

School Enrollment 1,073; Sixteen New Teachers

Ballinger public schools began operations Tuesday with 1,073 students reporting to the five schools. This enrollment was about as expected but was not distributed as had been contemplated, requiring several changes in classes.

Cadet Class 43-C Arrives Monday For Air Training

Cadets comprising class 43-A left Ballinger Saturday, Sunday and Monday, going to Goodfellow Field, San Angelo, and to Perrin Field, Sherman. First orders were for all men to report at Randolph Field and buses arrived Friday evening to take them there. Later orders superseded these arrangements and the buses were ordered returned and final orders split the class, one-third to Sherman and two-thirds to San Angelo.

Monday evening the new class, 43-C, arrived at Bruce Field to begin primary training. Regulations prevent publishing the exact number, but the class is considerably larger to be received here since the establishment of the Harman Training Center. With the class were a number of officers who will receive cadet training with 43-C.

A number of new instructors, both flight and ground school, have reported at Bruce Field and others have been employed by the Harman center to take care of the expansion.

700 Sewed Garments Shipped by Red Cross Production Center

Mrs. Ila Furgason, chairman of the Red Cross production center, shipped this week more than 700 sewed garments, mostly blouses and dresses, and other shipments will be made as fast as articles are finished. There is still considerable sewing to be issued and done before the present quota is completed.

All knitting has been completed and turned in and the navy articles will be shipped within the next few days, as soon as they are properly marked and packed. No other quota has been set for the present and knitters may be able to turn their attention to other war work.

Completed garments turned in the past week are as follows: navy scarfs—Miss Ombrá Tackett, Mrs. Bill Cordill, Mrs. E. W. Stasney, Mrs. Jim Duncan, Mrs. Troy Simpson, and 17 from the production center at Miles; helmets—Mrs. Tom Agnew, Mrs. George Holman, Mrs. Homer Price, Mrs. Fred Holliday and Mrs. L. L. Strobbe.

Bob Lindsey, Jr., principal and social science. J. M. Williams, vocational agriculture. F. T. Wright, physical education and social science.

Miss Pauline Morley, first grade. Mrs. Naomi Keithley, second grade. Miss Dorothy Crawford, second grade. Miss Carmen Demmer, third grade. Miss Eugenia Baskin, third grade.

Miss Mary Jane Kiechle, fourth grade. Mrs. Krehbiel Greenwood, fourth grade. Miss Myrtle Ruth Hale, fifth grade. Miss Lola Eubank, fifth grade. Mrs. Iola Crawford, sixth grade. Mrs. Mary K. Kincaid, sixth grade. Miss Cleo Lane, sixth grade.

Mrs. J. A. Grindstaff, principal, upper grades. Mrs. Billie Rudd, primary. Mrs. Louise Tisdale, primary. H. J. Betts, principal, upper grades. Beatrice Hardin, homemaking. Mrs. Fannie Mae Barnes, primary.

COUNTY'S SEPTEMBER WAR BOND QUOTA SET AT \$59,800

Runnels county citizens are asked to purchase \$59,800.00 in war bonds and stamps during September. This quota is less than last month's which was not attained, and a good start has been made toward going over the top for this month.

A number of special bond rallies and other events are planned for this month and with fall crops beginning to move, local leaders hope to exceed the quota and wipe out some of the deficit in July and August.

Theatres and other agencies are assisting in a big way with the bond sales in September and as more interest is created sales are expected to mount.

Miss Helen Agnew left this week for her school work at Grand Falls, after a visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Agnew.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Whigham, of Lampasas, are here for a visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Fields.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, our nation is now engaged in bitter warfare against relentless foes, and WHEREAS, under such circumstances the flow of war materials from our nation's factories must continue in ever-increasing volume, and

WHEREAS, the industries of our nation have informed us of their need for materials in the form of scrap; THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Runnels county pledge its full support and cooperation to the Salvage Campaign in this county, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as a county and as individuals each person offer his services to the end that the Scrap Salvage Campaign may achieve its highest goal.

E. C. GRINDSTAFF, County Judge, Runnels County

... And Now It's the 'WAGS'



"WAGS," "WAVES"—and now the "WAGS." For your information, the "WAGS" are the dogs inducted for duty in the U. S. Army, where they will be trained as sentries, messengers, airplane spotters and light pack carriers. The course lasts four weeks. At the left you see Col. T. B. Apgar, commanding officer, quartermaster depot, Front Royal, Va., inspecting a lineup of new arrivals. At the right dogs are being weighed in as they are given their "physical."

B. C. D. Transacts Much Business Monday Night

Directors of the Ballinger Board of Community Development transacted a large amount of business at their regular meeting Monday night. The meeting was well attended and after a thirty-minute session a recess was taken to hear President Roosevelt's Labor Day address.

J. M. Williams was elected a member of the board to succeed Layne Moreland, who recently moved to Tyler. Ben Denny and Drury P. Hathaway were elected to the planning board.

It was voted to name a committee to raise funds with which to purchase caps, ties, belts and insignia for the high school boys who will take military training. The boys will buy other items of the uniforms in which they will drill.

The B. C. D. recently joined the West Texas Chamber of Commerce in making a survey of tires needed for farm trailers and trucks and the number in the hands of dealers in this county.

Plans were approved for holding an old-fashioned box supper in the near future. This event would serve a double purpose, that of a get-together of the entire membership and also raise a large sum for bonds and stamps.

Directors voted to have two large gongs installed downtown and one of these will ring every time a war bond is sold. In this way it is hoped interest in buying bonds will be increased and the

Aviation Cadet Wilson Thedford Killed in Crash

Aviation Cadet Wilson P. Thedford, of Oklahoma City, was killed instantly today at 11 a. m. when his primary training plane crashed a short distance southeast of Rowena. He was on a routine training flight when the accident occurred.

Cadet Thedford came to Ballinger August 6 from the reception center at San Antonio and was a member of class 43-B. He had done preliminary training and was on a solo routine flight this morning when his machine fell from a considerable height. Officers of the Harman Training Center were notified and an ambulance and crash truck were rushed to the scene. Officers are conducting an investigation to try to determine the cause of the accident.

Decedent's home address is 1119 N. Virginia Street, Oklahoma City. He was married and listed his wife as nearest of kin.

The body is at the Agnew Funeral Home, where it will be prepared for shipment. Information was awaited from relatives as to disposition of the body and Lieut. J. C. Ward, post adjutant, expected that shipment would be made to Oklahoma City, probably tomorrow.

BAND AND PEP SQUAD NEED RIDES TO GAME

The Ballinger Bearcats have only two games away from home this season, the first at San Angelo Friday night, September 18, and the last game of the season at Winters.

School authorities have made no request for transportation, for the band and pep squad to San Angelo, but local fans believe they should make the trip. Any person who will haul one or more to the game next week is requested to phone Clarence Richards at Higginbotham, No. 96, and state how many he will take.

The game will start about 8:30 and fans will have to leave Ballinger around 7:30 p. m.

DRAFT BOARD NEEDS NEW ADDRESSES OF EIGHT MEN

The Runnels county draft board has names of eight men who registered in the county who do not now get their mail at the last addresses on record. They are anxious to get the correct addresses and ask that anyone who knows where any of the registrants are now located to please call the board and give this information.

The names and the last known addresses are as follows: J. G. Oglesbee, 600 S. W. 25th St., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. James Clovis Bradley, box 1552, general delivery, Clifton, Arizona. Charles C. Lucas, Ballinger. Amalio Deanda, Hondo, Texas. Eddio Piedra, Charlotte, Texas. K. C. Cary, general delivery, Abilene. Baleriano Rodriguez, general delivery, Robstown, Texas. Albert Harvey, general delivery, Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Padgett Maddox, of Great Bend, Kansas, are visiting in the home of his grandmother, Mrs. W. T. Padgett.

Mrs. E. V. Underwood and sons left today for San Antonio where they will join Mr. Underwood, who is there in the air corps. Mrs. Underwood is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Avey.

Campaign is Organized To Gather Tons of Scrap

Wednesday, September 16, has been designated as Junk Day in Ballinger and trucks will be furnished to make a complete run of the entire city and haul all kinds of scrap materials to the depot. H. J. Zappe, county chairman, named Nat Williams chairman for the school system and with the assistance of all air raid wardens in the city will canvass homes and ask citizens to gather their junk and place it at the front of their residences by next Wednesday. Any item too heavy to be put with other items in a scrap heap will be picked up if the person will telephone the Ballinger Board of Community Development, No. 39, or Mr. Zappe, No. 146.

Two Ballinger men have taken advantage of the opportunity to become army air force mechanics and enlisted last week at Randolph Field. They are David Williams and Irvin Douglas Stokes, both graduates of the Ballinger high school.

Williams is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Williams, Ballinger route 2, and was a tractor mechanic for Kirk & Mack, and later a mechanic at the Harman Training Center. Stokes is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Stokes and was employed by the Ballinger Implement Co.

Lieut. Arnold B. Pospichal, son of Mrs. Frances Pospichal, Ballinger route 1, has reported for duty at the army air force bombardment base, Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma. He received a commission in the quartermaster corps at Camp Lee, Virginia, after graduating from an officers' candidate school on August 14. Lieut. Pospichal is a graduate of the Ballinger high school.

Aviation Cadet Tom A. Crockett, Jr., has just completed primary training at Minter Field, Bakersfield, California. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom A. Crockett of Winters, Tom is a graduate of the Paint Rock high school. He was formerly a radio operator at Camp Forrest, Tennessee.

Two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Simpson, of Coleman, formerly of Ballinger, have entered the armed services. Newby Simpson, the elder of the boys, is a commissioned officer at the bomber base, Wendover, Utah, and Troy Cecil Simpson is at Nashville, Tennessee, awaiting assignment to a primary aviation school. Both are married and were employees of the Gulf Oil Co. at Odessa.

Ernest L. Moreland, of Ballinger, has been promoted at Minter Field, under the command of WCAAFTC, to the grade of corporal. He is the son of Mrs. Pearl Moreland of this city.

Mrs. R. A. Nicholson points with pride to four sons and one grandson in the armed forces of the nation. LeRoy Nicholson is now on the inactive list of the navy, due to ill health, but held in reserve, following six months' service in the Atlantic in the present war and one year's service in the first World War.

Robert Nicholson has been inducted into the navy as a chief carpenter's mate at Laredo and soon will be transferred to Norfolk, Va., for training. He was in the national guard during the first World War.

Morris Nicholson volunteered for army officer training and was sent to Miami, Fla., where he is now a first lieutenant.

Albert Nicholson has volunteered for service and is now at the Camp Wolters army reception center awaiting orders to an officers' training school. Robert Nicholson, a grandson, and son of LeRoy Nicholson, is now stationed at Camp Edwards, Mass., where he is an instructor for commandos. He has recently returned from England, where he studied commando tactics under British officers.

Miss Nancy Connor visited her cousin, Miss Jane Harold Wright, of Abilene, over the week-end.

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Women's, Society and Club News

Miss Holman is Club Hostess
Miss Virginia Holman was hostess to her contract club last Thursday afternoon in her home on Eighth Street.

Queen's wreath was combined with golden glow to give a pretty floral decoration to rooms where a dessert luncheon was served with coffee preceding games.

Mrs. John Hollingsworth of Corpus Christi received the guest remembrance and defense stamps sent to Mrs. Arthur Underwood for high club score. Others were: Misses. Buster Parrish, Roy Worley, Jack Seales, Sam Malone, Jr., and Alden Thorp.

Mrs. Kirk Entertains Forty-Two Club

Mrs. B. C. Kirk entertained her forty-two club last Friday afternoon in her Seventh Street home. Lilies blossoms from her own garden decked living rooms and a low arrangement of blue salvia with plumbeous centered the dining room table. A patriotic scheme was stressed in matched game appointments.

Orange sherbet was served with cookies. Included were: Misses. E. King, James E. Brewer, Warren Lynn, R. W. Bruce, E. L. Hagan, Conda Wylie, Ila G. Ferguson, C. P. Shepherd, J. F. Currie, James Wear, Ed O'Kelly, John Weeks, J. G. Douglass, Hamp Byler and Wm. Shepperd.

Jaeggli's Are Honored

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cordill were hosts at a small buffet supper last Friday evening in their home on Ninth Street to compliment Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Jaeggli. Mrs. Cordill is Mr. Jaeggli's sister. Mrs. Jaeggli will teach in San Angelo and Mr. Jaeggli reports September 15 for V. O. C. A gift was presented Mr. Jaeggli.

Others were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Caskey, Judge and Mrs. E. C. Grindstaff, and Dr. and Mrs. Edgar Boelsche.

Mrs. Causey is Sew and Chat Hostess

Mrs. Ross Causey was hostess to Sew and Chat members Friday afternoon in her home on Ninth Street.

Mixed floral bouquets graced rooms where members did individual sewing. Sandwiches were served with iced tea and cookies. Included were: Misses. E. C. Tinsley, M. A. Foy, Lewis Goddard, Tom McEntire, W. O. Middleton, J. C. Ward, Henry Moody, W. R. Murphy, Jr., Leon Russell, Fred Middleton, and Ray Tisdale.

Triple-Four in Marchison Home
Mrs. Ross Marchison was hostess to the Triple-Four contract club last Friday afternoon in her home on Fifth Street.

Mixed summer flowers were arranged about rooms where Mrs.

Leslie Baker won high score prize and Mrs. J. B. Striplin the bingo. Dickie Marchison assisted in serving sandwiches with candies and coffee. Others were: Misses. L. R. Tigner, Harry Lynn, Tom Agnew, Claude Stone, R. W. Earnshaw, Alex McGregor, Troy Simpson, K. V. Northington, E. W. Stasney, J. A. Schnable, Edgar Boelsche, Fred Harman, and Hill Hampton; Misses Louise Batts and Winnie Trail.

Mary Evelyn O'Neill Compliments House Guest

Mary Evelyn O'Neill was assisted by her mother, Mrs. O. R. O'Neill, and Mrs. Alex Saunders in entertaining a group of friends in her Ninth Street home on Wednesday evening of last week, to compliment her house guest, Eoline Stone of Menard.

After games, ice cream was served with cookies. Included were: Dorothy Ann Holliday, Dava June Bell, Mary Brian Woody, Betty Jean Lengefeld, Betty Lou Morrison, Bonnie Davis, Anna Sue Hembree, Marilyn Joyce Bowden, Carolyn Cheatham, Charlotte Miller, June Wright, Natlyrne Williams, Martha Saunders, Jo Ann Eubank, Patricia Richards, and Elizabeth Wear; J. H. Parrish, Jr., Sam Egnot, Carl Black, Jr., J. H. Justice, Howard Martin, Charles Miller, Jr., Bobby Joe Moody, Robert Earl Morgan, Clifton Reneau, Junior Henderson, Hal Dean Caskey, Bobby Northington, Bobby Parr, Walter Jones, J. Frank Nance, David Middleton, Wellington Pearce, John Weeks, Earnshaw, Winfield Read, and Bob Mathis.

Mrs. W. A. Erwin to Preside Over Presbyterial

Mrs. W. A. Erwin is in East Sweden today where she is presiding officer for the Brownwood U. S. A. Presbyterial.

The varied program will include discussions of missionary literature; the study "Latin America"; the use of potential members; and women's part in wartime service of the church. Mrs. Erwin will give the new plan of organization recommended by the Quadrennial, which she attended in Atlantic City.

Ceremony in Church for Miss Lucille Hooks and Frank Hope
Miss Lucille Hooks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hooks of

South Ballinger, became the bride of Frank Hope of Winters Sunday morning at nine o'clock in the First Methodist Church with the Rev. E. C. Carter reading the single ring ceremony before immediate family members and a few very close friends. Vows were spoken before an altar decoration of crepe myrtle blossoms and pink dahlias combined with long sprays of white abelia.

Mrs. Carter played the traditional Lohengrin and Mendelssohn marches for the processional and recessional. During the ceremony she used Carrie Jacobs-Bond's "I Love You, Truly."

Mrs. Jack Fry was matron of honor and wore a beige suit with brown accessories and corsage of bronze chrysanthemums.

The bride wore an early fall two-piece frock of gulfstream blue with matching hat. Her other accessories were brown and her corsage was of pink carnations.

Mr. Fry attended the groom as best man.

Mrs. Hope is a graduate of the Ballinger High School. For several years she was employed at the Hub and has recently been an employee at the Fred Harman Training Center.

Mr. Hope is a prominent young farmer near Winters where the couple will live following a short wedding trip.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Reynolds of Winters.

Sailor Honored by Parents at Miles

On Thursday evening of last week a party was given in honor of Sylvester Block at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Block in Miles. Young Block was at home on a short furlough from the naval training station at San Diego, California.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Block and family, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Block and family, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schwertner, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Schwertner, Mr. and Mrs. William Homann, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Homann and daughter, Bonnie Lee; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schwertner and family; Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Bankston and family; Mr. and Mrs. Alex Schwertner, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Kahlig and son, Clements, Leo and Benjamin Schwertner, Wilbert and Raymond Bankston, Bobby Block, Evelyn Bankston, Esther, Elenora

and Frances Block and Olga Matthiesen.

Holmes-Lloyd Nuptials in Grayson Home

The home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Heywood Grayson on Eleventh Street was the scene of a pretty wedding Saturday evening at nine o'clock when Miss Bessie Holmes of Wichita Falls became the bride of Harold Lloyd of Abilene.

White asters and fern in white floor baskets and tall white candles in floor candelabra before the living room fireplace, formed the background for the double ring ceremony read by the Rev. E. C. Carter, pastor of the First Methodist Church. Soft incidental music was played.

Mrs. Grayson was matron of honor. She wore a brown suit, and her corsage was of pink car-

nations. The bride wore a fall suit of brown with all brown accessories and a corsage of tansman reseed.

The groom was attended by his father, C. V. Lloyd of Nocona.

A beautifully-appointed three-course buffet supper was served immediately after the service. The three-tiered wedding cake, topped with miniature bridal couple, formed the centerpiece for the lace-laid table.

Mr. Lloyd is employed by the Taystee Bread Co. and the couple will live in Abilene.

Other guests were: the bride's mother, Mrs. A. F. Holmes of Frederick, Okla., her aunt, Mrs. Etta Lawrence of New Sharon, Iowa; the groom's mother, Mrs. C. V. Lloyd of Nocona; Mrs. Manuel Stall of Frederick; Mr. Grayson

and son, Dickie; Miss Dorothy Tarver, Mrs. Carter, and W. H. Crouch.

Birthday Party for Harlan Forbus

Harlan Forbus was named honoree Friday, September 4, when his mother, Mrs. O. F. Forbus, gave a party at the Forbus home on Tenth Street in honor of Harlan's ninth birthday. After guests arrived games were played and the gifts opened.

In a contest James Spurgess and Jessie Lou Golden tied for the prize. Both received toy dogs.

Ice cream and cake were served to the following: Mary Gwen Williams, Jessie Lou Golden of Murray, Lasonda Forbus of Norton, Helen Reese, Yvonne Forbus, Billy Wayne Burke, James Spurgess, Lanny and Billy Maedgen, Charles Owen, and the honoree.

"Howdy, Ballinger!--"

Ise in town fo' a grand time--an' Ise introduced to yo' all by Edith N. Baker, the lady with Original Ideas. Ise her latest fancy in foods. Yes sah, she done christened me

The Picnic Basket

an' this is what Ise made of. First, Chef Jackson, he takes a spring chicken of about three pounds--oh, no sah, not jes' an ordinary spring chicken, but a MILK FED BATTERY CHICKEN. It's better, an' Jack disjointa this said chicken, exactly as yo' mammy does at home, an' fries half of it to a crusty, golden brown an' places it on top o' a nest o' the crispiest waffle-fried valley 'aters yo' ever saw--with a garnish of banana--scrumptious!! Then 'long comes a basket filled with buttered hot biscuits an' a jug o' honey--(don't yo' moeth water?)--an' a bowl o' fresh home-made cole slaw! Next comes 'long a cup or two o' that De-lishus Folgers Brew.

"Yes sah, jes' be comfortable, folks, no forks or knives comes with me--not even plates--case yo' see yo're gonna have a Picnic Basket.

"Make a date with me for Saturday night--Bring the family for a good time. An' boy an' I gonna be poplar in this said town! Yo' sure will go for me. An' I don't mean perhaps.

"Only Edith N. Baker is privileged to serve 'THE PICNIC BASKET' You know she's your hostess at the place that is

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Polished Tan Calf

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Finely polished calf, harness-stitched in pumps or ties that fit and support wonderfully, yet look as young as a teenager! Also in Black Calf or Black Suede.



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Bettis & Sturges HOUR SALE Of Dresses

Come on Time--Later is too late
On Sale Strictly As Advertised

No Refunds--No Alterations--No Approvals
Every Sale Final. Be Here On Time.

Friday Morning, September 11, 1942

On Sale 9 o'clock to 11 o'clock

ONE LOT

NELLY DONS

Regular \$6.50, \$7.95 up to \$10.95

\$4.95

Friday Afternoon, September 11, 1942

On Sale from 12 o'clock to 3 o'clock

ONE LOT

DORIS DODSONS

Regular \$6.50, \$7.95 to \$12.95

\$4.95

Friday Afternoon, September 11, 1942

On Sale from 3 o'clock to 5 o'clock

ONE LOT

SLIPS

Regular \$1.00 to \$1.95

59c

ONE LOT

BRASSIERES

Regular 59c to \$1.00

29c

Friday Afternoon, September 11, 1942

On Sale from 4 o'clock to 6 o'clock

ONE LOT

GOOD DRESSES

Regular \$14.95, \$18.95 to \$22.50

\$8.95

Saturday, September 12, 1942

ONE LOT

FADED DRESSES

Silks and Rayons

Regular \$3.95 to \$14.95

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GOOD DRESSES

NELLY DONS

and

DORIS DODSONS

\$3.98

One Lot Slightly Faded

DRESSES

Regular \$2.95 to \$18.95

\$1.98



Women's, Society and Club News

J. O. Y. Class Elects Officers
Mrs. Barnett Frank and Mrs. Harold Routh were hostesses to the Baptist J. O. Y. Class Tuesday evening in the home of Mrs. Frank's mother, Mrs. H. O. Campbell.

Varied blooms decorated rooms where the annual reports of retiring officers were heard and the following new officers elected: Mrs. R. C. Bledsoe, president; Mrs. W. R. Murphy, Jr. and Mrs. Jones Parrish, vice-presidents; Mrs. Park Kemp, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Arthur Crockett, recorder; Mrs. Clarence Morton, teacher; and Mrs. Elliott Kemp, assistant teacher.

At the social hour, Mrs. Frank was the surprise recipient of a gift shower and the hostesses served sandwiches with fruit drinks. Others present were: Mrs. Carl Freeman and Mrs. Buster Caudle.

New Officers for Naomi Class

Mrs. J. G. Tuckey entertained the Baptist Naomi Class last week in her home on Broadway.

Rooms were given a pretty floral adornment, where Mrs. J. H. Endacott, retiring president, heard annual reports.

At the tea hour, punch was ladled from a crystal bowl surrounded with tube roses and queen's wreath trailers on the lace-covered dining table.

New officers are: Mrs. J. A. Killough, president; Mrs. John Rayburn, Mrs. Ted Whitehead, Mrs. Joe Flynt, and Mrs. W. J. Hembree, vice-presidents; Mrs. J. H. Endacott, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Lee Maples, assistant; and Mrs. L. L. Stroble, teacher.

Others present were: Mmes. Ed Lengfeld, Joe Vaughn, O. T. Toney, E. C. Grindstaff, Malcolm Morgan, John Castor, Bob Lindsay, Edgar Boelsche, Ernest Moody, Clarence Morton, and George Stowe of Mertzon.

Miss Mary Fry and Alfred Luckett Married Sunday

Miss Mary Hallet Fry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emory Elgin Fry, and Alfred Edgar Luckett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred P. Luckett of San Angelo, were married last Sunday evening at 7:45 o'clock in the home of the bride's parents in Marshall.

The Rev. Henry F. Selcer of the

Episcopal Church was officiating clergyman and Miss Ruth Henderson played the wedding marches and accompanied Treher Firman, who sang "Because."

Miss Lucile Luckett, sister of the bridegroom, was maid-of-honor and junior bridesmaids were Betty Greenwood of Dallas and Penelope Fry of Marshall. Mr. Luckett attended his son as best man.

Mrs. Luckett attended Wellesley College in Massachusetts and the University of Texas.

Mr. Luckett, a graduate of the University of Texas, is continuing his study of medicine at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md., where the couple will live. He is the grandson of the late Col. and Mrs. H. H. Luckett and of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Rasbury, both prominent pioneer families of Ballinger and Runnels County.

First Christian Society Meets

Mrs. M. A. Foy directed the business session for the First Christian Woman's Missionary Society Monday afternoon and Mrs. Charles F. Bailey was program leader.

Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh gave the devotional on the "Great Commission." Mrs. W. O. Wallace's topic was "The Call of the Kingdom." Mrs. Bailey's was "Will You Try Prayer?" and Mrs. Ed Walker presented her phase of work "Spiritual Life."

Six were brought to be sent to the Juliette Fowler Orphanage at Dallas.

Ceremony in Oklahoma for Miss Imogene McKown and Henry Fronkier

The wedding of Miss Imogene McKown and Henry B. Fronkier was solemnized last Thursday morning at nine o'clock in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Ponca City. The Rev. Fr. Hall read the single ring ceremony in front of the altar which was decorated with white gladioluses and fern flanked by cathedral tapers in floor candelabra.

The bride wore a tailored suit of commando blue and her accessories were chocolate brown. Pink rosebuds formed her corsage and for "something old" she wore a gold cross which belonged to the grandmother of her matron of honor.

Mrs. J. C. West, matron of honor, wore a frock of gold and white printed jersey with brown accessories and a gardenia corsage. Francis Fronkier attended his brother as best man.

The traditional wedding marches were played by the church organist as was the Gonoud "Ave Maria" as vows were spoken.

Mrs. Fronkier is the daughter of Gray McKown of San Francisco, California, formerly of Ballinger, and a member of one of Runnels County's real pioneer families. She is a graduate of the Ballinger High School and has recently been employed by the Western Auto Co. The bridegroom is a graduate of the Ponca City High School. He attended junior college there and the University of Kansas. He received his training

45,000-Ton Aide for Uncle Sam



Mrs. Henry Wallace, sponsor at the launching of the 45,000-ton battleship, Iowa, receives the christening bottle from Captain Kennedy, superintendent of the Brooklyn navy yards. The launching of the big battleship, the greatest bulwark of democracy afloat, was made seven months ahead of schedule. The Iowa will have a main battery of 16-inch guns.

as a flight instructor at Randolph Field and has been employed for eight months as a flight instructor at Harman Training Center.

The couple will be at home on Third Street.

Mrs. J. H. Fronkier, the groom's mother, entertained Wednesday evening, following the rehearsal, with a dinner in her home followed by a reception for 50 guests.

All white flowers decorated reception rooms where Mrs. Fronkier welcomed guests and presented the bride couple and Mr. and Mrs. Francis Fronkier of Pawhuska and Mrs. David Fronkier of Wichita Falls.

The bride-elect cut the three-tiered wedding cake which was topped with a tiny bride and groom and miniature blue and gold airplanes.

Ballinger Boy Married at Victoria

The marriage of Miss Lena Mae Elliott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Elliott, of San Antonio and Corpus Christi, to Lieut. M. Alton Bannowsky, son of Mrs. Maude Bannowsky of Ballinger, and Charles Bannowsky of Coleman, was announced here this week by the groom's mother.

The wedding was held on September 5 in the study of the Rev. Dickerson, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Victoria.

Mrs. William Francois Musser was the bride's only attendant and the best man was Dell Bannowsky, brother of the groom.

The bride wore an air corps blue dress with burgundy accessories. She is an English teacher in a San Antonio high school.

Lieut. and Mrs. Bannowsky will remain in Victoria and San Antonio until he receives his orders for a new station with the air corps.

Mrs. Bannowsky of Ballinger, attended her son's graduation and saw him receive his wings from the Victoria school, and later attended the wedding. Prior to going to Victoria she visited in San Marcos with another son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Dell Bannowsky.

Helen Reese's Anniversary Celebrated

Friday, September 4, was a memorable day for Helen Reese, when her mother, Mrs. John Reese, entertained on Helen's fourteenth birthday anniversary. The guests were invited to the Reese home on Ninth Street and were taken to City Park, where games were played and refreshments consisting of sandwiches, punch, and cookies were served to the following: Lasonda Forbus of Norton, Yvonne Forbus, Weldon Lett, Billy Joe Heavenhill, Billy Byers, and Helen Reese.

DeGregorius-Wingfield Nuptials in California Saturday

Miss Bette Louise DeGregorius, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. DeGregorius of Pasadena, Calif., became the bride of Ervin Lee Wingfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Wingfield of Ballinger, Saturday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock in the Little Church of the Flowers at Glendale, Calif.

White gladioluses formed a pretty altar decoration for the single ring ceremony.

The bride wore a suit of navy blue faille with navy accessories and yellow orchid corsage.

Miss Patricia Bowdway of Pasadena was maid of honor and wore a redingote costume suit of navy with blue accessories and corsage of orchids. Simeon Cottle of Inglewood, Calif., was best man.

The couple will be at home at Hermosa Beach. The bridegroom is employed at Douglas Aircraft plant in El Segundo, Calif.

Watermelon Party for Baptist Primaries

Mrs. C. J. Lynn, superintendent of the First Baptist primary department, was assisted by teachers, Mmes. Jim Flynt, Wix Currie, O. L. Parish, J. C. Cook, M. G. Justice, E. H. Forgy, C. E. Maedgen, George Kemp, and M. M. Alexander, in giving a watermelon party for 35 department members last Friday afternoon.

Other adults present were: Dr. and Mrs. Horace Gustavus, Mrs. Wix Currie, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Killough, and Miss Dorothy Hamann.

Mrs. Jones Entertains Know Your Neighbors

Mrs. Cecil Jones was hostess to Know Your Neighbors Wednesday afternoon in her Eleventh Street home.

Mixed summer flowers were used about rooms where the hostess served a dessert course after the sewing hour.

Included were: Mmes. Rothal O'Kelly, Joe Flynt, Dee Saylor, Cal Adair, Malcolm Morgan, John Barton, Jack Nixon, Sr., J. H. Endacott, E. S. Cox, Bill Clark, Barnett, LeRoy McAulay, and Ernest Moody.

Mrs. H. G. Agnew is Club Hostess

Mrs. H. G. Agnew was hostess to her contract club and a few added guests Wednesday afternoon in her home on Sixth Street.

Roses and queen's wreath decorated rooms and the colors of blue and gold were featured in all game appointments. Mrs. Alden Thorp and Mrs. Virgil Reynolds won high guest and high club score prizes.

A salad course with coffee was served at the Cactus. Others were: Mmes. D. O. Henson, Ernest Caskey, W. E. Moss, Edward Sommer, W. O. Irby, W. J. Hembree, George Newby, Julian Hadley, Fred Harman, Jack Scales, C. C. Stratton, Jack Nixon, Jr., and Jack Jobe of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Pepper, of Fort Worth, were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Forgy Tuesday. Mrs. Jack Jobe, who had been visiting her parents, returned to Fort Worth Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Pepper. Also visiting in the Forgy home the past-end were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brian and Miss Dorothy Brian, of Winters.

For Allied victory—buy bonds.

Coleman Production Credit Group Holds Annual Meeting Here

Members, visitors and employees of the Coleman Production Credit Association met here Thursday evening for their annual get-together at city park. A basket supper was served as the opening part of the program and proved the climax as an abundance of home-cooked food was spread for the 99 people attending.

This group came from every section of Runnels county and a large number who were visitors at the park for the first time passed many compliments on the fine meeting place offered here.

J. M. Pyburn, manager of the county office at Ballinger, was the first speaker and discussed "How Members of the Association Can Help Win the War." He stressed that older men with less equipment would be expected to produce more to help the nation carry on in the war effort—not only to produce more but to save more and invest in war bonds to help take care of the cost of war. He also pointed out that the association must stand ready to

give consideration to the needs of members in their work to help win the war and help them in such undertakings.

J. C. Marshall talked on "The Coleman Production Credit Association Victory Clubs." He told of the purpose of the clubs, to set aside now, livestock, poultry, and bi-products, and when they are sold to invest the money in war bonds. Mr. Pyburn stated that a large number of members of the association have already joined the club and that all members of the families have designated livestock and produce to be used this way.

W. E. Melton, secretary-treasurer of the association, discussed "Members and Their Obligations to Runnels County Farmers and Stockmen." He pointed out that

members were responsible in a big way towards spreading the production credit idea and plan to others.

Those attending were delighted with the meeting here, many saying it had given them a better idea of their future work and responsibility and also served as a delightful social gathering.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Goss and children, of Shreveport, visited relatives in Ballinger Friday.

Miss Jeanne Endacott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Endacott, left Friday night for San Marcos, where she will be student manager of the Western Union Telegraph Co. office. Miss Endacott recently completed training in the San Angelo office and has been employed there.

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Wilson's Advance Shortening . . . 8 lb. carton \$1.37

SPINACH No. 2 can 10c | **COFFEE Plymouth Ground Fresh lb. 22c**

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Raisin Bran . . . 2 boxes 23¢

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LETTUCE Nice and Firm 2 heads 15c

SPUDS No. 1 10 pounds 29c

PEPPER Bell Pound 10c

CELERY Nice and Crisp Stalk 10c

Grapes . . . 2 lbs. 17c | **Oranges Jumbos dozen 33c**

Cucumbers 2 lbs 9c | **Cabbage Fresh Green pound 3c**

Quality Meats

HAMS Swift's Premium 7 to 10 lb. Average Lb. 39c | **BACON Swift's Eversweet Lb. 32c**

Pork Sausage . . . Lb. 23¢

STEAK Round Bone Lb. 30c | **CHEESE No. 1 Lb. 28c**

ROAST Fancy Chuck Lb. 27c | **STEAK Loin Seven Lb. 38c**

A name FOR GIRLS to remember! Discover its 2-way help* **CARDUI**

Beyond the Peace

Without taking our eyes from the big job of winning this war, we are seizing this opportunity to urge provision NOW for the post-war period. Every individual should be ready with a cushion of cash to take up the shock that is certain to result as we shift back to peace. There are almost certain to be dislocations, unemployment, and other financial hardships. Now is the time to prepare, by buying War Bonds and making periodic bank deposits.

THE WINTERS STATE BANK
Capital and Surplus \$100,000.00
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\$4,475 War Bonds Bought in Rally At Texas Theatre

The Texas Theatre was packed last Thursday night for the war bond rally, opening the drive of the motion picture industry to sell one billion dollars' worth of bonds during September.

The opening sale at the theatre resulted in the purchase of \$4,475 in bonds with only a few minutes used for the sale.

Following a special picture on the war effort and the urgency for universal bond buying, the lights were turned on and C. R. Stone, bond sale chairman for Ballinger, explained the purpose of the meeting. Members of the American Legion and Texas Defense Guard and cadets from Bruce Field marched to the front of the auditorium where they stood during the program. Cadet Hal Runyan led the audience in singing "God Bless America" at the opening of the program and "The Star Spangled Banner" at the conclusion. Lieut. J. L. Bauer, personnel officer at Bruce Field, was the speaker and in a few words told members of the audience how men in the service were taking the opportunity to save by investing part of their income in war bonds. He urged buying as the means of civilian help to win the war and save the freedom of the nation.

R. W. Earnshaw was presented and began the sale at once, selling in denominations of \$1,000, \$500, \$100, \$50 and \$25.

Other programs during the month will be announced later and every effort will be put forth in the campaign to raise the September quota. Names of purchasers will be inscribed inside a B-25 bomber and will ride into battle.

Civilian building in Texas dropped 86 per cent during July as compared with June, according to reports of building permits in 38 major cities, the University of Texas bureau of business research has revealed. July permits were also 80.3 per cent below those of a year ago, the bureau reported.

Farmers Advised to Feed Each Cow Carefully

Are your cows producing as much milk as they should be? Your milk pail is the best answer—watch your production records carefully, and feed each cow so that she will be able to give the maximum amount of milk. Of course, the quantity of feed you give her is only part of the story—QUALITY is most important, and it will pay you to make certain that the ration you are using contains plenty of quality protein. As source of quality protein, most Texas farmers use their home-grown cottonseed meal. They know cottonseed meal is an especially good dairy feed that has proved its value in many years of experience and Experiment Station research. Here the West Texas Cottonseed Co. has complete information on practical rations for dairy cattle. You can get your copy, free—just visit the mill office or write to the West Texas Cottonseed Co.

Silage is the farmer's feed insurance, and silage and cottonseed meal make one of the best and most economical combinations that Texas farmers can feed to livestock. Your County Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher will be glad to tell you more about silage, and how to feed it with cottonseed meal. And, cottonseed hulls are an especially good dry roughage to combine with silage. Feed silage with meal and hulls from
WEST TEXAS COTTONSEED CO.
Ballinger, Texas.
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Took Part in Dieppe Commando Raid



This group of Commandos have just returned from the great raid on Dieppe and are part of the force of English, United Kingdom and American "Rangers" that crossed the English channel. The underlying object of the raid was to test German defenses on the coast. At left is shown a Commando with his trouser leg torn off, with only minor damage to the leg inside.

Letter from British Girl to Friend Here Tells of Conditions

Miss Betty Lawrence, of Ballinger, has been corresponding with a girl in England for a number of years and since the war her occasional letters tell of a different life than that before September, 1939.

A recent letter by the British girl, Miss Eileen Ormiston, of Lance, England, tells how she used her coupon book in the purchase of her wardrobe. Each book contains 20 coupons and 11 are required for buying a simple wash dress, 5 for a pair of shoes, and 2 for a pair of hose. Coupons are also called for in the purchase of materials. The girl said she might ask Miss Lawrence to send her some clothing if coupons were much harder to obtain.

The letter complained of the darkness of London and declared she would be glad when lights were turned on and everything was bright and gay. She mentioned her sister's sweetheart, 2½ years with the British air force, who was bombed off the coast of Ceylon recently.

Rationed foods, she said include tea, butter, bacon and sugar, and other articles are hard to get at times.

The writer told of a new song making a big hit in England, "Deep in the Heart of Texas." American soldiers are seen everywhere in England, Miss Ormiston said.

A good description of air raids was given in the letter and the writer pointed out that "you never know when a bombardment will be dropped. We don't care, however, when we hear that the RAF has bombed H— out of Germany."

CREAMERY BUTTER SCARCITY SAID DUE TO WAR DEMANDS

AUSTIN, Sept. 9.—If creamery butter is harder to get than it was last year, you can blame it on the war.

The demand for fluid milk by army camps has cut into the production of creamery butter in Texas, the University of Texas bureau of business research reported recently. July production of butter declined 18.6 per cent from the mark set in July, 1941.

This drop in conversion of milk into manufactured dairy products is explained by the increasing demands for fluid milk by Texas military bases, declared Dr. F. A. Buchel, associate director of the bureau. The total amount of milk used for manufactured products in July was approximately nine million pounds less than the amount used a year ago, he reported.

Read grocery ads and save.



First Baptist Church

1400 Eighth Street
Sunday, September 13:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Organized classes for all. Judge E. C. Grindstaff, superintendent.
11 a. m., sermon by the pastor, "Exodus—the Progress of the Family."
Baptist Training Union, 7:00 p. m., Theodore Whitehead, director.
8:00 p. m., sermon by the pastor, "The Christ of Exodus—The Redeemer."
Wednesday:
8:00 p. m., mid-week services, by the pastor, "Our Indian Friends of the West—Sixty Still Pictures of Baptist Work Among the Indians."
The public is invited to worship with us.
CLARENCE A. MORTON, Pastor

First Presbyterian Church

301 Broadway
Sunday:
9:30 a. m., Young People's

League

9:45 a. m., church school. Classes for all ages.
11 a. m., morning worship. Sermon subject, "Signs."
8 p. m., evening worship. Sermon subject, "The Cause of New Lives."
Monday:
The Auxiliary meets in circles:
No. 1 with Mrs. Neil McAlpine at 4 p. m.
No. 2 with Mrs. Chester Cherry at 4 p. m.
No. 3 with Mrs. E. L. Ingram at 4 p. m.
Business Women's Circle with Mrs. C. J. Bell at 8 p. m.
Tuesday:
The Presbytery of Brownwood meets at the Paint Rock church at 3:30. Rev. J. C. Johnson, the retiring moderator, will preach at 8 p. m.
Wednesday:
Prayer service at 7:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited to all worship services.
J. C. JOHNSON, Pastor

First Methodist Church

Sunday, September 13, 1942:
Church school, 9:45 a. m., Sam Behringer, general superintendent.
Morning service, 11:00 a. m. Intermediate and Youth Fel-

lowship meetings, 7:00 p. m.

Evening service, 8:00 p. m.
Sunday will be a great day in this church. It is Church School Day and Rally Day, at the church school hour. Each class and department is working for a full attendance. At the 11:00 o'clock hour the dedication of the American Christian and service flags will be held. It will be a beautiful service with special music.
A cordial welcome is given to worship with us.
ELMER C. CARTER, Pastor

Eighth Street Church of Christ

Sunday:
9:45 a. m., Bible school.
10:45 a. m., preaching service.
11:45 a. m., communion service.
7:15 p. m., young people's meeting.
8:00 p. m., evening service.
Monday:
4:00 p. m., ladies' Bible class.
Wednesday:
8:00 p. m., prayer meeting service.
Everyone is invited to come and enjoy these services with us.
GRADY PRICER, Minister

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church

U. S. A.
Sunday, September 13, 1942:
9:45 a. m., church school, Roy L. Hill, general superintendent.
11:00 a. m., morning worship. Sermon by the pastor.
8:00 p. m., evening worship.
W. A. ERWIN, Pastor

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Masses on Sundays:
First, third and fifth Sundays at 8:00 a. m.
Second and fourth Sundays at 10:30 a. m.
Mass during the week, 7:00 a. m.
H. A. SEITERS, O. M. I. Pastor.

First Christian Church

(Broadway and Murrell)
Bible school, 9:45 a. m.
Worship, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.
Come and join the fellowship.
J. T. SIMMONS, Minister

Church of the Nazarene

(Ninth and Harris)
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11:00 a. m.

N. Y. P. S., 7:15 p. m.

Evening worship, 8:15 p. m.
WAYNE SEARS, Pastor

Church of God

(Corner Strong and Sixth)
Church school, 10:00 a. m.
Morning worship, 11:00 a. m.
Junior meeting, 7:30 p. m.
Young People's meeting, 7:30 p. m.
Evening evangelistic service, 8:00 p. m.
Wednesday prayer service, 8:00 p. m.
A Christian welcome to all.
GEORGE R. HARRINGTON, Pastor

Foursquare Church

(104 North Twelfth Street)
Tuesday:
8:45 p. m., choir practice.
Wednesday:
8:45 p. m., Bible study and prayer meeting.
Friday:
8:45 p. m., evangelistic service.
Sunday:
Sunday school, 10:00 a. m.
Morning worship, 11:00 a. m.
Junior and senior Crusader services, 8:00 p. m.
Evangelistic services, 8:45 p. m.
Our motto is "A Stranger but Once." A special invitation is given to our boys in the service.
REV. MRS. ELLA SHARP, Pastor

TRAINING UNION WILL HOLD MEETING HERE

A special Training Union executive meeting is to be held at the First Baptist Church here Sunday afternoon, beginning at 3 o'clock. Miss Nalla Casement, of Dallas, one of the state approved Training Union workers will speak during the program.

All associational officers are expected to attend and Miss Casement will assist in making plans for the year. Anyone else who is interested in Training Union work is invited to be present.

The meeting was called by Miss Zora Mitchell, of Winters, and notices have been sent to all unions in this section to have representatives present.

Ollie Long, of Clarksville, visited friends in Ballinger over the week-end.



YOU'RE RIGHT tootin'



Says William Allen White
"The Sage of Emporia"
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"You ask me whether I think the American railroads are doing their jobs in this grave crisis. Well, I would say, you're right tootin', they are and tootin' is the word!"

"I live six city blocks north of the Santa Fe main lines. All trains between Chicago and Galveston, between Chicago and Los Angeles and San Diego east or west, go right by my door and you should hear them toot. Try to sleep with your south windows open on a summer night and you will certainly hear them toot."

"It's a continuous procession of swift passenger trains laden with soldiers and long grumbling, rumbling freight trains often with two engines and all night they sound like some cosmic rooster crowing to spell the dawn of the day of doom for America's enemies."

"No other service in the United States is doing such a swell job as the American railroads. They were ready for it. When the warning came in '39 after we repealed the embargo clause of the Neutrality Law, the railroads knew what was coming. They are now equipped with cars and with rails. Their roundhouses are full but not clogged. They keep the wheels moving."

"The American capacity for organization under crisis never was exemplified so splendidly as the American railroads have proved their worth and excellence. It is a great job well done. It is a sort of thing that Americans do better than anything else. Our hard common sense, our indomitable purpose to achieve, all these are back of our effort. The railroads have done their work without friction with either labor or capital. They have responded to a great emergency with splendid intelligence."

"And are they doing their job? You're just right tootin' they are!"

Let's All Pull Together

Increasingly, under war conditions, the railroads must furnish mass transportation, military and civilian, for the nation. The load is already great—and growing steadily. Military movements come first, without question. You can do much to help us maintain adequate rail service for civilian needs as well, in these ways: When you travel, make your reservations

and buy your tickets early; cancel reservations promptly, if necessary; check all personal baggage not actually needed in passenger cars; and spread the travel load by avoiding week-end and holiday rush periods. When you make shipments, order freight cars only to your actual current requirements; load them to capacity; and release them promptly.

AT YOUR SERVICE—Why not talk over your transportation problems with your Santa Fe representative? He'll be glad to help you with practical suggestions.

Important Notice

So many of our skilled service men are now members of the armed forces or are employed in war industries that we find it imperative to organize our many service calls in advance of the usual fall rush.

WE ESPECIALLY SOLICIT AND URGE CUSTOMERS WHO HAVE HAD THEIR GAS SERVICE DISCONNECTED FOR THE SUMMER TO APPLY FOR RECONNECTION NOW

Your cooperation will avoid delay and inconvenience and permit real conservation of rubber which all realize is of special importance at this time. We will appreciate your cooperation and personal assistance by taking good care of your gas appliances while so much of our combined effort is being required for the serious business of winning the war.

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Mrs. Joe Garvey and son, Joe, Jr., of Dallas, returned home Tuesday after a visit with Mrs. Garvey's sister, Mrs. J. C. Cook.



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Living Room Furniture is your best investment (next to War Bonds), because it's an investment in your home.

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This Fall, Victory is the first job of every American. Higginbotham's has the clothes you need to get the job done! We have a grand, new collection of Fall suits and topcoats, geared to the needs of men and action. You'll find fabrics with the stamina, character and long-wearing quality you need for hard wartime wear. You'll find suits and topcoats styled in the clean-cut American good taste that flatters

your appearance and your morale . . . and won't be out of date for many autumns to come. Here are clothes styled for comfort, freedom and efficiency—for the busiest Fall of your life! The suits are worsteds, coverts, tweeds. The topcoats come in tweeds and shellands. Whatever your part in America's Victory effort, we suggest that you come to Higginbotham's for clothes in tune with the times.

Buy Only the Clothes You Need—Buy as Many U. S. War Bonds and Stamps as You Can! And We'll Get the Job Done—Help Swat a Hun—and Hit a Jap!

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Yes, Navy Officers Can Wear Khaki;
Army-Navy Insignia Explained

"Well, if he's a navy officer, then why is he wearing khaki?" About half the general population are still asking that question, although the navy has been wearing khaki since before Pearl Harbor.

And the explanation is simple—khaki is simply the "work" uniform of the navy. Because of its durability, its coolness in hot weather and its capacity for cutting down laundry bills, it was the most logical material for such uniforms.

But John R. Public is still a little confused by many khaki uniforms. The army has been in khaki for so many years, it is perhaps justifiable for many persons to assume at first glance that a khaki uniform denotes an army man or a marine.

Another question frequently raised by Mr. and Mrs. Public is how to distinguish the various branches of the service. This has been the subject of much intense publicity on the part of both the army and navy, for in war-time, one of the first duties of a good patriot is to know the service branches and to be able to distinguish them at a glance.

Necktie Easiest Rule

The easiest rule of recognition is the necktie. If the man in khaki uniform wears a black necktie he's in the navy. It's as simple as all that because the army men all wear khaki neckties.

Other methods of distinguishing service men are by the rank insignia. The naval officer always wears his on his collar, while the army wears them on the shoulders. The caps, too, are different. Navy officers always wear anchors on the cap—but navy an anchor will you find on the army officer.

Another problem worrying the average civilian is how to distinguish the various ranks of army and navy officers. Well, here's the simplest explanation:

In the first place, the ranks of army and marine officers are the same. They are denoted by bars, leaves, eagles and stars. The ranks of naval officers are indicated by stripes, half-stripes and broad stripes. The star on a naval officer's uniform indicates he is of the line (a deck officer). A gold bar on the shoulder of an army officer indicates the rank of second lieutenant, which corresponds to the rank of ensign in the navy as designated by one stripe on the officer's sleeve. A

silver bar on an army officer indicates the rank of first lieutenant. A half-inch and a quarter-inch stripe on a naval officer designates the corresponding rank of lieutenant (junior grade). Two bars for the army spell captain, but in the navy two stripes indicate lieutenant (senior grade) which is the corresponding rank. Next in seniority is the army's major who wears a gold leaf, the navy's corresponding rank of lieutenant-commander wears two full stripes with a half-stripe of narrow one between. A lieutenant-colonel wearing a silver leaf corresponds to the navy's commander who wears three full stripes. A colonel wears a silver spread eagle and corresponds in rank and pay to the navy's captain, who wears four full stripes. A brigadier-general wears one star. This rank formerly corresponded to the commodore in the navy, a rank which has been discontinued.

The army's major-general, lieutenant-general and general wear two, three and four stars respectively. To match them, the navy has its admirals, known as "flag officers." They are: rear-admiral, vice-admiral and admiral and they all wear a two-inch stripe plus one, two and three stripes respectively.

Lieut. Kenneth A. Knowles, assistant professor of naval science and tactics at the University of Texas, has been detached from the university's naval R. O. T. C. unit and ordered to duties with the navy department in Washington, D. C.

Merchants in a defense construction area should stock up on nationally advertised products if they want to prosper, it was discovered by University of Texas sociologists who recently completed a study of the impact of construction of Camp Swift on the town of Bastrop.

17 FOREIGN EMBASSIES NOW LOCATED IN BRITISH CAPITAL

LONDON, Sept. 9.—There are now seventeen embassies in London, since Holland, Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia have been accorded the dignity of ambassadorial status. The seventeen include the French embassy, nominally in the charge of a charge d'affaires, but exclude the three enemy powers, Germany, Italy and Japan, which are technically "withdrawn."

There were Dutch embassies to the Court of St. James in former times, but there is no precedent for the appointment in the case of Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia. The new embassies will enjoy all the extra privileges of ambassadors and their staffs.

Diplomatic privileges date back to the days of Queen Anne and are said to derive from the affair of Muscovite envoy, Andrew Artemonovitch Matueov. Some tradesmen, thinking he was about to leave without paying his bills, hired men to molest him when he was in fact making a round of calls to settle his accounts. He was kept illegally in custody for some hours. Peter the Great was so angry when he heard of the matter that he broke off relations and threatened war. Thereupon Queen Anne's ministers hurriedly passed a special act "for preserving the privileges of ambassadors and other public ministers of foreign princes and states" in 1708.

University of Texas officials have placed \$4,300 in U. S. war bonds with funds presented by the Daughters of the Republic of Texas for a graduate scholarship in honor of Mrs. Clara Discoll. The fund is for research in Texas history, and will be added to until it reaches \$7,500.

For Allied victory—buy bonds.

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RURAL NEWS

HERRING

We had 2 1/2 inches of rain Sunday night and Monday, which delayed maize heading and will cause cotton to be slow opening. Leaf worms are in some fields while in others there is none.

We had 72 in Sunday school Sunday. Miss Elizabeth Truly, of Ballinger, made an interesting talk on the costumes and life of the Nigerian people at the 11 o'clock hour Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Earl Allen, of Greenwood, were here for his regular church services during the week and they visited in the Welby Fuller and Will White homes.

Miss Myrtle Ruth Hale went to Ballinger Monday where she is to teach school this term.

Our school opening was postponed until September 14 due to the resignation of some of the teachers. Mrs. Noel Hale, principal of elementary school, accepted a position in the Ballinger school as Mr. Hale has gone into military service. Supt. Glynn Mitchell and Grady L. Richardson, V. A. teacher and high school principal, are also to do military duty.

Miss Naomi Davis returned home from Ballinger last Tuesday. She had been employed there for several weeks.

Mrs. Jettie Adams, of Brownwood, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Kate Fuller, and other relatives.

Terry Whitley spent Saturday night with Roy Fuller.

Miss Louise Stephens visited

Miss Naomi Davis Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Berry Matthews and son, Oxie, and Miss Sybil Simpson, of Oxien, were dinner guests of the Jack Fullers Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Whitley visited Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Kerby Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank O'Dell, of Talpa, rural; Mrs. Telitha Ray and G. W., and Terry Whitley were Sunday visitors in the Arthur Fuller home.

Miss Lexie Brevard was a Sunday guest of Miss Naomi Davis.

Mmes. John and Horace Stokes and son, Wesley, of Talpa, rural, spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Jim Brevard.

Mrs. Maggie Strauch, of Brown Ranch, and Miss Mary Lou Sparks, of Rockwood, visited in the Arthur Fuller and Jim Brevard homes Thursday evening.

Lois Whitley spent Sunday with Geneta Stephens.

Felton Jackson visited with Noel Brevard Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Madison and family, of San Antonio, spent the Labor Day holidays with her mother, Mrs. Zipporah Bragg, here, and his father, A. W. Madison, of near Crews.

Little Miss Estalene Belcher spent Tuesday night with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fuller.

We are very proud of our junior Sunday school class—they saved their summer earnings and allowances and sent it to Buckner Orphans Home. The offering amounted to more than five dol-

lars. There are seven children in the class.

Scientists Solving Flying Problems For the R. C. A. F.

OTTAWA, Sept. 9.—Canadian scientists are overcoming problems of supplying oxygen to airmen in high-altitude, high-speed fighting aircraft. Air Commodore R. W. Ryan, director of the Royal Canadian Air Force medical services, disclosed recently, Canadians are also working on the problems of freezing of microphone equipment at high altitudes and chronic altitude sickness. Canadian aviation medics are working jointly with scientists of the government's national research council on these problems.

Medical students of flying operations have decided that a light diet suits the airman best. It was found that half the cases of air sickness was due to a too heavy diet. A lighter diet for airmen has been worked out which adds only one cent a day a man to the ordinary ration cost of airmen in Canada.

Low blood pressure made a man unfit for flying, and it was found the most suitable men had normal pressure or a little higher than normal. Some airmen were unsuitable for night flying because of lack of perception of forms, studies had indicated. Scientists have had to undertake studies of the lights on instrument panels so that a light could be devised which would not affect the eyes of the airman and would permit him to use his vision to the best advantage in looking into the

darkness outside the cockpit.

The gunner of a bomber had the most movement while in the air, and as a result his demands on the supply of oxygen were greatest. The objective of the studies was to arrange for a regulated supply to all members of the fighter crew so that they would be kept at peak efficiency at all heights. Canadian scientists believe they have attained this objective.

Because signals in the air were given by colors, it was found that six per cent of students for air crews on examination could not distinguish the different primary colors.

VEGETABLES GROWN IN FAMOUS GARDENS

LONDON, Sept. 9.—Hundreds of tons of fruits and vegetables will be produced this year at Kew Gardens and Hampton Court, where many of the famous flower beds and hothouses are now devoted to vegetable culture.

At Kew fifty women gardeners—all trained graduates from horticultural colleges—have taken the place of regular gardeners now in the forces. On two plots belladonna or deadly nightshade—is being grown, and it is expected that many hundredweights of atropine—the most important drug used in treatment of eye disease—will be extracted from plants under cultivation.

In Young county 108 home demonstration club members and 46 of their neighbors recently completed a course in home nursing. Enrolled in their first aid classes were 95 club members and 193 visitors.

The College of Mines and Metallurgy at El Paso, a branch of the University of Texas, has extended its bachelor of science degree, formerly limited to mining and metallurgy, to the fields of biology, chemistry, physics and geology.

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Brown Countians Want Farm Land In Runnels County

C. W. Lehberg, Brown county farm agent, has sent a number of applications here to County Agent John A. Barton, asking Runnels county farmers who want to sell their places to list them on the blanks. These will be returned to Brownwood, where it is reported 250 farmers want to purchase places in this part of the state.

Mr. Lehberg stated that the government had acquired 120,000 acres of land in Brown county for army maneuver grounds and that 250 farmers were affected. Many of these are the best farmers and best citizens of that county who are anxious to purchase land and locate in this county. Tracts desired range from 160 to 8,000 acres.

Mr. Barton stated that he had the application blanks at his office and that any landowner who wished to sell could fill out one and it would be returned to the Brown county agent.

Mr. Lehberg, formerly Runnels county farm agent, hopes to locate a number of the dispossessed Brown county families here. Information received here is that it will be necessary for the Brown counties to vacate their land by October 1.

SNAKES DEMONSTRATE WAY TO WIN A WAR

SILVER SPRINGS, Fla., Sept. 9.—If you want some practical demonstration of how to win and how not to win a war, take a look at what's going on today at the Silver Springs Reptile Institute near Ocala, Florida. Out of the institute's approximately 2,000 inhabitants you'll find its old lowdown snakes, deadly diamond-back rattlers and cotton moccasins who are doing an outstanding job of all-out aid to their country.

"V" for victory is their battle-cry, too. However, in their case the "V" stands for venom, extracted from their fangs and then sent off to biological laboratories to be used in the manufacture of anti-venin and treatment of hemophilia, both of tremendous importance to the wounded in our armed forces.

Most reprehensible reptile in the institute is a certain alligator, who not only is contributing nothing whatsoever to the war effort, but hasn't stirred himself in so many years that water lilies are actually growing on his mossy back.

Distribution of 2,467,000 pounds of poison checked the grasshopper menace to success of the "food-for-freedom drive in Hockley county. H. D. Pool, county agricultural agent, says few farmers in the county failed to put out bait from one to six times with effective results.

Louis Ruhmann, of San Angelo, was here on business the first of the week.

'Jungle Mudders' in Caribbean Outpost



This picture shows one of the phases in the life of U. S. troops stationed in the deep jungles of the Caribbean area. Stepping "out of character," these coast artillery "jungle mudders" now adopt the weapons and methods of the infantrymen, and are seen here charging through knee-deep mud. They take to mud and swampy terrain like ducks to water.

Catholic Daughters At Offen Vote Funds For Red Cross Kits

A meeting of Court St. Monica, Catholic Daughters of America, was held at Offen Wednesday night, Chaplain F. F. Kaminsky and the grand regent, Mrs. Paul Halfmann, being present with sixteen other members.

It was voted to provide funds for buying materials for five Red Cross soldier kits. Several hundred of these kits are being asked of this county in the near future.

Mrs. Thomas Halfmann, Mrs. Joe C. Halfmann and Mrs. Wm. Urbaneck were reported on the sick list.

For the good of the order, an article on the birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary was read by Mrs. J. J. Fuchs. A quiz on "Do You Know Your Prayers" was conducted by the lecturer, Mrs. Roman Lange and Miss Annie Gerngross was the winner. The chaplain presented an interesting talk.

The Blessed Virgin's cake was won and cut by the chaplain and was served with ice cream and cookies at the close of the meeting. The attendance prize went to Mrs. J. J. Fuchs.

SUPPLIES OF LIQUID MILK SCARCE IN ULSTER, SCOTLAND

BELFAST, Sept. 9.—Supplies of liquid milk in Northern Ireland are inadequate and it has been found necessary to fall back on stocks normally made into butter. The milk shortage is even more pronounced in Scotland, and consignments of 7,000 gallons a day are being sent from Northern Ireland.

To meet the emergency in both countries, the Northern Ireland ministry of agriculture is organizing the entire intake of the creameries on the basis of a reserve for the liquid market. This will mean that milk producers in Northern Ireland will be paid about 5 cents above the current price of milk for manufacturing purposes.

Specialist Advises How to Make Meat Go Farther in Diet

COLLEGE STATION, Sept. 9.—Secretary Wickard's announcement that this country will experience meat rationing within a few months will mean fair sharing of the nation's supply and should not bring hardships to anyone.

"We'll be on shorter rations than we have been recently, but we have enough meat and other protein foods to keep American families well nourished," says Louise Bryant, specialist in home management for the A. & M. College extension service.

To make meat go further, she suggests that homemakers use more of foods which are plentiful and less beef and pork. Fortunately, there's an abundant supply of protein foods. Supplies of cheese are at an all time high, and there are more chickens than ever before. Although beans are not an exact substitute for meat, they make a good nourishing dish, the specialist says. Beans, too, are plentiful.

"If every American family has a cheese dish instead of pork chops more often than usual, or chicken instead of steak, the pressure on beef and pork supplies will not be so great," Miss Bryant suggests.

Other ways of making meat go further include serving more stews and hashes. It is a good idea, too, to save all trimmings both of fat and well-flavored lean tidbits. Meat bones may be saved for making soup. Here are other helps: Always keep meat clean and cold so none will go to waste from spoilage or poor flavor. Cook meat according to cut and fatness, and with moderate heat. And, finally, use different seasonings in meat dishes for variety.

Mrs. Ted Marugg, of the Center Point home demonstration club in Haskell county, sold 478 dozen eggs to a hatchery within a three months' period this spring. She had a flock of 75 layers.

Legion, Auxiliary Meetings Called Wednesday Night

Important meetings of the local American Legion post and Auxiliary will be held next Wednesday night, September 16, at the city hall. This will be the first meeting since the state convention and a full report will be made on the meeting to both groups.

Commander C. D. Richards said a large number of important matters would be brought before the post and that a full attendance of members was desired. One item to be brought up is that of paying dues for another year and the organizing of a membership campaign.

Miss Griffie Atkins, president of the Auxiliary, will meet the women in a separate session to discuss the program of activities for the ensuing year.

The meetings will begin at 8 p. m. in the city hall auditorium, and the office of the Ballinger Board of Community Development.

Messrs. Richards and Alex McGregor will make reports on the state convention, a meeting filled with discussion of cooperation with the government in the present war.

SOCIETY

First Aid Class Enjoys Wiener Roast

The Advanced First Aid Class, who recently completed their course under the direction of Mr. D. G. Posey, enjoyed an informal wiener roast Wednesday evening on the lawn of the City Hall.

A general review of the first aid work was held following the meal, and the class presented Mr. Posey with a gift in appreciation for the work he had done.

Those attending were: Messrs. and Mrs. D. G. Posey, C. N. Mansell, Walter F. Mueller; Mmes. Chester Cherry and J. H. Wilke; Misses Tommye Mansell, Gladys Kemp, Creola Henderson; Messrs. Herman Hulsey, A. H. Wiesepape, J. L. Davis, Oscar Batts, Bill Bell, Jack Price, L. E. Allen, Joe Beck, Jr., George Clements, A. B. Fields, B. F. Guin, and Raymond Hash.

Present Farm Prices Said Near 'Parity,' Peril in Sharp Rise

AUSTIN, Sept. 9.—Present farm prices approximate "parity" more nearly than any farm prices during the past decade, which is reason for concern over the future course of such prices, believes Dr. F. A. Buechel, assistant director of the bureau of business research at the University of Texas.

"There is no cause for alarm, if farm prices are maintained at their present level," Dr. Buechel emphasized. "But some attention should be given to the problem of preventing further increases."

The danger from such a rise, the statistician pointed out, would lie in its effect upon other prices and upon wages. Increased farm prices mean an unavoidable rise in the cost of food, with resultant rises in other prices and a consequent demand for increased wages.

"A sharp rise in farm prices would start the movement toward the upward spiral of all prices which the president has repeatedly warned us against," Dr. Buechel said. "So far, farm price increases have been justified and needed, however."

Dr. Buechel referred to figures which show that prices have risen rapidly since August, 1939. It is sometimes charged, he said, that that increase has been inflationary, but it should be remembered that in August, 1939, farm prices were at a level almost as low as that of 1932—the bottom of the depression.

"The present controversy over selling government-stored wheat at 85 per cent of parity has nothing to do with inflation," he stated. "The purpose of selling the wheat would not be to drive the price downward, but rather to relieve transportation and storage difficulties, and to allow the grain to be sold at a price low enough to enable farmers to buy it for livestock feed."

Dr. Buechel explained that at present more than half the nation's granaries and warehouses are filled to capacity with grain. This is the grain which the administration proposes to sell, he noted, and thus make room for this year's crop.

"The control of farm prices will be necessary ultimately if we are to control inflation," he said, "since the whole anti-inflation program is based on the principle of controlling all prices and wages and of increasing taxation and bond purchases."

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The past week-end brought signs of fall with pupils flocking back to the school room, Mexican cotton pickers thronging the town to help gather the crop in this section, and a cold rain from the east as the final setting. The fear of a labor shortage this fall was allayed to some extent as the first big rush of Mexicans began arriving by truck loads the past week. Farmers were here to hire them as fast as they arrived and there were few left in town Monday morning. The opening of school usually heralds the beginning of fall and merchants look to increased business because of added activities.

Foremost in war activities for the civilian population right now is the salvage campaign which is expected to bring in all kinds of scrap from farms and city homes. A nationwide campaign is on and many community leaders are giving their time and effort to making a success of the junk drive in every locality. Junk must be found to keep the machines of war turning and production of materials for our fighting forces rolling off the lines. If you have not done so already, make a thorough survey of your premises and do your part.

Runnels countians fell down in the buying of war stamps and bonds during July and August. September brings different conditions as harvest season is the period of increased income and business here and enables citizens to have more money with which to buy. The September quota is heavy but all Americans should realize by now the importance of buying. It offers an excellent investment, the best in the world today, and also provides the money the government must have

to continue the war. Lend the nation a part of what you make each pay period or from each sale of commodities. Those who remain at home must consider this their duty just as much as the man in uniform who must fight.

AAA Office Moved From Court House To NYA Building

The AAA office has been moved from the third floor of the court house to the building formerly occupied by the NYA workshops on the court house lawn. Equipment and papers were taken there last week and the various departments are being arranged for the busy season.

Rain has delayed the final measuring of land but only a small amount of this work remains to be done. Practically all the farm program for the past year has been paid off and employees are getting ready for the new season.

The new quarters will provide plenty of room for all departments and being a one-story building will be more convenient for farmers who have business with the office.

Part of the third floor of the court house, formerly occupied by the AAA, will be used for a Red Cross surgical dressing work center and another section by the Runnels county rationing board. County Agent John A. Barton will retain his office in the court house.

Work is proceeding this week on the surgical dressing rooms to be ready for opening the center as soon as materials arrive.

WATER CONSUMPTION HEAVY HERE IN AUGUST

Water consumption in Ballinger in August totaled 10,919,000 gallons, an average of 352,000 gallons daily. In addition water supplied the Harman Training Center totaled 1,170,000 gallons, an average of 36,742 gallons a day.

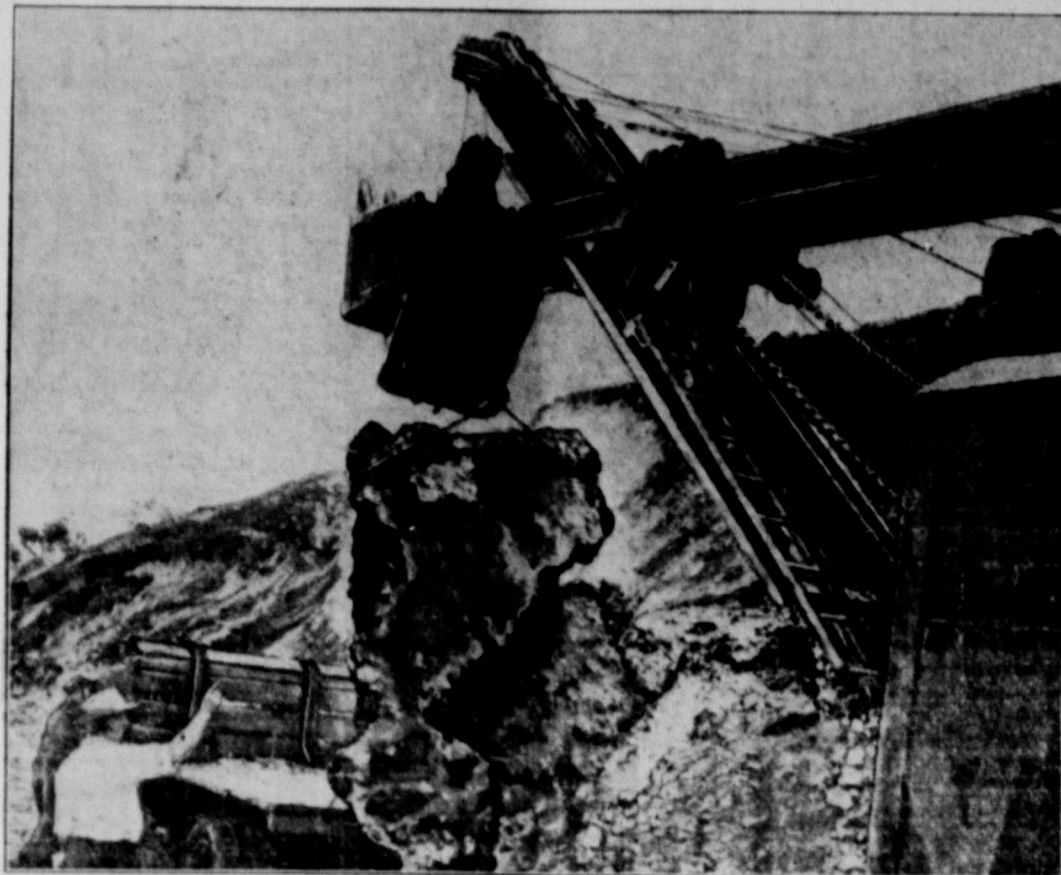
Collections made by the city in August totaled \$3,310.49, distributed as follows: delinquent taxes, \$248.29; penalty and interest, \$19.77; water, \$2,851.38; sanitary service, \$120.75; plumbing, \$12.50; fines, \$7.70; farm receipts, \$27.30; sale of flag, \$8; telephone calls refunded, \$4.20; sale of books, \$6.60.

All city departments were busy during the month, much of which was routine.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Shepherd spent the week-end in Cleburne, visiting their daughter, Mrs. Howard Parker, Mr. Parker, and grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lynn have returned home after a week's vacation spent on their ranch near Ballinger.

Old Slag Dump Yields 4,000 Tons of Steel Scrap



THIS shovel is picking up an estimated five tons of good steel scrap in one "spill", uncovered the other day in a slag pile work-over project at Bethlehem Steel Company's Steelton Plant, Steelton, Pa. It will go into steel for war needs. Spill in steel mills parlance means steel that was spilled in casting or pouring. "Buttons"—steel or iron that collected and solidified in the bottom of the thimble or slag ladle are also being found in the old dump. In the industry's earlier days these lumps of iron or steel were often discarded because they were too big to recharge into the furnace, and breaking them up was too costly and difficult, and thus they found their way to the slag dump. They are now lanced with the oxygen torch, then broken up to charging size with dynamite. They vary in composition but in general are almost pure iron or steel, and in the steel making process can be used for high grade scrap. To date the work-over project at Steelton, now nearing completion, has yielded 4000 tons of spills and buttons which are being used for scrap, and helping to keep this plant at peak production.



WEST TEXAS NOTES

A convoy of ten big army trucks from Camp Bowie will assist Eastland county leaders in collecting scrap iron and other materials called for in the national salvage campaign. The convoy was in Rising Star the first of the week to cover nearby sections and deliver the junk to a dept in that city for later shipment to manufacturing plants.

Mrs. Joe B. Nail has announced that a Red Cross surgical dressing plant will be opened at Rowena in the near future. Rowena women are getting a room ready for the work and will receive instruction at Ballinger when the supervisors' school is held some time this month. The Rowena center will be the fourth to be operated in Runnels county.

Brownwood parking meters took in a lot of nickels during the past year, the total being \$18,217.10. Under agreement with the meter company three-fourths of the money goes to the company until all meters are paid for and after that the city retains all collections.

The Coleman high school will be a war training center during the ensuing year and will offer boys and girls a total of fourteen courses to help them prepare for war work later. These courses include mechanical, wood and sheet metal, military training, physical fitness and business training for both boys and girls. Some courses also will be offered to adults who long ago completed their schooling.

The war has claimed two more West Texas school superintendents. Glen Mitchell, of Talpa, has announced that he is entering the service, and O. C. Cook, of Moselle, will also resign. Both men will be instructors in ground schools at flying fields.

Winters leaders have designated tomorrow (Friday) as official junk rally day for the north end of Runnels county. An effort will be made to collect many tons of scrap at Winters and this will be sold to junk dealers or donated to public depots and sold later, the money going to worthy organizations. J. S. Bourn, chairman, is devoting much time to the campaign.

Mrs. J. B. Steele was a visitor at Sweetwater last week. On December 7 when Pearl Harbor and Honolulu were bombed by the Japs she lay in a hospital bed and witnessed first hand the horrible details of the sneak raid as many wounded were rushed to the hospital for treatment. Mrs. Steele is greatly worried about the complacency of the American people. The wife of a navy man, she is by no means among the complacent or un-war-conscious of this country.

Women of the Bronte Methodist church have been paying off to their missionary society for each birthday. The total accumulated is a tidy sum and last week it was voted to invest it in war bonds. The secretary was instructed to let Uncle Sam use the entire amount in the war effort.

Certificates were issued last week to 109 Concho county women who had completed Red Cross nursing courses. Classes were taught at Eden and Paint Rock and others are to be formed as soon as sufficient register. Interest was good in both towns and practically all who enrolled completed the courses.

W. C. McDonald, of Robert Lee, was in his yard last week, talking to friends when they saw the roof of his home burst into flames and the house burned to the ground a short time later. Neighbors rushed to aid but only a small amount of furniture was removed from the burning building.

The first junk rally in Runnels county was held at Miles, and on the opening day of campaign about fifteen tons were received. The drive will continue under the direction of Guy Lively, chairman, and an active organization has been formed to encourage all citizens of the community to get their scrap to the concentration point.

The Melvin school opening Monday with only two vacancies on the faculty and these expected to be filled at an early date. Supt. K. O. Ellington stated that a number of new teachers had been elected for the 1942-43 term. Comanche county stockmen met last week to discuss problems affecting their business. Livestock movement, the tire situation, and

Day for the new school at Pecos. Marlin Dell Bowers, Menard war hero, has been reported killed somewhere in the Pacific. This is the second casualty for Menard since the war began. Bowers first served at Pearl Harbor, then went on an aircraft carrier which was sunk, later served in the Philippines where he was shot down but escaped to the Dutch East Indies and Australia, and was again shot down over Australia. He was returned to San Francisco, but after a short time there was ordered back to active service.

A 77 mm. German cannon has stood for years on the court house lawn at Brady, a gift to the American Legion soon after the first World War. Last week the veterans decided to return the cannon to Adolph Hitler, one piece at a time, and began to dismantle the gun—to be turned in at the scrap iron depot in that city. In this way the gun will be converted into shells to shower the nazis and at the same time will bring considerable money to benefit the Army Relief Society.

Rainfall during August in Kimble county and at Junction set an all-time record. A total of 5.14 inches fell in six separate rains and showers, the heaviest amounting to 2.17 inches. Streams in the area have been up and the range is in excellent condition. Prairie fires which were taking a heavy toll of pasturage have stopped since the grass became green.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS MAY BE ORGANIZED FOR HOME FRONT

AUSTIN, Sept. 9.—High school girls should be organized to work out some of the home front problems of the war—nutrition, buying, conservation of civilian goods—200 home economics teachers gathered at the University of Texas recently were told.

Duty of the teachers in such a statewide program will be to instruct students, as well as adults, in ways of buying carefully and of making existing supplies of consumer goods last as long as possible.

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NIMITZ BIRTHPLACE SAID TO TYPIFY BEST IN EARLY ARCHITECTURE OF STATE

AUSTIN, Sept. 9.—The house at Fredericksburg in which Admiral Chester Nimitz, Pacific hero of World War II, was born is one of the early Texas residences that typifies the best in pioneer architecture. It is pointed out in a new University of Texas publication.

A summer class in architectural history, taught by Prof. Samuel E. Gideon, collected material on the culture and architecture of early Texas, publishing a booklet containing both discussion and illustration.

Special attention is paid to the sturdy, simple stone houses—and the handmade furniture that was in them—in Fredericksburg, built nearly a hundred years ago by the original German settlers there.

One article in the booklet deals with the art of the Indians, expressed in their pottery, basket-weaving, and pictographs drawn on cave walls or painted on the sides of tepees.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hamilton, Bill Hamilton and Miss Cathryn Burger have returned to their home at Fort Worth after spending the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Payne and Bitsy.

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Sharing Machinery Said Necessary by Farmers

With American farmers being called on to produce more and more with less and less, the need for cooperation and sharing the use of certain kinds of farm machinery is due to result in the organization of many farmer cooperatives in Runnels county, in the opinion of Thomas E. Ballow, rural rehabilitation supervisor for the farm security administration.

In wartime farm production, it's as unpatriotic to have idle machines as it is to have idle men, and Runnels county farmers are expected to do something about it, Mr. Ballow believes.

The FSA, he reports, is anxious to assist farmers in this county in organizing cooperatives and will, in many cases, finance the group purchase for group use of scarce farm machinery and equipment.

Such groups are small and would consist, in most instances, of neighbors forming a cooperative arrangement between each other, the supervisor explained. The arrangements are simple, he said, and participation agreement forms may be obtained, with complete information, at the FSA office by anyone interested. The agreement may constitute the basis of understanding between all participants, covering rental and/or service charges, kinds of records to be kept, schedule of use, and so forth.

Mr. Ballow recalled a recent address by Secretary of Agriculture Wickard in which he urged farmers to "Unite for victory." "It is not a question of when we win the war," said Mr. Wickard, "it is a question of if we win the war." Continuing, the secretary said, "American farmers are working the longest hours of any group in the country and this year's production of crops and livestock shows where farmers stand. Despite limitations of labor and

machinery, farmers are smashing all records—not only for total production, but in the particular products that are needed most for winning the war."

Mr. Ballow said FSA has made a good many loans in this area in former years to help farmers buy machinery on a cooperative basis, "but now with the shortage of machinery, we're a lot more anxious to help farmers with this particular phase of our program than ever before."

Farmers interested in the complete details about cooperative purchase and use of machinery and equipment are urged to contact Mr. Ballow at his office in the court house in Ballinger.

Farmers' Aid Asked In Fire Prevention; Wickard is Leader

COLLEGE STATION, Sept. 9.—The week beginning October 4, next, has been designated Fire Prevention Week by proclamation of President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

In February, Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard requested the extension service to assume leadership in organizing rural America for defense against destructive fires, and in disseminating information as to ways and means of reducing farm fire hazards. In accepting this responsibility the Texas A. & M. College extension service printed 400,000 copies of a leaflet designed as a guide for elimination of fire dangers.

According to Director H. H. Williamson the number is expected to be sufficient to place on in the home of each farm and ranch family in Texas. The leaflet, titled "Prevent Farm Fires," is in the form of a check sheet listing the more common fire hazards around farm houses and barns and in the farm forests and fields.

"About 250 persons lose their lives in fires on farms and rural communities of Texas each year," Director Williamson said. "One-third, or about 83, of this number are children under 10 years of age. It is our desire that families use the check sheet as the basis for a complete record of the things to be done around the place to make it safe from fire—to prevent fires starting.

"The farm fire menace is not confined to farm buildings and barns. There are millions of acres of farm forests and pasture lands, especially during the dry weather at the end of summer, which stand ready for ignition. The loss of farm machinery, livestock, cattle feed, buildings, grass and timber always is serious, but much more serious at this time when replacement cannot be made without using material and manpower needed in the war effort."

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Italian Prisoners Sample 1 of 4 'Freedom's'



Italian prisoners captured on the El Alamein front while Marshal Erwin Rommel was driving towards Alexandria, only 80 miles from El Alamein, sample one of the Four Freedoms—Freedom From Want. They are opening cans of American corned (willy) beef shortly after their arrival in camp behind the lines. Meats, biscuits and water are issued prisoners immediately.

Twenty-Two Schools Begin 1942-43 Term; Lunch Rooms Open

A number of public schools in this county began the fall term this week and others will begin work from now until the first Monday in October. Often was the first school in the county to get underway this year, starting on August 26. On August 31 the Winters, Cross Roads, Baldwin, Dale, Drasco and Pumphrey schools were opened, with children in the Cochran, Victory, Harmony and Franklin districts going to the Winters schools.

The other independent district schools—Ballinger, Wingate, Norton, Miles and Rowena—were opened this week and County Superintendent Ernest Caskey announced the following rural schools were opened: Mazeland, Independence, Maverick, Bianton, Bethel, Dry Ridge, Groenwald, Sweet Home, Hagan-Barnett, Millar and Hatchel.

A number of the schools opened with substitute teachers and will continue this way until regular teachers are employed. Supt. Caskey said practically all the school buses were in operation and regular runs would be made each week-day.

Lunch rooms are being opened in a number of schools and noon meals will be furnished at reasonable rates. Summer gardens and a canning program in which most

of the schools operating lunch rooms participated, have provided large quantities of foods.

SKUNK FAT SUGGESTED AS MEDICINE FOR 'SKUNKS'

This item is from the state fish and game department.

"T. P. Lawdermilk, Irion county clerk, might have something here. In a letter to the game department he points out that trappers of fur-bearing animals annually waste much of the fat from animals. The government needs fats for the manufacture of explosives. So why not ask each hunter and trapper to save the animal fat, turn it over to retail fur dealers, who in turn could take it to distilleries rendering plants? And if a little skunk odor remains in the fat of the striped creatures, then 'why not fight the skunks with a little skunk fat?' asks Mr. Lawdermilk."

Prospects are good for discovery of numerous outcroppings of manganese—vital war material—along the Pecos and Rio Grande, University of Texas geologists report after examination of three deposits found in Val Verde county. This investigation was made as a part of the university-WPA mineral survey for war-needed minerals.

Killough Speaker For Rotary Club; Gift to Boelsche

J. A. Killough, secretary-manager of the Ballinger Board of Community Development, was the principal speaker at the Ballinger Rotary Club meeting Tuesday, discussing cooperation between service clubs and the B. C. D. Mr. Killough stated that his comparison would be that of a football team made up of all the clubs, churches and other civic groups of the town. When the Rotary was carrying the ball, they needed the interference and blocking of the other members of the team to make a successful gain.

He spoke of imagination and its power in starting projects for the good of a community when such ideas received the full cooperation of all the groups in the town towards putting them over.

At the close of the meeting President Jim Johnson presented a farewell gift to Dr. E. H. Boelsche, who will soon enter the service at the air base in Santa Ana, California. Dr. Boelsche served the club for a number of years as secretary and for one year as president. Since the organization of the club in Ballinger he has been a faithful member and has rendered much service to the other members.

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Tom Caudle and J. D. Renuau have returned from Menard, where they went for a few days fishing on the San Saba River. They found a 12-foot rise on the river and didn't have much luck fishing.

AGGIELAND ORCHESTRA ON FITCH BANDWAGON

The Aggieldand Orchestra will be the guest musical organization on the Fitch Bandwagon, radio program over the National Broadcasting Co., heard Sunday evenings at 6:30. The Texas A. & M. College group was selected for the orchestra next Sunday in a contest held the past week-end at Dallas.

Ballinger people will be interested in hearing the program as two local boys, Jack Bandy and Alexander McGregor are members of the Aggieldand Orchestra.

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Coleman Canning Center Successful; Many Benefitted

COLLEGE STATION, Sept. 9.—Community canning centers in Texas have saved quantities of food which might have been wasted this year for lack of food preservation equipment. Maurice Hearn, district agent of the A. & M. College extension service who supervises home demonstration work in 20 Central and West Texas counties, says the benefits of canning centers in Coleman county illustrate their value.

A canning center at the Loss Creek school lunch room has been operated two days a week during the canning season for families who do not have access to canning equipment. Members of the Live-at-Home demonstration club have sponsored the center and have supervised it without compensation. Earlier, they had been trained in the operation of a center by Jewell Hipp, county home demonstration agent. Other cooperating agencies include the school board and the P.-T. A.

The school board pays the gas bill, and since there is no water available at the school, the board president hauls water to the center on the mornings it is open. Families using the community equipment bring their own cans. One-fifth of all the canned products is donated to the school lunch project for children's meals next winter, and the school board furnishes the cans for this food given as toll.

Since the center was opened recently 194 containers of food have been canned, including peas, chicken, and corn canned whole-grain style. Gifts of surplus food from other families in the community have swelled the lunch room's total to 125.

Every family in the community was notified of the opening of the canning center through the neighborhood leader system, Miss Hearn says.

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NINE RUNNELS COUNTY BOYS ENLIST IN NAVY

Runnels county again placed near the top in navy enlistments at the San Angelo sub-station last week, a total of nine signing up. Winters, Miles and Rowena were towns included in this report.

Those completing papers at the San Angelo office were: Jerry D. Dry, James T. Sprinkle, K. V. Sneed, Calvin D. Colburn, Lawrence A. Drake, Roland G. Sharp, Winters; Maurice T. Edwards, Chester Kornegay, Miles; and Victor J. Trojcek, Rowena.

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