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Jaycees Will Sponsor Rodeo Here Next June

The Ballinger Jaycees at their meeting Wednesday voted to sponsor the annual rodeo, and signed a contract with Buck Steiner, of Austin, to have charge of the big three-day show.

Several meetings have been held recently for the purpose of forming a permanent rodeo association but little enthusiasm was shown and the offering of the 1948 show was deferred. The Jaycees, who immediately accepted the full responsibility and began making preparations for the show.

Jaycees will probably call on others to assist, but the full three-day program will be under their sponsorship.

Dates in June will be set for the show and the exact days will be announced as soon as the Longhorn baseball league adopts its 1948 schedule so that arrangements can be made in accordance with the Cats' schedule.

The Jaycees stated after signing the contract with Mr. Steiner that 2,500 auxiliary seats would be set up in the baseball park to help take care of the crowds. Mr. Steiner will be assisted by his son, Tommy Steiner, in the Ballinger show and said Wednesday that they would begin preliminary work at once.

200 Attend Lions Club Ladies' Night, Banquet

The Ballinger Lions Club held "ladies' night" and the annual banquet Friday evening. The banquet, regularly held at the end of the January membership drive, commemorates the birthday anniversary of Melvin Jones, founder of Lionism. The affair was held in the high school cafeteria, approximately 200 attending, with visiting Lions present from Brady, Winters, Eden, Bronte and Abilene.

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The Lions Club's quartet sang a group of harmony numbers as the musical feature.

Rev. H. B. Loyd, pastor of the First Methodist Church, was the principal speaker and brought a highly entertaining message. Starting off with a gossip session, the speaker mixed stories about local people in such a way as to keep the crowd in laughter.

In a more serious vein, Rev. Loyd closed his address with a short discussion of George Washington as a pioneer. The speaker compared pioneering of yesterday

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NEW OLDSMOBILE SOON TO BE DISPLAYED HERE

Ballinger Motor Sales is making an announcement this week of the new Futuramic Oldsmobile which will soon be on display by dealers. The local company was notified this week that its first car was being assembled but it may not be here for showing this week-end. If the car fails to arrive on schedule it is expected early next week and will be on display at the showroom, 114 N. Broadway.

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Chamber Commerce Making New Survey Of Business Houses

The Ballinger Chamber of Commerce is making a survey of business houses in the city and hopes to complete the job by the end of the week. In 1940 the city had a total of 137 business houses but by Monday the committee had already listed 158 separate business establishments and expressed the belief that the total will be 220 to 250.

The survey showed almost new blocks of business houses since the last survey was made. Especially was this true on Strong and Hutchings avenues.

As soon as all concerns are listed the information will be tabulated in the chamber office and will be furnished to such publications as the Texas Almanac, Manufacturers' Record, and several others.

The chamber has been receiving inquiries every week asking for the number of business concerns in Ballinger with a breakdown as to how many in each competitive line. The new survey will provide all this information as well as street numbers and other data.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients at the Bailey Clinic-Hospital who were improved and discharged the past week were:

Virginia Weathers, surgical, Thursday.

Mrs. Jimmy Isaacs, medical, Saturday.

Mrs. O. J. Jaros, surgical, Wednesday.

R. R. Hoelscher, surgical, Tuesday.

Brookie Williams, surgical, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gregory are parents of a son, born Friday. Mrs. Gregory and baby, doing nicely, were dismissed Monday.

Mrs. M. Knowles, receiving medical treatment, is resting fairly well.

Mrs. Lula Stacy, suffering with a fractured hip, was reported resting fairly well.

Mrs. Abbie Roberts, medical patient, is improving.

The condition of Mrs. D. C. Simpson, broken hip patient, is about the same as last week.

Mrs. Claude Mansell, surgical patient, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Simco are parents of a son, born Friday. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

Mrs. Wix Currie, Sr., is improving after receiving medical treatment the past week.

Mrs. Carl Lewis, of Norton, is improving after surgery Tuesday, is improving.

Mickey Dillard, of Millersview, was admitted to the hospital yesterday for medical treatment.

Mrs. Bruce Creasy was admitted to the hospital Wednesday for medical treatment.

Dr. R. F. Zedlitz was admitted to the clinic for treatment late Wednesday.

Mrs. J. B. Dankworth entered the clinic today for treatment.

Miss Ida Lee Pittman, of Fort Worth, has been visiting in the home of Mrs. Wallace Barnett.

City Commission Hires Engineers For Paving Work

The city commission in session Monday named the engineering firm of Parkhill, Cooper & Smith, of Lubbock, to supervise paving of alleys in Ballinger. Plans have been drawn for beginning this work and the city is replacing water mains and business house connections in the alley between Seventh and Eighth streets at the present time. The first paving was expected to be started this week if weather conditions remained favorable.

The gas company has been asked to check its lines in alleys to be included in the paving program so that repairs will not be necessary to underground lines after concrete is poured.

The first project will be the alley north of Hutchings Avenue between Eighth and Seventh streets and the connecting alley at the rear of the Higginbotham store to Railroad Avenue.

Water Pipe Received

City officials stated that about nine carloads of water pipe had been received for the new system, or about half the amount needed. As soon as the other shipments come in work on the line to the Valley Creek reservoir will be commenced.

Good progress is being made on construction of the filtration plant on the Ballinger Country Club road, two miles from town. A full crew is moving fast on this job and it is expected to be finished before summer.

Other business coming before the commission Monday included the issuing of three building permits.

A permit was issued to Arthur Underwood for the construction of an office on a used car lot on Hutchings Avenue between Ninth and Tenth streets.

Roy Hall was issued a permit in the amount of \$275 for the construction of a garage.

I. O. Wooden received a \$400 permit for building a small dwelling, 12 by 24 feet.

BREAD TRUCK DRIVER SLOGGED THIS MORNING

A driver of a Mead Bakery truck was attacked here this morning as he stepped from the truck shortly before daylight. He was making a delivery from the Abilene bakery to Wilson Middleton, local distributor.

According to the version given local officers, as the driver stepped from the truck, a man believed to be a negro, hit him over the head but failed to knock him out. The driver fought with his assailant until he ran away. The bread was unloaded and the driver was able to return to Abilene.

\$750 BOND MADE IN ALLEGED THEFT, SALE OF FARM TOOLS

Herbert Derrick made bond in the amount of \$750 here Wednesday night and was released to appear later in 119th district court on a felony theft charge. Derrick is alleged to have stolen farm tools from a place north of Miles and to have sold them to a junk dealer at San Angelo.

75 New Highway Patrolmen to Get Stations March 1

The department of public safety Austin, announced this week that 75 new highway patrol officers had been assigned to stations in Texas and would report March 1 for their duty. The men are recent graduates of the school held by the department.

The patrolmen are fairly well scattered over the state with new stations announced for Cleburne, Gainesville, Bonham, Bay City, Cotulla, Borger and Seminole.

Examinations have already been given for the second recruit school and men are now being called to this school which opens on April 1 at Camp Mabry. Approximately 50 men will attend this school. Two more recruit schools will be held, on August 1 and December 1.

W. J. Elliot, chief of the Texas highway patrol, states that the qualifications for these recruit patrolmen positions are: must be 21 to 35 years of age, must be at least 5 feet 8 inches tall without shoes, must not weigh less than two pounds per inch of height nor more than three and one-half pounds per inch, must be of excellent moral character, must be physically able to pass rigid examination, must have a high school education or the equivalent and must have been a resident of Texas for one year.

STATE RESIDENT ENGINEER WILL OPEN OFFICE HERE

R. N. Jennings, resident engineer, state highway department, will move to Ballinger next week and open an office in the court house. He will be joined by his wife about April 15. For several months the couple have been residing at Menard.

Mr. Jennings will have charge of resurfacing highways in this county and will also supervise construction of two farm-to-market roads. All state road work in Concho county also is under his supervision.

At present work is underway on the Coleman highway in Runnels county, and later the surfacing of shoulders and resurfacing of the highway from Ballinger to the Tom Green county line will be started. Other anticipated work is the surfacing of shoulders on the Talpa highway from Broadway to the Elm Creek bridge and on South Seventh Street.

MR. AND MRS. GEORGE PURCHASE GRAY HOME

A deal was closed the past week-end in which Mr. and Mrs. R. E. George purchased the new brick residence at the corner of Broadway and Murrell Avenue from Mr. and Mrs. Archie W. Gray.

Mr. Gray recently completed the modern two-unit home. Mr. and Mrs. George intend to move into their new home about March 1 or soon thereafter.

The basement unit, on the same plan as the upper story, will be rented to Mr. and Mrs. Gray. They had already moved in and at present are using the first floor as their home.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS PRESENT CLUB PROGRAM

Four boys from the Ballinger high school presented an interesting program for the Ballinger Rotary Club Tuesday noon. Joe Forester was in charge of the program and introduced the boys. The subject debated was universal military training. Bob Agnew and Ebb Grindstaff taking the affirmative and Johnnie Marshall and Walter Hill supporting the negative viewpoint.

The youths had given considerable study to the subject and offered strong arguments for and against the proposal.

GRINDSTAFF HELPS ARRANGE PROGRAM FOR CONVENTION

E. C. Grindstaff went to Abilene today to meet with the executive committee of the West Texas County Judges and Commissioners Association. The meeting was called for the purpose of planning the program for the spring convention, selecting a meeting place and setting the definite date.

Judge Grindstaff, president of the state organization, was invited to Abilene by Judge Wiley Caffey to assist in the planning.

VISITING MINISTER TO PREACH FOR PRESBYTERIANS SUNDAY

Rev. Lawrence E. Gilbert, of Port Lavaca, will preach at both services at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday. The morning service begins at 11 o'clock and the evening service at 7:00 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Meeting is Called To Form Boys' 4-H Club in Ballinger

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Red Cross Workers Will Begin Fund Drive Monday

Red Cross workers assembled in Ballinger Wednesday night for a dinner followed by a business session at which quotas for the 1948 fund campaign were given, materials issued and plans made for commencing the drive all over Runnels county next Monday.

Workers in the various communities will strive to raise the county's quota of \$5,353.03. The campaign will continue through all of March but community chairmen hope to close the canvass within one week and send in their reports.

Clifford Cook, chairman for Ballinger, stated he would meet local workers in a kick-off breakfast at the Central Hotel next Monday morning. Mrs. A. J. McDaniel will serve as chairman for the solicitation in the residential sections.

J. W. Nevels, chairman for the northern portion of the county; Albert Afterbach, chairman for Winters; and W. H. Rumpy, rural chairman at Winters, were here to secure information and supplies. Mr. Nevels said he would meet all workers in the Winters area at a dinner Monday night and the drive there will be begun Tuesday morning.

Otis Jacob, county chairman, made public the following quotas:

Ballinger, \$2,500
Bethel, \$135
Benoit, \$100
Runnels, \$95
Dry Ridge, \$70
Spring Hill, \$60
Hagan-Barnett, \$120
Rowena, \$225
Miles, \$150
Maverick, \$55
Kristoff, \$40
Blanton, \$65
Millar, \$40
Greenwald, \$125
Sweet Home, \$75
Olsen, \$125
Norton, \$115
Winters, \$1,753

The Winters quota will be broken down into smaller quotas for communities in the northern half of the county.

COWBOY BAND WILL PLAY FOR DERBY PROGRAM HERE

Information was received here this week that the Hardin-Simmons Cowboy band would be in Ballinger on April 10 to participate in the program of the day. The band will lead the soap box derby parade and will also provide music for the afternoon races.

A request for the use of a Gulf Oil Co. sound truck has been made and the truck will be used throughout the day.

The Ballinger Bearcat band will also participate in the parade, which will open the day's activities. Other program features will be announced later.

Deficit in State Fund May Close Schools in County

Schools of Runnels county will suffer because of the deficit of \$3,000,000 in the state equalization aid fund unless something is done to relieve the condition and make possible the payments upon which school boards based their budgets.

After requests for a special session of the legislature to consider the matter, Gov. Beauford Jester refused to make the call, and the Texas State Teachers' Association and many school boards are now trying to create enough public opinion to get a special session called by the required number of representatives and senators.

Schools that qualified under the state aid act employ a total of 20,885 teachers and many of these schools will have to be closed two weeks to a month early unless something is done soon. This would throw thousands of children out of school for that period

and leave many boards unable to fulfill contracts with teachers.

County Superintendent W. E. Elkins stated that Runnels county schools would be affected and six to eight probably would have to be closed early because teachers, janitors and bus drivers could not be paid.

Ernest Caskey, superintendent of the Ballinger schools, said the local system would lose approximately \$8,000 but that the deficit would be stood here this year and the full nine months finished. However, he said, it would take all the surplus and that no upkeep on buildings and grounds would be possible during the summer.

School people are still in hope that something can be done within the next few weeks so that schools can meet their obligations this year.

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Half of Stock Subscribed For \$50,000 Tile Factory

A mass meeting called by the industrial committee of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce was held in the city hall Monday evening, a considerable number attending.

The industrial committee of the chamber of commerce has called a second mass meeting tonight at 7:30 in the Carnegie Library building and all citizens are invited. Officials of the Monarch Tile Co., of San Angelo, will answer questions in regard to the proposed unit.

The meeting was called to consider plans for a home-financed tile plant in Ballinger. Officers of the Monarch Tile Co., of San Angelo, presented the plan and at the conclusion of the talks a total of \$24,800 was subscribed towards the construction of a \$50,000 factory in Ballinger.

Representing the Monarch Co. were R. C. Crabb, president; Jimmy Lankford, vice-president; and G. E. Sladek, engineer. Don Scribner and Mr. Robertson, of Abilene, represented the Texas & Pacific Railway; and Bob Fielder, of Abilene, represented the West Texas Utilities Co.

Members of the local committee

are mailing out letters and interviewing other citizens to determine whether the \$50,000 will be subscribed. If the total amount is not raised within the next few days, a second meeting may be held in order that interested business men, not at the first meeting, may receive first hand information on the proposition.

The proposed one kiln unit would employ 41 people, 21 men and 20 women. It would have a payroll of \$1,775 a week and would produce about 40,000 square feet of tile a month. Plans are to double the size of the factory by the addition of another kiln in the first twelve months, thereby calling for twice as many employees and providing for twice as much production.

Reaction on the street this week was highly favorable to the proposal and the committee thinks the entire \$50,000 can be raised within a few days. The original \$24,800 was subscribed by 13 men. Members of the industrial committee that has been studying the proposition several months and who are taking the lead in the project are Alfred Dallinger, chairman; R. W. Earnshaw, Marvin Davies and Ramon Berryhill.

Red Cross Workers Will Begin Fund Drive Monday

Thirty-Five Local Masons at Meeting Of Norton Lodge

Thirty-five members of the Ballinger Masonic lodge attended a meeting of the Norton Masonic lodge Monday evening, when all past masters of the Norton lodge were honored. When visitors were introduced, 16 lodges of this area were represented and one member was there from Michigan.

After the calling of the list of past masters of the Norton lodge and the presenting of gifts to those attending, a program was presented.

W. E. Elkins, of Ballinger, was the principal speaker, talking on the subject, "George Washington as a Mason." District Deputy Grand Master H. H. Hatchford, of Paint Rock, brought greetings to the Norton lodge in a short talk.

Following the program the 96 men attending reassembled at the school cafeteria where a full barbeque dinner was served by the Norton Masons, and a fellowship hour enjoyed.

The next important meeting for lodges in this part of the state will be held at San Angelo March 13, when Masons will assemble to watch the famous Gilmer degree team of twenty men in action.

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SOCIETY

Mrs. Davies Hostess to Contract Club

Mrs. Marvin Davies included Mrs. Levy Lee and Mrs. John Bradley as added guests when she was hostess to her contract club Wednesday, entertaining with a dessert luncheon in her home on Sixth Street.

Mrs. L. R. Tigner was awarded high score prize, and bingo awards went to Mrs. R. T. Hall and Mrs. Bradley.

The dessert plate of cake and coffee were served to Meses, R. T. Williams, Hall, Bradley, Lee, C. L. Baker, C. W. Cheatham and Earl Barr.

Miss Haines Becomes Bride of Arthur Merzarian

Announcement of the marriage of Miss Luleta Grace Haines to Arthur Merzarian, of Fresno, California, has been made by the bride's mother, Mrs. Bertie Haines. The wedding took place January 31 at the Cathedral of Flowers in Reno, Nevada. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. M. A. Merzarian of Fresno.

The bride wore a gown of white taffeta fashioned on princess lines, and her veil of illusion extended to the cathedral train. She carried a spray of orchids.

For going away she wore a suit of steel gray with blue accessories. The couple will make home in San Francisco, where Mr. Merzarian is an art student in the School of Technology. He served as a paratrooper in the Air Forces for five years.

Mrs. Merzarian is a graduate of Ballinger High School. She is employed as a designer in a San Francisco department store.

Know Your Neighbors Anniversary Luncheon in Adair Home

Mrs. Cal Adair entertained members of Know Your Neighbors Wednesday with a luncheon in

her home on Tenth Street. The occasion was the 10th anniversary of the club, with a number of charter members present.

The St. Patrick theme was featured, with the linen laid dining table centered with an arrangement of white stock and candy-tuff combined with fern, and places were marked by shamrocks. Mrs. Adair gave the invocation before the two-course menu was served.

Following the luncheon, members enjoyed an hour of hand work before going to the home of Mrs. Malcolm Morgan, where the first meeting was held 10 years ago. All members gave an interview about what the club had meant to them, and recordings were made. Greetings were read from those unable to attend, who were Mrs. Howard Baldwin of Winters, Mrs. George Davis of Fort Worth, Mrs. Ernest Moody of Lamesa, and Mrs. Grace Thomas of Ballinger. Other out-of-town members present were Mrs. Layne Moreland of Dallas, Mrs. Rothal O'Kelly of Sweetwater, Mrs. Cecil Jones of San Angelo and Mrs. Royal Bishop of Winters.

The purpose of the organization of the club was to know your neighbor better, to share household hints with one another and to help the community in any way possible, which they did during the war.

The original club personnel were: Meses, Malcolm Morgan, Bill Clark, Joe Flynt, Cal Adair, Layne Moreland, J. H. Endacott, R. O'Kelly, Jack Nixon, Grace Thomas, John Barton, LeRoy McAulay and Dee Saylor.

Others present who have been added were: Meses, M. A. Foy, Cam Blackmon, John Castor, Curtis Bryan and Jones Taylor.

Mr. E. Shepperd Complimented by Hambricks

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hambrick were hosts at a party Tuesday evening in their new home on Broadway when they complimented Mrs. Hambrick's father, Mr. Elmer Shepperd, on his birthday anniversary.

Bouquets of acacia and jasmine gave added beauty to party rooms where games of forty-two were enjoyed and candles were served. Mrs. Hambrick was assisted by Mrs. Shepperd in serving pie and coffee with salted nuts.

Other present were Meses, and Meses, A. O. Bartlett, John Purifoy, R. T. Williams, James A. Wear and Sam Behringer.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wilkey Celebrate 49th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Wilkey celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary Thursday, when their daughter, Mrs. Guy A. Swann and Mr. Swann entertained with a dinner in their Wilke Terrace home. Friends called in the afternoon when the pretty white decorated cake was served with coffee. The couple received many gifts and floral bouquets.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkey were both born in Alabama. They came to Texas with their parents when quite young, and were married in Trinity, Texas, where they lived up to eight years ago when they moved to Ballinger to be near their children. Mr. Wilkey will celebrate his 83rd birthday next Sunday, and Mrs. Wilkey will be sixty-nine years of age in May.

The couple live alone in their home in South Ballinger, and live a very active life. Mr. Wilkey stated he could read with or without his glasses.

To the couple have been born seven children. Mrs. Helen Hamblen of San Angelo; Mrs. C. C. Penn of Talco, Texas; Mrs. Swann of Ballinger; Mrs. Britt Johnson of Navasota; E. J. Wilkey of Odessa; W. N. Wilkey, Jr., and E. Wilkey, of Liberty, Texas; Mrs. Hamblen and Mrs. Swann were the only children present for the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkey have nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. All the sons served in World War II, and they have one grandson, Capt. Braxton S. Hamblen, who is still in the Army Air Forces and stationed in Japan.

First Baptist Young People Attend Youth Rally

About thirty-eight young people from the First Baptist Church of Ballinger attended the Runnels Baptist Association youth rally, which was held at the First Baptist Church in Winters Monday evening.

Two students from Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, were in charge of the program when special vocal numbers were rendered at the song service.

The group was accompanied to Winters by Rev. B. J. Martin, Meses, and Meses, O. L. Parish, Malcolm Morgan, Elliot Kemp; Mrs. J. H. Endacott, Mrs. John Castor, Miss Winnifred Strickland, Miss Gladys Kemp and Miss Grace Jo Bondurant. About 131 young people from different churches in the county were in attendance.

As pre-revival activities, members of the men's Sunday school classes of the First Baptist Church met for early morning services this week, and for a breakfast at the church. About forty were in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkey have returned to their home at Dallas after spending several days here, visiting Miss Elvete Sorrells.

Flynt will be in charge of arrangements for a young people's breakfast each morning during the revival at 7:15 o'clock at the church.

Virginia Douglass Class Entertained in Middleton Home

Mrs. Price Middleton and Mrs. Fred Underwood were hostesses to members of the Methodist Virginia Douglass Class Tuesday evening, entertaining in the home of Mrs. Middleton on Eleventh Street.

The patriotic theme was featured in decorations and in the refreshment plate. Red, white and blue carnations centered the dining table and cherry pie a la mode was served with coffee.

Mrs. Underwood presided for the business and Mrs. W. E. Moss brought the devotional. Mrs. Middleton directed games at the social hour.

Others present were: Miss Bonnie Clark; Meses, H. B. Loyd, J. W. Guyne, J. G. Douglass, J. K. Nicholas, Lynn Candler, W. O. Irby, George Newby, G. M. Witter, E. L. Rampey, Play Brevard, Herman Brown, Jack Hampton, Sam Conner, T. W. McIntire, Ray Tisdale, Henry Moody and L. M. Bowden.

Mrs. McGarvey Hostess to Ace High Contract Club

Mrs. Robert McGarvey was hostess to members of Ace High Contract Club in her home on Seventh Street.

In the conclusion of games the hostess presented Miss Norma Gene Bankston, who is the bride-elect of George Mikovsky of Dallas, a gift from club members. High award was won by Mrs. Henry Blecluk, and second high went to Mrs. Joe Freeman.

A dessert plate was served with coffee to: Miss Bankston, Miss Virginia Nance; Meses, Roy Bledsoe, Orland Middleton, R. E. Key, Joe McCormick, Melvin Witter, David Caudle, Blecluk, Freeman, and Guy Jones.

Miss Merle Jane Moore Marries J. T. Newman in Corpus Christi

Mrs. Lula E. Moore, of Ballinger, announces the marriage of her daughter, Miss Merle Jane Moore, to J. T. Newman, of Taft.

The ceremony was solemnized in Corpus Christi on February 6. The bride wore a gray crepe dress with black accessories. She attended Crews schools and was recently employed in a real estate office in Corpus Christi.

Mr. Newman is in the Marine service and stationed at Corpus Christi.

The couple is at home at 252 David Street, Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Jack Cantrell has returned to her home at Dallas after spending several days here, visiting Miss Elvete Sorrells.



Morning Glory Girl Scout Troop Has Hay Ride

Mrs. J. K. Nicholas and Mrs. Nedra Hill accompanied members of Morning Glory Girl Scout Troop No. 3 and their guests when they were entertained with a hayride and basket picnic supper Friday evening.

Mr. Bill Moore furnished the truck in which Earl Engel drove the group to the four-mile crossing, where and bon fire was built and a basket picnic supper was spread. Following the supper, games were played and a sing-song around the fire was enjoyed.

Members and their guests were: Carol Ann Bailey, Carolyn Bigby, Mary Beth Amarine, Ruth Ann Erwin, Vickie Hill, Theresa Elkins, Margaret Ann Hampton, Freddie Sue Underwood, Rosalee Nicholas, Mildred Wade, Fred and Robert Holliday, Bill Uecker, Eldon Boggs, William James, W. A. Hall, Howard Hamner, Herbert Mince-meyer, O'Neal Barton, Jerry Candler and Jimmy Nicholas.

Busy Bee Girl Scouts Submit Titles for Column

Eleven members of Busy Bee Girl Scout troop met at the scout room in the library Friday afternoon with their leaders, Mrs. Max McCrary and Mrs. Powell Wear.

Names were reported for the Girl Scout Column contest, and eighty cents in dues was collected. Menus for indoor and outdoor suppers were planned. Joan Watkins directed games in the troop room, followed by games of baseball.

Maurine Marshall and Patsy Minzenmayer were hostesses and served sugar cookies and cocoa colas. Girls were dismissed with regular routine.

Girl Scout Troop No. 8 Has Regular Meeting

Members of Girl Scout troop No. 8 had their regular meeting Tuesday afternoon in the library. Games were played and members made bird feeders. Peggy Ann Branham was assisted by her mother, Mrs. E. T. Branham, Jr., in serving cookies and hot chocolate. The meeting was closed with the group giving the scout promise. Names were given for the Girl Scout Column contest.

Others were: Barbara Bradshaw, Dorothy Bishop, Barbara Wickersham, Gwen Davies, Susan Herring, June Hash, Martha Kay Northington, Irene Piel, Mary Tisdale, and Faye Uecker. Two new members, Shirley Harvey and Shirlee Ann Sweatman, were included.

Girl Scout Troop No. 2 Meets at Scout Room

Members of Girl Scout troop No. 2 met at their Scout room Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Jones Taylor, leader, assisted the girls in making curtains for a supply cabinet in the room.

Dee Ann Saylor and Sally Ann Underwood were hostesses and served candy bars and soda pop. Others were: Ruth Jene Watkins, Loretta Brown, Joan Whitman, Joyce Faye Bisbee, Marvella Ashton, Peggy Virden, Dorothy Sue Heath, Betty Jo Cowlishaw, Patricia Davis, Mary Ann Buchanan was a visitor.

WHITMAN WILL OPEN DOMINO PARLOR HERE

The Scales building on Eighth Street next door to the Palace Theatre is being redecorated and made ready for the opening of a domino parlor next week. Wesley Whitman will operate the domino hall and Cecil Davis will have a snack bar in the front.

Mr. Davis will feature coffee, sandwiches and other refreshments and will be open day and night when the hall is operating.

Mr. Whitman has his tables and other furnishings and as soon as painters and electricians have completed their work will open for business.

INCOME TAX ADVISOR TO GIVE ASSISTANCE

Time is drawing short for filing income tax returns and every person who made more than \$500 in 1947 must have his return in the Dallas office of the bureau of internal revenue by March 15. Income tax consultants in Ballinger are being kept fairly busy at the present time and expect the big rush to come from March 5 to March 14.

W. C. Bryan, treasury department representative, will be in Ballinger in an office at the court house today and again on March 1 to assist any who need help in compiling their returns.

Personals

Miss Mary Ann Morgan returned home Monday night from El Paso, where she had been visiting Miss Ann Creasy.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Hill, Walter and Clara returned home Sunday from Houston, where they visited

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their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Howard. Miss Charlotte Miller, student at McMurry College, spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Tigner were in Dallas this week, attending the gift show and buying merchandise for their store.

Ed Curry returned Tuesday from Dallas, where he had been to attend the gift show and to buy merchandise for Curry-Hambrick.

Mrs. H. G. Agnew came home from Waco the past week-end, and stated that she was preparing to bring her husband home next Sunday. Mr. Agnew has been in a hospital at Waco the past four weeks recovering from a heart attack in that city.

Sgt. Hie Parrish, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Parrish, called his parents from San Francisco last Thursday night to announce that he had landed in the United States. He stated that he would be home on furlough soon. Sgt. Parrish has been stationed in China since going overseas as a member of a marine band. He is serving with the regular marines and expects to be at home about sixty days.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Dean had as week-end visitors Mr. and Mrs. Ben Alexander, of Memphis, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Boone, of Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Black have as house guests this week Mr. and Mrs. Dave Benjamin, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. Herman Treadwell, of Hamlin; Howard McLaughlin, of Sweetwater; and Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Patterson, of Hamlin, were week-end guests in the home of Rev. and Mrs. B. J. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Berry, of Norton, had as guests the past week-end Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Berry, of Paris, Missouri. The Missourians left Monday for Oklahoma City to visit other relatives. Rufus J. Wheeler, of Abilene, transacted business here Tuesday.

Sgt. John R. Herridge, of the 13th air force, has left Clark Field, Philippine Islands, for the United States and is to be reassigned to an air force unit in the States.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McGregor spent the past week-end at Grand Prairie, visiting their new grandson, Thomas Bandy McGregor, was a visitor.

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Revival to Start Sunday at First Baptist Church

A revival will be started at the First Baptist Church next Sunday morning with Rev. Vernon Yearby, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Midland, guest speaker for the



Rev. Vernon L. Yearby week. This campaign is part of the simultaneous revivals to be conducted in all churches of the Runnels Baptist Association. It was announced last week that twelve revivals would be started in churches of this association Sunday, to continue through the following Sunday, making eight days of the special evangelistic effort.

Services at the First Baptist Church will be held each morning at 9:30 and each evening at 7:30. Rev. Yearby will arrive here Sunday in time to preach at the evening hour. The pastor, Rev. B. J. Martin, will deliver the first message of the series.

Glenn Murray, student at Hardin-Simmons University and local choir director, will be here for the week and have charge of the music for all services. He will feature the singing of a large chorus and congregational singing. Rev. Martin and members of the Ballinger church extend an invitation to the public to attend these services.

Dr. E. F. Cole, evangelist, of Ft. Worth, will be here Sunday afternoon as the speaker for the association-wide rally to be held at the First Baptist Church. This ser-



Glenn Murray vice, to begin at 3 p. m., will be attended by delegations from all churches in the Runnels Baptist Association.

Ballinger Banks to be Closed for Holiday March 2

Ballinger banks will not be open for business Tuesday, March 2, Texas Independence Day. Patrons are requested to take notice of this closing and arrange for change and attend to other necessary banking business prior to closing time Monday.

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F. A. Seidel left Tuesday for Austin, where he was to go before the state highway commission and bid on construction.

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BALLINGER FIREMEN ADOPT RESOLUTIONS ON DEPARTED FRIEND

The Ballinger fire department in meeting last week passed the following resolutions:

BE IT REMEMBERED
 THAT, WHEREAS, it has pleased an all wise Creator to remove from our midst, on the evening of February 14, 1948, our beloved friend and fellow citizen, H. W. Lynn;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that we, the members of the Ballinger Volunteer Fire Department, whose privilege it was to have his efficient advice and counsel as a friend and citizen, beg to express our love for him and our appreciation of him;

FIRST: because of his tried and true friendship.

SECOND: because of his loyalty, his fine spirit of cooperation, and his untiring efforts in the interest of the Ballinger Volunteer Fire Department;

THIRD: for his kindness, and consideration of all his friends and fellow citizens;

FOURTH: for his interest in the upbuilding of the City of Ballinger, and

In his passing away he will be missed not only by the Ballinger Volunteer Fire Department, but by the entire citizenship of Ballinger, and

That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes, published in The Ballinger Ledger, and a copy be transmitted to the members of his family.

J. L. CANDLER
 President, Ballinger Volunteer Fire Department
 D. G. POSEY
 Fire Chief, Ballinger Volunteer Fire Department
 FATE E. PARKER
 Secretary, Ballinger Volunteer Fire Department

DISTRICT COURT OF HONOR PLANNED FOR SCOUTS HERE

Plans are being made for a district court of honor for all Boy Scout troops in the Colorado Valley area, to be held in Ballinger on April 12, beginning at 7:30 p. m. The place and program for the advancement of each group will be announced later.

Troops from Paint Rock, Rowena and the three Ballinger troops will participate.

Arrangements are being made for a speaker for each group receiving advancement or merit badges.

Leaders urge that local people keep the date open and attend the court, and especially are all parents of Scouts urged to attend.

BLANTON BAPTIST CHURCH REVIVAL TO START SUNDAY

A revival will be started at the Blanton Baptist church Sunday morning and will continue through the following Sunday. Rev. Wordis Gideon, pastor, has announced. Services will be held at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. each day. This is one of the simultaneous revivals being held in churches of the Runnels Baptist Association.

GRAND JURY VENIRE TO REPORT MONDAY

A grand jury venire of sixteen men will report here Monday morning to serve on the regular panel in 19th district court. District Attorney O'Neal Dendy will assist the grand jury in the investigation of a number of cases.

Announcing!
 I have purchased the interest of Sid Caskey in the firm of Caskey & Nutt, Real Estate, and will continue the operation of the business under the name of J. N. NUTT REAL ESTATE CO.
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B. M. (Bill) KIRK SEEKS ELECTION AS SHERIFF



B. M. (Bill) Kirk

To the Voters of Runnels county: I take this means of announcing I'll be a candidate for sheriff. I am a veteran of World War II. I volunteered for service in 1942, of which time I participated in the European theatre. My battalion received Presidential Citation in the delivery of personnel and equipment from ship to shore, was accomplished under intense enemy fire, through mine infested waters in an area unprotected from the sea, since artificial harbor facilities were not as yet available.

I am 33 years old, married, and have three children. I feel that I am qualified for this job. I have lived in Runnels county for 22 years.

During the campaign, I hope to see everyone possible. Your influence and vote will be deeply appreciated.

Respectfully yours,
 B. M. (Bill) KIRK
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Mr. and Mrs. Mac Gibbs, of Pecos, spent Monday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gibbs. Recently married, the couple was en route home from a honeymoon trip to Hot Springs, Arkansas.

W. E. GULLEY TO MAKE RACE FOR SHERIFF

W. E. Gulley, of Norton, has authorized The Ledger to place his name in our announcement column as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Runnels County.

Mr. Gulley, who made the race for Sheriff two years ago, said: "The good vote given me two years ago encouraged me to run again. The vote in my home box of Norton in the last campaign is a recommendation of which I am quite proud. They gave me 83 out of the 87 votes cast."

"I have had several years experience as a peace officer and have served on the North Norton school board for 15 years.

If elected, I promise to make the people the best Sheriff within my power, and will cooperate with Federal, State and County officials.

"I will try to see all the voters of the county before the primary, however, should I fail to see you, please consider this announcement as a personal solicitation of your vote and influence," Mr. Gulley concluded.

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SCHOVAJSA WILL SEEK REELECTION TO OFFICE

In announcing my candidacy for reelection to a second term as County Commissioner of Precinct No. 4, I want to take this opportunity of thanking everyone for the splendid cooperation I have received during my first term of office. I have enjoyed my work and it has been a pleasure to serve you.

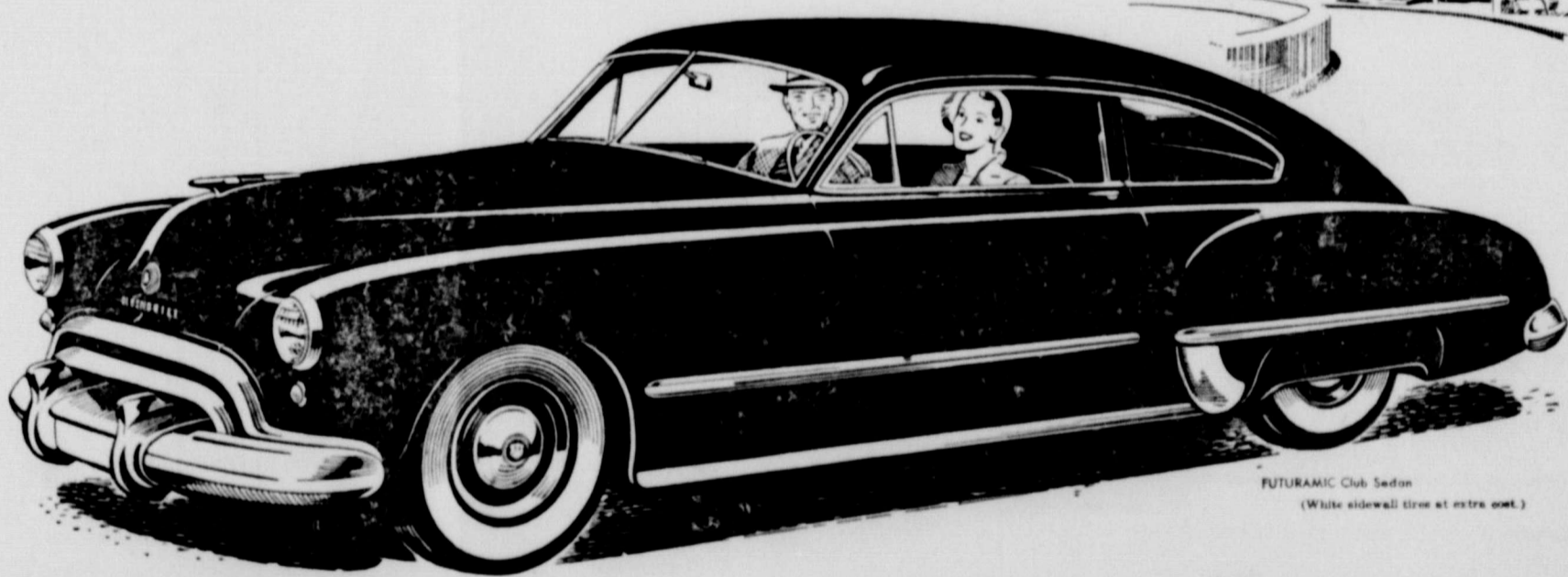
Having given all my time to the duties of the office, I have tried to render prompt, courteous and efficient service at all times and will continue to do so as long as I can serve you.

I want to thank you for the fine support you gave me in the 1946 election and hope that my service merits your continued support in this year's election.

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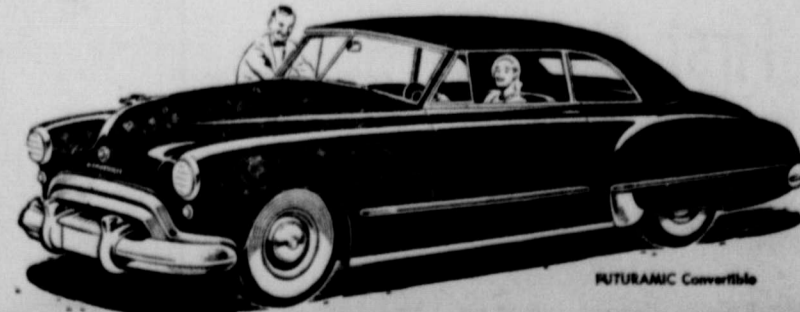
the new, low hood design, curved windshield, and extra size windows. There's welcome news for passengers, too, in the lower, wider, roomier Futuramic body. And there's good news underneath the hood—a new high-compression head which adds extra horsepower to Oldsmobile's famous 8-cylinder engine.

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The safety, health and fire prevention committee of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce has started a year-round clean-up and fire prevention campaign which should receive the full cooperation of all citizens. Heretofore one week in October has been devoted to this work and during that brief period fire prevention has been talked in the schools and demonstrations given to show common hazards. Under the new plan safety, health and clean-ups will be combined and all residents asked to cooperation 12 months out of the year. The program will tie in well with the chamber's project for city beautification. For a number of years yard and park improvement has been at a standstill because of the shortage of water. With the new reservoir tied into the lines by summer there will be no water shortage. A summer irrigation rate would be an additional assurance that citizens would support the beautification movement and this would mean a clean-up which in turn would insure healthier conditions and at the same time eliminate fire hazards.

The spotlight has already been focused on politics this year with rumors heard of announcements to be made later. Office seekers face the largest number of qualified voters in the history of this county and during the next few months the many races for national, state, district and local offices will create interest which will take most of these voters to the polls in the first primary.

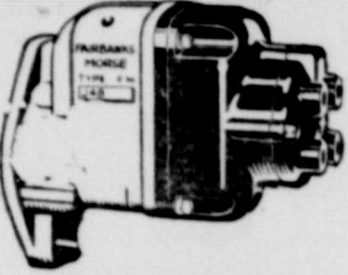
Further oil development in Runnels county is evidenced by the large number of leases being made in practically every section. Big and small companies as well as individuals are buying acreage and within a short time most of

the land in this county will be under lease. While there is some drilling activity at present, rumors are heard every week of a large number of new tests, several being forecast for the near future. So far no big production has been found in this county but practically every hole has had showings and promoters expect to hit a gusher some day. Sale and leases and some royalty has already caused the changing hands of large amounts of money.

*** NORTON BOYS' 4-H CLUB ***
 The Norton 4-H club held its regular meeting on Wednesday of last week with 21 boys and John A. Barton attending. A general discussion was held in regard to the sale of animals at the livestock show and just how much was made. Boys expressed themselves as well pleased and most have already started plans for growing either a field or meat project during the remainder of the year.

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**WEST TEXAS
 NOTES**

The Fort Stockton high school board of trustees voted last week to set up a separate office for the purpose of assessing and collecting school taxes. Heretofore school taxes have been handled by the county but trustees stated that the school would have to raise more money and that increased valuations was their only solution. A man will be employed at once to start assessing property for the current year and upon these values taxes will be collected in the fall for the operation of the school.

Mrs. G. W. Young, a resident of Rochelle the past 25 years, was burned to death in a fire that destroyed the family residence last week. Neighbors were able to get Mr. Young out of the house but failed to find Mrs. Young. It was believed that a fire was started in the kitchen with kerosene, which caused an explosion.

Brady city officials plan to set up a regular monthly fee for the hauling of garbage and trash. An ordinance will be put before the commission, and customers will be billed each month for the service along with other city utility bills. Charges will range from 50 cents for residences to as much as \$3 for businesses where considerable trash is to be moved each day. City officials stated that the service is costing the city between \$1,000 and \$1,200 a month at the present time.

The Mothers' Club of the Rowena public school staged a valentine party last Friday afternoon. The meeting of mothers and students was held in the grammar school building. Refreshments were served after the presentation of a program.

Committees at Melvin are urging veterans of that city and surrounding territory to sign up for enrollment in the trade school to be opened there in the near future. The school is not confined to McCulloch county veterans and a number of students from other counties may attend. Preliminary work for receiving approval of the veterans administration has been completed.

Announcement was made at Stephenville last week by Supt. W. D. Tate that seventeen public schools of Erath county are threatened with having to curtail the current school term as a result of a shortage of approximately \$3,000,000 in state aid funds. Tate made the announcement after word was received from Austin that the governor had refused to call a special session of the legislature to deal with the situation.

Official notices of the 1948 city election at Menard were posted last week. To be elected April 6

are a mayor, three aldermen, a city secretary and a city marshal. Several candidates have already made announcement for places on the ticket. The salary for the city secretary is \$215 per month, and the city marshal receives \$125 per month. The mayor and aldermen draw money for each meeting they attend.

The Concho county home demonstration council met in Paint Rock last week for its regular monthly meeting with a perfect attendance reported. January reports showed active help in the March of Dimes campaign, programs on grooming and assistance to needy families. The White Point club was host for the meeting and served refreshments at the close of the business session.

The ninth annual Coke county livestock show has been set for March 2 at Robert Lee. Those in charge stated that the morning session would be used for judging animals with the auction sale slated for the afternoon. All animals will be weighed in at 6 p. m. the evening before the opening of the show. Only 4-H and F.F.A. members will exhibit animals in the fat classes.

James Wilkerson was named president of the Comanche Chamber of Commerce. Herbert Williams vice-president and Mrs. Jimmy Carpenter secretary at a meeting held there last week following the election of directors for the year. The organization has planned and approved a large number of projects for 1948 and committees will be assigned to the jobs in the near future.

Materials have been assembled at Winters for the building of a boat dock at Lake Winters. The project is being carried out by the Sporting Club of Winters. Recently organized, the club now has forty-two members, who are doing the work at the lake in the late afternoon in groups of from six to eight.

A marked increase in leasing and drilling activities in the Blake Caddo pool area near Rising Star was seen the past week, with seven rotary rigs drilling, two being rigged up and three others being moved in for locations. Oil men stated the new pool was showing length and breadth and acreage in that area is in great demand. Several other wells will be started as soon as rigs and crews can be taken to the site.

A contract for the construction of the Coleman school gymnasium will probably be let this week, according to statements of school officials of that city. A number of contractors submitted bids but the architect is making a number of changes in the original plans.



TRAINING STARTS EARLY IN PALESTINE . . . Looking forward to the time when they will have a section of this globe which they can call home, the people of Palestine are training their youths for their defense army, the Haganah. Young high school students, girls and boys alike, are undergoing intensive training, under expert supervision, to protect their homeland in event of a possible future "holy war" by Arabs objecting to partition of Palestine. Above left, a high school girl, attired in haphazard military garb, is typical of the youngsters now in training for the defense army. Top panel shows youthful Tel Aviv high school girls walking tight ropes as part of their training schedule. In bottom panel, Haganah high school boys set out on an extended march.

which will alter bids to some extent. Bids were submitted for construction, electrical and plumbing bids being made separately. All remaining buildings at Camp Bowie for offsite use will be sold to highest bidders March 2, 3 and 4 by the war assets administration. Inspection of buildings by prospective buyers may be made made March 1. The sale will include 452 structures and advertisements have been carried in many newspapers regarding the sale. No priorities are needed to buy.

**59,588 Girls Enrolled
 In 4-H Clubs in 1947;
 Much Progress Noted**

COLLEGE STATION, Feb. 18—More than 59,588 girls were enrolled in 1947 in 2,701 girls' 4-H clubs in Texas. And each one of them worked on a demonstration which would be a progressive, practical example of better homemaking," Lorene Stevens reports. Miss Stevens, girls' 4-H club state leader of Texas A. & M. College, says the demonstrations selected by the girls varied according to their individual choice, and included such projects as clothing, production, preparation and preservation of foods, beautification of home grounds, home management, home furnishings and room improvement; health; child care, home industry, arts and crafts, and junior leadership. Miss Stevens' annual report shows some outstanding totals, and that apparently the home-making demonstrations were the most popular. More than 26,000 girls conserved 1,261,000 quarts of food; 38,528 made and re-made more than 150,000 garments; 29,436 prepared and served 1,855,000 meals, and 10,042 were interested in home industry, arts and

crafts. Gardening, poultry and home improvement demonstrations ranked next in number of girls enrolled. The training of future leaders is an important part of the girls' 4-H club work, Miss Stevens says. More than 2,700 girls were trained to serve in positions of leadership in their clubs and communities, while more than 3,000 training meetings were held over the state. On the fun side of the picture, there were 198 county and district 4-H girls' camps held during the summer months and more than

6,000 girls attended. "Through the encouragement and voluntary assistance of parents, adult leaders, older club girls, local school systems and civic organizations, the 4-H club girls of Texas were able to accomplish outstanding results in 1947," Miss Stevens says. "They look forward to an even better year in 1948." Dairymen may obtain copies of the 1947 provide-sire list from the bureau of dairy industry, USDA, Washington 25, D. C.

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First Methodist W. S. C. S. Circles Meet in Homes
Mrs. C. D. Harris was hostess to the Eltie Gressett Circle of the First Methodist W. S. C. S. Monday afternoon in her Sixth Street home. Picardy gladioli were used for room decorations where Mrs. W. E. Midgley presided for the business when the project for the year was discussed, and Mrs. Harris gave the devotional. Mrs. Troy Simpson directed the lesson, "Achieving Christ's Lofty Way," from the book "That Thy Way

May be Known upon Earth," George Washington's birthday symbols were featured in the refreshment plate of cake with coffee. Hatchets were plate favors. Others were Mmes. D. L. Vestal, J. W. Guynes, Henry Moody, A. O. Strother, Ford Taylor; and Miss Thelma Midgley.
Ida Campbell members were guests of Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw in her home in Wilke Terrace.
Potted geraniums added beauty to rooms where Mrs. W. O. Irby conducted the business and appointed the following officers: vice-chairman, Mrs. Hatton Laxson; secretary, Mrs. Earnshaw; treasurer, Mrs. Tom McIntire; and telephone committee, Mrs. R. A. Dickinson and Mrs. Ewing Holt. The circle's project was discussed and a committee was appointed to bring details of the project to the next circle meeting. Mrs. Laxson brought the devotional, "That They May be One," and Mrs. Dickinson gave the program lesson. A dessert plate was served with cookies. Others present were: Mmes. Marvin Davies, W. S. C. S. president; Tom Caudle, L. M. Bowden, George Beard, E. L. Rampy, C. P. Shepherd, Sam Behringer, J. G. Douglass, E. C. Tinsley and H. B. Loyd.
Mrs. J. W. Barr and Mrs. Flay Brevard entertained members of Sally Odom Circle in the Barr home on Seventh Street. Mrs. Brevard, circle chairman, presided and Mrs. Barr gave the devotional. Mrs. O. R. Lasater presented the program from the Bible study.
A sandwich plate was served with cookies and spiced tea. Others were: Mmes. R. D. Midgley, John Loveless, W. E. Coleman, W. O. Wallace, George Newby, Fred Middleton, J. L. Davis, W. R. Clark, Lee Evans and O. R. O'Neill.

The group sang "Blest be the Tie," followed by the Lord's Prayer being repeated in unison. The reviewer gave a brief review of the life of Margaret Halsey, who was captain of hostesses at the Interracial Canteen in New York city during the war.
The program was concluded with a prayer. Others assisting with the program were Mmes. J. D. Coulter, E. S. Malone, B. H. Erwin and J. W. Black; and Misses Eva and Maggie Lilly.
Mrs. Miller Leads Presbyterian Auxiliary Program
Mrs. Q. V. Miller presented a program on "One World" for the First Presbyterian Woman's Auxiliary Monday afternoon in the church parlors which were decorated with potted plants of white azaleas.
After introductory remarks by Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Chester Cherry brought the devotional and Mrs. E. L. Ingram gave a "Message from the United Council of Church Women"; Mrs. R. T. Hall talked on the address which General McArthur made following World War II.
At the social hour, the hostesses, Mrs. F. M. Pearce and Mrs. K. V. Northington served assorted sandwiches, cookies which were decorated with George Washington hatchets, and hot tea to Mrs. Paul Trimmer, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Cherry, Mrs. Ingram, Mrs. George Holman, Mrs. John Guion and Dave Hall.


Decorations, symbolic of the season, were about party rooms where games were played and the honoree opened gifts. Guests were invited into the dining room where the pretty white birthday cake which was topped with red candles, was cut and served with hot chocolate. Caps were favors for both boys and girls. Colorful napkins and table cover were also featured.
Guests were: Gwen Davies, June Hash, Mary Tisdale, Sharon and Linda Tuckey, Sheila Gregory, Susan, Lynn and Ellen Herring, Peggy Ann Branham, Johnny Jackson, Jerry Bob Kemp, Dwan Brown, Hugh Campbell, Jimmy Martin, Johnny Burk and Norman Marshall.
Banquet Honors Baptist Seniors and Football Team
In an elaborate marine setting, the First Baptist high school seniors and members of the football team shared honors Friday evening at the annual formal banquet given in the church parlors on Eighth Street under the direction of the W. M. S., assisted by its educational and social committees.
Named a "Marine Banquet" the affair gave clever emphasis to this theme in every detail, beginning with the invitations. Program folders, which were passports assigned to ship: SS Scholarship, W.M.S. Star Line, included the passenger's picture and his description, names of the guests of honor, and the following program: "Captain" W. E. Elkins was master of ceremonies; Weigh Anchor (invocation), First Mate, Joe A. Forester; Welcome Aboard, Officer of the Deck Mrs. Elmer Shepperd; Passenger Salutation (response) Ensign Ebb Grindstaff; a solo, "Ah Sweet Mystery of Life," by Chaplain B. J. Martin, with Mrs. O. G. Joiner at the piano; Determining the Course (class prophesy), Engineer Betty Lou Batts; musical selections on the Marimba, by Mrs. A. J. Kennemer, Jr., student at Hardin-Simmons; "Launch Out," which was the main address, given by Rev. M. B. Carroll, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Brady; and the benediction was given by the second mate, Ernest Caskey.
Upon arrival, the guests were given their passports by Custom officers, Miss Winifred Strickland and Miss Gladys Kemp, and went aboard the ship by the gang

plank, which was decorated with life preservers, anchors, light houses and sea gulls on the wall while pennants from all the Baptist colleges in Texas, symbolizing the ports, hung on the walls. The long tables were centered with arrangements of acacia and Dutch Iris, and the speaker's table was flanked by American flags and white tapers, with the same flowers at each end. Other table appointments were favors of blue ships.
The three-course menu was served by Cynthia and Harriett Burkhardt, Jessie Mae Henderson, Patsy Bishop, and Nanelle McGahey, dressed in sailor togs.
All arrangements of the banquet were made by the Woman's Missionary Society, Mrs. Elmer Shepperd, president; the educational department, with Mrs. R. T. Williams, chairman; assisted by Mmes. W. J. Hembree, Edgar Boelsche, A. G. Buchanan and W. A. Nance. The social committee, Mrs. Joe Flynt and Mrs. Frank Flynt, were assisted by Mmes. A. O. Bartlett, R. P. Canady, Weldon Howell and Frank Kemp in preparing the menu.
Senior honorees were: Jackie Bankston, Betty Lou Batts, Carl Black, Jr., Josephine Burkhardt, Elmer Curry, Jr., Norris B. Daniel, Sonny Davenport, Elnita Fashion, Jimmie Gressett, Ebb Grindstaff, Claude Henderson, Jr., Johnny Marshall, Bobby Neely, Troyce N'Neal, Mary Lou Parker, Charlene Parish, Peggy Russell, Gene Scoggins, Will Faye Seipp, Billy Jack Thomas, J. Winton, Jr., Billie Sue Wood and Betty Jo Burk.
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Other guests were: Messrs. and Mmes. Wayman Wilson, James E. Garrett, Ernest Caskey, Joe Forester, M. E. Sweeney, O. G. Joiner, T. L. Epting, R. T. Williams, Elmer Shepperd, Rev. and Mrs. B. J. Martin, Rev. and Mrs. M. B. Carroll of Brady, Rev. A. J. Kennemer, Jr., of Abilene, Miss Marie Lewis; Pat Caudle, Martha Ann James, Cynthia Tuckey, Patty Morrison, Max Neal, Bobby Eoff, and Joyce McCortin.

Ace of Clubs Entertained in Sommer Home
Mrs. Edward Sommer was hostess to members of Ace of Clubs Friday afternoon, entertaining in her home on Ninth Street.
The patriotic theme was featured with red, white and blue stock arrangements on the dining table and on the living room man-


tel. The same theme was emphasized in game appointments where Mrs. Sam Conner was awarded high score prize, and bingo awards went to Mrs. Marvin Davies and Mrs. W. E. Moss.
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Martha Kay Northington Honored on Ninth Birthday Anniversary
Martha Kay Northington was guest of honor on her ninth birthday anniversary last Thursday afternoon when her mother, Mrs. K. V. Northington, assisted by her grandmother, Mrs. Lee Butler, and Mrs. Jim Douglass, gave a party for her at their home on Seventh

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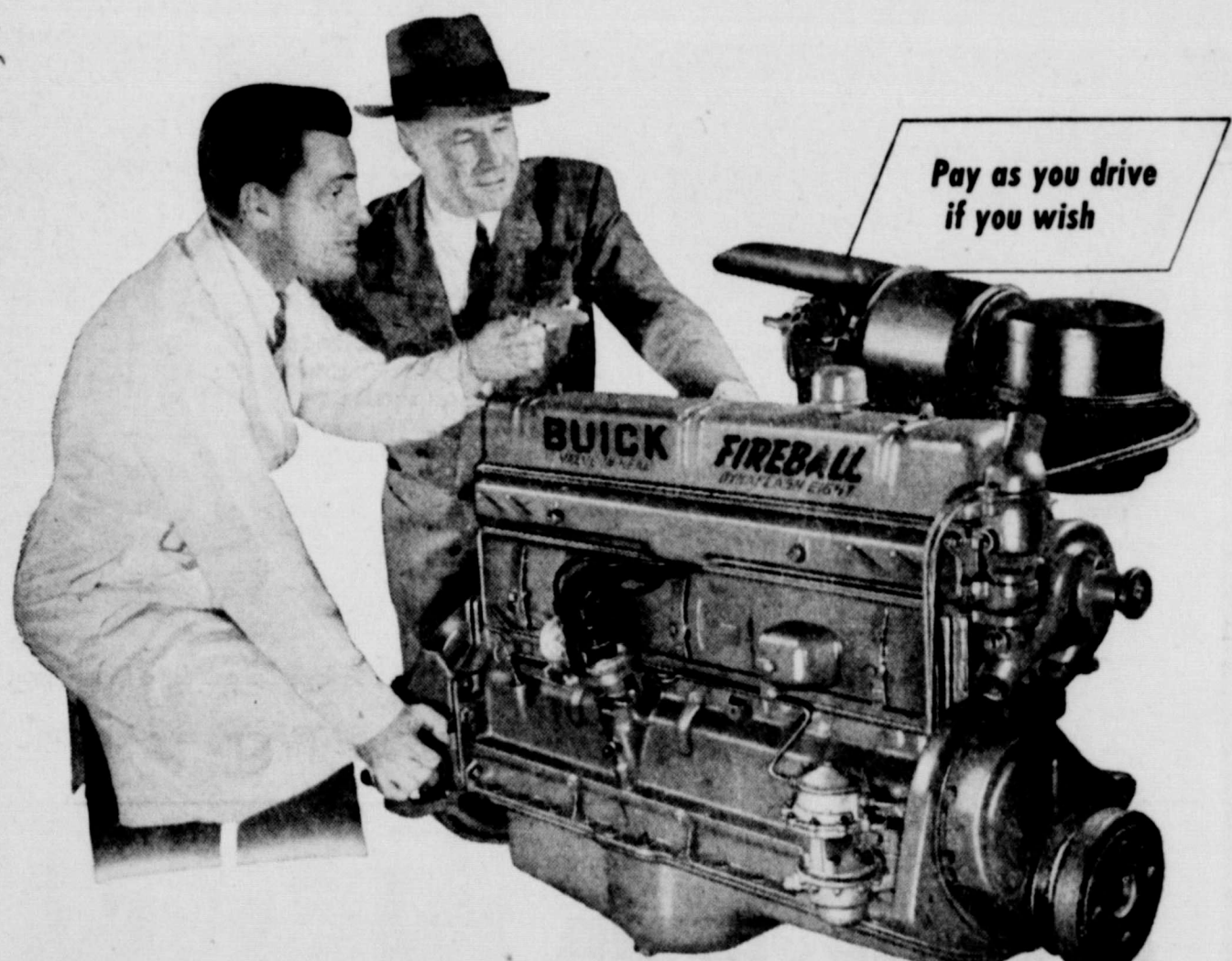
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SPORTS

The Longhorn Baseball League was made an eight-club circuit Sunday when the directors in a meet at Abilene voted favorably on the application of Del Rio interests to enter the eighth member. The San Angelo club had already been voted a member provided the eighth was signed. In the decision of the directors it was understood that should one of the new clubs fail to make the grade or quit during the season, the other club would be dropped from the loop and the original six clubs would continue in the organization.

Bill Lacy, player-manager of the Del Rio club, was heard for that city, and submitted information asked by officials. He stated that he was well financed and offered proof of that assertion. He told the meeting that he had a club, some of which would be Mexican players, had a lighted park, and would be ready at the beginning of the season.

Del Rio's diamond will be inside the race track there. The regular

race track grandstand can be used and the playing field itself will not have a fence around it. Both infield and outfield are grassed and the diamond has been put in shape for several games by major league clubs while they are training in the Southwest this spring.

C. West, owner of the San Angelo park, said he would get assistance from Beaumont and Borger and that he would secure a manager from Beaumont within a short time.

Club owners voted to increase the player limit from 15 to 16 men. All stated that they felt the urgent need for an additional man last year. The extra man would be a rookie. The salary limit was raised to the maximum of \$2,600, exclusive of the manager's salary.

It was voted that players sustaining serious injuries which would keep them out of the game 30 days or more could be carried on the inactive list without counting in the player limit allowed each club.

A schedule was submitted for adoption but after a lengthy discussion was rejected and President Howard Green was asked to make up three other schedules this week and have them ready for the adoption of one in a meeting at Abilene next Sunday. Objections to the original schedule came from Ballinger, San Angelo, Midland and Odessa. In the 70 games at home, San Angelo and Ballinger would have to play at the same time on 32 nights. Midland and Odessa, only 19 miles apart, would have had 60 of their 70 home games conflicting.

The new schedules to be submitted will have as many of these conflicts eliminated as possible, and at the same time include as few long jumps from Vernon to Del Rio and vice versa as possible.

It was voted to carry three classmen, five limited service men and eight rookies. In case the player roster fell below 16 it would not affect the number of classmen and limited service men carried.

Meal costs on the road were raised to \$2.50 per man per day.

Clubs will sell box seats for the regular scheduled season but the price will not include play-off games in case the team gets into

the play-off. Those who purchase boxes for the regular season will be given options for the play-off series but will have to buy box tickets for the play-off games.

Two more meetings will be held before the beginning of the 1948 season. Next Sunday a schedule will be adopted and later in March club owners, player managers and official scorers will be guests of the Big Spring management.

TALPA LEGION AND AUXILIARY RAISE \$102 AT VALENTINE SHOW

Pearce post No. 558 and Auxiliary of the Talpa American Legion sponsored a valentine carnival the night of February 14 at the Legion hall. Games of bingo, fish pond, country store, bean guessing, and pool were forms of amusement. Many war trophies from Germany and Japan were on display.

The proceeds, which amounted to \$102, will be used to buy chairs for the Legion hall.

The members wish to thank all who helped in any way.

Mrs. J. A. Schnable and Jon spent the week-end in Mexia, visiting Mr. Schnable and looking over places to live when they move there to make home.

OLFEN 4-H CLUBS

Olifen boys' and girls' 4-H clubs held their regular meetings last Thursday.

At the boys' meeting, John A. Barton, county agent, requested that all record books be turned in as soon as possible. Mr. Barton also suggested that some of the boys plan something to take to the Dallas fair in the fall. For those grooming swine for the fall shows he said the pigs should be born from March 1 to 20 and put on feed by May 12. He also told the boys that the Winters Chamber of Commerce would sponsor the second annual cotton show and contest in the fall.

Written contests in which some of the boys will take part include: safety, electric, and health. In each of these a trip to Chicago can be won.

For entertainment James Block and David Halfmann conducted a quiz program.

Ethel Halfmann presided at the meeting of the girls. It was stated that Beatrice Halfmann would be the bedroom demonstrator and Ethel Halfmann the garden demonstrator this year.

Twelve members had their pillow protectors made and one girl

had finished a comfort protector. Four girls had completed pillow cases.

Club members and Miss Chenoweth went to the home of Emma Jean Halfmann and made a tub garden. As a demonstration the club planted English peas. At the next meeting each member is to bring four pieces of cardboard to make a waste paper basket.

FIFTH SUNDAY SINGING SCHEDULED AT MILES

The Miles Singing Association will present a program at the Miles Methodist Church Sunday afternoon beginning at 2 o'clock. This is the regular fifth Sunday gathering and a large number of visiting singers are expected to appear on the program. The public is invited.

Mrs. James M. Brown and son, Christopher, of Iowa City, Iowa, are visiting Mrs. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eates M. Lynn. Mrs. Brown had been in Fort Worth, where she attended the funeral of her father-in-law.

Serve grapefruit often. They are cheap enough not to be considered a luxury.

OLFEN HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Olifen home demonstration club met last Wednesday in the school lunch room for the regular February meeting, with thirteen members present.

Miss Ollie Chenoweth, county home demonstration agent, displayed samples of crocheting, needle-point work, Bermuda fagoting, hemstitching and arrow head tacking. She also demonstrated needle point, knotted blanket stitch and arrow head tacks.

Pauline Block, Genevieve Hoelscher, Dorothy Gerngross, Rita Halfmann and Bernice Halfmann were enrolled as new members. The secretary read a letter from Miss Chenoweth asking the club to help serve the banquet for the Federated Clubs on March 4 and a large number volunteered to help.

After the meeting refreshments were served by Mrs. Ferd Rohmfeld and Mrs. Erwin Wilde.

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SPORTS

All of the pep of mid-season was in evidence at Abilene Sunday when club owners and managers of the Longhorn League met. Harold Webb, popular Midland manager, was seated at the head of the table and stated that that's where he expected to finish. Pat Stacey, of Big Spring, was one of the quietest men at the table but said he would have plenty of Cubans back to offer competition.

The Odessa owner was not ready to make public his playing manager but said the Oilers were preparing for a big season and intend to be in the play-off series.

Most of the owners of the six clubs who were in the league last year reported that they had sold all their box seats for 1948, and more are being built at Midland, Odessa and Vernon. Fence signs

in most parks have been sold and much of the preliminary work for spring training completed.

Roy Worley, business manager of the Ballinger Cats, said he would close his box seat sale the first part of March. Many of the boxes have been sold, but a few have asked him to wait on them for a short time. He stated that these would have to make up because others were waiting for boxes and were ready to pay off for the season. If there is a complete sell out and the waiting list is not supplied, additional boxes will be built.

A number of supply men were at the Abilene meeting to offer equipment. Cushions and completely upholstered chairs that fasten to the grandstand were

VOLLEY BALL GIRLS LOSE TO WATER VALLEY TEAM
The Ballinger high school volleyball team participated in the tournament at Water Valley Saturday, eight girls and two teachers making the trip. The Ballinger team defeated the Paint Rock girls 42 to 19 in the opening game and lost to Eola by a score of 27 to 23 in the second game of the day.

Wanda Zueke, of Ballinger, was selected on the all-tournament team. Other girls making the trip were: Sylvia Mueller, Bobby Jo Smith, Emmalene Goetz, Doris Maas, Merlene Tegel, Marilyn Sommer and Eva Jo Payne.

BASKETBALL MEETING HELD HERE SUNDAY
School officials and coaches from the four schools of this region with district basketball championship teams were here Sunday to meet with Joe Forester, regional chairman, and make plans for the regional meet.

After considerable discussion, Brownwood was selected as the site with games to be played on Wednesday and Thursday nights of this week. In the first game Coleman was bracketed against Throckmorton was to meet Hamilton. The finals will be played between the two winners tonight.

displayed and a number of these were purchased and will be rented at concession booths. Orders for balls, bats and other equipment had been placed at an earlier date.

The new schedules ordered will have opening dates with Ballinger at Odessa, Big Spring at Midland, Sweetwater at Vernon, and Del Rio at San Angelo.

G. L. Nance, manager of the Del Rio Chamber of Commerce, told the league moguls something about his city and its 22,500 population. He predicted a great patronage of the game at Del Rio and gave information on the race track operated there. Bill Lacy, Del Rio manager, said betting would be controlled at the park, that beer concessions would be operated, and that the problem of keeping players out of Mexico would be up to the managers of each club.

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Cincinnati Club's Try-Out Camp Here Will Open March 22

Information was received here the first of the week in regard to the baseball training school to be held here March 22 through 28 by the Cincinnati Reds.

Starting time each day will be 9:30 a. m. Jack Knott and Bill Atwood, two former major league stars, will be in charge, giving any young man between the ages of 17 and 22 a try-out to learn whether the player can become a professional. Boys still in high school are barred by regulations and may not attend the camp.

No tuition will be charged but prospects must pay for their own meals and transportation to the camp. Deserving players will be lodged free.

All players must bring their own shoes, gloves and uniforms. Special instruction will be given all prospects.

This is the third of a series of camps being conducted in Texas by the National League club. The first will be held at Hallettsville March 8 through 14, and the second at McKinney March 15-21.

Any young player desiring additional information should write Jack Knott, 317 Slaughter St., Dallas 14, Texas.

Sessions will be held in the Ballinger baseball park and the officials in charge expect a large number of young players to register the opening day. No time will be lost in getting actual work started.

The Ballinger Cats will begin spring training the day after the school is concluded, March 29, and Roy Worley, business manager, is booking a number of exhibition games here.

SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM AID IS INCREASED ONE CENT

Supt. W. E. Elkins received notice the first of the week that the aid on school lunch room plates would be increased as of February 16. The new aid per plate on lunches will be 9 cents when milk is served and 7 cents without milk. This will bring the aid back to as high as it was at the beginning of the school year in 1947.

Plates were raised 1 cent last month and in addition more surplus supplies have been shipped here for the county's lunch program. The raises plus the additional free food will make it possible for all lunch rooms in the county to continue their programs.

Twenty Five Boys In Soap Box Derby; To Meet Saturday

Interest is mounting in the soap box derby to be held here the first part of April. It was announced that the steering committee of the Ballinger Jaycees, sponsoring organization, would meet each Saturday morning at 10 o'clock with boys who would like to enter and also to go over rules and details with the entrants.

At the meeting last Saturday a large number of boys were on hand and it was announced Monday that 25 boys had signed up and been assigned sponsors. It also was stated that all materials were either obtainable in Ballinger or would be at a near date so that boys can buy wheels and the other required parts here and start construction at once.

Each boy who signs up is given a copy of the general rules and a blueprint showing how the racer can be built and the necessary parts to be included in construction for safety. When the cars are completed they will be inspected by a committee and given approval to enter the derby if qualifications are met.

There are enough firms signed up to sponsor the set number of boys and those in charge of arrangements expect to have a field of 48 racers for the finals on April 10. Ray Key, chairman of the steering committee for the Jaycees, is devoting considerable time to the project to make the first annual derby a huge success.

The following hints are given to all boys by the committee: Don't try to build your racing car in two days. Take your time, study the rules, design a smart car.

Don't test your car on a public street or highway.

Treat your running gear with care. Use good oil and be sure your wheels are lined up before you make a test run.

Paint your car any color you wish, but do not paint the official soap box derby wheels.

Have dad or a friend transport your racer to the track and do not tow your car behind an automobile.

ROWENA DEMONSTRATION CLUB HOLDS SUCCESSFUL PIE SALE

The Rowena home demonstration club held its annual pie sale Saturday morning, February 21, in the Schumann Hardware Co building at Rowena.

Red, white and blue decorations were featured on the table where the pies and cakes were displayed, with an arrangement of red gladioli serving as the centerpiece.

The following members were in charge of arrangements for the

PROGRESS ON EVERY FRONT

★ The advance of medicine against the enemy, disease, sweeps forward on every front. Techniques of anesthesia have improved to make possible surgical procedures denied to the practitioner of the twenties. Highly refined and specialized mechanical aids, including the x-ray, fluoroscope, and electrocardiograph, have sharpened diagnostic skills. Testing of the blood and urine reveals more significant facts to the physician than ever before.

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Personal incomes for the first 11 months of 1947 averaged at an annual rate of 196.4 billion dollars, about 20 per cent above a year earlier.

Stuff cooked prunes with cream cheese for a salad or to accompany a roast.

Meat production in 1948 is expected to drop around 2 billion pounds or nearly 10 per cent below the 1947 output.

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Have a more slender, graceful figure. No exercising. No laxatives. No drugs. With the simple AYDS Vitamin Candy Reducing Pills you really enjoy reducing without hunger pangs, you eat plenty—never go hungry. This vitamin and mineral candy curbs your appetite—you automatically eat less and lose weight.

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Here is Advance-Design that provides the cab that "breathes,"* Uniweld all-steel cab construction, fully adjustable seat, all-round visibility with rear-corner windows,* extra-durable frames, specially designed brakes, and many other features.

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Truly, electric servants, who are giants for work, leap to your bidding every time you flip a switch—willing electric servants ready to take the burden of hard work from you. Ready to help you sew and cook and clean—to guard your food—to make life easier, healthier, more comfortable for all your family.

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 Meets Every Monday Night
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 Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday,
 7:30 p. m., Each Month
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Hemstitching, covered buttons
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 demonstration see Jim Berry,
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 Property?**
 No charge for investigating the
 damage. Expert in charge of work
 and full satisfaction assured. Call
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 Ballinger Builders Supply now
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 use for one hour with purchase of
 1 pound of wax. We stock Johnson's
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 iron for your building needs. See
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WELL BRED CHICKS—You can't
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 comfortable bedroom with ad-
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 with lights and water, at 902
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 lingham, 301 Twelfth Street, phone
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FOR SALE—Bethel Co-op Gin
 has some certified Mebane strano
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 ton seed for sale. Contact L. T.
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 nicely improved, close to Lometa
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275 acres, 40 in pasture, located
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540 acres with 270 in cultiva-
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 390 acres, 30 in pasture, half
 mile off pavement, modern six
 room home.
 138 acres 25 in pasture, four
 room house with lights and water
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 11-H

WANTED—Man wants position
 as nurse. A. W. Hill, Benoit, Tex.
 19-21*

LOST—Lady's black purse, con-
 taining important papers and
 other articles. Finder please leave
 at Ledger office. 11*

FOR RENT—One large down-
 stairs furnished apartment. Phone
 1430, 701 Fifteenth Street. 11*

FOR SALE—Ford radio, dump
 bed. Good condition, cheap.
 Inquire at Hi Wa Grocery, Win-
 ters highway. 11*

FOR SALE—Baby swing, play
 pen and bathinette. Mrs. Jack
 Nixon, Jr., 901 Seventh St. Phone
 685. 11

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 Terms on part.
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FOR SALE—Rabbits, dressed,
 frying size, 80c pound. Phone 557
 or 464. 11*

FOR RENT—Two room furni-
 shing apartment, 301 Thirteenth
 Street. 11

FOR RENT—Two room unfurni-
 shing apartment, 906 Twelfth St.,
 Mrs. C. F. Davis. 11*

FOR SALE—Four-drop shearing
 machine, air cooled motor, all
 new L. W. Williams, one mile
 north of Hatchel. 11*

FOR RENT—Three room house
 \$30.00 per month. See or call Dr.
 Ohlhausen, 1100 Hutchings Ave.,
 Phone 343. 11


FOR SALE—Table model power
 saw, new 5 horse 3 phase motor
 included. Telephone 291, Clay
 Building Material Co. 19-21

FOR SALE—Several items of
 good furniture including a cream
 and green enamel gas stove, at
 309 Broadway, between 1 and 9
 p. m. Friday, February 27. 11*

WANTED—Small business house
 for trim shop and car upholster-
 ing. Mrs. F. E. Baker, telephone
 278, 205 Eighth Street. 11*

Tenth Street Laundry:
 Helpy-Selfy, wet-dry wash,
 finish, pickup and delivery. One
 day service on wet wash. 105 S.
 Tenth St. Telephone 7. 26-5f

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 18,500 acres, 32 room house,
 vineyard, six springs and
 well, New Mexico. Price \$7.00
 per acre.
Good Farm:
 200 acres, 188 field, level,
 all tillable, 2 houses, modern
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 Corner, paved, \$18,000.
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 FINE COSMETICS AND
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 needed to keep presses clean. Sell
 'em to Ballinger Printing Co. 11

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 ● Residential
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 Has the finest lot of pecan trees,
 rose bushes and decorative shrubs
 for planning your home. Nursery
 located at my home, 1007 Broad-
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FOR SALE—Six cylinder Chry-
 sler industrial motor, new ring and
 valve job, crankshaft and bearings
 in good condition. Clutch and
 throw out bearing, governor, car-
 buretor, water pump, generator,
 radiator, battery, distributor, spark
 plugs and wires, coil and fan, fly
 wheel included, \$150.00. Higgin-
 botham's Shop or see Chester
 Barnett. 19-21*

LOST—One 2 foot drill stem.
 Reward for return. Werner Lange,
 Rowena. 26-21*

LOST—Billfold containing
 twenty-one dollars. Return to
 Ledger office for reward. 11*

WANTED—Female help. Bendix
 Automatic Laundry. Telephone 46
 26-11

LOST—One red Durham cow, 5
 years old, swisher fork in left ear.
 Call 1227 or 46. 11

WANTED—Ironing, at 1204 Sar-
 gent Avenue. Price per dozen 50c.
 26-11*

FOR RENT—Three room furni-
 shing apartment, 1409 Broadway,
 phone 89. 11

FOR RENT—Two room furni-
 shing apartment, 301 Thirteenth
 Street. Phone 750. 26-tf

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 Real Estate
 4% Land Loans
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FOR SALE
 909 acres in McCulloch county,
 200 in field, improvements good,
 one mile river front, two sets
 improvements, two producing
 gas wells, gas in house and gas
 lights, school bus road near
 house, post office a mile and
 half. This is a number one
 little ranch near Stacy. Price
 sixty dollars per acre. See
EDWIN SMITH
 1385 7th St., Ballinger

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 Removal to Downstairs
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ANNOUNCEMENTS
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 For Congressman, 21st District:
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HOWELL E. COBB
 For Assessor-Collector:
W. A. FORGEY
 For Sheriff:
J. L. MORELAND
B. M. (Bill) KIRK
W. E. GULLEY
 For County Clerk:
F. E. (Frankie) BERRYMAN
 For County Treasurer:
PRICE MIDDLETON
 For Commissioner, Precinct No. 1:
CLYDE CHAPMAN
 For Commissioner, Precinct No. 4:
JOHN H. SCHOVAJSA

Dr. O. STEPHENSON
 VETERINARIAN
 General Practice
 Office North 7th Street
 Office Phone 104, Res. Phone 750

DENTISTS
 Thomas Arthur Davis

Thomas Arthur Davis, 66, died
 at the Bailey Clinic-Hospital Mon-
 day after illness of one week's
 duration.

Decedent came to Texas in 1900
 and resided at Terrell two years,
 then settled in Hopkins county.
 He moved to Ballinger in 1914 and
 made home here ever since. He
 was an employee of the railroad
 here until hurt in an accident
 several years ago.

Survivors besides the wife include
 five sons, Sam A. Davis, Cali-
 fornia; O. B. Davis, Longview;
 Hollis Davis, Brenerton, Washing-
 ton; Charles Davis, Olympia,
 Washington; Robert Davis, Pas-
 adena, California; two daughters,
 Mrs. Eva Ulrich, Eureka Springs,
 Arkansas; Mrs. Reva Lee Davis,
 San Diego, California; a brother,
 Oscar T. Davis, Mount Vernon,
 two sisters, Mrs. Addie Bates,
 Quinlan; and Mrs. Agnes Evans,
 Peerless; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services are to be held
 at the Newby-Davis chapel Fri-
 day at 10:30 a. m., Rev. J. M. Har-
 rison to officiate.
 Interment will follow in Ever-

green Cemetery.
Mrs. D. S. Moore
 Mrs. D. S. Moore, 72, died at
 her home in Winters Saturday
 evening after being critically ill
 for the past week.

Decedent moved to Runnels
 county with her family in 1909
 and located in the Long Branch
 community where they resided
 until 1926. At that time the family
 moved to Winters and resided
 there ever since. In 1945 Mr. and
 Mrs. Moore celebrated their golden
 wedding anniversary.

Survivors besides the husband
 include five daughters, Mrs. May
 Bogart, Plainview; Mrs. Lois Eng-
 land, Winters; Mrs. Freda Dean,
 Hamlin; Mrs. Winona Vineyard,
 Del Rio; Mrs. Tom Egan, Ballin-
 ger; two sons, Lamar Moore, Abi-
 lene; and Dan Moore, Del Rio.

Funeral services were conducted
 at the First Baptist Church in
 Winters Sunday afternoon, Rev.
 Lawrence Trout officiating.
 Spill Funeral Home was in
 charge of arrangements.

**NUTT BUYS CASKEY'S
 INTEREST IN FIRM**

A deal was closed Wednesday in
 which J. N. Nutt bought the one-
 half interest of Sid Caskey in the
 real estate firm of Caskey & Nutt.
 He will continue operation under
 the name of J. N. Nutt Real Estate
 Co. and will retain the office on
 the second floor of the Zappe
 building.

Mr. Nutt solicits the listings of
 all real estate that is for sale in
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**MANY CAR OWNERS BUYING
 NEW 1948 LICENSE PLATES**

The office of W. A. Forgey,
 county tax assessor-collector, has
 been issuing a large number of
 motor vehicle license plates for
 1948. The plates arrived here
 before the first of February and
 were put on sale on that date.

While owners of automobiles
 and other motor vehicles have all
 of March to secure new plates,
 many are buying early to avoid
 the rush, and within the next few
 days 1948 plates will begin show-
 ing up on cars.

Number plates may be attached
 to motor vehicles after March 1,
 and must be displayed on the
 front and rear by April 1.

**FORD TAYLOR OPENS NEW
 SHOWHOUSE AT RANKIN**

The Ford Theatre at Rankin,
 owned and operated by H. Ford
 Taylor of Ballinger, held its for-
 mal opening last Friday night
 with a capacity audience for the
 first program. No special cere-
 monies had been arranged for the
 opening other than a short talk
 by Mr. Taylor to the patrons.

**VETERINARIAN OPENS
 OFFICE FOR PRACTICE**

Dr. O. Stephenson, formerly of
 Sweetwater, has moved to Ballin-
 ger and has opened an office for
 the practice of veterinary medi-
 cine. He will be joined by his wife
 as soon as he can find living
 quarters in Ballinger.

**SAFEWAY Store-
 Wide Food Sale!**

Apricots Valley Gold Whole Unpeeled No. 2 1/2 Cans 27¢	Airway Coffee 2 1-lb. Pkg. 79¢
Fresh Plums Libby's Deluxe No. 2 1/2 Cans 25¢	Coffee Edwards, Folgers or Admiration 1-lb. Can 51c
Juice Blend O'Gold Orange and Grapefruit 46-Oz. Can 19¢	Margarine Sanybank or Parbey 1-lb. Pkg. 38c
V-8 Cocktail Vegetable Juices 18-Oz. Can 12¢	Shortening Swift Jewel 3-lb. Ctn. 99c
Banjo Hominy 3 No. 2 Cans 25¢	White Beans Small Cello Pack 1-lb. Pkg. 23¢
Corn Highway White Cream Style No. 2 Can 18¢	Baby Limas Cello Pack 1-lb. Pkg. 17¢
Tomato Sauce Garden of Eatin' Standard 2 8-Oz. Cans 13¢	Pinto Beans Cello Pack 1-lb. Pkg. 15¢
Green Beans and Potatoes Aycock No. 2 Can 12¢	Blackeye Peas Cello Pack 1-lb. Pkg. 25¢
Sauerkraut Libby's No. 2 1/2 Cans 15¢	Choice Rice Cello Pack 1-lb. Pkg. 20¢
Pork & Beans The Camp 2 16-Oz. Cans 25¢	Cane Sugar Pure Cane 10-lb. Bag 87c
Brown Beans Brown Beauty Mexican Style No. 300 Can 12¢	Fresh Bread Mrs. Wright's Extra Tender 24-Oz. Loaf 18c
Brick Chili 1-lb. Pkg. 53¢	Flour Kitchen Craft Top Quality 10-lb. Bag 85¢
Swift Prem Meat 12-Oz. Can 49¢	Flour Gold Medal Kitchen Tested 10-lb. Bag 85¢
Tuna Fish Priority Grated No. 1/2 Can 39¢	Flour Harvest Blossom Guaranteed 10-lb. Bag 75¢
Tomato Soup Campbell No. 1 Cans 19¢	Dog Food Red Heart 2 1-lb. Cans 27¢
Gerbers Meats 2 Reg. Cans 37¢	Faultless Starch 12-Oz. Pkg. 10¢
Apple Butter Goodwin's 14-Oz. Jar 17¢	Oxydol Granulated Soap 24-Oz. Pkg. 35¢
Salad Dressing Miracle Whip Pint Jar 37¢	Duz Soap Granulated 2 1/2-lb. Pkg. 35¢
Catsup Brook's Tomato Catsup 12-Oz. Bot. 19¢	Super Suds Granulated Soap 24-Oz. Pkg. 35¢
Jell-Well Desserts 3 Reg. Pkg. 19¢	Ivory Soap W. Floats 2 Lge. Bars 35¢

SAFEWAY GUARANTEED MEATS

Roast Beef Shoulder Blade Gov't Graded 1-lb. 49¢	Apples Fancy Red Delicious 1-lb. 9¢
Sausage Pure Pork 1-lb. Rolls 49¢	Grapefruit Texas 8-lb. Bag 25¢
Hams Smoked Shank Cuts 1-lb. 53¢	Potatoes Idaho Russets 10-lb. Bag 69¢
Bacon Sliced 1-lb. 63c	New Potatoes 3-lb. 25¢
Bacon Slab In the Piece 1-lb. 55c	Cabbage Crisp Solid Heads 1-lb. 3¢
Jowls Dry Salt 1-lb. 25c	Celery Crisp Tender Pascal 1-lb. 9¢

SAFEWAY GUARANTEED MEATS

Gov't Graded Beef Round 1-lb. 79¢	Gov't Graded Beef Brisket or Short Ribs 1-lb. 35¢	Roast Center Cut 1-lb. 47¢	Pork Chops Smoked 1-lb. 55¢	Picnics Smoked Beef Cut 1-lb. 45¢	Hams Dressed and Dressed 1-lb. 55¢	Hens 1-lb. 49c
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FRESH FRUITS & VEGETABLES

Texas Juley Oranges 1-lb. 5¢	360 Size Souther Lemons 1-lb. 10¢	Fresh Whole Coconuts Texas Sweet 1-lb. 10¢	Yams 2-lb. 19¢	California Iceberg Lettuce Crisp White 1-lb. 10¢	Cauliflower Tender Green 1-lb. 14¢	Onions 2-lb. 15¢
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