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'48 Livestock Show Arrangements Made

Committees working on arrangements for the annual livestock show here were in session Monday and practically completed plans for the 1948 show on January 25 and 27.

The show will be held in the No. 4 hangar at Bruce Field and interior arrangements are already being made. Pens around the walls are being set up to receive the livestock and an arena is being built in the center of the hangar and seats arranged around this space. The arena will be used both for judging and the auction.

This year a division of breeding animals will be shown by the boys. Heretofore only fat stock has been exhibited but the Future Farmers and 4-H club boys are giving special attention at this time to breeding stock.

It was announced after the meeting Monday that a program and the sale would be held at night on January 26. This will give more people an opportunity to attend the show and buyers a chance to be on hand when animals are offered at auction.

On the first morning of the show judges will begin on the lambs and pigs and expect to cover these two divisions by noon. In the afternoon calves and capons will be judged.

The second morning the breeding stock will be judged and will be finished by 11 a. m. so the animals can be turned loose by that time. Part of these will be shipped to markets and sold.

General secretary for the 1948 show is J. M. Williams, who will keep all records of the judging, entries and sale. Superintendents named Monday are P. P. Fitzhugh, calves; I. M. Cumble, lambs; and Mr. Shipley, hogs.

James Groat, of the San Angelo B. C. D. agricultural committee, will judge the swine. H. M. Carter, also of San Angelo, is to judge the lambs; and George Purcell, of Brady, will judge the capons. A judge will be named later for the breeding animals.

The Runnels County Livestock Association is raising the premium money and has revealed that \$300 in cash prizes will be paid the winners. International Harvester Co., through its local representative, the Ballinger Truck & Tractor Co., will provide the public address system.

Entries point to the largest exhibition held here in recent years and every effort is being made to have one of the best sales in the history of the show.

Miss Lillian McMillan left Sunday for Roswell, N. M., after spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Ola McMillan. Miss McMillan teaches in the public schools of Roswell.

Zappe is President, Earnshaw Secretary, Of Evergreen Group

At the annual meeting of the Ballinger Cemetery Association Friday night H. J. Zappe was elected president to succeed the late C. J. Lynn; A. McGregor was elected vice-president, taking the place formerly held by Mr. Zappe; and R. W. Earnshaw was elected secretary-treasurer, succeeding Drury P. Hathaway. Harry Lynn was named a member of the board of directors to succeed C. J. Lynn in this capacity.

Mr. Earnshaw will assume the duties of secretary-treasurer at once and attend to all collections, lot sales and disbursement of funds. He will issue receipts for all taxes on cemetery lots.

The board held a rather lengthy session to attend to a number of routine matters and make plans for work at Evergreen Cemetery during the ensuing year.

The cemetery grounds are in good condition for this time of year.

Tickets for C. of C. Banquet Sell Fast; Date is January 16

A ticket sale for the annual Ballinger Chamber of Commerce banquet and program was started Monday morning and teams in the canvass stated the duets were selling fast. The banquet will be held in the high school gymnasium the night of January 16 and an effort is being made to dispose of the tickets as soon as possible in order to inform those serving the menu the exact number of plates to prepare and provide information for the table arrangement.

It was stated that 400 would be the maximum attendance, including program entertainers and out-of-town guests. This will call for the selling of approximately 350 tickets to Ballinger citizens.

Mrs. W. E. Elkins and the school lunch room workers will serve the 1948 banquet and have already planned the menu. All program numbers have been booked and a report on activities for the past twelve months is being printed and one will be given each member.

Eleven new directors have been elected and a meeting has been called to elect officers and appoint standing committees to carry on the main projects in the 1948 program.

Ballingerites who are not contacted by the committee will be able to buy tickets at local drug stores until January 10.

SON OF UMPIRE EVANS SUCCUMBS AT PORTALES

Word was received here yesterday that the 15-year-old son of L. H. Evans died at Portales, New Mexico, last week from pneumonia and meningitis. Mr. Evans umpired a number of games in the Longhorn Baseball League last summer and was in Ballinger a large part of his time. He has a number of friends here.

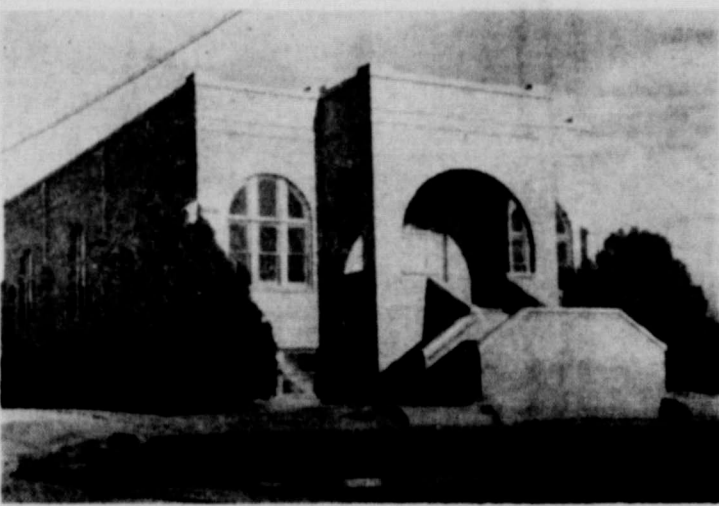
J. W. Moore returned Saturday from San Antonio, where he had been for a week at the bedside of a brother, who was operated on in a San Antonio hospital. Mr. Moore said his brother's condition was improved but he was still confined to the hospital.

Mrs. Ed Meaders, of Long Beach, California, and Mrs. Ed Cox, of Monahans, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cal Adair Tuesday.



BRITISH LAND GIRLS VISIT THE MINES . . . In Great Britain the people are becoming as stunts-conscious as Americans always have been. But with them now, instead of "anything for a gag," it's "anything to stimulate badly needed production." Here, reciprocating for a visit paid them by a group of coal miners, these British land girls (farm workers) paid a visit to a Kentish mine and seemed to be quite happy about getting all blackened up. Visits such as this are part of a program to promote better understanding between the men who dig the coal and the people who use it.

Formal Opening Sunday



Special Services to Open New Eighth St. Church

The Church of Christ, Eighth Street and Bonnell Avenue, will have the formal opening of its new building at 2:30 p. m. Sunday, January 11. At this time many former members are expected to return to Ballinger to participate in this program.

Preparations have been made to take care of large gatherings at all services during the day.

At the morning hour regular services will be conducted with home forces in charge and Minister J. D. Pinkerton bringing the message. Following the morning worship period dinner will be served in the church basement with the local members hosts to out-of-town visitors.

The formal opening service, scheduled at 2:30 p. m., is expected to attract the largest attendance of the day. Following a congregational song and a prayer, a brief welcome will be extended visitors by a member and will be followed by the introduction of various people who have had special parts in the construction of the new building.

The cappella chorus, directed by Lenard Burford, of Abilene Christian College, will render a number of appropriate numbers as a feature of the musical program. Short talks will be made by a number of visiting ministers and leaders and by local people. Don H. Morris, president of Abilene Christian College, will deliver the principal address.

Completion of the building culminates plans made by the church eighteen years ago when the basement was built. The new church provides one of the most complete plants in which to work and worship that can be found in this area. It consists of eight educational or class rooms in the basement and an auditorium suitable for small gatherings as well as the large auditorium on the second floor. The building is provided with modern conveniences which include modern heating and air conditioning and the newest type of lighting.

New seats with pupil furniture to match and permanent floor covering throughout the auditorium makes it a source of pride to the membership and an asset to the city of Ballinger.

Nothing was overlooked in the construction. A specialist was brought here from San Antonio to inspect the foundation before the upper story was added. On his advice additional footings were run so that there could be no regrets in future years.

A hearty welcome is extended

Rev. Lawson to Go To Denton Church; Here 2 More Weeks

Rev. J. R. Lawson, pastor of the Grace Baptist Church here the past 26 months has tendered his resignation and announced that he will move to Denton, where he has accepted the pastorate of a church.

During his ministry here the Ballinger church has witnessed its best growth in membership and in the raising of finances. Members have not named a minister to succeed Rev. Lawson to date.

Rev. Lawson served as chaplain of the Ballinger fire department and was chaplain of the Hill Country Firemen's Association. He has been chaplain of the Ballinger I. O. O. F. lodge, of the encampment in Ballinger, and as deputy grand master of district 64, I. O. O. F. lodge. Since the organization of the Ballinger Junior Chamber of Commerce he has served as chaplain and second vice-president.

Before assuming his Denton pastorate Rev. Lawson will be here about two more weeks.

Jack Hampton, Jr., returned to McMurry College, Abilene, Monday and resumed his studies in religious journalism and ministry.

Death of Winters Infant Diagnosed Respiratory Case

Jimmy Leon, 6-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Salge, died at Winters Wednesday morning from a respiratory trouble which has caused considerable alarm there because of the similarity to the illness prevalent at Midland where seven children have died.

Mr. and Mrs. Salge now reside at Abilene and were at their home in that city when the baby became ill Monday. Becoming alarmed, they brought the infant to Winters, their former home, and it was entered in a hospital there Tuesday. Death resulted yesterday morning.

A telephone conversation with Albert Afflerbach, of Winters, brought the information that the illness was not diagnosed as the same as that at Midland but attending physicians did state death resulted from a respiratory condition.

A check-up with a number of Ballinger physicians brought out that they had not attended any unusual children's cases. Most local doctors said they had treated a few severe cases of influenza with throat involvements but declared all had responded to treatment quickly.

Mrs. Woodrow Jones and son, Jimmy, left Sunday for their home at Hastings, Minnesota, after a ten-day visit here with relatives.

Maedgen New President Chamber of Commerce

Lions Club Starts Membership Drive At Meeting Friday

The Ballinger Lions Club launched a membership campaign last week which will run through January. An annual affair, the drive is held in observance of Melvin Jones Month. Melvin Jones is the founder of the organization.

R. W. Earnshaw and John Purfoy are team captains who will head two groups that will contact a number of local people in regard to becoming active in the club.

President S. E. Cloninger had charge of the program at the meeting Friday and reviewed the work of the club in 1947. He pointed out members who have had a large part in making the year's work successful and named Judge E. C. Grindstaff the outstanding Lion of the year.

The club began the new year with 86 members and expects to pass the 100 mark before the end of the January membership drive. At the meeting Friday special praise was given the group who did Boy Scout work in 1947.

Mansell Brothers To Present Special Picture Show Here

Mansell Bros., representatives of John Deere tractors and implements in Ballinger, invite the public to attend a special show at the Texas Theatre on January 21. The show will start at 2 p. m. and will be entertaining as well as educational.

Stuart Erwin heads the cast in "Doctor Jim," feature picture to be screened. This film leads the John Deere day entertainment and educational program for farmers and their families of this section. Admission will be by ticket only but these will be handed out free by Mansell Bros.

In addition to the feature film, several other new all-talking pictures will be shown. They include: "Keep Your Eye on the Soil," an agricultural picture that sounds a warning no one on the farm can afford to ignore; "Doubting Thomas," an interesting story that gives some new slants on late model John Deere A and B tractors; and short subjects which will be of interest to the entire family.

Chief and Mrs. J. D. McNutt have returned home from Kenney, where they spent ten days visiting relatives and friends.

March of Dimes to be Launched January 15

Joe Forester, chairman for the March of Dimes in Runnels county, is preparing to launch the 1948 campaign. The drive is sponsored by the Crippled Children's Association of this county and every citizen is asked to help in raising the fund to fight infantile paralysis.

Mr. Forester has appointed the following community chairmen, who will direct the campaign in their home communities:

- H. H. Wagner, Rowena
- Claude C. Pippin, Miles
- Jack Dismore, Maverick
- Ray Stark, Norton
- Mrs. Bob Lloyd, Wingate
- Mrs. Henry Tubbs, Wilmeth

Neal Clayton, Benoit
F. C. Campbell, Hatchel
John Norman, Winters
Marvin Davies, Ballinger

In addition to the above, Jack Scales in Ballinger and H. J. Hodge in Winters will look after the picture show collection. Mr. Forester said all teachers in the county would also help by raising money through the schools.

The drive will begin January 15 and continue through January 30. In the picture theatres money donations will be taken from January 24 to 30.

All material has been received for conducting the campaign and money containers will be placed in local stores this week-end. People are asked to drop their loose change in these containers, near cash registers, and after January 30 they will be collected and the money put in the general fund.

Part of the money donated will remain in this county to be spent by the Crippled Children's Association in special work. Last year financial assistance was given a number of cases, making possible operations and treatment of crippled patients.

C. E. Maedgen was elected president of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce at the first meeting of the new board held Tuesday morning at 6:30 o'clock at the Central Hotel. The 11 hold-over and 11 new directors attended a breakfast after which the business session was held.

The meeting was called to order by the retiring president, O. C. Sykes, who expressed appreciation to the 1947 board for its cooperation during the past twelve months. He declared the election of officers for 1948 as the first business and other officers named are:

W. B. May, first vice-president
A. H. Dallinger, second vice-president
Ed Sommer, treasurer (re-elected)
J. G. Tuckey and Clifford Cook were elected members of the executive board.

After taking the chair Mr. Maedgen asked for continued cooperation of board members, especially in doing committee work to which they may be assigned for the year or on special projects. He suggested that the board center attention on some of the most needed local projects and show results on these efforts.

The new president named an auditing committee composed of J. G. Tuckey, Stanley Price and O. L. Huddleston.

New directors elected in a post card ballot by the membership are: Ross Black, W. A. McDonald, Raymond Berryhill, Jack Gibbs, John Bradley, Clifford Cook, A. H. Dallinger, Lanham Flynt, Claude Mansell, W. B. May and J. G. Tuckey.

The eleven hold-overs who comprise the remainder of the 22-man board are: C. A. Bissett, George M. Beard, C. D. Richards, S. E. Cloninger, Ed Sommer, A. F. Kemp, G. A. Swann, Otis Jacob, Carl Murman, H. G. Agnew and C. E. Maedgen.

Ex-officio members of the board are John A. Barton, county farm agent; and John B. Rayburn, city secretary.

First work of the new board will be arranging for the annual membership meeting and banquet on January 16.

At a meeting of the executive committee held Tuesday night the following committee chairmen were named:

- Agriculture—A. F. Kemp
- Public Relations—Alfred Dallinger
- Program—Entertainment—S. E. Cloninger
- Safety, Fire Prevention, Health—H. G. Agnew
- Finance and Membership—Jack Gibbs
- Church Affairs—Lanham Flynt
- Transportation and Airways—C. A. Bissett
- Highways and Roads—John Bradley
- Governmental Affairs—Clifford Cook
- Civic and Trade Service—C. D. Richards

Committee chairmen will select the rest of their committees at a meeting of all chairmen to be held within the next few days.

POSTAL RECEIPTS DROP \$686 DURING PAST YEAR

Receipts at the Ballinger post office dropped slightly in 1947 as compared to the total for 1946 although in the last two quarters of last year receipts were larger than in the same period of 1946. A loss of \$686.73 was shown in receipts for all of 1947.

A comparison by quarters for the two years follows:

	1946	1947
1st quarter	\$ 8,404.53	\$ 7,929.47
2nd quarter	8,211.04	7,729.81
3rd quarter	7,513.52	7,604.41
4th quarter	9,143.03	9,323.11
Total	\$32,273.03	\$32,586.30

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Cox and daughter left the past week-end for their home at Colorado City, where Mr. Cox will resume his school work. They spent the holidays here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cal Adair.

Miss Juanita Lee has returned to Abilene Christian College after spending the holidays here with relatives and friends.

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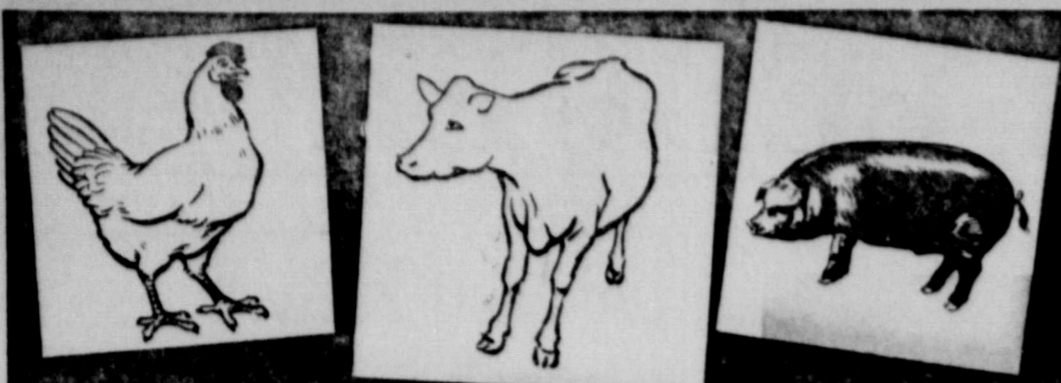
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Farm Agent's Report Shows Many '47 Accomplishments

Soil conservation, livestock improvement, crop improvement, insect control, labor program and training 142 club boys were the leading activities of J. A. Barton, Runnels county agricultural agent, during 1947, according to his annual report just completed.

Office Activities
Much information was secured by persons visiting the county agent's office and the records show that 2,717 calls at the office for information during the year. Definite records were kept on the number of visits to the office and information wanted

from June 1 to December 1 when 1,200 adults and 397 4-H club boys called. There were 143 inquiries on small grain, 53 on grain sorghums, 127 on cotton and cotton insects, 38 on vetches and clovers, 5 on alfalfa, 12 on sudan, 27 on orchards, 27 on pasture grasses, 9 on mesquite eradication, 7 on Johnson grass eradication, 79 on beef cattle, 36 on dairy cattle, 81 on sheep, 75 on swine, 79 on poultry, 27 on diseases of livestock, 2 on horses, 117 on terracing, 72 on farm levels, 43 on gardens, 7 on water problems, 8 on soils, 54 on other insect control, 31 on weed

control, 29 for fish for tanks, 48 on hopper poison and control, 19 on rodent control, 46 on fertilizer, 24 on miscellaneous field crops, 86 on camps and contest, 83 on other club work, and 128 on other information. In addition to the above, 1,296 phone calls were received, along with 4,599 bulletins and circulars distributed with 2,600 of this number going to returned veterans.

Soil Conservation
The program of soil conservation was continued with our slogan, "Let no muddy water leave Runnels county," being nearer realized when the office terraced and contoured 3,250 acres on 43 farms and let the four levels in the county agent's office out to 121 farmers who had learned

through the years to run their own terraces and contour lines. With all working—triple A, vocational teachers and others—there were some 15,000 acres terraced in the county during 1947. Many have expressed themselves as being well satisfied with their terraces, stating that they have gained as much as three to five dollars per acre. Some stated that the terracing returned them as much as \$1,000 per farm. Leo Multer stated that Runnels county had weather nearly as dry in 1946-47 as in 1917 and 1918 but the great difference in crop yield in 1946-47 over the 1917-18 yield was due to soil conservation practices of contouring and terracing that are now found on nearly every one of the 2,000 farms of Runnels county. Records now show that there are now some 160,000 acres under well balanced terracing systems.

4-H Club Activities
Educational and training work with the 4-H boys received 110 days of the agent's time. The work was devoted to nine clubs with a total membership of 142. One-hundred twenty-two demonstrations were completed, consisting of the following: 25 beef calves, 86 sheep, 63 hogs, 679 chickens and turkeys and 121 acres of field crops such as maize, corn and cotton. The grand total of all money received by the boys was \$22,761.04 for the livestock, poultry and crops. Sixty-three boys fitted and exhibited a total of 143 head of livestock at three shows, Ballinger, San Angelo and Dallas, and sold the stock for a grand total of \$11,880.37, not including prizes. A total of 87 boys exhibited at four shows, winning a number of grand champion and champion ribbons for their livestock and crops.

Two inspirational trips were made during the year with 24 boys attending 4-H club day at the fat stock show, Fort Worth, and five attending the state 4-H round-up at College Station. Eleven boys attended district camp at Brownwood and 110 attended the annual summer camp at Ballinger.

Special work among the boys with their Sears hogs has raised the average of hogs of the county approximately 25 per cent, according to a number of hog buyers of the county who have kept in close touch with the grades of hogs. The boys have received special training in selecting and feeding and parasite control of beef cattle, sheep hogs and poultry.

A special field crop demonstration carried out by the boys was the 5 acre one bale cotton show that was held at Winters by the boys growing one bale each on their 5 acres and carrying out the seven steps in "Facing the Future With Cotton."

Small Grain

As a result of the good yields of the Westar wheat that was introduced in 1946, up to 20 bushels per acre was yielded. A survey indicates that for 1948 some 10,000 acres will be planted with Westar. Experiment station and individual records show that the wheat is nearly red-rust proof, a high quality wheat and will yield from 2 to 3 bushels more per acre than a number of other varieties. Work was continued with combine oats such as Fultex, Fulgrain and Victor, all of which were proven good yielders as well as the best for combining.

Grain Sorghums

The newest variety of grain sorghums introduced is the No. 7078, 200 to 300 more pounds per acre than Plainsman or Martins. It was also found that this type has a rather large grain and the stalk is somewhat better for grazing. It was reported that this variety stood the drought well. Albert Schweitzer, of near Miles, stated that he has planted the No. 7073 variety two seasons and prefers it to either Martin or Plainsman.

Cotton Insects

A special organized program was carried out during the year on the control of the cotton flea. The poison used was 5 per cent DDT dust, which was distributed by dusting machines and by three airplane dusters. There was a total of 128,000 pounds of DDT dust used to control fleas and boll worms. Many reported that the DDT dust would really kill the cotton flea but in the majority of cases they delayed too long before using it.

Livestock Work

In the livestock program the office cooperated with the Runnels County Livestock Association in carrying out a program of better breeding stock, horn fly control, grub in the back work, feeding and pasture improvement.

Around 20,000 head of beef and dairy cattle and several thousand sheep were treated this year for horn fly control. Excellent results were reported on this horn fly control. Producers stated that the cattle were more contented. Many said their cattle gained 50 pounds or more because of the use of DDT. Owen Mathis, of the Harmony community stated that he placed a number of cattle on a lease near the Moro Mountains and that they rapidly lost weight until he started the DDT treatment. He estimated that the cattle then gained from 75 to 100 pounds by the end of the summer. A number of dairymen stated that keeping horn flies under control increased milk production 10 per cent.

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Swine Production

Special work on swine production was continued, with the 4-H club boys leading off by securing better breeding stock through the Sears program and the increased uses of worm control, installing labor saving devices, increasing use of green pastures, and more balanced ration feeding to increase the profit of hog raising this year.

In dairying a number of meetings were held on dairy cattle improvement, grub control, better feeding and management practices.

On the local program 25 days were spent, getting the labor camps finished, and setting up committees for the cotton season, with the aid of three county field men. Some 936 farmers made requests for labor and 4,318 laborers were placed during the year.

A grasshopper eradication program was carried out with a total of 136 farmers securing poison brand bait, used mostly for the protection of the cotton crop, and was estimated to have saved a total of \$77,000.

During the year the county agent's office has had the cooperation of many agencies in the county, including the newspapers, commissioners' court, the Ballinger and Winters chambers of commerce, service clubs, schools, local leaders, Runnels County Livestock Association, labor committees, Co-op Co. gin at Ballinger on the grasshopper program, other gins of the county on cotton insect control, radio station, vocational agriculture teachers, G. I. schools, P. M. A., and numbers of business firms as well as many individuals in both rural and urban districts.

Ownership Change

I have purchased the interest of W. F. Harrell in the Ideal Barber Shop and will continue to operate it under the same name and at the same location.

I want to express my thanks to the loyal patrons of the shop and to invite them to continue to let us serve you in the future.

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FIRST SHOWING

1948 FORD TRUCKS

The first public showing in Ballinger, Texas, of the new 1948 model Ford trucks will take place January 16 at an "open house" to be conducted by the Frank Flynt Motor Co.

With the streamlined new trucks—the first post-war products of the Ford Motor Company—as the main attraction, the Frank Flynt Motor Co. will welcome the public to its showrooms, service, parts and accessory and used vehicle departments.

"We arranged an 'open house' for public announcement of the 1948 truck line because we feel that this is the most important new truck showing in Ford history," said Frank Flynt. "We are entering the greatest truck market of all time with the widest range of models and capacities Ford has ever produced. We expect to receive trucks during the coming months in quantities increased sufficiently to permit us to meet the heavy demand."

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William Holden, Joan Caulfield Head Great Cast in 'Dear Ruth'

"Dear Ruth," the play that ran for 2 1/2 years on Broadway and about 18 months in Chicago, has been made by Paramount into what previewers believe to be one of the biggest laugh hits in the history of film business.

Co-starring William Holden and Joan Caulfield, the comedy is due at the Texas Theatre next Sunday and Monday, (two days only) January 11, 12. The supporting cast includes Billy DeWolfe, Mona Freeman, Edward Arnold, Virginia Welles, Mary Phillips, and Kenny O'Morrison.

The story of "Dear Ruth" revolves about the tangled and hilarious web woven by the precocious 16-year-old daughter of Edward Arnold and Mary Phillips, who has been writing love letters to an

unknown soldier, in her sister's name. Mona Freeman portrays the young culprit, Joan Caulfield her unsuspecting sister, Ruth. Along with the letters have gone pictures of the lovely Ruth, so when Bill Holden, the head-over-heels-in-love soldier, comes home from the war, he makes a bee-line for his "Dear Ruth."

The situation is further complicated by the existence of Ruth's fiancé, the very stuffed-shirt bank teller played by Billy DeWolfe. Said teller and Ruth are in the midst of plans for their wedding when Holden sweeps into the picture and proceeds to take over.

The snarled skein is unraveled in a riotous series of events, and should provide fans with more than their money's worth of entertainment.

Love Secret of Nurse Plots 'Sister Kenny'

A touching romance extending through the years, but doomed to defeat, is told in RKO Radio's biographical film, "Sister Kenny," authentic story of the Australian bush nurse who developed a new treatment for infantile paralysis. Rosalind Russell and Alexander Knox co-star, and Dean Jagger is top featured. The picture is to be presented at the Palace Theatre next Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, January 13, 14, 15.

It is not generally known that Elizabeth Kenny fell in love as a

young girl with Kevin Connors, (Jagger), an Australian army officer. Their romance lasted all through their lives and many times the wedding date was fixed, and each time postponed owing to Nurse enny's interest in the cause to which she has dedicated her life. A professional ruling barred nurses from marrying unless they left their profession.

"Sister Kenny" laid great store by her love, and her whole life was a struggle between love and duty, but duty always won. Kevin Connors died just about the time the picture went into production, still faithful to his love. The role of Connors in the picture was

personally approved by Sister Kenny herself.

"Sister Kenny" is rated a memorable picture, for the performances of Miss Russell in the title role and Knox as her staunch friend who helps her fight her battle for recognition.

BETHEL HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Bethel home demonstration club held its first meeting of 1948 last week in the home of Mrs. Grady Richards. New yearbooks passed out show the programs and projects for the year.

Miss Ollie Chenoweth, county home demonstration agent, gave helpful instructions on poultry sanitation and distributed pamphlets and leaflets on the cures of various poultry diseases.

Coffee, cocoa and doughnuts were served to ten members and one visitor, Mrs. Arbert Hoffman. The next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. H. F. Calk, beginning at 2 p. m. January 15. Roll call will be answered by making a "white elephant" exchange.

Notice

I have moved my office to my home at 408 Sixth Street. Telephone 493.

Dr. F. M. Hale
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Warner's 'Life with Father' Special Attraction for Texas

Practically every studio in Hollywood put in a bid for the screen rights to Clarence Day's celebrated American comedy classic, "Life with Father," special attraction at the Texas Theatre next Tuesday and Wednesday, January 13, 14, but it was Warner Bros. which came out on top and captured the prize. Irene Dunne and William Powell have the leading parts in this glorious technicolored film.

"Life with Father" has been a smash stage hit on both sides of the Atlantic and made history as the world's longest-run play on record.

The screen version also makes much play on red hair as the Day family was well known for its scarlet tresses. Both Father and Mother were red-heads, and their four sons were all carrot-topped. Through technicolor this feature is given prominent play on the screen.

Warners gave "Life with Father" an extraordinarily high production budget and brilliant mounting throughout. It also represented a unique back-of-the-camera arrangement, being literally a cooperative venture. Howard Lindsay and Russel Crouse, writers, and Mrs. Clarence Day, wife of

the playwright, had editorial supervision and were on the sound stages and back lot for the filming of every scene.

Michael Curtiz was responsible for the direction of the film, after eight years of checking audience reactions, and knowing where every chuckle was and the exact value of every sentimental touch in the delicate framework of the family story.

Besides the starring duo of Miss Dunne and Powell, important featured roles are played by Elizabeth Taylor, Edmund Gwenn and ZaSu Pitts. Others in the cast include: Jimmy Lydon, Elizabeth Risdon, Emma Dunn, Derek Scott, Moroni Olsen, Johnny Calkins, Martin Milner, Heather Wilde, Monte Blue and Clara Blandick.

L. J. CAMPBELL NOW SOLE OWNER OF BARBER SHOP

L. J. ("Red") Campbell and W. F. Harrell closed a deal the first of the week in which Mr. Campbell becomes the sole owner of the Ideal Barber Shop.

Mr. Campbell stated he would continue operation of the shop in its present location and that Mr. Harrell, Curtis Wood and he would be on duty at all times.

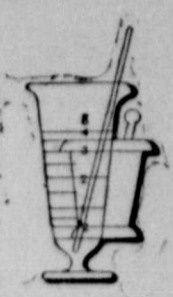
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December 31, 1947

Resources	
Loans and Discounts	\$ 497,549.63
Overdrafts	696.68
Banking House	20,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	2,500.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	5,250.00
RESERVE:	
U. S. Treasury Obligations	\$2,344,500.00
Bonds and Warrants	205,893.00
Bills of Exchange	77,985.66
C. C. C. Loans	42,099.78
Cash and Exchange	1,393,755.01
	\$4,964,233.43
	\$4,590,329.74
Liabilities	
Capital Stock	\$ 100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	94,069.21
Reserved for 1947 Income Tax	5,591.37
Reserved for F. D. I. C. Assessments	1,800.00
Dividend No. 112	5,000.00
Deposits	4,383,869.16
	\$4,590,329.74

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R. G. Erwin, President Joe Forman, Cashier

'Dark Delusion' Tense Drama Starring Craig, Lucille Bremer

When a doctor falls in love with his beautiful patient, but every one says she's a "nut," what does he do? He sets out to prove she's sane, of course. And that's just the start of "Doctor" James Craig's troubles in M-G-M's "Dark Delusion," to be shown at the Ford Theatre Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, January 10, 11, 12 and 13.

Before he finally proves his point, he has to fight the girl's father and another doctor, kidnap her from under their very noses, play hide-and-seek with a private detective and ultimately perform a delicate brain operation on the girl, who is played by Lucille Bremer in the new film.

Although it was something new for him to portray a member of the medical profession, the role was right up Craig's alley. In his many films he has made a reputation for himself as a gent who could take care of himself in any circumstances.

The most difficult part of his current pursuit of love, according to the actor, was the handling of the delicate medical equipment and the assuming of a professional attitude. Much easier for Craig were his romantic scenes with Miss Bremer, scenes which required no outside advice.

Craig has had his romantic moments on the screen previously with such feminine stars as Lana Turner, Hedy Lamarr, Ginger Rogers and Ann Sothern, so when he "clinched" with Miss Bremer he did it with authority.

Lionel Barrymore also plays a leading role in "Dark Delusion."

Supt. Ernest Caskey left Tuesday for Austin to attend the meeting of school administrators. Sessions were slated for today, tomorrow and Saturday.

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IN SOCIETY

Miss Patricia Ann Richards Bride of Cecil Austin Davis, Jr.

The First Baptist Church was the setting Wednesday evening of the wedding ceremony which united Miss Patricia Ann Richards, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence D. Richards and Cecil Austin Davis, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Austin Davis, of Mobile, Alabama.

The Rev. B. J. Martin, church pastor, read the double ring service at six-thirty o'clock as the bridal party was grouped before a background of fern and lattice of smilax and garlands of white gladioli. White stock were arranged in tall white baskets at each side of the altar which was lighted from cathedral tapers in seven-branched candelabra.

Mrs. Charles Hambrick, organist, played a musical prelude which included a group of love medleys and "One Alone" as the candles were lighted by Clarence Richards, Jr., and Harold Richards of Abilene, brothers of the bride. She also played the accompaniments for Mrs. J. E. Garrett, who sang "When You were Sweet Sixteen," and "The Lord's Prayer," and after the Wagner procession from Lohengrin, she played Schumann's "Traumerei" as vows were spoken, and the Mendelssohn march for the recessional. The ceremony was beautifully concluded as the familiar Scriptural passage from Ruth was read by the pastor as the bridal couple left the altar.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a wedding gown of ivory satin with fitted hip-length bodice and very full skirt extending into a graceful train. Seed pearls and bugle beads outlined the sweetheart neckline, and long fitted sleeves were pointed at the wrists. Her fingertip veil of illusion which was edged with mechanical lace was caught to a tiara of pearlized orange blossoms. Her only ornament was a necklace of rhinestones belonging to her aunt, Mrs. Wylie Stobaugh, of Dallas. She carried a white Testament which her brother, Bob Richards, who was killed in the Pacific theatre of war, had given her several years ago, topped with Vanda orchids and showered with Stephanotis.

Mrs. Harold Richards, sister-in-law of the bride, was matron of honor and Miss Pauline Witter was maid of honor. Mrs. Powell Wear was bridesmaid. Mrs. Richards wore a gown of yellow chiffon made with a fitted bodice which was fashioned with a drop yoke outlined with a bertha, and a bouffant skirt. Miss Witter wore a gown of Nile green marquisette designed with a shirred off-the-shoulder neckline and a full skirt, and Mrs. Wear's gown of pastel green marquisette was similar to that of the maid of honor only for the sweetheart neckline. They carried arm bouquets of yellow gladioli, with cascading streamers and wore matching flower head dress.

The bridegroom's best man was Gerald W. Jones, of San Antonio, a lifelong friend. Clarence, Jr., and Harold Richards were ushers. Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held in the home of the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Williams, on Broadway, with Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Richards as hosts.

A profusion of yellow chrysan-

themums and carnations combined with lace fern were used to decorate reception rooms where the bridal couple and their wedding party assisted in receiving.

The bridal table was laid in cut-work linen and lace cloth, and centered with a formal arrangement of white stock. White blossoms and lace fern encircled the three-tiered wedding cake which was topped with white doves holding wedding rings. Mrs. Williams presided at the cake and Mrs. Wylie Stobaugh ladled punch.

Mrs. Davis is a graduate of Ballinger High School, and was voted the class favorite in her sophomore and junior years, and Best All-Around Girl in her senior year. She was also a popular favorite in the Bearcat Band. For the past several years she has been employed in the office at the Higginbotham store here.

Mr. Davis attended the University of Texas, Austin, and Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee, before entering the armed forces where he served five years and received the Distinguished Service Cross, the Silver Star and the Purple Heart. He was wounded in the Pacific theatre of war and remained in the hospital for many months.

The couple left following the reception for New Orleans and points in Florida. For traveling the bride wore a black wool suit with blouse, hat and gloves of thistle down and other accessories were black. Her corsage was of orchids.

The couple will be at home in Mobile, Alabama. Mr. Davis is in the distribution and sales business covering five southeastern states with his headquarters in Mobile, Alabama.

Out-of-town guests for the wedding included the bride's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lewis Williams of Stephenville, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Harber of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wellhausen of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Nicholas Hosts at New Year's Eve Party

Arrangements of potted plants decorated party rooms when Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Nicholas entertained friends at a buffet supper in their home on Fifth Street New Year's Eve.

Following the supper, games of bingo were played. Those present were: Messrs. and Mmes. Bill Bell, Lynn Candler, Lee Parker, D. B. Crockett and R. M. Keel.

Red Cardinal Brownies Discuss Plans for Year

The Red Cardinal Brownie troop held its regular meeting in the Library building Tuesday. After the president called the group to order general plans for the new year were discussed.

As this was the troop's birthday a simple ceremony was conducted in observance. The girls formed a circle around their birthday cake on which burned candles and sang their Brownie song. Each girl made a wish and blew out the candle.

The leader distributed tulip bulbs which the girls will plant and raise as a project. The meeting was closed with the magic tunnel.

Refreshments of cake and pineapple juice were served to the following members and their



LAST SOLDIERS LEAVE ITALY . . . Italy has seen the last of the American occupation troops. A platoon of MP's presents arms as the final units of American G.I.s march on the pier at Leghorn before boarding the U. S. transport Admiral Sims (background) for home. The troops left 9 hours and 45 minutes ahead of scheduled departure according to the terms of the Italian peace treaty. All that remains is a graves registration detail.

leader: Sue Herring, Gwen Davies, Martha Kay Northington, Deana Barnes, Barbara Jean Wickersham, Barbara Bradshaw, Mary Tisdale, Irene Piel, June Hash, Peggy Ann Branham, Mary Ellen Connor, Dorothy Bishop; and Mrs. Herman Brown.

Utilities Crews Complimented with New Year's Eve Supper

Chester Cherry, district G distribution superintendent for the West Texas Utilities Co., and Mrs. Cherry were hosts to members of the distribution department, the meter department and service men of the company's local office when they entertained with a Mexican supper at the Acapulco Cafe on New Year's eve.

After the supper an informal get-together was enjoyed by all employees. Those present were: Jack Chisholm, Ollie Floyd, J. H. Sneed, Pat Woods, Dawson Drake, Paul Winchester, W. A. Taylor, Elmo Harrell, Barnett Franks, J. M. Griffin, Herman Hulsey, W. W. Smith, Sim Ledford, Guy Jones and Marvin Bryant.

Steak Supper at Northington Ranch Home

A group of young men included their dates and several young married couples when they entertained with a no-host steak supper at the K. V. Northington ranch home on the Country Club road last Friday evening.

Dancing to nickelodeon music was the diversion following the delectable menu. Included were: Bob Northington and Martha Ann James, Richard Hembree and Metavee McGahey, Charles Miller and Peggy McShan, Milton Dank-worth and Ariene Miller, Junior Curry and Eva Jo Flynt, Bob Sykes and Charlotte Miller, Reid Caskey and Dorothy Holliday, Dickie Cope and Peggy Fox, Messrs. and Mmes. K. V. Northington, Jr., Max McCrary, Jr., and Jimmy Dankworth.

Garden Club to Meet January 13

The Ballinger Civic-Garden Club will hold its regular monthly meeting next Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock in the Library club room.

Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh, program chairman, will present Mrs. E. Shepperd, who will name Bible plants that are suitable for American gardens, and Mrs. O. R. Lasater will discuss bird study.

All members are urged to attend.

Gift Tea in Taylor Home in Honor for Mrs. Hoffman

Mrs. Dayton Hoffman, who before her marriage on December 20 was Miss Bobbie Tunnell, was paid a pretty compliment Tuesday afternoon when Mrs. Jones Taylor, Mrs. Dan Woodroof and Mrs. Davey Crockett were hostesses at a beautifully-appointed gift tea in the Taylor home in Wilke Terrace, including about seventy friends of the honoree who called in three groups from 3:30 to 6:00 o'clock.

The red and white theme was given attractive emphasis in all details with red blossoms being used to decorate the entire reception suite where the hostesses presented Mrs. Hoffman.

The dining table, which was laid with a handmade lace cloth, was centered with a reflected arrangement of red carnations. Tall white tapers burned in three-branch crystal candelabra on the table and on the buffet. Mrs. Woodroof presided at the punch bowl and Mrs. Myles Nixon and Mrs. Cone Robinson, of Norton, served cake squares iced in white.

Mrs. Bob Tunnell and Mrs. A. B. Davis displayed gifts and presided at the bride's book.

Pearse-Woodward Wedding at San Angelo

Miss Eileen Woodward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Woodward, became the bride of David E. Pearse, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Pearse, of Ballinger, at San Angelo on December 31. The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. James B. Leavell.

Miss Leona Wade, of San

Stu Williams First Local Baseball Player to Sign

Stu Williams, popular first baseman for the Ballinger Cats and one of the leading hitters in the Longhorn Baseball League, is the first Cat to sign a 1948 contract. Williams signed a contract the past week-end and will be ready to start work with the first spring training group to report here. He has remained in Ballinger on a job this winter and Owner Bill Moore announced Monday that Stu would be back at the initial corner for the Cats in the spring.

Six other contracts have been mailed to players who belong to the Ballinger club. Lloyd Geiger, Cat infielder until he was injured late last spring, has asked for a contract and indicated he would sign and return for 1948 training. Hugh Olds, outfielder for the Abilene club most of the past season, transferred here but did not play with the Cats in a single game, also has been tendered a contract and is expected here for this year's flag chase.

Roy Worley, secretary, stated that contracts went out the past week-end to Floyd Geiger, Grody Isbell, Myles Smithhart and Bob Stringfield. All other players on the Ballinger roster have either been sent to other clubs or have obtained releases.

Mr. Moore said he would confer with representatives of the Cincinnati Reds this week and hoped to be able to announce a manager within the near future.

Box seats are to be rearranged in the spring and made more convenient and comfortable for the customers. Letters are being prepared and will be sent to all box holders last season offering them their same boxes back for the 1948 season. Some other work is being planned at the park and an estimate will be sought on the erection of awnings over the two rows of bleachers which would be put up for Sunday games, played in the afternoons. These coverings can be rolled back for night games and leave the stands open.

This improvement has not been definitely decided on but it is believed such an arrangement would improve Sunday afternoon attendance.

Work will be started at the field next month to put it in shape for spring training, to be begun in March.

Notice

Anyone interested in a night sewing class on Mondays at 7 p. m. at the homemaking cottage of the Ballinger high school, is asked to come to the first class meeting on January 12, or contact Miss Katherine Rawlings. 11

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Richards, of Abilene, were week-end visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Richards.

Mr. and Mrs. K. V. Northington, Jr., and Bob Northington left Monday for Austin, where they were to make arrangements to enter the University of Texas about February 1. Bob will be a geology student.

Cpl. Don Hirschfeld arrived recently at Howard Field in the Panama Canal Zone and his new base is only six miles from Allbrook Field, where his sister, Mrs. Gayle Williams, is residing. He and J. Frank Nance had dinner Christmas day in the Williams home.

Angelo, attended the bride as maid of honor, and Marvin Pearse, brother of the groom, was best man.

A graduate of the Eden high school, the bride is employed by the San Angelo Telephone Co. Mr. Pearse served for three years in the navy before joining the merchant marine in 1945. He is still serving in this branch. The couple will make home in California.

County Clerk Has Big Year in 1948; Receipts \$11,449

Frankie Berryman is completing his first year as Runnels county clerk and his annual report discloses 1947 was the biggest year for the office in the history of the county.

Fees collected for work done in the office totaled \$11,449.70 as compared with \$10,412.81 for the previous year, the largest year's business up to that time. The work in 1947 required four regular employees besides Mr. Berryman and at the present five are being employed.

During the past year 433 births were registered for the county, which do not include those registered at the city hall. A total of 118 death certificates were filed and 242 marriage licenses were issued.

While 1,969 chattel mortgages were recorded last year, the heaviest amount of work was required in handling approximately 800 oil and gas leases. Some of these were for large tracts and for large sum of rental money.

Instruments recorded other than chattel mortgages number 3,763, these included various legal papers.

Receipts at the office are divided as follows:
Chattel mortgages, \$1,348.50
Other instruments, \$7,505.55
Certified and uncertified instruments, \$525.55
Marriage licenses, \$484.00
Qualifying notaries, \$69.85
Clerk's fees in criminal cases, \$506.35
Clerk's fees in civil cases, \$15.05
Clerk's fees in probate cases, \$369.95.

Fines in criminal cases do not go through the clerk's office and are part of the county treasurer's report.

During the past year the clerk's office paid its own way through the fee system.

Dr. E. W. McLaurin, of Austin, filled the pulpit for both services at the First Presbyterian Church here Sunday.

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HOSPITAL NOTES

Six babies were born at the Bailey Clinic-Hospital the past week to usher in 1948.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cannon, parents of a son, were the first. Mrs. Cannon and baby doing nicely, were dismissed Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wallace, of Winters, are parents of a daughter, born Friday. Mother and baby, doing nicely, were dismissed Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Smith are parents of a daughter, born Sunday. Mrs. Smith and baby, doing nicely, were dismissed Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Palmer are parents of a son, born Sunday. Mrs. Palmer and baby are doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Campbell are parents of a son, born Monday. Mother and baby, doing nicely, were dismissed Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Toungett are parents of a daughter, born Monday. Mrs. Toungett and baby are doing nicely.

Mrs. R. B. Ingle is reported improving from surgery performed two weeks ago.

Judy Brown, of Rowena, is improving after receiving medical treatment the past week.

Mrs. W. J. Park entered the clinic Tuesday for medical treatment and is reported improving.

Patients who improved during the week and were dismissed included:

G. D. Eckert, medical, Friday
Miss Jennie Bennett, knee injury, Monday
Rex Cook, surgical, Tuesday
Scottie Bell, surgical, Tuesday
Bobby Edmlaston, minor surgery, Wednesday
Ann Richardson, medical Tuesday
Mrs. C. A. McLean, Ozona, medical, Wednesday
Karen Sue Conner, surgery, Thursday.

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Wednesday evening, 7:30.
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J. R. LAWSON, Pastor

First Baptist Church
(400 Eighth Street)

Sunday:
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
Preston Fitzhugh, superintendent.
11:00 a. m., morning worship.
7:30 p. m., evening worship.
6:30 p. m., Baptist Training Union.
Wednesday:
7:00 p. m., teachers' meeting.
7:30 p. m., prayer meeting.
8:15 p. m., choir rehearsal.

Church of Christ
(Eighth and Bonnal)

Sunday:
Bible School, 9:45 a. m.
Preaching, 10:45 a. m.
Lord's Supper, 11:45 a. m.
Evening worship, 7:00 p. m.
Tuesday:
Women's Bible study, 10:00 a. m.
Wednesday:
Worship, 7:00 p. m.
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Sunday:
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
11:00 a. m., morning service.
6:45 p. m., N.Y.P.S. program.
7:30 p. m., evening service.
Wednesday:
7:30 p. m., prayer service.
Tuesday:
3:30 p. m., W.F.M.S.
J. MARVIN HARRISON, Pastor

Foursquare Gospel Church

Sunday:
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
11:00 a. m., morning worship.
6:45 p. m., Junior Crusaders.
Mary Lou Tindie, captain.
7:30 p. m., evangelistic service, pastor in charge.
Tuesday:
7:30 p. m., prayer meeting.
Thursday:
7:30 p. m., Senior Crusaders, Bible study, Clifton Wright, captain.
If you are looking for a place to worship, we invite you to the Foursquare Gospel Church, 104 North Twelfth Street, where you will only be a stranger once.
C. R. DUNAWAY, Pastor

Seventh Street Baptist Church
(Meeting in the Junior High School building)

Sunday:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 a. m.
Training Union, 6:30 p. m.
Evening worship, 7:30 p. m.
Wednesday:
Teachers' and officers' meeting, 7 p. m.
Prayer service, 7:30 p. m.
Choir practice, 8 p. m.
1st and 3rd Monday Nights:
Meetings of W. M. U. and Brotherhood.

First Methodist Church
(Corner Murrell and Tenth)

Sunday:
9:45 a. m., church school.
11:00 a. m., morning worship.
6:00 p. m., young people's service.
7:00 p. m., evening worship.
Wednesday:
7:30 p. m., senior choir rehearsal.
H. B. LOYD, Pastor



GETTING THE BRUSH-OFF . . . This inhabitant of the London zoo, "George," a 16-foot giraffe, isn't as much trouble as you might think from looking at him—if you believe in giraffes, that is. It took two years before George would allow himself to be groomed by his keeper, Arthur Page, but now that the long-necked animal has learned patience he takes it in his stride. He even places his feet wide apart to reduce his altitude as an aid to the man who is giving him his bath.



MACHINE AGE . . . "Marsulus," 500-pound electro-mechanical robot, chutes French actress Mag Villars. It was built to play role of a Martian in a stage production at the Casino de Paris in, naturally, Paris.

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church

9:45 a. m., Sunday school, Carl Black, superintendent.
11:00 a. m., morning worship.
6:00 p. m., Westminster Youth Fellowship.
7:00 p. m., evening worship.
Wednesday Bible study and choir rehearsal, 8:00 p. m.
DAVID J. MURRAY, Pastor

Church of God

Sunday:
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 a. m.
Junior Y. P., 7:15 p. m.
Young people, 7:15 p. m.
Evening worship, 7:30 p. m.
Wednesday:
Mid-week prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.
E. R. TRICK, Pastor

Church of Christ
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Wednesday, Bible study, 7 p. m.
Thursday, Bible study, 7 p. m.
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First Presbyterian Church
(Broadway)

Sunday:
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
11:00 a. m., church worship.
5:30 p. m., Young People's social and worship hour.
7:00 p. m., church worship.
Wednesday:
7:00 p. m., mid-week worship.
8:00 p. m., Young People's Choir practice.

First Christian Church

Murrell Avenue and Broadway
Archie W. Gray, Minister
O. P. Dorsey, Sunday School Superintendent.
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
11:00 a. m., worship and communion.
7:30 p. m., evening worship.

CASTOR WILL PLUG OIL

TEST SOUTH OF CITY
John Castor and associates said this week that they would plug the oil test on the Barr ranch south of Ballinger after finding a slight oil showing around 3,200 feet last week.
The hole was treated but failed to produce oil in paying quantity.

Mrs. C. B. Looney received word from her son, C. B. Looney, Jr., stating that he left San Diego Friday by plane for Pearl Harbor. From there he will go to Australia. Looney is serving in the navy and will probably be overseas until June, at which time his enlistment is completed.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hood and daughter, Carrol Kay, of Wichita, Kansas, recently returned home after spending the Christmas holidays in the home of Mrs. Hood's mother and sister, Mrs. Robert Rhame and Hazel.



THE PIT IN KANSAS CITY . . . This picture shows commission merchants and brokers as they bid spiritedly for commodity grains on the Kansas City board of trade which Rep. Clarence Brown (Rep., Ohio), charged with receiving and handling "more orders from the District of Columbia than any other state." Grain pits came into limelight with congressional investigation into grain speculation by government officials who might take advantage of their inside information to profit in commodity trading.

Cochran 4-H Club
Most Outstanding
Of County in 1947

John A. Barton, Runnels county farm agent, has named the Cochran 4-H club the most outstanding club of the county in 1947. He stated that the honor was based on records of accomplishments turned in to his office.

The Cochran club is one of the youngest in the county, both in the number of years since it was organized and in the average age of the members. Eleven of the fifteen boys enrolled in 1947 completed a total of 19 demonstrations, including 5 on cotton, 3 on poultry, 9 on sheep, 6 on swine and 3 on calves. In addition, two members turned in crop demonstrations. This was the greatest percentage of completed demonstrations of any club in the county for the past year.

A number of the boys made excellent individual records. From three poultry demonstrations each will receive a county medal given by a national committee.

Weldon Minzenmayer was grand champion and reserve champion winner with his lambs in the 1947 county show held last spring. Billie Burton showed the grand prize bale of cotton in the Winners show held last fall.

Harvey Wessels, who won a Sears gilt in the spring of 1947, placed third in the fall show. Two boys received Sears gilts and each made a good record with his project.

Club members are now busy with their 1948 projects. Six boys are feeding ten calves, four are feeding hogs, three are growing capons; all of which will be shown in the county show at Ballinger January 26 and 27. They also plan to exhibit some of their stock at Fort Worth and San Angelo.

GRINDSTAFF, BOELSCH

ON BOYS' RANCH BOARD
Judge E. C. Grindstaff and Dr. E. H. Boelsche, of Ballinger, were named on the first executive committee of the Boys' Ranch organization in a meeting held at San Angelo Tuesday night. The two Ballinger men attended the meeting as representatives of the Lions and Rotary Clubs.

The purpose of the ranch was explained to the assembly who were from a large number of West Texas counties. It was pointed out that it would be a home and not an orphanage and would be for boys who did not need to go to a reform school but merely needed a lift over a bad spot.

The plan was lauded by county representatives attending the meeting and help was promised from all sources. The board received a check for \$6,059 as the

ways by the Optometrists Club of San Angelo, which sponsored the idea of the ranch.

Mrs. Jack Carwile has returned from Dallas after receiving a medical check-up at the Medical Arts Clinic.

Ken Jones, of Los Angeles, was a visitor in the Vernon Wright home Monday, a guest of their daughter, Venita Wright.

Frank Rubin left Tuesday night for Memphis, where he will join Mrs. Rubin, who has been visiting relatives since the holidays. They will go on to New York to buy merchandise for their Ballinger store, planning to return home about February 1.

Mr. and Mrs. George Beard had for week-end guests their son, Ardis D. Beard, of Tulsa, and Miss Louise Cox, of San Antonio. On Monday Mr. Beard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Beard, of Tuscola, were visitors in the Beard home here.

Miss Kathryn Sensabaugh returned Sunday from Lawrence, Kansas, where she attended sessions of the student volunteer movement on the campus of Kansas State University. She left for Abilene Monday morning to resume her studies at McMurry College.

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Accrued Interest	2,156.05
Cash and Due from Banks	\$ 938,995.04
Bonds, Warrants and Stocks	1,025,823.98
Bills of Exchange	41,998.33
	2,016,817.35
	\$2,557,700.58
Liabilities	
Capital Stock	\$ 100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	63,841.30
Reserve for Taxes and Other Contingencies	50,000.00
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If you have not already visited the tax collecting offices it is time to do so. This is an election year and a poll tax receipt is important. A number of contested races are already shaping up and others are expected during the next few months. Democratic primaries will

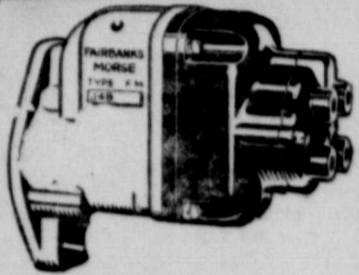
probably attract record voting this year and every man and woman will want to have a part in naming officials. Get your poll tax receipt before the last day of January.

Interest is mounting in regard to the use of Bruce Field. With Goodfellow Field at San Angelo being reactivated army officers are seeking living quarters in Ballinger for personnel to be stationed there, the possibility of reopening Bruce Field as a training center to take care of the congestion at Goodfellow is posed. Citizens here want to put Bruce Field to a use where it will be properly kept and at the same time provide a sizeable payroll. The local field was built for this purpose and to convert it into other will be difficult and expensive. The training of cadets at Bruce Field could be started simply by putting furniture in the building and assigning personnel here.

A survey here last week and the first part of this week reveals there are only a few housing units in Ballinger not occupied. Army officers at San Angelo want a large number of apartments or houses. So far only about twenty places have been found and many more are required. When the cadet training program was underway at Bruce Field, some local citizens thought when this program was halted Ballinger would be overbuilt and rent houses would be unoccupied. The contrary has proved true and there has been a shortage of desirable living quarters even after many additional houses were built. Anyone who intends to provide an apartment in his home is urged to list it at the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce office so it can be shown among the available living quarters to be had here.

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IF STATESMEN COPIED THEIR CHILDREN . . . One of the comments on the wranglings that frequently occur in the august councils of the United Nations is that the statesmen behave like children. If they really did so, there would be fewer quarrels, for the children of the delegates get along fine together at the U. N. nursery school at Lake Success, N. Y. For instance, at left here Anna Storjev of Russia looks down from her perch on the rope ladder into the laughing face of Catherine Houbreque of France, and neither of them gives a whoop what their dads are fighting over. In center Stephanie Singer of the United Kingdom and Florence Wu (right) of China prove that East can meet West in harmony. At the right pensive Linda Linder of the U. S. is trying to decide nothing more profound than whether she should take her nap or keep on enjoying her picture book.



WEST TEXAS NOTES

Celebrating 25 years continuous operations, the Stephenville State Bank last week announced the completion of a \$10,000 rebuilding and remodeling program, started two months before. New fixtures have been installed to make it one of the most modern financial institutions in this region and at the same time more convenient for patrons. Ben F. McColum, president, announced the closing of a very successful year.

The Rising Star high school gymnasium has been modernized and the building is now being used for basketball games. A hardwood floor was added and the interior refinished. Work yet to be done includes rock veneering the outside walls but this will not interfere with play on the basketball court and other physical education programs.

N. B. Embry, Jr., gin operator at Melvin for a number of years, is moving his plant to Idalou, in the heart of the irrigated area of Lubbock county. The gin was erected at Melvin in 1936 and had been operated every season since. Cost of the plant in 1936 was \$28,000.

The American Trading & Production Co. has staked a new wildcat oil test in northwestern Menard county. The hole will be spudded within two or three weeks. Drilling will proceed to around 4,300 feet to explore the Ellenburger on a location in the Fritz Wilhelm ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hester celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Saturday at their home in Miles. Mr. Hester, a native of Miles, was married to Miss Cleo Louise Smith, of Ballinger, in 1922, and the couple has resided at Miles ever since. During the afternoon a number of friends called to pay their respects.

West Texas officers have been asked to help find \$11,000 worth of drillpipe stolen from an oil lease near Fort Stockton. Harper, Turner & McDaniels, Oklahoma City contractors, had used the pipe in drilling a test in the area. During the Christmas holidays employees were away from the lease and upon returning missed 95 joints of pipe.

More than \$800,000 will be invested at Brownwood by the Texas Power & Light Co. in a new plant and machinery. Part of the work has already been started on what is said will be the largest power plant in central West Texas when completed. Last week 40,000 bricks were bought for the construction from a Brownwood factory.

Having warned citizens of Winters twice about double parking on Main and Dale streets, state highway department authorities have issued a last warning and local officers say it is their orders to impose fines for violating this

order after January 1. Both streets serve as highways and state officials say traffic must be able to pass through at all times.

The McCulloch county vocational school, serving an eight-town area, will have four completely equipped agricultural shops in service by the end of January. The shops are to be located at Brady, Lohn, Rochelle and Mason. Two other shops will be outfitted at a later date. The school now employs 11 instructors and has a large enrollment of GI students.

There were three major developments last week in the 17th annual livestock show to be held at Coleman January 19 and 20. The Coleman County Breeders Association will erect an additional building at the Coleman airport site, where the show will be held. A registered animal was donated to the show to be sold at auction, and funds spent on the improvement program and a premium list of \$1,500 were approved for the 1948 show.

Location has been made for a wildcat oil test on the Tom Landrum place three miles from Valera. The Strawn sand will be explored in an attempt to get oil in paying quantities.

WINDOWS BEING REFINISHED IN HIGGINBOTHAM STORE

Carpenters and finishers began reworking the show windows at the Higginbotham store here this week and will rebuild interiors and redecorate them.

The windows were damaged in the fire at this store last year but could still be used. The new windows will be more attractive and will give decorators a better opportunity to display merchandise.

Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence R. Hammond, of Greensboro, North Carolina, left Wednesday of last week for their home after visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Allen.

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WIX CURRIE, JR. FAMILY WILL MOVE TO HASKELL

Mr. and Mrs. Wix Currie, Jr., will leave the latter part of the week for Haskell, where they will make home. Mr. Currie will be associated with the Southwestern Life Insurance Co. at Haskell and stated the first of the week that he would leave as soon as his house there was ready.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Nance, Jr., and little daughter, of Big Spring, visited relatives and friends here the past week-end.

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Making her second cruise into Antarctic waters in less than a year, the Burton Island departed from San Pedro, California, on November 20. After sailing more than 4,000 miles, she rendezvoused with her sister ship, the icebreaker USS Edisto, at Samoa on December 3.

During the 13 days at sea from San Pedro to Samoa, the 250 officers and men aboard celebrated Thanksgiving Day and observed the traditional crossing-the-equator ceremonies.

After refueling and taking on supplies, the two vessel task force will proceed independently to the vicinity of Scott Island from where they will begin exploration of Antarctic coastal areas.



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IN SOCIETY

Bride-Elect's Parents Host Rehearsal Supper
Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Richards,

parents of the bride-elect, were hosts for the rehearsal supper Tuesday evening for the Davis-Richards wedding party in the Broadway home of Mrs. Jewel Cooper.

An arrangement of yellow carnations and lace fern in a cream pottery bowl centered the linen-laid table. Lighting was from golden-toned tapers in triple pottery holders.

Miss Richards and Mr. Davis presented gifts to their attendants.

Included besides the bride-elect and bridegroom-elect were Rev. and Mrs. B. J. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Richards of Abilene, Mrs. Wylie Stobaugh of Dallas, Mr. Clarence Richards, Jr., Mr. and

Mrs. James E. Garrett, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hambrick, Mrs. Powell Wear and Miss Pauline Witter.

Brunch in Hambrick Home Climax to Prenuptial Affairs

The rush of prenuptial entertaining for Miss Pat Richards which has been on for the past week was climaxed Tuesday with a brunch for which Mrs. Charles Hambrick and Mrs. Roy Worley were co-hostesses at the new Hambrick home on Broadway.

The bride-elect's chosen colors, yellow and green were emphasized in the living room with arrangements of yellow chrysanthemums. The dining table was centered with a Dresden container filled with candytuft in pastel tones and a pair of Dresden figurines on the reflector. Cards in china holders marked places for the honoree and her mother, Mrs. C. D. Richards, Mrs. R. T. Williams, Mrs. Wylie Stobaugh of Dallas, Mrs. Ed Curry and Mrs. Henry Bieluck.

The same Dresden appointments and floral arrangements centered foursome tables where Mrs. Elmer Shepperd assisted in serving.

A gift of china in the pattern favored by the honoree was presented her by the hostesses.

Other guests were Mrs. Orland Middleton, Mrs. R. E. Key, Mrs. Powell Wear, Mrs. W. B. Woody, Mrs. James A. Wear, Mrs. B. J. Martin, Mrs. Bill Moore and Mrs. Bill Sykes.

Mrs. Shepperd Hostess to Music Club

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

Potted poinsettias and an arrangement of yellow chrysanthemums gave added beauty to reception rooms where Mrs. O. G. Joiner conducted the business period.

Mrs. Arthur Giesecke, program chairman, presented Mrs. O. J. Jaros, who discussed Mozart as a traveler, a genius and human frailty from the book "Mozart," by Einstein; a Mozart rondo in

a minor recording, played by Paderewski, was given; and Miss Olga Schawe gave a number of musical current events.

Others present were: Mmes. F. M. Pearce, Troy Simpson, John I. Gulon, Eugene Loika, Levy Lee, Horace Murphy, W. R. Bogle, Sim Cottle; Misses Maggie Underwood and Carmen Demmer.

Schnables Complimented on Eve of Departure

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Schnable and son, Jon, who are leaving Ballinger to make their home at Mexia, were complimented by Messrs. Edgar Boelsche last Saturday evening when they entertained with a supper at the rural home of the Grindstuffs north of town.

Games of bridge gave diversion following the supper menu. Mrs. Fred McClanahan and baby son, Freddie, of Shreveport, were also included.

Baptist Y. W. A. Meets in Morgan Home

Members of the First Baptist Y. W. A. met Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Malcolm Morgan on Sixth Street.

Selections of Bible verse were used by members to answer roll call, followed by the business period when a "seasonal program" for mothers of members was planned. Plans were also made for radio programs to be presented once a month for shut-ins.

Jessie Mae Henderson was welcomed as a new member, and Janet McShan, of San Angelo, was a visitor.

Miss Richards Given Kitchen Shower in Wear Home

Mrs. James A. Wear and Mrs. Powell Wear added another lovely hospitality to the series of prenuptial affairs given to honor Miss Pat Richards on Friday afternoon when they were hostesses at a kitchen shower in the James A. Wear home on Tenth Street.

Lovely arrangements of yellow and white snapdragons and glad-rolls were used in the reception room where the hostesses greeted

guests and presented the honoree and her mother, Mrs. C. D. Richards.

Miss Elizabeth Wear was at the bride's book, and Miss Nancy Guynes directed guests into the living and dining rooms where yellow and white chrysanthemums were used on the buffet and coffee table.

After gifts were opened by Miss Richards, a chicken salad plate was served with coffee by Misses Martha Saunders, Anna Sue Hembree, Wear and Guynes.

Sue Hampton Returns from Youth Conference

Miss Sue Hampton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hampton, returned home Sunday morning from Cleveland, Ohio, where she attended the national conference of Methodist youths the past week.

The conference was attended by 10,000 young people, of which more than one thousand were from Texas.

Sue is vice-president of the Brownwood district of Methodist Youths, and also holds the same office in the Runnels-Coleman county sub-district.

Mrs. Zedlitz Leader and Hostess for Shakespeare Club Meeting

Mrs. R. F. Zedlitz was leader and hostess for the regular semi-monthly meeting of the Shakespeare Club Thursday afternoon in the library club room.

Mrs. Paul Petty presided for the business routine during which the resignation of Mrs. Herman Cohen was accepted, and Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw was welcomed as a new member.

Mrs. Zedlitz presented a program on Health and discussed "What is Being Done in Modern Research and Medicine About Cancer." Mrs. Max McCrary's topic was "Cancer—its Early Detection and History."

The next regular meeting will be on January 15, when Mrs. Loyd Herring will give a book review.

Other members present were: Mmes. Horace Murphy, R. E. Key, Roger Wheeler, Joe Satterwhite, A. B. Stobaugh, M. A. Foy, Marvin



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Officers Elected by Deb-U-Teen Club

Officers were elected at a meeting Saturday of the Deb-U-Teen Club in the home of Frances Watkins. The new officers are: Anita Wade, president; Mary Neill, secretary-treasurer; Charlene Olsak and Frances Watkins, program; Catherine Hays, reporter.

Other members of the club are: Clara Hill, Jessie Mae Henderson, Barbara Berry, Wanda Richards, Gale Hays, Mary Alice Harral and

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gallons, or in storage tanks having a capacity of more than 1100 gallons each.

Section 2
That no person, firm, association or corporation shall unload gasoline or other volatile inflammable oil at any retail establishment within the corporate limits of the city of Ballinger, Texas, from a tank, truck or other container which contains more than 1500 gallons of such gasoline or other volatile inflammable oil.

Section 3
That the foregoing provisions shall not apply to person, firm, association or corporation transporting gasoline or other volatile inflammable oil within or through the corporate limits of the city of Ballinger, Texas, in the normal course of business, and not for the purpose of unloading the same at a retail establishment within such corporate limits, and shall apply to any wholesale establishment, commonly referred to as bulk plant.

Section 4
That any person, firm, association or corporation who shall violate any provision of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not more than \$100.00.

Section 5
That no person, firm, association, or corporation shall hereafter place or bury in the ground any storage tank having a capacity of 1000 gallons or more to store gasoline or other volatile or inflammable oil unless at least ten feet of solid earth separates such tank from any and all other tanks and containers in which gasoline or other volatile or inflammable oil may be stored.

Section 6
If any word, phrase, sentence, paragraph, or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining valid parts of this ordinance.

Section 7
The fact that owners of retail places patronized and frequented by general public are preparing to unload and store gasoline in large quantities at such retail places, causes a fire hazard, dangerous to the public, creates an

emergency and this ordinance will take effect immediately upon its passage, approval and publication as required by law.

Passed and approved the 18th day of December, 1947.
J. W. MOORE, Mayor
Attest:
JOHN B. RAYBURN
City Secretary.

New Federal Loan Is Now Available For Farm Buyers

Robert S. Davis, Kirby B. Robinson and George W. Poe are the Rannels county committeemen for the new federal insured farm mortgage program of the farm home administration which is now in effect throughout the country. John H. Curry is the county supervisor.

Mr. Curry explains that this program supplements rather than substitutes for the agency's direct farm purchase program which has been in operation the past ten years.

Applications are accepted from qualified veterans and farm tenants, sharecroppers, farm laborers and owners of inadequately improved farms, provided they can not obtain needed credit in any other way. The applicant must have farming experience and by of good character. He must know of a suitable farm he can buy at a reasonable price and be able to pay down at least 10 per cent of the price of the farm and of the costs of needed improvements. The price of the farm including needed improvements cannot be more than \$12,000. This 10 per cent investment gives him an equity in the place. He borrows the remaining 90 per cent from a private lender, such as a bank, insurance company, investment firm or individual and the FHA guarantees the loan's payments.

The farmer has 40 years to pay off the loan and pays 2 1/2 per cent interest. In addition he pays 1 per cent mortgage charge at the beginning of each year, including the first to the FHA. The farm the buyer selects must be appraised on the basis of long-time average prices and for farm products in order to be sure it is worth what it costs.

The first of the new type loans were made last week and a number of applications are in process at this time.

JANUARY 17 NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING OF COUNTY COUNCIL

The meeting of the Rannels county home demonstration council scheduled for Saturday of this week has been postponed until January 17. The change was necessary after a meeting of the agricultural association was called at Abilene and home demonstration agents were notified to attend.

Miss Ollie Chenoweth, county home demonstration agent, will attend the Abilene meeting and will be here on January 17 for the meeting of the county council.

Miss Elizabeth Alexander has returned to Belton, where she teaches at Mary Hardin-Baylor College, after spending the holidays with relatives here.

Schooling Offered New Navy Recruits

All navy recruiting offices are stepping up their work for the new year and this week Robert Bruce, recruiting officer for the navy in this area, received information in regard to new enlistments.

Commencing January 1, 1948, recruit applicants in the regular navy will be permitted to select a trade school prior to actual enlistment. Some of the schools which they may choose are: electrician's mate, machinist's mate, motor machinist's mate, radioman, patternmaker, electronic material, basic submarine and aviation fundamentals.

In order to be able to apply for enlistment under this program, applicants must be between the ages of 17 and 31 and must have had no prior military experience in any branch of the armed forces. Service in a reserve component after March 31, 1946, is not disqualifying provided the individual had no prior active or inactive regular or reserve experience.

Enlistments for service schools under the program will be on a quota basis and for this reason all high school graduates interested in this opportunity to continue their education in the navy should visit their nearest recruiting station.

Zephyr Cage Teams To Play Local Boys Here Monday Night

The Zephyr basketball A team, one of the fastest in all West Texas, will be here Monday night to clash with the Bearcats. School officials said both A and B teams would be seen in games at the high school gymnasium. The B game will start at 6:45 and the A game will get underway at 8:00 o'clock.

The Bearcat band will play for this game and all the sideline color of a football game will be seen in the remaining contests of the season.

The Zephyr team has been displaying power this year and is established as one of the favorites of this section of the state. The Bearcats also have shown plenty of strength and fans are assured one of the best games of the season. A capacity crowd is expected to fill the gym for this tilt.

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will go to Winters tomorrow (Friday) night, and on January 20 the Winters cagers will come here for return matches. Teams of this district are getting ready for the first district tournament, to be held here the latter part of January.

REVIVAL UNDERWAY AT NAZARENE CHURCH



Rev. Herbert Land

Rev. J. M. Harrison, pastor of the First Church of the Nazarene, announces a revival which began Tuesday and will continue through January 6. Services are being held each evening at 7:30 and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Rev. Herbert Land, evangelist, of Abilene, is conducting the

revival and is bringing the evening messages. Good singing is a part of each service.

The revival will be carried forward in a short radio program each morning at 10 o'clock over station KRUN.

VISITING MINISTER TO SPEAK FOR FIRST PRESBYTERIANS

Rev. David L. Stitt, president of Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, will preach at the First Presbyterian Church here next Sunday, January 11. He will be heard at the morning service at 11 a. m. and at the vesper service at 5 p. m.

Rev. Stitt is an excellent speaker and the public is cordially invited to hear him.

FIRST '48 BABY BORN AT LOCAL HOSPITAL

Harry Cannon, III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cannon, Jr., was the first baby born this year at the Bailey Clinic-Hospital. The young man arrived at 8:30 a. m. January 2, and he and his mother are doing fine.

RUBINS BUY STALLINGS RESIDENCE ON EIGHTH

A deal was concluded last week in which Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rubins purchased the Leonard Stallings brick residence on Eighth Street. Mr. and Mrs. Stallings recently bought the new Austin Harper residence in Wilke Terrace and intend to move there as soon as they get possession.

Miss Dorothy Bruce returned Sunday to Dallas, where she is a student in Southern Methodist University.

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IN SOCIETY

Open House in Bruce Home for College Students
 Hosting a New Year's open house, Miss Dorothy Bruce, student at S. M. U., Dallas, and Miss Charlotte Miller, student at McMurry College, Abilene, complimented friends home from school for the holidays, young married couples and a number of high school students when they entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bruce on Seventh Street.
 Reception rooms were decorated

with arrangements of red and white blossoms while the dining table was centered with a formal arrangement of red gladioli, white stock and chrysanthemums, and white tapers in candelabra were on both the table and buffet.
 Mrs. Bruce and Mrs. Charles Miller assisted in serving a sandwich plate with cookies and apple cider to more than a hundred guests.
 Students and other friends enjoyed an informal get-together throughout the calling hours.

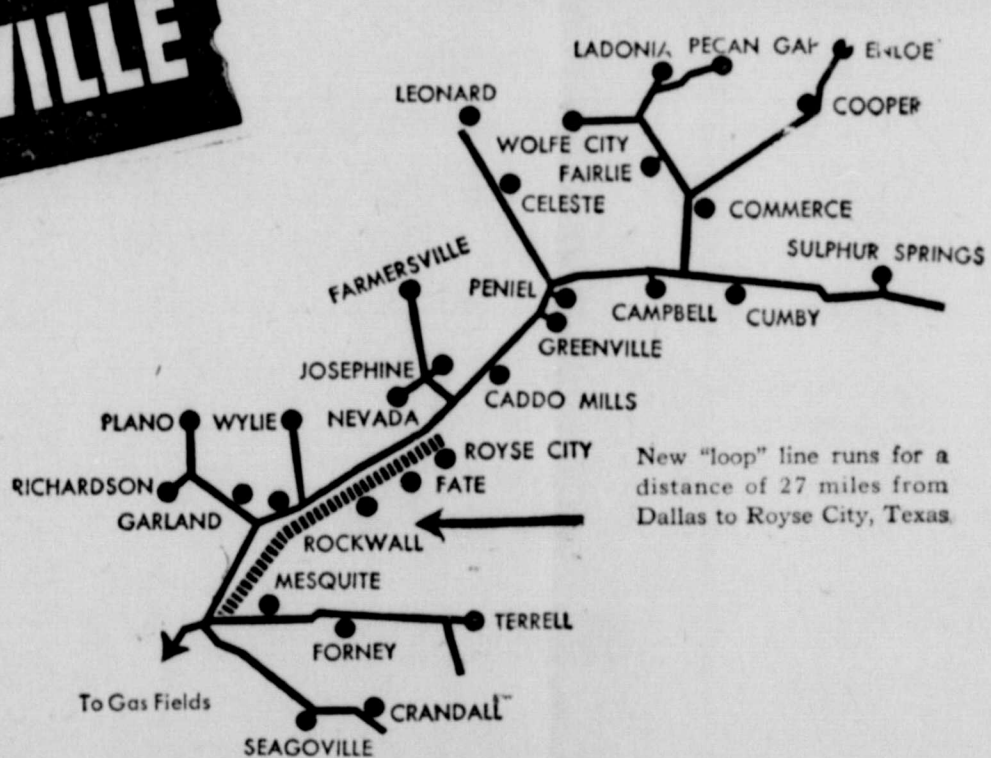
Luncheon Leads Prenuptial Party Series for Miss Richards
 Leading the party series for soon-to-be-bride Miss Pat Richards was a luncheon on Wednesday hosted by Miss Pauline Witter, who entertained at the Central Hotel.
 The marriage of Miss Richards, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Richards, and Cecil Austin Davis, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil A. Davis of Mobile, Alabama, was solemnized January 7 at the First Baptist Church.
 Yellow chrysanthemums in a low bowl centered the table which was overlaid with linen where places were marked by bridal cards. A gift was presented the honoree by Miss Witter at the conclusion of the luncheon.
 Others were: Mrs. Powell Wear, Miss Gwen Morgan, Miss Pat

McGregor, Miss Charlotte Miller, Miss Dorothy Bruce, Miss Mary Edith Loyd and Miss Mildred Mendenhall of Brownwood.
 On Thursday morning Miss Mary Edith Loyd, assisted by her mother, Mrs. H. B. Loyd, complimented Miss Richards at a coffee in the Loyd home on Broadway.
 The bride-elect's chosen colors, yellow and green, were emphasized in room decorations, with a large arrangement of yellow carnations before the mantel and on the coffee table. A gift was presented the honor guest.
 Guests included Misses Dorothy Bruce, Charlotte Miller, Pauline Witter, Elizabeth Wear, Anna Sue Hembree, Mary Brian Woody, Nancy Guynes, Marilyn Agnew, Gwen Morgan, Pat McGregor and Mrs. Powell Wear.

Mrs. Barton Hostess to Thursday Contract Club
 Mrs. John Barton was hostess to members of the Thursday Evening Contract Club in her home on Eighth Street.
 Arrangements of red carnations and potted poinsettias were used in the dining room, and white and pink cyclamen decorated the living room where Miss Lillian Knowles was awarded high score prize and low score award went to Miss Ollie Chenoweth. Homemade candies were served during games.
 Fruit cake topped with whipped cream and salted nuts were served with coffee at the conclusion of games to: Mes. Naomi Keithley, George Newby, John Castor and Sim Cottelle; Misses Mary Jane Kiechle, Chenoweth and Knowles.



A LOOP FOR GREENVILLE



Meet Olan Rogers—machinist in Lone Star's Transmission Division machine shop. He repairs and builds meter assemblies, compressor engine pistons, and other equipment for the system. He has this to say about Lone Star's expansion program:

"Ever-increasing number of orders for new machinery for shipment to construction projects on Lone Star Gas System indicates how the expansion program has affected operations in this shop. In all my service with Lone Star I've never seen so much of this kind of activity. It's really keeping us busy!"

Typical of a series of recently completed pipelines on Lone Star Gas System is this new "loop" line illustrated by dash line on the map above. This line will help assure a plentiful supply of natural gas to Greenville and all other communities on this section of Lone Star Gas System.
 This is the second major pipeline recently completed in east Texas. Two lines each were also built in 1947 on the three other main divisions of Lone Star Gas System—west central Texas, south central Texas, and north Texas and southern Oklahoma. These eight lines are only the beginning—the first year's work in an expansion program which will continue for four more years.

This five-year program represents an

investment of \$40,000,000 in projects such as above pipelines. In addition there are new compressor stations, new gas wells, new town plants, additions to present town distribution plants and many other projects to keep Lone Star Gas service ahead of the ever-increasing demands of a growing Southwest.

This program for a busier, brighter future is being pushed forward as rapidly as availability of materials and equipment will permit. All over the system, from Snyder in the West to Clarksville in the East and from Round Rock in the South to Purcell in the North, more employees than ever before will be busier than ever before in 1948 maintaining Lone Star as one of the finest of Natural Gas Services.

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Future Homemakers Entertain with New Year's Party
 Miss Katherine Rawlings, home-making teacher at high school, assisted members of the home-makers club in entertaining guests at a New Year's eve party in the Library auditorium.
 The large party room was decorated with multi-colored balloons and crepe paper streamers, and "Happy New Year" in letters covered with silver dust was on the stage curtain.
 Fancy cookies were served with punch during games of cards and forty-two and dancing to nickelodeon music. The group welcomed in the New Year and at the conclusion sang "Auld Lang Syne."
 About 70 members and invited guests enjoyed the affair, and a number of parents were in attendance.

Supper Club Has 13th Annual New Year's Eve Dinner
 Mr. and Mrs. Tom Agnew were hosts Wednesday evening in their Wilke Terrace home, entertaining with the 13th annual New Year's eve party for their supper club following a three-course dinner in the Broadway home of Mrs. Jewel Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bradley were high score winners at contract, and the bingo awards went to Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Stasney and Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Tigner. Homemade candies were served throughout games.
 Following the games guests sat before the log fire and enjoyed an informal get-together and sang

Bigby-Mund Wedding Solemnized in Eldorado Church

Mr. and Mrs. Oran Wesley Bigby are at home in College Station following their marriage Friday, December 26, at 2:30 p. m. in the parsonage of the Eldorado Methodist Church. The Rev. F. H. Hammer, of San Angelo, performed the single-ring ceremony in the presence of relatives and friends.

The bride wore a draped dress of sheer white wool with brown accessories and her corsage was of gardenias. The only attendants were Mr. and Mrs. J. Wallace Scruggs, of El Paso, former room-mates of the couple.
 Mrs. Bigby, the former Miss Mildred Mund, is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Mund, Schleicher county ranch people. She is a graduate of the Eldorado High School and of Texas State College for Women, Denton, where she majored in Vocational Home Economics, and was a member of the Aglain and Mary Rose Schwartz clubs. She has taught homemaking in the Sonora and Beeville schools for the past several years.

Mr. Bigby is the son of Mrs. J. W. Bigby and the late Mr. Bigby of Runnels county. He attended the Ballinger schools, John Tarleton College, Stephenville, and Texas A. & M. College. He spent 18 months in the Army in the European theatre and is now a senior at A. & M. College, where he is majoring in animal husbandry.

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FOR RENT—Furnished bedroom. 301 Twelfth Street. Telephone 1454. 18-1f

Unfurnished two bedroom house wanted by permanent couple with six year old boy. Excellent care of property assured. See Melton Koch at Ballinger Motor Sales, Broadway. 23-1f

FOR RENT—to a young man, comfortable room, with conveniences. 409 Eighth Street. 1-1f

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FOR SALE—4 room house, boxed and weatherboarded, all lumber good. See N. H. Henson, 3 miles south of Crews. Talpa Rt. 2. 1-21*

NOTICE—My home place for sale, 920 acres, 275 acres in cultivation, 620 acres in grass, one mile river front, three sets of improvements. Eight miles east of Ballinger. Rankin Jones, telephone 8577P2. 1-31*

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FOR RENT—Two houses. Ten acres of land and some fruit trees with each house. 2 1/2 miles west of Ballinger. E. N. Barbee, 1203 Largent. 11*

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FOR SALE—1938 2 door Chevrolet sedan. Good car. Cecil Davis at Texas Grill. 11

FOR SALE—Blacksmith and welding shop at Lawn, Texas. E. M. Greer, box 51. 8-31*

FOR LEASE—48 acres with good house, plenty sheds. See J. M. Garlington. 8-31*

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FOR SALE—Girl's bicycle, in good condition. 1200 Eighth, phone 400. 11

FOR SALE—1942 DeSoto club coupe, and 1939 Buick sedan, radio and heater. Both cars in good condition. Will sell either or both. Roy L. Hill. 11

WANTED—Ironing, 1204 Sergeant Avenue. Mrs. J. C. Edson. 8-11*

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FOR SALE—Motorbike, excellent condition. R. F. McGarney, 1104 Seventh St. Phone 745. 11*

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FOR SALE—Four-burner table top, white enamel stove. Dayton Smith. 11*

FOR LEASE—145 acres cultivated land, 25 acres in oats ready for grazing. Nothing to buy. See C. H. Spann, Maverick. 8-21*

FOR RENT—Apartment. Also some wood for sale. 801 Eighth St. 8-11

FOR RENT—Two room furnished apartment, close in. 1103 Railroad Avenue. 11

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URGES AID . . . Lt. Gen. Albert Wedemeyer, whose report on China was made "top secret," urged congress to grant immediate U. S. military and economic aid to the Chiang Kai-shek Chinese Nationalist government.

Budget for fiscal year—February 1st, 1948, to January 31, 1949. All interested taxpayers citizens are invited.
 By order of the City Commission.
 (Seal)

THE CITY OF BALLINGER, TEXAS
 By J. W. MOORE, Mayor,
 City of Ballinger
JOHN B. RAYBURN
 City Secretary. 8-21

FOR RENT—Two room furnished apartment. 701 Twelfth St., phone 1430. 11

BIRTHS
 Patrick Anthony Taylor is the name of the new heir of Mr. and Mrs. Member D. Taylor, Scott Field, Illinois. Announcements received here Sunday informed relatives and friends of the baby's arrival on Christmas morning.
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Notice of Budget Hearing
 In accordance with State Statutes governing a budget hearing will be held by the City Commission of the City of Ballinger, Texas, at the City Hall at 9:30 a. m. January 27th, 1948, for the purpose of reviewing the City

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Coffee	Airway Fresh Roasted	1-Lb. Pkg.	39¢
Coffee	Edward's Top Quality	1-Lb. Can	49¢
Coffee	Fisher's Mountain Grown	1-Lb. Can	51¢
Canterbury Tea		1/2-Lb. Pkg.	26¢
Milk	Coronet Evaporated	3 Cans	37¢
Apple Butter	Goodwin's	28-Oz. Jar	25¢
Syrup	Staley's White	No. 5 Tin	49¢
Prunes	Crescent Small, Cello	2-Lb. Pkg.	35¢
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Sausage	Pure Pork 1-Lb. Sals	Lb.	49¢
Short Ribs	Heavy Beef U. S. Good	Lb.	33¢
Ground Beef	Fresh Ground	Lb.	39¢
Cheese	Good American Cheddar	Lb.	55¢
Codfish Fillets		Lb.	37¢

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Peaches	Highway Halves Yellow Cling	No. 2 1/2 Can	25¢
Sweet Peas	Gardenside Standard	2 No. 2 Cans	23¢
Beans	Brown Beauty Mexican Style	No. 300 Can	10¢
Salmon	Brookdale Chum	1-Lb. Can	47¢
Jell-Well	Gelatins Assorted Flavors	2 Reg. Pkgs.	13¢
Juice	Sunny Dawn Tomato Juice	No. 2 Can	10¢
Corn	Gardenside White Cream Style	No. 2 Can	16¢
Pork & Beans	Van Camp 2-Lb. Cans	2 Cans	27¢
Potted Meat	Libby's	No. 1/2 Can	13¢
Mackerel	Cal Cop	15-Oz. Can	21¢
Sardines	South Pacific	15-Oz. Can	23¢
Sausage	Armar Vienna	No. 1/2 Can	17¢
Beans	Baby Lima Evans' Cello	1-Lb. Pkg.	18¢
Blackeye Peas	Evans' Cello	2-Lb. Pkg.	53¢
3-Minute Oats	Mrs. Wright's	20-Oz. Pkg.	16¢
Bread	Extra Tender	24-Oz. Loaf	19¢
Flour	Kitchen Craft Top Quality	10-Lb. Bag	97¢
Flour	Gold Medal Kitchen-Tested	10-Lb. Bag	97¢
Flour	Harvest Blossom Guaranteed	25-Lb. Bag	\$1.85
Corn Meal	Mummy Lou	10-Lb. Bag	85¢
Potatoes	Idaho Russets	10-Lb. Bag	59¢
Texas Yams		3 Lbs.	25¢
Cabbage	Solid Heads	Lb.	4¢
Celery	Crisp Tender	Lb.	8¢
Cauliflower	Snow White	Lb.	15¢
Rutabagas	Yellow Turlops	Lb.	5¢
Lemons	California Seedless	Lb.	9¢
Grapefruit	True Seedless	8-Lb. Bag	25¢
Anjou Pears		2 Lbs.	25¢

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