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## Democratic Primary Vote Light in Runnels County

The first Democratic primary in Runnels county brought out one of the lightest votes in many years. Usually the full voting strength of the county goes to the polls with a potential of almost 5,000 only 1,238 ballots were cast in the 29 boxes.

Election managers and clerks were idle most of the day, there being only a few rushes that required all hands. The returns were available soon after the polls closed at 7 p. m.

There will be only two state run-offs, no district, county or precinct races, and this points to an even lighter vote in the second primary next month.

Final tabulations in the voting Saturday show the following results. Candidates with no opposition are not listed.

### For Governor:

William F. Grimes, 33  
Herbert E. Mills, 4  
W. J. Minton, 17  
Coke R. Stevenson, 1,024  
Gene S. Porter, 41  
Edward L. Carey, 4  
Minnie Fisher Cunningham, 50  
Martin Jones, 24  
Alex M. Ferguson, 9

### For Lieutenant-Governor:

John Lee Smith, 832  
Lee Satterwhite, 213  
William David Turner, 88  
Mat Davis, 42

### For Attorney-General:

Fred Erisman, 122  
Jesse E. Martin, 517  
Grover Sellers, 546

### For Associate Justice of Supreme Court:

Richard Critz, 635  
Charles T. Rowland, 123  
James B. Hubbard, 97  
Tom Smiley, 65  
Gordon Simpson, 212

### For Judge of Court of Criminal Appeals:

Joseph D. Dickson, 488  
F. L. Hawkins, 640

### For Comptroller of Public Accounts:

Harold K. Shelton, 9  
George H. Sheppard, 1,051  
Clifford B. Butler, 55

### For Superintendent of Public Instruction:

L. A. Woods, 681  
Earl Rogers, 365  
Walter Scott McNutt, 127

### For Commissioner of Agriculture:

Virgil E. Arnold, 175  
Edgar E. Hunter, 223  
J. E. McDonald, 764

C. G. Cape was elected constable of precinct No. 1, and J. Whit Patterson was elected justice of the peace, precinct No. 1.

Marilyn Agnew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Agnew, is attending the annual Girl Scout encampment at Camp Louis Farr, near Mertzon.

## Men in Armed Forces Boost County's Bond Purchases by \$29,500

Total sales in the 5th war loan drive continue to grow in Runnels county and W. J. Hembree, county chairman, was notified by the treasury department the past week-end that large credit had been given the county in E bonds through those bought by men in service. A large allocation was given the state of Texas from service men's purchases but this could not be divided so that residents of the county would be credited here so the entire amount was broken down on the basis of county population. The amount credited to Runnels county from this source was \$29,500.

The last report on E bonds for this county was \$490,912.50 and if the above was not included the total now stands at \$520,412.50 on a quota of \$455,000. The overall total is now about \$350,000 over the quota of \$1,025,000.

E bond sales will be credited to this county until the end of July and a statement will be received at that time from the treasury department, giving the full credits to Runnels county for all purchases up to that date.

W. J. Hembree, county chairman, received a telegram from the treasury department Tuesday morning announcing the Runnels county totals as shown by records in Washington, as follows: series E bonds, \$538,393.00; overall purchases, \$1,434,587.00. This is \$83,393 over on E bonds and \$409,587 over on the overall quota.

## Carload of Paper Loaded Out Here By Scout Troops

Ballinger Boy Scouts collected nearby a carload of waste paper here Tuesday and with a truck load to arrive from Winters and another from Miles today, the car is expected to be filled this afternoon.

All three Ballinger troops took to the streets early Tuesday morning and began hauling old newspapers, magazines, etc., from the homes and business houses. Scoutmasters stated that citizens cooperated nicely in the collection, having the bundles properly tied and placed on front sidewalks.

Local Scouts have a small amount of waste paper in a warehouse here which can be used in finishing the car if necessary.

Scout leaders and members of the Runnels county salvage committee wish to express appreciation to all who helped in any way to make the campaign a success.

R. W. Earnshaw returned this week from a business trip to Ft. Worth, Dallas and Waco.

Hear Dr. Harold G. Cooke, Sunday morning at the First Methodist Church, Doss Bible Class, 10 a. m.; church services, 11 a. m.

## Yanks Continue Their Mopping-Up Job on Saipan



A sidelight on the battle for Saipan Island. This photo (left) shows two youngsters holding food and candy given them by the Yanks standing outside compound in which are Jap prisoners taken in the battle for Saipan. Center shows Garapan on Saipan Island with fires caused by bombardment of the Pacific fleet. In the background are victims of the attack, sunken Japanese ships. Jeep (right) follows troops into the roads and fields of Saipan to evacuate the wounded. Medical corpsmen are giving a transfusion as the Jeep moves along. Many lives were saved by prompt action and available supplies in the field.

## Serving Uncle Sam

Husband of Ballinger Girl Killed in France



T/Sgt. Donald Farrington

Word was received last week that T/Sgt. Donald Farrington, formerly of New Ulm, and the husband of the former Miss Norma Lee Shelton, of Ballinger, had been killed in France. Sgt. Farrington had only been overseas about two months. He landed in England and was sent on soon afterward to France with the invasion spearhead.

Enlisting in the regular army in 1939, Sgt. Farrington remained in this country until two months before his death. Survivors besides the wife are a son, his mother and three brothers.



Charles E. Bradshaw

Charles E. Bradshaw, motor machinist's mate 3c, coast guard, finds time to play his guitar and entertain the boys along with engagements on two major fronts in the present war. He saw service at the Anzio beachhead in Italy and more recently took part in the invasion of France. Bradshaw's home address is route 1, Ballinger, where his wife now resides.

Cpl. Marion L. Tillery, who is now with the medical corps at Camp Berkeley, was here the past week-end for a visit with his mother, Mrs. L. O. Sears. His wife accompanied him here for the visit.

Pfc. William Homer Whitworth has written his parents from New Guinea that he is safe and is enjoying The Ledger, which is now coming regularly. He said as soon as he finished the paper he passed it on to other boys from Runnels county. Whitworth is with the 11th airborne division.

## Allen Davis Named War Chest Campaign Chairman for County



Cpl. Joe A. Broadstreet

Cpl. Joe A. ("Cotton") Broadstreet, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Broadstreet, of Hatchel, has now completed eight years' enlistment in the army. He writes his parents from France that he has dug enough fox holes to make a Panama Canal but added that they were easy to dig there. He also said he had heard the only good Germans were dead Germans and he had seen plenty of good ones.

Cpl. Broadstreet received part of his training at Laredo and from there was transferred to Ft. Sam Houston, San Antonio. From there he was sent to Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, and then overseas to Ireland, where he spent almost a year before going on to England and to France.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gray have received word that their son, Buddy Gray, has arrived safely in New Guinea. He is with the medical corps.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nixon, Sr. were telephoned Tuesday night by their son, Rex Nixon, aviation ordnance mate 2c, that he was back in San Diego and would be home as soon as he could get his papers through for liberty. Rex was in the South Pacific war area for the past 15 months and this is his first visit home.

Pfc. Louis P. Walden, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Walden, writes from England that he is OK. He sent home a number of papers, "The Stars and Stripes" and "War-week," which contained much interesting war news and many pictures of the battlefronts. Walden is with the 235th Q.M. Rhd. Co., and the rest of his address is A.P.O. 403, c-o P. M., New York.

A letter dated July 18 has been received by Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Block from their son, Sylvester Block, RM 3c. He stated that it had been a month since they received mail and added that it was sure good when they received it. He also wrote that an LST rides rough and that they have their share of action. He told his parents it was a pretty sight when the tracers were going up with the whole sky lit up, but that it wasn't so good when someone above was sending them back to you. He also said, "A person doesn't realize what he has gone through until it's over and thinks of what has happened and what could have happened."

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## Second Baptist Church Buys Apartment House

### Lt. Charles Webb Reported Missing In Action July 7

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Webb received a message from the war department Friday informing that their son, First Lieutenant Charles Webb, was missing in action over Germany on July 7. No other information has been received by the family, who are anxiously awaiting additional word from the war department and the letter to follow the telegram.

Lt. Webb, pilot of a Liberator bomber, was with the 15th air force stationed in Italy and was flying either his 39th or 40th combat mission. Once before on the last Saturday in May he was missing for several days but was finally reported from a forced landing in friendly territory and was soon back at his base.

Raid by the Italy-based planes July 7 included bombing of the Rumanian oil fields and southern Germany. Inasmuch as he was reported missing over Germany it is presumed he was on the latter route. In both operations on that date a total of 36 bombers was lost.

Entering the service on December 3, 1942, Lt. Webb received preflight at San Antonio, primary at Tulsa, basic at Independence, Kansas, and advanced, wings and commission at Brooks Field, San Antonio.

He landed in Italy after flying across on February 5 of this year and has been in combat ever since with the 15th air force. The last letter from him was dated July 6, the day before he was reported missing.

In May when he was missing a few days, he had been on a mission into southern France and after meeting stubborn fighter opposition was forced to land on the island of Corsica en route back to his base. One engine and a large quantity of gasoline had been lost, and after bringing the plane down on the friendly island it was about five days before he got word through to his base that he and his crew were safe. He was awarded the air medal with four oak leaf clusters.

The young man was reared here and graduated from the Ballinger high school. After finishing school he was employed for a period in the AAA office in Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Webb have received a letter from the parents of another member of the crew in which they stated their son also was reported missing on July 7.

### RUNNELS COUNTY INDUCTEES WILL GET PHYSICAL EXAMS, INDUCTION AT SAN ANTONIO

The Runnels county draft board will commence in August sending men from this county to Ft. Sam Houston, San Antonio, for both physical examinations and for induction. Heretofore men from here have been going to Lubbock for physicals and later those reporting to the navy have been sent to Lubbock and those to the army to a number of places.

August calls have been received by the board but have not been revealed nor men notified either for physicals or induction. During July the call from this county was for thirty-three men and all these have been sent.

Four men were sent to Lubbock for physicals this week but no reports have been received on them. The Lubbock station will be closed July 31.

A deal was closed here this week in which members of the Second Baptist Church purchased the Higginbotham Apartment House, located at the corner of Broadway and Park Avenue, and as soon as possession is obtained will begin remodeling to make the building suitable for religious services.

Church trustees are J. E. Jones, J. M. Jones and G. J. Smith, and they acted for the membership in perfecting the deal with Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

People living in the apartment house have been advised of the sale and will move as soon as they can find other living quarters. Members of the church expect to be able to begin holding services in the building about September 1. The deal was handled by A. F. Brock, real estate dealer. At the present time the church services are being held in a downtown building, the second floor of the Chesney Boot Shop.

Rev. Raymond C. Wilson, pastor, stated that for the present part of the first floor of the apartment house would be arranged for an auditorium and the remainder of the first floor and all the second floor converted into Sunday school class rooms. After the war, when materials are available, the members plan to completely remodel the interior and convert the entire first floor into an auditorium.

Rev. Wilson and members of the church expressed pleasure at being able to obtain a building of this kind in such a good location and declared they could make it serve their purposes very well for the present. In remodeling after the war steel beams will be required for supporting the ceiling of the auditorium when partitions are removed.

The recently organized Second Baptist Church plans full cooperation with the Southern Baptist Convention.

## Williams Resigns Faculty Position, To Enter Business

Supt. Nat. Williams announced this afternoon the resignation of J. M. Williams as teacher of vocational agriculture in the Ballinger high school.

Mr. Williams has been supervisor of the local F. F. A. chapter since the work was started in the Ballinger school and has made an outstanding record. He had just announced the largest chapter in the history of the school to begin work in September and had already assisted the boys in purchasing calves for feeder projects during the winter.

Immediately after his resignation was announced Mr. Williams stated that he would continue to reside in Ballinger and would join Neal Nutt in the operation of the feed, seed and hatchery business operated by Mr. Nutt for many years.

Referring to the business deal, Mr. Nutt stated that he was in need of more help in order to properly expand his business. He also announced that Mr. Williams would devote part of his time to outside work in helping farmers with poultry and other problems.

Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Douglass, Mrs. Docia Copeland and Jimmy Elliott, of Fort Worth, visited in Cleburne the past week-end. Mrs. Copeland and Jimmy went on to their home after a visit here.

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Sunday 11:00 a. m. Sermon, Dr. Gordon Singleton, President Mary Hardin-Baylor College, Belton

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Sunday Night 8:30 Sermon by the pastor, "THE WEAR-EST WORD IN THE WORLD."

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# Women's, Society and Club News

## Blue-Massey Marriage Read in Morton Home

In a simple single ring ceremony read at five o'clock last Saturday afternoon by the Rev. Clarence A. Morton, pastor of the First Baptist Church, in his home on Broadway, Miss Audrey Blue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Blue of St. Louis, Mo., became the bride of Sgt. Longino Massey, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Massey of Mason, Miss.

The bride wore a two-piece dress of dusky blue alpaca crepe with black pastel accessories.

The couple will live in San Angelo where the bridegroom is stationed at Goodfield Field.

## Methodist Circles Meet

Mrs. H. Ravellette was assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Charles van de Putte, and small granddaughter, Suzanne van de Putte, in entertaining the Etta Burrows Circle of the First Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service in her home on Tenth Street Monday afternoon.

Varied summer flowers graced rooms where Mrs. J. L. Davis presided at the business meeting during which a cash donation was made to the Bethlehem Center



## Think on These Things

by Richard Robbins, Minister, Eighth Street Church of Christ

"And when he was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeling to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?" After Jesus named several of the commandments that any good moral person should keep, this young man answered and said, "Master all these have I observed from my youth." But Jesus replied, "One thing thou lackest; go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven; and come, take up the cross, and follow me." It is evident that this young man was what the world would call a good man. But there was one thing that would keep him from inheriting eternal life, and that one thing was something he must do, follow Christ. Christianity is morality plus spirituality. We have spiritual obligations as well as moral; it takes both for us to inherit eternal life.

negro library at Fort Worth. After the lesson from "God and the Problem of Human Suffering" on "Two Protests Against the Traditional View," Mrs. W. E. Midgley gave the closing prayer. Others present were: Mmes. D. R. Hall, Edward Walsh, W. W. Chastain, W. E. Shipp, John Loveless, G. C. Howard, T. P. Brown, John Weeks, Ford Taylor, and R. W. Earnshaw.

Ettie Gressett members were guests of Mmes. W. L. Sturtz, Jack Hampton, and O. R. O'Neill in the Sturtz home on Ninth Street.

Perennial sweet peas were arranged with queen's wreath to decorate rooms where Mrs. Joe Forman gave the Bible study and Mrs. Cecil Jones was presiding officer. A donation was made to the negro library fund. Cookies and ice cream were served. Others present were: Mmes. J. W. Guynes, J. B. Striplin, Tom Caudle, Elma Mann, A. T. Campbell, Rothal O'Kelly, J. M. Skinner, Sam Behringer, and R. A. Dickinson, and Mary Louise Hampton.

Mrs. Henry Moody and Mrs. Tom McEntire were hostesses to the Sally Odum Circle in the Moody home in West Ballinger.

Tuberose and zinnias gave joral beauty to rooms where Mrs. W. O. Irby was presiding officer and Mrs. Fred Middleton was lesson leader. This group also made a contribution to the negro work. Sandwiches and cookies were served with punch. Others were: Mmes. E. L. Rampsy, H. G. Agnew, M. E. McClenny, and O. L. Hart.

## First Presbyterian Auxiliary Has Social Service Program

The cause of social service was presented in an inspiring and forceful way for members of the First Presbyterian Woman's Auxiliary Monday afternoon at its meeting in the church parlors on Broadway. Mrs. Bruce Creasy was leader and gave the devotional on the theme "All One Body We." This thought was further stressed in panel discussions given by Clara Beth Lynn, Ann Creasy, Charlotte Miller, and Virginia Bell. Mrs. C. R. Stephens gave the closing prayer.

At the social hour Mrs. R. F. Zedlitz and Mrs. Alex Saunders were social hour hostesses and served sandwiches and cookies with iced tea. Others present were: Mmes. Paul Trimmer, Harry Lynn, Chester Cherry, F. M. Pearce, Victor Miller, M. E. Boggs, E. R. Walker, Leslie Baker,

J. Y. Pearce, Charles Miller, Jr. and Jack McGregor.

## San Antonio Visitor Honored

Mrs. Eliza Le Doux of San Antonio, who was house guest of her sister-in-law, Mrs. La Du Craig, was honor guest at an informal affair last Thursday evening for which Mrs. Craig, Mrs. J. M. Pyburn, and Mrs. C. R. Stephens were hostesses. Lt.-Col. Le Doux is overseas with the Army Air Corps.

A delicious two-course picnic supper menu was served in one of City Park's beauty spots.

Included were: Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Douglass, Mrs. Docia Copeland and Jimmy Elliott of Dallas, Rev. Gary Hoffius, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Trimmer, Mr. and Mrs. Estes Lynn, Mmes. Fred Vetterlein, Elma Mann, Jack McGregor, Misses Clara Beth and Mary Lynn, Dorothy Lynn, Mr. Pyburn, and Nancy Craig.

## Hike and Sunrise Breakfast for Girl Scouts

Mrs. Herbie Fuleber, sponsor for Bluebonnet girl scouts, Mrs. Lee Parker, Mesquite sponsor, and Miss Melba Bankston accompanied the two groups on a hike to the third crossing on Elm Creek on Wednesday morning of last week. The sunrise breakfast was prepared over an open camp fire.

Girls attending were: Patricia Caudle, Marilyn Sommer, Arlene Miller, Sue Hampton, Betty Jo Middleton, Bobbie Marie Eoff, Lil Stone, Betty Lou and Patricia Jones of Dallas, Mary Evelyn O'Neill, Anna Sue Hembree, Lillian Ruth Keithley, Martha Saunders, Wanda Cragger, Patsy Bell.

## Mrs. Brandon Honored on Birthday Anniversary

Mrs. Tom Brandon and daughter, Mrs. Cora Petrie, gave a supper in the Ballinger park Saturday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Tom Brandon's 75th birthday anniversary.

Barbecue, with all its trimmings, and a huge birthday cake were

served to the following friends: Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Alcorn and children, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Alcorn, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Alcorn, Mrs. W. A. Hale and Miss Myrtle Ruth Hale, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Brevard, Mr. and Mrs. Flay Brevard and children, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Arent and two grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fuller and Sue, Mr. and Mrs. Berry Matthews and Odie, Mr. and Mrs. Will Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Jayroe, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Paschal Dietz and Patsy, Mr. and Mrs. Eivin Bridwell, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pape and Dolores, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mathis and Miss Marguerite, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Petrie and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brandon, and Charlotte Simmons.

## Methodist Intermediates to Camp

Jackie Hampton, Marilyn Joyce Bowden, Betty Lou Morrison, Patricia Caudle, and Carolyn McClenny are in Glen Rose attending a week's camp for Methodist intermediates of this conference.

## NAVAL OFFICER TAKES OVER V-12 AT TEXAS UNIVERSITY

AUSTIN, July 26.—Capt. Rawson J. Valentine, U.S.N., has reported here after two years' duty as chief of the naval operating base in Iceland to take command of the naval V-12 and R. O. T. C. units at the University of Texas, it has been announced.

A 1913 graduate of the naval academy, Capt. Valentine has seen service with the navy for over three decades aboard battleships, destroyers, and gunboats around the world.

Much of his activity between World War I and his World War II service in Iceland was in the Orient—two years in command of a Yangtze River gunboat and two years in the Philippines. He also taught government and economics two years at Annapolis.

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

## Visit to Camp Bowie Rewards Five 4-H Club Boys of County

On July 12 five Runnels county 4-H club boys, who made the "feed-a-fighter club," were taken to Brownwood, where they spent a day at Camp Bowie as guest of the army. The boy farmers were accompanied by John A. Barton, county agent, and Joe Moeller, local adult leader. The group left Ballinger at 7:15 a. m. and arrived at the big army camp at 9:45 a. m.

The 4-H club group was welcomed at the post theatre by Col. Brown, after which they witnessed a picture, "The Battle of Russia," a factual collection of films on a number of battles on the Russian front.

The clubbers were escorted through the camp, first visiting the laundry, where a large number of men are at work. Most of the workers are soldiers who are being rehabilitated and given a second chance. The officer in charge told the boys that 85 per cent of the men made good and

were returned to their organizations.

The bakery, where 2,200 loaves of bread are baked daily, was next visited. A stop was made at the cold storage plant, where meats, eggs, milk, vegetables and other foods are kept in perfect condition. Dinner served in the master mess hall was declared delicious.

After dinner the boys were put in trucks and taken to the tank division and there saw the M6s and M10s close up. The officer in charge explained the different types, the guns, etc., and stated that some of the newer tanks had a speed of 70 miles an hour. In the mechanical shops men were overhauling trucks, jeeps, tanks, and guns.

The last place of interest visited was the firing range where the boys watched some real target shooting. They saw the bazooka in action and heard a description of its effect on tanks in actual battle.

Boys making the trip were those who had raised enough meat in a year to feed a fighter for a year. They were: Kenneth Fuchs, Frank Gully, Jr., Albert Kohutek, Leon French and Harvey Gully.

## WILLIAMS ANNOUNCES ANOTHER RESIGNATION

Supt. Nat. Williams announced Tuesday the resignation of Miss Joy Jean Eaton, teacher of public school music at junior high school. Miss Eaton, who resides at Comanche, stated in resigning here that she would return to North Texas State Teachers' College, Denton, to do work on her master's degree in the fall.

This resignation takes both music teachers out of the local schools and neither has been replaced so far.

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## THANKS

I wish to express my appreciation to the voters of Runnels County for the fine vote I received in Saturday's election.

While I had no opponent, I appreciate the fine support of the good people of the county just as much as if the race had been contested.

I will strive to make you a better county judge this year than I have in the past. With the war and post-war period soon to come, we hope, the duties of this office will be many and I am planning to be ready to render every service I can for the county and the men of this county who will come home some day to pick up where they left off when called to the service.

In all my work I solicit the help of the citizens of the county and your advice and constructive criticism.

Respectively

E. C. Grindstaff  
COUNTY JUDGE, RUNNELS COUNTY

A completely air-conditioned home offers a real attraction to the children for staying at home—and liking it. Nice and cool, with air free of dirt, dust and pollen, it is a haven of delightful comfort.

Air-conditioning for the home is no fanciful dream of the distant future. It is a practical reality of today in the all-year gas air conditioner. Developed before war came, many units are now in operation throughout the country—some in homes on Lone Star Lines. Automatically one provides cooling, heating or independent air circulation at the flip of a switch.

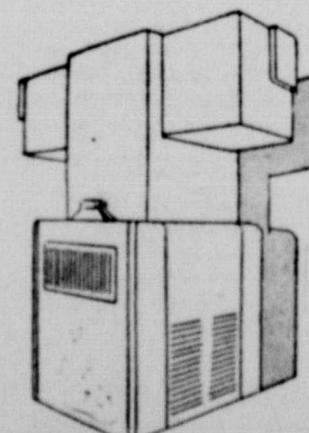
You'll be able to get this magic-like, all-year gas air conditioning for your home when the war is won. So start planning now—and start saving. Buy more war bonds.

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Sweater news galore for college and career girls. New, new boxy pullovers, cardigans, classics! Choose from glowing fall colors—yellow, pink, purple, white! Many more!



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up

Just unpacked, come see our big collection of excitingly new dresses—first in fashion for now through Fall! See the dramatically new tunic silhouette, the lowered waistline middie dress—the suave side drape beauties—the little suit dresses! Each a fashion plum—at budget low prices! Black, colors.



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### Tire Applications By B and C Holders Swamp OPA Office

The tire panel of the Runnels county war price and rationing board for some time has been trying to meet the great increase of tire needs for citizens of this county. Since the announcement in newspapers and by radio that all B and C ration holders were eligible for new tires the local board has been swamped with applications.

Dee Oliver, board chairman, states that the regulations did not change in any way insofar as essential users are concerned. The regulations were changed to the extent that B card holders could make applications and if there were a sufficient quota of tires available these B card owners could get new tires.

Mr. Oliver pointed out that this county is still given an exact number of certificates which can be issued in a month. This has nothing to do with the number of tires in stores for sale since the board cannot issue more certificates than given in a monthly quota. Many people apparently think that if retailers have tires they should be able to secure certificates for purchase.

Employees of the local office were of the opinion this week that the resignation of the rubber administrator with the recommendation that the office be abolished after September 1 would bring a hardship on OPA offices which must issue certificates for every car sold on the legal market and still they are governed by quotas which limit the number of certificates that can be issued any month.

The local office is now flooded with tire applications, some of which will have to be returned to those making them without certificates.

#### CROCKETT FAMILY HAS REUNION AT NORTON

Members of the Crockett family assembled Saturday and Sunday, July 22 and 23, for their annual reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Crockett in the Norton community. Rains prevented the meeting being held at the Pecan Mott on the creek near the Crockett home and the approximately 100 attending went to the

home where a fish fry Sunday was the climax of the day's activities.

Those attending were: J. N. Crockett, Mullin; Jess Crockett, Kempner; Mrs. Will Hodges, Lampasas; Miss Maggie Crockett, Humble; Mrs. Dave Crockett, Mrs. John Crockett, Winters; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Crockett, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Crockett, Dalton Crockett, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Williams and two children, Norton; Frank Crockett, Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Crockett and Jack, Midland; Mrs. Walter Crockett, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Mack Selsor, Freddie Sue and Sally Underwood, Miss Ina Crockett, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Crockett, Linda and Lane Crockett, Mrs. Jack Atnipp, Tommy Jack and Dalle Joe Atnipp, San Angelo; Dorine Braden, Rowena; Wayne Hamilton, Dallas; Veneta Wright, Ballinger; Mrs. J. E. Minschew, Landos Stewart, Norton; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Simmons and sons, David, Don and Tom, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Crockett, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Car-wile, Theado, Hodges, Helen Hodges, Ballinger; Mr. and Mrs. Nath Crockett, Mattie Lou Crockett, Morton; Mr. and Mrs. Crockett Hodges, Jane and Jimmie Hodges, Billy Jack Williams, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Crockett, Mr. and Mrs. Shug Crockett, Odessa; Sgt. and Mrs. Nelson Crockett, Sgt. Harold Wright, Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. Wilman Pardue, J. Frank and Billy Max Pardue, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crockett, Carrie Ruth Crockett, Mr. and Mrs. A. Z. Crockett, Clyde and James Crockett, James Tatum, H. K. Henniger, D. Waggoner, Kenneth Fisher, Winters; and Mrs. T. R. Setser.

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#### SOUTH BALLINGER HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

Due to illness, Miss Polkes was unable to meet with the South Ballinger home demonstration club in the home of Mrs. B. M. Batts last week, and demonstrate the making of handbags. Therefore, after a business session, patterns were passed and cut for the handbags.

McShan, Fred Moncrief, Edd Farley, J. C. McMillan and Newman Smith.

The club will meet for an all-day quilting with Mrs. J. Wesley Jones August 15.

#### GROENWALD 4-H CLUB

The boys heard County Agent John A. Barton in a talk on Bonita maize and held a general discussion on cotton.

Miss Ozzie Polkes, county home demonstration agent, gave the girls a demonstration on purse-making and showed them a number of different types she had made.

The next meeting is scheduled on August 4.

#### MAORI HEROES OF TWO WARS ARE HONORED IN CEREMONIES

WELLINGTON, July 26.—At their greatest gathering in many years the Maoris of New Zealand paid homage to members of the Maori battalion who laid down their lives in the British empire's two wars of the last thirty years. The Maoris assembled in two specially carved meeting houses opened officially at Rotorua, North Island, not long ago by Governor General Sir Cyril Newall. Native songs and dances were performed and the youths of the district staged a pageant. The governor general presented colors to the Te Arawa group of Boy Scouts and the Rotorua company of Girl Guides, while the Scout Gilt Cross was given Rihari Hala, who rescued a child from drowning.

Typewriter ribbons at The Ledger office.



**First Presbyterian Church**  
10:00 a. m., Sunday school.  
11:00 a. m., morning worship  
GARY HOFFIUS, 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.  
7:45 p. m., young people's meeting.  
8:30 p. m., evening worship.  
Wednesday:  
8:30 p. m., prayer meeting.  
RICHARD A. ROBBINS, Minister

#### First Baptist Church

(400 Eighth Street)  
Sunday, July 30:  
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.  
11 a. m., sermon by Dr. Gordon Singleton, president of Mary Hardin-Baylor College, Belton.  
7:30 p. m., Baptist Training Union.

Night sermon by the pastor, "The Weakest Word in the World."  
Wednesday:  
8 p. m., prayer meeting by the pastor.

The public is cordially invited to worship with us.

CLARENCE A. MORTON, D. D., Pastor

#### Foursquare Gospel Church

(104 N. Twelfth Street)  
Sunday school at 10 a. m.  
Worship service at 11 a. m.  
Junior Crusaders at 7 p. m.  
Evangelistic service at 8 p. m.  
Tuesday at 8 p. m., Bible study and prayer service.  
Friday at 8 p. m., Crusader service.

All are cordially invited to our services. A stranger but once.

CARL POOL, Pastor

#### Zoar Evangelical and Reformed Church, Rowena

Church school, 10:15 a. m.  
Divine worship, 11:20 a. m.  
FRANK W. LAMMERT, Pastor

#### Church of Christ

(1100 Ninth Street)  
Services:  
Sunday, 11 a. m. and 3:00 p. m.  
Wednesday, 8:00 p. m.  
Friday, 8:00 p. m.  
Always welcome.

#### 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.  
Bible school, 9:45 a. m.  
Worship, 11 a. m. and 6 p. m.  
Come and join the fellowship.  
J. T. SIMMONS, Minister

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.

Our non-Catholic friends and neighbors are cordially invited to assist at the above services and devotions.

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

#### Grace Baptist Church

(10th and Phillips)  
"An Independent Fundamentalist Missionary Baptist Church"  
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.

#### First Methodist Church

Sunday, July 30:  
Church school, 9:45 a. m.  
Morning worship, 11 o'clock.  
Sermon by Dr. Harold Cooke, president, McMurry College, Abilene.

8:30 p. m., evening service.  
You are cordially invited to worship in all these services.

W. E. SHIPP, 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 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

Jim Dankworth, of the C. O. D. Grocery, is confined to his home this week with typhus fever. Mr. Dankworth became critically ill last week and has been very sick but is reported slightly improved this week.

Marilyn Sommer is attending the annual Girl Scout encampment at Camp Louis Parr this week.

Hear Dr. Harold G. Cooke, Sunday morning at the First Methodist Church. Doss Bible Class, 10 a. m.; church services, 11 a. m.

## Announcing New Barbecue Pit

We have just completed a new and modern barbecue pit which will be operated in connection with our market.

In this pit meat is cooked over an open gas fire in a perfectly sanitary pit and seasoned with hickory smoke. "Red" Branham will have charge of the pit and will have the choicest cuts of meat at all times for the public.

Custom barbecuing will also be done by appointment for any occasion or for home use.

We invite you to inspect this modern pit and see the type of service we are giving through this new department of our store, locker plant, and market.

The next time you need cooked meat for dinner, try our barbecue.

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# -HEAR-

## Dr. Harold Cooke

EDUCATOR-PREACHER  
and  
CHRISTIAN LEADER



Dr. Harold G. Cooke

# SUNDAY

PRESIDENT

McMurry College

Abilene, Texas

## First Methodist Church

SUNDAY MORNING 10:00 and 11:00 O'CLOCK

Dr. Cooke comes to Ballinger on invitation to speak at these two services. He will appear as guest speaker before the Doss Bible Class at ten o'clock and will follow a program of special music and fellowship. At eleven o'clock he will bring the morning sermon in the regular church service.

Dr. Cooke is an excellent speaker and was a successful pastor before becoming president of McMurry College. His work over West Texas has been outstanding

and his help is constantly sought by many church groups for revivals, special programs and other occasions.

The Doss Bible Class issued a special invitation to all its members and to the other men of Ballinger who are not regular attendants at Sunday School. The membership of the church also extends a cordial invitation to all people of this territory to be in the service Sunday morning and hear Dr. Cooke's message.

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### McMurry President Will Speak Sunday At Methodist Church

The First Methodist Church will have as guest speaker Sunday morning Dr. Harold G. Cooke, president of McMurry College, Abilene. He will be here for two addresses in the morning, speaking to members of the Doss Bible class at 10 o'clock and delivering the morning sermon at 11 o'clock. Dr. Cooke is an outstanding Methodist in this district and before going to McMurry was one of the leading pulpits preachers. He has been very successful in handling the affairs of McMurry and has been accorded full cooperation from the Methodists of this district.

Members of the local church invite the public to join them in this service. The choir will offer a special musical program at this hour.

Cal Adair, president of the Doss Bible class, extends an invitation to men of the city to be in this class at 10 o'clock for a special message for men. Dr. Cooke will be given most of the Sunday school hour to deliver this message and members are urged to be on time.

Mrs. Joe Forman will speak at this church Sunday evening at services beginning at 8:30.

Mrs. Bertha Seiden visited relatives and friends at San Angelo the first of the week.

### Forman Works Like Veteran Secretary On B.C.D. Program

Joe Forman, for 21 years associated with a local bank, is making the Ballinger Board of Community Development an excellent secretary and is falling into the work like a life-long promoter of civic projects.

Taking over at the beginning of the 5th war loan drive, he gained valuable experience in a hurry as



Joe Forman

much of the local work was thrown on him in getting the campaign underway, and during the first several days he was in attendance at many conferences and committee meetings. At the end of the drive he had proved his willingness to work and his ability to put things over.

During this time he became familiar with the office details and records and since has been called on to attend a number of important state meetings. At the present he is in Dallas, where he was sent by the organization to attend the annual meeting of the Southwestern Institute for Commercial Organization Executives.

Perhaps his most difficult task and one that is demanding much of his time is that of home secretary of the Red Cross. This work is increasing daily and almost every day he is called to visit in the home of some Runnels county family to investigate for the Red Cross and act as go-between the veteran in service and wife or other dependents back home. Through his efforts many have received benefits to tide them through intervals when no compensation was received from the war department, to help them in illness, and to secure furloughs home for those needed on account of illness or other family troubles.

Mr. Forman is working closely with the city government and other agencies on local improvements and post-war plans for the good of the city.

In the office he has the valuable assistance of Mrs. Lola Martin, assistant secretary.

Paper clips at Ledger office.

Hear Dr. Harold G. Cooke, Sunday morning at the First Methodist Church, Doss Bible Class, 10 a. m. church services, 11 a. m.

### Dangers of Typhoid In Vacation Period Are Cited by Dr. Cox

AUSTIN, July 26.—"Vacation time is likely to be typhoid fever time," according to Dr. George W. Cox, state health officer. "The summer months, when swimming, camping, and picnics are at their height, are usually accompanied by the year's highest incidence of this disease."

Dr. Cox strongly recommended immunization against typhoid fever for persons of all ages who want to enjoy warm weather activities secure from the threat of this disease. Protection is achieved by three inoculations, usually given one week apart. The treatment should be repeated every third year, because the immunity conferred does not ordinarily last longer than three years. If you have not been vaccinated against this disease since 1941, inoculations are, therefore, in order.

"Improved sanitation, it is true, has gone far to lower the incidence of typhoid fever in recent years," Dr. Cox said. "It is known that every case develops as a result of consuming milk, food, or water contaminated with human excreta containing the disease-producing germs. Sometimes such discharges come from a patient ill with typhoid fever and sometimes from a carrier an apparently healthy person who has had the disease and, after recovery, continues to discharge its germs."

"In spite of these community safeguards, personal immunization

should not be neglected," Dr. Cox warned. "However careful you and the health authorities may try to be, there is the possibility of infection from some unsuspected source, particularly during the summer when people are often lured into remote places, away from approved water supplies, pasteurized milk, and safe raw foods. By all means, go to your doctor for vaccination against typhoid fever."

### T. C. U.'S JARVIS HALL GOES BACK TO CIVILIAN STATUS

FT. WORTH, July 26.—The good ship U.S.S. Jarvis Hall on the Texas Christian University campus, from which some 1,500 navy officers and men have gone into the service's aviation wing, will return to its prosaic status as a civilian dormitory August 10.

Lt. J. P. Burke, officer in charge of the V-5 trainees at T. C. U., has announced that the program will end on that date.

"Superiority of our naval fliers over Japanese pilots and the resulting surplus of navy pilots is the reason for the termination of the training program," he says.

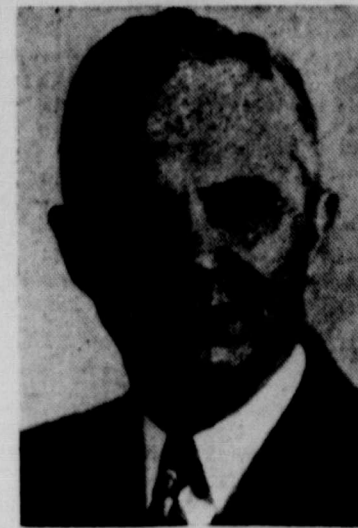
The V-5 (aviation) program is not connected with the V-12 (officer training) program, which the navy is continuing at T. C. U. at full quota.

George Stowe, of Mertzon, was here Friday for a visit with friends and to transact business. Mr. Stowe, like other school superintendents, is looking for teachers to complete the faculty at Mertzon for the next term.

Pencil and typewriter erasers at Ledger office.

### MARY HARDIN-BAYLOR PRESIDENT WILL PREACH FOR BAPTISTS SUNDAY

Rev. Clarence A. Morton, pastor, stated today that Dr. Gordon G.



Dr. Gordon G. Singleton, president of Mary Hardin-Baylor College, Belton, will

deliver the sermon at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Dr. Singleton, a brother-in-law of the late Dr. George W. Truett, is a well-known college president as well as a gifted speaker. All former friends and students of the college are cordially invited to attend this service.

From Ballinger Dr. Singleton will go to the Baptist Cowboy Camp Meeting at Paisano, in the Davis Mountains of West Texas, and will appear on the program there.

Rev. Morton will be in his pulpit and deliver the evening sermon at 8:30 o'clock.

Rev. W. E. Shipp is conducting a revival for the Bangs Methodist church this week. Rev. Clyde Pittman, of Bangs, filled the local Methodist church pulpit Sunday evening while Rev. Shipp was at Bangs. The revival will be concluded next Sunday evening.

Pay-day is bond-buying day.

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## Ernest Buffington Goes to Brownwood; New Manager Here

Announcement of a change in managers was made for the Texas and Palace Theatres today. F. L. Stoecker, district manager of Westex Theatres, Inc., Dallas, and W. D. Seales, co-owner of the two local theatres, stated that Fred Pierce would be here tomorrow to take over the management of the Ballinger showhouses.

Mr. Pierce has managed theatres for Westex Theatres at Carlsbad, N. M., and other cities and has been in the show business for a number of years. Mrs. Pierce and two children are to join him here later.

Ernest B. Buffington, manager of the Texas and Palace since December 1, 1943, will leave Friday for Brownwood, where he will be manager of the Queen, Ritz and Gem theatres for L. D. Brown and Interstate Amusement Co. Mr. Brown, half-owner, is retiring from active management of the showhouses after 19 years.

Mr. Buffington stated that he regretted leaving Ballinger and would prefer to live here if conditions permitted. He stated that he was not replacing a service man at Brownwood.

Since coming to Ballinger Mr. Buffington has made a splendid record with the local theatres and has also taken an active part in civic affairs. He has actively cooperated in all war bond drives, Red Cross campaigns, and all other war activities on the home front. He is a member of the Ballinger Rotary Club and a regular attendant at all meetings.

## Army and Navy Club Door Count Hits 2,000 Saturday and Sunday

The Army and Navy Club experienced the heaviest traffic in its history the past week-end, the door count being 2,000 for Saturday and Sunday. The dance Saturday evening was attended by a large crowd and other activities drew large numbers.

Class 44-K will have its graduation dance in one of the hangars at the field Saturday evening. A large group of WASPs from Avenger Field, Sweetwater, will come here to attend this affair. The Army and Navy Club will be open for the underclassmen and other service men who may be in Ballinger for the week-end.

Last week the Norton home demonstration club sent in five large angel cakes, iced and decorated in red, white and blue. These were placed on a large table and cadets were allowed to eat their own slices. The cakes were baked by Misses Kirby Robinson, Tom Crockett, Lawrence Bryan, Harvey Bryan and W. W. Mitchell. Other refreshments were supplied by Misses B. M. Batts, J. R. Lusk, R. R. Williams, and C. R.

Stephens. Mrs. Cordella Lynn Brown sent a large number of "The New Yorker" magazines to the club library.

## Rural News

### CREWS

A slowly falling rain of probably an inch fell here Friday night and Saturday. The cloud that looked so hopeful of a heavy rain Sunday afternoon passed us by.

The presiding elder of the Brownwood district will preach here Sunday morning. Dinner will be served on the ground and quarterly conference will be held in the afternoon.

The Baptist revival will begin Wednesday night, August 2. The pastor will do the preaching. All are invited to cooperate.

Mrs. Vinita Irvin, of San Antonio, is a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Rainwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Young and family of Glen Cove, visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Fuller and son, and Mr. and Mrs. Chester McBeth and Sybil attended the revival meeting at Rogers church Tuesday night. Brother Hallford is assisting the pastor, Brother McCloud, at that church.

Mrs. Noble Paulson has returned from the Panhandle, where she attended the bedside of her husband, suddenly stricken ill. He accompanied her home, but went back to resume combining Little Caroline, stricken seriously ill while her parents were away, has recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Goode, of Hatchel, visited relatives and attended church services here Sunday.

### CONVICTS GIVE SATISFACTION AS FARM HANDS IN ENGLAND

LONDON, July 26.—Convicts working farms in Britain have given complete satisfaction to the farmers who employ them, it is reported in London.

No compulsion was used, volunteers being invited from among first offenders of good behavior. At first they toiled at ditching and land reclamation. Later they helped with the harvests. The convicts pledge themselves not to escape, and to work with zeal.

It was said that the method was introduced long ago with success in Russia.

### LIBRARIES GO OUT TO SEA FOR MEN ON LITTLE SHIPS

ABERDEEN, Scotland, July 26.—More than a million books have been sent out to men of the little ships, such as submarines, minesweepers and coastal craft by the Royal Naval War Libraries, an organization built up in the north of Scotland by Mrs. Ivan Colvin. She has undertaken to supply any book on request to any seaman on any subject. Once she nearly gave up when a seaman asked for a book on the anatomy of the greyhound, but finally found one.

## Drang Nach Osten in Reverse



The Red army's drive to coincide with the Allied invasion of western Europe has brought the Russians nearly 300 miles nearer to Berlin. The map above shows how the Russians put the squeeze on strategic Minsk, gateway to Warsaw and Berlin. All routes of escape, except dirt roads through marshes and forests, fell into Russian hands.

## Summer Comes to 'Big Town'



Among the hot weather scenes in Bronx zoo, New York, this one (left) was about the cutest. Six-year-old Gordon Gaynor is shown enjoying an ice cream cone as his companion, a "honey bear," enjoys a cone of his own. Right: When the mercury jumped to 88 degrees in Chicago, Jimmy Flala, two, and his pup, jumped for the water at the beach.

## Rocket Ramp Abandoned by Nazis



American engineers are shown surveying a 700-foot steel and concrete unfinished ramp in Normandy, which is believed to have been planned for use by the Germans as a launching site for rocket bombs. Assembly line of concrete mixers abandoned by the Nazis is in the background. Not enough and too late was the story of this Nazi effort.

## Yanks Hunt Snipers



Taking care to keep well down out of harm's way, American soldiers take part in a sniper hunt somewhere in France. The soldier in the foreground pokes his helmet up over the edge of the ditch, hoping and asking for the sniper to take a shot so his position can be located. Snipers soon surrender when located.

## 'Blockbuster's' Blind Inventor Visits U. S.



Air Commander Patrick Huskinson, 47-year-old blind hero of the RAF, who invented the most lethal weapon of World War II, the 12,000-pound blockbuster, has been in Washington participating in Allied discussions on armament design and development. He was robbed of his sight by the German blitz of 1941. Photo shows Commander Huskinson and his wife during a press conference.

## DEATHS

### William D. (Dick) Wilson

William D. (Dick) Wilson, 73, died at his home, 1009 Strong Avenue, Monday afternoon at 5:10 o'clock after illness of only five days, but he had been in failing health for the past year.

Decedent was a pioneer of this section, coming to Ballinger 43 years ago from Robertson county. He was married here to Miss Eva Arrant in 1907. He was a member of the Eighth Street Church of Christ and of the local Odd Fellows lodge.

Mr. Wilson was a familiar figure on the streets of Ballinger. In recent years he made violins and played them for his personal pleasure and that of his friends.

Survivors besides the wife include five sons, E. W. Wilson, Shamrock; Elton D. Wilson, in the merchant marine; Dayton Ellwood Wilson, seaman in navy, in the South Pacific; Gus A. Wilson, Pasadena, California; William D. Wilson, Jr., who had been at Camp McCam, Mississippi, but recently was given an overseas address; three daughters, Mrs. Ruth Gould, San Francisco; Misses Lloyds and Irene Wilson, Long Beach, California; a brother, Wes Wilson, San Angelo; two sisters, Mrs. Mollie Watson, San Angelo; Mrs. Ber Strom, San Antonio; and nine grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Agnew chapel this (Thursday) morning at 10 o'clock, Richard Robbins, minister of the Eighth Street Church of Christ, and Rev. E. M. Walker, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, officiating. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery.

Palbearers were: Ray Reams, R. L. Bell, Roy L. Hill, John B. Rayburn, J. M. Marsh, Both L. McCarty.

Agnew Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

### Lonnie J. (Jack) Norman

Lonnie J. (Jack) Norman, 46, died at his home two miles west of Ballinger Monday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock after an illness of some 18 months and failing health for the past six years.

Decedent came to Ballinger from San Saba county 12 years ago. After living here for a time he moved to Coke county where he made home until three years ago

when he returned to the home near Ballinger. He had followed the occupation of farming all his life. Decedent was a member of the Second Baptist Church.

Survivors include three brothers, E. A. and E. D. Norman, Ballinger; M. H. Norman, San Angelo; four sisters, Mrs. J. P. Miller, Electra; Mrs. J. E. Jones, Ballinger; Miss Rilla Norman and Miss Lydia Norman, Ballinger.

Funeral services were held at the Agnew chapel Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Rev. Raymond C. Wilson and Rev. Clarence A. Morton officiating. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Pvt. Fate Parker, Major Roy Pate, Pvt. John Parker, Oscar Parker, Joe Jones and L. L. Connor. Honorary pallbearers were W. C. Dodson, J. S. Gamble, J. M. Jones, Milburn Harvey, Jonas B. Little, George Herridge, Elmo Dean, C. J. Chesney, O. L. Neely, J. U. Smith, Tom Seals, Gilbert Smith.

Agnew Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

### W. C. Smith

W. C. Smith, 70, died at his home in San Angelo Sunday after a short illness.

Decedent left Ballinger 20 years ago and ever since had resided at San Angelo. While here he operated a second-hand furniture business.

Survivors besides the wife include five daughters and three sons. Funeral services were held at the Johnson chapel in San Angelo Monday morning, Rev. W. R. Campbell officiating. Interment was made in Evergreen Cemetery, Ballinger.

Killough & Davis Funeral Home was in charge of local arrangements.

### J. D. RANSBARGER RITES ARE HELD AT MARYNEAL

Funeral services were held Sunday, July 23, at the Decker Methodist Church for John David Ransbarger, 68, formerly of Runnels county. He died at his home in Maryneal July 21, after illness of over nine years, following a stroke of paralysis.

Rev. Johnson, pastor of the Nazarene Church, Ballinger, officiated, and burial was in the Decker Cemetery, near Blackwell.

He is survived by his wife and two children, Prentiss R. Ransbarger, Leaday; and Mrs. J. Elmore Alexander, Maryneal; and four grandchildren. He is also survived by six brothers, Charlie, of Artesia, N. M.; Richard, of Indio, California; Jim, Rufus, Albert and Bill, of Ballinger.

Mr. Ransbarger was born on December 12, 1875, in Williamson county, and moved with his parents to Runnels county when about six years of age. It was there he married Elsie May Wright. To this union were born four children, two of whom survive.

### SEAWEED BOARDS ADAPTED TO COMMERCIAL PURPOSES

DUBLIN, July 26.—Seaweed boards that hold nails and screws with a strong grip and are adapted to many commercial uses are being manufactured in E. A fibrous material mixed with seaweed and the boards are produced under pressure. Hardness can be increased by higher pressure.

Hear Dr. Harold G. Cooke, Sunday morning at the First Methodist Church, Doss Bible Class, 10 a. m.; church services, 11 a. m.

## Baseball Oldtimers



Baseball stars of another era made their appearance at the Polo grounds where the three New York teams, Yankees, Dodgers and Giants, played a three-cornered game for the Fifth War Loan drive. Admission was only by purchase of war bonds.



**SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Raymond C. Wilson, Pastor

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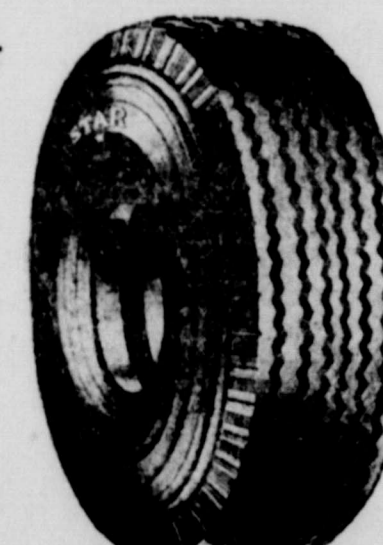
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# 4-H Club Encampment Is Closed Today Noon

The encampment for 4-H club boys of Runnels county ended this (Thursday) afternoon after one of the most successful meetings in the history of the organization. Attendance was about 130, every club in the county being represented.

The boys arrived here Wednesday afternoon and were registered at city park, where they set up camp, made their bunks and got ready for the night.

In a softball tournament held Wednesday afternoon the Rowena club won. Swimming and other sports provided entertainment until the program started Wednesday night.

Speakers for Wednesday evening and this morning included County Judge E. C. Grindstaff, who talked on the part 4-H club boys have had in the national food program. Herman Hulsey, of the West Texas Utilities Co., spoke on farm accident prevention, and C. W. Simmons, of the A. & M. College extension service, talked on the forestry program. West Texas woodlands, including mesquite and other native trees, were given special attention.

In a business session Corky Hensley, of Wingate, was elected president of the county council, and Marvin Haechten, secretary.

W. J. Halfmann, adult leader of the Olfen club, helped to serve his fourteenth annual barbecue today noon. His club also had 100 per cent attendance at the encampment.

Meat for the barbecue was provided by Mr. Halfmann, Claude Thompson, Fred Mapes and I. V. Pearson.

The clubbers had as guests for the barbecue dinner a large number of local business men, and approximately 200 people were fed at the noon hour.

Soon after noon the boys were given another swim and the Ballinger Board of Community Development provided them with free picture show tickets for the afternoon matinee.

### BUS JAMS HELP IRISH BUMS

DUBLIN, July 26.—Itinerant musicians and beggars are profiting from the transportation jams in Dublin. The forming of queues to wait for places in the buses keeps the "audience" together, and there is no chance for them to walk away from the outstretched hand.

Hear Dr. Harold G. Cooke, Sunday morning at the First Methodist Church, Doss Bible Class, 10 a. m.; church services, 11 a. m.

### HOSPITAL NOTES

Mrs. Fred Farmer, operated on at the Bailey Clinic-Hospital last week, is improving and will be dismissed late this afternoon.

Mrs. E. J. Glass, of Maverick, is improving satisfactorily at the Bailey hospital following surgery last week.

The condition of Mrs. J. A. McElroy, operated on Tuesday morning at the local hospital, is said to be satisfactory this afternoon.

Miss Ozzie Folkes, county home demonstration agent, is recovering from an appendectomy performed last week at the Bailey hospital.

W. L. Stiefel, who underwent surgery last week, is improving steadily and will soon be able to return home.

Mrs. W. E. Moss was operated on this morning at the Bailey hospital and is resting well this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Parks, Ballinger star route, are the parents of an 8 pound 11 ounce son, born at the Bailey clinic Wednesday night. The mother and baby are both doing nicely.

The condition of Mrs. Bob Straley a medical patient at the local hospital, was so satisfactory today that prospects were she would be dismissed late this evening.

Jim Dankworth, who has had typhus fever for the past ten days, was entered in the clinic Wednesday night for treatment. His condition today was little changed.

### Card of Thanks

I wish to express my appreciation to all those who supported me with their votes in the primary election last Saturday in which I was made Democratic nominee for the office of constable, precinct No. 1. While I had no opposition for the office, I deeply appreciate the splendid vote I received and will strive to attend to all duties of the office during the term. Again I say thank you.

C. G. CAPE 11'

Mr. and Mrs. Nile Broyles and two children, of Corpus Christi, arrived here the first of the week for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brewer and other relatives.

### Making Tin Cans Becomes Intricate and Fantastic

Off hand a tin can is one of the simplest things in the world to make. And in truth it is, if you make it slowly. But when cans come off the line many times faster than you could possibly count the whole thing becomes intricate and fantastic.

First a machine cuts the flat sheets into smaller rectangular pieces. The next machine bends them around into a cylinder. That is done by two hand-like hammers on each side of a solid shaft. These hammers strike as fast as you could pound on a table and with each stroke they have fashioned a can.

The tin cylinder now slides on down this long steel shaft. And as it slides it is automatically soldered together, automatically cooled, the rough edges of solder taken off with a grinding wheel and the cans twirled onto an upward moving belt at the end.

The final apparatus is a testing machine. The lidless can is forced against a rubber cushion which makes it airtight. A slug of compressed air is shot into the can. Little instruments record it for 30 seconds. If a can loses more than 2 per cent of its air pressure the machine automatically kicks it out into an old box and it is thrown away.

If you stand in one spot and trace a row of cans from the beginning to the end, you'll get awfully dizzy and you'll have the giggles, too.

### 'Typhoid Vaccination' May Cure Leper Victims

A new light of hope shines for the leper—for those millions of human beings whose kind for centuries have been outcasts, doomed to die a miserable, lingering death. The light comes halfway around the planet, from Thailand—formerly Siam.

Treatments are "substantially as simple as typhoid vaccination." The most startling results were accomplished simply by injecting diphtheria antitoxin and toxoid.

Dr. Douglas Ross Collier, of the Chingmai, Thailand, leprosyarium said:

"Just what the final results will be, I cannot say. In a disease such as leprosy, where there is a long incubation period, and which is characterized normally by long periods of improvement and regression, considerably more time must elapse before results can be adjudged with certainty.

"It would appear, however, that in the use of toxoid and antitoxin, we have a treatment which far surpasses any other method yet known. Results are obtained in a few weeks that formerly were seen only after months or years of treatment. While the earlier cases seem to return to normal much faster, all types seem to receive positive and definite benefit. This leads us to hope that the results in many cases will be permanent."

### Preparing Livestock for Shipping

Too much care cannot be taken as to the preparation of livestock for shipping. Livestock should never be fed just before loading, either in cars or trucks. While this is true of all types of livestock, it is particularly true of hogs. Never feed hogs less than three or four hours before loading. The vibration set up by any means of transportation aids in heating the blood of the animal and they ride very poorly. During the summer months hogs should not be moved any distance in hot weather if it can be avoided. Some shippers are of the opinion that animals will shrink too much if not fed just before loading. This is not the case and in fact they will ride had and shrink more if fed at loading time. It is much better to have livestock arrive in good shape than to gain an extra pound in weight as the difference in appearance will be more than offset by the difference in price that a good-appearing animal will command.

### Reciprocal Obligation

Being a fervent collector of autographs, Andrew Carnegie once asked a friend who was visiting Germany to obtain the autograph of the German biologist-philosopher, Ernst Haeckel, who had recently published his startling book, "The Riddle of the Universe." Some weeks later Carnegie received the autograph of the wily Haeckel. The philosopher had written: "Professor Haeckel of the University of Jena acknowledges the receipt of a new high-power microscope for the biological institute of the university and deeply thanks Mr. Andrew Carnegie for the gift." Mr. Carnegie's canny Scotch blood appreciated the hint. He promptly forwarded the microscope to the university.

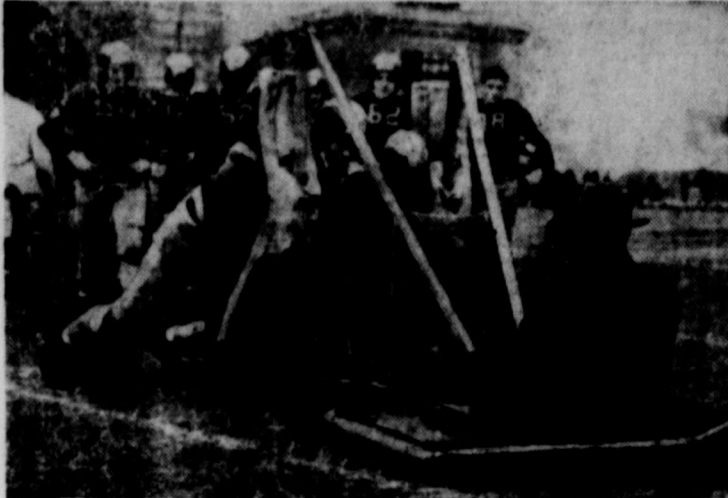
### Monster's Footprints Discovered

The footprint of a strange amphibian that wallowed in the mud and vegetation covering Pennsylvania's anthracite region 245,000,000 years ago has been preserved for science. The discovery was made deep in the East Boston mine, some distance from the town of Luzerne, by Roland T. Bird, paleontologist for the American Museum of Natural History. "Amphibians such as left their imprint on the slab I found here," explained Bird, "were the first vertebrates able to leave the water and exist for any time on land."

### TWO FINED FOR COOKING MAYOR'S BLACK TOMCAT

LA ROCHELLE, France, July 26.—Because they cooked a "splendid black tomcat" belonging to Mayor Godard of La Rochelle, two cooks were fined, but the magistrate was sympathetic. He fined Joseph Bonard only \$7 and Robert Baron \$4.50. Who ate the cat was not revealed.

### Navy Gridders Open Training Season



Putting enough steam into their work to weigh many an anchor, gridiron huskies of the U. S. naval academy at Annapolis, Md., smack into the bucking machine as they open spring training. An intrepid newsreel "photog" supplies incidental ballast for the machine as he makes a closeup of two plunging linesmen.

### Addresses Monetary Conference



Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr. addresses the opening meeting of the Bretton Woods Monetary conference, now meeting to discuss the reconversion of industry back to a peacetime basis and the means of encouraging international investments and other financial problems that will arise in the postwar period.

### Portable Kitchen for Nazis on Eastern Front



This picture, received through a neutral source, shows members of a German anti-aircraft gun crew snatching a few moments from Russian air attack to grab a bite to eat, somewhere on the Russian front. The food which they seem to be eating with great relish, apparently was prepared on a portable stove.

Miss Louise Hash, of Ballinger, is one of the 3,850 students registered in the 1944 summer session at Northwestern University, Evansville, Ill. The above enrollment does not include 1,050 in the navy V-12 program nor the enrollment in the dental and medical schools.

J. P. Flynt is here from South Texas for a visit with his family. He has been serving with the state rangers in the Beaumont district since the beginning of the war. Mr. Flynt arrived home in time to cast his ballot in the first primary Saturday.

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

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Atkins and son, of Bryan, are here this week for a visit with Mrs. H. J. Atkins and Miss Griffie Atkins. Wednesday marked twelve years since Mr. Atkins left Ballinger to become manager of the Southwestern States Telephone Co. at Bryan.

Peggy Lou Hughey, of Longview, is here for a visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McMillan.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kirk and daughter, Karol, of Austin, are here for a short vacation and to visit relatives and friends.

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The first Democratic primary in Runnels county was a quiet affair with one of the smallest totals in history recorded. The lack of interest, because there were no county or district contests, attracted only about one-third of the eligible voters of the county. It has been decided that a second primary will be held, however, and with no precinct, county, district, and only about one or two state races it will require only about one man in each county box to handle the voters. Election managers last Saturday experienced considerable trouble getting clerks to help but the crews on duty had little to do during the day and all boxes were tallied soon after the polls closed.

Plans are being made now for the United War Chest drive in the fall, starting about October 5. The campaign will be about the same as in 1943, with a large number of war service organizations to benefit from the total. All are worthy and are working directly with the men in uniform, making their hitch more bearable and providing them with a few comforts and a little entertainment. A county chairman will be designated soon and the county organization formed to conduct the drive.

The Ballinger chapter of the Future Farmers of America is making a good record and in the fall a group of fifty boys will begin study in vocational agriculture classes and work with actual projects. The chapter hopes to build a demonstration and project barn at the edge of the city, and the boys have already bought war bonds for this purpose. These bonds have been supplemented by bonds bought in their names and contributed by a number of firms and individuals, and the fund will remain open so that anyone who desires to help may do so. The barn could be used to good advantage during each school year. Anyone who believes in this splendid training and would like to show their appreciation is invited to investigate and if a donation is decided on any size bond will be accepted.

**LT. GARLYN HOFFMAN  
AWARDED AIR MEDAL**

AN EIGHTH AAF FIGHTER STATION, England—"For exceptionally meritorious service in aerial flight over enemy-occupied continental Europe," the air medal has been awarded to Lieutenant Garlyn O. Hoffman, of Talpa. It was announced by 8th AAF fighter command headquarters.

A citation, which came with the award read in part: "The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Lieut. Hoffman reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States."

Lieut. Hoffman recently scored a "shootless" victory over the Luftwaffe when a German fighter which was endeavoring to elude Hoffman collided with another Nazi plane. Both Jerries went down in flames.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Hoffman, route 2, Teipa (Benoit), the 23-year-old Mustang pilot was graduated from the Ballinger high school in 1939, and entered the air corps in June, 1942.

He received his wings in October, 1943.

**Notice of Hearing on Proposed  
County Budget**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Runnels County, Texas, will convene on August 16, 1944, at 2:00 o'clock p. m. in the office of the County Judge for the purpose of having a public hearing on the proposed County Budget for the year 1945, which proposed budget has been prepared and a copy filed with the County Clerk of said County. Any tax payer of said County shall have the right to be present and participate in said hearing. Witness my official signature and seal of office on this 22nd day of July, 1944.

E. C. GRINDSTAFF,  
County Judge of Runnels County,  
Texas.

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**Wounded Flown Over Atlantic to Home Hospitals**



Yank heroes wounded at Normandy are being loaded aboard transport planes in Scotland for return to hospitals in the United States. Pfc. Christian J. Mohr of Kenosha, Wis. (right) at transport command, Ft. Wick, Scotland, before he started the long air-ride. Mohr was one of fourteen wounded veterans of the Normandy fighting, making up the first full plane load of wounded flown to the United States. Upon arrival at Mitchell Field, New York, they were rushed into waiting ambulances for dash to nearby hospitals. Army tries to send wounded to hospitals nearest their homes.



**WEST TEXAS  
NOTES**

A representative of the internal revenue bureau was in Coleman last week and left tickets on about fifty cars asking the owners to appear at the federal building and show why they did not have use stamps displayed on their windshields. Many excuses were offered but most of those summoned bought stamps and each also left \$5 penalty with the collector.

Eastland county 4-H club boys will assemble for their annual encampment at Lake Cisco on August 3 and 4. Club boys from Stephens, Palo Pinto and Shackelford counties have been invited to join them. An educational program as well as games and other recreation have been arranged and a large group of boys is expected to be present.

A number of business houses at Winters are being remodeled and improved. Another business note is that the Lone Star Gas Co. is opening a downtown office and storeroom for convenience of patrons in the Winters area. The Winters office was closed several years ago and since then business has been handled through the Ballinger district office.

Leland Glass has opened a new \$25,000 frozen food locker plant at Sweetwater. Operated in connection with Glass' grocery and market, the plant was put in operation Monday of last week. Over 300 of the lockers were contracted before the construction began.

Work started last week on a \$28,000 factory at Brownwood for making Sidran sportswear. Building material and equipment have been obtained and the contractors

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anticipate little trouble in completing the building. When operating at full capacity the plant will employ 250 people.

The Paint Rock free library will be kept open each Monday the remainder of summer. A number of new and interesting books and many magazines have been added to the shelves recently.

The Bronte night watchman, who also operates a filling station and sells gas to travelers who come through at off hours, was surprised recently after waiting on a party of motorists when a \$500 bill was presented in payment. The watchman could not make the change but the account was settled by the men who dug deeper into their pockets. The group had been shearing sheep in several states and had the money for clipping 96,000 head.

A new water well at Stephenville has been put on the pump and is making 250 gallons per minute under test. The well cost the city \$6,309 but officials think they got a bargain. Water consumption at Stephenville has been increasing and on a single day last week the Santa Fe took water on 27 trains. Shortages of water at several points on the Ft. Worth-Brownwood branch of the Santa Fe causes many trains to take water there.

Top rams and ewes owned by leading breeders of the state will go through the auction ring at the annual sale at Junction on July 28.

Menard citizens are again being asked to sign up as blood donors for the Red Cross. A traveling unit will visit Menard or a nearby town soon at which time it is hoped to have enough signers to keep the crew busy one day. One big caravan of Menard citizens went to Mason for this purpose not long ago.

George Willis, formerly assistant Comanche county superintendent, has accepted the superintendency

of the Gustine schools. He will move his family to Gustine soon and arrange for the opening of the fall term.

The Melvin American Legion post has launched a cigarette-donation campaign for overseas soldiers. The first shipment of \$50 worth was made last week and the fund had a balance of \$30, which is expected to increase so another shipment can be made before the end of this month.

Lt.-Col. Roy A. Webb, of Brady, recently added the fourth victim to his list when he shot down an enemy plane over Germany. The pilot of a P-51 Mustang in a letter to his wife told of the battle in which he gave the retreating Nazi plane three bursts at a low altitude, the German plane diving into a house and exploding.

Officers and directors of the Comanche County Livestock Association have announced that the 1944 show will be held on August 11. An official session was held last week to decide the date and transact other business. The annual show will be concluded with the membership meeting and barbecue at Lake Eanes.

**CONSUMER DURABLE GOODS  
SURVEY MADE IN COUNTY;  
CEILING PRICES OBSERVED**

Dee Oliver, chairman of the Runnels county war price and rationing board, reports that a consumer durable goods survey was made the past week of all stores stocking used furniture, used refrigerators, used vacuum cleaners, used washing machines, used bedsprings, and used gas ranges. The only new item surveyed was ice boxes. Practically all used items as well as new items are under ceiling prices. These ceiling prices apply not only to dealers but to all individuals. Any individual wishing to dispose of household goods should inquire of the ceiling price of each article to be sold. Purchasers are also subject to these regulations. Anyone who deliberately sells or purchases above the ceiling price is subject to three times the amount of the overcharge.

Any individual who feels that he has been overcharged on a sale should report the information to the local board where an investigation will be made. All complaints are handled confidentially. Only through the full cooperation of the people in Runnels county can prices be held at present levels and further inflation be avoided, it was pointed out.

Rev. Monroe J. Matthiesen is spending a three weeks' vacation at home with relatives and friends. He and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Matthiesen, Irene, Olga, Arnold and Norbert Matthiesen spent a few days in San Antonio last week, visiting relatives and friends.

Pencil and typewriter erasers at Ledger office.

**Masons of District  
Hear Grand Master  
Here Friday Night**

A number of Masons of this section of West Texas assembled in Ballinger Friday evening for a meeting with the Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas Claude L. Austin, of Dallas. Twenty-two lodges were represented and all lodges in this immediate vicinity had large delegations present.

The first session was held at city park, where the Ballinger lodge was host at a fish fry. The meal was served by members of the local Eastern Star.

After the meal all present went to the First Baptist Church for a tiled meeting in which Ballinger officers were in all stations for the opening and closing.

After the opening the worshipful grand master was escorted to the east by the deputy grand master, J. M. Williams, of Ballinger. Nat Williams, worshipful master of the Ballinger lodge, presented the distinguished visitor who spoke to the group on Masonry and brought a stirring message to those present. The speaker praised the church and asked all present to pledge with him attendance at the church of their choice during the year. He referred to the present world conflict and pointed out to Masons the service they could render by visiting in the homes of veterans from their lodge who are serving in the armed forces.

Lodges represented were: San Angelo, Miles, Sonora, Ozona, Paint Rock, Eden, Wingate, Norton, Talpa, Coleman, Ovalo, Tuscola, Big Spring, Mineral Wells, Dallas, Bronte, Robert Lee, Gouldsburg, Voss, San Antonio and Mertzon.

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**SMALL TOWN HIGH SCHOOL  
GRADUATES DECLARED BEST  
JUNIOR COLLEGE STUDENTS**

AUSTIN, July 26.—Small town high school graduates make the best students in junior colleges, Dean John Thomas Davis of John Tarleton College told the third annual junior college conference at the University of Texas recently.

"Large school systems run students through in mill lots, so that they acquire a facile memory to reproduce needed facts on examinations," he asserted, "but they never learn to think."

Dean Davis cited one chemistry class at John Tarleton which made an exceptionally poor record. A check revealed that every class member came from one of the state's largest cities and all had "flunked out" of A. & M. before entering Tarleton.

"All those students had average or superior I. Q., but they had never learned to use thought processes, and knew nothing of how to study," he said.

Sgt. and Mrs. Langino Massey, the former stationed at Good-fellow Field, San Angelo, visited in Ballinger the past week-end.

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# SOCIETY and CLUBS

## Shaffers Are Hosts at Watermelon Supper

Mr. and Mrs. John Shaffer were hosts at a game party following a watermelon supper in City Park Sunday evening honoring a group of flight instructors and their wives who have recently come to Ballinger. Mr. and Mrs. Shaffer formerly lived at Ft. Worth.

Included were: Messrs. and Mrs. Virgil Russell, George Cashner Scott, George Simmons, Donald Nichols, Sgt. and Mrs. Harvey Kerns, Messrs. C. D. Fladabe, Oran Crouch, Dick Johns, Ernest Friesen, and J. A. Skaliky; Janice and Ronald Simmons, Johnny Russell, and Bobby Nichols.

## Home is Scene of Baptist Alathean Meet

Mrs. J. B. Arterburn, Weldon Howell, Drury Hathaway and R. T. Williams were hostesses Tuesday evening in the beautiful garden at the Williams home on Broadway to the First Baptist Alathean Class.

Vantage placings of cut flowers gave added beauty to the natural setting where Mrs. A. O. Bartlett, vice-president, conducted the business period. Mrs. W. E. Elkins, teacher, named the nominating committee personnel, as follows: Mmes. R. E. Truly, Fred Holliday and Henry Doss. Monthly exchange of pal gifts was made, and new names drawn.

Homemade peach ice cream was served with angel cake. Others present were: Mmes. Ruth Bankston, E. P. Talbott, C. W. Jennings, R. P. Canady, Paul Best, Mollie Morgan, O. C. Sykes, Everitt Witter, A. T. Buchanan, L. A. Faubion, L. B. Rudder, J. H. Parrish, E. H. Perry, Elmer Shepperd, and James Wear. Theresa Jon Elkins and Mary Ann Buchanan.

## Three Are Hostesses to Methodist Virginia Douglass Class

Methodist Virginia Douglass Class members were guests of Mmes. Edward Sommer, George Newby, and W. O. Irby Tuesday evening in the Sommer home on Ninth Street.

A profusion of varied summer flowers in many color tones were arranged about party rooms where Mrs. Newby was presiding officer and Mrs. J. W. Guynes gave the devotional. Daisies formed the centerpiece for the lace-laid dining table where hostesses served sandwiches and cookies with punch.

Others present were: Mmes. H. G. Agnew, Henry Moody, J. C. Green, E. L. Rampy, M. L. Bowden, W. E. Moss, Pat Woods, Ruel Boswell, M. E. McClenney, Tom McEntire, and Miss Grifflie Atkins.

## Mrs. Johnson is Hostess to Officers Wives

Mrs. Bruce Johnson entertained the Officers Wives Club Tuesday afternoon in her attractive Third Street home.

Mrs. W. T. Seibert was winner of the high score and bingo trophies, and Mrs. Elbert Black of second high. A dessert plate was served. Others were: Mmes. W. L. Morlen, Gayle Hoard, Louis A. Handrick, D. G. Thomason, and Miss Ann Cressy.

## Kaydettes Elect Officers

Mrs. Jack Domergue presided for the regular meeting of the Kaydettes Tuesday afternoon at the Army and Navy Club. Mrs. Alex McGregor, club hostess, announced that about 70 wives were guests at the field last Thursday evening; that the graduation dance for 44K would be held Saturday evening in one of the hangars at Bruce Field with WASPS from Avenger Field as special guests; and that the afternoon tea to compliment Kaydettes of 44K would be given next Tuesday at 2:30 by Class 45A.

Officers elected were: Mrs. J. W. Corbin, president; Mrs. Charles Clause, vice-president; Mrs. K. P. Kelstrup, secretary; Mrs. George Armstrong, treasurer; and Mrs. J. R. Kelly, reporter. Entertainment

committee members are: Mmes. Paul Leaf, Ernest Clauson, Robert Cowan, Charles Jordan, Donald Haehn, Harold Matteson; and Klein; and refreshment committee: Mmes. T. J. Anderson, Lon Fox, Rilla Millican, Orville Burger, Lois Burge, and Delbert Brown.

Mrs. Walter Cole directed games and Eskimo pies were served.

## Mrs. Apts Entertains Club

Mrs. E. C. Apts entertained her contract club Tuesday in the home of Mrs. Jerry Church on Fourth Street.

Pink and white baby mums gave a pretty floral adornment to rooms where morning games of contract were followed by a two-course luncheon at the noon hour. High guest prize went to Mrs. W. L. Barber, and bingos to Mmes. B. C. Roberts, Jr., K. K. Hoffman, and Roy Worley. Others were: Mmes. E. L. Ingram and Church.

## Know Your Neighbors Meet in Park

Mrs. Rothal O'Kelly was hostess to Know Your Neighbors Wednesday afternoon, entertaining with the usual informal sewing hour in the Nook in City Park.

Homemade peach ice cream and cake were served. Included were: Mmes. Edward Walsh, LeRoy McAulay, John Barton, J. H. Endacott, Joe Flynn, Ernest Moody, L. C. Adair, Jack Nixon, Sr., Cecil Jones, Dee Saylor, Malcolm Morgan, and Bill Clark.

## Engagement of Ballinger Man Announced

Mrs. Joseph P. Murphy, of Washington, D. C., has announced the engagement of her daughter, Lois Virginia Evans, to Clyde Holliday, son of Mrs. George Holliday of Ballinger.

Miss Evans attended the American University in Washington and Mr. Holliday was a student at Texas A. & M. College after graduating from the Ballinger high school. Both are now in the applied physics laboratory of Johns Hopkins University. They plan to be married in the fall and will make home in Washington for the duration.

## Wanda Jean Williams is Feted on Birthday

Wanda Jean (Kien) Williams was guest of honor on her seventh birthday anniversary when her mother, Mrs. J. M. Williams, gave a party for her Tuesday afternoon in City Park.

After an hour of directed play on the park equipment and games, Mrs. Williams was assisted by Mrs. R. V. Pinson and Mrs. O. G. Joiner in serving ice cream and soda pop with the birthday cake, which was decorated in pink and white and topped with tiny pink candles. Pink sweet peas were decorations around the cake. Favors were attractive bags of chewing gum and candy.

Children included were: Nancy Pinson, Helen Kennedy, Louise Miller, Della Glover, Patricia and Elaine Zappe, Margaret Ann Hampton, Tookie Wade, Anne Stasney, Billy Mess, Julius Kilough, Barbara and Gary Joiner, Malene Isaacs, Janice Church, Brenda and Norma Pratt, Mary Jo Forman, Mickey Hart, and Jimmy Williams.

Three Honored by Miss Cheatham  
Miss Jeanne Thorp, of Austin; Miss Peggy Lindsey, of Lubbock; and Mrs. David Caudle, of Great Bend, Kansas, were honor guests Monday evening at an affair given by Miss Carolyn Cheatham at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Cheatham, in Wilke Terrace.

Supper was served in the backyard to the honor guests, Misses June Wright, Natilyne Williams, Charlotte Miller, Fat Richards, Virginia Bell, Ann Guynes, Virginia Routh, Pauline Witter and Joanne Glover.

## Breakfast and Swim Party for Visitor

Miss Jeanne Thorp was honored this morning with a no-host

breakfast and swim party at the Ballinger Country Club.

Others included were: Misses Charlotte Miller, Carolyn Cheatham, June Wright, Natilyne Williams, Virginia Bell, Joanne Glover and Pauline Witter.

## Bomb Scars Erased By Plastic Surgeons

LONDON, July 26.—In the ring of base hospitals that have sprung up in the country around London, 100,000 beds are now available for military and air raid casualties. Here the world's most famous plastic surgeons, headed by Sir Harold Gillies, are working daily to restore the beauty of women bomb victims and to cure burns and wounds.

Many men, seriously wounded at Dunkirk, have been cured in a way that, during the last war, would have been thought miraculous. Many were badly burned; others had terrible face injuries. Skin was grafted on to their faces from other parts of their bodies, and though in some cases the cure will take two years, results are said to be amazing.

The plastic surgeons include an American and a Spaniard. Before the war their services were sought by wealthy society women anxious to improve their beauty and ready to pay fabulous prices. Now a woman air raid patient, however many delicate operations she requires, gets them free. The Ministry of Health pays the surgeons, who work for comparatively modest fees.

Patients who would have died of shock a generation ago are restored to health. Others, whose facial injuries would have prevented them ever living a normal life again are given new faces which will take on all the characteristics of the old.

Sometimes these operations take many months, but there are expert psychologists at the hospitals to keep the patients smiling and happy. Then, too, they are taught new and interesting handicrafts and, when convalescent, play croquet or tennis in the extensive hospital grounds. They are never allowed to lie alone in bed in private rooms. None of the women and girls are shy or self-conscious about their injuries and no one suffers from self-pity. Then even joke about their temporary disfigurements and many think their new faces will be better than their old ones.

Though the London hospitals carry on, they evacuate air-raid patients as soon as possible to country counterparts. Guy's country retreat in Kent is to be known as Guy's U. S. A. hospital, since the mansion in which it is lodged has been converted with the aid of the American Bundles for Britain fund. It contains over 100 beds to be used either by civilian sick or air-raid casualties.

## VENEZUELAN INLAND WATER POSSIBILITIES ARE STUDIED

CARACAS, July 26.—To ascertain inland waterway possibilities, a technical mission from the United States is making a study of Venezuela. The transportation system has developed weaknesses under war conditions. Automotive transport on which the country depends so largely is handicapped by shortages of tires and spare parts. Recently freight rates between the principal entry port and Caracas were revised to insure greater transportation economy. One company which operates a coastwise service will extend its activities in such a way as to bring the western and eastern parts of the country into closer communication.

## 'Chute Doesn't Open

When his 'chute didn't open a paratrooper at Camp McArthur grabbed at the chute of his buddy. Both paratroopers hit the earth hard but were not seriously injured in the fall.

## Veterans at New Secret Base



Serzt. G. S. McCall of Augusta, Ga., meets two young Russian women soldiers at one of the new secret air bases in Russia being used by U. S. planes for shuttle bombing. Both women are 21 years old and veterans of the battles of Leningrad and Stalingrad. Several of these bases are now being operated by U. S. air forces in Russia.

## Fall Gardens Present Problems Not Found In Spring Vegetables

COLLEGE STATION, July 26.—Fall gardens which will compare favorably with those grown last spring can be produced, according to Jimmie Rosborough, horticulturist for Texas A. & M. College extension service. He warns, however, that fall gardening will present a few problems which did not affect the spring crop and that a few extra precautions will be necessary.

In preparing the soil for the fall garden, he advises that all refuse from the spring crops be removed from the ground, along with the weeds and grass which have grown up during the summer. If this material is plowed under, it will not decompose but will mold, heat and dry out the soil. The material also will interfere with cultivation throughout the growing season. The soil should not be broken more than four or five inches for the fall garden as a deep seed bed requires more moisture.

If well rotted barnyard fertilizer is available it should be scattered evenly over the entire garden and plowed or spaded into the soil. Rosborough warns that it is usually best to omit commercial fertilizer in those areas where the annual rainfall does not exceed 30 inches and on heavy tight soils.

Crops and varieties which are especially adapted for fall production should be selected. The horticulturist reminds gardeners that all phases of the fall garden program will be discussed in a series of radio talks to be given on the "fall garden school of the air" as a part of the Texas farm and home program during September. The broadcasts are scheduled at 6 a. m. on Mondays and Fridays. A complete kit of garden information which supplements the radio programs will be mailed to those who enroll for this course. Enrollments can be

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## Any Feed Makes Silage But Some Better for Cattle

COLLEGE STATION, July 26.—Feed in a silo will keep indefinitely, says E. R. Eudaly, dairy husbandman for the A. & M. College extension service. Some crops make better silage, but anything which cattle will eat is good filling for the silo.

It is not necessary to have a big crew and fill the trench in a day or two, Eudaly explains. A farmer with one helper could fill a 20-foot section of a 100 by 6 foot trench in three days by putting down a two foot layer daily. In this way the trench could be filled completely in 15 days, using a cutter or by "shingling" in the bundles. In upright or pit silos, however, bundles could not be used.

Groups like corn, grain sorghums and sweet sorghums may be handled in the same manner for making silage. Other crops or groups, require different treatment. If any of the former group is destined for the silo immediately after cutting the grain should be in the stiff dough stage. If the majority of the leaves are a healthy green and then chopped into half-inch length or less, no water need be added. If the feed is put down in bundles enough water should be added to dampen it.

On the other hand if the majority of the leaves are dry and little juice is in the stalk enough water should be added, even when chopped, to dampen the feed. Bundles should be wet thoroughly. The protein content of corn and grain and sweet sorghums in the stiff dough stage is five to six per cent. To increase the protein, cut

made by mailing a card to the "Fall Garden School of the Air," in care of the Extension Service, College Station, Texas.

## German War Youth



This "baby-faced" Nazi youth captured by Allied armies at Oberburg, although only 16, is a finished product of Nazi schooling and ideology and well taught in the art and science of war.

the sorghums in the bloom stage and the corn in the milk stage, and allow them to lay in the field until about half dry enough to bale for hay. When put in the trench add enough water to dampen it.

Johnson grass, which if saved is abundant enough to feed all of the cattle in Texas, and sudan grass make good silage. But if put into the silo immediately the seed should be in the stiff dough stage. In that state the protein content will be about six per cent, but if these grasses are cut before handling the silage will analyze from 12 to 14 per cent protein. However, these grasses when cut before heading should be allowed to lay until two-thirds dry enough to bale for hay before being stored in the silo, Eudaly says.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Edmondson and children, Robert and Fredna, and Mrs. J. E. Gartman, of Comanche, were here Sunday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cook.

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## B. C. D. Committee Chairmen Report At July Meeting

The regular July meeting of the Ballinger Board of Community Development was held last Thursday night at the city hall office, most of the directors attending.

A resolution was passed setting out in the minutes who has the management and use of the sound projector bought some time ago for presenting programs in this county. This equipment was bought principally for use of the farm agent and the Ballinger vocational agriculture teacher. Later its use was requested by Red Cross and other groups. A committee composed of O. C. Styles, chairman, J. M. Williams, John A. Barton, D. G. Posey and G. G. Harwell, was set up to look after the apparatus. After hearing the resolution the directory board named Joe Forman, secretary of the B. C. D., to succeed Mr. Harwell, who has moved from the city.

A nominating committee, composed of A. O. Bartlett, Ed Lengefeld and H. G. Agnew, was named to present names for the new planning board.

Reports were given by K. V. Northington and Joe Forman on the recent short course at College Station which dealt with air-ports. Mr. Northington said advice received was not to be in a hurry to get rid of what the city owned here, that the Ballinger field was well known and wanted by many.

A report on the water situation given by E. Shepherd said paper work was being completed on the Elm Creek survey and the com-

mitting engineer would soon make a detailed report to the city commission.

O. L. Huddleston, chairman of the finance committee, reported that a total of \$367.17 was raised to pay incidental expenses of the 5th war loan drive. The secretary stated that \$118.71 was spent during the current campaign, leaving a balance of \$248.46, which will be carried over to the 6th war loan drive.

Reports were made by the trade service committee chairman, W. D. Howell, who praised the merchants for their willingness to close for special bond rallies, and from the war activities committee chairman, W. B. May, who praised citizens in general for their great work in the war bond drive which went over the top by a large margin.

### FATHER'S SUITS GO TO MOTHER, DAUGHTER

MELBOURNE, July 26.—Suits that belong to father are finding their way into Australian tailor shops to be made over for mother or even daughter. All a wife has to do is to take husband's suit to a tailor and get a woman's suit of finest cut for not more than \$15. Exhibits in display windows of a fashionable Melbourne store attract long queues of women all day.

The thrifty regard with calculating eyes what they could do with father's suit to obtain the same elegant effects. No ration coupons are required for these renovations, and this in itself is a temptation to women who have already spent their coupons.

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## WITCH TREASURE HUNT IN RHODESIA RESUMED

JOHANNESBURG, Union of South Africa, July 26.—One of the strangest archaeological expeditions ever organized is about to resume digging for the witch treasure of Zimbabwe in southern Rhodesia. Work was suspended when Commander Shepherd-Cross of the royal navy was called up at the outset of the war. One of his aides, Miss Billy Theron, archaeologist, is back in Johannesburg from the Middle East, to start work again.

The location of the supposed treasure was revealed by a witch doctor when he was paid \$400 by Commander Shepherd-Cross. The expedition defied orthodox opinion and used divining rods to determine where to begin digging. The place selected by a professional diviner was confirmed by a spiritualistic medium. According to Miss Theron, the expedition found proofs of Babylonian civilization.

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## Big Pull Behind Allied Push



Not far behind the Allied Fifth and Eighth armies who are pushing the Germans out of Italy come the hundreds of refugee families who are taking the road back to their homes. This family is typical. Lacking transportation, the family uses its man (and woman) power to haul its worldly possessions on a farm cart.

## FARMERS ASKED TO GET TURKEYS READY EARLY FOR SOLDIERS OVERSEAS

COLLEGE STATION, July 26.—Texas farmers and those in 23 other states have been requested by the war food administration to set aside their marketable turkeys to provide Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's dinners for the fighting forces at home and abroad.

Under an order which became effective July 17, 100 per cent of the turkeys marketed and processed in Texas are required to be set aside for purchase by the quartermaster corps. This means that until the full requirement of the armed forces is met, Texas producers can sell only to authorized processors or to dealers buying turkeys for processors. The birds must be slaughtered by authorized processors and held for sale and delivery to the quartermaster corps either directly, or through wholesalers or from cold storage.

"Generally speaking," said Ted Martin, poultryman for the A. & M. College extension service, "this means marketing turkeys through many of the outlets the producers are in the habit of using. The all-important thing, however, is to market them as early as possible so that they can be delivered abroad in time to serve Thanksgiving dinners to the men on the fighting fronts on land and sea."

Where there are no authorized processors or turkey buyers purchasing under the order in a given locality, producers who wish to market turkeys may obtain the name of processors from either the officer in charge, Quartermaster Market Center, attention poultry section, Produce Terminal Building, 1201 Jones Street, Fort Worth 2, or to a similar source at 409 Milam Building, 115 West Travis Street, San Antonio 5.

The actual quantity required for holiday dinners for all of the armed forces is not disclosed, but the WFA estimated it is likely to exceed the 35,000,000 pounds obtained under a set-aside order

last year. While the 1944 Texas turkey crop is large, Martin said that it was not possible now to approximate the percentage which might be finished for the holiday dinner pool. The contribution last year was substantial, and already spring laying hen turkeys had been marketed under a preliminary set-aside order which recently was terminated.

Joe Forman, secretary-manager of the Ballinger Board of Community Development, is in Dallas this week, attending a meeting of Texas chambers of commerce secretaries. Sessions, to be held a full week, will deal largely with post-war activities and plans for projects.

## Chinese Wash Day



After a hard day in the field growing food for Maj. Gen. Claire Chennault's air troops, Chinese farm women wash their clothes in a small stream, before getting night meal. China is furnishing all food required by the American aviators.

## WHITE-COLLAR WORKERS MAN ENGLISH WAR PLANTS

LONDON, July 26.—Hundreds of workers in twenty war factories of the Midlands of England are able to get Saturday afternoon and night off because white-collar workers of a certain town take over their jobs. This town has a volunteer labor service run by F. C. Halliwell. It has grown rapidly this year and its membership is now 1,000, made up of clerks, storekeepers and teachers.

"We don't help factories working a five-and-a-half-day week," Halliwell explained, "but only those working under pressure and in need of spare labor, so that men and women doing heavy jobs can get a rest." The volunteers work eight hours Sunday and Saturday afternoon. Many have become experts and form noble groups which go to any plant to take over urgent tasks.

## ELECTRIC CYCLE INVENTED

BELFAST, Northern Ireland, July 26.—Fuel shortages do not worry the inventor of an electric bicycle, W. Murphy. He uses two six-volt batteries. The current passes to a dynamotor, specially wound for the purpose, and the drive to the front wheel is by means of a belt. The speed is fourteen miles an hour, and the mileage from twenty-five to thirty per charge.

## Dairy Type Cattle In Texas Declared To be Improving

COLLEGE STATION, July 26.—Dairy cattle in Texas are improving every year as to type. 14 wartime Dairy Day shows sponsored by the Texas A. & M. College extension service have revealed.

In the series just ended, two-thirds of the 974 animals shown received red ribbons or better, scoring above 80, according to a report from E. R. Eudaly, extension dairymen, who began this educational program in Texas seven years ago. The animals were scored by outstanding judges in the dairy improvement field.

Six of the 974 animals were in the purple ribbon class, scoring 90 or above; 207 were blue ribbon animals, with a score of 85 to 90; 452 were red ribbon animals, scoring 80 to 85; 239 received white ribbons, scoring 75 to 80; and only 70 received pink ribbons, scoring 70 to 75. When Dairy Days were begun, the majority of the animals exhibited and classified at the shows received pink and white ribbons.

The show at Sulphur Springs led the state both in quantity and quality of animals. Of 200 shown, two received purple ribbons, 74 blue, 102 red, and 22 white. There were no pink ribbon cows shown at Sulphur Springs. Other shows were held at Galveston, Bellville, Comanche, Henderson, Wichita Falls, Gladewater, Paris, Seymour, Livingston, Lockhart, Boerne, Atlanta, and Rotan.

Eudaly says that without exception when as many as two or more dairy shows have been held in the same community, the type of animals exhibited has improved year by year. He considers Dairy Days responsible more than any other educational program for teaching dairy types to farmers and dairymen of the state. The shows are believed to be especially helpful in the teaching of proper culling and selection of breeding animals.

In spite of tire and gasoline rationing and the acute labor shortage, 4,250 people attended the shows.

## AUSTRALIAN LAND ARMY GIRLS PROTEST SHABBY TREATMENT

SYDNEY, N. S. W., July 26.—Members of the Australian women's land army complain of shabby treatment. They are paid \$4 a week plus keep, but are issued only one khaki uniform, hat, shoes and two pairs of stockings. They get no overcoat or underclothing. One girl said it cost her \$100 and all her coupons to outfit herself. Fares are paid to the job, but leave fares must be paid by the girls. "After a hard day's work, starting at 6 a. m., girls must prepare meals at 3 p. m.," another girl said.

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### Charles Boyer, Ingrid Bergman Share Top Honors in 'Gaslight'

"Gaslight," new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film to be shown at the Ritz Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, July 30, 31, August 1, is declared one of the most exciting and dramatic stories ever to reach the screen. Featured by outstanding performances by the star-studded cast headed by Charles Boyer, Ingrid Bergman and Joseph Cotten, "Gaslight" relates the story of the beautiful young singer, portrayed by Miss Bergman, who marries her accompanist (Boyer) and with him sets up home in the London house where Paula's aunt, a famous singer, was murdered.

Deliberately, Boyer sets out to drive his wife mad—just why, and through what ingenious methods, it would be unfair to relate. The entrance upon the scene of a Scotland Yard man, played by Joseph Cotten, brings the picture to a tense and highly thrilling climax.

George Cukor, the director keeps the production going at top interest, and the entire supporting cast turns in sterling performances. These latter include Dame May Whitty, Barbara Everest, Angela Lansbury, Emil Rameau,

Edmund Breon, Halliwell Hobbes, Tom Stevenson, Heather Thatcher and Lawrence Grossmith. Angela Lansbury, a 17-year-old English girl, came to this country several years ago as a refugee from the Nazi blitz, and makes her film debut in "Gaslight."

### Visiting Rotarian Is Guest Speaker For Ballinger Club

Ballinger Rotarians and a large number of guests heard Dr. Geo. Baker, pastor of the First Methodist Church of San Angelo, at the regular luncheon program at the Central Hotel Tuesday noon.

Rev. Baker, an outstanding speaker, humorist, singer and thinker, brought a stirring message for people during wartime and the period to follow, setting forth goals to be sought in order that wars will be terminated and the world live together in peace.

The speaker recounted things to be discarded in our living and things to be kept if we are to attain the goals sought as a people. Little humor was included in the talk, the speaker confining himself mainly to the more serious things dealing with this and other nations and the part they are playing in this trying time.

Rev. Baker recently addressed the Rotary conference at San Antonio, where he was regarded as one of the main speakers of that international body. He was presented here Tuesday by R. G. Erwin, who had charge of the program.

Four men were seated at the birthday table Tuesday with a large cake in front of them. Those with July birthdays were W. O. Wallace, Allen Davis, Oscar Batts and F. M. Pearce.

John A. Barton will have charge of the program next week and will discuss surface tank building and the effect on soil and water.

### FORMER RUNNELS COUNTY MAN DIES IN OKLAHOMA

Mrs. Ida Lewis received a message this week from Mrs. Louise Briley, of Walters, Oklahoma, telling of the death of her husband, Charles H. Briley, formerly of Runnels county.

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### 'Double Indemnity'



Scene from "Double Indemnity" at Texas Theatre Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

### MacMurray, Barbara Stanwyck Give Best in 'Double Indemnity'

Taking a novel by James M. Cain—which must have owed a bit to the Ruth Snyder-Judd Gray murder case of some years back—Paramount has constructed an unusual and powerful melodrama from as sordid a case of murder for insurance as has come from the screen in "Double Indemnity," offering at the Texas Theatre Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, July 30, 31, and August 1.

With the top names of Fred MacMurray, Barbara Stanwyck and Edward G. Robinson for good measure, patrons may be assured they will see an AI presentation in the field of crime psychology.

Adult audiences will be rooted to their seats for the final frames, reviewers state, although the identity of the murderer is made plain at the beginning.

Others in the cast besides the three stars include Porter Hall, Jean Heather, Tom Powers, Byron Barr, Richard Gaines, Fortunio Bonanova and John Phillipber.

Reviewers' rating on "Double Indemnity" is "excellent."

### Somerset Maugham's "Hour Before Dawn" and "Hot Rhythm" Offer Program of Variety Tomorrow

Franchot Tone and Veronica Lake are starred in Paramount's "The Hour Before Dawn," adopted from the gripping novel by Somerset Maugham, and to be shown as the No. 1 feature-length film at the Texas tomorrow (Friday).

### AUGUST 1 DEADLINE NEARS FOR FILING APPLICATIONS ON ONE-VARIETY COTTON

COLLEGE STATION, July 26.—Texas farmers growing one-variety cotton were reminded this week to file applications immediately for free classification and market news service for the 1944 crop. Since the state is divided into early-planting and late-planting areas, applications for most counties in the state must be filed by August 1, while the deadline date for counties lying west of the 100th meridian are to be filed by August 15.

Informing Texas A & M College extension service officials of the closing dates this week, John L. McCollum of the office of distribution's cotton and fiber branch, Dallas, said Texas farmers have four offices at which applications may be filed. These offices are located at 1701 Avenue H, Lubbock; 1104 South Ervay, Dallas; 701 Post Office Building, Galveston; and Post Office Box 1140, Austin.

Cotton classed for improvement groups under the Smith-Doxey act has shown steady increase throughout the cotton producing state since it first became effective in 1938, McCollum said.

Starting with 55 improvement groups representing 1,754 Texas farmers and 89,433 acres in 1938, there were 1,147 improvement groups last year composed of 107,164 farmers who planted approximately 5,877,393 acres. Improvement groups in the state during the 1943-44 crop year handled 1,474,779 bales or about 55 per cent of the total Texas crop of 2,701,195 classed under the one-variety program, McCollum said.

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### Dick Powell, Darnell And J. Oakie Starred In Comedy-Romance

Dick Powell, Linda Darnell and Jack Oakie share stellar honors in "It Happened to Tomorrow," Rene Clair's sprightly comedy which makes its mirth-filled entrance at the Texas Theatre next Wednesday, August 2, for two-day showing.

A story property acquired by United Artists from Colonel Frank Capra when he left the movies for the armed forces, "It Happened to Tomorrow" is said to have one of the most unique and hilarious plots ever to reach the screen.

It is the tale of Larry Stevens, young reporter on the Evening News in 1890 who receives a copy of tomorrow's newspaper.

As a result of his ownership of the paper Stevens finds himself involved in a series of strange adventures during the course of which he wins a fortune at the racetrack, predicts the future with uncanny accuracy, and finally lands in the calaboose when the police link his name with crimes he has predicted after reading tomorrow's newspaper. The tangled events unravel to a surprise climax after the phantom newspaper predicts Stevens' death.

The supporting cast includes Edgar "slow burn" Kennedy, John Phillipber, Edward Brophy, George Cleveland, Sig Ruman, Marion Martin and Paul Guilfoyle.

An added attraction at the Texas on Wednesday and Thursday is "Movies at War," a signal corps film distributed for the war activities committee of the motion picture industry. This picture reveals how motion pictures are brought to our men on the far flung battlefronts of the war without charge as a gift of the motion picture industry. The Texas Theatre management reports that practically every picture it shows has already been shown to the army abroad.

Mrs. R. M. Cathey and children, of Winguat, visited her father, O. K. Jacob, here last week. Mrs. Jacob is still on a visit with relatives and friends in Central Texas.

An exceptional cast of entertainers will be seen in "Hot Rhythm," screen musical which features Dona Drake and Robert Lowery in the leading romantic roles. Other important players are Tim and Irene, Sidney Miller, Jerry Cooper, Harry Lanedon, Paul Porcasi, Joan Curtis, Cyril Ring and Lloyd Ingraham. The hilarious comedy action is supplemented by a wealth of catchy songs and specialty numbers.

Sister M. Helen, of Florida, and Miss Sidona Lange, employee of the Western Union Telegraph Co. at Laredo, were here the past two weeks on their vacations to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lange.

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### James Oliver Curwood Western Story And Chiller-Thriller Billed at Palace

"Gallop Dynamite," from the James Oliver Curwood novel "The Dawn Rider," one of the two feature-length films to be shown at the Palace Theatre next Saturday and Sunday, July 29, 30, is said to be a combination of thrill-packed melodrama, fast action, colorful backgrounds, romance and comedy, all with a decidedly new twist for this type of screen entertainment. The other half of the program is rated as the weirdest of a long line of horror films, "Return of the Ape Man," starring Bela Lugosi, with John Carradine as his henchman.

Ariane Allen, screen newcomer, plays the leading feminine role opposite Kermit Maynard in "Gallop Dynamite," with others in the supporting cast including John Merton, John Ward, Stenley Blystone, David Sharp, Francis Walker, Tracy Law, Earl Dwier, Bob Burns, Allen Greer and Bud Buster.

Kermit Maynard is said to have ample opportunity to display his hard-riding, two-fisted capabilities, while still presenting a per-

formance that will appeal to varied types of audiences, holding both young and old in suspense throughout.

The story of "Return of the Ape Man" reveals how a half-mad scientist finds the frozen body of a prehistoric ape-man and brings him back to life by means of a secret electro-chemical process. Not satisfied with the result of his fantastic experiment, the doctor wants to transplant a portion of a modern man's brain to the monster's, to supplement its supernatural strength.

How the scientist commits a murder and causes several others, in what he fanatically calls "the interests of science," forms the spine-tingling, hair-raising story.

In the cast with Lugosi and Carradine are George Zucco, Frank Moran, Judith Gibson and Michael Ames.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rogge, of San Angelo, visited friends here Monday evening.

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## RAINS SPOT IN COUNTY: COLORADO GETS HIGH

Rains fell in some sections of Runnels county the past week-end and the first of this week, but the Ballinger vicinity was missed. The Colorado River got up Sunday and Monday noon was at the highest stage of the year, falling Tuesday morning to back about normal. Rains on the river's watershed, especially at Colorado City, Snyder, Sweetwater, Robert Lee and Bronte put big logs to rolling downstream and the color was about like tomato soup.

Fair rains fell in the north end of the county but Elm Creek did not get a rise and the city water supply was not helped. A report from the city pumping plant Tuesday stated that no additional water had been caught in the creek.

Max Ueckert, of Bellville, is here for a visit with his mother, Mrs. Dora Ueckert, and sister, Mrs. Augusta Bethany.

Archie O'Kelly, of Lubbock, was here this week for a visit with his mother, Mrs. E. J. O'Kelly, and other relatives. He attended a meeting of Walker-Smith Co. managers at Brownwood Monday.

Mrs. C. D. Harris has returned from a ten-day visit with relatives and friends at San Antonio, Beville and Corpus Christi.

Hear Dr. Harold G. Cooke, Sunday morning at the First Methodist Church, Doss Bible Class, 11 a. m.; church services, 11 a. m. 27-11

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**WANTED**—First class meat salesman for Brownwood territory. Good pay for man who can produce results. Box 1266, Sweetwater, Texas. 27-41

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**WANTED**—To buy one medium size luggage trailer, with or without tires. Call Lt. S. B. Smith, telephone 89. 27-11-\*

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## Hatchel Man in Italy



On the left is S/Sgt. William H. McDaniel, who is now serving with the American army in Italy. His wife is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Broadstreet of Hatchel.

## Serving Uncle Sam

(Continued from page 1)

Pvt. Raymond Whitworth, for the past seventeen weeks at Fort McClelland, Alabama, and has been assigned to E.C.S. and is to remain there for the time being. He began training in Alabama with a number of other boys from Ballinger and Runnels county.

Maurice Scarborough, motor machinist's mate 3c, is at home on leave and with his wife and little son is visiting in the home of his mother, Mrs. S. M. Scarborough, at Norton, and with his sister, Mrs. Clyde Gabbert, of Ballinger.

Pvt. Marvin G. McClelland, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McClelland of Ballinger route 2, writes from Louisiana, where he says it is hot and dry. He declares the red bugs are as big as ripe cherries and mosquitoes resemble B-24s. McClelland expresses the hope that he may soon be back in Texas and have an opportunity to visit Ballinger. He has now been in the army 20 months.

Eugene A. West, of Ballinger, has been promoted to the rank of corporal. It also was learned this week that he is with Col. Monro's jungle infantry. Cpl. West joined the army in February, 1941, and arrived in the present area in March, 1944. His wife, Mrs. Wilma L. West, resides on Ballinger route one. This information was released this week at headquarters of the Panama Canal department.

Richard ("Bud") Cockrell, brother of Mrs. G. P. Teague and a former Ballingerite, was here the first of the week for a brief visit. After serving in the navy in World War I, Cockrell was in some of the first action against the Japs in World War II. He was wounded in the battle of the Coral Sea and was hospitalized in this country for some time. After recovering from his wounds he developed lung complications which put him in another hospital for more than a year. He has now been discharged from the hospital and will be associated with his brother in a large commercial printing plant at Tulsa, Oklahoma.

A letter was received this week from Alden Thorp, in which he stated he was all right. Thorp is in a marine corps detachment that invaded Saipan and the letter received this week brought welcome news as it was the first word from him in some time.

First Sgt. C. R. Richardson, formerly of Ballinger, has notified his wife in Abilene that he has been wounded and is now in a hospital in England. He sustained the wounds in France.

Pvt. Anna B. Hash and Pvt. Lillian Knowles, of Ballinger, have completed training in the third WAC training center, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, and both have been assigned to the 5th ferrying

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While stationed in England, T. Sgt. Victor B. Mathiesen sent home a handful of British coins. He is now somewhere in France and from there recently sent home a one-franc note which is worth ten cents in U. S. money.

Pvt. John O. Powe writes from New Guinea and wants to know the addresses of local boys who are stationed there so he might visit them. He is in company I, 136th infantry, A.P.O. 336, care of postmaster, San Francisco. Relatives of men stationed there might write Pvt. Powe and give him their addresses.

Mrs. Ida Lewis received a letter this week from her son, Sgt. E. W. Brookshier, who had been seriously ill in a hospital in North Africa for some time. The letter informed that he was improving slowly. Sgt. Brookshier was with the 85th division before he was sent to the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Fikes have received a letter from their son, Pfc. Virgil C. Fikes, who is in the 4th marine division. The letter arriving the first of this week was dated July 19 and was the first to be received since May 14. Virgil is now on Saipan and said they were really "busy" there, but so far he was still OK. He said he had not received mail from home in some time.

Mrs. W. R. Pearce has received a letter from her son, David Pearce, chief petty officer, informing that he was in a foreign port, was well, but that the temperature was 114 in the shade. He didn't know when he would be back home but said "hello" to all his friends.

Pfc. Leo Muellering, for the past 26 months in the Pacific war theatres, is here for a visit with his mother and sister. This is his first furlough in three years' army service. He will report at Ft. Sam Houston on August 8 for reassignment.

**Lloyd Wiginton Promoted**  
The promotion of Lloyd J. Wiginton of Ballinger, from the grade

of private first class to that of corporal has been announced by headquarters of the ninth air force service command unit to which he is assigned somewhere in the E. T. O. Corporal Wiginton, an ordnance mechanic, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wiginton, also of Ballinger. His wife resides at her home on route 2, Ballinger, and they have a two-year-old son, Eddie Lloyd. Prior to entering the armed services in July, 1943, Cpl. Wiginton was employed in his own business, the Wiginton Auto Parts Co., in Ballinger, for six years.

After induction and training, Cpl. Wiginton was transferred to the East Coast where he left for foreign service early this year. The unit to which he is now assigned is part of the increasingly great ninth air force service command—a highly co-ordinated team of mechanics, ordnancemen, machinists, supply men and many others—who have been assembled to keep the giant aerial invasion by the ninth air force in the skies.

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## Bid for Her Bottle



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## Tennis Stars Meet



Four tennis stars participated in tennis matches at Haverford, Pa. Above, Alice Marble, America's No. 1 champion, and Mary Hardwick, England's No. 1 champion, shake hands. Match was held in interest of selling more war bonds.

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