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Heroes On War Bond Rally Saturday

20 Flight Instructors Go To Transport Command

Twenty civilian instructors at the Harman Training Center were accepted for duty in the army transport command the first of the week and left here Monday and Tuesday for Dallas to receive their assignments for training.

Those taken were all men who had been here for some time, at least six months, had as much as 1,000 hours in army planes, were able to pass physical examinations and were between the ages of 21 and 35. They are to get about nine weeks training in heavier ships, instrument flying and other methods, after which they will be commissioned and assigned to duty.

Some of the men leaving the first of this week have been at Bruce Field since soon after it was opened. They were employees of Fred Harman, civilian operator of the Harman Training Center. He made all the instructors available for the new duties if they so desired and a large number took the examinations.

In four and a half weeks nine others are to report to the same command to become officers after their technical training period.

Mr. Harman stated that the loss of these instructors would not in any way affect the training program here as there were plenty of men left on the job to do the work at the primary school here.

Those leaving the first of this week for the transport command were: Robert J. Barney, Elbert W. Boynton, Manley Jerry Crow, Dale B. Daniel, Donald J. Bland, Robert E. Gee, Robert T. Hall, Guy H. Hibler, Austin C. Hileman, Elliott J. Kemp, Isaac J. McCook, Edwin W. Morman, Roy W. Neal, Jr., Robert C. Potter, Howard Ramme, Clay V. Stanford, Charles A. Stewart, Andy C. Vanden Bulcke, Andrew H. Van Liere and Ellis L. Younger.

To leave in four and a half weeks for the same kind of training and duty are: Ray Livesay, Virgil Reynolds, L. H. Barnes, A. P. Colby, T. A. ("Buster") Parrish, Robert H. Meyers, W. W. Pelez, Ralph Carnes, Eugene Suehs.

Included in the list which left the first of the week were two local men who have been instructors at the field for a number of months, Tommie Hall and Elliott Kemp. Several of the others came to Ballinger soon after the field was opened and had been here ever since.

So You Can't Buy Another War Bond



Take a good look at this American soldier as he lies in the mud of Rendova Island in the Southwest Pacific, victim of a Jap air raid. It is not a pleasant scene, is it? When you are asked to buy an extra War Bond to Back the Attack think of your fellow American blasted by the concussion of a Jap bomb thousands of miles from home. Then brother, don't you think you will want to dig a little deeper to back up his comrades?

SERVING UNCLE SAM

Pfc. Joe C. Reyes has been here on a 15-day furlough, visiting his wife, the former Miss Mary Harris. Before reporting back at Fort Dix, New Jersey, he visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Reyes, of Houston, two days.

Sgt. Edgar E. Hutcheson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hutcheson of Ballinger, has enrolled in a school for men from armored divisions to learn a new kind of gunnery. The school, to also train the men to become experts in the maintenance and repair of all kinds of guns, is being held at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Cpl. Orval Leonard Moreland has completed the flexible gunnery course at Laredo and received his wings. He is now ready for assignment to a combat crew on a bomber.

A letter this week from Donald McGregor, with the coast guard at Tampa, Florida, expresses appreciation for The Ledger and added that he had met a local friend by seeing in the paper where he was stationed at the same base. Later he had time to look the man up for a visit.

Some of the articles mailed to Pfc. Sidney Dunn, in a German prison camp, have been returned to his parents here. Tobacco, shaving cream and stationery were removed from the box and returned to the sender. Mr. Dunn has been officially informed that in mailing letters to prisoners they must be taken to the postmaster who must put the letter in the addressed envelope. Manufacturers are being asked if they can send tobacco direct to war prisoners.

T-Sgt. D. H. Brown, of Ballinger, has completed a gunnery course in Arizona and has been assigned to another camp, in Florida. He was here the past week-end for a visit with relatives and friends.

The transfer of Lt. Arthur B. ("Buck") Bailey, hand-to-hand combat instructor and assistant

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Dramatized Dyess Story to be Given On Air Tomorrow

More than thirty Texas radio stations will unite tomorrow (Friday) night from 8 to 8:30 to bring to the people of Texas the dramatized story of the tortures American boys went through at the hands of the Japs as told by Lieut.-Col. William E. Dyess, of Albany, Texas. The events broadcast in the program will pick up after the fall of Corregidor and carry on through until the Texan's escape from a Jap prison after surviving the hardships, torture and starvation for more than a year.

Originating in Dallas, the Dyess report will flood the air for a full half hour. Writers have combined the most vivid accounts of the Jap atrocities and the dramatization is presented in the interest of the fourth war loan campaign, to close February 15.

The story has been dramatized for radio by Capt. Robert Nail, public relations officer of the eighth service command and boyhood friend of the late Col. Dyess. Richard Dyess, father of the Albany soldier, collaborated on the script.

Ballinger and Runnels county citizens are urged to hear this presentation of facts in drama form. Nathan Adams, chairman of the Texas 4th war loan committee asks that every Texan listen to the 30-minute story and then do what he believes is right in regard to the purchase of bonds. Commenting on the broadcast, Adams stated: "Those who listen to the broadcast Friday night will get an idea of what the word sacrifice really means, and will get a new appreciation of how much everyone must do if we are to be worthy of the Texas blood still soaking into foreign soil. Any listener will be bound to ask himself, 'What am I doing today that some Texas boy should die in agony for me tonight?'"

BRUCE FIELD CADETS TO GOODFELLOW FIELD

The upper class at Bruce Field completed primary flying this week and left Wednesday for Goodfellow Field, San Angelo, where they will begin basic training this week-end. Members of 44-E have been here nine weeks and were guests in Ballinger homes last Christmas, being new here at that time.

A majority of the class completed primary training and the men packed Wednesday morning. This class experienced many hindrances in flying because of bad weather conditions. Snow and rain prevented continuous flying but the hours were all in the first of this week.

Class 44-F became the upper class Wednesday and most of this group is fairly well up with flying.

Class 44-G arrived Wednesday from the reception center at San Antonio and the men have been assigned to instructors and began primary training without delay.

EDITORIAL

Are We Going to Surrender?

Runnels county is engaged in a battle just as important as any in which our soldiers are in. They are watching us, just as we are watching them, to see if we go over the top in the 4th War Loan Drive and thereby support them by assuring them of implements of war with which to defeat the enemy on the field of battle.

Last Saturday night Runnels county was the tail end county in this entire West Texas region with less than half its quota raised and the time almost gone. By next Tuesday half a million dollars worth of bonds must be bought, or we will be letting our boys at the front down.

There are battles coming—tough, bloody, hard-to-win battles—before this war is over. And while our boys are invading and clawing their way onto strange shores—for us—shall we here in this typical American county surrender by failing to do our part in reaching our 4th War Loan quota? That would be equal to losing a battle—equal to shaking hands and making friends with Hitler and Hirohito.

It all depends on YOU. We can't make our county quota unless YOU have made your quota. You and you alone know when you have done your full share. If you fail to do it you are the same as a deserter or a draft dodger. These boys did not go to strange lands to fight because of the fun of the thing. They were sent. Are we going to leave them there facing a well trained and completely equipped enemy without the tools of war to meet and defeat him. The success of this 4th War Loan is part of the answer.

At the close of this drive on February 15, the commanding general of the 36th Division will be told how Texas responded to this drive. Our own Company C, 142nd Infantry, will know just what Runnels county has done. ARE WE WILLING TO FAIL, KNOWING THAT SOME DAY WE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO LOOK THEM IN THE FACE AND EXPLAIN WHY? Nathan Adams, state chairman of the 4th War Loan Drive, has issued the following statement: "I have been requested by the United States Treasury to release to them on February 15, at the close of the drive, a special report on what Texas and Texans have done—this report specifically prepared to be transmitted by the Treasury to the Commanding General of the 36th Division, informing him and his Texas troops the result of the drive. It is expected that this message will be 'Mission Performed.' It must be no other report."

The only report we can afford to have sent to the men of the 36th in the foxholes of Italy or in the white beds of McCloskey Hospital, is that we have met our goal and will back them until the last shot is fired.

Next Saturday in the final rally of the campaign, two soldier heroes will be here to appeal to our people to buy their share. These men should be given a big hearing and their plea should meet with a quick response. It is a blot on our county that they should have to leave their duties and come here to beg Americans to invest in victory, to plead for our boys who are taking the hardships of war, giving their blood in thousands of cases, to make the safest investment in the world—United States War Bonds. If citizens of Runnels county were buying bonds on the same percentage as men in the service there would be no drives and every quota would be over-subscribed. Our service men are doing the fighting and also helping the home front finance the war. They are doing without food—while the home front continues to live as usual. The food consumed by dogs in Ballinger would go a long way in feeding soldiers or those in starving countries. We have made no sacrifices, other than the loss of loved ones. Let's enlist on the home front and start fighting with our men to bring this thing to a close.

The goal is set for \$300,000 worth of bonds to be sold here Saturday. Get ready to do your full share.

LET'S START FIGHTING AND WIN THIS BATTLE. LET'S NOT SURRENDER.

Income Tax Returns

Individual—Partnership—Corporation

JACK NIXON

Office Over Pearce Drug Store

Phone 544 Ballinger, Texas

Every detail is ready for the final rally of the 4th War Loan campaign here Saturday afternoon from 3 to 4:30 o'clock. All stores will close promptly at 3 p. m. and remain closed an hour and a half. The 634th Army Band of Concho Field, San Angelo, will provide music. Major David J. Evans, of Abilene, is to act as master of ceremonies and direct the sale of bonds, and Captain Edward A. Feille, a hero of foreign war theatres, will be the principal speaker. Lockett Shelton, of Abilene, district chairman of the campaign, will be here to assist in the rally.

HELPING ON 4TH WAR LOAN

A number of allocations have been made by firms and out-of-town concerns with local connections to be applied on Runnels county's quota for the 4th war loan.

Help for the Ballinger quota has been received from the following: Perry Bros., \$1,000; Wm. Cameron & Co., \$1,500; Clay Buildings Material Co., \$2,000.

Safeway Store, \$1,000; Slavonic Benevolent Order of the State of Texas, \$5,000.

At Winters: Safeway Store, \$1,000; Wm. Cameron & Co., \$1,500.

At Rowena: San Angelo Telephone Co., \$2,000.

At Miles: San Angelo Telephone Co., \$2,000.

1,000-Lb. Bomb on Display

The Texas Theatre is displaying the shell of a 1,000-pound bomb in its lobby this week. The shell arrived Monday and will remain on exhibition here until the end of the bond drive. It was made in Texas by the International Derrick & Equipment Co., of Beaumont.

The shell gives civilians an idea of the size of the bombs carried by our planes and they can imagine what a "block buster" is like. This Texas company is manufacturing thousands of these bombs every week for the war program.

GRINDSTAFF ATTENDS SCOUT MEETING AT ROCK SPRINGS

Judge E. C. Grindstaff attended an executive committee meeting of the Concho Valley Boy Scout Council at Rock Springs Sunday. Leaders in this area assembled for an important conference to make plans for continued training and growth of scouting in this part of the state.

Pay-day is bond-buying day.

Eighth Street will be roped off between the Lynn Insurance Co. and the First National Bank and a stand erected from which the program will be presented. Two of the most prominent speakers and bond salesmen in this area will be here to assist.

Leading the campaign speakers will be Major David J. Evans, an interesting and forceful speaker. He has seen much service and will have reports of what soldiers are being called upon to do in this war.

Capt. Feille is a veteran bombardier and wears the purple heart, the distinguished flying cross with oak leaf clusters, the air medal, and ribbons for the American theatre, American defense, and for Asiatic-Pacific action, two campaign stars, four presidential citations, and another device for ten missions with the 19th bombardment group.

The flying ace has been notified by the United States adjutant-general that he also has been awarded the silver star and that the presentation ceremonies will be held in the near future.

The band will be on hand to furnish music when called on and banks will disregard the holiday Saturday and remain open to help with issuing bonds. Stores also may be asked to close from 3 to 4:30 in order that all may attend the rally and hear the war heroes.

Every business house will be called on by a committee during the week and asked to put every dollar above their necessary capital in war bonds. Individuals will be begged to help raise the required total and nothing will be left undone to sell bonds.

W. J. Hembree, county chairman, and J. A. Killough, city chairman, are devoting their full time to the drive this week and many others are giving practically all their time to help in any way with the campaign.

Members of the county committee think the rally here Saturday should attract one of the largest crowds of the year to Ballinger.

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Tax Collections High For Three Offices Here

Tax collections by the city, school district, and county-state offices were reported to be excellent at the end of the regular paying period on January 31. Percentages were perhaps the highest in the history of any of the agencies.

County Tax Collector W. A. Forgy has not caught up with his work sufficiently to figure the percentage or to report on the number of poll tax receipts issued, but was of the opinion that collections at his office would be higher than in previous years. Heavy payments of county and state taxes in October gave the office an early start and the rush continued on through January. A tabulation of poll tax payments will be available soon.

The city hall had collections on its current rolls of 93.4 per cent. The total tax rolls amounted to \$41,523.01 and collections totaled \$38,155.94. During the past year payment of delinquent taxes was good and probably will put the percentage well over 100.

The Ballinger independent school district had the highest percentage of collections—94.7. The rolls totaled \$32,922.11 and payments on January 31 aggregated \$30,972.11. The secretary also collected many delinquent accounts which will boost collection for the year to 107 per cent of the current rolls.

City, school and county authorities are all pushing the collection of delinquent tax accounts this year.

Large Number Pass Army-Navy Tests; Call Due in 21 Days

Practically all of the Runnels county men who left here Tuesday morning for Lubbock for army and navy physical examinations, returned home Wednesday afternoon. There were 122 men on the four buses going to Lubbock and only about 14 or 15 failed to pass the tests.

The local draft board had received no papers on the examination results today but expected them the first part of next week. Reports on those who passed and failed were only being obtained from the men themselves today as they began getting their affairs in shape for induction within twenty-one days. The local board has not had a call for any men that would apply to the group which just passed the physicals, as all of them will have at least twenty-one days at home.

Most of the men were accepted either in the navy or army and only a few were held over Friday to determine their physical condition by X-ray pictures.

The local draft board stated it probably would be able to release for publication a complete list of all men called by Thursday of next week.

Hathaway Elected President At Meeting of B. C. D. Board

Drury P. Hathaway was elected president of the Ballinger Board of Community Development at a board meeting held Wednesday morning at the Cactus Coffee Shop. All new and old directors were called together for a breakfast and short session at which officers were named for the ensuing year and other business transacted that required immediate attention.

Other officers elected to serve with Mr. Hathaway this year are: E. C. Grindstaff, first vice-president; R. W. Earnshaw, second vice-president; and Frank Flynn, treasurer. Weldon Howell and Cal Adair were named as members of the executive committee to serve with officers of the organization and O. L. Huddleston, past president.

J. A. Killough tendered his resignation as secretary-manager to become effective as soon as a man can be elected to succeed him. A motion carried that a committee of three be named to receive and seek applications for the position.

The first meeting of the new board will be held Thursday night, February 17, at the city hall, and all holders and new members of the board are asked to be present. President Hathaway will appoint standing committees at this meeting and other business will be attended to.

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AGNEW FUNERAL HOME

Telephone 440
Ballinger, Texas



Women's Society and Club News

First Christian Society in Regular Meeting

The First Christian Woman's Missionary Society held its regular monthly business and inspirational meeting Monday in the church parlors when an incheon was served by Mmes. M. A. Foy, O. P. Dorsey, Frank Jenkins, J. R. Lusk, and Miss Lula McElroy.

Bouquets of jasmines and potted azaleas decorated the rooms where Mrs. Frank Atwell gave the invocation after "Blest be the Tie" was sung in unison with Mrs. Ray Vineyard at the piano.

Mrs. Foy directed the business session which followed the luncheon. Mrs. Horace Murphy gave the secretary's report, and eleven missionary books were reported read. Mrs. Charles Bailey gave the prayer. Mrs. Foy introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. R. O. Pearson, of Abilene, who is secretary of the 11th district. Mrs. Pearson's topic was "Missions."

Business Meeting of First Baptist W. M. S. Held

Mrs. James Wear presided for the business meeting of the First Baptist Woman's Missionary Society Monday afternoon in the church parlors.

After "The Morning Light is Breaking" was sung in unison and Mrs. J. W. Bladell gave the opening prayer, Mrs. O. T. Toney spoke on "Christian Literature and Periodicals." The meditation period was concluded with Mrs. Elmer Shepperd giving the closing prayer.

After routine reports of officers, committee and circle chairmen, the attendance banner was awarded Circle One, of which Mrs. E. P. Talbot is chairman.

Others present were: Mmes. Lee Maples, Malcolm Morgan, Melvin

Patterson, Mark Davis, E. F. Lawless, Alton Underwood, Ed Lengefeld, Arthur Crockett, C. J. Lynn, J. H. Endacott, W. J. Hembree, J. A. Norwood, C. E. Maedgen, Carl Black, Clarence A. Morton, Charles Furgason, B. C. Kirk, E. L. DeWitt, A. S. Love, Emma Speer, A. F. Brock, T. J. McCaughan, Minnie Maud Alexander, C. W. Jennings, Mattie Holliday, O. L. Parish, A. O. Bartlett, R. P. Canady, Calvin Roberson, Barley, W. A. Forgey, Weldon Howell, Wesley Whitman; Misses Emma and Alice Thomas.

Naomi Class in Raleigh Reese Home

The Naomi Class of the First Baptist Church held its regular party last Friday evening in the home of Mrs. Raleigh Reese on Seventh Street. Mrs. Jack Phippen, Mrs. R. T. Richardson and Mrs. Delbert Davenport were co-hostesses with Mrs. Reese.

The valentine motif with burning red tapers and pot plants with red blossoms were used throughout the entertaining rooms.

Mrs. W. J. Hembree, class president, directed the short business session and Mrs. O. T. Toney gave the prayer. Mrs. Naomi Keithley the devotional, and Mrs. Alton Underwood the closing prayer. Valentine games and contests were played and a group of popular piano selections were given by Mrs. Grace Cope.

A dessert course with coffee was served by the hostesses to: Mmes. Hembree, Cope, Underwood, L. L. Strobie, Keithley, Toney, Melvin Patterson, R. M. Bird, Temple Harris, Jim Golden, Vivian Marshall, Wesley Whitman, Malcolm Morgan, Joe Vaughan, Ed Lengefeld, and W. E. Harvey.

Mrs. Jonas Hostess to First Baptist Althean Officers

Mrs. S. M. Jonas was hostess to officers of the First Baptist Althean Class last Friday evening with an informal get-together in her home on Tenth Street.

Class problems and better attendance plans were discussed in a round table manner. Home-made ice cream was served with cake squares to the teacher of the class, Mrs. W. E. Ekins; the first and second vice-presidents, Mrs. Fred Holliday and Mrs. L. R. Tigner; the secretary and treasurer, Mrs. R. B. Thomas; and the group captains, Mmes. Hubert Parrish, Weldon Howell, L. B. Rudder, A. O. Bartlett, Robert Lowry, and C. W. Jennings.

Graduation Dance for Class 44-F Held at Army-Navy Club

The graduation dance for Aviation Cadets in Class 44-F at Bruce Field, which have completed primary training, was held at the Army and Navy Club last Saturday evening with about seventy-five couples in attendance.

The affair was planned under the direction of the army personnel Captain Robert F. Moore who was assisted in entertaining by the Rev. Gary Hoffius, Messrs. and Mmes. Austin Harper, Alex Mc-

Gregor, Ollie Floyd, and Felton Wright.

Red, white and blue crepe paper streamers decorated the dance hall where the cadet orchestra from Bruce Field furnished music.

Kaydettes Have Valentine Party at Army-Navy Club

The underclass Kaydettes entertained the upperclassmen's wives with a valentine party in a farewell gesture at the Army and Navy Club rooms Friday afternoon. The affair was sponsored by Fred Harman and planned by Mrs. Alex McGregor, hostess at the Army-Navy Club.

Games of bridge and bingo were played and twelve prizes were given. A skit giving the story of a cadet's first solo flight, using Bruce Field as the setting, was given by six Kaydettes.

At the tea hour Mrs. Allen Baird and Mrs. M. C. Matthew laddled punch from crystal bowls placed at each end of the lace-laid table which was centered with a fan shaped arrangement of red sweet peas. Other appointments were red mints, heart-shaped sandwiches and red and white cookies. Red hearts with each Kaydette's name written on it were given as favors.

Those present were: Mmes. L. G. Askew, Marvina Anderson, S. Blumberg, Phyllis Barron, Arnold Brent, C. Bishop, W. M. Boyd, William Block, Earl Baer, W. E. Barr, Rudolph Benton, Richard Baker, J. H. Cornelius, Robert Claybaugh, E. B. Collas, T. W. Cullen, Robert Danner, Jack Davidson, Rudolph Dow, Troy Dean, Quentin DeBoer, George Faust, Robert Falby, C. E. Carter, Betty Harrington, Jules DeWaele, Ray Kuka, N. C. Sherburne, Warren Walker and John T. Wilson.

First Presbyterians Have Fellowship Supper-Program on Foreign Missions

A no-host turkey supper was served to husbands and guests of the First Presbyterian Church Friday evening in the church parlors by members of the Women's Auxiliary. Mrs. Estes Lynn, Mrs. J. M. Pyburn, Mrs. Bruce Creasy and Mrs. George Holman planned all supper details.

Long tables were centered with potted cyclamen. About seventy-five attended. Out-of-town guests were Mrs. George Vaughn, of San Angelo; Mrs. Anna Baker, of Bunker Hill, Illinois; Mrs. Jules DeWaele, of Philadelphia; Mrs. C. E. Carter, of Harrisburg, Pa.; Dr. E. W. McLaurin, of Austin; and Robert Files, ofFILES Valley.

Following the supper, the concluding program for the week of prayer and self-denial for foreign missions was held in the main auditorium of the church with the pastor, the Rev. Gary Hoffius, directing. Mrs. Estes Lynn, cause secretary of foreign missions, arranged the program.

Topics on foreign and Latin-American missions were discussed by Estes Lynn, Oscar Batts, Mrs. Pyburn, Mrs. Tommie Hall, Mrs. E. W. Stasney, Misses Virginia Holman, Mary Lynn and Earlene Webb.

Dr. McLaurin gave the closing prayer, and at the conclusion of the service two hundred dollars was received as a special offering for this work.

Mrs. Ida Guion was at the organ for all the song selections.

Cadet Wedding in Little Chapel at St. Mary's

Wedding vows for Miss Jewel Dukshier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Dukshier, of Tone, Washington, and Aviation Cadet Quentin L. DeBoer, son of Mrs. John DeBoer of Seattle, Washington, were read in a simple but lovely twilight service Saturday evening in the little chapel of St. Mary's Catholic Church by the Rev. Edward B. Postert, O. M. I., church pastor, who used the single ring service before the altar lighted with tapers in three-branched candelabra.

Mrs. Nick Carter was at the organ for the traditional Lohengrin and Mendelssohn marches.

Mrs. George Faust, of Greensboro, Alabama, was the matron of honor. She wore a suit of sky blue wool with brown accessories and

yellow carnation corsage. Aviation Cadet Henry DiReinzo, of Youngstown, Ohio, was best man.

The bride wore a spring suit of teal blue pin-striped wool with small hat of the same shade and other accessories were black. Her corsage was of gardenias showered with American Beauty sweet peas. She wore a single strand of pearls and for "something old" she wore her mother's engagement ring which was an Alaskan ruby.

Cadet and Mrs. DeBoer will leave this week for San Angelo, where he will have his basic training. He was a member of class 44-F at Bruce Field.

Club Has 42 Party

Mrs. J. V. Smith was hostess to her club on Friday night at her home on Eleventh Street. Forty-two and other games provided entertainment during the evening. Small red hearts with red bows were plate favors and coffee and doughnuts were served to: Messrs. and Mmes. Offas Forbes, Paul Burk, Joe Baird, Othell McCortin, O. L. Neely, Mrs. John Reese, Miss Mickey Vorbeck and J. V. Smith.

Mrs. Block Honoree

Mrs. Elbert B. Block was complimented with a surprise gift shower last Thursday afternoon when Mrs. Louis A. Handrick and Mrs. D. G. Thomason were hostesses in the Handrick home on Ninth Street.

All game appointments were in the soft pastels as well as the lace-laid dining table, which was centered with an arrangement of pink carnations combined with baby breath and flanked by tall white tapers.

In games of bridge and rummy the awards went to Mmes. Fred Harman, E. L. Ingram, W. L. Morien, Wendell Siebert and R. V. Reynolds. Gifts were presented to Mrs. Block.

Ice cream was served with angel squares which were decorated with pink rosebuds, and punch.

Others present were: Mmes. Jack Crow, Jerry Church, J. W. Capps, M. A. Wheelon, Thomas Scario, Bruce B. Johnson, Paul Kirk and Bill Pagels.

Dance for Junior High Group

A group of Junior High students enjoyed a formal dance last Fri-

day evening at the Army and Navy Club. Refreshments were served while couples danced to nickelodeon music.

Sponsors were: Dr. and Mrs. Charles F. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. James Wear, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lengefeld; Mmes. Alex Saunders, Fred Holliday and J. G. Tuckey.

Included were: Anna Sue Hembree, Nancy Guynes, Betty Jean Lengefeld, Mary Brian Woody, Martha Saunders, Elizabeth Wear, Dorothy Ann Holliday, Betty Jean Underwood, Virginia Baker, Bonnie Davis, Marilyn Joyce Bowden, Lillian Ruth Keithley, Wanda Cramer, Marilyn Agnew, Patricia Caudle, Cynthia Tuckey, Arlene Miller, Betty Jo Middleton, Martha Ann James, Howard Martin, Junior Henderson, Harold Dean Caskey, Snookie Read, Charles Miller, Jr., Howard Matteson, Carl Black, Jr., Bobby Moody, Bud Wright, Bobbie Agnew, Everitt James Grindstaff, Francis Martin, Edgar Payne, Joe Baker, Charles Bailey, Jr., and Robert Earl Morgan.

"Congress of Vienna" Shakespeare Club Program Theme

Mrs. C. R. Stephens directed the business session Thursday afternoon when the Shakespeare Club met in regular meeting at the Army and Navy Club.

Mrs. J. B. Stripin was appointed to meet with the OPA panel committee to discuss ceiling prices. The club voted to send one dollar to the American Foundation for the Blind.

The general theme for the program was "Congress of Vienna," and special topics discussed were "Napoleon's Gains" by Mrs. Dorsey Read; "Birth of the German Empire" by Mrs. R. T. Williams; and "The Holy Alliance," by Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh.

Others present were: Mmes. F. C. Miller, James W. Guynes, Ford Taylor, Horace Murphy, H. Ravellette, Leonard Stallings, E. D. Walker, and Alex Saunders.

Bridgettes Entertained by Mrs. McClenny

Mrs. M. E. McClenny was hostess to Bridgettes members Friday afternoon in her home on Broadway.

The valentine motif was used in decorations of rooms and in game and table appointments.

After the game series, in which

Mrs. Jerry Church was winner for high score and Mrs. Jack Crow for second high score, a dessert plate was served with coffee.

Others were: Mmes. L. E. Lefler, R. D. Midgley, G. G. Griffin, G. E. Vordenbaum, Howard Matteson, and Bill Vandewater.

HITCHHIKES BY BOMBER

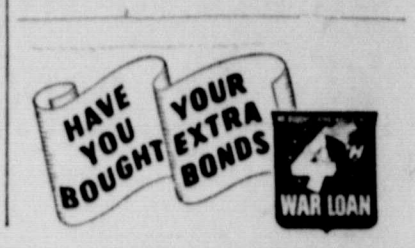
WALTHAMSTOW, England, Feb. 9.—After making 500 miles in three hours, George Paine, of Walthamstow, was ten hours hitchhiking the balance of the 200 miles necessary to spend his leave with his brother Paine, a para-troop sapper, hitched the first leg of his trip aboard a bomber. His brother is a bombardier.

War savings stamps will save democracy. Buy yours today.

SILK WORMS IMPORTED

CHUNGKING, Feb. 9.—To build sericulture in Sinkiang, China, the industry improved quality by importing silk worm eggs from the Soviet Union, and this year some mulberry saplings and 550 pounds of eggs were obtained from the interior of China.

To the victory will belong the soil. Let's keep ours—buy war bonds!



Flowers for the "Living"

This state's "living," more than any other single thing, comes from COTTON.

COTTON largely built this state. COTTON is our dependable "cash crop." We have the soil, climate and "know how" to grow it. COTTON is food and feed and fiber; no other crop supplies all these needed products.

This firm, like the rest of this community and state, owes a great deal to COTTON. And, we're proud to pay this small tribute, to give flowers to our "living."

More COTTON acreage and production in 1944 are needed to provide our livestock industry with critically-scarce protein feed—to provide cottonseed oil for food, and cotton linters for munitions.

More COTTON in 1944 means that our state will contribute more to winning this war—the first thought of every American.

West Texas Cottonoil Co.

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Colbert and MacMurray Battle In Riotous 'No Time for Love'

A highly diverting comedy having to do with the always intriguing battle of the sexes is promised by Paramount with the Claudette Colbert-Fred MacMurray starrer, "No Time for Love," due to midnight preview at the Texas Theatre Saturday night, and continuing Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, February 13, 14, 15.

The story has to do with an arty photographer, Claudette Colbert, whose work hasn't been pleasing her down-to-earth editor. Because she is engaged to the publisher, Paul McGrath, her resignation is not accepted. Instead, she gets the assignment of taking photographs of a work underground on the overboard vehicular river tunnel project.

A little frightened, but still game, Claudette goes underground with the sandhogs (tunnel diggers) where she meets a most attractive one in the person of MacMurray, who annoys her no end when he refuses to pose for a picture. Thus is love born, although it takes a little time and many funny situations before the lady and gent concerned will acknowledge it. How they finally get together, after plenty of slapstick and ingenious direction in true Mitchell Leisen style, is said to make "No Time for Love" grand film fun.

Ika Chase, super-sophisticated and author of "Past Imperfect" and "In Bed We Cry," the latter only recently published, appears as Miss Colbert's sister, Richard Haydn, he of the frog-like radio voice, plays a composer- pianist friend of Claudette's. Paul Mc-

Grath of Broadway stage fame; June Havoc and Marjorie Gleason round out the cast.

Mystery Yarn and Comedy on Bill at Texas Friday and Saturday

A mystery-drama, "Find the Blackmailer," and a rib-busting comedy are the two feature-length films at the Texas tomorrow and Saturday. Several short subjects comprise the remainder of the program.

Warner Bros. mystery-drama, "Find the Blackmailer," is said to have a well-constructed plot, a high suspense content and excellent acting. The story is claimed to be jammed full of unusual circumstances which fail to disentangle themselves until the very last scene. Gene Lockhart, Jerome Cowan, Faye Emerson, Marjorie Hoshelle, Robert Kent, John Harmon and Wade Boteler have leading roles.

Fans of Al Pearce and his gang will be happy to learn that Republic has filmed a picture around the escapades of the hilarious radio team, under the title of "Here Comes Elmer." In addition to Al Pearce and his gang—Arlene Harris, "Tizzie Lish," Nick Cochran, Will Wright and Artie Auerbach—other important parts are played by Dale Evans, Pinky Tomlin, Gloria Stuart, Wally Vernon, Frank Albertson, Ben Welden, Jan Garber and his Band, and the King Cole Trio.

ANTS IN PANTS CAUSE CASUALTY IN BATTLE

TUNIS, Feb. 9.—From a field hospital in North Africa, Private Gordon Beers, of Toronto, Canada, a former railroad employe, tells this story. His section was approaching an enemy stronghold and the men found themselves pinned down by snipers' fire.

There was no shelter, so they just lay flat on the open side of a hill. It was absolutely necessary to remain motionless. Ants appeared on the scene and started crawling in droves up their legs and into their pants. One twitch gave Beers' position away and the next thing he knew he had a bullet in the fleshy part of his leg.

Dr. E. W. McLaurin returned to Austin Monday after participating in the special services at the First Presbyterian Church here Sunday.

Supt. Nat Williams returned Saturday from Fort Worth, where he attended a committee meeting of the Texas State Teachers' Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Bonser and Mrs. Park Kemp visited relatives and friends at Comanche the past week-end.

Notice of Execution Sale THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Rannels:

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court of Rannels County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said Court on the 3rd day of June, 1942, in favor of John Phillips and against Mary Phillips Stone and Aaron Stone in the case of John Phillips against Mary Stone et al, No. 4701, in such court, I did, on the 26 day of January, 1944, at 11:35 o'clock a. m., levy upon the following described tracts and parcels of land situated in the County of Rannels, State of Texas, to-wit:

All of Lot Six (6) in Block No. Ninety-Three (93) of the First Railroad Addition to the town of Ballinger, Rannels County, Texas, as the same is shown upon the map or plat of said town on record in the office of the County Clerk of Rannels County, Texas, and on the 7th day of March, A. D. 1944, being the first Tuesday of such month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day at the court house door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said Mary Phillips Stone and Aaron Stone in and to said property.

Dated at Ballinger, Texas, this 7th day of February, 1944. J. L. MORELAND, Sheriff of Rannels County, Texas. 10-31

'No Time for Love'



Scene from "No Time for Love" at Texas Theatre Saturday midnight in preview and Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

Kermit Maynard Stars in Western By J. O. Curwood

An action picture hurricane with a star whose cyclonic riding and earthquake punches have won him screen fame throughout the world, is the attraction at the Palace Theatre next Saturday and Sunday, February 12, 13, when James Oliver Curwood's "Wild Horse Round-Up" will be presented.

In this offering Maynard has a role which gives him plenty of opportunity to display his talents as a rider, a roper and a dramatic actor to the fullest advantage.

The excellent supporting cast includes Betty Lloyd, Dickie Jones, John Merton, Roger Williams, Bud Buster, Dick Curtis, Frank Hagney and "Rocky."

CLOCK HANDS STOLEN

STRATFORD-ON-AVON, Eng., Feb. 9.—Someone climbed the wall of the American fountain in Stratford-on-Avon and removed the hands from all four faces of the clock. The monument was donated in 1887 by a citizen of Philadelphia to commemorate Queen Victoria's jubilee. It is suggested that the theft may be revenge by a traveler who missed his train, as the four faces have been known to show different times.

Air and sand in enormous volume are issuing from a hole in the ground twenty-two miles from Pedro de las Colonias, Mexico. The peons call it an "air volcano." Dense clouds of sand are falling miles away.



New Type Grain Sorghum Will be Tried in County

Rannels county farmers will have an opportunity to try out a new combine type grain sorghum, known as Bonita, according to County Agent John A. Barton, who said he was getting a few hundred pounds from the Chillicothe (Texas) experiment station. The seed will be for planting this year. Bonita was developed at the Chillicothe station by the crossing of kafir and feterita, and then back crossing with hegar to give 50 per cent hegar, 25 per cent kafir, and 25 per cent feterita. According to officials of the Spur sub-station Bonita is equal to any grain sorghum in feeding value.

The new grain sorghum is given a very high rating at Chillicothe and it is declared to top the list at the station of any of the combine types.

Those who wish to try a few acres of this combine type grain sorghum are asked to get in touch with the county agent, Mr. Barton said he hoped every community in the county would take part of the Bonita seed to determine its possibilities in this area.

Mechanization Said Salvation of Cotton Industry in Texas

AUSTIN, Feb. 9.—Salvation of the cotton industry lies in mechanization, declares a University of Texas cotton expert, Dr. A. B. Cox, director of the university bureau of business research.

Citing that U. S. department of agriculture figures show production cost of cotton is \$20.29 per acre, compared to \$10 for wheat and \$14.83 for corn, Dr. Cox asserted that mechanization could reduce cotton production cost to make this industry the most attractive crop in the nation.

Major items are cost of cultivation and hoeing, and of harvesting, which amount to \$12.10 for cotton, ninety cents for wheat, and \$5.49 for corn, he said.

Reduction of the cotton cultivation and harvesting costs to the corn level of \$5.49 would make a total cost of \$13.68 per acre for cotton.

Notable advances towards the mechanization of these two burdensome hand processes are being made," he added, citing recent discovery of a cheap, quick chemical means for stripping leaves from the cotton plant; improved sleds and strippers for harvesting; the breeding of cotton with upright plants, short branches and rapid fruiting habits; development of defoliation and improved cleaning equipment at gins, and other progressive steps.

"Complete mechanization of cot-

Aumont Relives Story of Own Life in 'The Cross of Lorraine'

The Fighting French are on the march in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's stirring story of a group of French soldiers who carried on the fight against Germany from the depths of a Nazi prison camp. The all-male cast of the film, "The Cross of Lorraine," which is to be shown at the Ritz Theatre next Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, February 12, 13, 14, 15, is headed by Jean Pierre Aumont, the fighting Frenchman who escaped to this country after the fall of France and made two movies before returning to fight again with the forces of General Charles de Gaulle.

The film deals with a specific outfit of French prisoners composed of men from various walks of life. After the Armistice they are promised freedom by the Nazis but instead are herded to a prison camp. There they are subjected to brutal treatment by their captors. Peter Lorre, a Nazi sergeant, sets out to break their spirit. But he does not succeed due to the efforts of such men as Sir Cedric Hardwicke, Aumont, Joseph Calleia and Richard Whorf. However, he does win out in the cast of Gene Kelly, the toughest and bravest of them all.

Opportunity to escape presents itself and several of the men are fortunate enough to make their way across the border to freedom. They rouse a peaceful village to resistance and after wiping out a Nazi unit leave to join the guerilla fighters in the mountains.

Jean Pierre Aumont, who literally lived the role he plays in the film, is outstanding as the lawyer who used his brains to outwit the Nazis. Gene Kelly, forsaking his dancing shoes for a strong dramatic role, contributes one of his finest performances as the taxi-driver who refuses to accept defeat.

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BRIDE GETS CIRCUS VAN AS WEDDING PRESENT

BLACKPOOL, England, Feb. 9.—Betty Kayes, animal trainer, got a furnished trailer caravan as a wedding gift from the bridegroom, Derrick Rosaire, son of the proprietor of the circus in which they first met, and they faced no housing problem when they were married in Blackpool.



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FEATURE NUMBER ONE

THRILLS AND EXCITEMENT BLAZE ACROSS THE FRONTIER!

JAMES OLIVER CURWOOD'S
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FRANK HAGNEY, DICK CURTIS
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Directed by MICHAEL CURTIZ

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NOTICE—There will be no Wahoo this Thursday night.
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Women's Society and Club News

Mrs. Reynolds is Ace of Clubs Hostess
Mrs. Virgil Reynolds was hostess to Ace of Clubs contract club Wednesday afternoon in her home on Third Street.

Picardy gladioli and acacias were combined with heather to center the lace-laid dining table, and the valentine motif was used for game appointments. Mrs. D. O. Henson won high club score prize, and Mrs. E. C. Bybee high guess. Binges went to Mrs. R. T. Hall and Mrs. B. C. Roberts.

A dessert course was served with coffee to: Mmes. Edward Sommer, H. O. Agnew, Bybee, Henson, Hall, W. O. Irby, and Roberts.

Mrs. Adair Entertains Know Your Neighbors

Mrs. Cal Adair was hostess to Know Your Neighbors Wednesday afternoon in her home on Tenth Street.

The valentine theme with red candles was used to decorate living rooms where guests did individual handwork and Red Cross knitting.

Small Margaret Ann Adair assisted her mother in serving a sandwich plate with heart-shaped cookies and coffee. Plate favors were valentine candies.

Included were: Mmes. Malcolm Morgan, Jack Nixon, Sr., Rothal O'Kelly, Dee Saylor, Cecil Jones, Bill Clark, John Barton, LeRoy McAulay, Ernest Moody, J. H. Sendaott, Joe Flynn, O. C. Sykes, Howard Baldwin of Winters; Londa and Dee Ann Saylor.

Surprise Gift Shower Compliments Mrs. Connor and Mrs. Cole

Mrs. Leonard Connor and Mrs. Buster Cole were named honorees last Thursday evening when Mrs. Raymond C. Wilson and Mrs. Oran Nelsby entertained with a surprise gift shower in the Wilson home.

Living rooms were decorated with red blooming pot plants and the valentine motif was used for contests and game appointments which Mrs. J. D. Kelly directed.

Mrs. J. V. Smith and Miss Myrtle Wallace assisted the hostesses in serving a dessert plate with coffee to: Mmes. John Jones, O. I. Martriford, Fred McKay, Carl Moore, R. B. Pruett, Pat Wood, LeRoy Miller, J. E. Jones, John Power, Jim Massey, Fete Parker, T. J. Cole, L. Connor, Kelly, M. Scarborough, Morton McKenzie, W. C. Kitehens, H. E. Cothran, Oscar Parker, W. C. Jobe, John Parker, M. McCullough, Will Dodson, J. B. Little, J. R. Hash, Misses Juandel Cheaney, Mildred Massey and Mildred Hash; and the honor guests.

Wayne Irby Honored on Sixth Birthday

Wayne Irby was honored on his sixth birthday when his mother, Mrs. W. O. Irby entertained with a party Saturday afternoon.

The table centerpiece was a miniature army fort topped by a war bond, both gifts from his parents. Toy soldiers guarding the fort were guest favors.

After attending the matinee gifts were opened and the heart-shaped birthday cake was cut and served with punch.

Children attending were: Nancy and Kenneth Pinson, Katie and Thomas Edwards, Jon Edwin Schnable, Ann Kathryn McDonaid, Gary McShan, and Jerry Dow.

Music Club Elects New Officers

The Ballinger Music Club met Tuesday evening in the home of

Mrs. O. R. Lasater.

Arrangements of acacia, narcissus, sweet peas and pink azaleas decorated the living rooms where Mrs. Horace Murphy presided for the business period. Mrs. C. R. Stephens, chairman of the nominating committee, submitted the names of new officers and the following were elected: president, Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh; vice-president, Miss Olga Schawe; secretary, Miss Carmen Demmer; treasurer, Miss Eugenia Baskin; parliamentarian, Mrs. Horace Murphy; historian, Miss Lola Eubank; reporter, Mrs. Sim Cottle. The club voted to invite Corporal Richards, of Camp Bowie, who is a concert organist, to be the guest artist for the regular meeting of the club in March.

Miss Eugenia Baskin gave the lesson from "Masters of the Symphony" by Percy Goetchins which dealt with Beethoven. Recordings of all four movements of the Fifth Symphony in C Minor were played.

Visitors were Mrs. Anna Baker, of Bunker Hill, Illinois, and Mrs. E. C. Baskin. Others present were: Mmes. Louis Burnett, W. B. Halley, Levy Lee, F. M. Pearce, John I. Guion, O. G. Joiner, J. Y. Pearce; Misses Maggie Underwood and Hattie Mae Dunlap. Junior members present were Mary Brian Woody and Martha Saunders.

First Presbyterian Auxiliary Elects Officers and Has Bible Study

Mrs. Alex Saunders directed the business meeting for the First Presbyterian Woman's Auxiliary Monday afternoon in the church parlors on Broadway.

Officers of Group I elected were: president, Mrs. Chester Cherry; treasurer, Mrs. Alex Saunders; secretary of assembly for Home Missions, Mrs. R. T. Hall; secretary of S. and P. missions, Mrs. George Harwell; secretary of religious education, Mrs. Paul Trimmer; pastor's aid, Mrs. Harry Lynn; home circle chairman, Mrs. C. R. Stephens; circle chairmen, Mrs. H. W. Lynn, Mrs. R. F. Zedlitz and Mrs. Leslie Baker.

Following the business and election of officers, the group had the regular Bible study.

Maintenance Club Has 42 Party

Members of the Maintenance Club enjoyed a 42 party on Thursday evening of last week at the downtown club rooms which were recently completed and opened. Games were so arranged that each person changed partners after each game.

Prizes for high scores went to C. B. Polunsky and Mrs. Malley Campbell, and for low to S. C. Christopher and Mrs. O'Neill Overman.

At the conclusion of games the entertainment committee served refreshments.

Mrs. Baker Breakfast Hostess

Mrs. C. L. Baker included contract club members and added friends Thursday (today) morning when she was hostess at breakfast at the American Cafe followed by bridge games played in her home on Broadway.

High score prize for club members went to Mrs. Fred Harman and for guests to Mrs. F. M. Pearce, and those receiving bingo prizes were Mrs. L. R. Tigner, Mrs. Loyd Herring and Mrs. Tommy Hall. Others were: Mmes. Claude Stone, Delbert Vanell, W. B. Woody, Hill Hampton, Victor Miller, Bruce Creasy, Ross Mur-

A Flier Dies in Iceland



The remains of one of the crew of a B-24 Liberator that crashed on a mountainside near Grindavik, Iceland. He lies sprawled out on the bleak, stony ground, his parachute unopened. He died as gloriously as those who die in battle, for the Iceland patrol is a man's task and just as hazardous as any battle-front. Just another Pin-Up picture for the man who says he can't afford to buy more War Bonds. (Army Signal Corps Photo)

BALLINGER SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

By Natlyne Williams

Community Basketball Tournament

The junior class plans to sponsor a community basketball tournament on the nights of February 18, 22, and 25. Positions will be sold to business men and high school boys for thirty-five cents each. Admission will be fifteen cents for each game. The finals and semi-finals will be held the last night of the tournament.

This is the first of a series of events sponsored by the junior class to obtain money for the junior-senior banquet. The juniors cordially invite the public to attend these games which promise very enjoyable entertainment.

Cue and Curtain Club

The Cue and Curtain Club held try-outs last Monday night to select ten new members. Those selected were Mickey Coward, Virginia Routh, Betty June Smith, Janella Gentry, Ferald Parker, Claudia Burk, Tony Alvarez, Fred Woods, Bob Thompson, and Bill Poe. These new pledges are being "put through the ropes" by the old members this week. The girls are wearing pig-tails and going without their make-up. The boys have their hair parted in the middle and are wearing bow ties. The formal initiation will be held Thursday night.

Annual Completed

The annual staff has completed their work on the annual and sent it off for publication last Friday. Due to material and labor shortages, no promises were made for date of publication, but it will be returned during the spring months.

FORMER BALLINGER MAN DIES AT EL PASO TUESDAY

Information was received here Wednesday of the death of Jesse Winans, 32, at El Paso, Tuesday night. An Agnew Funeral Home coach left here this afternoon and will bring the body here for burial. Funder arrangements were not definite but rites were expected to be held some time Saturday afternoon.

Decedent was born and reared in Ballinger. He attended the Ballinger schools and had been making home at El Paso since 1928.

Survivors besides the wife include his mother, Mrs. M. J. Winans, Ballinger; six brothers, Charles Winans, Fort Worth; Bill Winans, Beaumont; Tom and Dick Winans, Arizona; Pfc. W. J. Winans, Shreveport; four sisters, Mrs. Tex Fine, Durango, Colorado; Miss Vera Mae Winans, San Angelo; Mrs. J. T. Moreland; and Mrs. M. W. McShan, Ballinger.

PAPERS RECEIVED HERE FOR MUSTERING OUT PAY

D. C. Posey, county service officer, announced today that he had received all papers for mustering out pay for service men and that his office would be ready to assist discharged veterans any time with the exception of Saturday afternoon.

There has already been a number of calls here and each has been delayed because papers were not available for necessary information.

chison, Leonard Stallings, R. T. Williams, J. B. Striplin, J. A. Schnable, Tom Agnew, Sim Cottelle, Troy Simpson, Harry Lynn, Charles Cheatham, E. L. Ingram, K. K. Hoffman, R. G. Erwin, E. W. Stansley, Charles Bailey, George Holman, Estes Lynn; and Miss Orville Atkins.



CREWS

The invitation basketball tournament at the local gym the past week-end was enjoyed by large crowds. Novice boys and Mozelle girls were winners. Among the schools participating were Talpa, Centennial, Ovalo, Winters, Ballinger, Novice, Mozelle, Crews and Eula.

Supt. and Mrs. W. T. Gassiot and Miss Marguerite Mathis, of the Eula school, attended the tournament and visited relatives and friends here.

A letter to Mr. and Mrs. W. W. King from their son, Weidon, last week stated he had landed in Italy.

P. R. Dietz has returned home from a San Angelo hospital, where he had been for treatment, and is apparently considerably improved.

Alice Belle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Blackmon is home from the Ballinger hospital convalescing nicely from an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester McBeth spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. C. F. White near Ovalo. They were met there by his

BUTTER AND CHEESE OUTPUT DECLINE SHOWN IN PAST YEAR

AUSTIN, Feb. 9.—Texas' production of dairy products for 1943 showed a 14.2 per cent gain in ice cream manufacture, a 4.2 per cent decline in creamery butter output, and a 34.2 per cent slash in American cheese production, the University of Texas bureau of business research reports.

All three types of dairy products declined during December from the December, 1942, output—ice cream to 946,000 gallons, cheese to 809,000 pounds, and creamery butter to 1,924,000 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jones have returned from Dallas, where they attended the graduation of their daughter, Miss Margaret Jones. Miss Jones recently completed a nursing course at Parkland Hospital, Dallas.

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CHURCH

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church, U. S. A.
Sunday, February 13:
9:45 a. m., Sunday school
11:00 a. m., morning worship
7:00 p. m., evening service
W. A. ERWIN, Pastor

First Christian Church (Broadway and Murrell)
Bible school, 9:45 a. m.
Worship, 11 a. m. and 6 p. m.
Come and join the fellowship.
J. T. SIMMONS, Minister

Eighth Street Church of Christ
Sunday:
9:45 a. m., Bible school
10:45 a. m., preaching service
11:45 a. m., communion service
6:15 p. m., young people's meeting
7:00 p. m., evening worship
Monday:
4:00 p. m., ladies' Bible class
Wednesday:
7:00 p. m., prayer meeting service
"Come thou with us and we will do thee good."

First Baptist Church (400 Eighth Street)
Sunday, February 13:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Organized classes for all ages.
11:00 a. m., sermon by pastor, "How Can a Person Know He is a Christian?"
Baptist Training Union, 6:30 p. m.
Sermon at 7:30 p. m. by pastor, "The Voice of God."
ACTIVITIES OF THE WEEK:
Monday and Tuesday:
The W. M. S. and Auxiliaries.
Wednesday:
Mid-week services conducted by the pastor at 7:30 p. m.
The public is cordially invited to worship with us.
CLARENCE A. MORTON, Pastor

Zoar Evangelical and Reformed Church, Rowena
Church school, 10:15 a. m.
Divine worship, 11:30 a. m.
FRANK W. LAMMERT, Pastor

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.
E. M. WALKER, Pastor

Church of Christ (1100 Ninth Street)
Services:
Sunday, 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.
Wednesday, 8:00 p. m.
Friday, 8:00 p. m.
Always welcome.

First Methodist Church
Sunday, February 13:
Church school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 o'clock.
Vesper service, 5 p. m.
Cadet fellowship hour, 6:00 p. m.
You are cordially invited to worship in all these services.
W. E. SHIPP, Pastor

St. Mary's Catholic Church (608 Sixth Street) (Telephone 521)
Mass first, third and fifth Sundays and Holidays of Obligation at 8:30 a. m. Second and fourth Sundays at 11:00 a. m.
Week-day mass at 8:00 a. m.
FATHER EDW. B. POSTERT, O. M. I.

First Presbyterian Church
Sunday:
9:45 a. m., church school, classes for all ages.
11:00 a. m., morning worship
7:30 p. m., evening worship.
Wednesday:
7:30 p. m., prayer meeting.
GARY HOFFIUS, Pastor

Grace Baptist Church (10th and Phillips)
"An Independent Baptist Church"
Raymond C. Wilson, Pastor
Jim Hash, S. S. Superintendent
WEEKLY SERVICES:
Sunday:
Sunday school, 10 a. m.
Sermon, 11 a. m.
Sermon, 8 p. m.
Wednesday:
Prayer meeting, 8 p. m.
A cordial invitation to all.

Church of God (Corner Sixth and Strong)
Sunday school and morning worship (unified service), 10 a. m.
Junior meeting, 7:00 p. m.
Young people's service, 7:00 p. m.
Evening service, 7:45 p. m.
Wednesday evening prayer service, 7:45 p. m.
A cordial welcome to all.
T. N. MINIX, JR., Pastor

Foursquare Gospel Church (104 N. Twelfth Street)
Sunday school at 10 a. m.
Worship service at 11 a. m.
Junior Crusaders at 7 p. m.
Evangelistic service at 8 p. m.
Tuesday at 8 p. m., Bible study and prayer service.
Friday at 8 p. m., Crusader service.
All are cordially invited to our services. A stranger but once.
RALPH K. ELLIS, Pastor

CLOSE OUT

Since I am to report to the army in 21 days, I find it necessary to dispose of my entire stock of shoes during that time. The stock includes all the new spring styles. Shop here within the next few days and help me dispose of these as soon as possible. This also means that I must collect all outstanding accounts.

All lay-a-ways must be picked up on or before February 27, 1944.

Gibbs Shoe Department
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Men are dying...are you buying?

If YOU'RE inclined to say, "I can't afford any more Bonds," just take another look at the casualty lists.

At least \$100 extra in Bonds—over and above your regular buying—is needed as your part in putting over the Fourth War Loan. At least \$100, \$200, \$300, or \$500 if you can possibly scrape it up.

Look at those grim lists in today's paper. Buy your Bonds while the names are still fresh in your mind.

Let's all BACK THE ATTACK!

4th WAR LOAN

B.C.D. Directors Named; J. A. Killough Resigns

The post card ballots in the election to name twelve directors for the Ballinger Board of Community Development were counted Monday afternoon and the high men certified. Eleven men were named for a two-year term and the twelfth was designated for a one-year term to fill a vacancy on the hold-over section of the board.

The eleven men to serve two-year terms are:
 E. C. Grindstaff
 Weldon Howell
 J. E. Dankworth
 Drury P. Hathaway
 W. B. May
 A. O. Bartlett
 J. M. Williams
 J. N. Nutt
 Loyd Herring
 Alton Underwood
 Stanley Price
 H. Ravellette was elected to serve the one-year term and completes the board of twenty-two men.

All members of the old board and the twelve new men were in session at a breakfast Wednesday morning to discuss important business and also to form the organization for the new year. The first regular meeting for the new board will be held Thursday night, February 17.

The most important business coming before the board Wednesday was the resignation of J. A. Killough as secretary-manager. He stated in his formal resignation that he desired to be relieved of his duties as soon as possible in order that he might devote all his time and attention to the funeral home business. For the past two months he has been working about half time and he said Wednesday that he did not intend to leave the board in the hole, but would like to be relieved as soon as another man was found.

Applications for the position will be received, or men will be invited here for a conference.

Ballingerites Attend Eldorado Convention Of Hill Country Group

Chief and Mrs. Chester Cherry, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Posey and Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Morgan spent Tuesday in Eldorado, attending the spring meeting of the Hill Country Firemen's Association. They returned Tuesday night and reported an excellent meeting with a good program and plenty of entertainment.

Elzie Cox was promoted from vice-president to president of the regional organization at the final business session Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Cox, formerly of Ballinger, is now a resident of Eden. Other officers elected included: Ray Souder, Brady, vice-president; John Hankins, Junction, secretary; Olin Culberson and Bayne Sattelfield, both of Austin, were the principal speakers for the afternoon session. Entertainment numbers were provided by the girls' choral club of the Eldorado high school.

The banquet was held Tuesday evening in the basement of the Presbyterian church and this was followed by a dance at night.

Brady was selected as the next host city for the meeting in the fall.

A committee of three was named to ask the Texas legislature to appropriate funds to carry on an intensive training program among Texas firemen.

CHURCH OF CHRIST'S NEW MINISTER TO MOVE HERE

The Eighth Street Church of Christ will have a new minister, Richard Robbins, of Abilene, commencing this week.

Mr. Robbins has been making home at Abilene for some time where he has been taking special work at Abilene Christian College.

Arrangements are being made for the new minister to move his family to Ballinger and as soon as the minister's home on the local church grounds is available he will be located here and his services will be open to the public at all times.

Mr. Robbins has labored with some of the larger churches in Texas and comes to Ballinger with the very highest recommendations by all who have had any kind of relations with him.

The local membership deems it fortunate to be able to obtain the services of a man with such a background of good work.

Mr. and Mrs. Robbins have a son and a daughter.

Largest Group Ever To Leave Here Goes For Army Physicals

The largest group to go from Runnels county for army and navy physical examinations left here Tuesday morning for Lubbock. There were about 140 men in the group and the crowd that assembled on the court house lawn was the largest so far to bid farewell to a contingent leaving here.

Four large busses were used to transport the group which included a number of 18-year-olds as well as a number of fathers much older.

Some of the men are due to return to Ballinger today while others probably will remain at Lubbock over the week-end before completing their physicals. All the selectees will have twenty-one days at home before being called for service in the army, navy or marine corps.

Cards were being received by others this week to report in the near future for physicals, and a large number of physically fit 1-A men will be made ready for filling quotas of the selective service administration in February and March.

The names of those who pass the physicals at Lubbock and are listed for call to the various branches of the armed services will be made public within a few days.

Dr. H. W. Hurt Will Speak at Annual Scout Meeting Here

The annual meeting of the Colorado River district of Boy Scouts will be held in Ballinger on the evening of February 18, with the scouts and parents of scouts assembling for a banquet at the Central Hotel. All members of the official family of the district,



scouters, scoutmasters and other workers are expected to attend and as many parents of scouts as desire are invited.

Tickets for the banquet are 75 cents each and may be obtained from F. M. Pearce. All tickets must be bought by Wednesday evening, February 16, in order to give the hotel advance notice of the number to be served.

The speaker for the occasion will be Dr. H. W. Hurt, Ph.D., LL.D., national director of the reading program of the Boy Scouts of America. Dr. Hurt has given long service to the Boy Scout movement as a scoutmaster, member of local councils, commissioner, and for a time executive at Chicago, also national field commissioner.

Much of the service rendered American Boy Scouts has been due to his writings, including many books and periodicals. He is in this area now and the local committee deems itself fortunate to be able to bring to Ballinger one of the most prominent figures in scouting in the United States. He is an interesting speaker and his message will be worthwhile for parents who have boys of scout age.

Awards will be made to scoutmasters and committee reports are to be heard.

BALLINGERITES' RELATIVE BURIED AT SAN ANGELO

Funeral services for Charlie Dalley, 53, were held at San Angelo Wednesday. Dalley died at the University Hospital, Omaha, Nebraska, last Saturday.

Decedent had a number of relatives in this county and Mrs. John Currie, of Ballinger, attended the funeral.

Typewriter ribbons at The Ledger office.

To the victory will belong the soil. Let's keep ours—buy war bonds!

'This is the Army'



Scene from "This is the Army" at Texas Theatre Wednesday and Thursday, February 16th and 17th.

'This is the Army' Promises Bright Picture of Army Life

Irving Berlin's "This is the Army," which successfully stormed city after city in its original stage version, comes to the screen of the Texas Theatre next Wednesday and Thursday, February 16, 17, in its Warner Bros. technicolor production. The picture will be a happy invasion of the hearts of America by its stalwart and talented sons in the service.

The Warner Bros. production for army emergency relief uses all 350 of the original cast plus heavy-weight champion Sgt. Joe Louis. In putting the great show on film the studio was careful not to alter but to augment it. Thus a large cast of motion picture and radio stars was added as were some old and new Irving Berlin songs.

Hollywood is richly represented by, among others, George Murphy, Joan Leslie, Lieut. Ronald Reagan, George Tobias, Alan Hale, Charles Butterworth and Una Merkel.

Radio's great star, Kate Smith, sings the beloved hymn, "God Bless America," which she introduced to the nation over the air waves. Frances Langford puts over the new Berlin number "What Does He Look Like" while Gertrude Niesen sings some of the composer's World War I tunes.

A screen story was built around the show, linking together the generations of the two world wars and giving the production a plot interest which the stage version lacked.

LAVACA COUNTY CLUB WOMEN CAN MUCH PORK AND BEANS

COLLEGE STATION, Feb. 9.—More than two hundred Lavaca home demonstration club women who grow their own beans recently have been canning "pork and beans" which are family favorites. On the shelves of a grocery store these are items of high point value.

In all, 235 women in the county canned 1,863 containers of pork and beans during a two-month period, with the assistance of Elizabeth Pfeiffer, county home demonstration agent. Miss Pfeiffer gave 18 demonstrations on canning pork and beans following

directions issued by the extension service. One meeting for 42 club members and non-club members alike held in a community canning center in Yoakum was devoted to the canning of pork and beans and of hominy. The canning was begun at 8 a. m. and the last cookers were finished up at 8:30 p. m.

Beans and hominy, of course, can be canned in the winter or any non-productive season. During these periods most farm families will empty some glass jars which can be refilled to make their contribution to the part of the food supply on the pantry shelves.

SCOUT COURT OF HONOR IS SCHEDULED TONIGHT

A Boy Scout court of honor will be held tonight at the district court room for the boys in this district who are ready for advancement. It will be one of the largest ever held here with at least twenty local boys to receive advancement and merit badges for work completed and upon which they have been examined.

O. L. Parish will preside over the court and all parents of scouts, scout leaders and other persons interested are urged to attend. The program will start at eight o'clock.

This is national Boy Scout Week and as a final program closing this annual event, a special service has been arranged for all scouts at the First Methodist Church Sunday morning at which time Rev. W. E. Shipp will deliver a special message to the boys. Seats in the center section of the church have been reserved and the scouts will all be seated in uniform.

TRANSVAAL FALLS RESTORED

JOHANNESBURG, Union of South Africa, Feb. 9.—The twin falls near Waterval Onder, in eastern Transvaal, have been restored to their original condition as two distinct falls, each 250 feet high, by the South Africa railways administration. Erosion had channeled one of the drops into a long chute.

Bringing In the Wounded



The terrain on the Italian front is so rugged that ambulances and even jeeps are not able to reach some of the positions. Only mules and man-power bring up supplies and carry down the wounded. Here is a wounded man being brought down of a mountainside for evacuation to the rear. He'll get the best medical care in the world. The War Bonds you buy make this certain.

Serving Uncle Sam

(Continued from page 1)
 football coach at St. Mary's preparatory school at the University of Texas has been announced. "Buck" is well known in Ballinger, having played both football and baseball in this section for a number of years. Later he played both pro football and baseball and coached at various West Coast colleges.

T-Sgt. Doyle H. Brown, having completed a course in aerial gunnery at Las Vegas, Nevada, spent last week here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Brown, and other relatives. He will leave here for assignment to a combat crew at Tampa, Florida, and will serve as an armament gunner on a flying fortress.

Guy Middleton, Jr., machinist's mate 3c, of the navy, is here from Camp Peary, Virginia, for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Middleton.

Letters were received this week from Alden Thorp, with the marines in the South Pacific. The most recent of the letters was written January 23.

Sgt. Victor Halfmann and Sgt. Harvey Halfmann, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph B. Halfmann, are now stationed somewhere in Northern Ireland. A third son, Pvt. Ross Halfmann, is stationed in Australia.

Cpl. Marion E. Brown, son of Mrs. T. P. Brown, stationed in England for the past five or six months, was recently selected as an instructor in anti-gas warfare for the British army. He is getting The Ledger and states that he enjoys the home news very much.

Lt. Jack Bandy McGregor came in Tuesday and will be here until Sunday for a visit with his parents and friends. He is stationed at Belvoir, Virginia, where he has completed a phase of training.

T-Sgt. Sam Wellhausen and wife left Monday to return to Columbus, Ohio, where he is stationed with the army engineers. He had a 10-day furlough but arrived home sick and was granted an extension and remained here two weeks before he recovered. Sgt. and Mrs. Wellhausen visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Wellhausen.

A letter received this week from George W. Duesler, seaman 2c, informed that he was now located at the University of Kansas, Lawrence. Duesler was manager of the Texas Theatre here several months until accepted for naval service. He got "boot" training at San Diego and is now at the university for a sixteen weeks' course in electricity. Duesler mentioned in his letter that he had gained 15 pounds and had lost his mustache.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. White have

received a letter from their son, Denman White, now in a hospital in North Africa. He stated he was recovering from wounds and hoped soon to be able to rejoin his outfit for duty. He enclosed \$100 to his father, asking him to use it if he needed it, if not to buy war bonds. The bonds were bought Saturday.

Melvin Witter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Witter, will finish his sea training in the merchant marine on February 12 and enter the marine officers' cadet school at St. Petersburg, Florida. He completed tests last week and made the highest grade in his class. The school at St. Petersburg is the only one of its kind in the United States.

Pvt. Arthur Dooze is at home on a fifteen-day furlough from the army air school at Harlingen. He has received his wings as a crew member and will return to the school in a few days for a new assignment.

Lt. Philip Evans, with the paratroops, and recently stationed at Ft. Meade, Maryland, has changed his address and his mail is now going in care of the New York postmaster.

A. E. Ransbarger has received an interesting letter from his son, Sgt. Troy Ransbarger, written somewhere in Italy on January 20. Troy stated that he was well. Mr. Ransbarger is of the belief that the unit has been relieved of front line duty and was at a rest camp at the time the letter was written.

Most interesting part of the letter was written on a German V-mail sheet which had been picked up by the Ballinger soldier somewhere in Italy. It began "We are all okeh." It then stated that the paper was that of Nazi V-mail and the following signed it:

Sgt. John Cook
 T-Sgt. Clayton T. West
 Sgt. B. J. Halliburton
 Sgt. Floyd C. Doherty
 Sgt. Luther L. Curbo
 Sgt. E. W. Middleton
 O. T. Gabbert
 Sgt. Alvin Richardson
 Sgt. Roland E. McWilliams
 Leamon Bell, Jr.
 Sgt. Charles W. Johnson
 Pvt. B. G. Edmiston
 Sgt. W. Waddell
 Dave Halliburton
 Wesley Jones
 Johnnie E. Courvisier
 John L. Waddell
 Noel J. Neely
 Sgt. Gordon L. Burks
 Cpl. Alvin L. Bilbrey
 Sgt. Marquis L. Flanagan
 Sgt. Guy G. Jones

Pfc. Boggs Ryan has returned to A & M. College after spending a few days between semesters with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Ryan.

Andrew W. Block, of this county, received his wings and was commissioned a second lieutenant at Blackland Field, Waco, Tuesday.

Precious Water



Army Signal Corps Photo
 A doughboy on the Italian front fills his canteen cup with water from one of the big containers used to carry this precious commodity to the fighting men at the front. The chances are that this can came for miles by mule and man-back so that this and other soldiers would not go thirsty. Back them up by buying War Bonds.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our deep appreciation to the many people who were so kind and sympathetic to us during the recent sorrow through which we passed, the loss of our son and brother, Ensign Gilbert Raymond Shiller. The thoughtfulness of our friends and neighbors in this sad hour will always be remembered by us.

Especially do we wish to express appreciation to Lt. G. W. Cartwright and the soldiers from Goodfellow Field at San Angelo who came to pay their last tribute to a comrade in arms; also to the members of the American Legion at Ballinger for their many acts of kindness and for assistance with the funeral service and burial with military honors; to Troy Simpson and the other singers, for songs so comforting to us; and to Mr. and Mrs. Allen Davis and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Killough for the many acts rendered for our comfort outside their regular duties. To all who sent flowers we can only say, thank you for their expression of honor to our loved one. Each expression of sympathy, each flower and each deed of kindness will always be remembered by us. May the blessings of God rest upon each of you, in our prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Shiller
 Mr. and Mrs. H. Salge
 Mrs. Laurine Earhart
 Miss Ruby Lee Shiller
 LeRoy Shiller

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The date for closing the 4th war loan drive is nearing and Runnels county lacked more than half its quota in the check-up Saturday. Not only this but Runnels county was further behind than any county in the district. One county, Callahan, was over the top last Saturday, and others were nearing their goals. Bond selling committee here were disturbed Monday morning and were considering just what could be done to put the county over. Speakers here Saturday got very poor hearings and sales were low. It was calculated Monday that about half a million in bonds must be bought this week and leaders opined that it would be nothing short of surrender on the home front to fail to provide our fighting men with the implements of war. Sales in some sections of the county have been far short of expectations.

Runnels county is getting its full share of rain but it has not been heavy enough to fill streams and tanks. Showers have been almost continuous but slow drizzles do not cause water to run on watersheds of streams. There is slight change in the situation in Ballinger except a little more has come from springs which feed into Elm Creek. A little has been caught

in the city lake but not enough to bring relaxation in restrictions.

The Ballinger schools are looking towards graduation time in May. Seniors have placed orders for invitations and cards to be used during commencement, copy for the annual has been prepared and will be sent to the printers this week, and other details connected with the closing of the term are underway. Good progress is being made this year. The faculty has been maintained at full strength and extra work has been carried on. The graduation class will be about equal that of recent past years.

Cross Roads 4-H Club Elects Officers For Current Year

The Cross Roads 4-H club held its regular meeting last Friday, at which time officers were elected for the new year. Elected were: Clarence Book, president; Willfred Schniers, secretary-treasurer; Bobby Block, vice-president and club reporter; and Frank Book, reelected club leader.

The educational program was conducted by County Agent John A. Barton, who gave instruction on how to set, adjust and operate farm levels. Information was also given on how to figure spacing for terracing and government requirements for terraced land.

The next meeting will be held on the first Friday night in March, at which time a farming picture will be shown and a demonstration given on treating grain sorghum for smut by use of sulphur. The club invites the entire community to attend this special meeting.

The club has accepted a big program of work for the ensuing year and a number of members have started 1944 demonstrations which include various activities.

LION PREFERS VENISON GEOLOGIST DISCOVERS

JOHANNESBURG, Union of South Africa, Feb. 9.—A lion will walk all over a man to get a venison dinner, according to J. Malan, field geologist for a Johannesburg base mineral syndicate. While sleeping beside his car, Malan was awakened by what he thought was a lion over him. But he went to sleep again. In the morning Malan saw tracks showing a lion had walked across him to steal a hunk of venison from his car.

Be wise—advertise.



The Cost of Invasion



A wounded Marine who fought and helped to win Cape Gloucester from the Japs is carried to a heavy duty truck which will take him out to an L.S.T. for evacuation to a hospital in New Guinea. From U.S. Treasury

WEST TEXAS NOTES

Coleman citizens bought 881 war bonds to attend a special show in one of the theatres there. Every seat in the house was filled by someone who had purchased a bond in the fourth war loan. This is part of the motion picture industry's effort in the current war bond campaign and millions of bonds will be sold by movie houses throughout the nation. The value of bonds bought for admission to the Coleman theatre for the one show was \$86,742.

The Winters Baptist church is sponsoring a special drive for Russian aid. It is planned to raise money with which to purchase and fit fifty kits for Russian soldiers. Articles to fill the kits are purchased at wholesale cost for \$2.00.

Mrs. Kate Creth, deputy grand matron of district 1, section 5, will visit the Paint Rock chapter of the Eastern Star in the near future. Members of the chapter are planning for the visit of the grand officer and all are being urged to hear her.

The Stephenville post-war planning committee has held a number of meetings and one of its approved projects is a lateral road building program. All members of the committee believe road construction would be the most beneficial project for the county as well as supplying many jobs for returned fighting men. Definite decisions will be made on roads to be improved and surveys are to be made of each.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lively, of Miles, have been transferred by the West Texas Utilities Co. to Big Lake. Mr. Lively has been local

manager for the company at Miles a number of years and before that was with the district office in Ballinger. Mr. and Mrs. A. Pippin, formerly of Munday, have moved to Miles, and Mr. Pippin will be in charge of the company's business at Miles and Rowena.

More than one hundred men and women attended the Menard firemen's banquet on Tuesday night of last week. Some of the guests for the annual social get-together were from nearby towns. Program numbers were furnished by Menard talent.

It was stated at Brady last week that McCulloch county farmers and ranchmen had built 240 tanks during 1943. The landowners took full advantage of the government's program for this purpose. About 269,500 cubic yards of dirt were moved in constructing the dams and following recent rains much water has been stored.

Two Comanche county ranchmen recently purchased Herefords at some of the leading sales in the state. Dudley Bros. and Walter Barrett both have added a number of fine animals to their herds for breeding purposes and will improve their already fine stock. Some of the bulls were bought at the Brooks sale near Brady when 63 animals sold for an average of \$764.

Rent control went into effect in the Sweetwater defense area on February 1. All property owners were to register at the high school between February 8 and 11. Rents will revert to the levels charged on March 1, 1943. Anyone renting property in the area on February 1, or for sixty days prior to that date, must register.

J. Thomas Davis, dean of John Tarleton College, Stephenville, is to be the principal speaker for the Melvin Future Farmers of America father-and-son banquet on February 11. An excellent program has been arranged and the banquet will be one of best ever held by the Melvin chapter. Reports on projects carried on by the boys will be given during the program.

The new Rising Star hatchery opening Saturday and a large number of people visited the plant. A 3,200-egg incubator has been installed and the company will continue to serve the community with custom hatched chicks.

War bonds and stamps build ships and bombers. Buy them today.

Dog and Chicken Ordinances to be Enforced in City

The city commission in session Tuesday afternoon gave consideration to two petitions which had been presented and which were signed by a large number of citizens.

The first asked a strict enforcement of the dog ordinance. The commission will start at once to enforce this law and a special officer will be employed to pick up all dogs without collars and tags.

The petition was sent to the commission last week and was prompted because of large numbers of sheep and lambs being killed by dogs near Ballinger. Investigation disclosed only a small number of dogs registered here and it is estimated that there are between 500 and 1,000 in the corporate limits. No time will be lost in starting strict enforcement of this ordinance and people who do not want their dogs picked up by the pound man should register them at once.

The second petition complained of chickens running loose within the corporate limits. Reports of damage have been registered from various parts of the city and the police department was instructed to take action at once. Those who have chickens in the city must provide pens or houses and not permit the fowls to get out and on other people's property.

The commission also voted to buy \$6,000 worth of war bonds from surplus accounts and thereby aid the 4th war loan campaign.

JACKO GIVEN DISCHARGE FROM FIGHTER SQUADRON

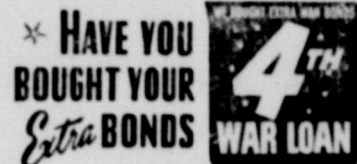
PIETERMARITZBURG, Natal, Feb. 9.—Jacko, monkey mascot, is no longer a member of a Natal coast air fighter squadron. Jacko's departure was by deportation after he climbed a tree with troop pay-books and proceeded to tear them up, then ambled into the commanding officer's headquarters and destroyed confidential papers.

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District Cage Tourney To Be Played Saturday

The district 8-A basketball tournament will be held in Ballinger Saturday with most of the schools in the district represented. All games will be played in the local gymnasium starting in the morning, continuing through the afternoon, and the finals slated at night.

The following schedule has been arranged for the opening round:

9 a. m.—Ballinger vs. Lake View
10 a. m.—Cross Plains vs. Coleman
11 a. m.—Winters vs. Brady
12 noon—Mozelle vs. San Saba

The semi-finals will start at 3 p. m. and continue through the

afternoon until only two teams are left for the finals in the evening.

The public is urged to witness these games and especially at 8:00 Saturday evening when the finals begin.

There are several fast teams in the district and the championship probably will be in doubt until late in the day. Brady, Mozelle and San Saba quintets have made good showings in early games but other teams have been developing power and there may be several dark horses in the tourney.

The Ballinger Bearcats, with no experienced men, got off to a slow start but Coach Fred Miller has been pushing his charges and improvement has been noticeable. Recently they have won a number of tough games, one being against the Lake View five, with which the locals will open play in the tournament.

The Bearcats defeated the Merton team here last Thursday by the score of 31 to 15.

Saturday the locals participated in an invitation tournament at Crews and defeated the Ovalo and Norton entries, but lost in the afternoon to the Novice team. The Novice boys won the tournament.

Second Institute Speaker to Talk On the Far East

The second speaker in the Rotary Institute of International Understanding, Dr. No-Yong Park, will be heard here Tuesday night at 7:45 at the high school auditorium. Starting at 7:30, the girls' choral club of the high school will sing a group of numbers, following which the speaker will be presented.

All those holding tickets are invited and any other person desiring a ticket may secure one from any Rotarian without cost. Approximately 500 people heard the first speaker and it is hoped that an even larger audience will be in attendance for the second program, the subject of which is "The Orientals as Contributors to a New World Order."

At the conclusion of the lecture a thirty-minute question and answer period will be conducted. Cards will be passed out on which

any question may be written and as many as possible will be answered.



Dr. No-Yong Park

The second speaker is perhaps the most interesting of the entire group as he brings together the East and the West for consideration of problems that are of equal importance to both. Dr. Park was born and reared in Manchuria, studied in China and Japan, and afterwards received his western education in Europe and America, especially at Harvard University, where he was awarded the degree of Ph.D. He served as a lecturer on Far Eastern relations for the University of Minnesota.

While in college Dr. Park won numerous essay and oratorical contests as well as awards of international value.

For a decade he has been engaged in interpreting Oriental history and life to America. Concerning his book, "Retreat of the West," Pearl Buck wrote, "It must be required reading for the white race." His latest book is entitled "Chinaman's Chance."

Those who have heard Dr. Park address college and university audiences marvel at his facility in the use of the English language. Right at this time, with China a powerful ally of the United States in a desperate war against Japan, Dr. Park will bring factual data in his discussion of the

problems both nations are facing. His intimate knowledge of Japanese character will also create the desire to ask many questions concerning their nature and the treatment of our war prisoners as revealed in recent army-navy reports.

Members of the local Rotary Club anticipate that every seat in the house will be occupied for the evening. They point out that those who hear any of the speakers may not be able to agree with all that is said, but that these institutes are for public discussion, hence the question period at the end of the lecture. The inside knowledge which the speaker will give of the Orient will bring about a better understanding of world problems.

THREE LOCAL STUDENTS MAKE SCHOOL SOCIETIES

J. D. Stinebaugh, a graduate of the Ballinger high school, who is attending Baylor University, Waco, has been initiated in Pi Gamma Mu, national social science honor fraternity.

Miss Ann Morton, senior in Baylor University, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Clarence A. Morton of Ballinger, has been elected president of Beta Sigma Chi, girls' business society on the Baylor campus.

Baptists to Have Valentine Affair For Young People

Rev. Clarence A. Morton, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Ballinger, states that on Monday night, February 14, the annual valentine banquet for the young people of the church will be held at 7:30 in the banquet room of the church.

The Woman's Missionary Society, with Mrs. James A. Wear, president; the educational department, with Mrs. Ernest Moody, chairman; and Mrs. R. T. Williams, social chairman, will unite with the young people's department of the Sunday school, Mrs. Taylor Henley, superintendent; and the Baptist Training Union, Mrs. Malcolm Morgan, director, in the preparation and execution of the banquet with valentine decorations.

Guests of honor will be mem-

bers of the First Baptist Church and organizations of the graduation class of the Ballinger high school. The toastmaster will be Miss Gladys Kemp, leader of the young people's department. Special music, interpreted in tableau, will be presented.

The pastor will introduce Dr. Harry Lee Spencer, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Brownwood, as the speaker of the evening, whose subject is "The Treasure Hunt of Life."

MORE LIVESTOCK SHIPPED FROM TEXAS IN PAST YEAR

AUSTIN, Feb. 9.—Texas livestock ranches shipped 104,336 cars of livestock to out-of-state markets and the Fort Worth stockyards during 1943, a gain of more than 4,000 cars over 1942 shipments, the University of Texas bureau of business research has found.

Only class of livestock to show a decline from 1942 to 1943 was

calves, shipments falling from 13,985 cars to 11,715.

Shipments included 62,903 cars of cattle, 16,402 cars of hogs, and 13,316 cars of sheep.

Buy a share in victory—invest in war bonds and stamps.

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Scouts to Gather Waste Paper Here Saturday Morning

Ballinger Boy Scouts will begin the first collection of old paper here Saturday. The salvage committee has turned details of the paper drive to the scouts in Ballinger and the boys will gather the papers, store them until a carload is on hand and then sell the shipment to junk dealers.

It will be necessary that all old paper be tied in bundles, newspapers and magazines in separate bundles. Also those who save old corrugated boxes should knock them down and tie them in flat bundles.

The Scouts and other salvage workers will not have time to separate old papers and magazines and bundles them, and no loose papers will be picked up by the collecting groups.

Scouts with cars and pick-ups will make a complete coverage of the city Saturday, picking up all bundles that have been placed in yards or on porches. They will store the paper in a local warehouse until a carload is obtained.

A waste paper buyer at Dallas has given a definite price on old paper, good for 60 days, and the drive here will be continued as long as results are obtained. Every citizen of Ballinger is urged to bundle and save old papers and assist the Scouts in their work.

Typewriter ribbons at The Ledger office.

To blitz Berlin, buy war bonds and stamps.

Victory Is Ahead



This is not a time to stop or slow down. We are confident of victory, but how distant the day none can tell. The war must go on until despotism is driven from the earth and our country is free from all danger.

War Bonds you bought in the past made possible the victories of our fighting men. Bonds you buy today and tomorrow will enable them to complete the job they have so successfully begun. We must not—and will not—fail them.

Buy EXTRA War Bonds now to help Runnels County exceed its quota for the Fourth War Loan. Place reservation orders here. Serve your country, and make the best of all investments.



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Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Mullins of Ballinger route two, have received a letter from officials of the University of Texas relative to the good record their son, Donald Mullins, is making. He recently has been elected to membership in Phi Eta Sigma, honorary scholastic fraternity which requires that students make grades that at the lowest are equally divided between A and B in a minimum of thirteen hours' work during the first semester. The letter states: "This depends only upon the boy's accomplishments and he has his own ability to thank for the honor conferred upon him."

A war-time budget should include war bonds and stamps.



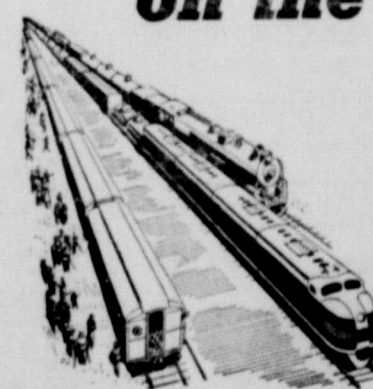
WHO WANTS TO BUY A PIG-IN-A-POKE?

When colds strike in your home you can be mighty glad the medicine you want has a name. It would be like buying a pig-in-a-poke, if you didn't know just what to ask for at the drug store. You don't want to take needless chances when it comes to colds, and you don't have to either! For example . . . The name Vicks VapoRub is your guide to the best-known home remedy for relieving miseries of colds. Ask for it by its trade-marks.

VICKS VAPORUB

You bet we're buying War Bonds

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Troop trains . . . hospital trains . . . trains loaded with tanks, planes, guns, and food, bring us pretty close to the war. We see lots of them on the Santa Fe. Already over 9,000 of our employees are in the armed forces. That's why we railroad folks know how important it is to buy War Bonds and keep on buying them. Approximately 50,000 of our people

are buying War Bonds through the payroll deduction plan to back up our armed forces, as well as to save for peace and the future.

The Santa Fe Railway has purchased large amounts of Government securities—and that policy will be continued.

If you were "Workin' on the Railroad" these days, we believe you, too, would buy an extra War Bond during this 4th War Bond Drive.

But no matter where you do work, let's ALL back the attack!

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WANTED—Lady workers. Ballinger Steam Laundry. 7-17

Income Tax Assistance A. M. King Currie Bldg., over Ideal Barber Shop Ballinger 18-17

Baby Chicks J. N. NUTT FEED, SEED AND HATCHERY Ballinger Phone 174 18-17

PERMANENT WAVE, 59c! Do your own Permanent with Charm-Kurl Kit. Complete equipment, including 40 curlers and shampoo. Easy to do, absolutely harmless. Praise by thousands including Fay McKenzie, glamorous movie star. Money refunded if not satisfied. Afflerbach's 5c-55.00 Store.

Moved to Currie Building over Ideal Barber Shop. A. M. King, real estate, insurance, income tax returns, notary public. 27-31

FEW CHOICE DWELLINGS One 6 room dwelling (practically new) \$5,250 One 8 room brick duplex \$5,250 One 5 room dwelling \$3,500 One 6 room dwelling \$3,000 One 4 room dwelling \$2,250 Terms if needed. E. SHEPPERD, Agent 3-21

Don't Feed Your RATS but one more time. Feed SMITH'S RAT KILL. Relatively harmless to livestock and poultry but deadly to rats. Guaranteed at Weeks Drug Store. 3-21

FOR SALE—Eight foot windmill and tower. Ralph Vancil. 3-21

WORK WANTED—By War Veteran—as night watchman or guard. Best of references. C. L. Lewis, c-o Ledger office. 3-21

FOR SALE—3,700 acre, well improved ranch, Hill Country, \$15.00. 300 acre farm, Runnels county. Possession. A. M. King. 3-21

WANTED—To buy or borrow a wheel chair. Call 8539F3. 3-21

W. H. Greer is back in sand and gravel business. 3-21

FOR SALE—Patton Estate, 100 acres, 10 miles southeast Ballinger. Possession now. A. M. King, exclusive agent. 3-21

Reese's Hatchery now operating. Booking orders for baby chicks and custom hatching. J. C. Reese. 10-11

FOR SALE—Gas range, 810 Sixth Street. 10-11

FOR SALE—Good CC Case tractor; two row planter and cultivator, double disc, 8 nozzle dusting machine. See D. E. Forgy at Santa Fe freight office. 10-11

FOR SALE—Birdseye maple bedroom suite. Bed, springs, chest and dresser. Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw. 10-11

FOR RENT—Bedroom to man. 706 Tenth Street. 11

FOR SALE—Several tons head maize and threshed maize; \$35 for heads, \$2.25 for the threshed. See W. S. Robinson at Independence school house. 11

LOST—Rose gold Gruen watch with stretchy band. Either down town or USO club. Ruby Roach, telephone 278. 11

We have ground peanut hulls—a good roughness for your livestock. West Texas Cotton Oil Co. 10-11

Unfurnished F. H. A. apartments with gas cook stoves and all utilities furnished FOR RENT to almost anyone. E. Shepperd, Special Representative. 10-21

Wanted Two salesgirls free to travel. Must be 18 or over. Personality a must. Interviews Friday afternoon 1:00 to 4:00. See Mr. Farmer, room 216, Central Hotel. 10-11

FOR SALE—One Pot Burner Oil Brooder, 900 chick capacity, excellent condition. L. C. (Red) Davis, Ballinger route one. 11

FOR SALE—Furniture for five-room house including 1942 Frigidaire to be sold in group. O. W. Parris, 802 Broadway, phone 1258. 10-21

FOR RENT—Nice bed room to a man only. Private entrance. Mrs. J. M. Cordell, 301 Thirteenth St. 10-11

Help Wanted Responsible man or woman wanted to supply customers in Ballinger with products; business better than ever; enjoy a good income from the start. For more details write the J. R. Watkins Co., 70-74 W. Iowa Ave., Memphis, Tenn. 10-11

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries For State Representative, 92nd District: W. H. RAMPY For Sheriff: J. L. MORELAND

VETERAN'S FUNERAL HELD HERE FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Funeral services for Ensign Gilbert Raymond Shiller, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Shiller, were held here last Friday afternoon with full military honors in which soldiers from Goodfellow Field and members of the local American Legion post participated. Chaplain G. W. Cartwright was in charge of the service at the chapel. Military honors were conferred at Evergreen Cemetery.

Pallbearers were G. A. Buxkemper, O. C. Sykes, C. D. Richards, Leon Thomas, Ollie Floyd and Sam Behringer. Attending the funeral from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Passmore, San Antonio; Bill Mathison, Beeville; Dick Luthringer, Beeville; Miss Verdine Mathison, A. & I. College, Kingsville; Mrs. Joe Reneau, Paris.

Survivors besides the parents include three sisters, Mrs. Hilmar Salge, Skidmore; Mrs. Laurine Earhart, Miss Ruby Lee Shiller, Brownwood; a brother, LeRoy Shiller, Ballinger; uncles and aunts, Ed Matal, Anton Matal, Mrs. Art Halling, Mrs. E. R. Mark, Mrs. Angeline Sugauk, all of El Campo; Mrs. J. A. Silva, Skidmore; Mrs. W. T. McQuerry, Wichita Falls; grandmother, Mrs. Francis Shiller, Wichita Falls.

SCOT "NIGHTHAWK" AT 102

GLASGOW, Feb. 9.—Early to bed and to rise has given long life to Samuel Brown, of Midlothian, Scotland, but today, at the age of 102, he has reversed this procedure. He now lies abed until 2 p. m. daily, and remains up until 11 p. m. his daughter reports, describing her father as "a regular nighthawk."

To blitz Berlin, buy war bonds and stamps.

Room and Board. Mrs. H. A. Burke, 1303 Seventh Street. 11

FOR SALE—150 Bales of peanut hay. Roy Hill, phone 400. 11

LOST—Belt key chain with several keys and "AMC" on belt band. Return to Stone's Reward. 11

FOR RENT—Apartment and several bedrooms. Phone 179. 11

FOR RENT—Unfurnished three room apartment. 208 Sixth Street. 10-11

FOR RENT—Two rooms and two apartments. Instructors preferred or cadet wives. Mrs. Una V. Doose, 404 Broadway. 10-11

FOR SALE—Modern home, six rooms. Plenty built-in fixtures, just lately remodeled. Desirable location. Priced reasonable. If interested, phone or see Oscar Harber. 10-21

FOR RENT—Furnished bedroom. Mrs. R. E. Willingham, 301 Twelfth Street. 11

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DEATHS

Mrs. Louise Ruppert Mrs. Louise Ruppert, 84, died at her home in Lowake Friday morning at 7:30 o'clock after illness of four days. She came to Runnels county from Gonzales in 1907 and had resided here and in the Lowake section ever since. Decedent was a member of St. Joseph's Church at Rowena. Her husband, William A. Ruppert, died on June 17, 1938.

Survivors include three sons, W. H. O. L. and E. G. Ruppert, of Lowake; a sister, Emily Ernst, Perry; a brother, Gus Glass, Rowena; two grandchildren and one great grandchild. Funeral services were conducted Saturday morning at 9:30 at St. Joseph's Church, Rev. W. F. Bosen officiating. Interment followed in St. Joseph's Cemetery. Agnew Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Janet Marie Brown Janet Marie Brown, age three months, died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Brown, seven miles out on the Spring Hill road, Wednesday at 2:15 a. m. She had been ill about two weeks. Survivors besides the parents include a sister, June Louise; the

WAR BOND PICTURE SHOW WITNESSED BY 550 PEOPLE

The war bond show at the Texas Theatre last Tuesday night was attended by 500 people, all of whom had bought war bonds for admission. According to the tickets the value of bonds bought to see the show totaled \$42,800.

A number of tickets also were issued for the purchasing of war bonds were not used Tuesday evening, the holders being prevented from attending. The theatre management stated this morning that it wished to express appreciation for the cooperation in presenting the bond show, especially to the issuing agencies at the First National Bank, the Farmers & Merchants State Bank, the local post office, and the Rowena bank. The banks passed out a ticket for every bond sale. Thanks also were expressed to the cadet wives who assisted in the issuing of bonds at the theatre.

Ledger want ads pay.

HOSPITAL NOTES Miss Nita Merle Morris was operated on at the Bailey Clinic-Hospital Friday and is reported to be improving. J. M. Simpson, of Eden, a medical patient in the local hospital, is doing satisfactorily. Miss Miertha Kerby, a medical patient in the local clinic, was reported in this afternoon to be improving satisfactorily. W. L. Lampe entered the local hospital for treatment Wednesday night and was resting fairly well this afternoon.

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FIVE LOCAL NEGROES ARE ACCEPTED BY ARMY

Five local negroes have been accepted for service in the army, according to announcement this week by the local draft board. The date for their induction has not been released but probably will be some time this month.

Those accepted were: L. V. Johnson, Elijah Summers, Henry Brown, Massie Lee Johnson, Willie Washington

At the conclusion of the rally a brief ceremony will be held in which the Ballinger war bond queen will be crowned. This will be the concluding portion of the program.

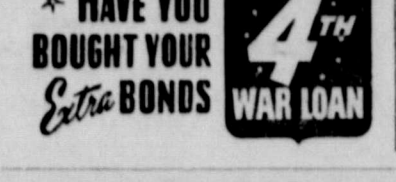
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War Bond Rally (Continued from Page 1)

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