911. Since then he had made home at Winters, engaging in several lines of business and for many years was associated with the Farmers Mercantile Co.

Cleo E. Jones officiated at the funeral service and was assisted by Rev. W. T. Hamor, Baptist pastor. Interment was made in Fairview Cemetery.

Mrs. Copeland died in 1926 and a daughter, Mrs. Beulah Bledsoe, died in 1923.

Survivors include a half-sister, Mrs. Hattie Acree; two sisters, Mrs. D. L. Richardson, of Allen, Oklahoma; and Mrs. R. E. Busby, of Oklahoma; one brother, Henry Copeland, of Arkansas; a half-brother, Earl, of Oklahoma; and three grandchildren.

Fallbearers were W. P. Gardner, Oscar Hobbs, H. O. Jones, Ralph Lloyd, Ramon Lloyd, W. B. McCaughan, L. Hoover and Jack Davis.

Spill Funeral Home (Winters) was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. J. W. Brown
Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Winters Methodist church for Mrs. J. W. Brown, 88, who died Sunday night at her home near Winters. Rev. C. H. Cole was in charge of the last rites and interment was made in Fairview Cemetery.

Decedent was born at Rome, Georgia, and married there. Shortly after her marriage she and her husband with 37 other relatives moved to Ballinger and a few years later Mr. and Mrs. Brown established their home near Winters. Mrs. Brown's brother, A. H. VanPelt, was a pioneer hardware man in this county, operating stores at Ballinger and Winters.

Survivors are three sons, Ed B. Brown, of Winters; Larkin Brown, of Littlefield; and John Francis Brown, of Winters; a foster daughter, Mrs. Ferrell Brown, of Littlefield; two brothers, A. H. VanPelt, of Winters; and J. A. VanPelt, of Little Rock, Arkansas; 23 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren. A fourth son, Oscar A. Brown, was killed in an automobile accident near Littlefield seven months ago.

Spill Funeral Home (Winters) was in charge of arrangements.

B. J. Jenkins
B. J. Jenkins, 78, died at his home in the Crews community at 11 o'clock Tuesday night. He was one of the oldest pioneers of this county, having made home here for 60 years.

A native of Williamson county, decedent moved to Rannels county 60 years ago and had resided in the same community ever since.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon with burial at Content.

Survivors include five sons, L. J. and L. T. Jenkins, of Crews; S. B. Jenkins, of Content; V. G. Jenkins, of San Angelo; C. R. Jenkins, of Artesia, New Mexico; three daughters, Mrs. Ola Johnson, of McCamey; Mrs. Zula Marshall, of Lamesa; and Mrs. Bertha Fleming, of Lamesa. Also surviving are 28 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

Many Popular Nuts Are Grown in This County

Most of our popular varieties of nuts are native Americans. The only real foreigners are English walnuts, filberts, almonds and the big chestnuts from Italy or Japan. No countries in the world are as rich in native nuts as North and South America, declares Martha Harmon in the Philadelphia Record.

Oddly enough, one of the most popular varieties does not happen to be a nut at all, though we call it "cashew nut." It is the external seed of the West Indian cashew fruit, growing at the broad tip of the pear-shaped fruit.

There are peanuts, which we are commonly told are not nuts, either, though botanists say they are. Centuries ago, the peoples of Central America cultivated this plant and a number of varieties have been found buried with their mummies. When blossoms are in full bloom, long root-like stems grow and bury themselves underground and there produce the seeds or nuts. Other names for this nut are goober, groundnut, mani and monkey nut. Like the cashew, chestnut and pistachio, the peanut must be roasted to be edible.

Among the other popular nuts are the hickory nut, chestnut and pecan. Bitternuts and black walnuts are the best-known of the true American walnuts but the timber of the latter tree is so valuable that most of the big wild trees have been cut down for lumber.

Although America is the home of many varieties of nuts, some have not been widely popularized and are hardly known. We think of acorns as hog food, but the Indians made a very good meal or flour from them to use in bread or cakes and some white oaks bear a sweet acorn that can be eaten raw.

The little three-cornered beechnuts are delicious. They grow in northern states. The chinquapin of the south and central states and the chinquapin of California are dwarf chestnuts. Pine or pinon nuts are used largely by the Indians.

Eleven Is Holy Number In Switzerland Center

At Soleure, busy watchmaking center in the Jura, Switzerland, 11 is a holy number, according to a correspondent in the Los Angeles Times. The town, which dates back to 272 A. D., has 11 churches and chapels and 11 public fountains. Marble stairs lead in three times 11 steps to the entrance of the cathedral of St. Ursus, whose interior is adorned with 11 marble altars and 11 bells hang in the belfry.

A medieval clock tower with a complicated timepiece is another feature. The clock shows a king seated on his throne and at his sides stand two figures, one representing a warrior and the other death.

As soon as the hour strikes, His Majesty opens his mouth and counts the strokes of the clock with his scepter; the warrior marks the quarter hours by placing his right arm on his chest, and Death, with a grave nod of his head, reverses his hourglass every 60 minutes.

Black Cat Superstitions

Meet a black cat at the beginning of the morning and at once you have a nice warm feeling that it's going to be a lucky day for you, says a writer in London Tit-Bits magazine. The origin of this pleasant superstition reaches back a long way, to the days of early Egypt. There the cat was regarded as a sacred animal, and, since the majority of the cats were sandy colored or tabby, a pure black cat was held in particular reverence.

Aelurus, the Egyptian deity, was represented by a figure having a human body and a cat's head. Though generally accounted luck-bringers, in the Middle Ages black cats were, on the other hand, associated with witchcraft, and a powerful ingredient of a witch's foul brew was the brains of a newly slaughtered black tom cat. In the East, where cats roam about wild, a black cat passing you on your right side is considered lucky, but on your left, unlucky.

Keystone in Arch Bridge

The stone at the very top of the simpler forms of arch bridge is known as the keystone, since it is the one that holds the whole structure together. The two end stones are called springers. Due to the nature of its construction, with wedge-shaped stones, the arch exerts at its spring, which is the level of the base of the springers, not only a downward weight but also a tendency to spread, which is known as thrust. For an arch to remain stable it is necessary for this thrust to be resisted adequately by abutments, buttresses, or, if the arch is a part of a building, by the walls themselves.

On January 8, 1937, a heavy blanket of snow covered the desert known as the Saguaro National Monument, near Tucson, Arizona.

The hyena's jaws are strong enough to crush hard bones.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Jones are entertaining a fine baby boy at their home on Seventh Street. The young man arrived Saturday morning and he and Mrs. Jones are doing nicely.

USED CLOTHING SOUGHT BY RED CROSS CHAPTER

The Ballinger chapter of the Red Cross has issued an urgent call for used clothing. The supply gathered during Christmas is about gone and many requests are being received for any clothing that can be worn or made over and used.

R. P. Tunnell, chairman of the local organization, stated today that the greatest need is for shoes. He said shoes of any description could be used and that many people were barefooted because this item could not be supplied by the chapter.

Any person with any kind of clothing is urged to bring it to the Tunnell store where it will be sorted and issued to the needy.

SCHOOL COLLECTIONS INCREASE THIS YEAR

Payments of school taxes up to the delinquent date on January 31 were slightly higher than to the same date last year. The 1938 tax rolls totalled \$32,000 and on January 31 a total of \$26,490.10 had been received. A. F. Brock, secretary, stated that the January, 1938, collections were just \$100 higher than for January, 1937.

Dr. and Mrs. Oren Chandler and Jack Nixon, Jr., left this morning for Dallas to attend to business.

Mrs. John Hollingsworth, of Dallas, is visiting Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Douglass and friends here.

C. C. Mass—

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here and stated they anticipated great accomplishments for Ballinger with a united front. It was pointed out that the organization's financial budget could be greatly increased and enough funds made available to carry on an expanded program.

While no formal action was taken, a number of items were proposed which could be included on the approved working schedule of the commercial organization. These included continuation of road improvement, trade exten-

sion, special features, provisions for the entertainment of visitors, and maintaining a shopping place that would compare with that of any city many times the size of Ballinger.

The triumph of the New York Yankees over the Chicago Cubs in the World Series gave the New Yorkers the distinction of being the first club ever to annex three successive world championships.

The Geneva convention of the International Red Cross adopted the Red Cross emblem in 1864.

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176 Size 19c Dozen
Grapefruit 64 Size 4 for 15c
Lettuce 2 Large Heads 15c
Fresh Tomatoes lb. 10c
Cauliflower Head 10c
Fresh Carrots 2 Bunches 5c
Rural Potatoes 10 lbs. 19c

Florida Strawberries Full Pint Box 15c

Mission Flakes Tuna 2 1/2 Size Cans 25c
Purity Oats Pan Toasted 14-oz. Pkg. 5c
Libby's Corned Beef 12-oz. Can 17c

Shortening Texas 4 lb. 39c Maid Ctn. 71c
Airway Coffee Fresh Ground 3 lb. Bag 42c
Edwards' Coffee Drip or Reg. Grind lb. 23c
Mummy Lou Meal 10 lb. Bag 25c 20 lb. Bag 39c

Baking Powder Waldorf Tissue Granulated Soap

SLEEPY HOLLOW SYRUP Pt tin 17c
HOT CAKE FLOUR, Big Hit 3 lb. pkg. 10c
LIPTON'S TEA 1/4 lb. pkg. 23c
WHITE KING SOAP Reg. bar 5c
CAMAAY SOAP 3 bars 17c
BORAX WASHING POWDER Sml. box 5c

BOLOGNA Sliced or Piece lb. 10c
Beef Roast lb. 15c
Sausage Pure Pork lb. 15c
Seven Steak lb. 15c
Pork Roast Shoulder Cut lb. 17c
Dry Salt Jowls lb. 9c
Armour's Star Sliced Bacon Fixed Flavor lb. 29c

Sugar Pure 25 lb. Cloth Bag \$1.25
Kitchen Craft Flour 24 lbs. 65c 48 lbs. \$1.19
Van Camp's Pork & Beans 3 Gt. Cans 25c
Lady Betty Potato Salad 14-oz. Can 10c
Clabber Girl 2 lb. Can 19c
White King 4 Rolls 15c 24-oz. Box 19c

WAVERLY COCOA 2 lb. can 15c
CRISCO, For Baking 3 lb. can 55c
A. Y. BREAD Big 24-oz. loaf 10c
C. H. B. PICKLES 6-oz. jar 10c
BLACK PEPPER, Durkee's 1 1/2-oz. can 5c
VANILLA WAFERS lb. bag 15c
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