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Joe Forman is Elected B.C.D. Secretary-Manager

Directors of the Ballinger Board of Community Development stated Monday that Joe Forman would become secretary-manager of the organization about June 1. For several weeks a special committee had been working on plans to employ a full time secretary to succeed J. A. Killough, who recently resigned to devote all his time to the funeral home business.

The committee had been holding conferences with Mr. Forman several days but it was not until Monday that a definite contract was made. No exact date was set for his assuming the secretaryship in order to give time at the First National Bank for changes to be made which would not interfere with his departure from that institution.

Mr. Forman came to Ballinger on October 8, 1923, to become associated with the First National Bank and has been with this institution ever since. During his twenty-one years in Ballinger he has been connected with many civic, educational and religious movements. He has worked with the B. C. D., the old fair association, as a fireman, assisted in handling crowds at all football games, is interested in the country club, war for years an official in the First Methodist Church and superintendent of the Sunday school, and for a number of years has been a leader in various other local affairs.

He has been interested in farming and ranching for a number of years and in this respect has a working knowledge of the needs of the farmers and ranchmen of this section. His experience in the local bank qualifies him to be of value to the commercial organization in much wartime work, especially during war bond drives.

Members of the committee said Monday they felt fortunate in being able to obtain the services of a local man who could take over at this time. All along the committee sought someone who was well acquainted with citizens of this trade territory and who was interested in the rural-urban work of this section.

Last week a ballot was prepared and passed to all members of the board of directors asking a vote for or against Mr. Forman for the office and also asking whether he was considered excellent, fair, or poor. Returns on the balloting were very complimentary to the man selected, revealing an almost unanimous decision in his favor.

Mr. Forman will be in the office as soon as possible and will have two weeks or more in which to get ready for the 5th war loan drive, in which he will be called on for a large amount of work. The home service work of the American Red Cross will continue to be handled through the secretary's office with the assistance of one office helper.

Mr. Forman stated this week that he invited the help of the citizens of Ballinger in his efforts to carry on the B. C. D. work. He asserted he would give his best to the job but believed that it was work in which the entire community was interested and therefore invited criticism of a constructive nature that would lead to better efforts on his part as well as the entire board.

R. G. Erwin, president of the First National Bank, stated this morning that it was with deep regret that the bank would lose the services of Mr. Forman, who has been a fair, efficient and efficient employee for the past 21 years. Mr. Erwin said the entire board wished him every success in his work and the bank and its personnel would be behind him in his new position with the Ballinger Board of Community Development.

Mr. Forman has been both an employee and an officer of the First National Bank and in filling his place a number of changes will be made in the present staff and new employees will be trained in other departments.

SERVING UNCLE SAM

Texas Sergeants De-Ice Rifles; Make it Hot for Germans

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, Italy—Not the worst enemy of the fifth army troops here are the crack German divisions holding approaches to the Liri Valley road to Rome. Freezing mountain weather that locks even the firing mechanism of rifles is a greater foe, according to some GI's of the 36th "Texas" division.

"The worst feeling in the world is to see Germans coming at you when you have nothing to fight back with," says Staff Sergeant George Hicks of Sherman, Texas.

Attacking one of the mountain fortresses blocking Fifth Army drives toward Cassino, infantrymen of the 36th fought yard after yard through rain and ankle deep mud. As the battle surged upward into the mountains, the rain turned to ice, locking rifles, pistols, carbines.

Sgt. Hicks, however, managed to keep firing his M-1 rifle. Beside him Sgt. Alvin J. Richardson, Ballinger, also bested the ice and kept pouring deadly rounds into German positions.

Noticing that the two soldiers were the only members of the company firing, the commanding officer checked up, found that the remedy was a simple one after all. "We continually kicked the operating handle, freeing the ice," explained Hicks. "Then we would fire a few clips of ammunition to heat the gun."

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Miles M. Caudle, Jr.

Petty Officer Miles M. Caudle, Jr., who has been serving as a navy coxswain somewhere in the Solomons area, was promoted to boatswain on March 24. He is now taking a radio technical course. Miles says his health is excellent, having been stationed on an island ten months and not having been sick a day. He has been in the navy 14 months, joining up in January, 1943. Getting "boot" training at San Diego, he later was sent to a landing craft school at the headquarters base on the West Coast.

Mrs. Clark Koller left Saturday for Sebring, Fla., to join her husband, Lt. Koller, who has just completed an instrument school there.

S./Sgt. and Mrs. J. Dan Norwood, of Tonopah, Nevada, are visiting relatives at San Angelo, Coleman and Ballinger.

Claude R. Stone, seaman 2c, has returned to Farragut, Idaho, after a visit with his parents. He has completed a phase of training at Farragut and expects an assignment soon.

George Cape, seaman 2c, left Monday for San Diego, California, after visiting here the past twelve days with relatives and friends.

Backstage Scenes With 'Prisoners of War'



(1) German prisoners of war have their own band at Fort Dix, N. J. Here they play overture to play staged by other "P. of Ws." (2) A scene from the play "Froh and Heltter" (Bright and Gay). Scenery and costumes are the work of the prisoners made from waste material during their spare time. (3) A scene in the kitchen of the prisoners' mess hall showing them preparing the evening meal for their fellow Nazis. These men appear anything but unhappy.

District 7 Home Demonstration Convention Voted Here in 1945

7,000 Service Men Visit Army-Navy Club During April

Over 7,000 visits by service men were tabulated at the Army and Navy Club in April, one of the heaviest months since the work was established here. Attendance was swelled by many soldiers from Camp Bowie and Camp Barkeley on week-ends as well as others at home on furlough.

Mrs. A. McGregor, hostess, said local people had been very considerate in sending in refreshments of sandwiches, cookies, punch, etc. Cited for this were: Mrs. W. W. Mitchell, Norton; Mrs. Randall Campbell, Paint Rock home demonstration club; Mrs. George Clements, Mrs. Virgil Reynolds, Mrs. Herman Giesecke, Jr., Mrs. Ollie Floyd, and members of the Shakespear Club of Ballinger.

A large group of cadet wives were present Wednesday afternoon for lessons in painting and water coloring. A member of the wives club who is an artist is helping with this project and it is meeting enthusiastic response with more than twenty in the class.

Last Saturday night saw the heaviest attendance at the club in many months, many cadets in class 44-H, now at San Angelo, coming back for a visit.

Mrs. G. H. Lander returned home last week from Healdton, Oklahoma, where she spent several months visiting her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Carlock, and also welcomed a new grandson, Glenn Arthur Carlock.

Runnels county was selected for the 1945 convention of district 7, Texas Home Demonstration Association at the closing session of the 1944 meeting held at Eastland Tuesday of this week. Twenty-four Runnels county club members and Miss Ozzie Folkes, county home demonstration agent, attended the Eastland convention.

Good attendance and interesting programs were reported, county reports being given in the form of skits and panel discussions. Guest speakers were Miss Mena Hogan, of the extension service, Washington, D. C., and Miss Mildred Horton, of the A. & M. College extension service.

Home demonstration agent at large for the southern states, Miss Hogan told something of the work in other states. She also stressed the need for post-war planning, in getting people and homes ready for the return of men and women from the service.

Runnels county representatives had good reports to make of work accomplished and of plans for future activities. The delegation from this county made the trip in a school bus and returned late Tuesday evening after the close of the Eastland convention.

BETHEL 4-H CLUB MEMBERS IN SOCIAL HERE THIS EVENING

The Bethel 4-H club in a meeting last week made plans for a social which is being held here this evening at city park. The girls entertaining the boys. All members were present at the last meeting.

H. O. Andrews, of San Antonio, transacted business and visited friends in Ballinger Tuesday. He was en route to El Paso on business.

Norton Pilot and Crew



The above shows a combat plane and crew at the base in England just as Captain Tom A. Crockett, pilot, has completed his missions. Since the picture was taken Capt. Crockett has returned here for a visit with his parents before going to California for a rest, and later to get another assignment.

In the picture, reading from left to right, top row, are: Capt. Crockett, pilot, Winters, Texas, route 3; Robert B. Burkey, co-pilot, Howard, Pennsylvania; Roland J. Deneault, navigator, New Bedford, Massachusetts; Carl K. Chilton, bombardier, Houma, Louisiana. Bottom row: Peter Rivers, ball turret gunner, Loraine, Pa.; Howard S. Boes, tail gunner, Dayton, Ohio; Donald M. Wood, left waist gunner, Reading, Pa.; Hubert E. Prince, top turret gunner, Dresden, Ohio; Louis Morita, radio man, Bayonne, New Jersey; Paul R. Friday, right waist gunner, Dallas, North Carolina.

22 Runnels County Men Leave for Navy Training

14 Runnels Countians To Report for Army Induction on May 16

The local draft board has notified fourteen Runnels county men to report May 16 for induction into the army. The men will assemble at the Central Hotel at 7:20 a. m., May 16, to take a bus to an induction center to begin training.

To report in this call are the following:

- Raymond A. Hash
- Woodrow T. Worthington
- Willard B. Turner
- Steve Pete Paska
- Woodrow T. Wilson
- Robert M. Hodges
- Ralph T. Morton
- Paul Schraer
- Andrew T. Hennecke
- James W. Gotcher
- Rufus C. Hodges
- Joel R. Reese
- Archie B. Tomlinson
- George V. Mitchell

A bus load of twenty-two men left Ballinger Tuesday morning for Lubbock, where they are to report to the navy. From there they will receive assignments to various training camps and schools where they will be sent within the next few days.

In the group leaving nineteen were from Runnels county and three were transfers from other sections who were sent by the local draft board on request. All men taken from this county are under 26 years old.

Another group will soon leave from this county for the army and cards were being prepared this week notifying the inductees when to report.

No program was held Tuesday morning to bid the group goodbye. Some objection to farewell parties has been raised by inductees and no more are planned. For some time programs have been sponsored by the local post of the American Legion but some caused too much emotion and unless there is a decided expression in favor of resumption no other planned programs are to be held. These was a good sized crowd on hand Tuesday morning, however, to personally tell the men good-bye.

The list follows:

- Emmett James Wilkey
 - Erwin Joseph Halfmann
 - John Henry Ball
 - Luther Clinton Moore
 - Jose Nunez Ramos
 - Feliciano Galindo
 - Weldon Lee Lacy
 - Jasper Lenwood Allbright
 - Boyd Morris Bahlmann
 - Ervin Ray Wessels
 - Herman Walter Goetz
 - Tillman Claude Jennings
 - Floyd Marshall Damron
 - William Dock Rogers
 - Cletes Carl Killough
 - James Franklin Tunney
 - Alfred Jerome Colloom
 - Calvin DeWitt Bryan
 - James David Hart
- Transfers
- George F. Smith
 - William Dale O'Neil
 - Willie Dwan Bajlew

ANNUAL RED CROSS CHAPTER MEETING SCHEDULED MAY 25

Ernest Caskey, chairman of the Runnels county Red Cross chapter, announced this week that the annual meeting of the chapter would be held in the district court room of the court house here on May 25, beginning at 2 p. m.

All members of the organization are invited to attend and this included any person who contributed as much as one dollar during the year. A field representative of the national organization will speak at the meeting and assist with organizing for another year.

Rains Beneficial To Small Grain In This Vicinity

General rains fell over Runnels county again Monday night, ranging from a quarter of an inch to as much as two inches in this locality. The heaviest fall reported was a short distance north of Ballinger where a narrow strip received two inches. Elm Creek was not affected but the Colorado River was on a six-foot rise Tuesday from rains farther up its watershed.

Part of the heavy downpour was in the vicinity of Hatchel but tanks and terraces caught this water before it reached Elm Creek. The city lake was standing full this week but city officials said no additional supply came down.

Recent rains have greatly benefited small grain in this section and farmers in town this week predicted good yields of both oats and wheat. These crops have grown rapidly since the first rains of the year and will be good enough to harvest. Heads are now filling out and unless damaged by storm or disease, Runnels county farmers will harvest their best crops in some time.

Ranchmen have also received some stock water, but some surface tanks have not been filled to date.

Runnels County Second In '43 Seal Sale Increase

Regular business was transacted and reports were heard at the quarterly meeting of the Runnels County Tuberculosis Association, held at the city hall here Saturday afternoon.

A letter from the office of the state seal sale committee enclosed an honorable mention certificate for the Runnels county chapter as being one of the leading organizations in the state on the increase made in the 1943 sale. The certificate disclosed that Runnels was the second county in the state on percentage of increase in the seal sale last year. Much of the credit was given Mrs. K. V. Northington, who served as seal sale chairman the past fall.

The report of Mrs. C. A. Glover, executive secretary, revealed that tuberculosis tests had been given 659 school children in the county in the early diagnosis campaign and that only 22 positive cases were found. In these cases if the parents are unable to follow up with X-rays and other examina-

tions the association will have the work done.

Schools participating in the campaign and the number of pupils to get either the patch tests or serum follow:

- Rowena public school, 50
- Rowena, St. Joseph's, 44
- Miles, 135
- Norton, 62
- Winters, 175
- Wingate, 62
- Ballinger, 131

Officers of the association said tests would be given in the Latin-American school here before it was closed some time in June.

Four of the directors, Mrs. Alton Underwood, Nat Williams, Ernest Caskey, Ballinger, and Mrs. Lulu White, Winters, were named to serve on the executive committee.

A contract was accepted for the 1944 seal sale and plans will be made later for conducting the campaign.

The next meeting of the association will be held in August or September.

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Women's Society and Club News

Youth Banquet Honors Methodist Seniors

Members of the high school senior class, who are Methodists, were honor guests Monday evening at the annual youth banquet given by the young people's department of the First Methodist Church under the direction of Mrs. J. B. Striplin, department sponsor.

The school colors of red and black were given elaborate emphasis in all decorations and appointments for the affair staged in the Doss Bible Class room in the church basement on Tenth Street, where the American and Christian flags stood at the entrance doors. The speaker's table extended across the open end of other tables arranged in U-shape with narrow red and black crepe paper ribbons extending down the entire center length. A slender rectangular white wicker container held deep red snapdragons and queen anne's lace to center the speaker's table which small May baskets of varied blossoms were placed at intervals along others. Places were marked by names written in white on black cards adorned with red dwarf carnations. Program folders were printed in black on red.

R. W. Earnshaw was toastmaster and presented the following numbers: invocation, Rev. W. E. Shipp;

accordion solos, Cadet R. J. Bohn; tribute to seniors, Walter Midgley, president of the department; response, Donald Williams; saxophone solos, Bill O'Neill, accompanied by Miss Hattie Mae Dunlap; and a talk by Bill Clark, church school superintendent. The Rev. Homer Vanderpool of Dallas, and former pastor here, was guest speaker and delivered an inspirational address, "Living on Tip-toes."

Honor guests were: Winona Howell, M. L. Forgey, Donald Williams, Jimmy Agnew, Herman Virden, Rothal O'Kelly, and Sam Sensabaugh.

Others present were: Messrs. and Mmes. E. C. Caskey, George Davis, L. C. Adair, J. L. Davis, Nat Williams, Fred Miller, Mmes. Vanderpool, Shipp, Clark, James Page, and Fred McClanahan; Mr. Striplin, Misses Ruby Thornton, Alta Belle Bilbo, and Katherine Freeman; Kitty Caskey, Betty Smith, Eula Mae Foreman, Fred Woods, Betty Morrison, Joanne Glover, Joyce Boswell, Bobbie Tunnell, Ferald Parker, Dorothy Forgey, Catherine Sensabaugh, Lila Williams, Eloise Dankworth, Mary Lou Davis, Natlyne Williams, Milton Dankworth, Johnny Earnshaw, George McCarstin, Bobbie Jean Bell, Leon King, and Walter Jones.

Assisting in serving the two-course chicken spaghetti supper were: Mmes. Rothal O'Kelly, Cecil Jones, R. D. Midgley, Wesley Reese, O. R. O'Neill, Edward Walsh, Earnshaw, John Weeks, and Clinton Glover.

Mrs. J. W. Purfoy is Hostess to First Presbyterian Circle

Mrs. J. W. Purfoy was hostess to the First Presbyterian Business Women's Circle Monday evening in her home on Eighth Street. Attendance was one hundred percent.

Mrs. C. R. Stephens directed a discussion of Hebrew poetry after budget pledges were made during a short business session conducted by Mrs. La Du Craig.

Mrs. Purfoy served frosted punch with cookies to: Mmes. Craig, Stephens, J. M. Pyburn, Elma Mann, Misses Maggie Underwood, Marryatt Smith, Winnie Trull, Virginia Holman, and Louise Batts.

Donovan-Davis Nuptials Read in St. Mary's Chapel

The Little Chapel of St. Mary's Catholic Church was the scene of the wedding ceremony for Miss Louise Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Davis of West Springfield, Mass., and Aviation Cadet Richard J. Donovan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Donovan of Springfield, Mass., Saturday afternoon at four-thirty o'clock.

Red roses and tall white candles were used to decorate the altar where the Rev. Edward B. Postert, church pastor, read the single ring service before close friends and fellow classmates of the bridegroom.

Miss Frances Egan, cousin of the bridegroom, also of Springfield, was maid of honor. She wore a suit of orchid wool with white sheer blouse. Her small off the face hat was veiled in orchid and other accessories were white. Her corsage was of white carnations. Aviation Cadet E. T. Carroll of Syracuse, New York, was best man.

The bride wore a gold wool suit with jabot blouse of purple sheer. Gold flowers fashioned her half-hat which was veiled in brown. Other accessories were brown and her corsage was of pink and white carnations. For something old she carried a handkerchief belonging to her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Reese were hosts for the informal reception in their home on Seventh Street. They were assisted in receiving by the bridal party and Mrs. Reese's mother, Mrs. W. E. Harvey.

Tall baskets of mock orange blossoms and queen's lace were used about the living room and clusters of these same blooms

surrounded the two-tiered all-white decorated cake, which centered the lace-laid dining table. Tall white tapers burned in low single crystal holders.

Mrs. Jim Flynt, Jr., cut the cake and Miss Egan presided at the silver coffee service. Miss Hattie Mae Dunlap was at the piano for a program of incidental piano music.

Other guests were: Cadets and Mmes. Burrell Collins of Amarillo, Carl Atha of Lafayette, Ind., and Arthur Clutter of Wichita, Kansas; Miss Mary Jane Madsen of Duluth, Minn.; Cadets James Dolter also of Duluth, Francis Curtis of Los Angeles, and J. W. Downing of Wichita, Kansas; Jim Beth and Billy Flynt, and Raleigh, Jr. and Robert Reese.

Mrs. Donovan is a graduate of the West Springfield High School and was a student at the Springfield division of Northeastern University. Cadet Donovan was a lithographer at Brooks Bank Note Co. before entering C. T. D. at Springfield State Teachers' College, Springfield, Mo. They will be at home at the Reese home until class 411 completes primary training at Bruce Field.

Mrs. Hoffman is Club Hostess

Mrs. K. K. Hoffman was hostess to her contract club on last Thursday afternoon, entertaining with a one o'clock luncheon at the Central Hotel followed by games in her home on Sixth Street.

Vari-colored snapdragons were used to form the table centerpiece and blue delphiniums decked party rooms at her home.

Mrs. B. C. Roberts, Jr., won high score award; Mrs. C. D. Shamburger second high; and Mrs. Roy Worley low. Bingos went to Mmes. Roberts, Shamburger, and E. L. Ingram. Others were: Mmes. Fred Harman, W. L. Barger, and Virgil Reynolds.

Three are Guests of Honor in Stasney Home

Jimmy Agnew and Donald Williams, members of the 1944 graduating class of the Ballinger High School, and Claude R. Stone, seaman 2c, U. S. Navy, who was home on liberty from Camp Farragut, shared honors on Thursday evening of last week when Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Wardlaw and Dr. and

Mrs. E. W. Stasney included a group of high school students for an informal dance in the Stasney home on Eighth Street.

Spring blossoms, in which the red, white, and blue tri-colors predominated, graced reception rooms where dancing was enjoyed to music from a radio-record player. Mr. Tom Agnew took pictures.

At the refreshment hour, sandwiches, cookies, and cake squares were served with frosted punch laded by Mrs. Agnew from the lace-laid dining table.

Others included: Mary Ann Morgan, Pauline Witter, Charlotte Miller, June Wright, Peggy McGregor, Carolyn Cheatham, Natlyne Williams, Pat Richards, Ann Stasney, Marilyn Agnew, and Gwen Williams; Johnny Earnshaw, Wellington Pearce, Harold Richards, Rothal O'Kelly, Jr., Leon King, Walter Midgley, Milton Dankworth, Eldon Moody, George McCarstin, Bob Sykes, Walter Jones, Jack Kopecky, David Middleton, Billy O'Neill, Zane McWilliams, Charles Burger, Bob Parr, Roger Jones, S. M. Jonas, Jr., and W. L. Burks; Messrs. and Mmes. Herbie Fulcher, Claude Stone, Nat Williams, L. R. Tigner, R. W. Earnshaw, and Mrs. John A. Weeks.

Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Douglass Fete Methodist Church Choir

Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Douglass were hosts to the First Methodist Church choir last Thursday evening with an after-rehearsal social hour in the Doss Bible Class room in the church basement.

Mrs. Douglass laded frosted punch which was served with cake. Mrs. Charles Van de Putte played a group of piano numbers. Others present were: Messrs. and Mmes. J. A. Schnable, Levy Lee, E. C. Caskey, Troy Simpson, Mmes. R. V. Pinson, O. M. McCarstin, Fred McClanahan, Jack Nixon, Jr., Derwood Bissett, L. R. Burnett, R. R. Galloway, Misses Eloise Dankworth, Juanita Cullwell, Mary Lou Davis, and Mary Lou Ridings; Cadets Dodge G. Milkonian of Pontiac, Mich., William L. Humphrey of Joplin, Mo., John M. Vetterblad of Miami, Arizona, Leon M. Bush of Traverse City, Mich., John W. Barnes, of

San Diego, Calif., Ross O. McIntosh of Walla Walla, Washington, Floyd Hightman, Jr., of Hagerstown, Maryland, James M. Holmes of San Diego, Calif., David A. Bennison of Davenport, Iowa; Messrs. Nat Williams, and Joe Forman.

Miss Leona Bell Becomes Bride of Captain Robert P. Currie in Galveston Chapel Ceremony

Miss Leona Bell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bell, became the bride of Captain Robert P. Currie, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Currie of Big Spring on Tuesday evening, May 2, at nine-thirty o'clock in the Galveston Army Air Forces chapel in Galveston with the post chaplain, Captain William Goldbeck, officiating clergyman for the single ring ceremony.

The bride wore a dress of orchid crepe made on princess lines. A double ruffle of self material outlined the shoulder yoke and skirt edge. Her small off the face veiled hat was of a deep purple shade and other accessories were white. Her corsage, fashioned of white carnations and pink gladioli, was tied with orchid and pink satin ribbons.

Miss Janey Taylor was maid of honor. She wore a frock of maize

crepe trimmed in black lace. Her small half hat of black straw had floral clusters of blue and her gloves were in a matching shade with other black accessories. Her corsage was of yellow irises tied in blue.

Lt. John F. Charnell, who served overseas with Capt. Currie, attended him as best man.

Mrs. Currie is a graduate of the Ballinger High School, where she was a twirler with the Barcat Band for three years. Since graduation she was employed by Rubins.

After graduation from Big Spring High School, New Mexico Military Institute, Captain Currie was a pre-med student at Tulane University. He received his wings as a bombardier at the Albuquerque Bombardier School in 1942, and after a short stay in Hawaii, he spent 15 months in India. He holds the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal with oak leaf cluster.

The couple is at home in Galveston for an indefinite period where Captain Currie is stationed at the Army Air Base.

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

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Think on These Things
by Richard Robbins
Minister
Eighth Street
Church of Christ

It is a serious thing to tamper with the word of God. In doing so we defeat the power of the gospel. Rom. 1:16. Paul told the Jews that they made void the word of God with their traditions. Their worship was vain because they taught the doctrine and precepts of men. Matt. 23:2. He also told the Galatians a curse rested upon them because they had perverted the gospel of Christ. To ignore the scriptures and practice a thing in religion just because we like it, is perverting the gospel of Christ. We should be careful that we do not add Christ's name to something that he does not authorize. John in the last book of the Bible warns that if we add anything to the book of prophecy, the plagues of the book will be added unto us. And if we take away from the book, God will take our part from the tree of life. We should receive the Bible, not as the word of man, to be changed or ignored at our likes or dislikes, but as it is in truth, the word of God. Paul commends the Bereans because they received the word with all readiness of mind, examining the scriptures daily to see if the things spoken by Paul were so. Today we should take heed what we hear, and what we do, in worship to God.

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Every American citizen also has a job. Across the nation, Red Cross Blood Donor Centers are open—they plead for a pint of blood to save a life. Give if you can. Keep buying war bonds... our fighting men need your help.

It will take the combined efforts of every American... faithful to his job... to win the Victory.

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Melody Plus Mirth and Romance Promised in 'Broadway Rhythm'

Melody, mirth and romance form the ingredients of the tasty dish Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer will serve at the Ritz Theatre next Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, May 13, 14, 15, 16, when "Broadway Rhythm" holds the screen. Co-starring George Murphy and Ginny Simms in technicolor, plus the music of Tommy Dorsey and his orchestra, "Broadway Rhythm" is a must-see.

The story of a theatrical company that has attained success through the impact on them of the Monday movie star. It's gay and colorful and the story has several new twists.

Charles Winninger clowns and toots a trombone in a duet with Dorsey. George Murphy sings and dances, Ginny Simms raises her glorious voice in song, Lena Horne dances a spectacular boogie-woogie number and sings two songs, Hazel Scott does things to a piano, and Dean Murphy and the Ross Sisters contribute outstanding moments.

Nancy Walker, Ben Blue and Eddie "Rochester" Anderson supply the laugh lines and Bunny Waters joins Miss Simms in the glamour department.

There are songs galore and colorful dancing to please the eye as well as the ear and George Murphy gets the gal in the finale.

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U. S. Motion Picture Industry Backs WAC Recruiting for Week

Beginning today, Thursday, May 11, the 16,000 thousand theatres of the United States inaugurate coincident with the second anniversary of this important branch of armed services, "Women's Army Corps Recruiting Week." This event is sponsored by the war activities committee of the motion picture industry, under the chairmanship of Edward L. Alperson.

Commanding officers in European theatre of operations, under whom contingents of Wacs have so nobly served, have enthusiastically acknowledged their contribution to the actual war effort and are pleading for more of them. These American Wacs have distinguished themselves as nice-looking, hard-working, cheerful girls. Most of them have served at Gen. Dwight Eisenhower's headquarters and eighth air force stations, where they plotted, teleprinted, operated switchboards, made maps, assessed combat films, "sweated out" missions in flight control rooms.

America's women, a scanning of history's pages will prove, have always backed their fighting men. But in this war there is proof of a greater obligation—to participate actively—by taking over vital army jobs behind—and at the front. For this war is bigger, more terrible than any in history. To bring it to a victorious conclusion, the able-bodied women of America are needed as well as its men. From all army commands come urgent calls for more Wacs—thousands more are needed. Every day our American soldiers are risking their lives and Wacs can help them win their fight sooner by taking over important tasks behind the lines—tasks which can be done more easily by women than by men.

This is the challenge for women of America—they cannot refuse to accept when it may be within their power to help shorten the war.

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

Comedienne Joan Davis Given Works In Zany Picture 'Beautiful but Broke'

Joan Davis knows what it means to "suffer for her art." Joan is featured with Judy Clark and Bob Haymes in Columbia's frolicsome funfest, "Beautiful but Broke," to be shown at the Texas Theatre as a mid-week attraction next Wednesday and Thursday, May 17, 18.

One of film's hilarious highspots occurs when Joan gets mixed up and slapped down by three slap-happy bod-carriers, Willie, West and McGinty, who are working on a new war plant. It was the filming of this sequence which brought

Charles Starrett Star In Actionful Western

Charles Starrett in "Sundown Valley, and Buster Crabbe in "Nabonga" are the two feature-length attractions at the Palace Theatre Saturday and Sunday, May 13, 14. The Palace last week installed a new \$2,000 air conditioning apparatus, one of the best in West Texas.

According to advance reports, the new Charles Starrett western, "Sundown Valley," brings the war to the cattle country, and further departs from precedent because it has nothing to do with cattle.

The unusual western story concerns the making of gunshots in a factory located in the heart of the rangeland of the west. When local saboteurs start to operate in the very home of hard-bitten, western gun-fighters, Starrett, with the aid of his patriotic, lightning-triggered pals, battles the bespurred Benedict Arnolds and finally puts them to rout in a climax that is said to blaze with action and thrills.

In support are Dub Taylor, Jack Ingram, Wheeler Oakman, and Clancy Cooper. Lovely Jeanne Bates has the romantic lead.

That man in the gorilla skin is back again, with a grunt and leer, to battle Buster Crabbe in thrilling scenes of "Nabonga," PRC jungle chiller. An alligator, two-legged schemers who want a lost treasure, and a generous cutting of expedition animal film help pad out the plot about a jungle princess.

Supporting players include Fifi D'Orsay, Julie London, Barton MacLane, Bryant Washburn, Herbert Rawlinson, Jackie Newfield, and "Nabonga."

AUSTRALIAN RESEARCHERS STOP DAMAGE BY MILDEW

SYDNEY, N. S. W., May 10.—Science, in the person of two Sydney research workers, has halted the havoc wrought by mildew in the tropical north of Australia. It was causing tents to rot and leak, undermining the health of troops. Rotting of sandbags was another evil that spurred the research work. Discovery of a rot-proofing process is credited chiefly to L. H. Bryant, technical consultant, and S. Smith-White, of the Sydney Technological Museum.

Stamp out Hitlerism with war stamps! Buy today.

Don Ameche, Frances Dee, Carey Return in Poignant 'Happy Land'

"Happy Land," McKinlay Kantor's homely story of an Iowa family and how it meets the death of an only son has received distinguished treatment in the hands of its producer, Kenneth Macgowan, ace 20th Century-Fox director, and a cast of understanding players. Billed at the Texas Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, May 14, 15, 16, it tells a supremely poignant story with gentleness and simplicity that should hearten the many who live in fear of its happening to them and solace the few who have lived it through.

It is an explanation of America in familiar scenes of birth and death, of small tragedy and minor triumphs, suggesting that those who are bred in its ways have fully lived though they die in their youth to preserve it.

According to box-office records, 525 people saw "Happy Land" when it was shown at the Texas during the 4th war loan drive, and many expressed the opinion that it was a truly great picture. Now, it will be shown for those who failed to see the special bond preview presentation here.

Don Ameche handles the father's role with a solemn restraint that is quite generally effective. Frances Dee does well as the wife, while Harry Carey has a moving directness as the grandfather. Richard Crane is "Rusty," Henry Morgan is his friends, and Ann Rutherford as his girl give remarkably unaffected performances that add immeasurably to the freshness of the entire production.

Comedy-Musical of Army Life and James Cagney Action-Drama Tomorrow and Saturday

"Hey, Rookie," the comedy-musical sensation with which the original "yard birds" of Ft. MacArthur in California made such a hit on the stage, is now brought to the screen by Columbia with some of the nation's foremost comedy and musical acts participating. It will be the No. 1 attraction at the Texas Theatre tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday, the second feature-length film on the program is "Frisco Kid," dramatic

tale of the thrilling pioneer days of the Barbary Coast starring James Cagney.

The cast of "Hey, Rookie" is headed by the glamorous terpsichorean, Ann Miller, and includes Joe Besser, Broadway comic of "Sons o' Fun" renown, with his stooge Jimmy Little; Hal McIntyre and his sensational orchestra; Hi Lo, Jack and the Dame, of the Fred Allen radio programs; stage comic, Jack Gilford; the world famous tap artists, the Condos Brothers; Judy Clark and her Solid Senders swing-dingers of song; Bob Evans, the ventriloquist; the Vagabonds, the zaniest of all the zany quartets; and Larry Parks, Columbia's handsome leading man.

Bloody battles, quick hangings, unfair trials, the robbing and killing of sailors made up the ruthless underworld of the setting of "Frisco Kid," with Bat Morgan, played by Jimmy Cagney, as its king. The battle of the vigilantes was hard until they finally succeeded in burning the coast section. This gripping and vivid action is all part of the picturesque story with James Cagney as the "Frisco Kid," and Margaret Lindsay, Ricardo Cortez and Lili Damita in featured roles.

Miss Bessie Bubenik checked on each member of the Groenwald 4-H club at its regular meeting last week to see what work was being done for the war effort and asked that each member write a report on the projects. The written reports will be put in the club's scrap book. She also asked for better cooperation in club work and with the new sponsor, Miss Albina Holik.

County Agent John A. Barton gave a demonstration on insect control. He explained the use of powder as a weapon against insects and also the use of sprays. He suggested that club members make collections of insects for part of their Achievement Day exhibit. The leaders approved his

suggested and the club voted to start collecting insects. It also was decided to offer prizes for the best collections and displays.

Miss Ozzie Folkes, county home

demonstration agent, talked on egg cookery and showed how to prepare eggs in a double boiler. The proper setting of a table was discussed and the correct position of each item was given.

TEXAS BALLINGER Friday and Saturday CONTINUOUS SHOWS DAILY 2 BIG SHOWS 1 FOR THE PRICE OF 1 JAMES CAGNEY rough, tough and terrific as the FRISCO KID A WARNER HIT! Hey, Rookie ANN MILLER - JOE BESSER - JIMMY LITTLE JACK GILFORD - BOB EVANS - LARRY PARKS

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IN SOCIETY

Billy Jess Watson Honored on Fifth Birthday
 Billy Jess Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Watson, was honored Wednesday afternoon with a party at City Park on the occasion of his fifth birthday.

Games were played and refreshments served to the honoree and: Mike Watson, Ellen Kay Hash, Jo Nell Singleton, Barbara Sharpes, Jerry and Dian Beavers, Donna Dee, Russell and Marian Bollier, Erich and Jerry Boyd, LaNell Houston, Lewis Nolan, Rene Rollwitz, Nevada Lea Williams, Sharon Cook, C. B. Jr., and Carolyn Steffel, Grady Wayne and Sue Campbell, Beina McMillan, Mary Ellen Connor, James Simmons, Misses A. A. Watson, Lester Singleton, Homer Sharpes, Willie Roy Beaver, Mollie Campbell, Sid Houston, C. B. Steffel, Jess Watson, Raymond Hash, Roland Boyd, Dee Bollier, Lawrence Rollwitz, and Rex Cook.

Erwin Halfmann Honored on Eve of Departure for Navy

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Halfmann were hosts at a turkey supper in honor of their son, Erwin Halfmann, last week. Erwin left here Tuesday with a contingent of 22 for Lubbock where they were to receive assignments in the navy. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Halfmann, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Fuchs, LeRoy Halfmann, Lucille Droll, Earl Halfmann, Dolores Pechoteck, Sidona Multer, Alfred Multer, Mary Lou Halfmann, Lydia Halfmann, Betty Joyce Fuchs, James Allen Fuchs, Donnie Halfmann, and the honor guest.

Following the supper a dance at the Olfen Hall was enjoyed.

Books are Sought For Cadet Lounge at Harman Center

Books are needed for the aviation cadet library and lounge room at Bruce Field. Several months ago an appeal was made here for books and a fair number were donated, but not nearly enough for the men now in training at the local flying field.

During the next two weeks, books will be accepted for this purpose, and every citizen is asked to search his home for any book, fiction or non-fiction, which would be interesting reading material for the men stationed here.

With a longer training period in the primary school, better weather, and other conditions, the men now have more time for reading. Officials in charge of the lounge report that books are always in demand and there are never enough good books to go around.

During the next two weeks books will be received at The Ledger office to be placed at the disposal of the cadets in the Harman Training Center. Citizens are reminded that the need is now and if books are available to bring them in within the next few days.

GRACE BAPTIST REVIVAL TO COMMENCE MAY 28

Rev. Raymond C. Wilson, pastor, stated today that a revival would begin at the Grace Baptist Church on May 28. Dr. R. E. Bell, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Decatur, will do the preaching and John A. Sparks will direct the music.

Mr. Sparks has assisted in previous meetings here but it will be Dr. Bell's first visit to Ballinger. Both are outstanding in evangelistic work and the public is invited to hear them. The revival will be in progress for two weeks.

BETHEL HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

Canned food spoilage was discussed at the regular meeting of the Bethel home demonstration club last week, some of the members bringing spoiled peaches, plums, peas and corn which had turned dark at the top of the container.

It was found that most of the trouble was that too much had been attempted in one day. Particularly was this true in filling the cooker too full of cans and having to wait until the next cooking without reheating them. Miss Ozzie Folkes, county home demonstration agent, explained these reasons and advised that housewives not be in such a hurry the next time they canned food.

All members present turned in reports on work done in April.

Twelve members and one visitor were present for the meeting, held in the home of Mrs. Mead McShan. The next meeting will be on the first Thursday in June in the home of Mrs. Charles Dankworth.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Robinson are parents of a son born Tuesday last week. Clifton Fred is the name of the young fellow. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Robinson and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Chapman, of Ballinger.

Texans are becoming increasingly interested in the history of their state. University of Texas research historians believe, citing the fact that the Texas State Historical Association has enrolled 117 new members during the past six months.

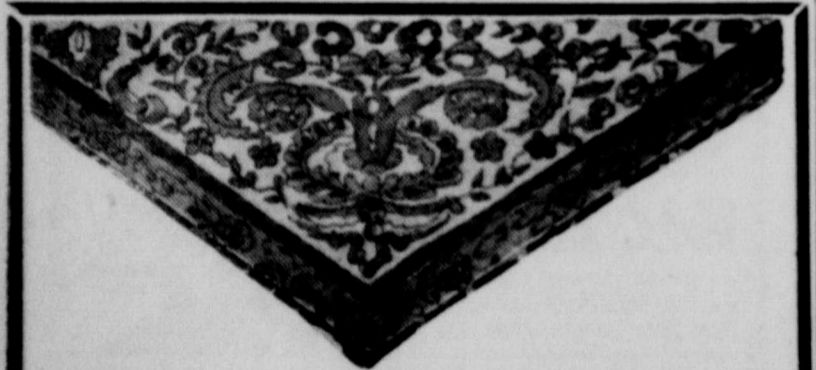
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Army Signal Corps Photo
 In the Valley of the Shadow of Death Capt. Charles L. Forsyth, of Boulder, Colorado, a Catholic Chaplain, hears the confession of a soldier wounded in action at Arawe, New Britain. An army chaplain's work multiplies itself in importance as soon as troops move into combat. Back the Attack by buying War Bonds.

MEMORIAL SERVICES TO BE HELD SUNDAY AFTERNOON FOR SGT. WESLEY C. JONES

Memorial services will be conducted Sunday afternoon, May 21, for Sergeant Wesley C. Jones, of the 36th division, who was killed in action. The rites, to begin at 3:30 p. m., are to be held in the Ninth Street Church of Christ, and the speaker will be announced later.

Mrs. Jimmie E. Jones, wife of Sgt. Jones, received a message some time ago informing that her husband died as the result of wounds on February 6 of this year. The soldier was wounded in the fighting which ensued following the landing at Salerno, Italy. He sustained wounds in September but after twenty days in a hospital returned to duty and on February 5 was wounded again and died the next day.

Decedent was the son of Jesse Jones, who lives near Ballinger. The young man was mobilized here with the Ballinger company of the Texas National Guard and served in this organization until he met death.

Hoard your dollars in war bonds. Be wise—advertise.

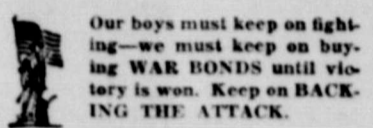
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New Officers Elected By St. Monica Court, Catholic Daughters

Court St. Monica, Catholic Daughters, of Olfen, elected officers for the year at the regular meeting Wednesday night, May 3. Chaplain F. M. Kaminsky, Mrs. Paul Halfmann, grand regent, and twenty-six members were present. The members received holy communion in a body on the first Sunday in May, national communion Sunday.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. Paul Halfmann, grand regent; Mrs. William Jansa, vice-grand regent; Miss Evangeline Rohmfeld, lecturer; Mrs. J. J. Fuchs, financial secretary; Mrs. Lee Jost, treasurer; Mrs. Ben J. Halfmann, prophetess; Mrs. Rudolph Gergross, historian; Mrs. Lawrence Hoelscher, monitor; Mrs. Leo Fuchs and Mrs. F. F. Hoelscher, trustees; Mrs. Ben Holtman, sentinel; Mrs. H. E. Halfmann, organist.

In the program which followed, Miss Rohmfeld read about the discovery of "The Holy Cross," and the grand regent spoke on "The Unity of Charity." Rev. Kaminsky explained the D. C. C. W. district meeting at San Angelo and also discussed the seven-year birthday of the court. He emphasized the importance of attendance and how each member should associate herself with its doings. "The Legion of Heaven" was given by Mrs. Roman Lange. Mrs. A. A. Kahlig received the attendance prize and also one for being the oldest mother present.



Our boys must keep on fighting—we must keep on buying WAR BONDS until victory is won. Keep on BACKING THE ATTACK.

NO POINTS

Well there hasn't been better news for our patrons in a long, long time than to think of all the things one may buy without points. Not rationed, means POINT FREE and that applies to everything in the meat line except beef roasts and steaks. We are really selling lots of roasts and steak too despite that fact, because our roasts and steaks are better than the average.

THERE IS NO POINT

In you not joining the regular list of our satisfied customers, and getting more QUALITY for the points you do spend, and more QUALITY for the points you don't spend. Ours is a business built on better Home Grown and Home Killed Beef and Pork and only the best of Quality Cured Hams, Bacon, Sausages, and other packing house products. Our butter is Runnels county's best, our cheese is the choicest that can be procured in the United States and its possessions.

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The seventh birthday of the court was celebrated with refreshments of hot dogs, cake and cold drinks. Each member received a favor.

Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Jones, of Brady, were guests this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh.

A surgical camera for filming the inside of the mouth or the inside of the stomach is one of the newest acquisitions of the University of Texas school of dentistry, Houston, for its photographic laboratory.

Typewriter ribbons at The Ledger office.

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DENTISTS

W. R. Richardson
W. R. Richardson, 71, died in an Austin hospital Tuesday after illness of about twenty years. Until his health failed he made home in Ballinger and was a member of the Eighth Street Church of Christ of Ballinger.

Survivors include two sons, Floyd and Troy Richardson; three daughters, Laverne, Liddebeth and Wanda Lee Richardson, Ballinger; three brothers, Bob, John and T. E. Richardson, Ballinger; and a sister, Mrs. Ed Foulger, Richland Springs.

Funeral services were held at the Agnew chapel Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Richard Robbins, minister of the Eighth Street Church of Christ, officiating. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Hedrick Shelbourne, Claude Simmons, Lottie Farris, Andrew Flint, Tom Corder and B. M. Batts.

Agnew Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Loretta Ann Dusek

Loretta Ann Dusek, 11 months, died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Dusek, 12 miles southwest of Ballinger, after illness of only three days.

Survivors besides the parents include three grandparents, Mrs. Albina Dusek, Taylor; and Mr.

and Mrs. J. F. Ripple, Rowena.

Funeral services were held Monday morning at 11 o'clock in the Rowena Presbyterian Church, Rev. Joseph Hegar, of Temple, officiating. Interment followed in a Rowena cemetery.

Agnew Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Meza Infant

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Meza died last Friday at the family home, seven miles south of Ballinger on the Paint Rock highway.

Survivors besides the parents include a brother, three sisters, and two grandparents.

Funeral services were conducted at the graveside by Rev. F. M. Kaminsky, pastor of St. Boniface Church, Olfen.

Agnew Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

JAMES STRIPLIN STAR IN A. & M. TRACK MEET

James Striplin, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Striplin, was a star in the intramural track and field meet at A. & M. College the past week-end when company E men were heavy winners in all events, racking up twenty more points than their nearest opponents.

Striplin won two first places, the low hurdles and the one-mile relay. His time for the low hurdles was 15.6, almost a record.

Striplin was a star football player here and also participated in track events.

Lt.-Col. Dykhouse Delivers Talks to 3 Ballinger Groups

Lt.-Col. Jay Dykhouse, in charge of pre-induction training in the 8th service command, delivered three talks in Ballinger today, speaking at the junior high school in the morning, to a joint meeting of the Rotary and Lions clubs at noon, and to senior high school students in the afternoon.

The speaker brought a stirring yet humorous message to each group, pointing out the need for men in the service who have acquired all the education possible, plus Boy Scout training, normal home environment, and regular church attendance.

He urged pupils to stay in school until they are actually called and accepted for service and pointed out the many jobs in this skilled army that must have those with education to perform.

Service club members were told of many ways they can help in letting those who enter the service, especially the married men, know that everything will be all right at home.

The army officer said a number of types of recruits have had little home training, no church relations, have no will to fight and other bad qualifications. He pleaded for a continuation of the physical education program in the schools, to reach everyone, not just a few, already strong football players.

The colonel remarks were interspersed with humor that drove home points of great value to the boys who are soon to be called into training.

Figures were cited on the great army who can neither read nor write and the speaker urged that something be done about it so that other men with more ambition and qualifications would not have to be killed off while they were unable to serve. Instances were given in experimental schools where some try to remain dumb in order to get \$100 and their release at the end of the course and of others who brag that if they get smart they will be in the army at \$50 a month but if they remain ignorant they can return to their work at \$1.80 an hour.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Mrs. J. W. Macune, a medical patient in the Bailey Clinic-Hospital, is doing satisfactorily.

Mrs. J. N. Nutt is doing nicely after an operation and other serious complications that have kept her in the local hospital several weeks. She will soon be able to return to her home.

Mrs. Fannie Pool was operated on this week and is doing nicely, according to reports from the hospital this afternoon.

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County Democrats Select Delegates; Ask 36th Memorial

The Runnels county Democratic convention was held here Tuesday afternoon with every section of the county represented. Delegates named to the state convention at Austin on May 23 were: E. C. Grindstaff, W. H. Rampy, W. G. Bedford, W. T. Billups, H. E. Petty and Drury P. Hathaway.

The delegation was instructed to vote for an uninstructed delegation from Texas to the national convention.

The convention adopted a resolution paying tribute to the Runnels county men serving in the 36th division and joined the Ballinger Board of Community Development in an effort to obtain the state memorial to the 36th division for Runnels county.

The resolution called on State Senator Penrose B. Metcalfe and State Representative W. H. Rampy to do everything in their power to obtain the memorial for this county. The resolution called attention to the large number of Runnels countians who have served or are now serving and to the large number who have lost their lives or been captured in the fighting in Italy.

The resolution urged that: "High tribute be paid to the memory of those sons of ours who have given their all, that we redouble our efforts in aiding the war effort on the home front, looking to an early victory and a lasting peace, and that we strenuously urge the erection of the proposed monument at a suitable location in Runnels county."

Copies of the resolution were mailed to Metcalfe and Rampy with the request for their aid in obtaining consideration.

BAND AND CHORAL CLUB WILL PRESENT ANNUAL CONCERT THIS EVENING

The annual concert of the Ballinger high school band and the high school choral club will be presented tonight at 8:45 at the high school auditorium.

The band is to present the first part of the program with O. G. Joiner directing and Homer A. Anderson, of San Angelo, guest conductor. The second part will be presented by the choral club under the direction of Mrs. Maxine Page.

At the conclusion of the second part both band and chorus will assemble for the national anthem which will close the concert.

Tickets for the concert will be on sale at the entrance tonight until after the concert commences. A capacity house is expected to greet the musicians who have a varied program that should please everyone.



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MORE PASTURE SEED SAVED AT HOME ADVICE OF EXPERT: HARVESTING METHODS GIVEN

COLLEGE STATION, May 10.—Starting new pastures and maintaining some old ones require seeding. But with normal supplies reduced, it is necessary to produce more seed at home, says R. R. Lancaster, pasture specialist for the A. & M. College extension service.

Bermuda grass on most Texas farms is an ideal base for winter grasses and clovers in late fall and early spring wherever fertility and rainfall are right. For Texas, he believes this suggests spring harvesting of rescue and rye

grasses, and the clovers. He offers these pointers in connection with harvesting:

Cut rescue grass when a few seeds begin to ripen. When a grain binder is used it is not advisable to tie the bundles. Let the grass lie about four days, depending on weather, then stack for further curing. After threshing, spread out the seed an inch or two deep and turn daily for about two weeks to prevent heating. The same method and care should be used in harvesting and curing rye grass. Raking and sweeping in another way to get rescue and rye grass for some use. The seeds can be picked up and scattered immediately where they are to be planted.

Cutting White Dutch or hop clover with a mower before shattering starts is a satisfactory method. Rake at once with a side-delivery rake, or a buncher attached to the mower cutter-bar may be used. The clover is cured in the windrow, turning if it gets wet. It should be ready to hull in two or three days. The best way to do this is with a combine having a pickup attachment. However, a clover huller or threshing machine with the huller attachment can be used. White Dutch is ready to harvest when about 75 per cent of the heads or brown.

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F. F. A. CHAPTER ELECTS OFFICERS FOR NEW YEAR

In the regular meeting of the Ballinger chapter of the Future Farmers of America Friday officers for the next year were elected as follows: Raymond Bankston, president; Wilfred Buxemper, vice-president; Calvin Bryan, reporter; Calvin Reese, secretary; Jimmy Allison, historian; Chester Burk, sentinel; Bobby Tyree, parliamentarian; M. F. Gallant, song leader.

The local chapter also elected two of their number as district officers. Jimmy Allison was named secretary, and Raymond Bankston, song leader.

Four local members already have their calves for milk feeding. Leroy Shiller has two; Lucius Stokes, one; Calvin Reese, one; and Clyde Reese, one.

stunts. The speed and power of the fighters gave the cadets a real thrill.

The visitors lingered for the massed physical drills and saw the 400 student flyers go through one hour's setting up exercises.

At 1 p. m. the barracks were opened for inspection. Major Templeton expressed appreciation at the large number of civilians who attended the presentation, declaring that their presence was an incentive for better work at the field. He stated that a new class would arrive soon and that another open post and program would be given for the general public.

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CALHOUN COUNTY 4-H CLUB GIRL BOND-SELLING BETTY; CLUBBERS AID WAR EFFORT

COLLEGE STATION, May 10.—4-H club boys and girls in the nation have purchased or sold to others more than \$20,000,000 worth of war bonds and stamps, the Texas A. & M. College extension service has been advised by the federal extension office.

Typical of these bond-selling, bond-buying club members is Betty Nail, 12-year-old Calhoun county 4-H club girl who is known in her community as the "War Bond Girl."

Last spring when 4-H club girls in the county began selling bonds and stamps to the public, they sold \$2,700 in one drive. Of that amount Betty sold more than half — \$1,500 worth. By November she had doubled that figure, selling \$3,138.80, and her sales still are climbing.

For several months the red-haired, blue-eyed club girl walked about Port Lavaca to see her regular customers. Since November, she has ridden a bicycle. When Betty and her 4-H sponsor, Mrs. Oowen Bett, filed an application for a bicycle with the local rationing board, Betty was asked: "How long do you plan to sell bonds?"

Her answer was: "For the duration."

Besides selling bonds, Betty has done and learned many things in the two years she has been a 4-H member. She has a victory garden, raises chickens and rabbits, and serves as her mother's housekeeper.

Along with 100,000 other 4-H club members in Texas, Betty observed National 4-H Mobilization Week, March 4-12.

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Sunday is Mother's Day. This year, as never before in history, mothers all over the nation are anxious about sons who are serving in the armed forces in every part of the world. These mothers also are being called national heroes as they have done more for the war in providing the men than all other efforts combined. Churches are making special appeals to men in uniform to honor their mothers by attending services in their honor. The presence of these boys in church services will also be comforting to mothers whose sons are far away in some other part of the country or in some foreign land. This week, preceding Mother's Day, people all over the United States have been called to special prayer services for the men in service and particularly for the invasion which is carded for the near future.

Next week final classwork will be done in the local schools. Commencement programs will begin next Sunday and end Tuesday night when seniors get their diplomas. Then starts the summer vacation period for pupils who have been studying for the past nine months. Many students plan to work during the summer, while some of the older boys of the

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senior class will enter service, either in active training as they become 18 years old or in specialized training as 17-year-olds who are preparing for induction later in the year when they become of military age.

It is only a few weeks until the United States will be in the biggest war bond drive of the war. The 16 billion dollar campaign will give Runnels county a quota of well over one million dollars and it will take the full effort of every person to put this over. Organization preliminaries will be perfected in advance of the opening day, June 12, and efforts will be made to sell the required amount without being forced to conduct big rallies. As soon as the county quota is received, it will be broken down into separate quotas for all communities where bonds are issued and the drive launched.

Baptists to Have Special Services On Mother's Day

The First Baptist Church has announced plans for Mother's Day, which will be the theme in all services of the day Sunday. Mrs. James A. Wear, president of the Woman's Missionary Society, will be in charge of decorating the church and Mrs. Taylor Henley, superintendent of the young people's department, will be in charge of individual flowers.

Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour, the choir will present special music, and the pastor, Rev. Clarence A. Morton, will deliver a Mother's Day sermon. He will also present the purple heart awarded Pfc. Denman White, company F, 142nd infantry, 38th division, and will give each service man in attendance a Mother's Day memento. Honor guests will be the men in uniform and their loved ones.

Mrs. R. T. Williams is church chairman arranging for dinner in the homes for all cadets attending the services.

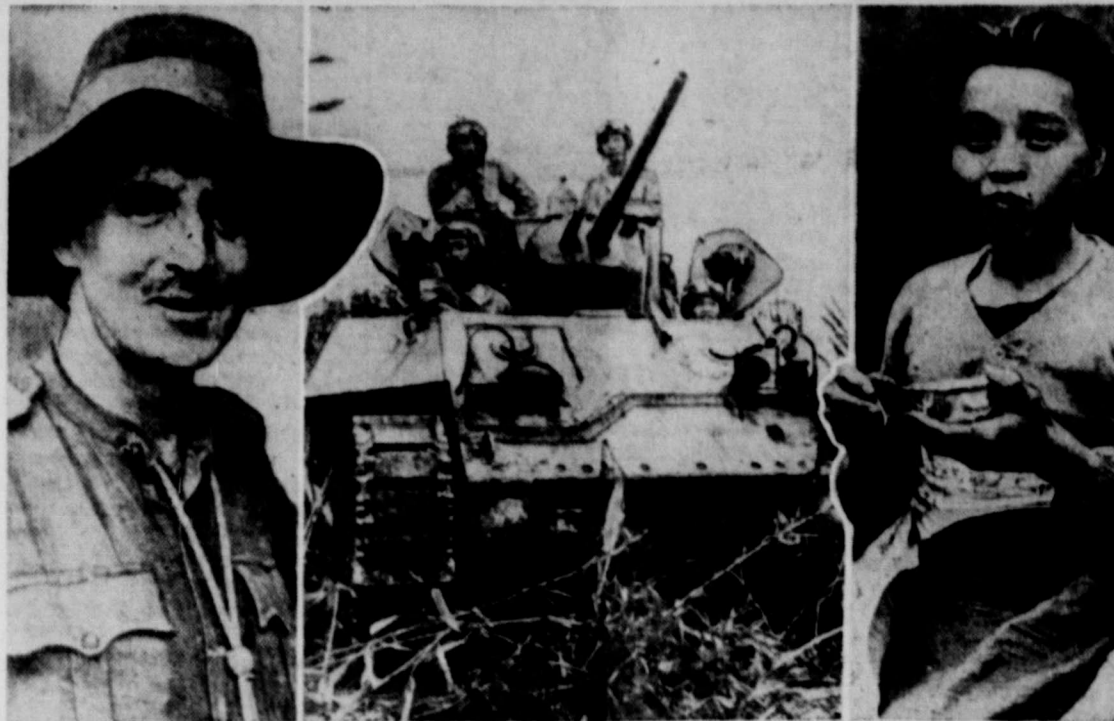
The young people's fellowship hour will commence at 6 p. m. and the Baptist Training Union is to meet at 7 p. m.

At 8 o'clock the choir and the sacred drama club, directed by Mrs. Malcolm Morgan and Mrs. Ernest Moody, will present a special Mother's Day service. At this service gold medals will be awarded successful contestants in the B. T. U.

The public is cordially invited to attend all the above programs.

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WEST TEXAS NOTES

Winters citizens will vote next Thursday on the proposal to issue \$200,000 in water revenue bonds and if favored the money will be spent in securing an adequate water supply. A location has been found by engineers on Elm Creek where a dam would impound a lake of sufficient size to supply the town and 90 per cent of the watershed is said to be pasture grassland. The city council also ordered double parking on Winters streets stopped at once.

Another oil producer has been brought in in the Novice section by Hunter & Hunter. Located on the C. C. Williams place, the well is said to be making 500 barrels a day. This well is in proven territory where a number of producers have been completed in recent weeks.

The Coleman Democrat-Voice, oldest newspaper in Coleman, was sold last week by H. H. Jackson to C. C. Woodson, owner of the Brownwood Bulletin. Mr. Jackson stated that he would continue to reside in Coleman. No change is to be made in the Democrat-Voice staff, Mr. Woodson said.

Miles school officials have set the closing of the term there as May 23. A class of 17 seniors will participate in programs on May 19, 22 and 23. A graduation edition of the Miles Messenger is to be published by the seniors.

The Paint Rock school aeronautics class, sponsored by the superintendent, C. L. King, visited Goodfellow Field last Friday as one of the final projects of the year. While there the pupils attended lectures on navigation, code and other subjects and also toured the field before returning home.

Melvin F. F. A. chapter members took ranking places in the annual McCulloch county breeder show last week. The Melvin boys have carried on a number of livestock projects during the past school year and have made a fine showing in their work.

Fourteen students will graduate from the St. Joseph parochial school at Rowena on May 28. The commencement program is to be presented at 10 a. m. in St. Joseph's Church.

Commencement for two colleges and the high school at Brownwood begins the latter part of May. Howard Payne College's programs are to start May 24, and Rev. Clarence A. Morton, of Ballinger, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon. Daniel Baker College's commencement program is scheduled May 26, and the high school baccalaureate service will be held May 28.

Seniors of the Menard high school will begin their commencement activities tomorrow with a visit to the Shiller ranch, where they will stay overnight. The graduation program is to be presented by the five ranking seniors, whose general theme is "Victory is Ours." The highest grade in the class was made by a student who rated 96-plus for the year.

Brady leaders have announced a program of road and highway improvement to continue into the post-war era. Some work is to be done soon and after-the-war plans call for work in every section of the county, comprising both designated highways and lateral roads.

Ivan P. Oliver, superintendent of the Stephenville schools, was elected Lions district governor at the Fort Worth conference last week. Spirited voting for Oliver and a Breckenridge man gave a final majority for the Stephenville leader who has been active in Lionism in the district for a number of years.

The Dublin rodeo, one of the first western shows to be held in this region in 1944, was a decided success, capacity crowds of about 6,000 attending each performance. The rodeo association grossed cash receipts of approximately \$15,000.

A small tornado struck in the vicinity of DeLeon last week.

PERRY ASKS VOTERS IN NO. 4 TO REELECT HIM COMMISSIONER

I take this method of announcing that I will be a candidate for reelection to the office of county commissioner in precinct No. 4.

In making this announcement I wish first to express my appreciation to the people of the precinct for their fine cooperation during the past two years in all undertakings of the precinct. I will appreciate the support of the voters in precinct No. 4 and election to the office for another term. If I am given this honor I promise to serve to the best of my ability and to combine my experience with the needs of the precinct to bring about worthwhile accomplishments.

Due to the war, an active campaign will be made impossible but in this announcement I personally solicit each and every voter for their consideration and support.

Yours truly,
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TO: Jack R. Hoban, GREETING:
You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock a. m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 15th day of May, A. D. 1944, at or before 10 o'clock a. m., before the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, Texas.
Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 27th day of March, 1944.

The file number of said suit being No. 4950.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Kathleen Wood Hoban as Plaintiff, and Jack R. Hoban, as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: Suit by plaintiff against defendant for judgment dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between them and divorcing them from each other and for general relief on the ground that while they lived together, defendant, without just cause, was guilty of cruel treatment, excesses and outrages toward plaintiff of such nature as to render their living together insupportable; Plaintiff alleges she and defendant were legally married on and about the 21st day of July, 1941, and permanent separation on the day of October, 1943, and that no children were born to them.

Issued this the 27th day of March, 1944.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger, Texas, this the 27th day of March, A. D. 1944.

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Local Legionnaires To Elect Delegates For District Meeting

A called meeting of the Pat Williams Post, American Legion, and Auxiliary is scheduled tomorrow (Friday) evening at the city hall. Post Commander Ollie Floyd said some business must be attended to before the next regular meeting and for that reason the special meeting was necessary.

One of the main items of business will be to elect delegates to the 21st district convention, to be held at Winters on May 20 and 21. The post will only name official delegates but will make an effort to have a large number of other members to the convention at Winters Sunday. Commander Floyd said he hoped the entire post would be present for the final session.

The Auxiliary also will choose delegates as the women will meet in convention at the same time as the men.

Other matters are to come before the post at the called session, including arranging a pro-

gram for Memorial Day, discussion of the annual birthday party, and several other items of importance. All members of both groups are urged to attend the separate meetings.

BETHEL 4-H CLUB BOYS HAVE OUTING, FISH FRY

The Bethel boys' 4-H club went to the Aribert Hoffman ranch Wednesday of last week for an outing and fish fry. The clubbers left school on the bus as soon as class periods ended and were met at the river by Mr. Hoffman.

Games and swimming provided entertainment during the afternoon and at 7 o'clock the group gathered about a campfire for a delicious fish supper. Following the meal other games were participated in until a late hour.

Others attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman, Clara Marie Hoffman, John A. Barton and I. V. Pearson. The boys expressed appreciation to Mr. Hoffman for the five evening of entertainment.

W. H. Greer left today for Houston, where he will visit in the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. E. Terry. He will be joined there by another daughter, Miss Wynis Greer, who is librarian at Laredo.

April City Report Shows Much Work And Good Receipts

City collections from all sources during April totaled \$2,640.77. The following funds received: delinquent taxes, \$391.93; penalty and interest, \$50.34; water, \$1,840.75; plumbing, \$51; sanitary service, \$160.25; fines, \$4.25; dog tax, \$9; show license, \$1; and other miscellaneous items were credited.

Preliminary surveys were continued for obtaining a water supply, calling for much correspondence and a number of trips. Water consumption in the past month averaged 425,000 gallons a day. Treatment of water was heavy part of the month because of the muddy rise on Elm Creek which put the supply in bad condition for a few days.

Street equipment was kept rolling the entire month, all dirt streets receiving attention. The blader was used to level and clean off the softball grounds in Wilke Terrace.

Work at city park was completed with the painting of playground equipment for the summer run.

ABILENE A CAPELLA CHOIR SINGS FOR STUDENTS HERE

Ballinger high school students enjoyed a treat Tuesday afternoon when a short good-will concert was sung at an assembly period by the Abilene high school a capella choir. The group of boys and girls were en tour to a number of schools in this area, just paying friendly visits.

The choir proved one of the best heard here in many days. The solo voices were exceptionally good and the balance of the choir was perfect. Classic, semi-classic and popular selections were sung.



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Sunday:
10:00 a. m., Sunday school.
11:00 a. m., morning worship.
8:00 p. m., evening worship.
GARY HOFFIUS, Pastor

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church, U. S. A.
Sunday, May 14:
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
11:00 a. m., morning worship.
8:00 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.
7:30 p. m., young people's meeting.

8:15 p. m., evening worship.
Wednesday:
8:15 p. m., prayer meeting.
RICHARD A. ROBBINS, Minister

First Baptist Church
(400 Eighth Street)
Sunday, May 14—Mother's Day:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Sermon by the pastor at 11 a. m., "The Motherhood of God."
Special Mother's Day music.
Awarding the Purple Heart Mother's Day memento from the pastor to all men and women in uniform.
Young people's fellowship, 6 p. m.

Baptist Training Union, 7 p. m.
At 8 p. m. the choir will assist the Sacred Drama Club in the presentation of "Ideals of Motherhood." Gold medals will be awarded.

ACTIVITIES OF THE WEEK
Monday and Tuesday:
The W. M. S. and Auxiliaries will hold regular meetings.

Wednesday:
Mid-week services, 8:00 p. m. conducted by the pastor.
The public is cordially invited to worship with us.
CLARENCE A. MORTON, 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.

Grace Baptist Mission
(South Ballinger, two blocks from Tierce Store)
Pfc. John F. Parker, Pastor
Sunday school, 10:30 a. m.
Preaching, 11:15 a. m.
Evening service, 7:45 p. m.
A cordial invitation to all.

First Methodist Church
Sunday, May 14:
Church school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 o'clock.
Evening service, 8:30 p. m.
You are cordially invited to worship in all these services.
W. E. SHIPP, Pastor

Church of God
(Corner Sixth and Strong)
Sunday school, 10 a. m.
Morning service, 11 a. m.
Young people's meeting, 7:45 p. m.
Junior service, 7:45 p. m.
Evening service, 8:30 p. m.
Mid-week prayer service, 8:30 p. m., Wednesday.
T. N. MINIX, JR., Pastor

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

Grace Baptist Church
(10th and Phillips)
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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.

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.
CARL POOL, Pastor

St. Mary's Catholic Church
(608 Sixth Street)
(Telephone 521)

REGULAR SERVICES AND DEVOTIONS:
Sunday mass: 1st, 3rd and 5th
Sundays of month at 8:30 a. m.;
2nd and 4th Sundays of month
at 11:00 a. m.

Daily mass at 7:00 a. m.
Rosary and Benediction of Blessed Sacrament every Sunday at 7:30 p. m.

Holy Hour with our Eucharistic Lord for our boys and girls (Catholic and non-Catholic) in the service of our country on the 1st Thursday of the month at 7:30 p. m.

Devotion of the First Friday in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus after mass on 1st Friday of the month at 7:00 a. m.
Confessions: 1st, 3rd and 5th

Saturdays of month, 5:00 to 6:00 p. m., and 7:30 to 8:30 p. m. Before the early mass on Sunday, 7:30 to 8:20 a. m., and before daily mass.

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EDW. B. POSTERT, O.M.I., Pastor

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SOCIETY and CLUBS

Doug Mapes Honored by Parents with Party

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mapes honored their son, Doug Mapes, with a party Saturday, May 6, in their home. He is leaving for the navy May 17, with Buddy Allison, C. W. Hendricks, Dorman Amarine and Henry Kresta.

Sandwiches, cokes, and cake were served to the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Milton Harris and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Krc, Darby Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Hedrick Shelburne and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ransbarger and family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kresta and family, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Thompson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Dankworth and family, Jimmy Allison, Rudolf Halfmann, J. C. Wessels, Frances Wessels, Margie Morgan, Fannie Baker, Fred Carroll, James Lampe, Helen Spreen, James Astor, Barteen Henry, James Fowler, Clara Hoffman, Norma Richards, Evelyn Bigby, M. L. Forgy, Raymond Bankston, Marvin Bryant, Johnnie Johnson, Owen Morgan, Rodger Jones, Velma Rayburn, Winona Howell, Addie Mankske, Mary Ann Fowler, Jean Mapes, of San Angelo, Prora Harris, of Abilene, and Howard Boyd, of Goodfellow Field, San Angelo.

Garden Club Has Program on Texas Wild Flowers

Mrs. Rothal O'Kelly presided for the regular Civic-Garden Club meeting Tuesday afternoon in City Hall auditorium. With thirty-seven new members reported, the club enrollment was announced as 108. The club will sponsor a canning school June 7 when a representative of the gas company will demonstrate new methods of canning, jelly making and pickling.

To open the program on "Texas Wild Flowers" directed by Mrs. Floyd Thompson of Talpa, the group sang "The Eyes of Texas" with Mrs. Estes Lynn at the piano. After reading a poem, Mrs. Thompson gave fundamentals of transplanting wild flowers. Mrs. Chester Cherry told the legend of the bluebonnet.

Beautiful arrangements of both wild and garden flowers, together with an oil painting of Texas' wild flowers, were on display and inspired an informal round table discussion.

Mrs. J. B. Striplin, civic chairman, reported several new books had been placed in the library, including an autographed copy of "West Point of Today" by Kendall Banning, the gift of Robert Lowry.

First Christian W. M. S. Elects Officers

Mrs. M. A. Foy, retiring president, directed the business meeting of the First Christian Woman's Missionary Society Monday afternoon at its meeting in the church parlors on Broadway. After routine reports of officers, and the reading of eight missionary books, Mrs. J. R. Lusk made the report for the nominating committee. Officers elected were: Mrs. O. P. Dorsey, president; Mrs. Lusk, vice-president; and Mrs. Foy, secretary-treasurer. The society voted to send one delegate each to the summer Pioneer Camp and the Young People's encampment at Buffalo Gap.

Mrs. Horace Murphy was program leader and gave the devotional "The Teacher of Values." Other topics were "Christian Attitudes in Time of War" by Mrs. Ed Walker, and "The Other Half of the Envelope" by Mrs. Charles Bailey.

At the meeting of the Mary-Martha group, which followed, Mrs. Bailey taught the parables "Ye are the Light of the World" and "Ye are the Salt of the Earth."

Others present were: Mmes. A. B. Stobaugh, Oscar Pearson, Misses Lula McElroy, and Agnes Glober.

Mother-Daughter Tea Given by First Baptist Y. W. A.

Members of the First Baptist Young Woman's Auxiliary were hostesses at a twilight Mother-Daughter program last Monday evening in the Eighth Street home of their sponsor, Mrs. Alton Underwood.

Red roses were used to give floral beauty to the living room and red snapdragons were used to center the dining table.

Mrs. J. H. Endacott, young people's director, was at the door to welcome daughters as they presented their mothers. Others in line were Mrs. Underwood, Mrs. James Wear, W. M. U. president; and Mrs. Clarence A. Morton, Miss Margie Muncy, Y. W. A. president, pinned on corsages of mock orange blossoms.

After a tribute to the mothers was given by Miss Muncy, a vocal trio, Misses Joy Campbell, Gwen Morgan, and Betty Jo Baxter, accompanied by Miss Lavinia Faubion, sang: Gwen Morgan gave a reading.

Punch was served with cookies. Others present were: Mmes. H. O. Campbell, Malcolm Morgan, J. W. Baxter, Lonnie Faubion; Mrs. H. R. O'Neal and Jewel; Mrs. Mollie Morgan and Mary Ann; Mrs. W. J. Park and Loreta; Mrs. Bryan Jennings and Edith McAden.

Two are Hostesses to Conquest Class

Mrs. E. S. Malone and Mrs. Carroll Bell entertained the Eighth Street Presbyterian Conquest Class Tuesday evening in the Malone home on Sixth Street.

Mixed cut flowers and potted hydrangeas in the pastel shades decked rooms where Mrs. John Reese presided after the devotion by Mrs. Rufus Allen. Miss Lillian McMillan directed contests and a dessert plate was served with coffee.

Others present were: Mmes. Roy Hill, W. A. Taylor, B. H. Erwin, Paul Petty, Aurelia Webb, G. P. Teague, U. S. Daniel, W. A. Erwin, Ola McMillan; Misses Mae Stubblefield, and Mary Ann Morgan.

Mrs. Church is Instructors Auxiliary Hostess

Mrs. Jerry Church was hostess to the Civilian Instructors Auxiliary Tuesday afternoon in her home on Fourth Street.

Mrs. Donald Nichols presided in rooms which had been given a pretty floral adornment. A bridge party was planned for Thursday afternoon, May 18, at the downtown instructors club to honor prospective members. Mmes. W. P. Norris, Clifford Fiene, and O. W. Parris were named committee members. The next hostess will be Mrs. Fiene.

In contract games, prizes were won by Mmes. Fiene, Kenneth Feaster, and Bennett Watson. A plate of sandwiches and cake was served with iced tea.

Others were: Mmes. G. C. French, Feaster, and Richard Glaves, new members; N. A. Windsor, Henry Fronkier, and Howard Mattegon, visitors.

Election of Officers for O. E. S.

Annual election of officers and plans for an open installation service June 1 were on the agenda for the regular meeting of Ballinger Chapter No. 266, Order of Eastern Star held Monday evening in the chapter room on Hutchings Avenue.

Mrs. Thelma Gabbert and Paul Petty were in the East. Elected were: Mrs. Luna Mae Foy, worthy matron; Mrs. Effie Hulsey, associate matron; Mrs. Rachel Boswell, conductress; Mrs. Frances Zedlitz, associate conductress; Dr. W. B. Hailey, secretary; and J. W. Patterson, treasurer.

Others present were: Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Largent, Mmes. Violet Williams, Janie Barnett, Hailey Parker, Ione Teague, Rama Saunders, Beulah Rape, Kath-

lene Bailey, Nellie Campbell; Misses Olga Schawe, Myrtle Ruth Hale, and Agnes Glober.

Know Your Neighbors in Moody Home

Larkspurs predominated in the decoration of the Ernest Moody home in West Ballinger Wednesday afternoon when Mrs. Moody included Know Your Neighbors for an informal get-together.

As some did handwork for the hostess, others were busy at individual sewing. Frosted punch was served with cookies.

Included were: Mmes. Alton Underwood, L. C. Adair, LeRoy McAulay, J. H. Endacott, Rothal O'Kelly, Joe Flynt, John Barton, Malcolm Morgan, Bill Clark, Dee Saylor, Jack Nixon, Sr., and Cecil Jones.

Officers Wives Entertained in Rowena

Mrs. W. T. Seibert entertained the Officers Wives Club Tuesday afternoon in her home in Rowena when she and Mrs. Gayle Hoard shared honors on their birthday anniversaries and received handkerchief showers.

Varied blossoms decked rooms where a dessert course was served. After contract prizes for high and second high scores were won by Mrs. D. G. Thomson, and Mrs. W. L. Morlen. Others were: Mmes. Thomas Scamio, Louis A. Handrick, E. L. Black, and J. W. Capps.

Band Compliments Parents and Other Guests with Banquet

Parents of members of the Ballinger Bearcat Band and other special friends were included as guests at the annual banquet held Friday evening in the school cafeteria.

Guests assembled in the gymnasium, where Jack Kopecky, band president, introduced Harold Richards, who was master of ceremonies for the evening. After the union singing of America, led by Troy Simpson, and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Hie Parrish, the Rev. Clarence A. Morton spoke the invocation.

Long tables in the banquet room were linen laid and decorated at intervals with slender vases of dark red snapdragons and queen anne's lace. The delectable menu was prepared and served by Mrs. W. E. Elkins and her assistants.

Girls assisting were: Mary Brian Woody, Lillian Ruth Keithley, Anna Sue Hembree, Betty Jean Lengfeld, and Elizabeth Wear. Favors were printed program folders with red cover adorned

with the head of a Bearcat.

After special guests, Major R. F. Templeton, and Gurthall Gilligan of Sweetwater, a former director of the band, and Mrs. Gilligan, were introduced by Harold Richards, he expressed appreciation to many individuals who have helped in making the band what it is today, with a tribute to the present director, Mr. O. G. Joiner, and the presentation of a gift to him.

Fred Carroll introduced speakers, Mrs. Ernest Moody, who talked on "A Band Mother's Viewpoint;" E. C. Grindstaff, whose topic was "A Band Dad's Viewpoint;" Troy Simpson, who gave "A Business Man's Evaluation of the Band Relative to the Community;" and Supt. Nat Williams, who spoke of "What the Band Means to the School."

Musical program features were two numbers by the girls' sextet, Misses Betty Jo Baxter, Joy Campbell, Lavinia Faubion, Velma Rayburn, Lanetha Arrant, and Janella Gentry, with Mrs. James Page, accompanist; and oboe and flute trios by Elizabeth Routh, Gloria Jenkins, and Clara Beth Sutphen.

Special recognition was given a number of band students by Mr. Joiner. This was gained by secret ballot. S. M. Jonas, Jr., was chosen the outstanding member; Hie Parrish, best all round; two highest boys, Leonard Gerhart and S. M. Jonas; and highest girls, Gloria Jenkins, Mildred Hill, and Elizabeth Routh. These will be the first of a Who's Who tradition. The benediction was spoken by O. C. Sykes.

Other band officers are: S. M. Jonas, J. H. Parrish, Jr., Norma Baker, drum major; and Peggy McGregor, sweetheart.

Other special guests were: Mrs. Joiner, Messrs. and Mmes. Sykes, J. E. Dankworth, Tom Agnew, M. A. Foy, Oscar Harber, Henry Doss, George Clements, Alex McGregor, Nat Williams, Simpson, James A. Wear, Drury Hathaway, Moody, Grindstaff, J. A. Killough, Estes Lynn, R. H. Garner, Fred Miller, Felton Wright, J. M. Williams, W. J. Hembree, Morton, and Homer Anderson of San Angelo.

Annual May Breakfast for First Baptist Ruth Class

The annual May breakfast was given for members of the Ruth Class of the First Baptist Church last Sunday morning at the Central Hotel.

Corsages of lovely spring blossoms in the soft pastels made a pretty floral decoration for the damask-laid table and later were given as favors. The menu was served in two courses.

After the devotional by Mrs. Malcolm Morgan, teacher of the class, Mrs. Charles Hambrick read

the class' history.

Others present were: Mmes. Joe Lee Cooper, Otis Jacob, Doyle Condra, Oren Chandler, Wela Roberts, Dick Ayres, Fred Moncrief, Roy Worley, O. G. Joiner, Arthur Crockett, E. F. Lawless, Harold Routh, W. P. Pruitt, Wix Currie, Jr., Paul Kirk, Stanley Price, Elmo Woodson, and Jones Parrish.

Kayettes Have Regular Meeting

Mrs. Richard Earl presided for the regular weekly meeting of Kayettes Tuesday afternoon at the Army and Navy Club with 45 in attendance. New members introduced were: Mmes. Loyd Burnett, J. R. Fregia, Fred Mares, James Dolter, C. W. Field, and Richard Donovan. Visitors were Mrs. Gilbert and Miss Frances Egan. Plans were made to continue the Wednesday afternoon class in handwork directed by Mrs. Phyllis Huggins.

After games, in which Mrs. Kramer was prize winner, a sing-song was enjoyed. Refreshments were furnished by Mr. Harman and Mrs. Alex McGregor, club hostess, was responsible for the floral decoration.

Farewell Party and Scavenger Hunt Held

Jean Wood, Peggy Chapman and Christine Bowen honored Herman Goetz, who is leaving for the navy Tuesday, with a farewell party Saturday night, at the city park.

After games refreshments were served to: June Chapman, Curtis Wiesepape, Betty Lou Cothran, Charles Lowry, Mickey Jones, Frank Kruper, Bernard Beech, Raymond Malish, Herman Goetz, Elmer Lumgren, and Popeye Goetz. Others present were: Ruth Jarrett, Emma Sharpes, Zara Chapman, Mary Ruth Welch, Gay Nell Jarrett and Barbara Sharpes. A scavenger hunt concluded the

evening of enjoyment. Winning couples were June Chapman and Curtis Wiesepape, Betty Lou Cothran and Charles Lowry.

You are cordially invited to worship with us Sunday



Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Sunday 11:00 a. m. Sermon by the pastor: "THE MOTHERHOOD OF GOD"
GUESTS OF HONOR: All men and women in Uniform and their Loved Ones.
Mother's Day Memento from pastor to all Service men.
Special Mother's Day music.
Presentation of "The Purple Heart."

6:00 p. m. Young People's Fellowship. Service men Guests of Honor.
7:00 p. m. Baptist Training Union.

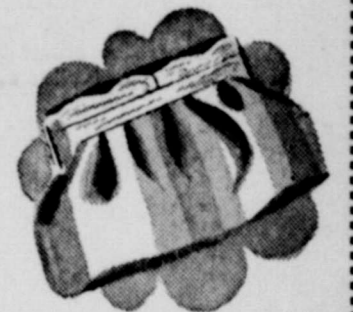
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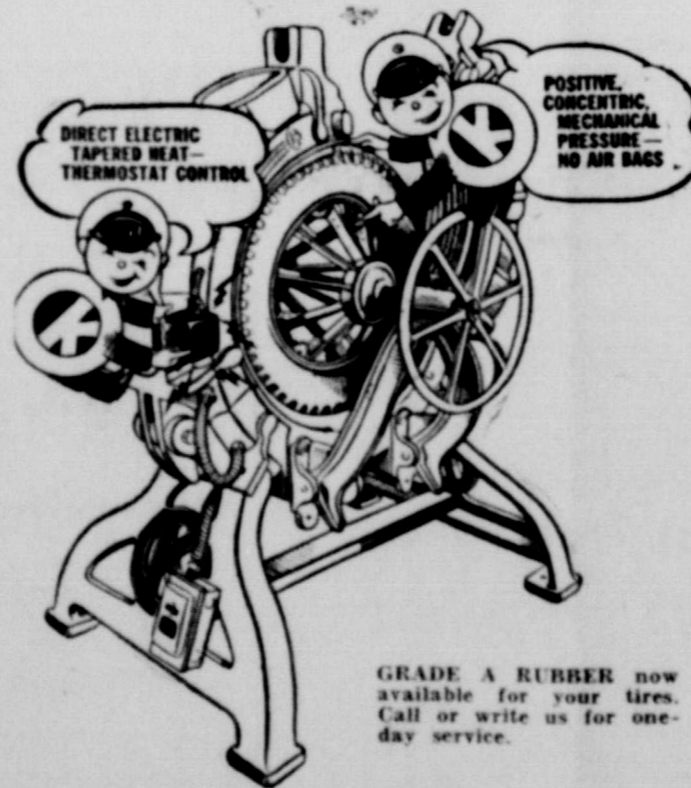
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New Country Club Greens Completed; Bent Grass Planted

The Ballinger Country Club has just completed considerable improvement to the golf course which is expected to put it in the best condition in many years. All greens have been worked, winter grass and other growth removed, and planted with bent grass seed, topped with soil, sand and fertilizer. The keeper is pouring the water to the greens and within a short time they are expected to be in good condition. Fairways are being mowed and kept in good condition and golfers crowding the courses each week-end. Among the week-end players are a number of soldiers stationed here, as well as civilian workers at Bruce Field.

It was necessary to give all the greens attention because of wild grass that was crowding out the Bermuda. The committee visited a number of courses in this section and found the most perfect greens were those of Bent grass. They were told that the Bent would eventually crowd out the Bermuda and that until it grew thick the old grass on the greens would serve for play and also to hold the topping soil.

No other improvements are planned for the year.

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27 More Apartments to be Furnished for War Workers

Alda P. Davis, manager for government housing projects here and at San Angelo, was in Ballinger Monday to look after the federal properties and made an announcement in regard to the Bluffview Apartments here.

There are 40 apartments in the Bluffview section which adjoins the 22 in Harman Park. These are separate units and are separately managed.

She stated that new furniture had arrived and would make possible 27 more furnished apartments within a short time. The 27 apartments will be completely furnished with the exception of linens, dishes and other similar items. Each apartment has a gas range and heaters, water heater, refrigerator, and each room is well furnished.

To date these apartments have been available only to civilian war workers. The management expects them to be made available to military personnel soon as this has been recommended and approved.

Prospective tenants may see the apartments by calling at the office of T. H. Bankston in one of the apartments.

PLENTY OF FISH REDUCES PRICES IN LISBON MARKET

LISBON, May 10.—Giant fish figured in a sudden seventy per cent drop in prices of the south of Portugal, center of the tunny fishing industry. Schools of tunny appeared in great numbers and 6,000 were caught. Some were so large that one filled a small boat. Because olive oil was lacking the canners decided to salt the surplus fish and pack them in oil as it became available.

Bonds or bondage? Buy U. S. war bonds.

Ballinger Lions Go To Corpus Christi For District Meeting

A strong delegation from the Ballinger Lions Club left Tuesday for Corpus Christi to attend the district convention which convenes tomorrow (Friday). The local group left in advance in order to have time to map the campaign for the election of Judge E. C. Grindstaff to the office of district governor.

Leaving here Tuesday were: John Purifoy, club president; E. C. Grindstaff, W. J. Hembree, Cal Adair, Wix Currie, Nat Williams, Wesley Whitman, Jack Rudd, Dr. O. H. Chandler and Rev. Edward B. Postert.

Judge Grindstaff is opposed in the race by Ralph Petry, of Carrijo Springs. For several weeks a campaign has been underway by the local club and much advertising matter has been distributed and many visits made to other clubs. Transportation has been provided for delegations from all other clubs in this part of the district who have pledged support to Judge Grindstaff.

During the past year Judge Grindstaff has served as deputy district governor, a zone in this area being served by him. He has visited many of these clubs and has been the principal speaker at a number of banquets.

The Ballinger delegation has offices at the convention headquarters hotel and will put up banners and other publicity just before the convention crowds begin to assemble. Sessions are to be held all day Friday, and the election of the district governor is scheduled at the final business period just before the convention ends tomorrow afternoon.

The local group plans to return home Saturday. While in Corpus Christi Ballinger Lions will have the assistance of two Corpus Christi men who formerly were members of the club here, R. E. Bruce, navy lieutenant stationed there, and Neil McAlpine, who is with an insurance firm.

LOSSES AT ROULETTE LEAD TO CAPTURE OF GEM THIEF

BUENOS AIRES, May 10.—Losses at roulette led to the capture in Rosario of a thief who stole an emerald bracelet of great value in Buenos Aires. A Rosario detective who came to Buenos Aires to examine photographs of suspects was shown a picture of J. E. Fridman. Returning to Rosario, he ran across Fridman, who confessed that he had taken the emeralds from the bracelet, sold them for \$20,000 and divided the money with accomplices. He started for Chile, lost all his money gambling in Mendoza and made his way to Rosario.

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

Sellers Announces For Attorney General



Grover Sellers

Grover Sellers, Attorney General of Texas, has announced he will be a candidate for a second term in that office in the 1944 primary election.

In announcing his candidacy, Mr. Sellers declared: "I am grateful to Gov. Coke Stevenson for appointing me attorney general, following the resignation of Gerald C. Mann, with whom I had served four years as first assistant."

"To the people of Texas I now submit my candidacy. When elected my one effort will be fair and impartial administration of all laws and the constitution as written by the people. I shall continue to work in complete harmony with other officials and state departments in the efficient operation of our state government."

"All Texans have one common thought today—winning the war as quickly as possible. This department, as in the past, shall continue full cooperation with military authorities in prosecution of the war. During the absence of our men in uniform, their welfare always shall be my first concern. In fact, I am the first ever to hold that Texans in uniform can vote."

"I have my candidacy on a background of experience gained as your Attorney General, first assistant Attorney General, judge of the Eighth Judicial District and as an associate justice of the Court of Civil Appeals."

SPUR TO FARMING IS GIVEN BY PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT

LA PAZ, May 10.—Improvement of agriculture is proceeding on a four-point program, it is announced by the Bank of Agriculture in La Paz. Rice production in the department of Santa Cruz, which in the first six months of 1943 totaled 2,500,000 pounds, is to be increased. Loans will be made to importers of livestock for adding to herds so that the country may be independent of foreign sources after two years. Loans will be granted also for building sugar refineries. Production of wheat is to be increased. Officials state that the bank will continue to help small farmers by importing low-cost agricultural machinery.

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Grasshopper Survey On Farms in County Asked Immediately

Runnels county farmers have been asked to make a survey of their farms and those of their neighbors to check up on young grasshoppers, John A. Barton, county agent said Tuesday.

According to Mr. Barton, all poison stored in the county has been picked up by the government during the winter and at this time no poison is available—the only way it can be secured is for Runnels countians to show need for it. The agent's office would like to get reports from farmers as to the number grasshoppers found on their places at this time. Mr. Barton points out that in making a survey, one should inspect along ditches and fence lines, creeks, river bottoms, and places where poison was put out last year.

According to information received here, the government will again furnish hopper poison for the county if there is need for it. This means that definite information as to the expected need must be secured at once so the poison can be obtained for 1944.

Mr. Barton asks that all make this survey at once and turn the findings in to his office. It is asked to report the number of hoppers, the number of acres in the farm that might be destroyed if the hoppers were left uncontrolled.

HUGE ANCIENT OYSTERS ARE DISCOVERED IN AUSTRALIA

MELBOURNE, May 10.—Australia now has oysters six and eight inches across. These amazing bivalves, however, are fossils and have been there for four or five million years. Fossils brought to light during the recent excavation of a shaft on the Lakes Entrance oilfield in Victoria reveal great changes in the ocean bed between Australia and Tasmania. All the fossils have been found from one hundred to one hundred thirty feet below the earth's surface. In far-away prehistoric ages Australia and Tasmania were one, but were separated by tremendous earth upheavals. One of the discoveries is a fossilized tunnel made by a bivalve known as the kupus. Its age is variously estimated at anything from 10,000,000 to 50,000,000 years.

Notice of Sale of Real Estate THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Runnels: By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court of Runnels County, Texas, on the judgment rendered in said court on the 9th day of February, 1944, in favor of the City of Ballinger, the Ballinger Independent School District, the State of Texas and County of Runnels against Epuneseno Rodriguez, the defendant, in the case of the City of Ballinger vs. Epuneseno Rodriguez et al, numbered 2498 on the tax suit docket of said court, I did on the 6th day of May, 1944, at 9:20 o'clock a. m., levy upon the following described land as the property of Epuneseno Rodriguez, to-wit: Lot No. One (1) in Block No.-Two (2) of the Powell Addition to the City of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas; and on the 6th day of June, 1944, being the first Tuesday of said 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 of the right, title and interest of the said Epuneseno Rodriguez in and to said land.

Dated at Ballinger, Texas, this 6th day of May, 1944. J. L. MORELAND, Sheriff of Runnels County, Texas. 11-31

Campus Spring Cleaning In Texas Yields "Empties"



Evis Martin of Los Angeles, who was selected by fellow students at Southern Methodist as their "Homecoming Queen" takes part in spring cleaning on the campus to get "empties" in circulation. All deposit bottles should be returned to the point of purchase at least once a week.

Miss Creola Henderson came in Saturday from Dallas and will be here a week for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Henderson.

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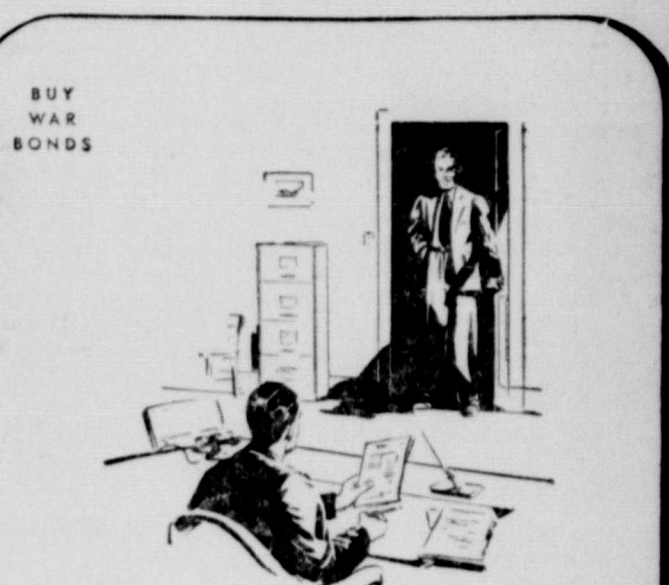
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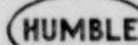
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Serving Uncle Sam

(Continued from page 1) L. Alexander McGregor came in Saturday from Miami Beach, Fla., where he has been stationed for the past three months. Earlier last week he received his commission in the engineering branch of the air corps. He will be here for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. McGregor, until the end of the week before returning to his base for an assignment.

Miss Frances Irene Long, of Ballinger, first-year student at the Baylor University Hospital school of nursing, Dallas, will participate in the induction service for the U. S. cadet nurses corps in Fair Park auditorium, Dallas, on the evening of May 12. Cadet nurses of the Baylor, Methodist, St. Paul's and Parkland hospitals will take part in the program observing national Hospital Day.

Sgt. Pen Finley, stationed in California, has returned to his post after a visit here with relatives and friends.

Pvt. Elmer Bradley has written his parents that he is located on the Anzio beachhead in Italy and is doing okeh. With a medical detachment, Bradley has been in Italy for some time.

Sgt. Lee Hennecke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hennecke, of Miles, is here on a 15-day furlough, visiting his wife and baby, Donnie Lee, and other relatives and friends. Sgt. Hennecke entered the army air forces on November 5, 1942, and at first was stationed at Goodfellow Field, San Angelo. He was then transferred to Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls, then to the Willow Run air base, Michigan; to Denver; then to Pueblo, Colo., where he finished a school in September, 1943. He is now at Westover Field, Mass., and states that he likes his job fine. Sgt. Lee and Andrew Hennecke were honored with a barbecue dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Schwertner last week and on Tuesday night a dance was given in their honor at the Wayside Inn with relatives and friends hosts.

Mrs. Joe Lee Cooper received a letter Tuesday from her husband, Pvt. Joe Lee Cooper, in which he stated he had arrived safely in England and was doing okeh.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Ueckert and daughter, Fay, came in last week for a visit with relatives here and Mrs. Ueckert and daughter will remain here for the duration. Mr. Ueckert has volunteered for the navy and will report at Lubbock next Tuesday, May 16.

Bill Ueckert, petty officer 3c, who had been here on a week's leave to visit his family and other relatives and friends left Wednesday to return to San Diego for assignment in the postal section of the navy. He recently finished "boot" camp training at San Diego.

Samuel Henry Woods, MM 2c, is serving in the navy somewhere in the Pacific. His mother, Mrs. Marshall Woods, is sending him The Ledger and he states he enjoys reading the paper.

Elliott J. Kemp, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Kemp of Ballinger, has been made a flight officer, according to a memorandum from the 20th ferrying group, air transport command, Nashville, Tennessee.

Pvt. and Mrs. Luther Wood are here this week for a visit with relatives and friends. He had been stationed with a medical corps detachment in Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta, Georgia, and is to go from here to Camp Grant, Illinois.

Mrs. Wm. H. McDaniel has just received a cablegram from her husband, S. Sgt. McDaniel, telling that he had landed safely overseas but could not say where. Mrs. McDaniel and two children are now making home here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Broadstreet.

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54-Year-Old Ballinger Woman in Nurse Corps

Mrs. Emma F. Wellhausen, 54 returned to Ballinger Wednesday from Abilene and revealed that she had entered the service, signing up and taking the oath Monday at Camp Barkeley for the nurses' cadet corps. She has been assigned to duty at Camp Barkeley and will report there to begin her work next Monday. Mrs. Wellhausen was to have reported for duty today, but because of her age was given a special time extension in order that she might be at home on Mother's Day.

Officers at the camp praised her for her patriotism, one declaring that if one thousand women had the same spirit as Mrs. Wellhausen much suffering among the soldiers could be relieved. This officer also pointed out that she could do much more than tend sick soldiers and because of her mother love and her Christian character could render the boys much more than in just the regular line of duty.

Mrs. Wellhausen has three sons in the service, one in the South Pacific, one in North Africa, and the third at Kelly Field, San Antonio. Two grandsons also are serving their country, one on Attu and the other in a training camp. A son-in-law is on duty as a chaplain in Italy and five nephews are serving their country, three in foreign service and two yet in the States.

When asked about her action Mrs. Wellhausen stated that she felt she must do something in this war besides stay at home, and that when she saw the need in army hospitals she was convinced she must volunteer. She spent two days taking physical examinations and signing papers before being sworn in and informed that she was now in the army the same as her sons.

Monday she will begin training

for the war's duration and six months thereafter and she also volunteered for foreign duty if needed. She will be attached to the 12th armored division.

SOUTH AFRICAN RAILROAD WORKER AWARDED \$20,000 FOR TRAIN SAFETY DEVICE JOHANNESBURG. Union of South Africa, May 10.—South African Railways is mass producing a device which promises to revolutionize train control and safety.

M. C. van Schoor, the inventor, who retired from railway service after thirty-two years, and returned in 1940, is 62 years of age. He was awarded \$20,000 for his device.

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Grocery Values

Table listing grocery items and prices: Butter 12 Points Per Lb. Lb. 49¢, Flour 10-Lb. Bag 50¢, Crackers 1-Lb. Box 15¢, Eggs 31¢, Bread 10¢, Crackers 18¢, Corn Meal 23¢, Wesson Oil 29¢.

Point-Free Meats

Table listing meats and prices: HAMS-CURED Shank End Lb. 31¢, Pork Roast Loin End Lb. 28¢, Hams Center Slices Lb. 49¢, Sausage Pork Type 2 Lb. 35¢, Bacon Sliced Grade A Lb. 37¢, Jowls Smoked Lb. 17¢, Jowls Dry Salt Lb. 15¢, Ground Beef Fresh Ground Lb. 24¢, Ribs Fine for Stew Lb. 17¢, Chops Pork Center Cuts Lb. 35¢, Sugar Cured Hockless Picnic Lb. 27¢, Sugar Cured Slab Bacon Lb. 27¢.

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Table listing items and prices: Crisco Shortening 3-Lb. Jar 68¢, Deviled Ham Libby 3-Oz. Can 15¢, Meat Spreads Maxim Assorted 3-Oz. Jar 14¢, Blue Stamp Values Juice 25¢, Sauce 16¢, Pork & Beans 18¢.

Farm-Fresh Produce



Table listing produce and prices: Fresh Texas CORN Ear 5c, Onions Texas Yellow Lb. 9¢, Potatoes No. 1 Russet Lb. 5¢, Potatoes Texas New 5 Lbs. 28¢, Radishes Crisp Red 2 Bus. 7¢, Peas California English 2 Lbs. 25¢, Cucumbers Fresh Texas Lb. 10¢, Oranges Texas Valencia Lb. 8¢, Apples Winthrop 2 Lbs. 25¢.

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