

THE BALLINGER LEDGER

VOLUME 59

BALLINGER, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1944

NUMBER 7

Major Evans and Band Here Saturday

War Bond Rally Here Falls Far Short of Goal

Bad weather caused a poor turnout for the war bond rally here last Saturday which was held in the hope of attaining Ballinger's quota in the sixth war loan. While all stores were closed at 3 p. m., the crowd was small and not many bond buyers attended. A check-up revealed that about \$50,000 was bought at this rally, leaving the Ballinger quota short \$288,750.00, with the drive to end December 16.

While local buying was slow, community reports read at the rally disclosed much work already done and several over the top.

E. J. Cervena, Rowena chairman, who attended the rally here, reported his community over the top both with overall and series E bonds. Purchases at Rowena were \$8,000 \$9,000 over the total of more than \$81,000. This was the first banking center quota to be attained in Runnels county and practically all the work there was done in one week. Mr. Cervena and associates began work following a meeting here Monday night of last week and came back to the rally Saturday with their job finished.

Several smaller communities in this area were over the top and all had made a good beginning

toward their goals.

E. W. Brookshier, wounded in the fighting in Italy and finally discharged because of those injuries, was called to the platform and with tears in his eyes begged that the bonds be bought so that the buddies he left across the seas could have the battle equipment to win the victory and bring them back home.

Yeats Causey, pharmacist's mate in the navy, who has served on large aircraft carriers for the past two years, was interviewed from the platform and also told those gathered in the cold how the fighting men were looking to the home front to meet their bond quotas and thereby help them get back home and out of the fox-holes. Not only did he stand up and urge people to buy but stepped up to the table and purchased a \$500 bond to help raise the local quota.

Rev. Clarence A. Morton, pastor of the First Baptist Church and veteran of the first World War, opened the rally with a plea to buy these freedom securities, to do it quickly and save the time of others who were working free, and to do the right thing by the 3,000 Runnels county boys in the armed forces.

Silver Star to Mrs. Doherty



Colonel Alfred J. Brown, commanding officer of Camp Bowie, pins the silver star on Mrs. Floyd Doherty, whose husband gave his life in the Italian campaign. The presentation, made at Camp Bowie, was followed by a military review in memory of the late staff-sergeant who was a member of company C, 142nd infantry regiment of the 36th division.

Farmers Will Elect AAA Committeemen December 11 to 16

Elections of community committeemen by farmers all over the United States are scheduled from December 11 to 16, and every Runnels county farmer participating in the AAA program will be eligible to cast a ballot.

The following schedule of places and time has been arranged for the elections in Runnels county:

Miles, city hall, 2:30 p. m. Saturday, December 16

Rowena, Kominisky Hall, 10:00 a. m. Tuesday, December 12

Offen, community hall, 1:00 p. m. Monday, December 11

Ballinger, AAA office, 1:00 p. m. Tuesday, December 12

Norton, A. T. Chapman store, 2:00 p. m. Tuesday, December 12

Maverick, auditorium, 1:00 p. m. Tuesday, December 12

Crews, Methodist church, 10:30 a. m. Wednesday, December 13

Wingate, school house, 2:00 p. m. Saturday, December 16

Winters, Co-op Gin office, 2:00 p. m. Thursday, December 14

The committeemen elected will be responsible for insuring maximum benefits to farmers of their communities for the many programs and activities of the agricultural adjustment agency. The work of local committeemen includes explaining AAA practices, certifying applications for payment, assisting with storage and loan programs and working on the disposition of surplus war property.

More important than anything else, M. W. McShan, county AAA chairman, points out, the organized work made possible by the elected farmer committeemen puts American agriculture in a position to act quickly and unitedly in the reconversion to peace, just as it made agriculture the first in effectively adjusting to the needs of war.

All farm operators—men or women—who will take part in the program in 1945 are eligible to vote in community elections. In addition to electing community committeemen, the meetings also will name delegates to a county convention to be held later to elect county committeemen.

These elections, much the same as local school elections and like the town meetings of other days, constitute real democracy in action. With the approach of peace, AAA elections take on a new significance. It is more important than ever to put the best men available on AAA committees. The solving of farm problems at this state of the war and those that face the nation from here on out will require the best possible leadership and the full participation of farmers.

36th Division Man Home on Furlough; Served Since 1940

Johnny Courvisier, a veteran of the 36th division, is at home, arriving Monday from France. He is one of the first soldiers of the Ballinger company to be returned on the rotation furlough plan and will be here thirty days to visit relatives and friends.

Courvisier was mobilized with company C, 142nd infantry, in November, 1940, a year before Pearl Harbor, and has served with the 36th division ever since, participating in all its battle engagements.

His last battle experience was the invasion of southern France and the division's swift drive along the foothills of the Alps and into Germany between the American third and the French first armies.

Toughest of his combat experience was in Italy where the division gained a name that will last forever—this including the heroic invasion at Salerno and in the engagements that followed in the push up the Italian boot.

Pfc. Courvisier has much of interest to tell about the places where he has been and about the customs of the natives. Along with this there is the sad side, which is the inevitable result of a horrible war. He also has collected a few souvenirs from the different lands which he describes with relish.

Pfc. Courvisier will report for reassignment after his furlough expires several weeks hence.

A final effort will be made Saturday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock to meet the local quota in the 6th war loan drive. At that time a rally will be held at the intersection of Hutchings Avenue and Eighth Street with Major David E. Evans and a military band and entertainers from Camp Barkeley here to boost sales.

Major Evans has assisted the Ballinger committee with bond sales on two other occasions and each time did great work. In the 4th war loan drive he completed the quota in one hour, and in the 5th war loan drive sold about \$100,000 in bonds and came near attaining the final goal.

During the present campaign Major Evans and band have made appearances in many West Texas cities and have been responsible for tremendous sales. Coming here Saturday, he will try to sell the remainder of the Runnels county quota and the local committee urges that all citizens assemble on the street for the big rally. As soon as he finishes here, his group will go to Winters for a rally Saturday evening.

Eighth Street will be roped off as usual and plenty of assistants will be on hand to take applications. Local sales committees are interviewing Ballinger citizens this week, asking that they buy bonds and have them ready for announcing Saturday afternoon.

Latest report reveal the Runnels county quota only about half raised, and in Ballinger the job is far from complete, tabulations Tuesday disclosing \$288,000 needed to go over the top.

Serving Uncle Sam



Cpl. Marvin Hoelscher received a letter last week from their son, Cpl. Marvin Hoelscher, who had been in England for some time but is now on duty in Paris. He stated that it was colder in France but that he liked it much better. He is feeling fine and enjoying the cookies received from home.

Wisconsin, after spending a 12-day furlough here with their parents.

Cpl. James P. Beard, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Beard, Ballinger Rt. 2, has arrived in Italy and has been assigned to a B-24 Liberator bomber group of the 15th air force. A radio operator-gunner, he will be flying combat missions soon. Cpl. Beard entered the army in May, 1942, and was given his gunner's wings at Yuma, Arizona, June 12, 1944.

He Got Foreign Service

Pvt. Robert Weiss, now stationed in France, has written Mrs. Edith Penley that he is okay and enclosed the following lines:

Over here the mud is deeper
Over here the rain is wetter
They think it is a grand land
But there's at least 10,000 better
Still there's no one to blame but me
The army never forgot it—
I asked for foreign duty
And believe me, by gosh, I got it.

James E. Witt, SF2c, son of Mrs. Willie Witt, is at home on a 30-day leave after serving in the Pacific for the past two years.

First Lieutenant John C. Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Johnson of Ballinger, has just received his new rank at the installation of the first troop carrier command at Warrensburg, Missouri. Before entering the army air forces he was employed by the Hicks Rubber Co. here and attended the Ballinger high school. His wife, the former Miss Suzanne P. Hunter, resides in Chicago. Lt. Johnson was at home a few months ago after serving a stretch in Alaska and the Aleutians.

Capt. Thomas Pullen, of Goose Creek, a nephew of Dr. E. W. Stasney, and a friend, Lt. (j.g.) Roscoe Tierlein, a naval flier, were here the past week-end as guests in the Stasney home. Capt. Pullen, a U. S. A. F. pilot, has flown 58 missions in an A-20 in the Pacific theatre and has been based in New Guinea. Lt. Tierlein has flown in seven major engagements against the Japs.

Pfc. Johnnie Courvisier is being returned home on the rotation furlough plan after serving 19 months in the European war theatres. According to advance information he will come to Ballinger as soon as released from a reception center to which he is being sent and will visit his mother, Mrs. E. Courvisier. He was due to arrive in the United States about December 2.

Lt. Robert Sieker was here Friday, attending to business. For almost two years he was stationed at Bruce Field until ordered to combat training on B-24s. He has now been put on inactive status because of the loss of a toe in a target range accident. He stated that he will be employed at the Consolidated plant in Fort Worth. His wife is the former Miss Isla Mae Jennings of this city.

T-Sgt. Ernie Ward McWilliams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luin McWilliams of Houston, formerly of Ballinger, was recently awarded the distinguished flying cross at his base in Italy. Previously Sgt. McWilliams had been awarded the air medal and five oak leaf clusters. He has been in the army air forces a year and overseas six months.

Mr. and Mrs. McWilliams have four sons in the armed forces: Lt. Luin McWilliams, Jr., is an instructor at Gila Bend, Arizona; T-Sgt. David Norris McWilliams is stationed in England, and Feb Henry McWilliams, seaman 2c, is somewhere at sea.

Relatives of Pvt. Joel R. Reese have received letters from him written at Fort Benning, Georgia. He is there for special training and will take a nine weeks' course as a radio technician.

Pfc. Chester Dörner, 28, husband of Mrs. Emma Dörner, Strong Avenue, Ballinger, has returned from service outside the continental United States and is now being processed through the army ground and service forces redistribution station at Miami Beach, from where he will get his next assignment. Pfc. Dörner served 42 months as a truck driver in the European theatre of operations. He became a member of the army on June 5, 1939.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Alcorn and Mr. and Mrs. Claud Brookshier visited Pvt. and Mrs. Arnold Alcorn and Pvt. and Mrs. Perry Bragg and baby, at Camp Wolters, Mineral Wells, Sunday.

Seaman 1c and Mrs. L. H. Tubbs are the proud parents of a girl, born November 30 at the Bailey Hospital. The young lady has been named Nina Sue and the mother and baby are doing nicely. Seaman Tubbs is expected home this week-end on leave.

Sgt. and Mrs. Alton O'Neal and small son have returned to Sparta,

EDITORIAL

The Job is Not Finished

War bond purchases are lagging in most Runnels county communities, only a few having reaching their quotas. A report from the treasury department received Tuesday disclosed Runnels countians had purchased 55 per cent of their series E bonds but only 34 per cent of their overall quota.

Efforts of local workers to complete the job here last Saturday fell far short of the goal and at the end of the rally the Ballinger quota was still \$288,000 short. All stores closed for this rally but the weather was too bad for many to attend and the small crowd that braved the cold and wet did fairly well, purchasing around \$50,000 in bonds.

The campaign closes on December 16. This gives all next week in which bonds can be bought and counted on the sixth war loan quota. The job is hardly half done and since Saturday scarcely any bonds have been bought at local issuing agencies. No solution of the problem has been offered. Our people are too busy to attend rallies, they are too busy to conduct a solicitation drive and many believe the success of the campaign is the responsibility of all and the burden should not fall on the few. With the Christmas season in full blast, everybody is busy but a community such as this should get rid of their obligation in this drive before making plans for Christmas.

Runnels county has always met every war demand. Surely our people intend to do a swell job of the sixth war loan drive before the final date. If you have not bought your limit, won't you visit your bank at once and make application for all the bonds you can afford so that the entire county quota can be reported paid in full at once.

This paper goes to 1,000 local boys who are fighting our battles all over the world. They will read this appeal for bond buying and naturally cannot be too proud of the record made so far. Any of them would be glad to put every dime into bonds if he could only be at home this Christmas. Next week let's publish a story that will make them happier and show them that the folks back home are still behind them to the limit. Let's get rid of this bond quota, then maybe we can enjoy Christmas just a little better, knowing we have met our wartime obligation.

432 Army Kits to be Made Here for Men In Overseas Service

Mrs. E. A. Saunders, Runnels county production chairman for the American Red Cross, stated today that the county chapter had been given a quota of 432 army kits, apron style, to be made as soon as possible. These kits are issued one to each soldier at ports of embarkation as the men leave for overseas.

The local chapter is awaiting material which has been shipped

and this will be issued all over the county as soon as it arrives. In Ballinger the material will be taken by church groups.

The letter announcing the new sewing quota says this is one of the most urgent calls right now and that the kits will be needed as quickly as it is possible to complete them. Women in all communities of the county will be asked to help do this work as it will require considerable time even for many busy hands.

Mrs. Saunders has received some very complimentary letters from the national Red Cross headquarters on the efficient work done by the Runnels county chapter and the quick response to every call.

Income Tax Returns

Individual—Partnership—Corporation

JACK NIXON

Office Over Pearce Drug Store

Phone 544 Ballinger, Texas

-NOTICE-

All new applications received before December 1st are good for the quarter ending March 1st. Provide yourself and family with this safe burial insurance and benefit by the extra time allowance made.

Agnew Burial Association

Telephone 440 Ballinger, Texas

HOSPITAL NOTES

Mrs. J. G. Tuckey, operated on at the Bailey Hospital last week, is reported improving this week and will soon be able to return home.

Mrs. Curtis Barrett, of Norton, was operated on at the local hospital Monday and is doing nicely.

Dr. W. B. Halley is still improving this week and is able to be up part of the time.

C. J. Robinson, of Norton, a medical patient in the local clinic, is improving satisfactorily.

Mrs. J. L. King, medical patient, is showing signs of slight improvement this week.

Clyde Goss, of Maverick, who sustained burns last Friday night, is improving in the local hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Layton Hill are parents of a son, born Friday at the Bailey clinic. Mrs. Hill and baby are doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Blackmon, of Winters, are parents of a girl, born last Thursday night at the local clinic. The mother and baby are doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brookshier are parents of a son, born at the local clinic last Thursday night. The mother and baby are both doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Tubbs are parents of a son, born Wednesday night at the local clinic. The mother and baby are fine, and the father is on duty with the navy.

Cpl. and Mrs. Noel Hale are entertaining a son, born last Thursday morning at the Bailey Clinic. Mrs. Hale and baby are doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Jennings are parents of a son, born Friday night at the local clinic. Mrs. Jennings and the baby are doing nicely.

Mrs. Gertrude Woods COMPLETE INSURANCE SERVICE Phone 288 110 South Eighth Street BALLINGER, TEXAS

\$250.00 Reward Paid for Conviction of Livestock Thieves. Runnels County Livestock Association

OUR "HOOD" BUSINESS

Our business is to build childhood, youth, girlhood, manhood, womanhood and brotherhood. For this there is no place superior to the church.

Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.
Baptist Training Union, Sunday, 6:30 p. m.
Sermons Sunday, 11 a. m., "THE DOMINIONSHIP OF THE WORLD;"
Sunday night, 7:30, "THE HARBOR LIGHTS OF HOPE—WHEN HOME IS LIKE HEAVEN—ANCHORED TILL MORNING—YOUTH LOOKS BACK,"
by the pastor, Clarence A. Morton.

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 40 Eighth Street CLARENCE A. MORTON, Pastor

T. WHITEHEAD

ACCOUNTANT Telephone 589 Talbott Bldg. Let Us Handle Your Payroll

(Continued on page 12)



Women's, Society and Club News

Announcement Breakfast for Miss Norma Gene Bankston

Mrs. Ruth Bankston was hostess at a beautifully-appointed breakfast Sunday morning in her home on Tenth Street to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Norma Gene, to Alvin E. Bell, Jr., AOMC, of the Naval Air Station at Jacksonville, Florida.

Full chrysanthemums in yellow and white were about rooms where tables were appointed in these same colors. A reflected arrangement of small yellow mums, flanked by tall white tapers in crystal prism candleholders, centered the dining table. Four round tables were centered with single white princess candles in low crystal holders encircled with the same yellow blossoms. Cut out anchors, bearing the words, Norma and Alvin, January 1, were tied to white satin ribbons, which extended to each place marked by individual bridal cards.

Included were: Mmes. A. E. Bell of Bronte, Clarence Morton, L. C. Adair, Douglas Cox, W. F. Campbell of Coleman, Bill Williams, Guy Lively, Jr., Overton Parish, Jr., J. G. Harwell, Fred McClanahan, Misses Maurine and Geraldine Bell of Bronte, Dorothy McMillan, Melba Bankston, Ann Morton, Tommye Mansell, Billie Weldon Howell and Griffie Atkins, and Jackie Bankston.

Knitting Quota Shipped

The knitting quota of 50 shouderettes for army and navy nurses and one extra garment have been shipped to the Mid-western Red Cross center at St. Louis. After garments were turned in to Mrs. Troy Simpson, supervisor, ribbons were laced in and Runnels Co., Texas labels sewn. Half of this work was done by a sewing club of which Mmes. Drury Hathaway, Arthur Crockett,

Malcolm Morgan, E. F. Lawless, Lee Maples, Derwood Bissett, Theo Isbell, Mark Davis, Bill Ueckert are members.

This yarn was issued November 1, immediately following a difficult quota of long-sleeve navy sweaters. Although simple in type, these shouderettes proved one of the most tedious knitting assignments and Ballinger women have spent many hours on it. Mrs. LeRoy McAulay was the first to complete her garment, knitting it in less than one week.

Others not previously reported are: Mmes. H. W. Lynn, Arthur Giesecke, E. S. Malone, J. H. Parrish, Ford Taylor, Arthur Doose, W. E. Middleton, Wilson Middleton, Lee Maples, R. W. Earnshaw, C. A. Glover, Frank Pearce, J. F. Currie, C. D. Mills, Fred Holliday, H. B. Dempsey, R. M. McMillan, George Holman, Dee Saylor, Jack Nixon, Sr., Jack Nixon, Jr., Oren Chandler, Bill Clark, Charles Hambrick, Sam Behringer, Miss Cleo Lane, and Rowena five.

Those knitting parts of garments—Mmes. Levy Lee, E. C. Caskey, Ed Lengefeld, C. W. Jennings.

Assisting in finishing—Mmes. Jim Duncan, LeRoy McAulay, E. C. Tinsley, Fred McClanahan, Troy Simpson.

Mrs. Turbeville is Honor Guest Mrs. F. H. Turbeville of Gainesville, who with Mr. Turbeville, was houseguest of her sister, Miss Marryatt Smith, over the Thanksgiving holidays, was honor guest at a delightfully informal afternoon tea Saturday for which Miss Smith was hostess in her home on Sixth Street.

Fall roses graced rooms where close friends of many years and newer ones made on frequent visits back to her home town, were included for the pleasant fellowship.

Mmes. H. W. Lynn, Paul Trimmier, James A. Wear, and Troy

Where's the Law of Gravity?



The maritime service boys in training at St. Petersburg, Fla., think that Katy Turner has the law of gravity licked when it comes to riding the end of her aquaplaning board, as in this picture. She puts it on edge at nearly a mile a minute off the Florida coast, where the service men have taken up this form of sport.

Simpson assisted in serving a plate of Thanksgiving dainties with tea. Others were: Mmes. C. F. Bailey, W. B. Halley, Halley Porter, E. C. Baskin, E. L. Hagan, John Guion, C. P. Shepherd, J. F. Currie, Oscar Pearson, R. W. Earnshaw, J. Y. Pearce, John A. Weeks, R. G. Erwin, George Holman, Frank Pearce, Estes Lynn, Q. V. Miller, Jack McGregor, William J. Wingo of Ann Arbor, Michigan, J. M. Skinner, C. R. Stephens, R. A. Dickinson, Gertrude Woods, J. B. Striplin, James Wear, Crawford Lemburg of Menard, Misses Olga Schawe, and Zadie Royalty.

First Baptist W. M. S. Meets

Mrs. James Wear presided for the regular monthly and inspirational meeting of the First Baptist Woman's Missionary Society held Monday afternoon in the church parlors on Eighth Street.

After the opening prayer by Mrs. H. W. Doherty, Mrs. O. T. Toney led the group in singing the theme song with Mrs. R. T. Williams, accompanist. Routine reports of all officers, committee and circle chairmen were made and the attendance banner was awarded Circle 4, of which Mrs. Earl Cope is chairman. Mrs. Minnie Maud Alexander was appointed stewardship chairman and Mrs. Elmer Curry Junior G. A sponsor. Plans were made for the all-day observance for the Lottie Moon Christmas offering on Friday.

Mrs. Cope brought the devotional on Peace from the Royal Service magazine. Others present were: Mmes. E. P. Talbot, Mattie Holliday, A. S. Love, Emma Speer, A. F. Brock, O. L. Parish, R. P. Canady, J. H. Endacott, T. J. McCaughan, Alexander, C. J. Lynn, A. M. King, Jim Golden, M. G. Justice, W. J. Hembree, E. L. DeWitt, O. L. Britton, Ed Lengefeld, Theo Whitehead, Malcolm Morgan, E. F. Lawless, Fred Moncrief, Alton Underwood, Taylor Henley, Lee Maples, and Clarence Morton.

Guests Honored at Thanksgiving Dinner in Miller and Hartman Homes

Captain and Mrs. Q. V. Miller, Jr., and Mrs. William J. Wingo of Ann Arbor, Michigan, who are visiting in the home of their

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Q. V. Miller, shared honors with Lt. Robert B. Bond, Lt. Paul Aberwall, and Lt. William Hartman Penn, who are all stationed at the Pyote Army Air Base, at a noon luncheon in the Miller home on Sixth Street and dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. U. E. Hartman on Broadway on Tuesday of last week.

The Thanksgiving motif and beautiful arrangements of fruits and evergreen sprays were featured in table appointments for both affairs. Mrs. Ona Penn assisted Mrs. Hartman in the evening affair.

Lt. Bond went overseas as co-pilot and flew his first missions in the crew of which Captain Miller was pilot. Through Lt. Penn, a mutual friend, the reunion was possible.

Mrs. Miller, Sr., and Mrs. Hart-

Baptists to Have Many Activities For Christmas

Rev. Clarence A. Morton, pastor of the First Baptist Church, has arranged numerous Christmas activities at the church for the approaching season.

The Christmas activities will begin Sunday morning, December 17, when the Sunday school will make a white Christmas offering to Buckner's Orphans Home. This is an annual affair and receives the support of the entire church membership.

On Sunday evening, December 17, the choir, under the direction of R. E. White and with Mrs. Charles Hambrick at the organ, will present the annual Christmas musical program. The selection for this year is a cantata, "The Nativity Song," by Nolte. E. Shepperd is chairman of the decoration committee which will have the church ready for each of the programs during the holiday period.

Sunday morning, December 17, the young people of the church will have their annual Christmas breakfast.

Members of the cradle roll, beginners, primary and junior children of the church, with their parents as guests, will have a Christmas tree Wednesday night, December 20.

The intermediates of the Sunday school, directed by Mrs. W. J. Hembree, will carol and have a Yule party one evening before Christmas.

Adults of the church will conduct various class activities.

The pastor will close the old year and open the new program of the Southern Baptist centennial year with a special all-church watch service and college home night on Sunday, December 31.

Staples

Limited quantity of Markwell Staples at Ballinger Printing Co.

man received surprise carnation corsages from Captain Miller. Mr. and Mrs. Miller were added guests at the evening affair.

Good News!
FOR FOLKS WITH SNIFFLY
Head Colds

Quick relief from the sneezy, stuffy distress of head colds is what you want. So try Va-tro-nol—a few drops up each nostril—to soothe irritation, reduce congestion. You'll welcome the relief that comes! Va-tro-nol also helps prevent many colds from developing if used in time. Try it! Follow directions in folder.

VICKS VA-TRO-NOL

Special Double-Duty Nose Drops Works Fast Right Where Trouble Is!

Custom Pork Curing

We will cut up your hog, grind and season sausage, render lard, cure and smoke your meat.

A complete service to suit your needs

Frozen Food Lockers

C. O. D. Grocery and Market



You can make your work easier and do it better if you give your eyes the assistance they need. Eyes Examined—Glasses Fitted

L. R. TIGNER Jeweler and Optometrist

You Wouldn't Let a Pal Down Would You?



"Not now. Not while the going is toughest. Not while that extra winning punch is needed. Not on your life."

Runnels County Quota \$920,000
November 20 to December 16

START BUYING NOW
BUY WAR BONDS
in the
SIXTH WAR LOAN



The First National Bank
of Ballinger

Since 1886
Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

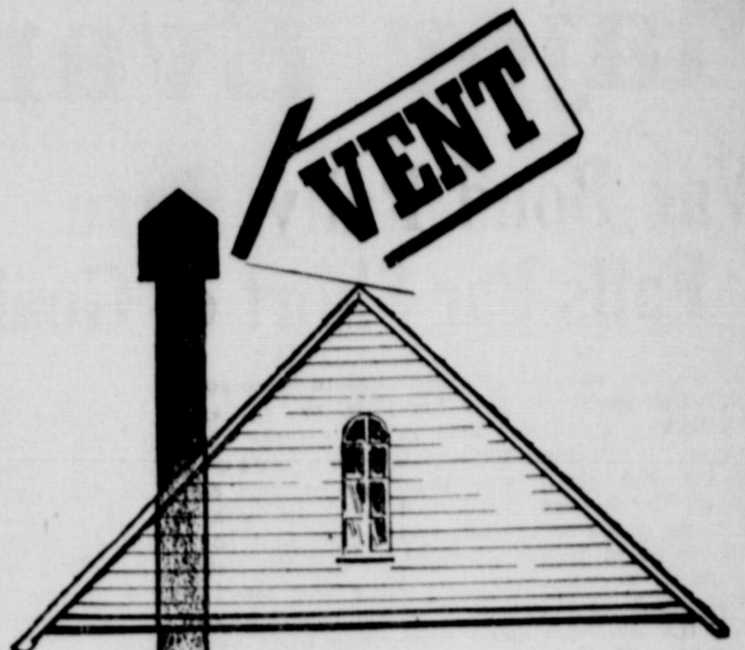
Have a Coca-Cola = Let's all have fun

... or meeting friends at the Youth Center

All across the land you find youth meeting together to have fun at Youth Centers. And the center of attraction is the wholesome refreshment of ice-cold Coca-Cola. For the three words *Have a "Coke"* are passwords to companionship. Everywhere Coca-Cola stands as a symbol of hospitality and friendliness to folks of all ages.

BOTTLED UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE COCA-COLA COMPANY BY COCA-COLA BOTTLING COMPANY, Coleman, Texas
E. E. CANN, Manager

If You Want More Business—Advertise!

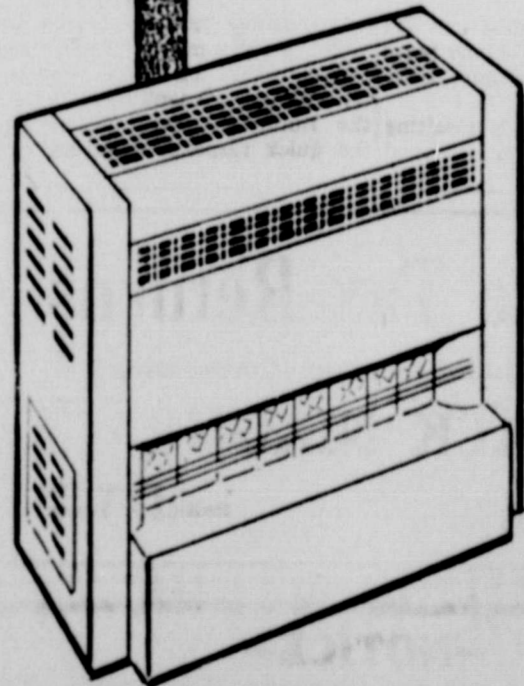


VENT TO PREVENT

— Wall Sweating

— Stuffy Air

The modern, healthful way to heat your home is to VENT your gas heating equipment. This is the cure for wall sweating, and eliminates a condition of stuffy air inside the home. Vent for better heat. Vent for better health. The new heaters for postwar living stress venting. Go Modern with Vented heat. Get vented heaters when available.



BUY A \$100 WAR BOND FOR THE KNOCKOUT BLOW

LONE STAR GAS COMPANY

Wedding announcements, wedding invitations. Ballinger Printing Co.

RITZ THEATRE

Ballinger
The Home of
Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer
Pictures

FRIDAY-SATURDAY
DOUBLE FEATURE
Action, Fun, Music

Gene Autry
Smiley Burnette
in
"Boots and Saddles"
Also—
"Old Homestead"
with
Weaver Bros. and
Elvira

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday

Another OUT-AND-SHOUT Laugh Affair
... from the Author of
"MY SISTER EILEEN!"

JON HALL
LOUISE ALBRITTON
San Diego I Love You
EDWARD EVERETT HORTON
ERIC BLORE
BUSTER KEATON
FLORENCE LAKE
HELEN HYAM

Universal's 'San Diego I Love You' Stars Louise Albritton and Jon Hall

The Universal comedy, "San Diego I Love You," said to be one of the funniest films to come out of Hollywood, is due to the Ritz Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, December 10, 11, 12. With the exception of the opening scenes, the picture, which co-stars Louise Albritton and Jon Hall, has the busy city of San Diego, with its wartime problems of housing and congestion as its background. Appearing in support of Miss Albritton and Hall are Edward Everett Horton, Buster

Keaton, Florence Lake and Eric Blore. In the film Horton, who usually plays bachelor roles, is the father of five children—Louise, his daughter, and four sons portrayed by Rudy Wisler, Charles Bates, Don Davis and Gerald Perreau—the boys ranging in age from six to sixteen. The story concerns the family's departure for San Diego to promote a collapsible life raft Papa Horton has invented, and their experiences there are reported to be hilariously funny.

Mystery, 'The Girl Who Dared,' And Western, 'Flaming Lead,' at Palace

"The Girl Who Dared," with Lorna Gray in the title role, and "Flaming Lead," starring Ken Maynard, are the two feature-length films to be shown at the Palace Theatre tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday, December 8, 9.

Peter Cookson, who with beautiful Lorna Gray, heads the cast of Republic's exciting mystery picture, "The Girl Who Dared," is an accomplished singer as well as an actor. The screenplay is the story of the murder of two beautiful young girls, with the only clue a bloodstained shoe that didn't quite fit one of the victims.

Kirk Alyn, Veda Ann Borg, Roy Barcroft, Grant Withers, Vivien Oakland, John Hamilton and Willie Best are in the cast.

There's a film feast of tense thrills, ardent romance and fiery action awaiting the myriad lovers of wild adventure stories in Ken Maynard's new western, "Flaming Lead," a Colony release. The picture gives Maynard what is probably the finest role in which he has yet appeared—one which permits him to display his breath-taking trick riding and roping stunts in as mad a whirl of dizzy action as the most ardent fan-seeker for resonant thrills could desire.

Ken enters heartily into the spirit of the thing. How he eventually wins the girl's love, discovers the traitor on the ranch who has been aiding the rustlers, and ends by breaking up the bandit band, is set forth in a series of exciting situations.

Pencil and typewriter erasers at Ledger office.

'Song of Open Road' Mid-Week Attraction At the Texas Theatre

"Song of the Open Road," to be the principal offering at the Texas Theatre Wednesday and Thursday of next week, December 13, 14, is reported brimming over with the high spirits of youth, with music, dancing and laughter. Brought in for good measure is that wonderful new Hollywood discovery, 14-year-old Jane Powell, who sings like a lark and acts like a veteran. This gifted newcomer reminds of Deanna Durin in her early films, which is not a bit strange, since Charles R. Rogers, who is launching Jane on what seems at this writing an auspicious career, also set Deanna off to her brilliant career in motion pictures.

For music, there's Sammy Kaye and his famous swing and sway orchestra giving forth with some new tunes that will catch on like a house afire. Chuck Faulkner, who has one of the most famous kid bands in the country, also gives out with plenty of hep and jive.

Popular laugh-makers in this film are Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy, and W. C. Fields, and a group of specialty performers. Also featured are Reginald Denny, Rose Hobart, Bonita Granville, Jackie Moran and Bill Christy.

OLDFEN WAR BOND RALLY IS HELD TUESDAY NIGHT

A rally for the 6th war loan was held at the Oldfen community hall Tuesday evening, 47 people attending. Sales were excellent for the size of the crowd and at the conclusion a total of \$4,400 in bonds had been purchased—this accounting for one or more by each person present.

Jack Rudd, of Ballinger, arranged the program and County Judge E. C. Grindstaff was the principal speaker. W. J. Hembree, Ballinger bond drive chairman, took charge of the sales, and Allen Davis accompanied the local men to Oldfen.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Seipp and sons, W. E. Jr., and Nelson, left this week for Beeville to make their home. W. E. Jr., and Nelson will be employed by the Standard Auto Parts at Beeville.

'Casanova Brown'



Scene from "Casanova Brown" at Texas Theatre Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, December 10, 11, 12.

Gary Cooper Has Comedy Role in 'Casanova Brown'

Gary Cooper's role in "Casanova Brown" is that of a literary professor, who, on the eve of his marriage to Madge Ferris learns that he is the father of a child born to Isabel Drury (Teresa Wright) after her parents had had his previous marriage to her annulled.

When he learns that Isabel is offering the child for adoption, he takes the baby from the maternity hospital and hurries to a cheap hotel. Fearing apprehension and the possibility of having the baby taken away from him, he seeks to make his position more secure by providing the baby with a mother, and proposes marriage to the chamber-maid, Monica. She accepts and they visit the marriage license bureau.

The climax comes when he is traced to the hotel and confronted by Madge and Isabel and their parents, to say nothing of Monica. From this apparently hopeless situation he manages to extricate himself in a hilarious sequence of events.

Gary Cooper has one of the drollest parts of his career and Teresa Wright is helpful as the child's mother. Frank Morgan has a characteristic role as Mr. Ferris, with Isabel Elsom as his domineering wife. Anita Louise is Madge Ferris, the girl who nearly marries Casanova. Isabel's parents are respectively played by Patricia Collinge and Edmund Breon. Mary Treen is Monica.

Roy Rogers Western and Juvenile Delinquency Story on Program at the Texas Tomorrow

"Lights of Old Santa Fe," which gives Roy Rogers top billing, and "Youth Runs Wild," a gripping treatment of juvenile delinquency, its cause and possible cure, make up the twin-bill at the Texas tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday, December 8 and 9.

Exhibition riding and roping by famous rodeo stars is seen in "Lights of Old Santa Fe," starring Roy Rogers. Featured in the film is Rogers' own rodeo act with Trigger which is presented on the screen for the first time. Dale Evans, lovely, young singing actress, is featured in the film, as are the Sons of the Pioneers, western musical group.

Kent Smith, Bonita Granville, and two clever newcomers, Glenn Vernon and Tessa Brind, head the cast of "Youth Runs Wild," which deals with the problems of the

by a simple treatment, which should be started around December 1.

Three methods of treatment are possible—dust, dip and spray—with a combination of rotenone dust, wettable sulphur and water where a dip or a spray is used.

Winter lice on cattle also can be controlled by the spray or dip treatment.

Demonstrations in this county show that where treatment is given in the winter only a few grubs are found on the place the following year. The specific formula can be obtained at the office of the county agent.

Mrs. F. W. Wellhausen has returned from Abilene, where she had been with her daughter, Mrs. Curtis Harber, who is seriously ill.

Print anything—appreciate everything—at Ballinger Printing Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Wiley and Patricia Ann, of Hatchel; Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Forbus, Yvonne, and Harlan, of Ballinger; and Mrs. Ross Campbell and Freda Louise, of San Angelo; spent the Thanksgiving holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Duane Forbus and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hopper, of Kermit.

Mimeograph paper, stencils and ink. Ballinger Printing Co.

For Christmas Gifts
HIGGINBOTHAM'S
is the Place!

DR. W. T. LAXSON
CHIROPRACTOR
Office upstairs at
Corner Hutchings Avenue
and Seventh Street
Ballinger, Texas

THIS WEEK AT THE TEXAS Theatre

Friday-Saturday, December 8-9
double feature 2 Shows For The Price of 1

ROY ROGERS
TRIGGER
lights of old
santa fe
GEORGE "GABBY" HAYES
DALE EVANS
LLOYD CORRIGAN
RICHARD POWERS
CLAIRE DO BRET

Youth RUNS WILD
with
SMITH
HOW BROOKS
MICHAEL
BARRITT
DICKIE MOORE

COLOR CARTOON
and
FOX NEWS

Announcing Another GREAT SHOW!
SUNDAY Thru TUESDAY

Girls, don't bother your little heads. If your heart goes up and down. It's just the normal reaction to Mr. "Casanova Brown"!

Color Cartoon and Fox News

PLUS Color Cartoon and Fox News

Another HIT!

Wednesday and Thursday STARTS DEC 13

SONG of the OPEN ROAD
EDGAR BERGEN
CHARLIE MCCARTHY
BONITA GRANVILLE
W. C. FIELDS
SAMMY KAYE

Extra Lulu Cartoon

WAHOO!
Every Thru. Nite

Where Will YOU Be Five Years from Now?

Running your own beauty shop—holding a good-paying job as an operator... or???

Enroll now in our January class. Six months of training prepares you for State Board examination. In our school you will have the advantage of training under Geo. W. Scoggins—a nationally-known hair stylist.

Yes!... NOW is the time to prepare for tomorrow! Apartments or board and room can be obtained in private homes. Write for details. Scores of successful graduates.

SCOGGINS BEAUTY ACADEMY
1741 Pine Abilene, Texas

While They Invade - - Let Us Invest

You can only profit, if you buy War Bonds to the limit. To give the money would be no sacrifice in comparison with what our fighting men are doing. But you are only asked to make a good investment... to trade \$3 for \$4.

Our gallant troops have driven the enemy back in many battles, but the war is not yet won. They will not stop short of Victory and we must fight with them until the end. Partial success is only an inspiration for greater effort, both here and over there.

Help to implement the invasion. Buy more War Bonds—every one you buy will hasten the day of Victory. You will be proud to have done your part... especially when those who are fighting for us again come home.

THE WINTERS STATE BANK

Capital and Surplus \$100,000.00
Winters, Texas
Member Federal Reserve System and Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

Big DOUBLE FEATURE Program

Palace
Fri-Sat. Dec. 8-9

Ken MAYNARD
And his wonder horse TARZAN
FLAMING LEAD
Produced by Max and Sam ALLEXANDER

AND

Lorna Gray
Peter Cookson
in
'Girl Who Dared'

"DESERT HAWK" No. 4

Sunday, December 10 Only
MATINEE AND NITE
ALL MEXICAN FEATURE
"LA HISTORIA DE UN GRAN AMOR"

WOODROOF'S

The No. 1 Christmas Gift

Make your first Christmas gift item this year a United States War Bond. For everybody this is the most desired gift and right now you will not only please the person who receives it, but you will help Ballinger reach its quota in the Sixth War Loan.

WE MUST STILL BUY \$288,000. LET'S GO!



BRIGHT IDEAS

for Christmas Giving

A visit to Woodroof's now can help you with your gift list. You will be surprised at the big stock of beautiful and useful gift merchandise we have on display, and it contains something for every member of the family.

Dresses

Styler by Leighton and Justine
New Crepes in Pastel Colors
The Ideal Xmas Gift
Sizes 10 to 42
SPECIAL \$11.75 to \$13.75

Suits

By Jane Bratney
Strutter Cloth and Twill Rayon
Sizes 10 to 18
\$11.98 to \$13.45

JUNIOR DRESSES

By Marcy Lee and Jackie Hill
Sizes
\$6.98 - \$8.45
\$11.45

Hosiery

By Phoenix
45 Gauge
Celanese and Rayon
\$1.01 and \$1.08

Satin Comforts

Rose and Blue
Wool Batting
Soft and Light
\$10.95

Blanket Robes

Satin Bound, Pastel Colors—Blue, Rose, Cedar and Green
Size 72x84
Special
\$6.45

HAND PRINTED TABLE CLOTHS

40x40 to 52x70
All New Designs
\$1.98 to \$5.95
each

Ladies' Robes

CHENILLES
Assorted Colors
Sizes 14 to 20
SATIN QUILTED
Pastel Colors
12 to 18
FRENCH CREPE
Long Sleeves—Printed
14 to 42

Madeira Linens

Always the Xmas Favorite
HAND DECORATED TABLE CLOTH AND NAPKINS
to match
Size 35x34
\$2.49
each

HAND DECORATED TEA TOWELS

39c
each

Ladies' Hand Bags

The Ideal Gift
Large or Small Sizes
Black Patterns, New Fabrics and Black, Tans, Browns in Leather
\$1.98 to \$5.95
(Tax Not Included)

Scatter Rugs

EXTRA FINE QUALITY
By J. C. Bedspread Co.
Medium and Large Sizes
All Wanted Colors
\$4.95 to \$8.95

Bonds Will Help Our Boys Win This War—BUY DURING THE SIXTH WAR LOAN

Curlee Suits

100% Wool
Single and Double Breast Models
All Wanted Colors
Sizes 35 to 48
Values to \$37.50
\$32.50

Sewell Suits

Good Worsted Suits
All Colors and Models
Sizes 35 to 44
SPECIAL \$19.75 and \$22.50

Gowns

Solids and Printed Satins, Crepes, and Jerseys
The Gift That Always Pleases
Sizes 16-40
\$2.98 to \$4.98

Pajamas

Crepes and Satins, New Pastel Colors
Sizes 32 to 42
\$2.98 to \$7.98

Give a Lovely SLIP

Lace or Tailored Trim
Satins and Crepe
Sizes 32 to 42
\$1.98 to \$3.95

MEN'S TIES

BEAUTIFUL ASSORTMENT
New Patterns and Very Colorful for Christmas
\$1.00 and \$1.50

ROBES

THE MAN'S GIFT
Satin, Suedes, and Cavalry Twills
Sizes: Small, Medium, and Large
\$5.95 to \$10.95

Men's Pajamas

Prints, Broadcloths, Jacquards, and Seersuckers
\$1.94-\$2.45
\$2.95-\$3.95

HICKOK BELTS, SUSPENDERS AND BILLFOLDS

The Newest in Design and the Highest Quality!

BELTS \$1 \$1.50 \$2 and \$2.50
Suspenders \$1 \$1.50 \$2
Billfolds \$1 to \$3.95 (Tax Not Included)

Gift Items for MEN

Shirts, Ties, Hosiery, Wool Coats and Jackets.
California Leather Coats in all styles and leathers.
Sport Coats, Leisure Coats, Weather Proof Jackets and Robes.
Billfolds, Shaving Sets Gifts for the Service Men.
All types of Work Clothing for the Practical Gift.

Stetson Hats

GIVE HIM A STETSON
\$5.00
\$7.50
\$8.50
\$10.00
\$12.50
3X BEAVER \$15.00

Men's Twill Army Pants

The Dickey's Quality
Six dozen extra heavy quality sanforized and fast colors
Sizes 29 to 42
\$3.41
ALSO BOYS' PANTS IN ARMY CLOTH
\$2.84

Complete Line of Men's, Ladies' and Children's Shoes

EARL BAKER in Charge Shoe Department

LADIES' LOAFERS

Leisure Shoes for Ladies and Misses
Tan Only
Moccasin Toe
Sizes 4 to 10
\$3.95

Ladies' Sling Back PUMPS

Black Suede High Heel
Brown and Black
Alligator Low Heel—
Also Black Patent
\$3.45 \$5.95

FLORSHEIM SHOES

Black and Tans
\$10.50 to \$11.00

Jorman Shoes

French Toes and Young Men's Lasts
\$6.85--\$8.85

Men's Work SHOES

Plain and Cap Toes
Leather Slip Insole and Composition Outsole
\$2.95

Also Welt Rawcord Soles
\$4.45

WOODROOF'S — BALLINGER, TEXAS —

Bearcat-Maverick Bi-District Game Here

The Ballinger Bearcats and the Eastland Mavericks will engage in the first bi-district game here tomorrow (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock. The winner of this game will play Seymour for the regional championship the following week-end.

Eastland is winner of district 10-A and has completed a very successful season with no losses or ties in class A games. The team has a big line and some very fine running and passing backs, but their scores have not been as impressive as the Bearcats' during the season.

Local scouts who watched Eastland in recent games state that it appears to be the best class A team the Bearcats have met this year and it will take all hands to defeat them. The Eastland club rested last week to give some of their men time to get completely over injuries.

The Bearcats sustained several injuries against Roscoe that will affect them this week. Bob Sykes was taken from the game Friday with a head injury which left him groggy for about 34 hours. Earnshaw got an arm injury which caused him to be taken from the game and his condition was not too good the first of the week. Harral was injured on the first play of the game but was okay this week. Burger was ill and not in the game against Roscoe but was expected to be able to go this week.

The Mavericks will arrive here early Friday and will have time to look over the field and stir around some before time to suit out Friday night.

L. B. Rudder visited his father at El Camp during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Mrs. Fred Fowler and Mrs. H. A. Borders spent the Thanksgiving holidays here, visiting their mother, Mrs. C. B. Looney. They are both employes of the North American Aviation plant at Dallas.



FDR says:
Curtail spending. Put your savings into war bonds every payday.

How women and girls may get wanted relief from functional periodic pain

Cardui is a liquid medicine which many women say has brought relief from the cramp-like agony and nervous strain of functional periodic distress. Here's how it may help:

- 1 Taken like a tonic, it should stimulate appetite, aid digestion, thus help build resistance for the "time" to come.
- 2 Started 3 days before "your time", it should help relieve pain due to purely functional periodic causes.

Try Cardui. If it helps, you'll be glad you did.

CARDUI
SEE LABEL DIRECTIONS



The above is George McCorstin, ace back of the Ballinger Bearcats, and who is one of the highest scoring backs in high school football this year with a total of 159 points to his credit. In addition to the actual points made by McCorstin, he has passed for many more touchdowns and has also done the punting for the Bearcats during the entire season. He is expected to be one of the mainstays in the bi-district game Friday night.

Every effort is being made this week to get the entire squad in good physical condition and to prevent colds and other ills which would injure the offense of the team.

Evans looked like a real star in the lineup Friday night and made a hit with the fans when he booted four straight kicks from placement through the uprights for extra points after touchdowns. He also made some nice runs, was on the receiving end of passes and played a good defensive game.

Tickets are on sale at drug stores, the downtown school board office and can be purchased at the box office at the field tomorrow night. The price is not up for the championship game and the ducats will sell for 30 cents to students and 60 cents to adults, tax included. The box office at the field will be opened at 6:30 Friday evening.

Should Ballinger win over Eastland, school officials of Seymour

and Ballinger will meet the next day to decide the location of the regional game. Seymour coaches and school officials watched the Bearcats play Roscoe here Friday night.

SAN ANGELO FOOTBALL TICKETS ON SALE HERE

Tickets for the San Angelo-Austin (El Paso) bi-district football game to be played at San Angelo Saturday afternoon at 2:30 may be purchased at the Ballinger school board office. A block of tickets was sent here to accommodate local fans who desire to see the game.

O. C. Sykes, A. McGregor, Bob Sykes and W. J. Hembree spent the week-end hunting in Kimble county.

Jack Barker, of San Bernardino, California, was recently in Fort Worth attending to business, and visited relatives in Ballinger on his return trip.

Pay-day is bond-buying day.

Bearcats Score Fast To Beat Roscoe 53-7

The Ballinger Bearcats continued their winning ways Friday night by defeating the Roscoe Plowboys 53 to 7 before a small crowd and in a cold north wind. The Plowboys, runners-up in district 8A, brought a big ball club here for the game but the Bearcats did not let the difference in weight make any difference in their scoring and worked a running attack and a passing game successfully against their opponents.

On top of the heavy scoring, the Bearcats had three touchdowns called back and penalties assessed for backfield in motion and also lost the ball once on the one-yard line and again on the four-yard line.

Roscoe's only score came when Womberly, ace back, broke thru the Bearcat line, cut to the side line and was loose for a 45-yard scamper to a touchdown.

The Bearcats scored on the second play after the kick-off. Taking the ball on the 35, McCorstin made 10 and on the next play passed to Earnshaw who went 55 yards for the score. Ros-

sell failed to plunge for the extra.

Roscoe failed to gain and the Bearcats started another touchdown drive with McCorstin, Russell and Frazier piling up yardage. At the 8-yard line Russell went over for the counter but failed to make the extra point.

It was here in the game that Womberly got underway and made his lone touchdown of the game.

Passes and running plays carried the ball to the 5-yard line from where Frazier followed beautiful interference around right end for the third score and Russell went over for the extra point.

Roscoe received the kick-off at the opening of the second half but failed to gain. A kick was

blocked and recovered on their 23-yard line and on the second play McCorstin went 23 yards over for the counter. Russell failed to make the extra.

McCorstin, Frazier and Evans chalked up first downs and McCorstin passed 19 yards to Evans in the end zone for the touchdown. Evans kicked from placement for the extra.

Soon after the start of the fourth period passes to Russell and Flint were good for first downs and McCorstin went over for another score. Evans' kick was good.

The next score was a pass,

good for 46 yards, McCorstin to Russell. Evans' kick was good.

The next and last score was a reverse of the previous touchdown with Russell throwing a lone one into the arms of McCorstin, Evans kicked again and the final score was

53-7.
Typewriter ribbons at The Ledger office.

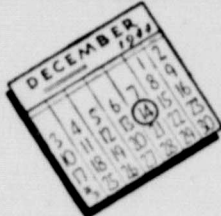
Your War Bond Investment Is Your Investment In America . . .

WHY WALK
CALL A
YELLOW CAB
Phone 55 Phone
H. M. Wingfield, Manager

War Bond Dollars Are **DOUBLE DUTY DOLLARS**

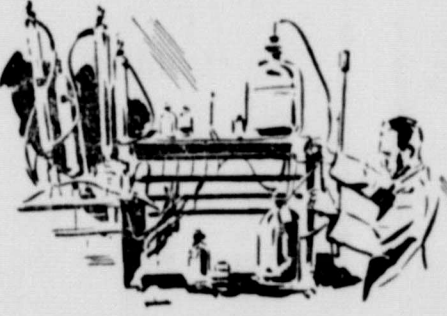
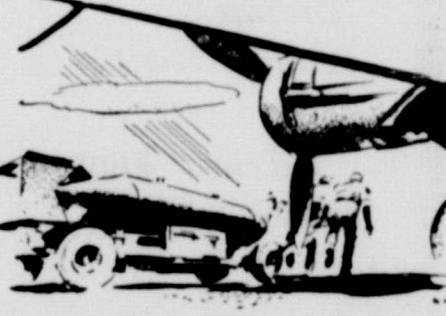
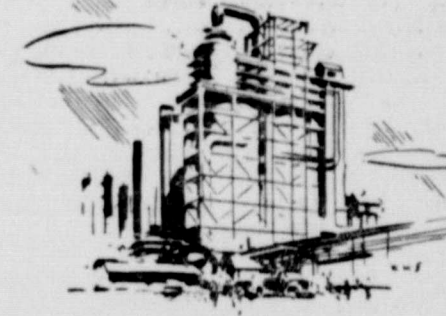

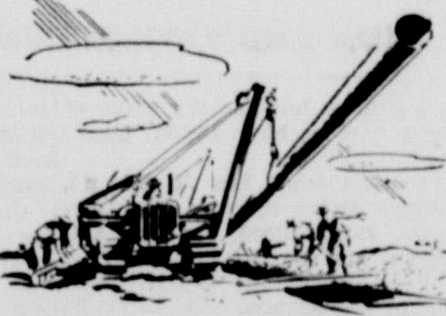

A story that hasn't been told

AN AMERICAN WAR PRODUCTION RECORD THAT DESERVES TELLING . . .



On December 14, at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon, the men and women of Humble Oil & Refining Company will pause in their work to commemorate, in appropriate ceremony, a feat unparalleled in the petroleum industry: the production of ONE BILLION GALLONS of finished 100-octane aviation gasoline at the Baytown refinery.

This accomplishment merits special commendation, because it climaxes 25 years of development, planning, and teamwork of a great organization. The cooperative effort of Humble employees has brought about a uniform progress in all phases of the Company's operations which has enabled them to establish remarkable records in finding, producing, transporting and refining petroleum during a critical period in the history of our nation.

 <p>Humble research and development, in progress for many years before Pearl Harbor, made possible these accomplishments and contributed greatly to the total production of toluene, and the tremendous quantities of finished 100-octane aviation gasoline required by our Armed Forces.</p>	 <p>Baytown Ordnance Works, first synthetic toluene plant in the world, has supplied toluene for at least one out of every two bombs used by the United Nations since Pearl Harbor. For this production feat, Baytown Ordnance Works has five times been awarded the Army-Navy "E".</p>	 <p>Baytown Refinery has made one billion gallons of finished 100-octane aviation gasoline—more than has been produced by any other plant in the world. The world's first commercial alkylolation plant was built at Baytown in 1938. The alkylolation process is the very backbone of 100-octane aviation gasoline production by the entire petroleum industry.</p>
 <p>Humble Oil & Refining Company is the nation's largest producer of crude oil, and is currently supplying about one-fourth of the increased production required for war, as measured by the gain since 1941.</p>	 <p>Through the facilities of Humble Pipe Line Company, there is being transported more oil than is being carried by any other system in the country. Nearly 700,000 barrels move daily through Humble pipe lines—one-seventh of all the oil production in the United States.</p>	 <p>United in a great singleness of purpose, 14,000 Humble men and women are devoting themselves to the task of providing vital petroleum products for war, looking to the day when their 3,000 fellow employees and all their comrades in arms will return.</p>

OPEN HOUSE AT BAYTOWN REFINERY—DECEMBER 14-17

So that one of America's great war plants may be seen in action, Baytown Refinery is holding open house from Thursday, December 14, through Sunday, December 17. The story of the refinery at war will be told by dramatic exhibits of petroleum war products and a great Army and Navy show of war machines and materials. Specially conducted tours will take Humble's friends and neighbors into the heart of the refinery itself.

HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY

HOUSTON, TEXAS



Advertisement

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF RUNNELS

WE THE SUBSCRIBERS, have this day entered into a Limited Partnership under the provisions of Texas Revised Statutes Title 105, relating to limited partnerships, and do hereby certify that the name of the firm under which said partnership is to be conducted is ELTEX, LTD.; that the general nature of the business to be transacted is all phases of the oil business, including the purchase and sale of oil and gas leases, leasehold estates, interests and royalties, drilling of oil and

gas wells, the producing, processing and marketing of oil, gas and other petroleum products, and all other activities incident to an oil and gas business, and that the same will be transacted in the City of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, and in the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas. That the name of the general partner is E. L. Elliott, of New York City, New York, and Abilene, Texas, who has contributed in cash the sum of \$3,150.00, and the names of the special partners, their addresses, and the amount each has actually contributed and paid in in cash are as follows:

Name	Address	Amount
David Van Alstyne, Jr.	115 Chestnut St., Englewood, N. J.	\$3,450.00
Richard C. Noel	5 Carstensen Rd., Scarsdale, N. Y.	3,150.00
Harold K. Young	24 Elm Ave., Larchmont, N. Y.	375.00
L. Richard Kinnard	415 Wister Road, Wynnwood, Pa.	1,125.00
Gerald T. Shipman	35 Baltusrol Way, Short Hills, N. J.	1,125.00
W. Ian Mack	250 Park Ave., New York City	375.00
Miss Stella Lee	250 West 83th St., New York, N. Y.	375.00
Miss Anna C. Gillane	Chappaqua, New York	375.00
Armin A. Schlesinger	715 N. Van Buren St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin	1,500.00

The date at which said partnership is to commence is April 25, 1944, and it shall terminate on April 25, 1964.

Edward L. Elliott, David Van Alstyne, Jr., Richard C. Noel, Harold K. Young, L. Richard Kinnard, Gerald T. Shipman, W. Ian Mack, Miss Stella Lee, Miss Anna C. Gillane, Armin A. Schlesinger, I, COUNTY CLERK OF RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, to whom

The Certificate of Limited Partnership above referred to was tendered for filing, have designated The Ballinger Ledger a newspaper of general circulation in this County, in which the foregoing advertisement shall be advertised for six weeks in accordance with Article 6118, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas. (Seal)

JOHN B. RAYBURN,
County Clerk, Runnels County, Texas.
By Lynn Harris, Deputy.

Principals in Little Women



Above are the four little women who will be seen in the major roles of "Little Women," major production of the Cue and Curtain Club to be presented at the Ballinger high school auditorium on the evenings of December 12 and 13. Those pictured above are: Charlotte Miller, Elizabeth Routh, June Wright and Natilyne Williams.

'Little Women' to be Presented 2 Nights By Cue and Curtain

Tickets have been placed on sale for the first major production of the year by the Cue and Curtain Club of the Ballinger high school. The play, "Little Women" will be presented at the high school auditorium on the evening of December 12 and 13 and the advance seat sale is for both evenings.

The players, under the direction of Miss Katherine Freeman, have been at work for a number of weeks and are about ready for the performance. The cast was carefully selected and each is particularly fitted for the part assigned.

June Wright, a junior and member of the Cue and Curtain Club as well as the speech class, has appeared in three other plays, including "Demon in the Dark" last year. She will take the part of Meg March, the eldest daughter.

Elizabeth Routh, junior, has the role of the wild, romping, tomboy, Jo. She also has appeared in other club presentations and is a valuable member of the club.

Charlotte Miller, junior, treasurer of the club, appeared last year in the interscholastic league play, "The Man Who Came to Gettysburg." She has the role of Beth in "Little Women."

Natilyne Williams, senior, historian of the club, appeared last year in "Promote the General Welfare," and in "Little Women" is the youngest daughter, Amy.

Owen Morgan, senior, vice-president of the club, has appeared in numerous club presentations and in "Little Women" plays Mrs. March, the mother.

C. B. Looney, club business manager, is playing his first club part, that of Mr. March, the father.

Joy Campbell, senior, club secretary, also is playing her first part, that of Aunt March.

Rodger Jones, junior, has the role of Laurie Lawrence, the boy next door.

George McCorstin, senior, is making his debut in this play as tutor for Laurie.

J. H. Parrish, senior, president of the club, appeared in practically all the plays presented by the club last year. He portrays the part of a German professor in "Little Women."

Dorothy Holliday, sophomore, makes her debut in the role of Hannah, a maid.

Tickets are 25c for students and 35c for adults.

SOCIETY

Stytech-in-Tyme Club in J. V. Smith Home

Only Stytech-in-Tyme members were included by Mrs. J. V. Smith last Thursday afternoon for their regular meeting in her home.

Various types of individual handwork gave diversion and a sandwich plate was served with hot chocolate. Favors were crocheted thimbles made by the hostess.

Included were: Mickey Vorbeck, Mmes. Othell McCorstin, Ophus Forbus, John Reese, Oran Neely, and Paul Burk.

International Relations Program Theme for Study Club

The key sentence "The World is one, we cannot live apart. To earth's remotest races we are kin" was emphatically expressed in the timely program theme of "International Relations" presented for the Fannie Stephens Study Club in its meeting Wednesday afternoon at the Army and Navy Club. Mrs. O. G. Joimer presented participants, Mrs. J. H. Endacott, who discussed the relationship of the United States and Britain, and Mrs. W. E. Moss, whose topic was "Our Pacific Relations." Words and phrases of foreign languages were given in answer to roll call.

At the short business session, presided over by Mrs. Lee Maples, the meeting hour was changed from 4:30 to 5:00 p. m., and plans were made for the Christmas program.

Others present were: Mmes. Chester Atterbach, H. O. Agnew, W. E. Elkins, J. Dexter Eoff, Joe Forester, W. O. Irby, LeRoy McAulay, J. A. Killough, George Newby, M. E. McClenney, Alton Underwood, Dee Saylor, and Allen Davis.

Mr. W. T. Routh Honored on 52nd Birthday

Mr. W. T. Routh was guest of honor on his 52nd birthday anniversary last Friday, December 1, when Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Routh gave a dinner for him in their home.

Others present were: Miss Edna Routh, Mrs. A. W. Sledge, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar William Routh, Mrs. Oscar Routh and Virginia, Mr. W. H. Mullins, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Routh and children, Gene and Bill, Mrs. B. J. Duke and Bobbie Karen, Misses Elizabeth, Margaret, and Jane Routh, and Bobbie Tunnell.

Girl Scouts Enjoy Scavenger Hunt

Members of the Bluebonnet Girl Scout troop and their guests were entertained Wednesday night with

Christmas PARADE OF Gifts

GIFTS FOR HER

- Satin Coat Hangers
- Table Cloths
- Pillow Cases
- Chair Sets
- Fascinators
- Fancy Garters
- Bed Jackets
- Gowns
- Bath Sets
- Pictures
- Vases
- Jardineres
- Knitting Bags
- Waste Baskets
- List Finders
- Pajamas
- Coats
- Coat Suits
- Quilted Robes
- House Coats
- Sweaters
- Spring Dresses
- Bedspreads
- Blankets
- Hose
- Costume Jewelry
- Cosmetics
- Purses
- Hand Mirrors
- Dresser Sets
- Powder Mitts
- Figurines
- "Hummel" Figures
- Shoes
- House Shoes

GIFTS FOR HIM

- Ties
- Suits
- Overcoats
- Leather Jackets
- Wool Jackets
- Hats
- Lounge Robes
- Pajamas
- Dress Shirts
- Ties
- Handkerchiefs
- Wool and Silk Scarfs
- Belts
- Billfolds
- Clothes Brushes
- Leather Kits
- Tie and Handkerchief Sets
- Identification Bracelets
- Tobacco Pouches
- New Testaments
- Sweaters
- Sport Shirts
- Shoes
- Boots
- House Shoes

GIFTS for HOME

FURNITURE DEPARTMENT

- Mirrors
- Pictures
- Platform Rockers
- Child's Rockers
- Hassocks
- Boudoir Chairs
- Coffee Tables
- End Tables
- Spring Constructed Living Room Suites
- Bedroom Suites
- Morning Glory Mattress
- Breakfast Room Suites
- Dinette Suites
- Clothes Hampers
- Hi Chairs
- Throw Rugs
- Bridge Folding Chairs
- Smokers

HARDWARE DEPARTMENT

- Gas Heaters
- Pyrex Bake Ware
- Casseroles
- Pie Plates
- Cake Plates
- Roasters
- China Ware
- Cookie Jars
- Children's Wagons
- Dutch Oven
- Serving Trays
- Waste Baskets
- Dinner Sets
- Percolators
- Dripolators

IT PAYS—at Christmas time—as well as all through the Year—to Shop at

HIGGINBOTHAM BROS. & COMPANY

GOSPEL PREACHING!

LELAND KNIGHT

of **BOONEVILLE, ARKANSAS**

WILL BEGIN A

MEETING

at the

9th St. Church of Christ

BALLINGER, TEXAS

DECEMBER 10TH TO 21ST

The lessons will be interesting, instructive and will conform to the truth of the Scriptures in all respects.

Evening Services Daily, 7:30 p. m.

Sunday Morning Services, 11 a. m.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED

a scavenger hunt at the home of their leader, Miss Meiba Bankston.

Winners were Eva Jo Flynn, Jimmie Endacott, Janie Sue Morrison, James Reed, Grace Ann Bryan, and Everett Grindstaff. A box of candy went to those winning in the contest.

Popcorn balls and cold drinks were served to: Grace Ann Bryan, Dorothy Daugherty, Queba Ray Ferguson, Eva Jo Flynn, Norma Ruth Holland, Jessie Mae Henderson, Janie Sue Morrison, Barbara Patterson, Joyce Sanders, Betty Lou Stewart, Mary Wright, Barbara Smith, Jimmie Endacott, Jack Hampton, Everett Grindstaff, Duane Baxter and James Reed.

Garden Club to Have Christmas Program

A discussion of flowers and shrubs of the Bible and the group singing of Christmas carols will be features of the Civic-Garden Club meeting for December to be held in City Hall auditorium Tuesday afternoon the twelfth.

Mrs. Medlen is Luncheon Hostess

Mrs. Tom Medlen was hostess at a prettily-appointed luncheon Tuesday to compliment Mrs. William J. Wingo of Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Mrs. Q. V. Miller, Jr., of Boca Raton, Florida, who are visiting in the Q. V. Miller home.

A Yule centerpiece of reindeers and poinsettias flanked by tall

red candles was the dining table decoration while red carnations and red berries were used in the living room.

Carnation corsages were favors for the honorees. Others were: Mmes. Arthur Giesecke, Charles Hambrick, Theo Isbell, Harmon Buckley, Charles van de Putte.

Brahms Symphonies Studied by Music Club

Mrs. Frank Pearce was hostess to the Ballinger Music Club Tuesday evening in her home on Eighth Street.

Decorations were in the Christmas holiday symbols where Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh presided for reports. Mrs. Horace Murphy gave a brief parliamentary drill and Mrs. Alex McGregor, war service chairman, announced that \$11.70 had been contributed for the music rehabilitation of hospitalized war veterans. Mrs. George Benson's resignation was accepted.

Miss Olga Schawe presented program numbers, which included the discussion of the Brahms symphonies by Miss Carmen Demmer with piano excerpts by Miss Maggie Underwood, and the Brahms "Waltz" played by Mrs. Arthur Giesecke; a biography of Arturo Toscanini, conductor of the N. B. C. Symphony; and a current event in music by Mrs. O. G. Joimer.

Others present were Mmes. Fred McClanahan, Troy Simpson, C. R. Stephens, John Guion, O. R. Las-

ater, J. R. Lusk, J. Y. Pearce, L. R. Tigner, R. T. Williams, Charles van de Putte, Misses Marjorie McGregor, and Sarah Ann Stowe.

Citation by Publication of Final Account

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County, Greeting: Austin Harper, Administrator of the Estate of F. L. Harper, deceased, on the 7th day of December, 1944, having filed in our County Court his Final Account of the condition of the Estate of said F. L. Harper, deceased, numbered 1868 on the Probate Docket of Runnels County, together with an application to be discharged from said office as administrator of said estate.

You are hereby commanded, that by publication of this Writ one time and said publication shall be not less than ten days before the return day hereof, the 18th day of December, A. D. 1944, in a Newspaper printed in the County of Runnels you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate, to appear and contest the same if they see proper so to do, on Monday the 18th day of December, A. D. 1944, at the Court House of said County, in Ballinger, Texas, when said Account and Application will be acted upon by said Court.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at my office in the

town of Ballinger, Texas, this 7th day of December, A. D. 1944.

(Seal) **JOHN B. RAYBURN**

Clerk, County Court, Runnels County.

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Original Writ now in my hands.

J. L. MORELAND
Sheriff, Runnels County

Serious Manpower Shortage in Vital Texas War Plants

AUSTIN, Dec. 6.—Eighty-four vital Texas war plants are now behind schedule in production due to a serious shortage of manpower, C. E. Belk, state director of the war manpower commission, declared today.

Asserting these production lags to be one of the most alarming setbacks to the war effort yet encountered, Belk stressed that necessary manpower must be obtained at once to keep all essential plants running at top peak of production until the final day of victory.

Belk attributed a large part of the labor shortage in essential industry to the fact that workers are leaving vital war jobs and returning to their home towns to take less essential jobs in the

hope of post war security and that management of less essential industry is continuing to hire these workers.

"I feel that every employer in non-essential firms should take it as his patriotic duty to hire no workers who were employed or are needed for war production," Belk said. "War industry also should look to improving both in-plant conditions and community facilities in an effort to hold their workers. In this way the migration of workers from vital production jobs could be checked."

LIFE'S Little TROUBLES



-CAN'T EAT-

You don't have to worry and fret because CONSTIPATION or GAS PRESSURE discomforts won't let you eat. Instead of feeling nervous—blue or bewildered, take a dash of

ADLER-I-KA

to quickly expel gas—to soften and assist food wastes thru a comfortable bowel movement. Enjoy that clean, refreshed feeling that lifts spirits—rekindles smiles—improves appetite. Buy it! Try it! You'll never be without Adlerka again. Caution, use only as directed. Get Adlerka from your druggist today.

J. Y. Pearce Drug Co., Weeks Drug Store and City Drug Store

Six Enumerators Needed for Farm Census in County

The 1945 farm and ranch census for Runnels county is to get underway not later than January 10, 1945, and six enumerators will be needed in this county. C. O. Reed, of San Angelo, in charge of a large district in Texas, was here this week and stated that he would employ the six enumerators as soon as possible. Any person interested is asked to write C. O. Reed, second floor, court house, San Angelo. As soon as letters are received blanks will be sent for making formal application for the positions and for a test which must be passed before the employment is assured.

A letter will bring such information as the rate of pay and a general description of the work to be done in taking this census. Those accepted for the six places in Runnels county must attend a three-day school to be held at San Angelo and for these three days will be paid at the rate of \$3 a day.

The last farm and ranch census for this county was taken in 1940. Some of the information compiled on this county at that time follows:

- Number of farms, 2,103
- Farm acreage, 603,455
- Value of farms, land and buildings, \$18,534,859
- Value of farm implements and machinery, \$1,760,631
- Number of tractors on farms, 1,411
- Total value of farm domestic animals, \$1,640,756
- Total value of dairy products, \$123,106
- Total value of all crops harvested, \$1,759,095

CREWS

A nice rain fell here Monday. The roads are so muddy the school bus can't run.

Bro. J. D. Ramsey filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday.

Mrs. John Hardaway, mathematics teacher, has resigned, and Bro. J. H. Hallford is acting as supply teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester McBeth are the parents of a son, Lyndon Coy, 6 pounds 14 ounces, born in the Winters hospital Monday night, December 4.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Fuller and Bro. and Mrs. J. H. Hallford transacted business at San Angelo Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Blackmon are the parents of a daughter, born November 30 in the Ballinger clinic. She has been named Saundry Nathela.

Cpl. Billie Mathis is at home on furlough, the first time in 16 months. He has been in Yuma, Arizona, and will go to Shreveport for overseas training. He is a radio mechanic-tail gunner on a B-26.

Dr. Jones is Greeted By Capacity Crowd In Ballinger Church

Dr. E. Stanley Jones, internationally-famous missionary, author and preacher, was greeted Sunday morning at the First Methodist Church by a capacity congregation which filled the auditorium, balcony and Sunday school rooms.

Dr. Jones came to Ballinger at the invitation of Mrs. Charles F. Bailey to speak at the one service before going to Abilene, where all churches are presenting him for a full week.

Dr. Jones has been one man already suggested to occupy a seat at the peace table, because of his first-hand knowledge of lands, religions, politics and living standards. His work for the past 25 years in India has become known around the world and today he oversees a number of hospitals, missions and other institutions in the sub-continent.

Speaking here Sunday, Dr. Jones said there were two kinds of Christians today, one group that wanted a seat in the congregation and another that was willing to accept responsibility and work at the job. From this thought he developed a great message which set forth the work of the Christian in the world of today and especially in the church and his community.

Morning services at four local churches were cancelled in order that all their members might hear Dr. Jones and many other people came from other churches to hear the distinguished speaker.

26 Couples Issued Marriage Licenses During November

County Clerk John B. Rayburn issued a total of 26 marriage licenses during November. This is the highest number of these permits issued here in several months. Those obtaining licenses are as follows:

- S. Sgt. James M. Griffin and Miss Mary Emma Hall
- Edward C. Hughes and Miss Olga Nell Loyd
- Hinocencio Rodriguez and Miss Josefa Reyes
- W. C. Hill and Miss Juanita Maxine Reel
- Edgar A. Vinson and Miss Anna Lolita Dobbins
- Miguel Garcia and Mrs. Virginia Garcia
- Buford McWright and Mrs. Earetha Mae Nixon
- Charlie Lewis Jones and Miss Katie Mae Daniels
- Charles Harlin Thomas and Miss Dana Dee Derstine
- Frank Robert Ashley and Miss Annie Marie Hoots
- Edgar Lee Jennings and Miss Loretta Monica Hearne
- Emmett Simpson and Mrs. Rosa Lee Finchum
- Robert Lewis Kincheloe and Miss Clessie Bell
- Joseph Edward Winston and Miss Frances Mae Jones
- Enrique Reyes and Miss Remedios Garza
- Maxine Lawrence and Miss Agnes Joan Salge
- George Joseph Pendergast, Jr. and Miss Mary Helen Oliver
- Billie Carlton Sharpes and Miss Norma Jean Green

Joe Garcia and Miss Beatriz Garcia Gallegas

Billy Curry and Miss Juanita Louise Blackmon

Thomas Howard McClean and Miss Mae Dell Bollinger

William D. Rogers and Miss Delphine Eoff

Dezmel L. Teague and Miss Sammy Adeline Jones

D. B. Stinebaugh and Mrs. Florence Crawford

Elmer W. Henning and Miss Joe Browning

J. A. Nichols and Miss Katherine Sinclair.

after the family had resided for a number of years in South Texas.

Funeral services were held at Houston Wednesday and interment followed by the side of her husband in the LaGrange cemetery later in the afternoon. Besides the two sons six daughters survive.

Dr. and Mrs. Stasney and children, Anne and Buddy, and Mrs. Stasney's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Wardlaw, left for Houston Tuesday morning shortly after the death message was received.

DR. STASNEY ATTENDS FUNERAL OF MOTHER

Dr. E. W. Stasney received a message Tuesday morning telling of the death of his mother, Mrs. Anna Stasney, at the home of another son, Frank Stasney, in Houston. She passed away early Tuesday morning after falling health for a number of years. Mrs. Stasney was 78 at the time of her death.

Decedent had visited her son in Ballinger a number of times and was well known here. Born in Czecho-Slovakia, she came to the United States at the age of 5. Her husband died 25 years ago.

Paper clips at Ledger office.

REMEMBER—
 it pays to do your Christmas Shopping at
HIGGINBOTHAM'S

Complete Abstracts to Land in Runnels County
GUARANTY TITLE CO.
 Ballinger, Texas
 Office in Old Security State Bank Building

A Service Institution

Newby-Davis Funeral Home

Ballinger, Texas
 Owned and Operated by
GEORGE NEWBY and ALLEN DAVIS
 "WE SERVE"
PHONE 454
 Funeral Directors Counselors

WARNING!

Get your car ready now for colder weather!



Come in for these inexpensive service operations needed NOW to get your car ready:

- TUNE-UP**
A thorough tune-up results in easier starting—better gasoline mileage.
- BATTERY**
Cold weather is hard on batteries. Let us check yours NOW.
- FUEL SYSTEM**
Water should be drained from gas tank, fuel lines and pump to prevent a freeze-up.
- LUBRICATION**
Lighter engine oil is needed for colder weather. Transmission and differential lubricants need a change.
- COOLING SYSTEM**
Play safe. Have entire cooling system checked for leaks, then add anti-freeze.
- WHEEL ALIGNMENT**
Protect tires against excessive wear by having wheel alignment checked.

OUR PRICES ARE REASONABLE

M. H. MORGAN MOTOR CO.

Phone 258 109 S. Ninth Street
 We have Zerone Anti-Freeze

HERRING

The crowd at church services was very small Sunday, due to sickness and muddy roads.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Davis and children, of Fabens, are with her mother, Mrs. Telitha Ray. Mrs. Davis is to undergo major surgery at Coleman some time this week.

Sgt. S. J. Brevard arrived home Sunday night for a 30-day furlough with home folks. He has been in the service since January 16, 1942, having been overseas since March of 1942. This is his first time to be home.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fuller went to San Angelo Monday afternoon for a few days' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sparks.

Miss Ida Mae Day, of Brownwood, spent from Friday until Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Lonnie Alcorn, and family.

Mrs. Thora Kerby, Marvie and Roland, of Glen Cove, spent the week-end with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Belcher and daughters, of Barnett, also Mrs. Fannie Powe and son, August, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fuller and family.

Gifts OF DISTINCTION

WAR BONDS Buy Them for Gifts and Investments. We still need to buy \$288,000 worth DO IT NOW

For Her

- Complete line of Tussy, Dorothy Perkins, DuBarry, Harriet Hubbard Ayer and Prince Matchbelli
- COSMETICS AND FITTED KITS
- PERFUMES
- Ciro, Danger, Reflexion and Surrender
- Curday, Toujours Moi, Perfumes
- Evening in Paris Sets and Perfumes
- Hundreds of Other Gifts

For Him

- Men's Shaving Gift Sets, \$1 to \$10
- Metal Fluorescent Desk Lamps
- Bill Folds
- Pipes
- Tobacco Pouches
- Fountain Pen and Ink Desk Sets
- World Globes
- All-Metal Lunch Kits
- All-Metal Fish Tackle Boxes

TOYS

Visit Our Toy Department. Ready this week-end, hundreds of Toys for all ages. Bring the Children. A real Christmas Toyland.

Get Tickets Here for

Ballinger-Eastland Football Game

Bearcat Field, Friday Night, 8 p. m.

FOODS

On busy shopping days drop in for lunch with us, or enjoy a special steak. You will enjoy this service.

WEEKS DRUG STORE

BALLINGER E. H. BECTON, Owner PHONES 12 and 13

WANTED

Men for Work in Essential Industry Synthetic Rubber Plant

- Electricians
- Machinists
- Carpenters
- Operator Helpers
- Warehouse Laborers
- Yard Laborers

INSIDE WORK FOR THE WINTER MONTHS
 HOUSING AVAILABLE AT PLANTSITE

Transportation furnished to Point of Employment
 Excellent Starting Wages

GOOD OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADVANCEMENT

THE B. F. GOODRICH COMPANY

BORGER, TEXAS

HIRING REPRESENTATIVE WILL INTERVIEW

APPLICANTS

in

Comanche	Dec. 4, 1944	County Court Room
Brady	Dec. 5, 1944	County Court Room
Coleman	Dec. 6, 1944	Chamber of Commerce
Brownwood	Dec. 7, 8, 9, 1944	U.S.E.S. Office
Abilene	Dec. 11, 12, 1944	U.S.E.S. Office
Ballinger	Dec. 13, 1944	County Court Room
San Angelo	Dec. 14, 15, 16, 1944	U.S.E.S. Office

Approved by: War Manpower Commission

The Ballinger Ledger

Published Every Thursday by
The Ballinger Printing Company
Office of Publication, 711 Hutchings Ave.,
Ballinger, Texas
Entered at the postoffice at Ballinger as
second-class mail matter
Subscription, the year \$1.50
(Subscriptions payable in advance)
Telephone 27

HAS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGED RECENTLY

Ledger subscribers are requested to notify the publisher of any change in their address promptly. Under the new postal laws newspapers and periodicals must pay postage due for notices of any change in address furnished by the postoffice. Besides, there always is the probability that your paper will be delayed or fail to reach you altogether if you do not give immediate notification when you move. The best plan for all concerned is to send the change of address in advance.

Every day people hear and heed the call for men, equipment, bond buying and other things that mean the successful prosecution of the war. There is one call right now, however, that has not got the publicity of other, but which is probably the most important call at this time. This plea comes from the war shipping administration for 43,000 experienced seamen. This department makes the blunt statement that if our fighting men are to get the tools of war and the necessary supplies to win battles, 5,000 men a month during the next twelve months must be found. New ships are sliding down the ways every day and these must be manned to move the precious cargoes to our fighting fronts. A statement recently issued reveals about 200,000 experienced seamen working on shore jobs and these men are needed to handle boats both in the Atlantic and the Pacific.

Some people oppose every government regulation that concerns them and no small share of criticism goes to the OPA. This office operates as best it can with the help it has. The Rannels county office at Ballinger is understaffed and often its work piles up until it requires weeks to

PEARCE'S
on the
Label Means
S-A-F-E-T-Y
PRESCRIPTIONS
A SPECIALTY FOR OVER
54 YEARS
J. Y. PEARCE
DRUG CO.
Phones 38 and 26

catch up. Recently money was made up in various sections of the county and used to employ additional clerks. This has helped greatly in carrying on the work and keeping the records up to date but these funds will soon be consumed and only the regular staff left to do all the work. Be as patient and understanding as possible. Anticipate your rationing needs in time so clerks will not have to quit other jobs to give you special service.

WE MUST NOT FAIL

Someday the war is going to end. Someday millions of American men will come home from across the seas, and again the danger will be faced that the people of a war weary United States will wash their hands of international problems. If they succumb to that danger, they will probably never have another grace period in which to muddle through a "preparedness program" such as they have had in the last two wars.

Now, before the war is over, before the danger of a weary reaction sets in, is the time to help create an effective peace organization and to help lay the groundwork for dissolving archaic trade barriers.

The late Wendell Willkie spoke from the heart when he said: "I was a soldier in the last war, and after that war was over I saw our bright dreams disappear, our stirring slogans become the jests of the cynical, and all because the fighting peoples did not arrive at any common postwar purposes while they fought. It must be our resolve to see that this does not happen again."

While they fight, the people of the world must come to a common understanding of what they fight for and when they hope for. Millions have already died in this war and many thousands more will go before it is over. Unless Britons and Canadians, and Russians and Chinese and Americans and all our fighting allies, in the common cooperation of war, find the instrumentalities and the methods of cooperative effort after the war, we, the people, have failed in our time and our generation.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS HERE WILL BEGIN DECEMBER 20

Ballinger school children will be dismissed on the afternoon of Wednesday, December 20, for the Christmas holidays and will not return to school until January 1. This will give local students and teachers eleven days off during the holidays.

Bob Norman, of Fort Davis, was in Ballinger Tuesday for a visit with friends and to attend to business. Mr. Norman has not resided here for many years but still has a number of friends and acquaintances among the old-timers here.

Europe's Children Fight While U. S. Tots Play



Every day is play day for Jimmy, Judith and Barbara and the rest of their American playmates. In Europe, it is a sadly different story. Upper right shows four German children arrested in Aachen area for firing on American troops. According to rules of war they may be shot. Lower right shows a guard of honor of Louakhi, Greece, children lined up to greet the Tommies when the British troops crossed the Corinth canal and liberated their village. They had been serving with the Greek underground.



WEST TEXAS NOTES

A number of Rising Star show-windows were used last week for peanut displays in a celebration staged by growers of the area. The soil conservation service helped to arrange the exhibits, which attracted much attention and proved one of the best stunts since the days of the free fall fairs.

John Tarleton College, Stephenville, is looking forward to a large building program in 1945. Applications have been made for the construction and the next session of the legislature will approve or reject the requests. Heading the list is a \$250,000 agriculture building.

Paint Rock club women have completed plans for a community Christmas tree to be held on the night of December 21. Committees have been named to look after the place, decoration, finances, names and other details, and all children of the Paint Rock area are invited to attend.

A successful war bond rally was held at DeLeon Monday afternoon of last week, purchases totaling \$140,000. It only required fifty minutes for the buyers to place their applications. Leaders stated that practically every person attending the rally bought one or more bonds.

Comanche club women are operating war bond booths on the streets and in stores each afternoon and Saturday and are greatly assisting the local committee. Various clubs have accepted the responsibility for selling on certain days and all workers have been schooled in the different series of bonds and the filling out of applications.

SHEPHERD & PATTESON
C. P. Shepherd
Thos. G. Patteson
Attorneys-at-Law
Will Practice in All the Courts.
Office Over F. & M. State Bank
Residence 151 Office 156

The annual Melvin football banquet, sponsored by the pep squad, was held Tuesday night of last week. Concluding a successful season by the Melvin team, the in-honor affair was held in the school lunch room. Home economics girls prepared and served the meal.

The Winters war bond committee Tuesday evening of last week presented the Abilene army air base show and during the intermission sold a total of \$42,300 in bonds to apply on the community quota in the sixth war loan drive. Good progress has been reported from the Winters area toward reaching the quota.

A war bond rally was conducted at Wingate Wednesday night, with Major David Evans, famous bond salesman from Camp Berkeley, on hand to do the selling job. Major Evans was accompanied to Wingate by a military band and sales at the rally are expected to put the community over the top.

The Coleman American Legion post has arranged a stag dinner for all veterans of both World wars. An effort is being made by the post to build a large municipal auditorium as a memorial to the men serving in this war. Plans have been drawn and are now on display in the building where contributions are being taken for this cause. Many war bonds have been contributed to the building fund during the current war loan campaign.

The Menard pecan show, held on November 25, brought in many excellent exhibits and an interesting program attracted a large crowd. Judges were busy most of the day making the awards. J. L. Rainey, of San Angelo, talked to the growers on the cultivation and care of pecans.

W. M. (Bill) Wright, formerly of Junction, has accepted a position as representative of an awning concern and will have a territory in West Texas. Wright is well known all over West Texas, having coached and played football in

this part of the state a number of years. He is a brother of Felton Wright, coach of the Ballinger Bearcats.

The "G. I. Jamboree," visiting Brady Tuesday morning of last week, met with an enthusiastic reception and during the performance \$209,000 in war bonds were purchased. Harley Sadler, veteran West Texas showman, headed the jamboree show at Brady and presented a number of war heroes being hospitalized in this country who were given special permission to assist in the sixth war loan drive.

Walker-Smith Co., with headquarters at Brownwood, this year is celebrating the 50th anniversary of the organization. The wholesale grocery concern has houses in a number of West Texas cities and several in Oklahoma and New Mexico. C. Y. Early is the general manager. The men who gave their names to the company were John A. Walker, who served as its president 48 years, and James L. Smith, secretary until 1927.

NEW MEMBER OF FACULTY BEGINS DUTIES IN SCHOOL

Mrs. Margaret Tucker has been employed by the Ballinger school board as teacher of home economics in the senior high school. Formerly Miss Margaret Batts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Batts, she is at home for the duration, her husband having been sent to the Pacific war theatre.

Mrs. Mildred Tibbs resigned recently to join her husband in Kansas City after he returned to this country after foreign service in the armed forces.

Shipping tags and wires. Ballinger Printing Co.

Christmas Workers Required to Obtain Social Security Cards

Many boys and girls in Ballinger will soon be, if they are not already, working after school and on Saturdays in local stores in order to help service the public during the approaching holiday season. Each and every one of these new employees must have a social security account number. No doubt many of the people who will be working this year obtained account cards last year for the same purpose. They should still have them. They are just as good today as when issued, in fact they are good forever. Those who have preserved their original cards should use them. Workers taking employment for the first time should apply for the account cards. The social security account number must be given to each employer.

Recruiting of holiday labor has already begun by employers in various establishments. New workers, especially the younger ones, should bear in mind that a social security card is not a "work permit." It is used for the sole purpose of keeping a correct account of wages earned in order to give the wage earner full credit on his old-age and survivors insurance account.

Social security account cards may be obtained from the field office of the Texas social security board, San Angelo, without charge. If the worker lives some distance from a field office an application form may be secured at the post office and when properly filled out mailed to the social security board office. The card will be returned to the applicant promptly.

RUNNELS COUNTY MEN PASS PHYSICAL EXAMS

Last week six Rannels county men were examined and passed physicals for military service. They have returned home to await calls for induction. Those who passed and were certified to the local board are:

- James Dolan Wheat
 - Clifton Vivins Harwood
 - Eugene Edward Machann
 - Ben Sims Parrish
 - Clifton Riley Curry
 - Dewey Mack Baker
- The local board also reported two recently inducted into the armed services. Teddy Herman Lindemann was taken by the army, and Edward Elmo Phillips by the navy.

New boxed stationery at Ledger office.

WFA ASKS CONTINUANCE OF VICTORY GARDENS

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 7.—The war food administration is encouraging the continuance of present victory garden organizations regardless of the course of the war. These volunteer organizations, says WFA in a statement received by the A. & M. College extension service, "have played an important part in the success of the victory garden program."

Home gardens have freed thousands of tons of fresh and canned fruit and vegetables for the armed forces, and have saved transport services and processing facilities, the statement continues.

"While it is not planned to set a definite goal for victory gardens in 1945," WFA explains, "every farm should have a garden large enough to produce vegetables needed for the family supply in fresh and preserved form. An abundant supply of fresh fruits and vegetables will be just as necessary for a healthy diet in peace as in war. Furthermore, many town, city and suburban families with fertile, sunny gardens available or have access to a plot will want to continue having a garden. Regardless of when the war ends there always will be need for an abundant supply of fresh fruits and vegetables."

Paper clips at Ledger office.

Plant good seed—in war bonds—and harvest security after the war.

PREVENT fire... but insure and make sure

Care will prevent most fires... but only sound and sufficient fire insurance will prevent a loss when fire strikes. We represent only tried and tested companies, known for their dependability. Consult us at any time... there's no obligation.

E. Sheppard & Co.
E. Sheppard J. W. Purifoy



SAVE FOR TOMORROW

You're not buying things now for various reasons—war-time shortages, joining in the fight against inflationary buying, and the need to buy war bonds—but after the war, you can have those things you want if you have saved.

SAVE

- FOR A POSTWAR HOME
- FOR REMODELING
- FOR AN AUTOMOBILE
- FOR AN EDUCATION
- FOR A NEW REFRIGERATOR

DON'T BUY WHAT YOU DON'T NEED NOW AND LATER YOU CAN BUY WHAT YOU WANT

The Farmers & Merchants State Bank
Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

"It tastes better"



Phone 234

CAMERON'S DELIVERED THE MIRROR DOOR THIS MORNING



"IDEAL" as a Gift
A Handsome, Full-Length
MIRROR DOOR

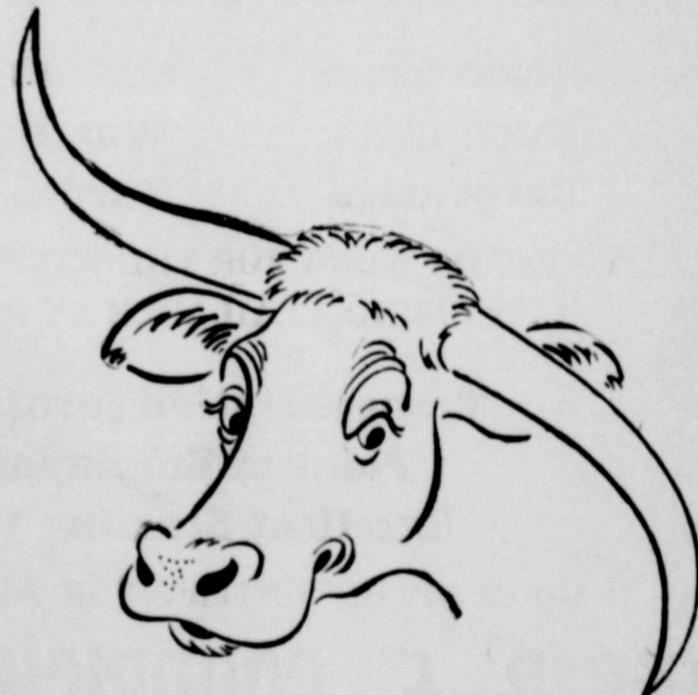
- Adds beauty to the home
- Serves the entire family
- Gives joy for years

Just a Few CENTS A DAY PAYS FOR IT at Cameron's

Thrill every member of the family with this handsome, long lasting gift. Take the old door off a closet, a bedroom, or the bathroom and replace it with this useful, handsome full-length mirror door.

To be sure it is in your home for Christmas—place your order with us today.
CAMERON'S
"Home of Complete Building Service"

Here's a curious critter



If you met this longhorn out on the plains, you'd yell for Mr. Ripley! When one horn curves up, you just naturally expect the other to turn up, too.

Same way, when war sent prices sweeping up, people expected all prices to follow suit. But at least one price didn't—the price of electricity.

In fact, like this longhorn, the price of electricity actually curved down the other way. The same government statistics which measure the increased cost-of-living also show that the average price of electricity has declined 3.2% since war began!

That's news—even more than a steer with two-way horns!... You can be sure that the far-sighted planning and sound business management which kept electricity dependable and cheap in wartime, will supply even better service to your electric post-war home.

West Texas Utilities Company

THE STORE OF THE



**GIFT
Lacy Gown!**

\$2.95 up

Extra flattering nightie in soft rayon satin, with handsome lace. White, peach.



**Give a Lovely
SLIP**

\$2.95 up

Lingerie love for her Christmas! Figure-moulding slip in lacy rayon crepe or satin.



**GIFT
WARMERS**

\$2.95 up

Cozy, cuddly bed jackets and sholderettes. Warm and pretty for fuel-rationed winters. Attractive assortment of styles and colors—attractive prices.



SWEATERS

Sleeveless pullovers, coat styles, in beautiful gift colors

\$3.95 up



Dreamboat

Campus coat dress . . . in a slick glen plaid wool and rayon fabric . . . blazer bound in wool white and studded with smoked pearl buttons. Four kick pleats in the front and four in the back . . . plus a natty braid belt front. Junior sizes 9 to 15, \$50.00. Grey or Oatmeal.

\$14.95
Others \$4.95 up

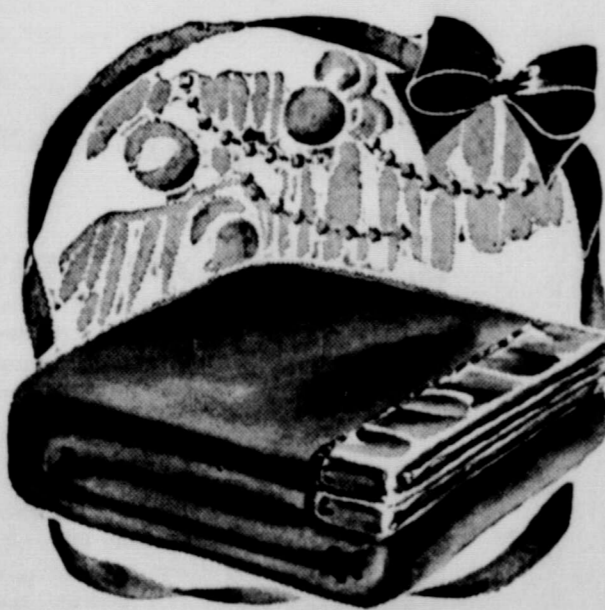
Joan Miller
JUNIORS



Robes -- Housecoats

Warm robes, pretty robes for off-duty hours—for lounging and cold mornings. See our value-filled collection of fireside favorites—all lovely enough for hostess duty—all priced to please!

\$3.95
up



**WARMLY WELCOMED GIFTS!
BLANKETS --
WOOL COMFORTS**

Practical Gifts for many days after Christmas

Blankets \$7.95 to \$14.95

Wool Comforts \$15 up

Bed Spreads \$4.25 up



A Hat for Mother

An unusual gift sure to please—new Spring Hats

\$3.95 up

Swansdown

and this suit is
exclusive
with us

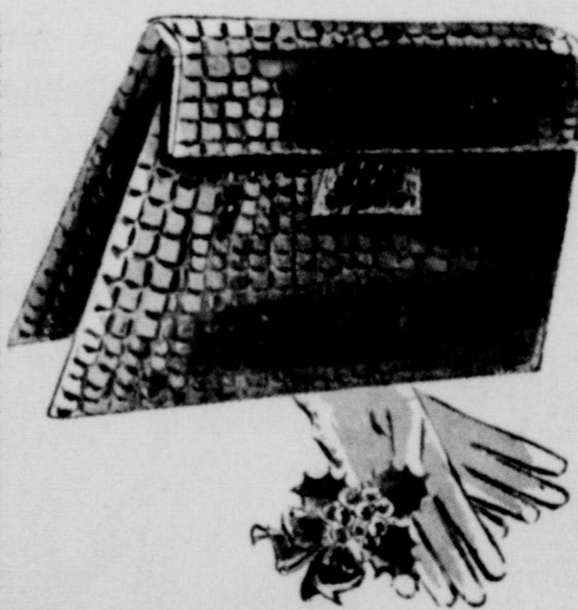


FEATURED IN CHARM

The perfect suit to span the seasons . . . perfect under your fur coat now . . . perfect for Spring. Swansdown tailors it with flattering hand-stitched detail, in a beautiful virgin wool Mirro-Sheen gabardine. Sizes 10 to 18.

\$39.75 up

Others \$22.55 up



**Bags --
Gloves**

Always needed, always appreciated, always a fine gift

Bags \$2.95 up

Gloves \$1 up



**Novelty
Jewelry
Gifts**

Sparkling, Colorful

Pearls

\$3.95

up

Jewelry

\$1.00

up



Woolly Scarfs

for Neckpiece or Head

Wrap

\$1

up



DICKIES

—to give that Suit or
Costume a life

\$2.95

up



**Warm
RUGS**

Shaggy floor rugs for the
bedside or about the
room

\$2.95

up

BETTIS & STURGES

Bond Show at Texas Features Romantic Arturo de Cordova

Athlete, newspaperman, actor! He's Arturo de Cordova and he's Joan Fontaine's pirate lover in one of the greatest love stories ever filmed. Daphne du Maurier's "Frenchman's Creek," the screen attraction at the Texas Theatre for the 6th war loan program next Wednesday evening at 7:30, December 13, for the night performance only. Admission is by purchase of a war bond in the current drive.

This new sensational screen actor might well be called a triple-threat man, for in the hearts of women he's terrific on three counts. Anyone seeing him in the big Paramount technicolor production "Frenchman's Creek" will get the first big angle without being told. He's pure, unadulterated heart interest. He's an actor with the glamor of Hollywood, the throbbing voice of Latin-America, passionately warm eyes and a smile that's melting and disarming.

The second angle is that, according to the fellow's biography, he's a former United Press reporter—a real, honest-to-goodness newspaperman. What woman doesn't get romantic ideas the minute she thinks a man has cabled in a big story to the city desk, interviewed a celebrity or written a by-line story for the first page of the second section? Cordova was UP representative in Buenos Aires and assistant manager for UP at Santiago before covering South America for UP in New York.

Now for the third. No matter how romantic, charming or exciting a man may be, a woman wants him to be a muscle-man too. She wants him to be big and strong and overpowering. She wants to wilt in his arms and be cuddled. Well Mr. Cordova started developing muscles way back in

District Director Of OPA Says More Rationing Coming

The office of war rationing and price administration for Runnels county has been advised of stricter rationing on certain items and all citizens are being asked to help in taking care of a situation caused by the trend of battles in Germany.

J. H. Kultgen, OPA district director, who has just returned from Washington, has issued the following statement to all boards in this district:

"We now find ourselves faced with the possibility that the European phase of the war may last well into next year and with supplies of such items as truck tires being used up at an alarming rate, it seems that it will be necessary for all of us to get our second wind and to again tighten up on our rationing programs all along the line.

"The truck tire situation is, of course, particularly critical. It takes 400 tons of shipping to supply a division each day and practically all of the combat divisions on the European front are being supplied by motor trucks from ports 450 miles away.

"The gasoline supply, too, is extremely critical with the increased needs occasioned by our far-flung operations in the Pacific. "Sugar and butter, on the food

lists, are also critical, and the coming year may find a sugar program much tighter than we have ever had. The problems being faced by the national office are so complex and so difficult that I think we should view their efforts with a great deal more understanding than all of us have displayed in the past."

Legion Memorial Fund is Increased By Bond Donations

The local American Legion building memorial fund was increased last week when four local men purchased \$25 war bonds assigned to this fund.

The American Legion post has not pushed the sale of bonds for this cause in the 6th war loan drive but is still accepting contributions to the building fund and will continue to do so until the account is large enough to contract a "home" for returning veterans at the end of the war.

The following donations were received last week:

Charles Harris, \$25 bond
Hesterwood Clayton, \$25 bond
W. E. Hamilton, \$25 bond
J. T. Moreland, \$25 bond
Charles Allen, \$5 cash.

A check-up of the account this week revealed \$2,650 in bonds contributed and a number of local citizens have indicated that they

GIVE FOR CHRISTMAS
House Shoes—or Dress Shoes
For Men, Women and Children
HIGGINBOTHAM BROS. & CO.

Let's be different THIS CHRISTMAS

While Christmas is a Season of Great Joy to all most of us find the selection of appropriate and unusual gifts a real problem. With this in mind we offer the perfect solution. Give Books of Happiness to family and friends and they'll give weeks of entertainment, education and fun.

Sendy this to Doodadly Different than too, what more appropriate gift could be chosen.
\$2.75 Book for \$2.50 \$1.50 Book for \$1.25 Size 11-12 Books

Give Entertainment with the **BOOKS of HAPPINESS**

Texas and Palace

his college days and crashed through with the intercollegiate lightweight boxing title. Then he went abroad to study and was such a sensation as a soccer football player that he toured Europe as a member of the Marseilles Olympic club. Next, de Cordova returned to South America to become a member of the ten-man Quinta Normal team which won the Chilean relay swimming championship for the year. Other than that, he's not very interested in sports, except for tennis, riding and fencing—and for two years Arturo just happened to be chief radio sports announcer in Mexico City.

Triple threat? Boom, boom and boom!

Need a LAXATIVE?
Black-Draught is
1—Usually prompt
2—Usually thorough
3—Always economical

25 to 40 doses only 25¢

Get **BLACK-DRAUGHT**

WAR BOND PREMIERE!

MR. and MRS. MOVIE FAN:
YOUR BOND PURCHASE PAYS DOUBLE INTEREST! \$4.00 for every \$3.00 Invested with Uncle Sam! Plus a Swell Advance Showing of This Spectacular Movie!

FREE SEAT WITH EVERY WAR BOND!

SEE THIS PREMIERE HIT FREE: HERE'S HOW TO GET YOUR TICKET:

Buy a War Bond at either bank in Ballinger between Dec. 5 and 13. One Ticket given with each \$25.00 worth of bonds.

Every Emotion a Woman Can Feel
Every Thrill a Man Could Seek
You'll Find with
JOAN FONTAINE
ARTURO DE CORDOVA
"Frenchman's Creek"
The Screen's Most Daring Love Story...

There's the clash of Cold Steel... and the flash of Hot Hearts.

It's Ecstasy to Know Love Like This!

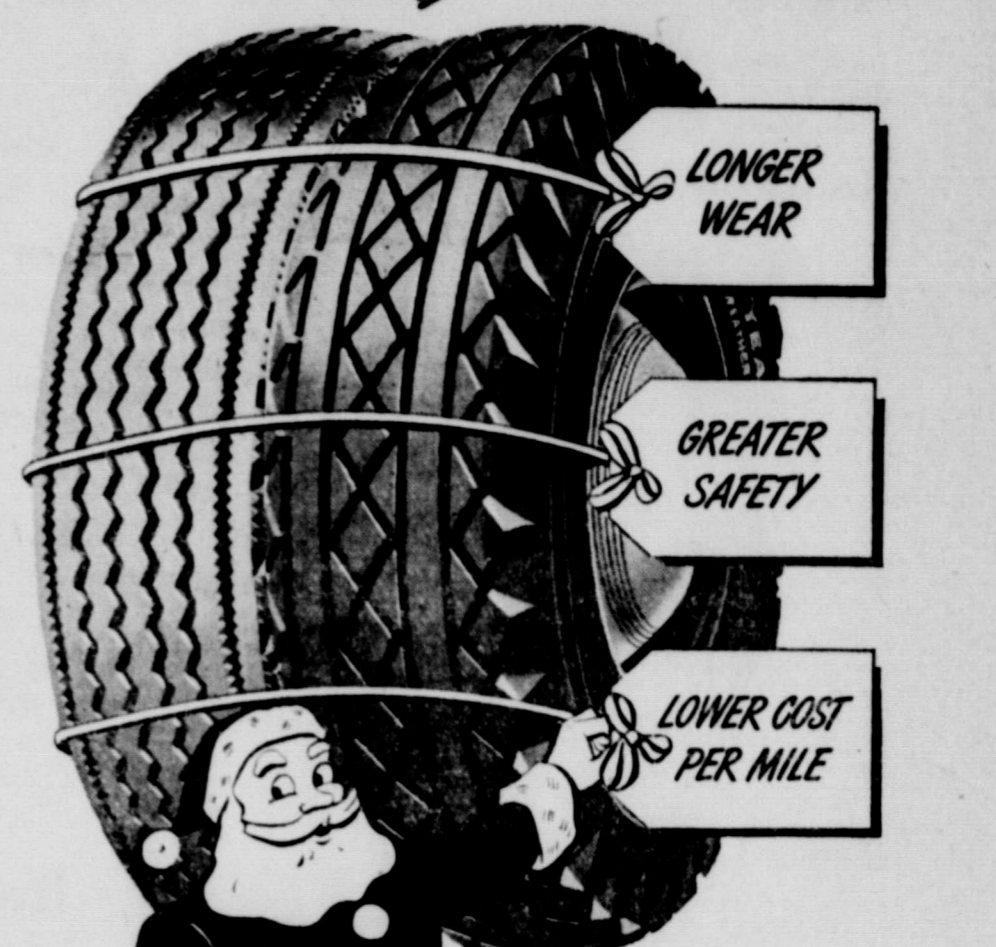
"Let's Be First in the Sixth"

—TEXAS—
Wednesday, December 13 at 8 o'clock



IT'S A GIFT!
Not just at Christmas, but all year through, you're invited to stop in often for a FREE tire check-up. Our experts will cheerfully keep your tires properly inflated and do a thorough job of detecting cuts or bruises. When repairs are needed, you can count on us for top workmanship at low prices.

GIVE YOURSELF A GOOD YEAR



If the ration board plays Santa with a new-tire certificate... make it a "Merry Christmas" with today's best tire value... Goodyear. It gives you features found in no other synthetic rubber tire today... quality built in through Goodyear skills and methods developed by Goodyear Research over 29 years of tire leadership, and 20 years' experience with synthetic rubber... pre-war quality, low-stretch Supertwist cord carcass... and scientific Goodyear tread for maximum traction, maximum wear.

It's the tire that gives you extra miles, and extra months of smooth, safe driving... at no extra cost. We have it for you at TIRE SERVICE HEADQUARTERS.

NEW LOW PRICE
\$16.05 plus tax
Size 6.00-16

• Longer Research and Larger Resources stand back of every Goodyear product. And every buyer benefits.

BUY WAR BONDS — BUY FOR KEEPS

BIG BUYS IN BATTERIES · BIG IDEAS FOR CHRISTMAS

ALL-WEATHER A gift that will live long... give plenty of pep, power and pull. It's a heavy-duty dependable battery with capacity greater than most original equipment. We have it in sizes for every car. From \$ **11.45**

UTILITY The right battery... and a practical gift for small and medium size cars. Built for long life and hard service, it has a capacity equal to most new-car equipment. Factory fresh, full power, full value—at TIRE SERVICE HEADQUARTERS. From \$ **9.60**

ECONOMY A sturdy powerhouse that lives up to the Goodyear name for dependable quality. This "good gift" has many features of higher priced batteries... gives long service at small cost. From \$ **7.80**

GOODYEAR TRUCK AIRWHEELS
Essential users of small trucks are eligible for certificates for these tough truck tires. Built with heavier tread and \$ **20.95** extra plies. plus tax Size 6.00-16 LOW COST... HIGH VALUE

GOODYEAR TIRES

★ AN OFFICIAL TIRE INSPECTION STATION ★

Sykes Motor Co.



Today, and every day...far from home

This is a BIG farm year — Now Buy BIGGER Bonds

Here are 6 big reasons for buying the most you can—\$100, \$500, \$1,000 in the big 6th War Loan. War Bonds give you:

1. The best and safest investment in the world.
2. At maturity, \$4.00 for every \$3.00 you loan.
3. The convenience of cash—plus increase in value!
4. Funds to replace and restore worn-out farm equipment, soil fertility, and buildings.
5. Funds for educating your children; a nest-egg for your own security, travel, retirement.
6. The increased purchasing power vitally needed to win the Peace.

THEY still die—will YOU buy?

American farm boys are still giving their lives for you... you can help to save many of them

THE job is a long way from over yet. The toughest part for our fighting men may be just beginning. Surely the easiest part of the whole war effort is lending money. Have you done your share? The more and better equipment they have, the fewer lives will be lost.

War in the Pacific will probably be the costliest in history. Distances are vast; supplies and equipment must travel thousands of miles, in huge quantities, to many places. One battleship costs 108 million dollars. One B-29

to bomb Tokyo costs \$600,000. Even one torpedo to sink a Jap ship costs \$12,000.

Your dollars are needed now more than ever. Japan is fighting on fanatically for only one reason—they think our home-front is soft and will quit. They know they can't win, but they expect us to lose. Let's give them America's answer—in the 6th War Loan!

Buy the biggest War Bonds you can, NOW! It is a privilege you are lucky to have... and it will save lives.



BUY BIGGER BONDS NOW!

SPONSORED BY

CAL ADAIR, GULF AGENT
WESTERN AUTO ASSOCIATE
STORE
GIBBS SHOE DEPARTMENT
KING-HOLT FURNITURE CO.
CLAY BUILDING MATERIAL CO.
MANSELL BROS.
FAUBION IMPLEMENT CO.
WOODROOF'S
SOUTHWESTERN STATES
TELEPHONE CO.
GEORGE'S READY-TO-WEAR
E. SHEPPERD & CO.
TEXAS AND PALACE THEATRES
BALLINGER BOARD OF
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
J. C. PENNEY CO.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK
NEWBY-DAVIS FUNERAL HOME
WESTERN PRODUCE CO.
FARMERS & MERCHANTS
STATE BANK
BALLINGER HOME AND AUTO
SUPPLY
L. R. TIGNER
WIGINTON AUTO PARTS
W. A. FORGEY
Tax Assessor-Collector
MRS. WINONA PARKER
District Clerk
BETTIS & STURGES
E. C. GRINDSTAFF
County Judge
C. O. D. GROCERY & MARKET
MOORE PRODUCE CO.

CURRIE PRODUCE CO.
NUTT & WILLIAMS
Feed, Seed and Hatchery
PHILLIPS FLORAL CO.
BROADWAY FOOD MARKET
STONE'S
SYKES MOTOR CO.
PARRISH SERVICE STATION
B. & M. GROCERY AND MARKET
WEST TEXAS UTILITIES CO.
E. C. TINSLEY'S GROCERY
KIRK & MACK
FRANK FLYNT MOTOR CO.
ROY L. HILL
County Attorney
EDWARDS PARTS
AGNEW FUNERAL HOME

HIGGINBOTHAM BROS. & CO.
KIRK HARDWARE CO.
RUBIN'S
HOLLAND'S Cleaners-Tailors
Julian H. Holland
JACK RUDD, TEXACO AGENT
BELL'S GROCERY & MARKET
J. L. MORELAND
Sheriff
BEN FRANKLIN STORE
Marvin H. Davies
WEEKS DRUG STORE
F. H. Becton
CITY BAKERY
C. W. Sloan, Owner
J. Y. PEARCE DRUG CO.
SAM BEHRINGER CO.
ESTES M. LYNN & CO.
AMERICAN CAFE
Lee Shafer, Owner
OK TIRE SHOP

Want Ads

Poultry Feed
Laying Mash
Laying Pellets
Growing Mash
Scratch Grain
Feed Department
MORRISON GIN
13-1f

Cow Feed
18% Dairy Feed
Cotton Seed Meal
Bran and Shorts
Sweet Feed
New Crop Alfalfa Hay
Feed Department
MORRISON GIN
13-1f

Rabbit Feed, Rabbit Pellets
Feed Department
MORRISON GIN
13-1f

BATTERIES RECHARGED WITH OUR NEW HAMMETT QUICK CHARGER. BALLINGER HOME & AUTO SUPPLY. 2-1f

Order your fall chicks NOW! Our hatches come off each Tuesday. Finest quality chicks from Pullover tested flocks. NUTT & WILLIAMS, Box 664, Ballinger, Texas. 26-1f

ATTENTION MOTHERS! Our Durham's Anesthesia-Mop is a prescription that is unexcelled for Sore-throat and Tonsillitis. It is Safe and Pleasant to use and we guarantee prompt and satisfactory results. J. Y. Pearce Drug Co. 2-14f

DON'T SCRATCH! Try our PARACIDE OINTMENT for Eczema, Ordinary Itch, Itching Piles or other minor skin irritations. We guarantee relief or purchase price refunded. J. Y. Pearce Drug Co. 2-14f

FOR RENT—Furnished apartment and bed rooms. Phone 179. 18-1f

FOR SALE—A few stalk cutters soon. Limited material, place your order now. Also two wheel trailers. Patterson Shop. 23-3f

FOR RENT—Furnished two room apartment. Call after 2:00 o'clock. 1306 Ninth Street. 29-2f

FOR SALE—1723 acres, 450 in field, two houses, \$23.50 acre. A. M. King. 30-3f

FOR SALE—Motorbike, in good condition. 1001 Ninth Street or Phone 450. 30-2f

FOR SALE—Extra good Jersey milk cow with week old calf. See W. S. Caudie, Ballinger route two, half mile southeast Starlight Refinery. 30-2f

FOR RENT—Bedroom with private bath. See Mrs. Sam Behringer or call 259. 9-1f

FOR SALE—Kanota seed oats. See H. J. Zappe. 28-1f

FOR SALE—Choice pecans. E. H. Forgy, phone 1341. 16-1f

FOR SALE—Practically new Ford double disc plow. Also two wheel stock trailer, practically new. S. E. Davis, route one. 23-3f

FOR SALE—One pre-war radio and bicycle, practically new. Box 606, San Angelo, Texas. Phone 6351. 23-3f

FOR SALE—110 acres near Norton, \$37.50. Two good homes in Ballinger, priced to sell. Old house for rent. A. M. King. 23-3f

FOR RENT—South bedroom, private entrance, close in. Phone 406 or 222. Mrs. Laxson. 23-1f

FOR SALE—Small farm, \$30 acre. Small house in Ballinger. Terms. A. M. King. 30-3f

FOR RENT—Furnished duplex apartment. See Sam Behringer or call 259. 30-2f

FOR SALE—2,000 bundles of cane. John Herrington at Kemp's Dairy. 30-2f

FOR SALE—1935 model Studebaker, at 1101 Twelfth Street. 30-2f

Stray Hereford heifer at my place. Weighs about 500 lbs. A. Berry, Winters Rt. 2. 7-3f

FOR RENT—Unfurnished apartment. See Mrs. Bill Bell at Bell's Grocery. 7-11-H

LOST—Red Durham steer calf, weighs about 350 lbs. A. Berry, Winters route two. 7-3f

WANTED—Child's automobile or other toy large enough to ride. Phone 547. 7-1f

For Sale or Trade
Table top gas range, living room gas heater, Western Flyer bicycle, nice store counters, shop tables, tool chests. C. W. Barbee, phone 560. 7-2f

Feed hauling and stacking. See J. H. McDorman, 1408 Sixth St. Plenty of cord wood for sale. 1f

Want to do all kinds of sewing and quilting. Mrs. John Gottschalk, 606 Thirteenth Street. 7-3f

FOR SALE—Milk cow, fresh and springer. One registered Jersey bull from George Kemp herd. See Harry Paschal. 7-2f

FOR SALE—Good eight room residence, close in. Also two furnished bedrooms for rent. 500 Park Avenue. Phone 585. 7-3f

For Bernat yarns, including khaki worsted; materials for hats and bags. Mrs. A. J. McDaniels, 508 Fifth Street. Instructions free. 7-4f

FOR SALE—100 White Leghorn hens, \$1 each. L. A. Hoelscher, 1001 Eleventh Street. 1f

FOR RENT—Small furnished house. See Mrs. Wright at Wright-Way Cleaners. 7-2f

FOR SALE—Kasch pedigreed cotton seed. See J. Whit Patterson. 7-1f

FOR SALE—Large iron wash pot in furnace, fitted for gas or wood. Zinc trough for tubs. Phone 240, James Wear. 7-1f

FOR SALE—Three residence lots, building 12x22, \$400. E. T. Branham, Security State Bank Bldg. 7-1f

WANTED—Boy's bicycle. Phone 1280. 7-1f

FOR SALE—One battery radio and windcharger. Mrs. Tom Gibson, Star Rt. Ballinger. 7-3f

FOR RENT—Two room furnished apartment, close in. 205 Eighth Street. 1f

FOR RENT—Four room furnished apartment. Call 288; after six 284. 7-3f

WANTED—To buy '38, '39 or '40 model light sedan. Private party. Write box 111. 1f

FOR SALE—Pre-war tarp 12x18 feet. M. R. Brown, west end of Eighth Street. 1f

FOR SALE—All-steel two row stork cutter on wheels ready to go. Patterson Shop. 7-1f

FOR SALE—Electric train, extra track and accessories. Phone 1200. 7-1f

FOR SALE—A few boxes of assorted unprinted Christmas cards. Mrs. R. E. White. Telephone 340. 1f

FOR SALE—Nortex seed oats, free of Johnson grass, germination test 99%, threshed, not combined, \$1.00 per bushel. Everitt Witter, phone 7705. 7-3f

FOR RENT—Furnished garage apartment. Call after 2 o'clock. 1306 Ninth. 7-1f

Bundled feed grinding and threshing, at Headstream Gin, open evenings week days 3:30, Saturday 1:30. Ground feed for sale. Aubrey Brunson. 7-1f

FOR SALE—25 acres highly improved, 6-room modern home, hardwood floors, electrically equipped, just out of city limits, city water, splendid out buildings, a rare opportunity for immediate sale. A. F. Brock. 7-1f

A. F. BROCK now has a few good homes, well located, to sell at reasonable prices, terms if desired. 7-1f

Your Government Needs Your DEAD ANIMALS
Nitroglycerine and other vital national defense needs are extracted from greases from dead livestock. We'll pick up unskinned dead animals within 50 miles of San Angelo. We buy old greases, hides, old horses and mules. Call collect, day or night.
San Angelo Rendering Co.
Dial 7271-1 or 7995

Serving Uncle Sam
(Continued from Page 1)

Ensign Dillard Adair left Tuesday to return to his ship at a California port after visiting at home the past week. Ensign Adair has been in the Pacific 14 months and during that time was in many battles against the Japs. His ship is due to put back to sea shortly for another incursion into the war zones.

Cpl. Douglas Cox, stationed at Ardmore, Oklahoma, spent the past week-end here, visiting his wife and in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cal Adair. He has about completed his training at Ardmore and will leave with his crew soon for Lincoln, Neb., and from there to some combat theatre.

S. Hayes Barker, who is in the European war theatre, has been promoted from first lieutenant to captain. He has been overseas 17 months. A son of the late Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Barker, Capt. Barker is a graduate of the Ballinger high school and of Texas Christian University, Fort Worth. His wife is making home at Fort Worth for the duration.

Eugene Halfmann was honored with a supper by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Halfmann, Sunday evening. A chicken dinner was served a group of friends with Eugene as honor guest on the eve of his entrance into the maritime service. He will soon be called to begin training.

Attending the affair were: Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Halfmann, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Halfmann, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Pelzel, Pvt. and Mrs. Wilbourn Pelzel, Harry, Walter, Ralph, Grace, Jean and Clara Ann Halfmann, James Clifton and Dennis Pelzel, Marvin Haechten, Raymond and Leonard Halfmann, Vincent and Yvonne Halfmann, Donald, Robert Alan, Melvin, Mildred Rose and Maurice Halfmann.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Williams, of Wilmett, have received word from their nephew, Jasper L. Allbright, that he has arrived at a California port after visiting at home the past week. Ensign Adair has been in the Pacific 14 months and during that time was in many battles against the Japs. His ship is due to put back to sea shortly for another incursion into the war zones.

A letter from Pvt. Luther Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wood, was received last week, informing that he was now in France with the 164th general hospital. He recently was transferred from ward duty to the operating room.

The Runnels county draft board announced this week the following 18-year-old boys had registered during November for military service:
Jasper Leon Shields
Roberto Arredondo Ruiz
Jack Howard Prichard
Barney J. Moore
Alvin Ernest Spreen
Coy Ray Hord

A letter received this week from Lt. Bill Sykes, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Sykes, revealed he was in South America and it was presumed he was en route to some combat area. Lt. Sykes, who is flying a heavy transport plane, recently completed training in this country.

Sgt. Douglas G. Robinson has returned to McCloskey General Hospital after spending thirty days here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Robinson, and other relatives. Sgt. Robinson has been back in the States since September 17 and most of that time has been at McCloskey. He says it seems funny to see so many cripples after being at home for a while.

The 8th naval district's latest casualty list, released December 7, contains the name of Pfc. William C. Gray, son of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Gray of Ballinger. The brief report did not give the extent of the Ballinger man's wounds or where they were sustained.

DEATHS

Jasper H. Bagby
Jasper H. Bagby, 72, died at the Bailey Hospital-Clinic Wednesday afternoon at 5:50 o'clock after illness of eight days.
Decedent came to Ballinger in 1925 and engaged in the produce business here until 1936. He then moved to Slaton and returned here in 1939 and made home here ever since. He was a member of the Eighth Street Church of Christ.
Survivors besides the wife include three sons, R. S. and J. H. Bagby, Jr., Portales, New Mexico; E. R. Bagby, Millersview; a daughter, Mrs. Bessie Sploves, Abilene; a step-son, a step-daughter and five brothers.
Funeral services will be held at the Agnew chapel tomorrow (Friday) afternoon at 2 o'clock. Richard Robbins to officiate. Interment will be made in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Abilene.
Agnew Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Emily Ellen Skipper
Mrs. Emily Ellen Skipper, 83, died at her home in Paint Rock Saturday following long illness.
Decedent had resided at Paint Rock for the past half century, her husband, a Baptist preacher, dying in 1909.
Survivors include three sons, O. J. and J. T. Skipper, Paint Rock; John Skipper, Brownwood; three daughters, Mrs. E. G. Eiland, Brownwood; Mrs. Lloyd Boone, Gladewater; and Mrs. Delia Glasscock, Paint Rock; ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild.
Funeral services were held at the family home Sunday afternoon, Rev. C. K. Roberts officiating, assisted by Rev. Williamson, pastor of the Paint Rock Methodist Church. Interment followed in the Paint Rock cemetery.
Newby-Davis Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Andrea G. Garcia
Andrea G. Garcia, 90, died at the home of a son here last Friday. She had been residing here for the past five months.
Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Edward B. Postert, O. M.

I. at St. Mary's Church Monday afternoon. Interment followed in the Mexican Catholic cemetery.
Newby-Davis Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Manila folders. Ballinger Printing Co.

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

BUY A BOND

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

If we are of the household of God, his church, and are heirs of his, then we are entitled to all the spiritual blessings which are in Christ Jesus; and every spiritual blessing is in him, Eph. 1:3. God is no respecter of persons, there are no lower and higher seats; there are no special privileges in his kingdom. There are no clicks, no clans, or ratings in his church. Christ condemns parties and divisions; and this would certainly be the result of special privileges within the church. Some believe that the Lord's supper was placed in the church for the baptized believers. They further believe that only the immersed are baptized, and that only the preachers of their faith can scripturally baptize people. It is true that the Lord's supper is in his church and that immersion is the New Testament baptism. But we have never read anything about people being baptized in order to take the Lord's supper. The purpose of baptism is to get into Christ, Gal. 3:27, for remission of sins, Acts 2:38, and to walk in newness of life, Rom. 6:3. The question is not who in the church can eat the Lord's supper, but who is in Christ, his church? All in the church have the same privileges.

ration free!



PLATFORMED Casuals

Comfortable little casuals with wedge heels and smart platform soles. In Black or Brown gabardine or Black or Brown Imitation Alligator.

GREEN AND RED ALSO

We also have brown and white saddle Oxfords, and brown and white Moccasins

\$3.95 and \$4.95

Lovely For Gifts

ration FREE

Bunny-Furred Halter-Back



SCUFFS

Soft as a cloud... this cute little Scuff with its cuddly bunny fur collar. Ideal for your "at home" sophistication. In White, Light Blue, Pink, Royal Blue and Red, with a leather sole.

\$2.49 to \$3.95

Many selections of House Shoes just arrived.

GIBBS SHOE DEPARTMENT

CHIROPRACTOR
Health Baths, Scientific Massage
Dr. J. Lester Ohlhausen
San Angelo Highway Ballinger

PRE-Christmas Sale

Beverly Peanut Butter
Quart **35c**

Baby Emerald WALNUTS
New Crop 1-Lb. Pkg. **39c**

Drake Almonds 1-Lb. Pkg. **49c**

Shelled Pecans 8-Oz. Pkg. **58c**

Pecans Stewart Paperball 1-Lb. Pkg. **43c**

Filberts New Crop 1-Lb. Pkg. **45c**

Raisins Seedless Cello Pack 1-Lb. Pkg. **14c**

Adriatic Figs Pruned 8-Oz. Pkg. **19c**

Mince Meat 30-Oz. Jar **42c**

Pure Honey Uvalde Extracted No. 1 Can 1 **\$1.05**

Margarine Sunny Bank 2 Pkts. 1-Lb. **17c**

Cheese Spread 12 Pkts. 5-Oz. Jar **18c**

Sweet Potatoes Quart No. 21's **22c**

Corn Garden of Eatin' Golden Cream Style No. 2 Can **11c**

Big SUZANNA PANCAKE Contest
\$3,375.00 in Cash Prizes
Get Your Entry Blank FREE at SAFEWAY
Suzanna Pancake FLOUR 20-Oz. Pkg. **7c**
Ends Dec. 16

Apple Juice Manchester Bot. **25c**

Juice Sunny Dawn Tomato (20 Points) 18-Oz. Can **11c**

Dressing Duchess Salad 8-Oz. Jar **13c**

Cane Syrup Singleton Pure Cane No. 5 Can **55c**

Bread Julia Lee Wright's Dated, Enriched 24-Oz. Loaf **10c**

Apple Sauce Adams (20 Points) No. 2 1-Lb. Pkg. **16c**

Hi Ho Crackers 1-Lb. Pkg. **21c**

Quaker Oats Quick or Regular 30-Oz. Pkg. **12c**

Flour Pillsbury's Best, Enriched 16-Lb. Bag **59c**

Coffee Always Fresh Roasted 2-Lb. Jar **41c**

Coffee Edward's Best, Robust 1-Lb. Jar **28c**

Coffee Maxwell House 1-Lb. Jar **33c**

Hershey Cocoa 10-Lb. Can **10c**

Shoe Polish White or Black 9-Lb. Can **5c**

Bleach White 9-Lb. Can **10c**

Old Dutch Cleanser 2 Reg. Cans **15c**

Palmolive Soap Toilet 3 Reg. Bars **19c**

Woodbury's Soap Facial Reg. Bar **8c**

Safeway Meats

Beef Roast Shoulder Cut (5 Points) 1-Lb. **26c**

Veal Steak Rib Chops 1-Lb. **36c**

Veal Steak Shoulder Cut 1-Lb. **26c**

Veal Steaks Grade AA & A Sirloin Cuts 1-Lb. **33c**

Veal Roast Shoulder Cut 1-Lb. **25c**

Short Ribs Beef or Veal 1-Lb. **17c**

Hamburger Fresh Ground Beef 1-Lb. **24c**

Ground Veal Fresh Ground 1-Lb. **28c**

Chili Swift 1-Lb. **33c**

Baked Loaves Assorted Kinds 1-Lb. **29c**

Salami Sliced or Piled 1-Lb. **29c**

Skinnless Frankfurters
Large Size **33c**

Fresh Produce
Texas Marsh Seedless **GRAPEFRUIT** Lb. **5c**

Potatoes Colorado Triumphs 5 Lb. **21c**

Red Grapes California Emperor Lb. **17c**

Oranges Texas July Lb. **7c**

Potatoes Idaho Russet 5 Lb. **22c**

Cabbage New Mexico Lb. **4c**

Carrots Fancy California 5 Lb. **9c**

Letture Arizona Lb. **12c**

APPLES
Delicious
Wassop
Jonathan
Rome Beauty
Lb. **11c**

SAFEWAY