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11 New B.C.D. Directors Will be Elected by Ballot

Directors of the Ballinger Board of Community Development met Tuesday night to prepare for closing the activities of the year and to plan the annual banquet to be held on February 9.

A new constitution and by-laws for the organization, which provides for the number of directors and the manner in which they shall be elected, was approved. A nominating committee, composed of H. W. Lynn, Levy Lee and J. A. Killough, was appointed to draw names of eleven on the 1939 board who will be hold-overs in 1940. Those to serve another year are: Loyd Herring, W. O. Wallace, R. T. Williams, R. G. Erwin, F. M. Pearce, Levy Lee, R. T. Hall, Paul Petty, R. E. Bruce, M. B. Healer and H. W. Lynn.

The procedure adopted for selecting the eleven new directors calls for the issuance of a post-card ballot upon which appears the names of 22 candidates. These will be mailed to members of the organization on January 15 and they will vote until January 22 in which to vote for 11 of the 22 and mail the card back to the secretary. On the latter date a tabulation will be made of the returns and the 11 receiving the highest number of votes will be declared elected. As soon as this is done the eleven hold-overs and the new directors will be called to meet and elect officers and name standing committees for the year. All this will be done before the membership banquet on February 9.

The twenty-two nominated for places on the postcard ticket are: Ruel Boswell, Ray Tisdale, A. McGregor, Bill Moore, P. A. Cobden, Wix Currie, Jr., O. C. Sykes, Sam Behringer, Chester Afflerbach, Frank Cameron, George Clements, Jack Hampton, Bailey Mack, Ed Lengfeld, T. J. Mansell, M. H. Morgan, E. P. Talbot, Ben Denny, Ray Kump, J. A. Schnable, John Purifoy, C. D. Middleton.

The program and entertainment committee is going forward with plans for the banquet. It probably will be held at the Central Hotel and Frank P. Holland, Jr., publisher of the Farm & Ranch, Dallas, will be the principal speaker. The committee will hold a meeting soon to select a toastmaster for the occasion and to arrange for entertainment.

An effort will be made to have Mr. Holland come to Ballinger early in the day on February 9 and in the afternoon speak to a joint meeting of the F. F. A. and 4-H club boys of the county.

The directors named O. T. Toney and W. B. Woody as an auditing committee to examine the books of the organization and report back to the board.

Complete plans for the banquet will be announced next week.

Work Continues On Three Wells In This County

Work continued this week on three oil tests in Runnels county and the Tucker-King, newest producer, was on the pump after being officially gauged last week at 187 barrels per day.

Drilling proceeded today on the Tucker-Castor-Fowler at 1,750 feet and good progress is reported. This test is due to be drilled to

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REA Lines Serve 425 Rural Homes In This County

There are 425 families in Runnels county using electricity from the REA lines at this time and a number of others are being added as fast as work on short extensions can be completed. All main lines in the county have been built and service established. The local office has purchased one construction truck and hired two men to make 1,000-foot extensions for prospective customers. A number of these short extensions have recently been completed and Carroll Land, local manager, said the crew would be busy about six more weeks making these extensions, which will add about 25 more customers.

The office in the Farmers & Merchants State Bank building has been closed and a smaller office taken in the Ballinger Electric Company shop. Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Teague are assisting in the office work and will take all telephone calls, receive payments for service and attend to other business when there is no REA employee in the office. Mr. Land stated that customers could remit for their monthly accounts either to the Ballinger office or mail direct to the Coleman office.

All patrons are on meters which are read monthly and statements mailed out soon afterwards. No long extensions are contemplated until the short line work is finished. Groups in several sections have been signing up prospective patrons with the expectation of securing service in the near future.

Rural citizens are still installing new equipment in their homes and will continue until all their needs are supplied. Local dealers who handle appliances expect to sell a large amount of electrical merchandise in the spring, such as water pumps, fans and other items.

Annual Meetings Of Local Banks Reveal Progress

Stockholders and directors of the Farmers & Merchants State Bank assembled Tuesday morning for their annual meeting. At the session of the stockholders one change was made in which Edward Sommer was named a director of the bank for the coming year, increasing the board from five to six members. Other directors reelected are: Mrs. J. F. Currie, R. E. Bruce, J. L. Chastain, R. W. Bruce and C. H. Wylie.

Directors in session following the stockholders meeting reelected Mrs. J. F. Currie, president; R. E. Bruce, vice-president; J. L. Chastain, cashier; Edward Sommer, assistant cashier.

The bank closed a good year on December 30 with an excellent report made when the call for statements was issued on that date. Deposits have increased at this bank and the general condition was pleasing to the stockholders.

The annual meeting of the First National Bank was held Tuesday

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Gray Ghosts of Northland Stalk Camouflaged Foe



Finland has no monopoly on winter camouflage. The reconnoitering Soviet warrior, left, and his dog are both in "winter dress." The white-clad soldier of the northern army blends with the snow-covered background. Right: Carrying knapsacks under white coveralls, these hardy Finnish troops look like hunchbacks as they glide to their posts on the Karelian front. These men have been the terror of the Soviet troops, attacking and fading again like wraiths. Fast moving, they swoop down on isolated parties, attack with machine guns, rifles, pistols and even knives, then disappear.

City Park Grounds Will be Improved By New Plantings

Improvements have been started at city park to put it in the best of condition for the early spring months when the play center will again see heavy use. Holes have been dug for a number of new plantings. These include 10 Arizona cypress, 10 mixed junipers, 4 Baker arbor-vitae, 25 redbuds, 25 pecan trees, 25 rose bushes, 12 crepe myrtle, 3 magnolia, 3 retama and 1 pine. The trees and shrubs are being supplied by the Mike Boyd Nursery and the regular park keeper will plant and care for the bushes and trees.

New rock posts have been erected around part of the grounds next to Elm Creek on the south and this new section will be opened next summer.

City collections for December totaled \$5,108.84, divided as follows: 1939 taxes, \$2,637.56; delinquent taxes, \$191.79; water, \$1,507.71; sanitary, \$117; plumbing, \$16.44; paving receipts from property owners, \$585; miscellaneous, \$2; farm, \$22.80; fines, \$20.20; and occupation taxes, \$8.34.

A survey made by the water department on January 1 showed 18 vacant houses of all types in the city and 9 others occupied but without water connections. The city has about 1,100 water meters in service in the corporate limits at the present time.

Regular street work was continued last month, several blocks receiving caliche base preparatory to paving.

1940 Motor Numbers For Runnels County Are Delivered Here

The new 1940 automobile number plates for Runnels county were received this week. A truck unloaded the plates in the office of W. A. Forgy, tax assessor-collector, and they are ready to be issued when the time for payment starts on February 1.

Car owners have two months in which to purchase number plates, February 1 to April 1. While the sale of numbers starts February 1, it is unlawful to put them on cars before March 1 and also unlawful not to have them on by April 1.

The new passenger numbers are white with purple figures and will run from 999-351 to A04-850. The shipment for passenger cars totaled 5,000 and this number is expected to last during 1940.

For commercial cars 600 were received from 168-801 to 169-400.

Farm trucks was also for 600, running from 99-801 to 100-400. Trailer numbers will run from 41-751 to 41-900, 150 being included in the shipment.

Additional numbers included in the shipment are 10 for motorcycles, 3 for motorcycles with side cars and 12 dealers' plates.

R. W. Earnshaw left Monday for Christoval, where he is taking treatment and thermal baths several days. He had been ill at his home in Wilke Terrace since before Christmas.

There are approximately 230,000 traffic signs on Texas highways.

Parents of Local High School Band Form Association

A meeting of parents of Ballinger Bearcat band members was held at the band hall Friday evening for the purpose of forming a permanent organization. The meeting was well attended, practically all parents of band members being present. School officials and Bandmaster Gurthall Gilligan discussed the purpose of the organization and the various ways in which parents could assist the band in its work.

A vote was unanimous to form the organization and Dewey Campbell was elected president; Mrs. F. M. Pearce, vice-president; Mrs. Tom Agnew, secretary; and Mrs. M. McGregor, treasurer. The officers will appoint necessary committees at an early date and activities of the group will begin at once. The first service to the band will be in helping the sale of tickets for the concert at the high school auditorium tomorrow (Friday) evening, which is presented to raise money to help defray expenses of a band clinic to be held here in February. Prof. D. O. Wylie, of Texas Technological College, Lubbock, is to be in charge of the clinic.

The association will also assist in providing transportation for the members when out-of-town trips are made and in providing chaperones for these trips. There is no fee for membership in the organization and every parent of a band member is invited to join.

Mr. Gilligan announced at the meeting that in the future the membership of the first band would be held to 80. A second band will be for training and as members graduate or drop out of the first band for other reasons, members will be promoted from the second band to take their places and keep the membership of the No. 1 band at 80.

For the next several months the band will be unusually busy because of the state and national contest to be held in the spring and all numbers for that event to be rehearsed, marching drilled and soloists groomed for the special numbers.

HEALTH NURSE ATTENDING INSTITUTE AT SAN ANTONIO

Miss Sarah Harwell, county health nurse, left Wednesday for San Antonio, where she is attending a maternity and hygiene institute the last three days of the week. She intends to return to Ballinger Sunday night.

Miss Harwell made regular inspections in the Rowena schools Monday, and accompanied by Mrs. W. E. Moss, attended the Winters Lions Club meeting Tuesday noon to offer plans for the infantile paralysis campaign. The Winters club will assist in the "Parade of Dimes" and do other work in the campaign the remainder of this month.

DUCKS ARE PLENTIFUL BUT SEASON IS CLOSED

The last cold wave brought many ducks to this section but hunters are "out of luck" as the season is closed. A large number of green heads have been reported on tanks and streams the past few days and it is the first time in several years that this species of duck has been here in numbers.

Tax Collections Heavy for Three Months of 1939

W. A. Forgy, county tax assessor-collector, stated Monday that tax collections were far ahead of the total for the same period last year, possibly 60 per cent having been paid to date. Heavy payments were received in October when discounts of 3 per cent were offered. The amount to be collected during the remaining days of January is much less than for the same period last year because of the early payments.

There is still due to be a heavy rush of poll tax payments before January 31. At the end of December a total of 1,107 had been issued as compared with 765 for the year before. This year more than 5,000 should be paid in the county with election year coming up which invariably adds to the total.

County tax collections in October were \$46,975.36 as compared with \$10,530.02 for the same month in 1938. All other collections were in about the same proportion. More than \$90,000 in state and county taxes were collected for the last three months of 1939. These amounts are less the discounts given for early payments.

SINGERS WILL MEET AT CONTENT SUNDAY

Members of the Tri-County Singing Association will meet at Content Sunday afternoon. The program will start at 2 o'clock and many groups have been invited to participate. Mrs. Spurgeon Thompson, secretary of the association, also extends an invitation to the public to attend.

Dr. Bailey Builds Home on Fifth; Others Improving

Cement workers began pouring the concrete foundation for a modern home for Dr. Charles F. Bailey on Fourth Street Monday. The residence will be a two-story structure of eight rooms.

W. L. McAdams is the contractor and will push the work as fast as possible. Unfavorable weather has caused several delays in getting started but excavations have been completed and forms set for the foundation.

The Jack Holt residence on Eighth Street is nearing completion and will soon be occupied. Most of the exterior work has been completed and interior finishing has been started.

Numerous other jobs for minor improvements in homes as well as several on business property are underway. Building of a new front for the W. A. Nance building is well along and work on the inside will be done to make the building modern. Painters began work on the front of the Lawrence Motor Co. building Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sturges, Jr., returned Monday from Fort Worth, where Mr. Sturges attended a shoe salesmen's convention.

Miss Faye Marburger, of Abilene, moved here this week. She is employed as bookkeeper by the Hicks Rubber Co.

1939 Fire Loss \$14,097 Secretary's Report Shows

Crippled Children Benefits Started; Dance January 30

A number of Ballinger people are planning events in connection with the President's Birthday celebration to raise money for crippled children. Tom Caudle, general chairman for the county, this week initiated the "Parade of Dimes" and several hundred cards which have slots for ten dimes each have been distributed to firms and individuals. Mr. Caudle hopes to have 500 of these cards filled and mailed direct to the president before January 30.

Sale of a small coat lapel emblem began this week and good response is reported. These little emblems, resembling "coats of arms" with an inscription at the top, "Fight Infantile Paralysis," and the picture of a dime at the bottom, sell for ten cents or more each. There are also 500 of these for sale in all state and firms and individuals will aid the committee in disposing of the emblems.

Committees will do intensive work from January 15 until the last day of the month and every person is asked to cooperate. Part of the proceeds from the various money raising schemes will be kept in the local treasury to be used in caring for crippled children in Runnels county. Several children were sent to hospitals last year and funds from this source used in paying the expenses.

A meeting of the Ballinger Business and Professional Women's Club will be held tonight to make plans for the annual birthday ball. This will climax events in connection with the celebration and every effort will be made to have a large crowd of dancers on the floor the night of January 30.

Following the meeting this week definite arrangements will be made for the ball. Last year the club members served a dinner and presented a floor show, followed by dancing.

County Meet Will Attract Thousands Here March 22-23

March 22 and 23 will be big days in Ballinger when several thousand school students come here for the annual county meet. Last week Director General Nat Williams sent a questionnaire to all rural school principals, submitting a plan to hold all sections of the meet for both high schools and rural schools on the same day. The plan was accepted by the rural school leaders and if oked by the directors of the league will be set.

The plan to be used will reverse the schedule of events for the rural schools with all athletic events and outdoor contests on the first day, while high school divisions are having literary events. The second day, when high schools take to the track and courts, the rural literary contests will be held in the buildings. In this way all events can be held in one week-end where in the past two separate week-ends have been required.

School heads are anxious to get the plans perfected as soon as possible and the new proposal will probably meet with instant approval of the directors.

All track and field events will be held at Bearcat Field and literary events will be presented in the senior and junior high schools. All tennis courts in the city will be used.

"The Star Spangled Banner" did not officially become the American national anthem until 1931.

D. G. Posey, secretary of the Ballinger fire department, has prepared the annual report for 1939, disclosing losses for the 12-month period to have been \$14,097.05. The total value of the buildings and contents where fire occurred is placed at \$84,600, and insurance in force totalled \$48,700.

The heaviest loss was from the conflagration which destroyed the Texas Theatre early in the year. Except for this, damage was slight in the other 24 alarms answered by the local firemen.

During the year a total of 6,900 feet of hose was laid in combating fires, and 7 hours and 15 minutes were actually spent in pumping water. The motors on pumps were operated a total of 20 hours and 15 minutes. During the year nine members had a 100 per cent record of attendance at all meetings, drills and fires, and several others were practically perfect.

Average attendance for the entire company at meetings was 89 per cent and at fires the attendance was 95 per cent.

The department was represented at all state and district association meetings during 1939 and at the state fire school. The members devoted time to fire prevention, conducting two campaigns in the city, and doing other work. The department had an active membership of 25 during the past year and an advisory board served in many ways.

F. F. A. REPRESENTATIVES AT DISTRICT MEETING

Representatives of the Ballinger F. F. A. chapter attended the district meeting at San Angelo Friday. Regular ceremonies marked the opening after which speakers were presented for the talks.

Bill Gregory, of Junction, chapter advisor, and K. Cowser, of Junction, discussed various work included in the program, and explained the Lone Star Chapter contest. J. B. Rutland, of Austin, state supervisor, was the main speaker of the evening.

Members of the Ballinger unit visited the C. O. D. Grocery the past week-end to observe the creamery's method of making butter. The boys were allowed to study the equipment and the sanitary practices followed in making and handling the product.

This week the boys will visit a local hatchery to study the incubation of baby chicks.

Teachers of Area To Attend Meeting February 2 and 3

A large number of teachers in Runnels county will attend the annual meeting of the Mid-Texas Educational Association at San Angelo on February 2 and 3. The host city is expecting to entertain about 1,500 teachers for the two days.

Officers of the organization are preparing the program, which will include some of the most prominent educators in the Southwest as speakers. There will be three professional luncheons on the open-day for different sections and an

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Women's Society and Club News

Mrs. Isbell is Honor Guest

Mrs. Theodore Isbell, the former Miss Elva Sykes, was named guest of honor last Thursday afternoon by Mrs. Chester Cherry, Mrs. Owen Dorsey and Mrs. E. P. Talbott, when they entertained with a beautifully appointed gift tea in the Talbott home on Sixth Street.

Mrs. Cherry invited guests into the living room which had been given a lovely floral decoration of carnations and gladioluses, all in pink and white. Others in line were Mrs. Talbott, Mrs. Dorsey, Mrs. Isbell and her mother, Mrs. Lee Sykes.

Mrs. Clarence A. Morton was at the dining room arch entrance where all appointments were in deep red. A low silver bowl of sweet peas centered the table laid in imported lace. Silver tea and coffee services at the ends were presided over by Miss Nell Shepperd and Miss Vhelma Parrish. A beautiful arrangement of pyroantha berries and potted poinsettias were used on the buffet. Others assisting in passing a plate of cake iced in white with red mints, salted nuts and pansy favors were Mrs. K. V. Northington, Mrs. Robert Lowry, Mrs. Marion Connelly, Mrs. Tom Guin, Miss Zelta Spreen and Mrs. Vernon Webb.

Mrs. O. R. Lasater directed callers from the dining room to the bride's book, where Miss Ena Talbott registered them.

Beautiful miscellaneous gifts were displayed in a back room where adieus were spoken by Mrs. Elmer Shepperd.

Orchestra music was furnished by K. V. Northington, Jr., Clara Beth Lynn, Guy Lively, Bobby Northington, Jack Bandy and Alexander McGregor.

Others included: Mmes. L. Schermerhorn, E. E. Avey, E. M. Eubank, C. W. Jennings, Drury Hathaway, Roy Worley, James Parrish, J. H. Wilke, J. W. Biadell, Troy Simpson, W. B. May, L. R. Tigner, Paul Kirk, David R. Hall, C. D. Mills, Joe Beck, Jr., Dick Ayres, Paul Petty, R. F. Zedlitz, George McMillan, O. L. Huddleston, Levy Lee, J. H. Parrish, C. P. Shepherd, C. J. Lynn, Sam Malone, W. A. Nance, Joe Osterlag, J. L. Moreland, C. W. Evans, Clyde Davis, W. A. Bridwell, D. G. Posey, H. G. Agnew, George Stengel, W. O. Wallace, Mary Spreen, O. T. Toney, O. C. Sykes, R. T. Williams, A. F. Brock, Myra Smith, R. G. Erwin, J. F. Currie, B. N. Wilke of San Angelo, W. A. Forgey, Henry Jones, B. C. Kirk, R. P. Canady, Royal Bishop, E. S. Cox, Henry Doss, Joe Eubank, Ernest Miller, R. J. Hawk, Estes Lynn, W. M. Hill, Carol Potter, J. W. Moore, Lee Butler, Ralph McShan, J. N. Nutt, J. A. Williams, W. T. Crockett, J. W. Black, J. S. Jones, Jack Scales, R. E. George, R. F. Lane, George Holman, E. C. Grindstaff, H. T. Forson, J. D. Forman, James Wear, L. L. Strobble, Odie Barrington, Willie Stephens, R. T. Williams, Fred Holliday, Joe Forman, J. A. Killough, Stanley Gray, Oscar Harber, E. E. King, A. B. Stobaugh, R. E. White, E. W. Stansley, M. B. Wardlaw, G. A. Swann, Edgar Boelsche, T. J. Parrish, W. V. Connelly, Sam Malone, Jr., Misses Samantha and Lula McElroy, Marie Norwood, Nanell Jones, Griffie Atkins, Mickey Bishop, Lola Eubank, Merna Sue Clark, and Eleanor Williams.

Shakespeare Club Elects Officers
Mrs. Edgar Boelsche was elected president of the Shakespeare Club for the 1940-1941 club season Thursday afternoon at the regular business and program meeting held in the club room on Eighth Street. Mrs. R. T. Williams was in the chair. To serve with her are: vice-president, Mrs. J. B. Stripplin; recording secretary, Mrs. Claude Collins; corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. P. Shepperd; treasurer, Mrs. Nat Williams; critic, Mrs. F. C. Miller; parliamentarian, Mrs. J. M. Skinner; and historian, Mrs. Tom Agnew.

Sew and Chat Entertained by Mrs. Albright
Potted narcissus gave added beauty to the new home of Mrs. J. E. Albright on Seventh Street last Thursday afternoon when Sew and Chat Sewing Club members were her guests.

Pal gifts were exchanged, old names revealed and new ones drawn.

A dessert plate was served with coffee to: Mmes. D. R. Causey, M. A. Foy, Henry Moody, Fred McKay, Gurthall Gilligan, W. R. Murphy, Jr., Leon Russell and R. W. Balke.

Mrs. Mike Wright Hostess to Club
Mrs. Mike Wright was hostess

to Ace of Clubs members last Thursday afternoon in her home on Tenth Street.

Fragrant narcissus blooms decked rooms where a floral motif was stressed in game appointments with Mrs. Edward Sommer winning high score prize, Mrs. W. E. Moss second high, and Mrs. H. G. Agnew the low.

A dessert plate with mints was served. Others included: Mmes. Jack Rogers, Roy Miller, E. C. Grindstaff, J. D. Forman, Royal Bishop and Rothal O'Kelly.

Club in Chandler Home
Mrs. Charles Evans of Houston was the only added guest Friday afternoon when Mrs. Oren Chandler was hostess to contract club members in her pretty home on Broadway.

A dessert plate was served with coffee following games in which Mrs. Ford Taylor was high score winner. Others were: Mmes. W. B. Woody, Leonard Stallings, Jack Rudd, J. C. Sturges, Jr., Loyd Herring, and George Golightly of San Angelo.

Mrs. Harshaw Complimented
Mrs. John Weeks and Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw paid a pretty compliment to Mrs. Myra Harshaw of Long Beach, California, when the Earnshaw home in Wilke Terrace was the scene of a morning coffee on Friday.

Pink and white cyclamen and primrose plants gave floral beauty to the spacious living room. Pink and white carnations and baby's breath with long trailers of lace fern were arranged in a low silver bowl to center the dining table laid in Normandy lace where Mrs. Claude Stone, Mrs. Tom Agnew and Mrs. J. B. Stripplin served plates. Mrs. Troy Simpson poured coffee from the serving table. Pink gladioluses decorated the buffet.

A gift of Pickard china went to Mrs. Harshaw, who is the house guest of her daughter, Mrs. Tom Agnew. Others included were: Mmes. A. C. Haynes, L. R. Tigner, R. W. Bruce, Warren Lynn, B. C. Kirk, Ed O'Kelly, Elmer Shepperd, Hamp Byler, James Wear, J. G. Douglass, M. B. Wardlaw, Edgar Boelsche, E. W. Stansley, C. P. Shepherd, E. C. Baskin, C. L. Hagan, J. F. Currie, Tom Caudle, Davis R. Hall and Miss Alice Morgan.

Mrs. Grandstaff Hostess at Ranch
Mrs. George Grandstaff entertained her contract club last Friday afternoon and a few added guests in her ranch home twenty miles east of Ballinger.

New Year's accessories were used for games with Mrs. Gus Barr winning high club score award and Mrs. Herbert Sledge high guest.

A salad course was served with coffee. Others included: Mmes. P. A. Nixon, Tom Guin, Jack Scales, Sam Malone, Jr., Buster Parrish, John Hollingsworth, George J. Stengel, and Miss Dorothy Lynn.

Bob Wright is Host
Bob Wright was host to a group of friends last Saturday evening in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Felton Wright on Crosson Avenue, with a dinner and dance.

Red candles in low white holders were centerpieces for quartet tables when the Valentine motif was suggested in place cards. June and Buddy Wright assisted their mother in serving the dinner in three courses. The piece de resistance was baked wild turkey, killed by the host.

Included were: Mary Lynn, Ellen Jo Early, Mary Lou Davis, Ann Creasy, Virginia Denny, Marjorie McGregor and Earlene Webb. John A. Killough, Claude R. Stone, John Miller, Lanham Flynn, Don McGregor, James Stripplin, Herbie Fulcher, and J. B. Dankworth.

Dr. and Mrs. Baskin Compliment
Out-of-town Guests
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ezell of Hamlin, who were week-end house guests of Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Baskin, were honored with a dinner Saturday evening in the Baskin home on Sixth Street. Dr. Baskin and Mr. and Mrs. Ezell were childhood friends in Alabama.

Carnations and lovely potted plants gave floral charm to rooms where pink sweet peas centered foursome tables and were arranged in a beautiful crystal centerpiece on a reflector for the dining table laid in handsome cut work. Green candles burned in low silver holders. Reflector name cards marked places.

Miss Eugenia Baskin and Miss Edwina Gilbert of Hamlin assisted in serving the delectable four-course menu.

Others included: Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Douglass, Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Halley, Messrs. and Mmes. C. P. Shepperd, Paul Trimmier, John A. Weeks, Warren Lynn, E. J. Hardgrave of San Angelo, R. G. Erwin,

Mrs. J. F. Currie, and Mrs. Myrta Harshaw of Long Beach, California.

Julius Killough is Five
Mrs. J. A. Killough was assisted by Mrs. E. Shepperd, Mrs. Leroy McAuley, Mrs. John Barton and Mrs. B. F. Kemp last Friday afternoon when she gave a party for her son, Julius, on his fifth birthday anniversary in their home on Eighth Street.

Indoor games gave diversion preceding the refreshment hour. The pretty white birthday cake with small pink candles, which centered the dining table was cut and served with big nickels and candies.

Children included the honoree, Cyrena Stowe, Patricia Zappe,

Gwendolyn Williams, George W. McAuley, Sally Bailey, Fred and Robert Holliday, Jimmy Nixon, Everitt James Grindstaff, Mary Lou Fields, Dian Tuckey and Arabella Toney.

Dr. and Mrs. Halley Honor Grand O. E. S. Officer

Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Halley were hosts at a beautifully appointed four-course six o'clock dinner Monday evening at the Nash House on Eighth Street to compliment Mrs. Kate Creath of San Angelo, deputy grand matron, district five, section one, of the Order of Eastern Star of Texas.

Name tags attached to nut cups in red and white, marked places at three oval tables centered with red cyclamen and primrose plants.

Following the invocation by Mrs. Beulah Rape, Dr. Halley introduced Mrs. Creath and other out-of-town guests, Mrs. Laura Ferguson, Mrs. Edith Findlater, Mrs. W. H. Schleyer and Mrs. Grace Sutton, all of San Angelo.

Others included were: Dr. and Mrs. Charles Bailey, Mmes. J. Y. Pearce, Alex Saunders, L. R. Tigner, A. L. Fuller, T. J. McCaughan, G. P. Teague, J. W. Black, J. A. Osterlag, Billie Cordill, Chester Cherry, O. R. O'Neill, H. G. Agnew, Troy Simpson, Misses Agnes Glover, Griffie Atkins, Lola Eubank, Pauline Morley and Edna Mae Lowry, and Paul Petty.

Killoughs Are Honor Guests
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Killough

were surprise honor guests Monday evening at an affair given by Mr. and Mrs. Ignac Krc at their ranch home near Pony.

After a delicious three-course dinner, the entire force of the J. C. Penney Company store arrived for games of forty-two and Chinese checkers.

Others present were: Mr. and Mrs. Sid Jones, Mmes. Herbert Cotton, Mollie Morgan, Vernon Webb, Miss Gladys Fry, J. C. Johnson, Morris Ballew, C. E. Maedgen, Charles Webb and Julius Killough.

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BEHIND THE OVEN DOOR
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Flour Gold Medal 48 lbs. \$1.79 24 lbs. 93c 12 lbs. 53c

Wheaties 2 Pkgs. 23c Kix 2 Pkgs. 23c

Pinto Beans 10 lbs. 49c Peaches No. 2 1/2 can 10c

Peanut Butter Plymouth Qt. 25c Mortons Sugar Cured Salt 10 lb. Can 75c Oleo Rio 2 lbs. 25c

Shortening lb. pkg. 9c CRACKERS Saltines 1 lb. Box 15c Flour Acme 48 lbs. \$1.49

Salad Dressing Plymouth Qt. 23c Toilet Soap Palmolive bar 5c Coffee Folger's 1 lb. 25c 2 lbs. 50c

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Steak Fancy Loin lb. 20c

Bacon No. 1 Dry Salt lb. 10c

Cheese 2 lb. Box 48c

Sausage Pure Pork lb. 12 1/2c

Bacon Dexter's Sliced lb. 20c

Hens Dressed and Drawn Each 49c

Roast Fancy Chuck lb. 15c

Pork Chops lb. 15c

Bacon Sugar Cured lb. 17c

Peas Green Giant 303 size can 15c

Corn Del Maiz 2 12 oz. cans 25c

Tamales Gebhardt's Tall Can 10c

Chili With Beans Gebhardt's No. 1 Can 2 Cans 25c

Corn Beef Can 19c Potted Meat 2 Cans 9c

Vienna Sausage 2 Cans 19c Beets No. 2 Can 25c

Asparagus Picnic Cans 19c

Tissues Seminole 3 Rolls 19c

Blackeyed Peas 5c
Pork and Beans Silver Valley Can
Lima Beans
Red Kidney Beans

Chimneys No. 2 2 for 15c

Brooms Good Value 21c

Mustard Plymouth Qt. 9c

Woodroof's January Clearance!

Listing But a Few of Hundreds of Items to be Closed Out—Making Room for Spring Goods!

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| <p>Men's Work Shoes</p> <p>values to \$2.45. Broken sizes but a real buy at only</p> <p>\$1.49</p> | <p>Men's Fast Color Dress Shirts</p> <p>Standup collars. New patterns in sizes 14 to 17. 89c value</p> <p>59c</p> | <p>Odd Lot Men's, Boys' DRESS SHIRTS</p> <p>Broken sizes, to close out</p> <p>25c</p> | <p>Hundreds of Yards of REMNANTS</p> <p>To go at only</p> <p>Half Price</p> | <p>LADIES' SLIPS</p> <p>49c value, rayon taffeta, sizes 32 to 44, on sale at only</p> <p>25c</p> | <p>Children's ANKLETS</p> <p>General assortment</p> <p>5c</p> | <p>Table of Fast Color Prints</p> <p>Fancy, solid colors, new for spring</p> <p>9c</p> | <p>25% Wool Single Blankets</p> <p>Solid colors, a real buy at only</p> <p>\$1.49</p> | | |
| | | <p>Men's, Boys' Fancy SWEATERS</p> <p>Values to \$2.45, to close out</p> <p>\$1.29</p> | <p>Men's Leather Palm WORK GLOVES</p> <p>Reinforced back and finger tips, 49c value</p> <p>29c</p> | <p>JACKETS</p> <p>One lot of boys' and youth's winter sizes 8 to 18, sold up to \$2.45, sale price</p> <p>98c</p> | <p>Pure Thread Silk HOSIERY</p> <p>Chiffon weight, sizes 8 1/2 to 10 1/2</p> <p>29c</p> | <p>CHILDREN'S DRESSES</p> <p>Solid colors, purse to match, sizes 2 to 6, also fancy fast color prints, sizes 7 to 14</p> <p>59c</p> | <p>Table of Women's and Children's Rubber Footwear</p> <p>Odd lots of 98c goods. To go at only</p> <p>29c</p> | <p>Women's, Misses' RAYON PANTIES</p> <p>7c</p> | <p>Indian Design BLANKETS</p> <p>on sale</p> <p>89c</p> |
| | | <p>Boys' Bootees</p> <p>Sizes 3 to 6, large boys' sizes, sold up to \$3.45</p> <p>\$1.50</p> | | <p>WOMEN'S SHOES</p> <p>Odds and ends in straps, ties, pumps, etc. To close out</p> <p>39c</p> | | | | | |

Women's, Society and Club News

Urbanek-Halfmann Wedding Solemnized in Olfen Church

Miss Elizabeth Halfmann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otto J. Halfmann, became the bride of William Urbanek, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Urbanek of Rowena, last Wednesday morning at 8:30 o'clock. The double ring ceremony was performed in St. Boniface Church at Olfen, the pastor, the Rev. G. A. Boeckman, reading the marriage vows. Miss Elsie Hafernik presided at the organ console for the wedding music.

Miss Gladys Hoelscher was maid of honor and the bridesmaids were Miss Adela Urbanek and Miss Mabel Greger. Raymond Halfmann was best man and Edward Halfmann groomsmen. The flower girl was little Miss Dorothy Ann Kloesel and the ring bearer was Melvin Halfmann.

The bride, who entered with the groom, wore a gown of white satin designed princess style with a high standing collar. Lace inserts on the sleeves and bodice and satin covered buttons down the back trimmed the gown. The long tulle veil edged in point lace was caught at the head with a coronet of pearls and orange blossoms. Her jewelry was a gold locket, a gift of the groom. She carried a bouquet of calla lilies showered with lilies of the valley and fern.

The gowns of the maid of honor, the bridesmaids and flower girl were identical fashioned of satin, girde style with full skirts. They wore gold sandals and necklaces. They carried bouquets of mixed flowers and matching flowers in their hair. The maid of honor's dress was of gold satin, Miss Urbanek wore light blue, Miss Greger pink, and the flower girl's was of orchid. The groom and his attendants wore dark suits, with boutonnières of violets and fern. The ring bearer carried the rings on a white satin pillow.

After mass the bride was escorted to the Blessed Virgin altar by Miss Elsie Hafernik and Miss Eileen Greger, and there made the act of consecration and was presented a statue of the Blessed Virgin.

The following guests were entertained at the home of the bride's parents, for an all-day celebration: the Rev. G. A. Boeckman, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. F. J. Pokluda and the Rev. Carl Knapp of Rowena, Mr. and Mrs. John Urbanek of Rowena, Mrs. Lizzie Greger of Rowena; the families of B. B. Hoelscher, Hugo Halfmann, Lawrence Reinders; Miss Mary Halfmann, George Greger, Wilfred Harrill, Wilbert Bruggman, all of Westphalia; Raymond Urbanek of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Halfmann of Crane; Mr. and Mrs.

Dark Victory



Blind since birth, Miss Lillian Hillman of New York saw a lifetime ambition realized recently when she was given a specially written part in a new Guild Theater play, "The World We Make."

Greger, Mr. and Mrs. John Lenz of Ballinger; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Halfmann, Mr. and Mrs. August Halfmann, the family of Lawrence Halfmann, Joe Kahlig, Ben Holtman, A. W. Hoelscher, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Eggemeyer, all of Olfen; Miss Christine Lenz of Ballinger, Mr. and Mrs. R. Mats-

chek, George Schwertner of Rowena, Oscar Rehnel and Miss Catherine Mullen and Tom Halfmann, of Crane; and Miss Bobbie Hafernik, of Olfen.

A dance was given at night in the Olfen hall. Showers were given by the Children of Mary Sodality and relatives and friends of the bride and groom. Court St. Monica No. 1262 gave the bride a picture of the last supper.

The bridal couple left for a honeymoon to South and East Texas. The bride's going-away costume was purple wool with black fur jacket and black accessories.

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District Deputy Visits O. E. S. Chapter

Mrs. Kate Creath of San Angelo, district deputy matron of the Order of Eastern Star of Texas, made her official visit to Ballinger Chapter 266, Monday evening.

Mrs. Rama Saunders and Paul Petty were in the East for the regular opening ceremonies in the chapter room decorated in potted plants and nardina berries. Mrs. Troy Simpson accompanied by Miss Lola Eubank, sang brief welcomes to grand officers as they were presented in the East. They were Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Halley and Mrs. Edith Findlater of San Angelo, past grand patron and matrons of Texas; Mrs. Creath and Mrs. Kathleen Bailey, a member of the grand committee on chapters and dispensations. Mrs. Halley is also secretary of the board of directors of the O. E. S. Home at Arlington.

Mrs. Rachel Boswell was conducted through the initiatory rites by Mrs. Beulah Rape as conductress.

Following the business session, Mrs. Creath made her official report which concluded with an address on "Loving Kindness." Miss Pauline Morley presented chapter gifts to the grand officers.

Visitors were present from Norton, Winters, Dallas, DeLeon and San Angelo.

During the social hour a dessert plate was served with coffee.

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Christian W. M. S. Meets in Circles

The women of the First Christian Church met in two circle groups at the church on Broadway Monday afternoon, with the early hours being spent in quilting.

Fifteen members heard the Circle One program on "The Task of Evangelism," led by Mrs. W. O. Wallace. Mrs. Frank Atwell discussed the fellowship phase and Mrs. J. R. Lusk the layman's part in evangelism.

Mrs. Charles Bailey was leader for the Circle Two program and gave the devotional. Mrs. Riley Jackson talked on "United Serving in Our Homeland"; Mrs. J. E. Albright, "Evangelism in China"; and Mrs. Marvin Clark, "Evangelism in the Congo Forrest."

Ten members were present.

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Delphian Chapter Meets With Mrs. F. C. Miller

The Alpha Mu Delphian Chapter continued its study of the French drama in the home of Mrs. F. C. Miller on Seventh Street Tuesday afternoon.

Racine's "Athalia" was the specific play studied with Mrs. Ford Taylor directing the program and discussing the plot and sources. Mrs. O. R. Lasater's topic was the introduction; Mrs. R. T. Williams was the "Beginning of Action—Athalia's Demands Through Matron;" and Miss Florence Westbrook's was "Jeholada Plan—the Outcome."

Others present were Mrs. Chester Cherry and Mrs. Edgar Boelsche.

Sky Beauty



Mona Friedlander, beautiful 25-year-old London girl, was selected among the eight British women pilots who will ferry new army planes from factories to airdromes.

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First Presbyterian Circles Meet

Mrs. Frank Pearce, chairman of Circle One of the First Presbyterian Women's Auxiliary, was hostess to nine members in her Eighth Street home Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Alex McGregor, program

leader, gave the devotional and conducted a round table discussion on the foreign missions budget.

A social hour concluded the meeting.

Circle Two, of which Mrs. P. A. Cobden is chairman, met with Mrs. Estes Lynn in her home on Eleventh Street. Mrs. Chester Cherry, leader, was assisted by Mrs. Jack McGregor, Mrs. Grace Thomas, Mrs. Warren Lynn, Mrs. George Holman, Mrs. Tom Hill and Mrs. Estes Lynn in discussing the foreign missions budget.

Eleven were present for the program and social hour.

Circle Three, Mrs. Victor Miller, chairman, postponed this meeting until the fifth Monday.

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Mrs. Warren Lynn Entertains Forty-Two Club

Mrs. Warren Lynn was hostess to her forty-two club Tuesday afternoon in her home on Fifth Street.

Potted narcissus, cyclamen, poinsettia and azalea plants gave color and fragrance to rooms where tables were prettily appointed for games.

The hostess, assisted by Mrs. Tom Agnew, Mrs. Paul Trimmer and Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw, served

delicious refreshments in two courses at the tea hour.

Included were: Mmes. Myrta Harshaw of Long Beach, California, John Weeks, Ed O'Kelly, C. P. Shepherd, J. F. Currie, Hamp Byler, James Wear, B. C. Kirk, E. C. Baskin, J. G. Douglass, R. W. Bruce, E. L. Hagan, and Elmer Shepperd.

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Mrs. Albert Morgan Hostess to Sew Gay Pals

The following new officers were elected by Sew Gay Pals Tuesday afternoon when they met with Mrs. Albert Morgan on Park Avenue: president, Miss Mildred Morgan; reporter, Mrs. Malcolm Morgan; and secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Clyde Gabbert.

Pal names were drawn during the social hour. A dessert plate was served with coffee and salted nuts.

Other members are: Mmes. Leon Russell, Frank Cameron, Halley Gibson, Stanley Price, G. R. Howell and Fenton Lawless.

Additional society items on next page

Natives of Bermuda use shark oil in a bottle as a barometer.

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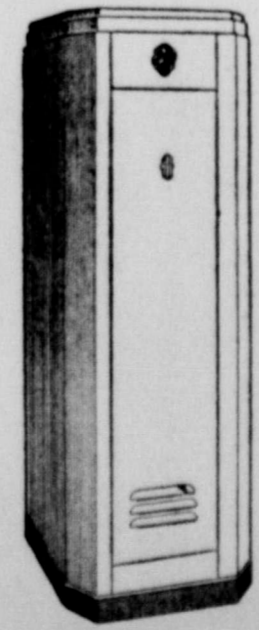
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SOCIETY and CLUBS

Woodys Are Hosts to Club
Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Woody included a few added friends when they were hosts to their contract club Tuesday evening in their home on Seventh Street.

Brilliant red pyroantha berries decked rooms where a delightfully informal two-course supper preceded games in which Mr. and Mrs. Alex McGregor won high couple score trophy and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Giesecke that for second high.

Others included: Dr. and Mrs. Charles Bailey, Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Cheatham, Messrs. and Mrs. Robert Bruce, Ross Murchison, George Kirk, Jack Rudd, Hill Hampton, Tommie Hall, Claude Stone, Ben Denny, Leonard Stal-

ings, Jack Holt, and Mrs. Charles Evans of Houston.

Mrs. Lee Hostess to Sewing Club
Mrs. Levy Lee was hostess to her sewing club Tuesday afternoon in her pretty home on Seventh Street.

A salad course with coffee was served following the pleasant sewing hour.

Included were: Mmes. George Stowe, J. G. Tuckey, J. A. Schnable, H. J. Zappe, Neil McAlpine, J. D. Forman, K. V. Northington, Billie Cordill, E. C. Grindstaff, and Miss Betty Schmidt.

Mrs. Bishop Entertains Club
Know Your Neighbor Sewing Club members and a few added

friends were guests of Mrs. Royal Bishop Wednesday afternoon in her home on Ninth Street.

Pal gifts were exchanged and the hostess received a shower of gifts.

A salad plate was served with coffee. Included were: Mmes. Malcolm Morgan, Cal Adair, Layne Moreland, John Barton, Rothal O'Kelly, Joe Flynt, Jack Nixon, Sr., Cecil Jones, Dee Saylor, J. H. Endacott, Bill Clark, O. C. Sykes, Ernest Moody and S. M. Jonas.

Three Are Hostesses to Baptist J. O. Y. Class
Mrs. Douglas Barnett, Mrs. France Jones and Mrs. A. J. Hendricks were hostesses to Baptist J. O. Y. Class members Wednesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Barnett on Tenth Street.

Mrs. Paul Kirk presided over the business session following the devotional by Mrs. Fred Monierief.

Games of bingo were played and a salad plate served with coffee to: Mmes. Otis Jacob, Cecil Kemp, J. C. Wilson, Kirk, Claude Collins, Wix Currie, Jr., Monierief, Jack Bridwell, Sam Malone, Jr., Fred McKay, Carroll Corder and Fred Walter King.

Healing Dimes and Dollars



AND MAY GOD BLESS EVERY ONE WHO IS HELPING ME GET WELL, SO I CAN SOME DAY HELP OTHER CHILDREN GET WELL...

Dimes and dollars contributed at the 1940 President's Birthday celebrations to fight infantile paralysis, January 30, will help heal thousands of American children afflicted with the crippling disease. Cities and towns throughout Texas are sponsoring balls and "March of Dimes" solicitations to aid such youngsters, as depicted by Bressler in one of his noted cartoons.

E. C. Grindstaff Asks County Judge's Office



E. C. Grindstaff

To the Voters of Runnels County:
After having received much encouragement from practically every section of Runnels county I have decided to seek a promotion and will be a candidate for County Judge of Runnels county in the 1940 Democratic primaries. It has been a pleasure to serve you for the past five years as County Superintendent and believing the best way to secure a promotion is by doing good work, I submit the record I have made in this office as a reason for advancement in the official family of this county to the office of county judge.

voters before the first primary but in this announcement I desire to seek your consideration and if possible your vote.
Respectfully,
E. C. GRINDSTAFF.
(Political Advertisement) 11-11-

SUBSCRIBES FOR LEDGER FOR THIRTY-NINTH TIME

F. L. Gerhart, of Winters route 2, was here this week attending to business and paid his subscription to The Ledger for the 39th time without letting it lapse once during that long period. Mr. Gerhart always knows the day his subscription is due and is a caller before the time is up.

BALLINGER MAN HAS AN EYE REMOVED

W. E. Blair was operated on at Abilene Saturday, having an eye removed at Hendricks Memorial Hospital. Reports from his bedside state that he is improving fast and resting well. Mr. Blair has been ill for some time and has experienced considerable trouble with his eyes.

Mrs. P. C. Straley was called to San Angelo Wednesday to be with her daughter, Mrs. Orville Ros, who is ill.

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West Texas Utilities Company

Methodist Young People of County Meet Here

The Runnels County organization of Methodist Young People was held in the First Methodist Church here Tuesday evening with representatives present from Winters, Crews, Norton, Wingate and Ballinger.

The Crews delegation furnished the program while the Ballinger young people were hosts for the social and recreation periods.

LARGE ATTENDANCE HAD AT BAPTIST WORKERS' MEETING IN BALLINGER

Members of the Ballinger Baptist Church were hosts to workers of the Runnels Baptist Association for an all-day meeting Tuesday. Attendance was good, practically every church in the district being represented, and good reports were heard from all work.

The morning sermon was delivered by Rev. W. T. Hamor, of Winters, and all other speakers were present to fill their appointments on the program.

The meeting place for the February program was not set in the business session.

Headache, Bad Breath Tell of More to Come

Just as Paul Revere's famous ride warned of the Redcoats' coming, so Nature's messengers—headache, dizziness, bad breath—often warn of faulty elimination.

Neglecting these signs may cause a host of constipation's discomforts: sour stomach, belching; no appetite or energy; mental dullness.

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Reelection is Asked By Mrs. Aurelia Webb

To the Citizens of Runnels County:

I am placing my name before you for reelection as County Treasurer.

The cooperation of all with whom I have had business relations has made it a pleasure to serve you as County Treasurer.

I want to express my appreciation for the friendship of the people of Runnels County. I shall at all times strive to merit your friendship through thorough attention to the duties of this office.

My desire is to meet each of you, however I shall not neglect the duties of the work entrusted to me.

Every favor, regardless of how small, will be appreciated.

Sincerely,
MRS. AURELIA WEBB
(Political Advertisement) 11-11-

Forgey is Candidate For Assessor-Collector

To the Citizens of Runnels County:

I wish to take this opportunity to say that I'll be a candidate in the July primaries for re-election to the office of Tax Assessor and Collector of Runnels County. I want you to know, too, how sincerely I appreciate the kindness and consideration shown me as I have undertaken to render acceptable service to you. I have tried to repay this trust by rendering to all a courteous, understanding sort of service, and by working hard to faithfully and efficiently discharge the responsible duties of this important office.

By reason of the experience gained since the consolidation of the duties of the assessor and collector's offices, I feel that I am now in position to render you an increasingly better service. It is, therefore, upon the basis of the record and of experience that I respectfully solicit your interest in my behalf and your vote in the primary.

Sincerely Yours,
W. A. FORGEY
(Political Advertisement) 11-11-

Ship traffic used to be so infrequent around Diamond lightship, off Diamond Shoals, North Carolina, that sailors living on the lightship who wanted to go home to Hatteras had to hail passing freighters, ride to Boston or Miami, and catch trains to Hatteras—a trip of perhaps 2,000 miles to cover 20.

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W. W. (Bill) Chastain Asks for Reelection

To the Voters of Runnels County: I hereby announce myself as a candidate for reelection to the office of County Clerk of Runnels County, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries. First let me express my appreciation for the privilege of having been your clerk in the past. I have enjoyed the work and have tried in every way possible to

make you a good officer and look after the job entrusted to me in a manner that would please you. The service I have rendered in this office has been a pleasure because it has given me an opportunity to know you better and I hope many friendships have been made that will last forever because of this fact. I seek the office again because I need it, I believe I can serve you better because of my experience and if elected will strive in every way possible to help every individual who has business with the office.

Charter No. 3533 Reserve District No. 11

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE
FIRST NATIONAL BANK

of Ballinger, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 30, 1939, published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under section 5211, U. S. revised statutes.

| ASSETS | |
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| 1. Loans and discounts (including \$146.18 overdrafts) | \$431,575.58 |
| 2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed | 58,300.00 |
| 3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions | 147,630.00 |
| 5. Corporate stocks, including stocks of Federal Reserve Bank | 4,650.00 |
| 6. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection | 483,225.47 |
| 7. Bank premises owned \$32,000.00, furniture and fixtures \$3,500.00 | 35,500.00 |
| 11. Other Assets | 8,829.78 |
| 12. Total Assets | \$1,169,710.23 |

| LIABILITIES | |
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| 13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations | \$948,012.61 |
| 15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings) | 1,811.25 |
| 16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions | 5,507.76 |
| 17. Deposits of banks | 43,811.72 |
| 18. Other deposits certified and cashier's checks, etc. | 5,860.87 |
| 19. Total Deposits | \$1,005,004.21 |
| 23. Other liabilities | 1,275.00 |
| 24. Total Liabilities | \$1,006,279.21 |

| CAPITAL ACCOUNTS | |
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| 25. Capital Stock: (c) Common stock, total par \$100,000.00 | \$100,000.00 |
| 26. Surplus | 56,000.00 |
| 27. Undivided profits | 7,431.02 |
| 29. Total Capital Accounts | 163,431.02 |
| 30. Total Liabilities and Capital Account | \$1,169,710.23 |

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss: I, R. G. Erwin, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

R. G. ERWIN, Cashier.
(SEAL) Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5 day of January, 1940.
A. McGREGOR, Notary Public.
CORRECT—Attest: J. Y. Pearce, F. M. Bearce, Harry Lynn, Directors.

| RECAPITULATION | |
|---|----------------|
| Resources | |
| Loans and Discounts | \$279,004.21 |
| Overdrafts | 146.18 |
| Banking House | 32,000.00 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 3,500.00 |
| Stock in Federal Reserve Bank | 4,650.00 |
| Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. | 1.00 |
| RESERVE: | |
| U. S. Treasury Obligations | \$ 58,300.00 |
| Bonds and Warrants | 147,630.00 |
| Commodity Credit Corp. Loans | 152,425.19 |
| Bills of Exchange | 8,828.18 |
| Cash and Exchange | 483,225.47 |
| Total | \$1,169,710.23 |
| LIABILITIES | |
| Capital Stock | \$ 100,000.00 |
| Surplus and Undivided Profits | 63,431.02 |
| Reserved for Income Tax and F. D. I. C. | 1,275.00 |
| Dividend No. 96 | 4,000.00 |
| Deposits | 1,001,004.21 |
| Total | \$1,169,710.23 |

STATEMENT
of Condition

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER

December 30, 1939

| RESOURCES | |
|---|-----------------------|
| Loans and Discounts | \$279,004.21 |
| Overdrafts | 146.18 |
| Banking House | 32,000.00 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 3,500.00 |
| Stock Federal Reserve Bank | 4,650.00 |
| Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. | 1.00 |
| RESERVE: | |
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We carry no state, county or municipal interest bearing deposits.
We desire to thank our many friends and customers for all business entrusted us, making it possible for our bank to render this most satisfactory statement.

Brother of Soviet Chief Hits Red Tactics



While his brother, Gen. G. M. Stern, leads Soviet army forces against Finland, Morris Stern, above, waits on customers in his modest Los Angeles grocery store. Morris Stern's sympathies are with Finland. A naturalized citizen, he stated: "I don't like it, why don't they let them alone."

Between now and the first primary I will see many of the voters and ask their support, but let me urge you to take this as a personal appeal to give me every consideration and if possible support me with your vote. Respectfully,
W. W. (Bill) CHASTAIN
(Political Advertisement) 11-11-

Wildlife Briefs

Game restoration in Texas was given added impetus this week with the announcement that a fourth Pittman-Robertson project has been approved by the U. S. bureau of biological survey and the state game department will proceed immediately with the leasing of five large areas upon which turkey and deer will be raised. Acreage in the new project total 115,000.

Five game areas are to be set up in as many localities in the state, the executive secretary of the game department announced, and under the supervision of the director of wildlife restoration turkey and deer will be planted where necessary. Caretakers will patrol at least three of the areas. Two are being set up for turkey restoration, a pair for turkey and deer and one for deer only.

The areas: 20,000 acres in Angelina and Polk counties for turkey restoration only; 35,000 acres in Robertson county for deer and turkey and 25,000 acres Colorado county for turkey only; 20,000 acres in Calhoun county for deer and turkey and 25,000 acres

in Red River county for deer only. The various areas are to be leased by the game department. From 60 to 70 turkeys will be released on each of the areas set up for them and from 40 to 50 deer will be placed on each of the sections set aside for the restoration of white tails.

The caretakers on each of the areas will not only patrol them to prevent hunting of the seed stock, but will also improve the cover and food supply for both deer and turkey.

Hunting will not be allowed on any of the areas for several years while the seed stock is populating them. It is believed that not only will the areas under lease be restocked, but that as much as 100,000 acres surrounding each of them will receive the overflow of game, making more than a half million acres to be benefited by the program.

The Angelina-Polk project is intended to save the few pure strain of eastern wild turkey left in the state. No other birds will be planted there. Colorado county has plenty of deer, but needs turkey. Deer are needed in all the other areas for restocking purposes. Deer and turkey will be trapped by the game department in areas where they are plentiful.

The project is being financed with aid of federal funds, which the game department matches one-fourth as much money as is allotted under terms of the Pittman-Robertson act. Other Pittman-Robertson projects being conducted by the game department are state-wide quail restoration, antelope trapping, and a project under which state-wide research as to the needs of wild-

War and the Hog Business

The current war is expected to raise hog producers' income. Economists of the U. S. department of agriculture expect the downward trend of hog prices, which started in 1938, to be arrested. Meanwhile the supply of pork and lard, which has been mounting steadily since the drought and short crop years of 1934 and 1935, will continue to increase.

Thus the swine industry may expect to see a curious thing—more hogs and higher prices. This outlook, according to E. M. Regenbrecht, swine husbandman of the Texas A. & M. College extension service, is based on a number of factors, including domestic consumption, the supplies of beef and mutton, and the effect of war on our exports of pork and lard and our imports of vegetable oils.

During the World War prices of hogs rose as a result of stronger domestic and foreign demand. The marked increase in exports of bacon and hams was due mostly to reduced shipments of Danish bacon to Great Britain and lower hog production in Europe.

In the present war, imports of bacon and hams into Great Britain from Poland and other Baltic countries already have been cut off. It is also probable that British imports of bacon from Denmark

life in the state is being carried on.

Freaks continue to show up in Texas woods and fields. Earl Brownrigg recently killed a white crow. Gerald Liberty of Big Spring killed an albino deer early in the season. John Nunn of the state highway patrol possesses a black prairie dog which he shot recently.

Van A. Hamilton, Palestine newspaperman, has no love for alligators. He recently shot two ducks over a lake near Palestine. Before he could reach the birds an alligator scooped one of the ducks into its mouth and disappeared.

the most important supplier, will be reduced. This means that there will probably be substantial increases in United States exports of bacon and hams.

Total exports of lard from this country did not change much from 1914 through 1917. Exports to Germany were cut off, but shipments to other countries increased.

Exports of lard to Germany are again cut off, but this time that does not mean much, because since 1934 Germany has not bought much American lard anyhow. Germany instead went to the Far East for vegetable oils. Now that this market is closed, some of the Far East vegetable oil-seed will come to the United States to compete with American lard.

The improvement in foreign demand may get underway rather slowly and will not be much in evidence until the middle of 1940. Meanwhile the effect of the war, both directly and indirectly, will be to check the trend towards lower hog prices.

The per capita consumption of pork in the United States in 1915 was 67.3 pounds; in 1938, 13 years later, the figure dropped to 57.1 pounds, almost 10 pounds less. Increased consumer demand is expected to up this figure during the year.

The average Chicago price of hogs in 1915 was \$7.10 per hundredweight. This rose to \$9.60 in 1916, \$15.10 in 1917, and \$17.85 in 1919. By 1921, the price was down to \$8.51.

The lesson for the individual farmer, Regenbrecht says, is to govern his hog production according to the market outlook and to watch out for trouble at the end of the present price upswing.

Before the last World War, the United States supplied 65 per cent of all cotton consumed in the world. Today the American cotton farmer supplies about 42 per cent.

The elephant as the symbol of the Republican Party was originated by Thomas Nast in a cartoon published in 1874.

E. J. Carroll Seeks To be Commissioner

To the Voters of County Commissioner's Precinct No. 1: I will be a candidate for the office of commissioner of precinct No. 1 in the Democratic primary in July. I take this method of announcing to the voters of the precinct my intentions and solicit their earnest consideration on my merits to fill this place of responsibility.

For the past 31 years I have been a citizen of the county, taking an active interest in its progress and development at all times. During that time I have been actively engaged in business in Ballinger a part of the time and in the operation of my ranch the rest. These interests have given me a better understanding of the needs of the county and if you see fit to elect me to the office I promise to give every effort to make the county a good officer.

My business experience has been sufficient to make me able to look after the business of the precinct when court sessions are called. I believe that in road work and handling of construction projects, my experience will enable me to render a service that will please all the people of the precinct.

I have no platform promises to make, neither do I have anything to say of those who have served in the past on this job. I seek the place and your vote on my merits and at no time will I discuss matters other than for the continuation of a good work for the people of this section of the county.

I will make an active campaign and expect to see each voter personally if possible. However, in this first announcement I ask you to give me every consideration as a candidate for the office I seek.

Respectfully,
E. J. (Jack) CARROLL
(Political Advertisement) 11-11-

The hairy Ainus of Japan are a primitive race occupying a position comparable to that of the Indian in America.

No. 508
OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK

at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 30 day of December, 1939, published in the Ballinger Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 11 day of January, 1940.

| RESOURCES | |
|---|--------------|
| Loans and discounts, on personal or collateral security | \$287,893.44 |
| Loans secured by real estate | 10,673.99 |
| Overdrafts | 142.37 |
| Securities of U. S., any State or political subdivision thereof | 106,092.23 |
| Other bonds and stocks owned | 25,000.00 |
| Banking House | 22,500.00 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 4,000.00 |
| Real estate owned, other than banking house | 17,506.00 |
| Cash and due from approved reserve agents | 286,461.38 |
| Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check on demand | 4,296.56 |
| Total | \$764,565.97 |

| LIABILITIES | |
|--|--------------|
| Capital Stock | \$100,000.00 |
| Surplus Fund | 27,500.00 |
| Undivided Profits, net | 3,617.03 |
| Reserved for Contingencies | 700.00 |
| Dividends unpaid | 3,000.00 |
| Due to banks and bankers, subject to check | 12,638.16 |
| Individual Deposits subject to check, including time deposits due in 30 days | 560,262.05 |
| Time Certificates of Deposit | 54,546.19 |
| Cashier's Checks Outstanding | 2,302.54 |
| Total | \$764,565.97 |

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RUNNELS.

We, Mrs. J. F. Currie, as president and J. L. Chastain as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Mrs. J. F. Currie, President.
J. L. Chastain, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9 day of January, A. D. 1940.

(SEAL) NEIL G. McALPINE, Notary Public, Runnels County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
R. W. Bruce, C. H. Wylie, R. E. Bruce, Directors.

| RECAPITULATION | |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Assets | |
| Loans and discounts | \$270,142.82 |
| Overdrafts | 142.37 |
| Banking House | 22,500.00 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 4,000.00 |
| Other real estate | 17,506.00 |
| Other assets | 700.00 |
| Cash and due from banks | \$296,757.94 |
| Bonds, warrants and stocks | 131,092.23 |
| Commodity Credit Corp. Loans | 4,053.32 |
| Bills of Exchange | 23,671.29 |
| 449,574.78 | |
| Total | \$764,565.97 |
| Liabilities | |
| Capital Stock | \$100,000.00 |
| Surplus | 27,500.00 |
| Undivided Profits | 3,617.03 |
| Reserved for Contingencies | 700.00 |
| Dividends payable | 3,000.00 |
| Deposits | 629,748.94 |
| Total | \$764,565.97 |

New Year—New Leaf—
Why Not New Car?

THE slate's clean, the past is past, you're making a new beginning on a new year you hope will be happier and finer and richer—how about doing the job up right?

You spot the fun possibilities in this brilliant and buoyant Buick just by watching it flash by, but have you been in to try it?

Do you know what it's like—first hand, we mean—to have a hundred-plus Dynafash horsepower waiting your treadle-foot's nudge? Have you sampled the thrill in such an engine micro-poise-balanced to smoothness a wrist watch can't hope to equal?

Today's winter-roughened roads give you swell chance to try out Buick's gentle ride—raw weather emphasizes the stout snugness of Unisteel Bodies by Fisher and the convenience of the Flash-Way Direction Signal.

Now's when you most need firm new rubber—sure, soft, tiptoe brakes—Buick's automatic choke—stout, taut frames and rugged bodies, and why wait for spring to buy beauty that gives your spirits a lift?

Then too, driving speeds are naturally lower now and driving distances shorter, making this the best time of all to get a car properly started in life.

So figure it out! It's a new year. You've turned a new leaf. Ask your Buick dealer what a new Buick will cost you now—and let every month of 1940 contribute to a happy new year!

The model illustrated is the Buick Super model 51 four-door touring sedan \$1109 delivered at Flint, Mich. White sidewall tires additional.*

"Best buy's Buick!"

SEE YOUR NEAREST BUICK DEALER



RURAL NEWS

EAGLE BRANCH

Mrs. Charles Berry, Albert Kurtz and Mrs. R. A. Hunt visited the Crews Willing Helpers Club, with Mrs. Tee Berry on January 2, at the home of Mrs. Henry Berry. They enjoyed their visit very much and decided to start a club of their own in this community. The first meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Tee Berry on January 23. All women of this community are welcome to join.

Mrs. R. A. Hunt and Charles Berry were honored with an oyster supper for their birthdays Saturday night, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kurtz. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Berry, and Mr. and Mrs. Tee Berry, and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Kurtz were visitors in San Angelo last week.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Kurtz Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Herman Bredermeyer and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. Gottschalk and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Minzenmayer and family, Mrs. Minnie Minzenmayer and Helen, Mrs. L. Frick and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kurtz, and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Kurtz.

Mrs. Charles Berry visited her grandmother at Miles Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Moore and family moved the past week-end.

We are glad to have Mr. and Mrs. B. Green and family in our community. They came from Harmony, and their daughter, Wanda Jean, is in school. Also we welcome Mr. and Mrs. John Kemp from Dry Ridge, who now live here, and their son, Dale, is in school.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Gray visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Jacob, last Sunday.

BARNETT

There was no church or Sunday school Sunday on account of the cold weather, but the writer learned that Mr. and Mrs. Parker and children went over to the school house for Sunday school, so we sure want them to come back for we need them to help build up our little Sunday school.

We are glad to report that the children who were on the sick list last week are able to be back in school this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Nunn and family, of Hagan, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Camp and family finished moving Saturday. Leon Gibson has rented the place Mr. Camp moved from and he and Mr. and Mrs. Kemp moved in Wednesday of last week.

Those who visited in the Elzey Lee home Wednesday night of last week were Mrs. E. P. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Burtis Jones and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Burnice Burrell, of Miles, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Norman and family Sunday evening.

There are a number over the community with real bad colds.

If anyone in the community knows any news, the reporter would appreciate it if they would get it to her by Tuesday as she turns the news in to the printing office Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jones and children spent Saturday night with relatives at Millersview.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stubblefield and son, of Hagan; Troy and Loyd Moreland spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Stubblefield.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Tyree visited Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Tyree and son Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Stubblefield spent the week-end at Snyder, visiting relatives.

HARMONY

Sunday is church day at the Baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Eubanks and

Mrs. Minor visited relatives at San Angelo Tuesday.

Joe Worthington was a business visitor in Ballinger Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tab Morris and family have moved to the place formerly occupied by the C. T. McAdams family. Mr. and Mrs. Morris moved from the Hagan community.

Walter Kruse was a business visitor in Ballinger Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene White and daughters are moving to the home place of the White family.

Mrs. Edmund Dial visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Phipps, of Crews, a few days the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Worthington and family visited in the J. B. Worthington home Friday night.

John A. Barton and Miss Myra Tankersley, county farm and home demonstration agents, were visitors in the community Tuesday, and the boys organized a 4-H club with eight members.

The community club will have its monthly meeting Friday night. The 4-H club girls have pieced and quilted a quilt and will auction it off at this meeting. There will be a forty-two party also. Everyone is invited for a few hours of fun.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Worthington and family, of Cochran, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Green were dinner guests in the W. T. Billups home.

Wade White, of Eola, spent the week-end at home.

SPRING HILL

(Received Too Late for Publication Last Week)

Mrs. Gerald Black, of Big Spring, is visiting her mother, Mrs. E. E. Allison, while Mr. Black is in El Paso on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Allison visited Mrs. E. E. Allison Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolf Schwertner and family, of Red Bank, visited in the Provasek home Sunday afternoon.

Opal and Owen Aycock, of Austin, spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Aycock.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. McKenzie and family visited relatives at Abilene during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Zak and children visited in the Provasek home Sunday evening.

Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith, of Ballinger, visited Mrs. E. E. Allison Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kopecky and family visited in the Provasek home Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Aycock visited in the Clyde Allison home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Piel and family visited Mr. and Mrs. David Piel, of Rowena, Sunday.

Miss Alexa Piel visited Miss Selma Ganzer, of Rowena, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Allison and family and Mr. and Mrs. Francis Allison called on Mrs. E. E. Allison Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Henkhaus and children spent Christmas day with Mrs. J. J. Henkhaus.

If a customer had not paid \$300 in advance for a three-year supply of eggs, Author Paul Corey would not have been able to finish a little stone house he was building at Cold Spring, New York, and his already famous novel, "Three Miles Square," could not have been written last winter.

BALLINGER SCHOOL NEWS

By Mary Simpson

Rev. McKissick Speaks in Assembly

The Reverend Mr. McKissick, pastor of the First Christian Church, spoke in assembly. He opened the program by leading the student body in the singing of "The Little Brown Church in the Vale" and the repeating of the twenty-third psalm. After a short prayer, he gave a number of points on "How Anybody Can Become Somebody."

His rules for getting along in the world were: Stay in and pitch and be cheerful all the while. Make the best of everything. Be honest. Be good. Be industrious, for you can do anything if you work for it. Be prompt, or you may miss something. Be thorough by doing things well and correctly. Be clean, both bodily and morally. Be courteous—a smile helps a lot.

Cue and Curtain Club

Since everything is well underway for the presentation of "The First Year," Director Ernest Sublett has decided that it is his "dream come true."

He says, "It is the kind of play I have always wanted to direct—a sparkling domestic comedy by a well known author. It realizes my ambition of placing the major emphasis in producing a play where it should be—on the play. I am working with a keen, ambitious, and as talented a group of youngsters as I have ever been permitted to work with."

"Rehearsals have not been boring since the very first one last November, and there have been many since then. I get a daily thrill watching Bill Sykes and Mary Simpson developing their characterizations of the scrappy newlyweds; Pinky Byers' delivery of the grumpy 'Mr. Livingston's' lines still strikes me as highly hilarious; and Maurine Duncan's 'Hattie,' who washes better than she serves a meal, is in my opinion 'tops' in comedy characterizations. The development of these along with Guy Lively's kindly 'Uncle Myron,' Joe Coleman's braggadocio 'Dick Loring,' Ella Witter's complacent 'Mrs. Livingston,' Margaret Collins' gaudy 'Mrs. Barstow,' and Ted Truly's burly 'Mr. Barton' have all contributed toward making this a satisfactory dramatic experience."

"Los Ositos" Meet

The first year Spanish club met Friday, January 5, at the class period. Arora Juques was in charge of the program which consisted of book reports given by R. A. Smith, Robert Lowry, Louise McMillan, Pat Lawrence, and Eugene Sutphen. The program was concluded with the playing of "La Loteria."

Basketball

The Bearcat basketball team has been out of town several times recently. The team has scrimaged with Paint Rock and Winters. A game with Norton ended in a 26-26 draw, though the next five minutes meant another basket for Norton. On Saturday, January 6, the team went to a tournament at Talpa. The first game was a victory over Crews by a score of 28-16, but the Ballingerites were eliminated by Talpa. The team is going to Lakeview Friday to a tournament, and the first game is

scheduled for 2:30 with Fairview.

The only calamity of the season was when "Gus," the basketball bus, was taken down with a frozen radiator.

Senior Personalities

E. J. (preferably "Buck") Bryan is now well in his eleventh year of school in Ballinger. He says that he likes Ballinger schools and, therefore, has never gone anywhere else. He is a member of the "Billies," a club composed of his friends, and is the capable business manager of the "Bearcat Scratches," the school newspaper. Among his hobbies he numbers all outdoor sports, especially swimming, skating and tennis, and of course one indoor sport—dancing. He wants to go to college, but is undecided as to which one, there are so many. He likes to listen to the radio and learn popular songs.

Alice Psenick (pa-sen-sik) has gone to school in Ballinger ten years. She belongs to the Cue and Curtain Club, "Los Andaluces," is vice-president of the pep squad, and librarian of Choral Club No. 1. Though she isn't the weeping type, collecting handkerchiefs is one of her hobbies; drawing and playing tennis are her others. She plans to go to college and then become a designer or an aviatrix. But now, she likes all sports, dancing, and typing.

Charles Shepard comes to school here from Talpa. Since this is his first year here, and he was late in getting started, he has been unable to join any clubs here, but he does belong to the F. F. A. in Brownwood. His hobbies are hunting and fishing, and he likes to travel. He doesn't plan to go to college, but if he changes his mind he will be in Texas A. & M. next year. At any rate, he wants to be a rancher or a stock farmer.

BLANTON WORKERS' CLUB

The last meeting of the Blanton Workers' Club was held in the home of Mrs. J. E. Fowler, with twenty members and five visitors present.

The day was spent piecing a quilt for the hostess and embroidery work.

Our next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. R. L. Boothe, on January 23, with Mrs. W. F. James as hostess.

Word was received here Monday that Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sessions, of Fort Worth, are the proud parents of a son, born Sunday night. The 8-pound boy and mother are doing nicely.

An Englishman invented matches a century ago.

Bearcat Band Will Play Friday Night; Is Benefit Concert

The Ballinger Bearcat Band will be heard in a concert at the high school auditorium tomorrow (Friday) evening beginning at 7:30. A small admission will be charged for this program and the money will be used to hold a band clinic in Ballinger next month, with D. O. Wiley of Texas Technological College in charge.

Director Gurthall Gilligan has arranged a program for tomorrow evening that will appeal to all music lovers. All types of music will make up the one-hour program and the full band of 80 members will be on the stage to take part in the concert.

Tickets were put on sale this week, band members and parents of the new formed organization offering them for sale. Adults will be charged 25 cents and students 15 cents for the concert.

For some time the musicians have been working hard on numbers to be played in the band contests at Abilene in the spring and are in excellent condition for the concert Friday. Since the end of the football season their work has

been limited to rehearsals and private instruction and each section is making good progress.

The band is at full strength at the present time and the members are being groomed for perfect playing of all concert numbers when the group goes to Abilene for the state contests. Later the musicians will be given a hard schedule of marching to prepare them for street work and appearance.

In a little more than 4 months of the cotton export program, sales and exports of cotton were 982,000 bales more than the total export of cotton from the United States during the entire 1938-39 crop year.

Every known star in the firmament has either a name or a

Show and Dance

TYROLER CONCERTENA TROUP
O. D. H. S. Hall
Rowena
Sunday, January 14
Admission Both Show and Dance
Children 10c Adults 35c



later departure
Effective January 14th

to Fort Worth-Dallas

10:34 p. m. Lv. . . Ballinger . . Ar. 5:52 a. m.
12:40 a. m. Lv. Brownwood Ar. 4:00 a. m.
6:00 a. m. Ar. . Ft. Worth . Lv. 11:05 p. m.
7:45 a. m. Ar. . Dallas . Lv. 10:00 p. m.

to Houston and Galveston

7:52 p. m. Lv. . . Ballinger . . Ar. 8:54 p. m.
1:45 a. m. Ar. . . Temple . . Lv. 2:40 a. m.
2:20 a. m. Lv. . . Temple . . Ar. 2:20 a. m.
7:05 a. m. Ar. . . Houston . . Lv. 9:30 p. m.
8:50 a. m. Ar. . . Galveston . . Lv. 7:45 p. m.

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left—The soft tailored look at its best in Shell Print Avenelle (Enka Rayon). Cloud grey, blue, wine, navy, black. 12-44. 650

right—Dressmaker interest runs high in Nelly Don's Pompadour Print Nelletta (Enka Rayon). Orchid blue, ginger brown, black. 12-44. 650

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And not only is it more convenient to have other dairy products delivered with your milk but you are assured of pure quality in Pasteurized products!

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TO MY FRIENDS

I wish to express my appreciation to the friends and patrons who have been so loyal to us in the past and have made our success possible in the operation of this store and also to announce that I will

CONTINUE

to operate the store. There will be no change in policy and I will carry a complete stock of QUALITY FOODS AND MARKET SPECIALS at prices as low as possible. The store will also maintain a delivery service and other accommodations usually found in a modern SERVICE GROCERY.

Market

Price Middleton will remain with the store and be in charge of the market as well as assist with the operation of the store.

We will feature nothing but the best of meats and other market specials and will fill every order as carefully as you would shop for yourself.

Phone us your order.

Quality

This store since its opening in Ballinger has featured standard foods that are nationally advertised. We will continue this policy and in connection will have a complete and fresh line of fruits, vegetables and other reasonable foods.

We invite you to trade at Tunnell's where a telephone order will receive the most careful attention.

Again let me thank those who have shown an interest in my continuation of the store and those who have continued their splendid patronage. In the future we will be ready to take care of every food need for the home and you will always find a welcome at Tunnell's.

TUNNELL'S GROCERY AND MARKET

Mrs. R. P. Tunnell

Phones 107 and 407

Terracing to be Pushed in Group Meetings Slated

County Agent John A. Barton has announced a number of meetings to be held in Runnels county at which farmers will receive instruction in terracing and the use of levels. The office has three levels which will be loaned to farmers who know how to use them.

Every farmer interested in the



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use of levels is urged to attend the meeting nearest his home. Full details and practical demonstrations will be given by the county agent. All questions will be answered by Mr. Barton and it is hoped that a large number of operators will be trained in the work so that much more terracing can be done this year.

The county agent stated that he was receiving many applications for terracing assistance and indications are that lines will be run on many additional acres during the spring. Following is a list of the meetings to be held in the county:

- Friday, January 12, 1:15 p. m.—Max Rogers farm, 3 miles east of Winters
- Monday, January 15, 8:15 p. m.—N. C. Harrell farm, 2 miles south of Norton
- Monday, January 15, 1:15 p. m.—Fred Liverman farm, near Norton
- Tuesday, January 16, 8:15 a. m.—J. W. Stewart farm, Oak Creek
- Tuesday, January 16, 1:15 p. m.—I. D. Bland farm, near Marie
- Wednesday, January 17, 8:15 a. m.—Lee Evans farm, 2 miles north of Barnett
- Wednesday, January 17, 1:15 p. m.—Roy Tyree farm, near Barnett
- Friday, January 19, 8:15 a. m.—H. R. Bryan farm, 4 miles northeast of Norton.

OLFFEN GIRLS' 4-H CLUB

The Olffen girls' 4-H club held its last meeting with Miss Myra Tankersley, county home demonstration agent, on January 5, in the assembly hall.

The main object of the meeting was to get ideas of selecting the proper material for various kinds of clothing.

Miss Tankersley brought with her various samples and explained how to choose colors and material suitable for articles to be made by the members.

Some of the members received help and information on their garments and others selected patterns and material for their.

The poultry and wardrobe demonstrators received record sheets to keep their accounts.

The entertainment committee directed a game called "Hide and Seek." Five members made a perfect score.

The use of snuff increases. The U. S. consumption of snuff in 1938 was 32 times that of 1870.

Maedgen is Manager J. C. Penney Store; Relieving Killough

C. E. Maedgen arrived here from Denton the past week-end to become manager of the Ballinger J. C. Penney Store, relieving J. A. Killough, who has served as local manager since the opening of the store here ten years ago.

Mr. Maedgen has been with the Penney company for the past thirteen years. He began work for this company at Brownwood and later was transferred to Denton where he remained until his transfer to Ballinger to become manager. He is married and his wife and three boys arrived this week to make their home here.

The new manager stated that they were delighted to get back to West Texas and near "home." In speaking of the store management he stated that no changes would be made and that he was here to offer the usual Penney service to the citizens of Ballinger and this territory.

All the regular employees of the store will continue in their positions.

Mr. Killough stated that he has nothing in view for the present but indicated that he would not leave Ballinger. He stated that this place seemed more like home than anywhere he had ever lived and while he would not say definitely, he expressed the hope that he might be able to continue to call Ballinger home.

Since coming to Ballinger, Mr. and Mrs. Killough have rendered much service to the community. At the present time he is serving as president of the Ballinger Board of Community Development, is a member of the Lions Club, and until a year ago was a trustee of the Ballinger independent school district. He has served on many important committees and he and his family are leaders in church and club work of the city.

Mr. Killough's only other interest besides the store management is a farm in the Norton section which he purchased several years ago.

Work Continues

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The Palo Pinto lime unless production is found above that depth. The Price-Williams crew was expected to complete running 8-inch casing to a depth of 1,858 feet by tonight and will resume drilling at once.

A string of casing was also being run in the Davis-Huddleston well to a depth of 2,140 feet and drilling will be resumed soon in deepening this hole.

Several other blocks are being formed in the county for wells but no definite announcements of locations have been made.

Gamblers donated 40 acres of land on which to establish the University of Arizona in 1885. The territorial legislature had offered to appropriate \$25,000 for the institution if the site was provided.

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Funds Still Being Subscribed Here For Finnish Aid

The Ballinger Finnish relief committee is still receiving donations for the aid of Finland and weekly remittances will be made from here to the state office at Dallas of all money contributed. Last week a check was mailed for \$109.25, covering the proceeds from a dance sponsored by the American Legion post and donations of individuals to that date.

A few other donations have been received this week and will be forwarded soon. The committee will continue to accept donations of any size and they will be handled without any overhead expense, every cent going direct to the aid of the defenders against bolshevism.

Members of the committee are Troy Simpson, K. V. Northington, F. M. Pearce and Tom Arnew. Any of these will accept donations or they can be mailed to The Ledger. Those making contributions will be credited and their names published in the columns of this paper.

Contributions not reported last week are:

- E. H. Boelsche.....\$1.00
- R. E. Truly......25
- A. J. Voelkel......1.00
- A. F. Brock......1.00
- Charles Smith......1.00

OLFFEN BOYS' 4-H CLUB

The Olffen 4-H club boys met Monday, January 8, at 3 p. m. in the school library.

Mr. Barton distributed enrollment cards to all the members. We are happy to state that our club numbers 21 members, all of whom have taken various projects such as swine, maize, sheep and cotton, for the coming year.

After giving an explanation about the work, Mr. Barton distributed books on raising animals and poultry which will be very helpful in our work. Our county agent advised the members to take part in an insect mounting contest. Each contestant is supposed to have 25 insects mounted in a cigar box, which is best suited for this sort of work. Six of our club entered the contest.

Omer Halfmann, Earl Halfmann, Emmanuel Halfmann, Ralph Gerngross, Norbert Rohmfeld and Albert Halfmann, Jr.

Three of our members will receive gold pins and three will receive silver 4-H pins for being members over two years. Recipients for gold pins are: Earl Halfmann, Walter Halfmann and Wilbert Palmer; and for silver pins are: Emmanuel Halfmann, Ralph Gerngross and Omer Halfmann.

Mr. Barton also showed us a 4-H magazine which was very interesting to the members, and furthermore we have subscribed for it. Mr. Barton said he would help on the subscription. We are very grateful to him for this.

After no new business was introduced the meeting adjourned.

WEDDINGS

Kendrick-Kinsey
Mrs. Ruth Kinsey and Hollis Kendrick were married at the Baptist parsonage here Saturday evening at 7 o'clock, the Rev. Clarence A. Morton reading the wedding vows.

The couple left immediately for Oklahoma City, where they visited in the home of Mrs. Kendrick's mother, Mrs. E. L. Trolinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Kendrick returned Monday to their home here on Eighth Street.

Approval is Given Purchase of FSA Farms in County

The five Runnels county men who were granted loans to buy farms through the Farm Security Administration will be at home on their places soon and will operate their own farms in 1940. All five of the farmers have found suitable places and all paper work has been perfected.

Approvals have been returned to the local office on three of the places and one check arrived this week for the payment of the landowner. The complete deals on the farms for Gus Redman, Lee Parks and Kirby Robinson have been approved and a check was here today for Mr. Robinson. The farms to be bought by Marvin Patterson and J. F. Droll have been secured, approval of the sales made, and the papers are now in the Dallas office for the final stamp of approval.

In each sale it is understood that possession is to be given at once and two of the families have already moved on their farms.

Annual Meeting

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afternoon, stockholders assembling in the first session and this being followed by the business period of the board of directors. No changes were made in the official staff of this bank, all directors and officers being reelected for another year.

Officers of the bank expressed satisfaction at the past year's business and look to 1940 as promising an even better year. The usual dividend will be paid and the condition of the bank as shown by the statement of December 30 was pleasing to all shareholders.

Directors to serve for 1940 are: J. A. Walker, J. Y. Pearce, R. G. Erwin, C. L. Baker, J. G. Douglass, Harry Lynn and F. M. Pearce. Officers are: J. Y. Pearce, president; F. M. Pearce, vice-president; J. G. Douglass, vice-president; R. G. Erwin, cashier; Harry Lynn, assistant cashier; W. R. Bogle, assistant cashier.

The 7-million farm families in the United States, constituting 25 per cent of the population, are educating 31 per cent of the children of school age, but they receive only 11 per cent of the national income. In 1932 they received only 7 per cent of the income.

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New Management Of Auction Barn Pleased With Sale

The sale held at the Runnels County Auction Barn Tuesday attracted one of the largest crowds ever to come to Ballinger for a livestock auction. The new management was delighted with the number of buyers present and the amount of livestock and other articles put up for sale.

J. Frank Smith, one of the new operators, stated that every effort would be made to increase interest in the weekly sales and in addition to livestock, many other articles will be offered for sale. He is associated with Bill Hamilton and Fred Parker in the auctions and all three are giving their personal attention to building up the event.

About 90 head of cattle, 45 hogs, 27 sheep and two trailers were handled at the barns Tuesday, sales made during the afternoon totalling approximately \$1,500.

Next Tuesday afternoon the sales will open at 1 o'clock and a number of out-of-town buyers have indicated they will be present.

For the first 43 weeks of 1939, loading totaled 27,890,510, a gain of 11.56 per cent over the total of 24,918,787, reported for the year ago period.

Office Seekers Announce Entry In '40 Campaign

A number of political announcements are appearing in The Ledger this week to officially open the 1940 campaign. Among the first announcements are some new candidates and at least one familiar to Runnels county politics who is seeking a new job.

Jack Carroll, well known business man and ranchman, is another new one and announces for the county commissioner's place, precinct No. 1.

E. C. Grindstaff, county superintendent of Runnels county, is seeking a promotion in politics and is a candidate for county judge.

Along with these are several who announced their intentions of asking for their same offices for another term.

A large number of others will have announcements to make within a short time and the campaign is due to get fully underway early this year.

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The rush at the office of the county tax collector is increasing daily and is expected to continue until the close of business on the last day of this month. Those who want the right to vote will have to secure poll tax receipts by January 31 and all other taxes unpaid on February 1 will be transferred to the delinquent list. The political pot has begun simmering and indications are that a "hot" campaign is ahead. Every person will want the right to go to the polls in the first Democratic primary in July and no time should be lost in obtaining a poll tax receipt.

The Ballinger Board of Community Development is closing its first year and will have a good report to make at the annual banquet on February 9. Plans are being made now for the new set-up after the banquet which will include eleven hold-over and eleven new directors. Secretary Gus Barr is preparing a statement of activities accomplished and all members of the organization will be supplied with the report. Ticket sales for the banquet will commence soon and because of the size of the dining hall a limit will be set on the number to be sold.

Ballinger received publicity in state newspapers last week when the local committee in charge of Finnish relief was one of the first to report to the state organization at Dallas. A check for \$109 was mailed to the state headquarters at the same time members of the county committee accepted their appointments. The drive for funds will continue for some time and all donations will be forwarded to the state office. Any amount will be accepted by The Ledger or by any member of the committee. There is no overhead expense to the transferring of relief money and every cent contributed will be sent to Finland to be used in its heroic defense against red Russia.

COLORED CAST TO PRESENT PLAY, "HEAVEN BOUND"

A large cast of colored people of Ballinger will present the world famous play, "Heaven Bound," at Tyree Chapel, A. M. E. Church, on January 12. Mrs. Charles Rowe is in charge of the cast and for several weeks has been rehearsing the performers. The entire group is local talent and plans are being made for one of the best entertainments ever staged in Ballinger by the colored people. The first curtain will rise at 8 p. m. and admissions of 25 cents for adults and 10 cents for children will be charged. White people are urged to attend and special reservations will be made for them.

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Mahatma Ghandi's message to America is that British imperialism in India must be supplanted by a new order, according to Miss Bhicoo Bativala, left, of India now practicing law in London, who is visiting in this country. Another foreign visitor is Tso Yee-Man, center, the "Mary Pickford of China," who, with her husband, is here to produce two motion pictures. Right: Princess Stephanie Hohenlohe-Waldenburg, former friend of Adolf Hitler, is another recent arrival. The princess recently lost a breach of agreement suit against Viscount Rothermere, British newspaper publisher.

WEST TEXAS NOTES



A WPA project to build a concrete low-water causeway across the Colorado River at Leaday will be started soon. The project is being sponsored by county commissioners of Concho and Coleman counties. The structure will be about 250 feet long and its construction will give employment to from 20 to 60 men.

County Agent Sam Logan, who has served Menard county for several years, has been transferred to Muleshoe and left for his new place last week. Fred Walker, formerly of Van Horn, is to succeed Logan. Logan has made a splendid record in Menard county, especially with livestock projects and boys' 4-H club work. The move is a promotion for the former Menard county agent both in responsibility and salary.

The Miles chapter of the Texas Agricultural Association has taken the first step to provide a projection machine for Runnels county whereby the best films can

be shown in educational campaigns. It is proposed that the Miles, Winters, Wingate and Ballinger units purchase a machine jointly. Last Saturday the Miles chapter sponsored bingo games at which a considerable sum for the pool was realized.

The political pot started boiling in Coke county last week and both the Robert Lee Observer and the Bronte Enterprise carried numerous political announcements. Most of the first announcements were for reelection, but a few new candidates threw their hats in the ring.

Captain Tom Martin, in charge of the CCC camp at Ft. Griffin near Albany, received 200 recruits last Friday. A special train of ten coaches arrived from Dalhart, bringing the new men and they were served a meal upon arrival by the Albany Chamber of Commerce. The enrollees will rebuild the old fort and improve the state park.

The Robert Lee Lions Club has launched an Americanization campaign and will ask every student in the school to write a theme on this subject, the best to receive cash prizes. Lions clubs in seven West Texas towns will soon begin similar campaigns and several thousand students are expected to participate in the theme contest.

Kimble county ranchmen have done good work the past year in eliminating the fox menace. Charlie Bishop, who operates a ranch near Junction, reported that he destroyed 113 of the pests between January, 1939, and January, 1940. Many others have trapped and killed these animals that have been destroying much of the wildlife of this hunting region. Especially did the foxes reduce the turkey crop, raiding nests and devouring the young.

The Winters Enterprise announces that Frank Rubin, of Ballinger, has rented a building on Dale Street and will open a store in the near future. A Krauss, former Winters merchant, who has been out of business for the past two years, will be manager of the new establishment. The interior of the building is being remodeled and decorated and the formal opening will be held soon.

Judge O. L. Parish was on the bench and a grand jury venire

was present when 119th district court opened at Coleman Monday. Twenty cases were turned over to the investigators and other items will be submitted before adjournment. A five weeks' term is to be held.

The Rising Star postoffice made a gain in receipts every month in 1939. All lines of business prospered because of the production of shallow oil, marketing of peanuts, melons and fruit, and a good harvest of other crops.

Several new men are now serving on the Eden school board because of resignations January 1. The changes started when M. B. McVey resigned as secretary and his place was filled by a regular member of the board. Another trustee moved from the county.

The Brownwood Chamber of Commerce's annual banquet is to be held February 22. Chester Harrison, secretary-manager, said preparations for the program would be completed by committees shortly. A number of officials went to Austin the first of this week to appear before the state highway commission, seeking pavement of the Brownwood-Cross Plains highway.

Editor T. W. Parker of the Melvin Enterprise was hijacked while in Brady last week. He returned to his parked car after a short time and started to drive away. A Mexican jumped into the car with him and poking a gun into the newsman's ribs told him to hand over his money, that it was a hold-up. Parker complied but when ordered to drive to the top of a hill told the Mexican he could not, whereupon the hijacker began beating his victim in the face and over the head. Finally losing his nerve when another motorist slowed down for a curve, the Mexican made good his getaway in the downtown crowds.



There is a need for a directory of Texas agricultural organizations, and the Texas A. & M. college extension service started to print one, but it turned out to be too big a job and had to be abandoned.

The directory to list all the farm organizations with their presidents and secretaries, would have run to 252 pages, and was too expensive for the institution's slended printing budget.

"We often hear the complaint that Texas farm people do not 'catter' to organizations," Director H. H. Williamson commented. "We have heard this until we have come to believe. I doubt if there was ever a time when there was more organized effort among farm folks than there is now."

To prove his point, he said preparation for the directory among county agricultural and home demonstration agents had resulted in the listing of 4,652 organizations of farm men and women in Texas on state, regional, county, and community levels.

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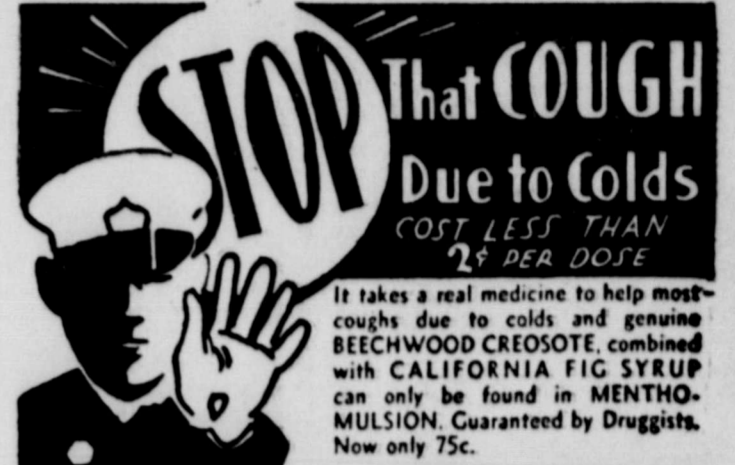
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farmers' cooperative associations, 405 game management associations, 649 units of the Texas Agricultural Association, 101 Farmers' Leagues, 117 Granges, 14 Farmers' Unions and 315 miscellaneous groups that do not fit into these classifications.

Not included in the list are several hundred land use planning groups now working in an organized fashion for better land use.

Since 1933 the number of forced farm sales has declined substantially. During the 12 months ended March 15, 1933, there were 54.1 such sales per thousand farms. By the year ending March 15, 1937 forced sales had dropped to 22.4 per thousand farms.

Approximately ninety-five per cent of the cropland in Texas was covered by the 1938 AAA program.



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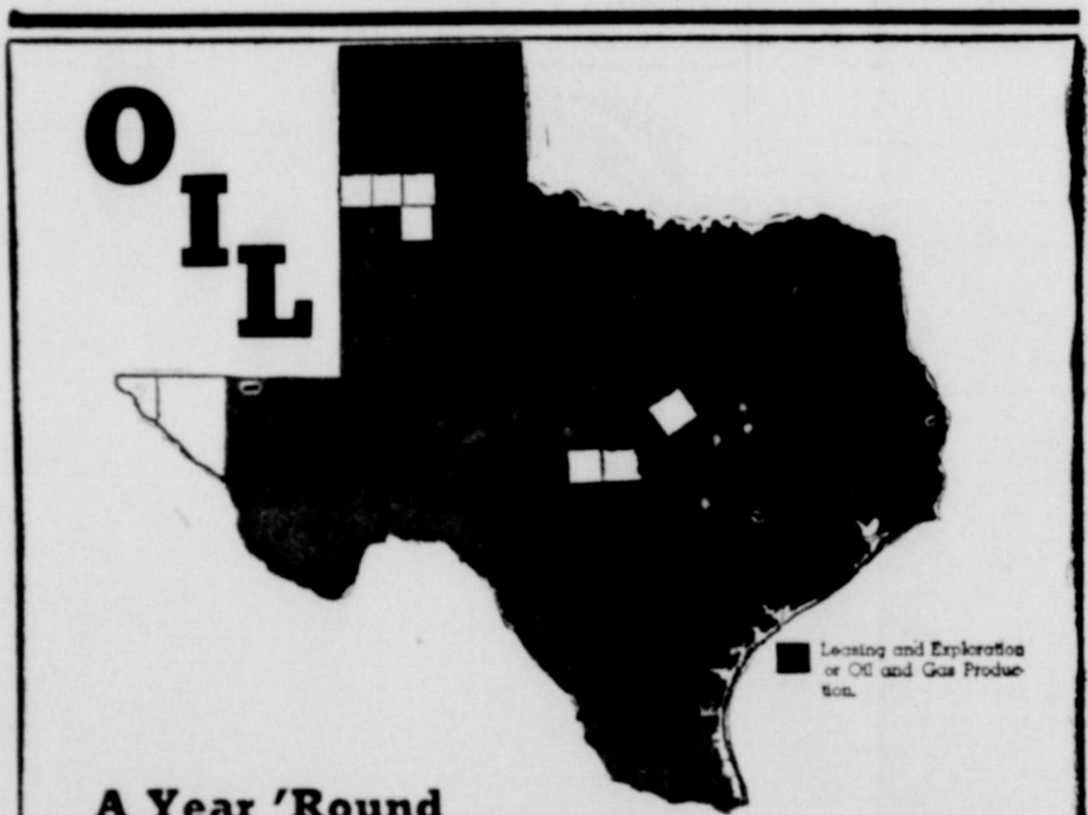
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Kay Kyser Song-and-Laff Hit Has Woe-Beset Story

The troubles which beset a motion picture producer trying to obtain a story to introduce a famous dance bandman on the screen, form the hilarious basis of Kay Kyser's debut film, "That's Right—You're Wrong," billed as the headline attraction at the Texas Theatre in pre-venue Saturday night, and in regular presentations Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, January 14-15-16.

Kay Kyser as himself. When the movie producer learns of the amazing popularity of Kyser's unique radio program, "The College of Musical Knowledge," he induces him and his band to star in a picture. However, Kyser's down-to-earth personality does not fit the torrid Latin lover character created by the scenario writers.

Jack Holt in Dual Role Accorded Good Support

Based on the dangerous consequences of mistaken identity, Columbia's "Fugitive at Large," with Jack Holt playing a dual stellar role promises to reveal an ingenious and absorbing melodrama when it is shown at the Palace Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, January 14, 15 and 16. The film has already been acclaimed as Holt's best, not only because of its enthralling story, but also because of the supporting cast features such actors as Patricia Ellis, Stanley Fields and Guinn ("Big Boy") Williams.

John Garfield and Priscilla Lane Stars of Romantic Drama, "Dust Be My Destiny"

"Dust Be My Destiny," roadshow attraction at the Texas Theatre tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday, January 12-13, has John Garfield and Priscilla Lane in the co-starring roles. This team, so popular in "Four Daughters" and "Daughters Courageous," is supported by a cast headed by Alan Hale, Frank McHugh, Billy Halop, Bobby Jordan, Charley Grapewin, Henry Ametta, Stanley Ridges, John Littel, Moroni Olsen and Victor Kilian.

"Dust Be My Destiny," which is adapted from the novel by Jerome Odlum, author of "Each Dawn I Die," is a straight-from-the-heart tale of two young "nobodies" who fall in love and marry, and who ask nothing of the world except the right to earn their livings and a place to hang their hats. But even these simple things are denied them, because the boy is a fugitive from justice, for a murder which he didn't commit. Even when the boy, through his heroism, aids in the capture of a band of notorious bank robbers, the shadow of the law hangs over him. His vindication in the climactic courtroom scene forms a poignant dramatic ending.

ADDITIONAL DATA
COLLEGE STATION, Jan. 10.—Additional data on rainfall both in density and duration will be available to the United States department of agriculture, the Army Engineer Corps, and other interested agencies as the weather bureau establishes a thousand new rain and snow gauges this fiscal year. The data will be available to all cooperating agencies. One of the 10 regional offices will be established in Fort Worth.

The census of 1930 showed 1025 men to every 100 women in the United States.

Off to a Record Start



Record-breaking truck sales to start off the new model year were the cause of this jubilation among Chevrolet sales executives. The report at which they are looking shows that retail sales of commercial units by Chevrolet dealers during November totalled 17,530 units, a gain of 33.5 per cent over the same month in 1938. These figures topped nine of the 10 preceding months in 1939, surpassed any single month in 1938, and exceeded the records set in 33 of the past 46 months. Shown above (left to right) studying the month's sales report, are Felix Doran, Jr., assistant general sales manager; W. E. Holler, general sales manager; W. E. Fish, manager of the commercial car department, and T. H. Keating, assistant general sales manager.

H. G. Hamrick Enters Representative's Race

To the Voters of the 92nd Representative District:

Some time ago I announced as a candidate for Representative of the 92nd District. In making the announcement for representative I want to say that I am aware that there is nothing that blasts the hopes and ambitions of people in public affairs more than false promises made in political campaigns. As the campaign gets underway I shall make my stand clear on all important issues. Among the problems that I shall advocate are:

We have reached the point in Texas when it is imperative that necessary new governmental services should be financed by economies effected through a better use of taxes already being paid, rather than by levying new taxes. In the collection of state revenues duplications are rampant throughout the government. Almost every department of our state government is collecting some sort of taxes or fees. The comptroller of public accounts is the logical officer to collect taxes for the state. It is impossible for anyone to know how much money is being collected by these departments and spent at their own discretion. The number of funds at the present time approximates one hundred. The remedy here seems clear. The legislature should require all funds collected be deposited in the state treasury and expended only through appropriations made by the legislature. This method would save the state millions of dollars yearly.

In 1935 the people of Texas approved by a large vote a constitutional amendment to provide a pension of \$30 per month for aged people. Every legislature that has convened since 1935 has had a clear mandate from the people to provide sufficient funds to pay the pension. If the business of our state was run as efficiently as any other ordinary business must be run, we would save many millions of dollars each year which could be used toward payment of old age pensions. If that amount is not sufficient, to pay the full amount of pension voted, then I would favor a tax on luxuries and on natural resources to raise the necessary funds.

I believe the legislature should do its work in the regular sessions and avoid the necessity of called sessions. Past legislatures have, from all appearance, failed to pass legislation for the deliberate purpose of having the governor call them back in special session. Past experiences with called sessions in Texas has been that they have done very little except increase the burden of expenses on the state.

I favor laws to control honky-tonks and liquor stores on highways. They are a menace to public safety and should be restricted by law.

At present the load limit of our truck shipping is 7,000 pounds. That load limit law was sponsored by special interest. The citizens of Texas are paying heavily for that error because the things we eat, wear and use are hauled from some place and the cost, which is greater per load, is added to

retail prices. I advocate increasing that 7,000-pound load limit to 12,000 or 15,000.

I am a native Texan and have lived in Texas all of my life. Have lived within 60 miles of my present residence, Wingate, more than 28 years. I received my B. A. degree from the Commerce Teachers' College and my M. A. degree from the Texas Tech at Lubbock.

I shall make an effort to contact every voter that I possibly can during the campaign and shall always welcome suggestions from anyone. In the race for representative two years ago, I ran high man in Runnels county, a fact I appreciate very much. Your support in this race will be sincerely appreciated.

Respectfully,
H. G. HAMRICK
(Political Advertisement)

Country Club Lake Will be Improved; 6,000 Fish Added

The lake committee of the Ballinger Country Club has started improving the lake for the summer season. Recently about 6,000 fish were put in the lake. Received from state hatcheries, these fish are mostly bass and brim.

Later in the year a small amount of water will be drained from the lake until the water is below the moss shore line. This portion of the lake will be exposed to the weather several weeks in order to reduce this obnoxious growth.

It is planned to soon start construction of a new pier at the bathhouse. A steel pier, high enough for three diving boards at different heights, will be built, and this will be connected with the bathhouse by a wooden runway. The work will be finished in time to catch the lake full again before the opening of the swimming and boating period.

Golf players have enjoyed the winter grass greens and report they have been in excellent condition. Italian rye was planted on the greens when frost came and they have remained green during the winter. This rye will die and be crowded out when the summer grass begins growing again.

Other improvements will be made at the club grounds during the spring and before the outdoor season opens.

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Immensely superior, a tremendous advance over more-ordinary remedies says Doctor.
Spend 45 cents today at any good drug store for a bottle of Buckley's CANADIAN Mixture (triple acting); by far the largest selling cough medicine—for coughs due to colds or bronchial irritation—in all worthy Canada. Take a couple of doses—feel its quick, powerful, pungent action spread thru throat, head and bronchial tubes. It acts quickly—starts at once to loosen up thick, choking phlegm, soothe raw membranes—make breathing easier. Contains no sugar so can be used by diabetics. Buckley's CANADIAN Mixture now on sale and made in America—acts like a flash on coughs due to colds or bronchial irritation. Get Buckley's CANADIAN Mixture today. Over 10 million bottles sold.
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Palace Theatre Ballinger "Your House of Bargains" Friday - Saturday THE RANGERS RIDE ONCE MORE NORTH OF THE RIO GRANDE! ... Also Scrappy Cartoon Sun. Mon. Tues. ... Overland With Kid Carson And Comedy

'Earl of Chicago' Gives Montgomery Star Role

Starring Robert Montgomery for the second time in his screen career in a picture selected by himself and with a role he wanted to portray—the first was the psychopathic murderer in "Night Must Fall," which won him nomination for the Academy Award—"The Earl of Chicago" is to be shown at the Ritz Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, January 7-8-9.

One of the most unusual characterizations ever brought to the screen, it marks an abrupt departure from Montgomery's comedy wise-cracking playboy roles, with the star seen as Silky Kilmount, Chicago gangster. With the repeal of prohibition, Silky has engaged in a legitimate business, the Kilmount Distillery. He operates on the level, pays his taxes to the government, but retains his gang methods of salesmanship.

EVERY DAY PLAY SUIT

COLLEGE STATION, Jan. 10.—A winter play suit for "every day" wear is a valuable addition to a child's wardrobe, if it is durable, warm and easy to clean. Mrs. Dora R. Barnes, specialist in clothing for the A. & M. College extension service, says that fabrics for winter play suits should be flexible and pliable enough not to hamper the movements of the child or irritate the skin at the neck, wrists, and ankles. Wool fabrics are satisfactory, although some of them have to be dry cleaned.

BREAKFAST CEREALS

COLLEGE STATION, Jan. 10.—Hot breakfast cereals, if made carefully and presented in different ways, can come to the table often without being monotonous. Furthermore, whole grain cereal dishes which are the mainstay of most breakfasts, satisfy the appetite, supply energy at low cost, furnish vitamins and minerals that are needed in the daily diet, says Nora Ellen Elliott, specialist in food preparation for the A. & M. College extension service. She suggests correction of the two most common faults of hot cereals—lumpiness and lack of salt. According to Miss Elliott, most cereals improve with long cooking.

Total seating capacity of the motion picture theatres in the United States is slightly over 10,000,000.

Ghost Gossip Revived in Airdrie, Scotland

AIRDRIE, Scotland, Jan. 10.—People are talking again that there is a ghost in the eight-room villa in Alexander Street, and they wish that the sisters who suddenly walked out of the house forty years ago and never came back would tell them why it was they departed.

Since then this house of solid red granite has remained empty. But every year \$725, which includes assessed rental and taxes, is paid by a firm of lawyers to the town council. Where Miss Louise Young and her sister are the lawyers, if they know, will not tell. They left the house one morning after breakfast and the remains of the meal are still on the table. So far as is known no one has entered the house since they left.

Montgomery went to J. Edgar Hoover, a personal friend, to obtain authentic information about gangsters for his challenging characterization. He also did research in London, where much of the action takes place against such colorful and historic settings as the House of Lords and the

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SILKY, YOU'VE INHERITED A TITLE AND TEN MILLION SMACKERS! WHAT DO I WANT WITH A 400-YEAR-OLD CASTLE? Now showing WATCH OUT LONDON! Here comes a new menace! Laughs and thrills with ...

ROBERT MONTGOMERY as the gangster who becomes an English Lord "THE EARL OF CHICAGO" With Edward Arnold, Reginald Owen and Edmund Gwenn Victor Saville Production, Directed by Richard Thorpe from screen play by Lesser Samuels

Friday and Saturday JOHNNY MACK BROWN in "CHIP OF THE FLYING U" Watch Dates on "Stella Dallas"

CHEVROLET TRUCKS FOR 1940 Best Haulers... Best Savers and "BEST SELLERS" in the entire truck field! Chevrolet—world's largest builder of trucks—now offers its new line for 1940—56 models on nine wheelbase lengths, all selling in the lowest price range! Extra-powerful Valve-in-Head Engines... extra-strong Hypoid Rear Axles... extra-sturdy truck units throughout... make all these new Chevrolets gluttons for work, whether you choose a Sedan Delivery or a Heavy Duty Cab-Over-Engine model. And Chevrolet's famous six-cylinder economy... plus the exceptional dependability and long life of Chevrolet trucks... means that all of them are misers with your money when it comes to gas, oil and upkeep. Choose Chevrolet trucks for 1940 and you choose the nation's greatest truck values... the best haulers, best savers and "best sellers" in the entire truck field! Healer Chevrolet Co. Ballinger, Texas

Want Ads

FOR LEASE—Gulf Service Station. Small capital required. Call 212-R1. 11-1t

FOR RENT—Five room house, 901 Fifteenth Street. Mrs. D. E. Averitt. 11-1t*

FOR RENT—Four room modern unfurnished apartment for adults only. Phone 493. 4-1f

UNDERWOOD ROOFING CO.—Bonded roofing, built up roofs, composition shingles, free estimates, three years to pay, no down payment. Phone 187, Ballinger, Texas. 4-1f

FOR RENT—Or Lease: Benolt store building. Possession February 1. W. T. Hill, Benolt. 11-2t*

TO TRADE—250 posts, 6 1/2 feet by 4 inch tops, for feedstuffs. M. C. Kemp, Paint Rock, phone 1605F2. 11-1t*

BABY CHICKS—We now have Baby Chicks for sale. J. N. Nutt, Feed, Seed & Hatchery. 4-4t

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Our Paracide Ointment is guaranteed to relieve itching associated with Eczemas, Athlete's Foot, ordinary Itch and other minor skin irritations. Large jar only 60c at Weeks Drug Store. Ap 1

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We buy old newspapers, magazines, rags, rubber, tosocks, mattress cotton, in bundles. In building across street from Ballinger Ice Co. 29-1f

FOR RENT—Two room furnished apartment, 900 Eighth Street. Phone 433. 23-1f

SANTA FE ANNOUNCES CHANGE IN SCHEDULE

A change in schedule of passenger trains over the Santa Fe into Ballinger was announced this week, effective January 14. The motor car from San Angelo will arrive here at 7:52 instead of 7:42 p. m. Arriving in the morning from Coleman the motor car will reach Ballinger at 8:54 instead of 9:30. There also will be slight changes in the main passenger train schedule. The east bound from San Angelo will arrive here at 10:34 instead of 10:25 and the west bound in the morning will operate on its present schedule, arriving at Ballinger at 5:52 a. m.

In Liberia, Africa, the value of paper money is depicted in varying numbers of bread loaves engraved on the bills. Pictures of something familiar have to be used since most of the population is unable to read figures.

DEATHS

E. G. Sandlin
E. G. Sandlin, 71, died at his home, 1205 Ninth Street, this (Thursday) morning at 9 o'clock. He had been in ill health for a number of years and in a serious condition several weeks. Decedent was a pioneer citizen of Ballinger, known by a large number in this section.

Survivors besides the wife include two sons, Lawton Sandlin, of Japan; Robert Sandlin, Los Angeles; four daughters, Mrs. C. A. Werner, Mrs. Milton Newman, Mrs. H. B. Miller, Abilene; and Mrs. Pauline Burnam, Wichita Falls. Four grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services will be held at the King-Holt chapel tomorrow (Friday) afternoon, Rev. Clarence A. Morton to officiate. Interment will follow in Evergreen Cemetery. King-Holt Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

MRS. TUNNELL WILL CONTINUE OPERATION OF GROCERY HERE

Mrs. R. P. Tunnell announced this week that she would continue operation of the Tunnell Grocery & Market. This announcement was made after giving the matter careful consideration and discussing it with business associates who advised her to keep the store open.

Mrs. Tunnell stated that no changes would be made in the operation of this service store and market and that all the present employees would remain on the job. Price Middleton, who has had charge of the market since the opening of the Tunnell store several years ago, will remain with the market and also will assist Mrs. Tunnell in managing the store. Delivery service will be maintained and the store will feature telephone orders.

E. E. KING IS SPEAKER AT FUNERAL DIRECTORS' MEETING IN STAMFORD

The quarterly meeting of the Central West Texas Funeral Directors' and Embalmers' Association was held at Stamford Tuesday, a large number attending. Officers of the state and national organizations were heard during the program. R. V. Landig, of Houston, president of the Landig Mortuary School, was one of the principal speakers.

E. E. King, of Ballinger, addressed the meeting, speaking on general trends of the business today.

Sessions were held at the bank-house on the Stamford rodeo grounds and a cowboy dinner was served in the late afternoon. The next meeting will be held at Fort Worth in May, during sessions of the state organization.

E. C. SCHOTT HOME DAMAGED BY FIRE

The residence of E. C. Schott on Fifth Street was considerably damaged by fire last Friday afternoon. The blaze started in the ceiling and practically the entire roof was destroyed. The exact cause of the blaze was not placed. Insurance adjustors have already inspected the house and granted damages of \$1,040.

PARR BUILDING MODERN PANHANDLE STATION HERE

Ed Parr, agent for the Panhandle Refining Company, has leased lots on Seventh Street from C. A. Dooze and is constructing a modern filling station which he expected to open on January 20. The station, of tile-concrete construction, will have convenient drive-in runways for the servicing of cars. All Panhandle products will be handled and later washing and greasing facilities will be installed.

Mr. Parr announced today that A. C. Roberson would be in charge of the new station and that a complete announcement of the formal opening would be made next week.

Be wise—advertise.

CHURCHES

First Presbyterian Church (301 Broadway)

Sunday, January 14, 1940:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11:00 a. m.
Sermon, "The Cost of Revival."
Evening worship, 7:00 p. m.
Sermon, "The True Foundation."
Monday:
The Woman's Auxiliary circles will meet at 4:00 p. m.
Wednesday:
Mid-week service, 7:00 p. m.
This will be the last service based on the subject, "How We Got Our Bible."
DWIGHT A. SHARPE, Pastor

Church of the Nazarene (Ninth at Harris)

Sunday, January 14, 1940:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 o'clock, sermon by the pastor.
Young People's Society, 6:45 p. m.
Evening worship, 7:30 o'clock, sermon by the pastor.
Monday:
Woman's Missionary Society, 2:30 p. m.
Wednesday:
Mid-week prayer service, 7:30 p. m.
H. H. SPENCER, Pastor

Ballinger Baptist Church (400 Eighth Street)

Sunday, January 14:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. E. C. Grindstaff, general superintendent. The pastor gives a "Picturegraph" in the Beginners' department.
Sermon, 11 a. m., by the pastor, "Magnifying My Office."
8 p. m., Training Union—six unions—Morris Ballew, general director. Pinky Byers opens with a special talk.
7 p. m., sermon by the pastor on "The Parable of the End of the World." Where did evil come from? Why does not God kill the Devil now? When and what the end of the world? Music under direction of R. E. White, choir director, and Mrs. L. Schermerhorn, organist.
Monday:
2:30 p. m., Sunbeam Band.
4 p. m., R. A. Chapter.
4 p. m., W. M. S. in Royal Service Circle programs.
Tuesday:
4 p. m., Junior G. A.
6:30 p. m., Y. W. A.
Wednesday:
5 p. m., Intermediate G. A.
7 p. m., "All Church" night—three in one. Teaching, music, and the pastor on "The Long, Long Trail with Jesus."
The public is invited to all the services of our church.
CLARENCE A. MORTON, Pastor.

First Methodist Church (Tenth Street)

Sunday, January 14:
9:45 a. m., church school, Sam Behringer, superintendent. Do your duty, attend Sunday school.
11:00 a. m., morning worship. Hear this sermon, "God's Care for Each Individual."
6:15 p. m., Fellowship Groups.
7:00 p. m., evening worship. Sin does many things, but have you ever thought about the loneliness which sin brings to people? Be sure and hear this sermon, "The Loneliness of the Sinner."
Monday:
4:00 p. m., Woman's Missionary Society.
Tuesday:
9:30 p. m., called meeting of the Board of Stewards.
Wednesday:
7:00 p. m., "Church Night." You will enjoy this service of fellowship, recreation and devotion. Come, bring a dish of food and the family.
AUBREY C. HAYNES, Pastor.

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church

Sunday, January 14, 1940:
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
11 a. m., preaching by pastor.
7:30 p. m., senior young people.
7:30 p. m., Christmas pageant.
Wednesday:
7:30 p. m., prayer meeting.
FRED CLARK, Pastor.

First Christian Church (Broadway and Murrell)

Bible school begins at 9:45 a. m. Morning theme, "A New Year's Message."
At night, "Under the Juniper Tree."
Special music under the direction of Mrs. W. O. Wallace.
All cordially invited.
JAS. T. McKESSICK, Minister.

Church of Christ (Eighth Street, Bonsall Avenue)

Sunday:
Bible school, 9:45 a. m.
Preaching and communion services, 11 a. m.
Monday:
Ladies' Bible class, 3 p. m.
Wednesday:
Prayer meeting services, 7 p. m.
A friendly welcome awaits you.

Grace Baptist Church (Eighth Street)

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning service, 11 o'clock.
Evening service, 7:45 o'clock.
Wednesday evening prayer service, 7:45 o'clock.
JOB HULL, Pastor.

Foursquare Gospel Church (104 North Twelfth Street)

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 o'clock.

Evangelistic service, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting, Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.

Young People's service, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.
A welcome to all crusaders.
E. N. MURGATROYD, Pastor.

Church of God (Corner of Sixth and Strong)

Sunday school, 10 a. m.
Preaching, 11 a. m., Rev. G. B. Walters, of Sweetwater, preaching Junior meeting at 5 p. m.
Young people's meeting at 7 p. m.
Preaching, 7:30 p. m., by Rev. Walters.
Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7 p. m.
Bible study, Friday, 7 p. m.
LYDIA COUVISIER, Supt.

ADULTERY CASE FILED: POOL HALL CASE SET

County Attorney Roy L. Hill filed cases of adultery against L. S. Baldwin and Thelma Mooning, Winters negroes, Wednesday, and this morning the defendants entered pleas of guilty in justice court here and were fined.
A charge of operating a pool hall at Winters has been filed against R. C. Lewis and C. E. (Chick) McMillan and the case is docketed for the February term of county court here.

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Teachers of

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outstanding speaker is to appear at each.
Strong speakers have been secured for the three general sessions. Dr. Carleton Washburne, of Winnetka, Illinois, "father of the Winnetka system," will speak on all three programs. Dr. Homer P. Rainey, president of the University of Texas, will speak Saturday morning. Dr. J. C. Blair, of the state board of education, will speak Friday morning. L. A. Woods, state superintendent, will speak Friday evening, and Charles H. Tennyson, president of the Texas State Teachers' Association, will bring greetings from the par-

ent organization to district 11.

Officers of district XI are: Noble W. Prentice, Richland Springs, president; J. I. Warren, Miles, secretary; and E. J. Woodward, Brownwood, treasurer. J. C. Scarborough, deceased, was the elected vice-president.
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morrison went to Abilene Saturday morning to attend the funeral of Mrs. Morrison's grandfather, J. T. Simmons. Mr. Simmons was 86 years old at the time of his death and had been in ill health for some time.
Eighty-four per cent of all commodity shipments from Texas in 1937 were composed of petroleum products.

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take this opportunity to say "Thanks" to all of you who have helped in anyway to make this new business a success. We appreciate the many compliments on our opening day and on the food served since. We assure you there will be no let down in the quality of our meals. All foods we use are the very best obtainable and a new menu will be prepared each day.

For Sunday, January 4
Our Menu Will Be

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| Appetizers | Tomato Juice of Fresh Gulf Shrimp Cocktail |
| Jellied Consomme | Fresh Vegetable Soup with Croutons |
| Green Olives | Sweet Pickle |
| Salads | Head Lettuce, Fresh Tomatoes, 1,000 Island Dressing |
| Chilled Mixed Fruit in Orange Cup with Whipped Cream | Pineapple, Pear and Grated Cheese |
| Each Served with Crispy Saltines | |
| Vegetables | Steamed Fresh Green Beans |
| Creamed Sweet Corn | French Fried Idaho Potatoes |
| Price Opposite Meat Determines Price of Meal | |
| Broiled Half Squab Chicken in Butter | 75c |
| Breaded Pork Tenderloin with Cream Gravy | 50c |
| Broiled Fresh Red Salmon with Tartar Sauce, Lemon Garnish | 50c |
| Special Fried Spring Battery Chicken on Toast, Cream Gravy | 50c |
| Fresh Home Made Rolls | Hot Corn Bread Sticks |
| Deserts | Green Apple Pie |
| Fresh Mince Pie | Butterscotch Pie |
| Coffee | Tea |
| Sweet Milk | Butter Milk |

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| Pinto Beans 10 lb. Kraft Bag | 49c | Kitchen Craft Flour 48 lb. Bag | \$1.59 |
| Libby's Pineapple Juice 2 No. 211 Cans | 15c | Castle Crest Sliced or Halves Peaches No. 2 1/2 Can | 15c |
| Fresh Airway Coffee 2 lbs. | 27c | Lipton's Tea 1/2 lb. Pkg. | 21c |
| Hershey's Almond Candy 3 Bars | 10c | Red Super Suds 1 lb. Pkg. | 19c |
| Stokely's Tomato Juice No. 2 Tall Can | 10c | Scott Towels Roll | 10c |
| White King Granulated Soap 22-oz. Pkg. | 21c | Scott Tissue 2 Rolls | 15c |
| Waldorf Tissue 3 Rolls | 14c | For Dessert Jell-Well 3 Pkgs. | 10c |
| Canterbury Tea 1/2 lb. Pkg. | 15c | Van Camp's No. 300 Tall Pork & Beans 3 Cans | 25c |
| Hormel's Spam 12-oz. | 29c | Large Ivory Soap Bar | 10c |
| Long Shred Cocoanut 1 lb. Cello Pkg. | 15c | Medium Ivory Soap Bar | 6c |
| Texas Shortening 4 lb. Ctn. | 37c | Guest Ivory Soap Bar | 5c |
| Su-Purb Soap 24-oz. | 17c | | |
| Mazola Oil Pint | 25c | | |

January 12th to 20 is Idaho Potato Week!

Idaho Rural Potatoes 10 lbs. 19c

YAMS, fancy quality 4 lbs. 19c
CELERY, California crisp 2 lg stalks 17c
APPLES, fancy winesaps, 216 size doz. 10c
GRAPES, Fancy Almeria lb. 5c
ORANGES, California Sunhilt, 176 size doz. 25c
GRAPEFRUIT, fancy Texas, 96 size doz. 19c

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