

2 Men Burn to Death In Fire Early Sunday

A fire about 7:15 a. m. Sunday on South Seventh Street caused the death of two men and completely destroyed a room frame house.

Charred bodies of Rube ("Boop") Daniels, 51, local negro, and Eddie de LaCerdia, 25, local Latin-American, were recovered by firemen soon after the flames were under control.

Christmas Parade Here Draws Holiday Crowds

Crowds estimated at between 4,000 and 5,000 saw Ballinger's Christmas parade Saturday afternoon and many proclaimed it one of the best ever presented here.

Hundreds and hundreds of children were in front of the city hall at 1:00 o'clock to see the float arrive and land Santa Claus. A car was waiting and carried the distinguished visitor to the place where the parade was formed.

Streets were lined to watch the entries pass, the Ballinger band leading the marchers. The Science Club of the Ballinger high school had the first place float, winning \$50.

Second place went to an entry by the senior class, which was a large white cross. This float, sponsored by Bell's Grocery and the Ben Franklin Store, won \$35.

Third place was awarded the entry by the Future Farmers. "Santa's Barn" was the title of this float and it showed reindeer in the barn with their heads sticking out of stalls and each in motion.

Fourth place, Mary and the Angels, entered by the junior class and sponsored by the Ballinger Jaycees, won \$15.

The Girls' Athletic Association had the fifth place winner—a girl in a large, flowing red skirt. Higginbotham's sponsored this float, which won \$10.

The Spanish Club decorated the sixth place float, a manger scene, sponsored by the First National Bank. The prize was \$10.

Seventh place went to the Future Farmer greenhorns, who had fashioned a pink church. Station KRUN and J. C. Penney Co. sponsored the float which won \$10.

The freshman class float was an open Bible and won eighth place. The West Texas Utilities Co. sponsored the entry. The prize was \$7.50.

The sophomore class offered a gift package and a pretty girl in a large red bow, which took ninth place. Curry-Hambrick and Home Furniture Co. sponsored this float. The prize was \$7.50.

The choral club presented a white church, which won tenth place. The sponsor was Gulf Oil Corp. and the prize was \$7.50.

The Future Homemakers took eleventh place with an evergreen arch and two girls in red costumes beneath. The Farmers & Merchants State Bank sponsored the entry and the prize was \$7.50.

One of the most beautiful floats in the parade was entered by the Latin-American Organization. The manger scene was peopled by live characters. This entry did not compete for a prize.

Home Decoration Judging Scheduled December 18 to 20

December 18, 19 and 20 are the dates for judging home and yard decorations in Ballinger. Judges will be here on one or more of these dates to make a trip over town and select the winners in each division.

All who have decorations in their homes or yard pieces are asked to have them lighted the three dates above so that the judges will see them.

Cash prizes are offered for the best three decorations in three groups. The first division is for white homes, another is for Latin-Americans and the third for negroes.

A check-up by the chamber committee was made the past week-end and it was found that fewer people have prepared decorations than in previous years. Those who wish to enter are urged to complete their decorations this week-end and have them lighted the remainder of the time until Christmas.

It is not necessary to sign an entry blank for judges to inspect the piece. All places with lights turned on the nights of the judging will be considered.

Many Hands Help In Big Christmas Parade Features

A large number of people are due special thanks for their cooperation in presenting the Christmas parade here Saturday. The chamber of commerce committee found everybody more than willing to assist and every request was granted by everyone asked to help.

The biggest thanks go to the high school classes and organizations. These groups were responsible for eleven decorated floats and the school band led the parade. The work on the floats represented much time and effort, the students having been busy afternoons and evenings for two weeks.

Thanks go to the merchants who sponsored floats and put up the money to pay for the decorations.

McMurry College's callope was loaned to the parade committee with the provision that local people come for and return it to Abilene after the parade.

T. W. Murray, of San Angelo, furnished the helicopter which brought Santa Claus to town and even paid for extra insurance to provide public liability for the landing and take off here.

Mr. Murray has extensive oil holdings in this county and stated that he wanted to furnish his plane cost free to the committee.

The national guard company is due thanks for providing extra police to help look after the throngs on the streets and preventing onlookers from surging toward the marchers during the procession.

The Jaycee-Ettes sacked all the candy and packed it in boxes for Santa Claus to give when he greeted the children at the court house.

Christmas in the Churches

Ballinger churches will begin their Christmas programs this week-end and continue until Christmas day. Most of the churches of the city will have one or more programs during the holidays and some are to have a number of special events for all ages.

In all the churches, attendance of members and visitors is being pushed. Some of the programs have required weeks of preparations and leaders are hopeful for large attendance.

First Baptist Christmas activities at the First Baptist Church will start tomorrow (Friday) when parties will be held for the intermediate and primary departments.

Regular services will be held Sunday morning, Rev. LeRay Fowler, pastor, delivering the message at the morning hour.

The choir will have charge of the evening service, which will start at 7:30 o'clock. The program will be under the direction of Jerry Forderhase, student at Howard Payne College.

To conclude the evening service will be the showing of a Christmas film, "The Boy and His Bible."

Class parties will be held next week for a number of groups and regular services will be held on Christmas day, Sunday, December 25, students to be honored at night.

First Methodist Rev. Wayne Reynolds will begin his Christmas messages with the morning service Sunday, when his sermon subject will be "The Christmas Story."

The main feature program for the season will be presented at the evening service starting at 7:30. The choir under the direction of Bruce Willis, with Mrs. Bob Bartlett at the organ, will present a cantata, "Christ Child." This group has been working for the past two months to get this musical program ready for public presentation.

On December 20 the primary department will have its special program in which there will be a pageant. All members of the church are invited to attend.

On December 21, the church-wide Christmas tree program will be held. Santa Claus will distribute presents to the children and at the conclusion of the program refreshments will be served all present.

On December 25 the regular Sunday school and worship service will be held. Rev. Reynolds will speak that morning on "When Christmas Comes to Your Family." There will be no services in the evening.

First Christian The First Christian Church offers a different type of Christmas inspiration for this year. Christmas eve prayer fellowships will be presented in the following manner.

The chancel in the sanctuary will be prepared with scenes in costume and appropriate settings that will provide visual inspiration for three 30-minute experiences of music, prayer, leadership in thought and silent meditation at the following periods: 5:30 to 6:00 p. m., 7:00 to 7:30 and 9:00 to 9:30.

It is believed that in the hurried and crowded Christmas season half an hour of quiet relaxation, with soft music and remarks by selected leaders to enrich personal meditation and prayer, will be appreciated on Christmas eve. The remarks by the leaders will be related to "The Joy of Christmas," "The Blessings of Christmas," "The Sorrows of Christmas" and "The Enduring Glory of Christmas."

Mrs. Charles F. Bailey, Herman Price and C. B. Orsbrook will be the leaders. Miss Lois Orsbrook, Mrs. E. H. Crawford and others will assist with the music.

On Christmas day one worship hour will be observed, from 9:30 to 10:30 a. m.

The annual Christmas party and program will be combined this year at 7:00 p. m. Wednesday, December 21. The intermediates will present a Christmas pageant in the sanctuary, the Christmas tree being a part of the setting. White gifts for the Yakima Indian mission of the Disciples of Christ will be presented and Santa Claus will appear at the appropriate time.

In response to several requests, the sanctuary will be open all day Saturday, December 24.

from 7:00 a. m. to 10:00 p. m., for personal worship.

First Presbyterian, U. S. Christmas started Wednesday evening at the First Presbyterian Church, U. S., when the young people gathered to decorate the Christmas tree and then went caroling at a number of homes.

Rev. Felix Keys, pastor, will deliver his Christmas message at the regular morning worship house Sunday morning.

Sunday evening at 6:00 the annual joy gift program will be held. The choir will offer traditional Christmas music and the pastor will bring the Christmas story, "The Man Who Owned the Stable."

The annual Christmas tree program will be held Wednesday, December 21. Children of the church will present the program before the visit from Santa Claus and the distribution of gifts.

Only one service will be held on December 25, Christmas Day. Members will meet in the church dining room for coffee and doughnuts at 10:15. At 10:40 the young children will assemble in classes to sing Christmas songs.

At 11:00 o'clock the families will congregate in the church sanctuary for a service featuring the singing of carols.

Seventh Street Baptist The Seventh Street Baptist Church will have its main Christmas programs Sunday.

The feature this year will be a Christmas cantata by the choir at 7:30 Sunday evening in the church auditorium. "Chimes of the Holy Night," by Fred B. Holton, will be the special program and soloists for the occasion will be Mrs. Chester Simpson, Mrs. Darrel Green, Miss Maude Parker, Duke Smith and Louis Walden. The cantata is under the direction of the pastor, Rev. O. D. Carpenter, and Miss Karen Ann Carpenter will be at the piano.

At the meeting of the Training Union Sunday night, a play, "No More Christmas," will be presented. This service is to begin at 6:30 p. m. The play is under the direction of Mrs. Bobby Muney. Taking part in the play are Mary Carpenter, Dale Jones, Karen Carpenter, Mrs. Ira Stowers, Ira Stowers and Mrs. Bill Lesso.

Eighth Street Church of Christ Orland Ruty, church minister, announces that George Mc-Aulay has been secured to lead the singing and work with the young people of the Eighth Street Church of Christ. Young people of the church held a Christmas party in the home of Jay Boothe Friday evening.

At 6:15 p. m. Sunday the young people will meet for a special program to hear Mr. Boothe tell of his experiences in Africa. He only recently returned from there and during his stay did considerable missionary work in the name of his church.

Utilities Group's Christmas Party Tomorrow Night All employees and their families in district G of the West Texas Utilities Co. will be here tomorrow (Friday) to attend a safety meeting and the annual Christmas banquet.

The main event will be at 6:45 p. m. when the families and a few added guests will assemble at the West Ward school cafeteria for the 1955 banquet. After the serving of the meal, a short Christmas program will be presented and Santa Claus will appear. All children 12 years of age and under will receive gifts from the tree to conclude this program.

Christmas Personals We have made contact with several hundred people to get Christmas personals for The Ledger next Thursday.

It is impossible to see everyone and if you have not been contacted we would like to know where you are going for Christmas or who will be in your home as Christmas guests.

Please call this information to us by dialing 6522 as early in the week as possible.

Elementary Pupils' Yule Program to be Offered Wednesday

The Christmas program by pupils of the Ballinger central elementary school will be held Wednesday. The public is invited to be present at 1:00 p. m. when the program will be begun in the gymnasium.

This program is an annual affair and always attracts a capacity attendance. Approximately 500 students will have parts in the program under the direction of Mrs. Alex McGregor and room teachers.

Immediately following the program, students will return to their rooms for Christmas parties and after that will be dismissed for the holidays.

Following is the program: Professional, "Hallelujah," Mrs. McGregor.

Welcome, E. B. Blackburn, Jr. "Glory to God in the Highest"—All Grades "O Come, All Ye Faithful"—All Grades "Little Baby, I Love You,"—Grade I "Away in a Manger"—Grade I "Bethlehem Lullaby"—Grade II

"I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day"—Grade III "The Christmas Story," Luke 2:8-16—All Grades, led by Mr. Blackburn

"Silent Night"—All Grades "Sleep Little Jesus"—All Grades "White Christmas"—All Grades "Deck the Halls with Holly"—All Grades

Prayer—Supt. Ernest Caskey "Joy to the World"—All Grades "We Wish You a Merry Christmas"—All Grades Recessional

Mrs. Bob Bartlett will be accompanist for the program and all teachers will assist.

Fisher Speaker At Local Rotary Meeting Tuesday

Congressman O. C. Fisher spoke to the Ballinger Rotary Club Tuesday noon, discussing some of the problems of congress last year and those in prospect for the coming session.

Tax measures and aid to agriculture and the livestock industry were some of the more important projects, the speaker said. He also said a close watch would be kept on national defense.

Referring to last year's work, Mr. Fisher said that more harmony between political parties was experienced than ever before and he predicted the same harmony would prevail at the next session.

He told his hearers that prospects for balancing the budget this fiscal year were extremely bright and if accomplished would be the first time in many years. If this is done, he said that substantial reductions in tax levies would follow.

Coronation to be On December 22 At High School

Ballinger students will be dismissed for the Christmas holidays at the end of the final period next Wednesday, December 21.

The big school social event of the year will be held Thursday night, December 22. This was postponed one night because of conflict with a number of church programs scheduled Wednesday.

On Thursday night the high school favorites and other honor students will be presented at the high school auditorium. This will be climaxed with the coronation of the king and queen. After the program, students will go to the American Legion hall for an all-school party and dance.

The high school student council will have charge of the Christmas program to be presented in the high school auditorium next Wednesday afternoon just before classes are dismissed.

The high school choral club will present the music for the pre-coronation program and is to be heard in a group of numbers before the favorites are introduced. Tickets for the coronation may be secured at the entrance the night of the program.

Hoxsey Drilling Two More Wells West of Hatchel

Hoxsey Drilling Co. has staked an outpost and an offset to its No. 2-Mattie Holiday, lower Jennings discovery and operations have begun, surface pipe being set. The new well is one mile west of Hatchel.

Hoxsey Drilling Co. has skidded a rig from its No. 1-D S. Vancell, Palo Pinto prospector, and started No. 2-Vancell, one location to the east. The hole will be drilled to 4,200 feet.

C. Andrade, of Abilene, No. 1-E. C. Lindemann will be drilled southwest of discovery of Gray sand production. The contract depth has not been revealed.

Lone Star Producing Co. No. 2-R. F. Voss, one location west of production in the Fort Chadbourn (Gray) field, will start work when the permit is approved.

An application for a permit to drill its No. 1-Clarence Ledbetter has been filed by Sequoia Oil Co. The location for the 4,900-foot prospector is two miles south of Bradshaw.

Rhodes Drilling Co. No. 4-Hamp Byler, in the Ballinger (Palo Pinto) field, was being drilled Wednesday below 2,500 feet. The well is due to be completed next week.

A. B. See Drilling Co. No. 1-Allen Bros., two miles northwest of Ballinger, was being drilled Wednesday below 3,786 feet, in the Cappe lease.

A. B. See Drilling Co. No. 1-R. B. Mack, four miles northwest of Ballinger, was being drilled Wednesday below 3,000 feet.

Humble Oil & Refining Co. has staked its No. 1-Isabella Lange, one location north and slightly east of the Cappe discovery near Rowena. This is the third prospector by Humble in this vicinity.

Hoxsey Drilling Co. has staked five additional wells in the new field west of Hatchel. Permit applications have been filed for Nos. 4-, 5-, 6- and 7- Mattie Holiday and No. 3-D S. Vancell.

Library Receives Many New Books

The Ballinger library board states that a large number of new books have been added to the library this month. These books are now ready for patrons and those interested are invited to call and check them out.

Following are the new titles: Conquering the Seven Deadly Sins, by Lance Webb

Cocktail Party, by T. S. Eliot The Answer is God, story by Roy Rogers and Dale Evans

Intimate Story, by Rose Franklin Mastery, by E. Stanley Jones The Smiling Rebel, by H. T. Kane

Maid of Israel, by T. R. Ingram Love is Eternal, by Irving Stone

How to Live 365 Days a Year, by J. A. Schindler The Stepmother, by R. C. Hurlingham

Brinkers of Darkness, by Gerald Hanley Sea Flights and Ship Wrecks, by H. W. Baldwin

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Western Shuffle Lassie from Home Silver Chief White Fang Pitching to Win Baseball Hall of Fame "Treasure of Children's Literature

Livestock Show Plans Pushed by Committee

The livestock committee of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, vocational agriculture teachers and members of the county agent's staff met Monday night to work on plans for the annual livestock show.

The 1956 show will be held in the big hangar at Bruce Field, Ray Fuqua, who has the hangar leased, told the committee that he would move cars and trucks out of the building on January 14 to make it available for the livestock show. This will give ample room for putting all the show indoors as well as room for a judging arena and if possible seats will be arranged for those who desire to watch.

The committee has secured the following judges: M. B. Inman, of San Angelo, calves;

dairy cattle and hogs; Roy Boswell and Bob Chandler, of Fort Worth, sheep division; Louis Bridges, of Bronte, breeding sheep division; Marvin Weber, of Abilene, capons and rabbits.

Judging will begin at 9:00 a. m. on January 14. All entries must be in place by that time and sheep and hogs must be in the pens by late afternoon of January 13.

Entry fees were set as follows: calves, \$1.00; dairy cattle, 50 cents; sheep and hogs, 25 cents; capons and rabbits, 10 cents. Committee members said a fund of \$1,750 probably would be needed to pay prizes and other expenses of the show.

Other meetings of the committee will be held regularly to push all phases of the show.

County Council, Guests At Christmas Banquet

The annual Christmas luncheon and program for the Runnels County home demonstration council was held Tuesday noon at the American Legion hall. The affair was attended by all council members, both those retiring and those who take office for the ensuing year.

Mrs. J. W. Jones, council chairman, presided at the dinner and program.

The Olden home demonstration club served the turkey dinner at which a few guests, including members of the Runnels County commissioners' court, were present.

The banquet this year honored a group of women who have served in home demonstration clubs 25 years or more. These were:

Norton—Mrs. W. W. Mitchell, Mrs. Lawrence Bryan, Mrs. Joe Crockett, Mrs. Harvey Bryan, Mrs. Kirby Robinson

Bethel—Mrs. L. F. Lolka, Mrs. J. H. Shelburne, Mrs. Meade McShan, Mrs. J. W. Bigby

Crews—Mrs. E. W. Bridwell, Mrs. W. L. Porter

Drasco—Mrs. Zack West, Mrs. H. O. Abbott

Winters—Mrs. R. B. Osborne, Mrs. L. C. Hill

South Ballinger—Mrs. B. M. Batts, Mrs. Joe Thomas, Mrs. J. C. Reese, Mrs. V. L. McShan, Mrs. Ed Farley, Mrs. Roy Holstead, Mrs. C. D. Harris, Mrs. Tom Crockett, Mrs. Austin Williams

Each club sent gifts to the meeting which will be delivered to the Abilene state hospital. Gifts were also exchanged from the tree to those present.

Mrs. Dick Holstead led the group in singing Christmas carols and Mrs. Troy Simpson brought a Christmas story, "This Way to Christmas."

11 Men Nominated For C. C. Directors To Serve 2 Years

Ballots for the election of eleven new directors for the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce have been made up. After candidates for the places were nominated, each was contacted to be sure he would accept and serve for a two-year term.

Williamson to Take Cashier's Position In Kingsville Bank

Jim Williamson, employee of the First National Bank of Ballinger the past four years, has accepted a position with the Kingsville National Bank of Kingsville and will become active there on December 27. He was elected cashier at a meeting of the board Thursday of last week.

Before coming to Ballinger Mr. Williamson was in the merchant marine for ten years and had attained the rank of chief mate when he resigned. During the ten years of service he travelled around the world several times, making all the principal ports.

Since coming to Ballinger he has been active in a number of civic projects, serving with the Boy Scouts, Little Baseball League, the Jaycees, and is a deacon in the First Presbyterian Church, U. S. He attended McMurry College, Abilene, before entering the merchant marine.

Mr. and Mrs. Williamson went to Kingsville last week and arranged for living quarters in preparation to move there. They and their two children will move to Kingsville during the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Williamson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lynn, was reared here and for the past several years has been a member of the Ballinger school faculty. Before that she taught at Sierra Blanca and Abilene.

NEW FACULTY MEMBER TO START FEBRUARY 1

Supt. Ernest Caskey announced the first of the week that Miss Carolie Richardson had been employed by the school board to teach girls' physical education here. She will receive her degree at North Texas State College, Denton, on January 29 and will be here to begin work on February 1.

Miss Richardson's home is at Abilene and she is majoring in physical education at Denton.

Service Club Calendar

Friday, December 16—Lions Club, noon

Saturday, December 17—Fannie Stephens Club, 12:30 p. m.

Tuesday, December 20—Rotary Club, noon

Thursday, December 22—Ballinger Firemen's Auxiliary, 7:30 p. m.

HAS YOUR ADDRESS BEEN CHANGED?

Ledger subscribers are requested to notify the publisher of any change in their address promptly.

Under postal laws, newspapers and periodicals must pay postage due for notices of any change in address furnished by the post office. Besides there always is the probability that your paper will be delayed or fail to reach you altogether if you do not give immediate notification when you move.

The best plans for all concerned is to send the change of address in advance.

Directors who retire at the end of the year are: J. G. Tuckey, K. V. Northington, Herman Price, Troy Simpson, F. L. Wells, Dick Ayers, Jay Garrett, Joe Forman, Bill Bell, G. A. Morrish and Lanham Flynt.

Ballots will be mailed to each member of the chamber asking him to vote and return the ballot. The new directors will be certified this month and assume their duties at the first meeting in January.

Mrs. John Phillipus, of Fredericksburg, returned home Tuesday after a visit here with Mrs. J. D. McNutt.

SOCIETY

Baptist Mary-Martha Class Has Christmas Party
 Mmes. George Scruggs, Drury Hathaway, William Hill, Hubey Clarke and J. C. Lange were hostesses to the Mary-Martha Class of the First Baptist Church Tuesday evening, entertaining at a Christmas party in the Scruggs home on Eighth Street.

A silvered Christmas tree, greenery, red berries and other seasonal symbols decorated the party rooms where Mrs. Clarke, president, was in charge of the business and heard reports. The class voted to "adopt" a family at Christmas. Miss Rena Walker gave the

opening prayer and Mrs. W. E. Elkins brought the Christmas devotional. Members exchanged gifts. Hostesses served ice cream snowmen with cake squares decorated with Christmas designs to: Mmes. Jim Golden, Ruth Ramsey, L. R. Tigner, R. L. White, R. T. Williams, B. M. Batts, Paul Best, Otto Wood, L. B. Rudder, R. R. Holstead, O. C. Sykes, David Duke, J. F. Owens, R. T. Lee, W. E. Elkins, Homer C. Daniel, Fred Holiday, Alda

Mae Hirschfeld, Odie Barrington; Misses Anna and Rena Walker; and Mrs. Velma Price, of Odessa, a visitor.
Young Adult Methodist Class Has Christmas Dinner
 The Young Adult Class of the First Methodist Church held its annual Christmas dinner Monday evening in the home of their teacher, Mrs. Joe Forman, on Seventh Street. Traditional red, green and white were featured in party

rooms. A manger scene with a cedar bough background was on the buffet. Ropes of greenery, white candles and red berries centered the two long linen-laid tables. A snow scene with reindeer and Santa decorated the piano. Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Vancil assisted Mr. Forman in making final arrangements for the covered dish menu when Mrs. Forman accompanied the group as they sang carols to the shut-ins and presented gifts.

Christmas book-marks were favors for the following members and guests: Rev. and Mrs. Wayne Reynolds; Messrs. and Mrs. Fred McShan, Bob Bartlett, Dixon Toney, Bill Edwards, Wilfred Buxkemper, Jimmy McAden, Harold Jones and son, David; Mrs. Eldon Boggess, Mrs. Edward Moonen, Miss Evaljo Payne and Darrell Harwell.
Beta Sigma Phi Entertained by Mrs. Green
 The traditional Christmas

theme was used for decorating the home of Dr. and Mrs. John E. Green, Jr., on Fifth Street Monday evening when Mrs. Green entertained the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. Mrs. E. Y. Bailey, president, conducted the business period. For the program, "Music's Influence on Our Lives," Mrs. J. D. Reneau was leader. Mrs. W. E. Elkins spoke words of appreciation to Mrs. Charles F. Bailey, sorority sponsor, and presented Mrs. Bailey a pin to identify

her as a Beta Sigma Phi. The hostess served cherry and coffee. Others present were Mmes. H. B. Edmondson, T. Epling, Charles Webb, Clare Wiedenfeld, B. J. Williams, Jack Moore, Foy Farmer, McCrary, Jr.; Misses Betty M. dieton and Jewel O'Neal.
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Celery		Stalk	15c
Cranberries		1-Lb. Box	25c
Oranges		5-Lb. Bag	33c
Pineapple	DEL MONTE—CRUSHED	No. 2 Can	29c
Pork & Beans	VAN CAMP'S	No. 300 Can	15c
Potatoes	KIMBELL'S WHOLE NEW	No. 303 Can	2 for 29c
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Santa Claus is a man of many parts—
A Fourth Century bishop of Asia Minor—
Nicholas, patron saint of Russia—
The patron saint of children—
A jolly old elf with eight tiny reindeer—

Childhood's dream-of-dreams come true—
Legend's balm for a harsh, harried world—
A magician who brings back our youth—
Unadulterated spirit of generosity—
Saint and symbol for all the young-at-heart.

Farmers and ranchmen also are urged to investigate practices set up for 1956 on which part of the cost will be paid.

Christmas Mailing Rush Commences At Ballinger Office

Postmaster K. V. Northington stated Monday that the Christmas rush had hit the post office with heavy mailing of packages and cards. He stated that one extra helper Orval Burks, would be employed during the remainder of the holidays and that all mail would be sent out each day and the incoming mail would be worked and put in boxes or delivered on the routes. The local crew will take care of the

rush and give patrons the best possible service until the rush ends.

Employees at the post office stated that people were extra nice this year in the mailing of cards. In most cases city mail is tied in one bundle and the Texas and out-of-state mail in separate bundles. This is a big help in sorting and getting mail out. One window is being left open where bundles of cards or letters can be left and not dropped in the regular slots. The post office staff will appreciate every cooperation that customers can give during the rush period. Those who still have bundles to mail are asked to do this as soon as possible.

FORMER BALLINGERITE DIES AT CORPUS CHRISTI

W. B. Ray, 89, died at Corpus Christi Monday after illness of several years. A pioneer cotton man in Ballinger, decedent was a member of the Ray-Penn Cotton Co. here for a number of years. The firm was dissolved in 1917. Mr. Ray formed a cotton brokerage company at Corpus Christi in 1919 but a hurricane that year wiped him out financially. With his son, John Ray, he formed the W. B. Ray Cotton Co. in 1921 and continued its operation for many years. The family was also engaged in operating farms as well as being cotton brokers.

Additional Funds for ASC Practices Available in 1955

The Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation office here has been advised that the state committee has additional funds or all counties in West Texas. An additional \$29,950 has been assigned to the Runnels County

office for carrying out certain practices during the remainder of the year.

Under the 1955 ASC federal cost sharing plan the government's part is not to exceed 50 per cent of the cost of the project.

With the additional allocation there is sufficient money in the Runnels County office's account to match any request by producers. Projects must be completed in 1955 in order to earn

- payments. For the following practices assistance is eligible until January 1:
- Controlling brush, prickly pear, mesquite, blueberry cedar and redberry cedar
 - Pitting pasture land
 - Constructing dams
 - Terraces
 - Diversion terraces
 - Reorganizing farm irrigation systems
 - Leveling land suitable for irrigation
 - Reservoirs for irrigation water
 - Seeding winters legumes

Announcement

The Ballinger Cemetery Association is pleased to inform the residents of Ballinger and surrounding communities that they have become affiliated with Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens of San Angelo, one of the leading Perpetual Care Cemeteries in Texas.

The new portion of the Ballinger Cemetery will be designed and constructed along the lines of the new and modern cemetery. This new design will furnish religious and cultural inspiration for all our communities. Lawnhaven will supervise all phases of work on this new project.

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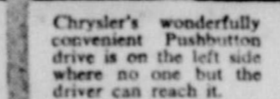
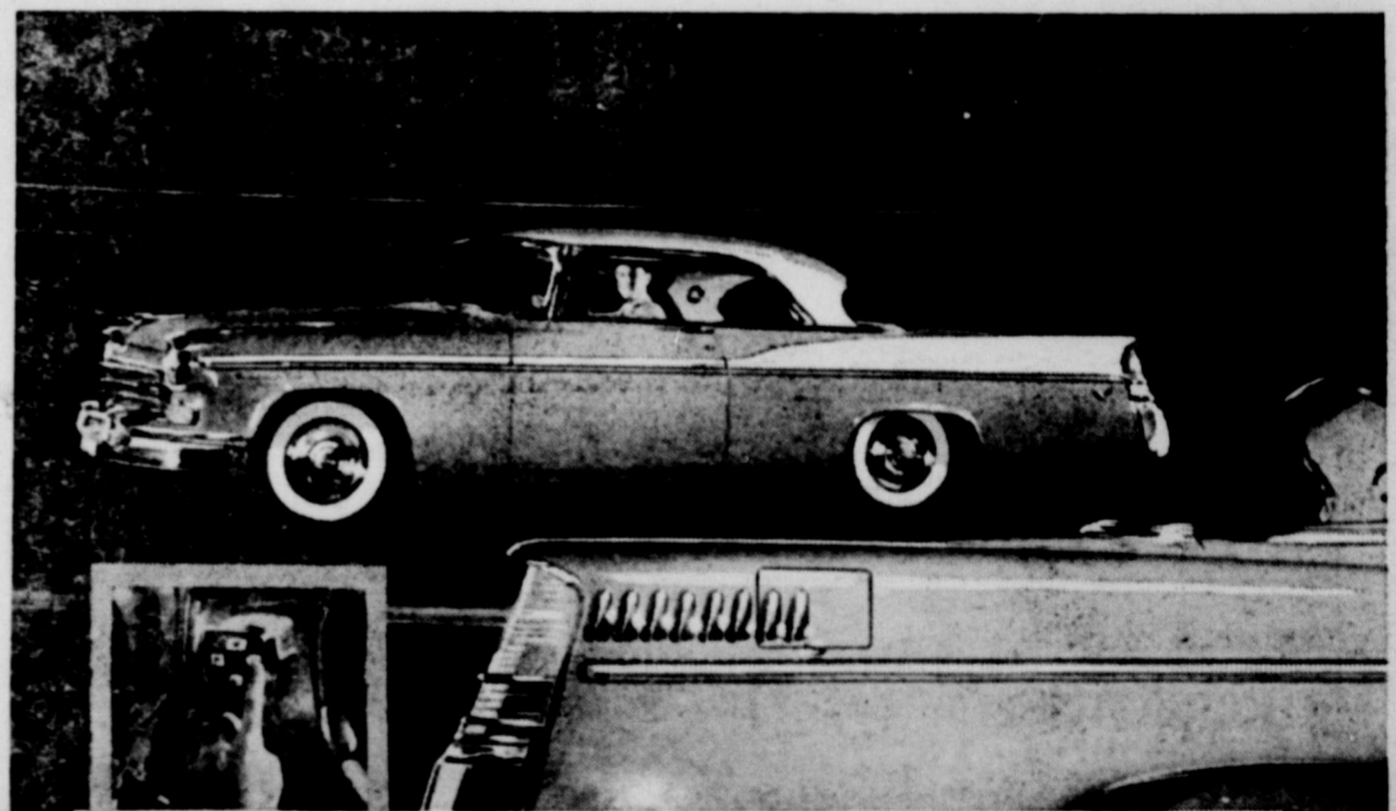
While a citizen of Ballinger, Mr. Ray was active in school and church affairs. At Corpus Christi he was president of the school board for nine years and during that time never missed a regular meeting. The newest high school in that city is named for him.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 a. m. Tuesday at the First Baptist Church of Corpus Christi.

Survivors include a son, John Ray, Corpus Christi; two daughters, Mrs. P. B. Mahaffey, Corpus Christi; Mrs. Mamie Ray Crawford, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

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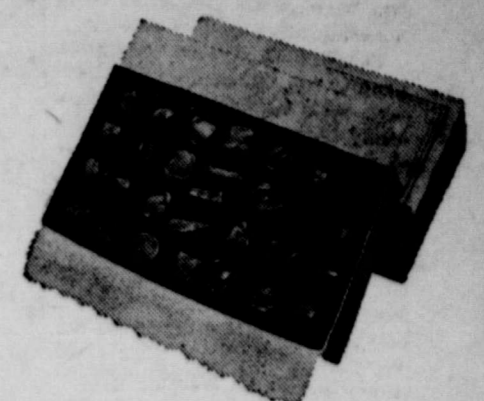
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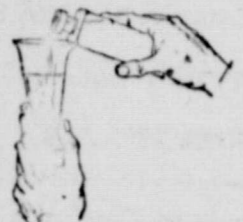
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SOCIETY

Dr. and Mrs. Stasney Entertain Duplicate Bridge Club
Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Stasney were hosts to members of their duplicate bridge club and a few added guests Friday evening when they entertained in their Eighth Street home. Carrying out the Christmas theme, doll size carolers were on each step of the stairway and a cedar tree twinkled in the living room. The dining table was covered with a white net cloth ornamented with bells, the word "Noel" and sequins and bordered with green felt. The centerpiece was a snow scene with Santa and his team of reindeer. Other decorations were red candies and berries. In games, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Stone won high; Dr. and Mrs. Stasney, second high; Miss Maryatt Smith and Mrs. Q. V. Miller, third; Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Tigner, fourth high. Niblets, cakes and candies were served with coffee, spiced tea and cold drinks. Others present were: Messrs. and Mmes. Herman Price, Sam Conner, Jack Williams, Ernest Caskey, Alex McGregor; Mrs. H. G. Agnew and Mrs. Lloyd Johnson.

Presbyterian Women's Bible Class Has Holiday Party
Members and guests of the Women's Bible Class of the First Presbyterian Church, U. S., attended a Christmas party in the church parlors Friday evening. Mrs. E. S. Malone, class president, was assisted by the social committee, Mmes. Bruce Creasy, E. A. Saunders and B. W. Claunch, in arranging for the affair. Holiday decorations featured about rooms included red berries among sprigs of cedar. The lace-laid refreshment table was centered with Christmas greenery flanked by burning red candles. Poinsettia place mats were on foursome tables. Mrs. Malone presided at the silver service and Mrs. Claunch served pie and candies. Mrs. Ida Guion played Christmas carols during the serving period. Games of forty-two were played by: Rev. and Mrs. Felix Keys; Messrs. and Mmes. Carl Murman, E. M. Lynn, B. W. Claunch, Gay Edwards, M. B. Wardlaw, J. M. Pyburn, Jimmy Parrish, Paul Petty, Bill Stultz, Bruce Creasy, E. S. Malone, H. F. Demmer, E. A. Saunders, K. V. Northington, Harry Lynn; Mmes. Guion, Warren Lynn, Virginia Nance, W. R. Bogle, Q. V. Miller, R. E. Porter, of Sweetwater, Tennessee; Messrs. John I. Guion, George Holman and J. C. Chapman.

Ace of Clubs Entertains Husbands at Christmas Party
Members of Ace of Clubs included their husbands at a Christmas party Friday evening at which Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Moss were hosts in their Fifth Street home. Living room decorations featured pyrocantha berries combined with cedar boughs and a huge green candle was on the piano. The dining table was centered with a white Santa encircled with Christmas balls and styrofoam canes, stars and other symbols. In games of contract, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Conner were high score winners and the bingo award went to Mrs. Price Middleton. A dessert plate was served with coffee to: Messrs. and Mmes. Earl Barr, George Newby, Jack Scales, Sam Conner, H. G. Agnew, W. O. Irby, John Bradley and Price Middleton.

Miss Bennett, August McWilliams to Wed
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Doris Ann Bennett, to August McWilliams, Jr. The future bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. August McWilliams, Sr.

and Mrs. August McWilliams, Sr. The wedding is planned for at noon on Christmas Day in the home of the bride's parents with the Rev. K. Carter, pastor of the Valley View Baptist Church officiating. Both Miss Bennett and Mr. McWilliams attended Ballinger High School. He served two years in the army, 18 months of which was spent in Germany. They will be at home in Kermit where he is employed by Stanolind Oil Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moody are at home at their garage apartment, 304 Sixth Street, until January 1. Mr. Moody is employed on a dam at Eden.

OLFEN HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB
The Olfen home demonstration club met Monday of last week in the home of Mrs. W. J. Eggeneyer for the regular monthly meeting and a Christmas party. Her daughter, Miss Geneva Eggeneyer, was co-hostess for the occasion. Roll call was answered with "Childhood Recollections of Christmas" by the eighteen members present. All members brought Christmas presents which are to be given to the patients at the Abilene state hospital. The Olfen club will serve the county council Christmas banquet and plans were completed for this at the meeting. Mrs. W. P. Erwin, of Ballinger, was a visitor. The Christmas part of the program consisted of relay games and group singing. Gifts were exchanged and shadow names revealed. A sandwich plate with coffee was served.

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DEATHS

Mrs. Andy Herring
Mrs. Andy Herring, 84, died at 206 Broadway at 8:35 a. m. Tuesday after long illness.

Decedent was born in Austin County on September 17, 1871. She was married to the late Andy Herring on December 18, 1889, and they moved to Coleman County that year, settling on a ranch four miles north of Talpa. He had extensive ranch holdings in the vicinity which he operated until his death on August 28, 1943. Mrs. Herring continued to make home on the ranch until 1950, when she moved to Talpa. Because of failing health she spent considerable time here, mostly in the local hospital. She was a member of the Lutheran Church.

Survivors include two sons, Edgar and Alfred Herring; Talpa; three brothers, Herman and Ed Lindemann, Ballinger; Charles Lindemann, Ballinger; four sisters, Mrs. Pauline Lange and Mrs. Julius Kurtz, Ballinger; Mrs. Minnie Spiezelhour, Bartlett; Mrs. Gus Gerhart, Winters; and one grandson.

Funeral services were held at 3:00 p. m. Wednesday at the First Methodist Church, Rev. Wayne Reynolds and Rev. H. K. Plathmann, pastor of the Winters Lutheran Church, officiating. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery.

R. D. Beaver

R. D. Beaver, 63, died at his home at 6:15 p. m. Tuesday after long illness.

Decedent was born October 2, 1892, at Joplin, Missouri, and came here in 1928. He was an electrician by trade and for a number of years was employed by the West Texas Utilities Co. He was forced to retire several years ago because of failing health. He was a member of the Church of Christ and was married December 24, 1916, to Miss Cammie Walker, at Palestine.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 a. m. today at the Eighth Street Church of Christ, Orland Rury officiating. Burial is to follow in Evergreen Cemetery.

Survivors besides the wife include six sons, Willie Roy and Ernest Beaver, Ballinger; Harry Beaver, with the armed forces in Germany; Marion Beaver, with the armed forces in Japan; R. D. Beaver, Jr., of Lovington, N. W. Mexico; Robert Beaver Quinlan; a daughter, Mrs. Edgar Johnson, Ballinger; a brother, Ernest Beaver, McKinney; two sisters, Mrs. W. V. Coffey, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Mrs. Ada Alger, Vernon; and eight grandchildren.

Lee Infant

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee succumbed Wednesday morning a short time after birth. A twin sister survives.

Graveside services were held at 4:30 p. m. Wednesday at the Crews cemetery, Rev. Wayne Reynolds officiating.

Survivors besides the parents are two sisters, Netha and Gloria, a brother, Jerry, the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lee and Mrs. Vera Payne.

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Orangeade	Sunkist Concentrate	6-Oz. Can	18¢
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Beanie-Weenies		12-Oz. Can	24¢
Tenderoni	Van Camp's	6-Oz. Can	14¢

Canned Fruit & Juices

Orange Drink	Hi-C	46-Oz. Can	28¢
Pears	Bartlett Del Monte	303 Can	29¢
Pineapple	Sliced La Lata	No. 2	31¢
Pineapple	Crushed Del Monte	No. 1 Can	16¢

Chili with Beans	Hormel	15 1/2-Oz. Can	25¢
Plain Chili	Hormel	19-Oz. Can	39¢
Tamales	Hormel	15-Oz. Can	21¢
Spam	Hormel	12-Oz. Can	37¢
Hams	Hormel	1 1/2-Lb. Can	1.75
Deviled Ham	Armour's	3 1/2-Oz. Can	18¢
Potted Meat	Armour's	No. 1/2 Can	10¢

Good Buys

Plain Chili	Gebhardt's	300 Can	37¢
Chili with Beans	Gebhardt's	300 Can	28¢

Save on These

Dog Yummies	6-Oz. Box	17¢
Wax Paper	Kitchen Charm 100-Fl. Roll	19¢
Milk Amplifier	Bosco 12-Oz. Jar	35¢
Razor Blades	Gillette Thin 10's Pkg.	25¢

Chicken Spread	Swanson 5-Oz. Can	21¢
Boned Turkey	Swanson 5-Oz. Can	36¢
Boned Chicken	Swanson 5-Oz. Can	39¢
Fricassee Chicken	Boneless Swanson 14-Oz. Can	45¢

Coffee

Airway	"Contains Brazil's Finest" 1-Lb. Pkg.	75¢
Edwards	Top-Quality 1-Lb. Can	87¢

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Gelatin Desserts	Jell Well Assorted 2 3-Oz. Pkgs.	13¢
Peanut Butter	Beverly Creamy or Chunky 12-Oz. Jar	37¢
Barbecue Sauce	Gebhardt's 7-Oz. Can	12¢
Black Pepper	Crown Colony Ground 4-Oz. Can	31¢
Lemon Extract	Crown Colony 1-Oz. Bot.	20¢
Margarine	Sunnybank 1-Lb. Ctn.	21¢

Cleanser	Spic & Span 16-Oz. Box	25¢
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Nuts

Brazil Nuts	Washed, Cello Large and Medium Bag	1-Lb. 45¢
Almonds	Blue Diamond 1X1, Cello 16-Oz. Bag	59¢
Walnuts	Diamond, Lrg. Cello 16-Oz. Bag	55¢
Walnuts	Baby Emerald 16-Oz. Bag	45¢
Mixed Nuts	1-Lb. Bag	49¢

Staples

Flour	Kitchen Craft 5-Lb. Bag	89¢
Flour	Pancake Suzanna 20-Oz. Box	17¢

Bel-Air Frozen Foods

Lima Beans	Baby 10-Oz. Pkg.	23¢
Broccoli Spears	10-Oz. Pkg.	23¢
Brussel Sprouts	8-Oz. Pkg.	25¢
Blackeye Peas	10-Oz. Pkg.	21¢
Baby Okra	Whole 10-Oz. Pkg.	21¢

Orange Juice	Gerber's Strained 3 4-Oz. Cans	25¢
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Meats	Strained and Chopped, Gerber's 3 1/2-Oz. Can	19¢
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Baby Food	Gerber's Strained 4 4 1/2-Oz. Cans	33¢
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Junior Baby Foods 2	Gerber's 6 1/2-Oz. Cans	21¢
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Egg Yolks	Gerber's 3-Oz. Can	21¢
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Teething Biscuits	Gerber's 4-Oz. Box	22¢
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Cereal Quads	Gerber's 4-Oz. Box	15¢
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Toilet Soap	Peter Pan Colgate 2 Reg. Bars	15¢
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Toilet Tissue	Assorted Colors Northern 3 Rolls	25¢
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Paper Towels	Northern Roll	17¢
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Cleanser	Babo 14-Oz. Can	12¢
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Rinso	Detergent Lrg. Pkg.	29¢
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Silver Dust	Detergent Lrg. Pkg.	30¢
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Blueing Flakes	Blue-White 3/4-Oz. Box	10¢
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Starch	Lint 12-Oz. Box	13¢
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Crackers	Busy Baker 1-Lb. Box	25¢
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Graham Crackers	Jane Arden Pure Milk Choc. 6-Oz. Pkg.	25¢
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Eclairs	Jane Arden Pure Milk Choc. 8-Oz. Pkg.	34¢
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Berry Cookies	Sunshine Hydrex 7 1/2-Oz. Pkg.	25¢
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Sandwich Cookies	Small Family Assorted 8 1/2-Oz. Pkg.	29¢
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Ritz Crackers	Berry Gauchos 11-Oz. Pkg.	39¢
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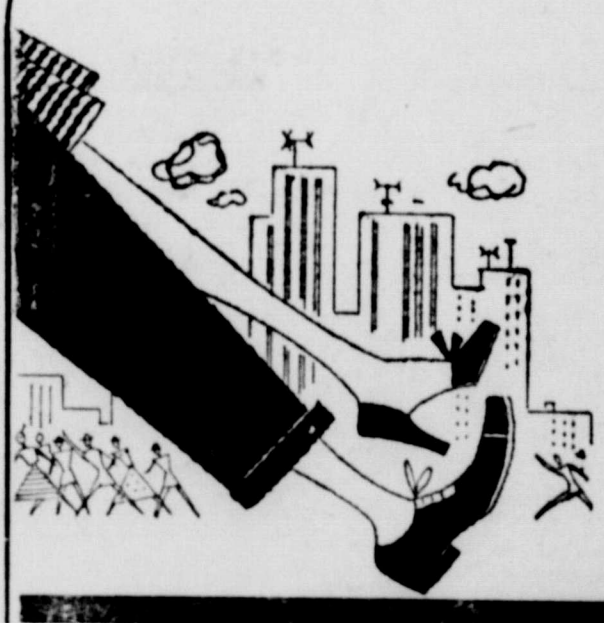
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Instant Coffee	Edwards	6-Oz. Jar	1.23
Instant Coffee	Maxwell House	6-Oz. Jar	1.35
Mayonnaise	Nu Made	16-Oz. Jar	32¢
Salad Oil	Mayday	Qt. Bot.	40¢
Wesson Oil		Qt. Bot.	51¢
Shortening	Royal Satin	3-Lb. Can	69¢
Flour	Harvest Blossom	10-Lb. Bag	77¢
Corn Meal	White ... Mammy Lou	10-Lb. Bag	65¢
Corn Meal	White ... Aunt Jemima	5-Lb. Bag	43¢
Covered Cherries	Roxbury, Milk Chocolate or Dark Chocolate	1-Lb. Box	49¢
Margarine	Coldbrook	1-Lb. Ctn.	17¢
Cheese Spread	Van Zee	2-Lb. Pkg.	67¢
Strawberries	Frozen ... Bel-Air	2 10-Oz. Pkgs.	45¢
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29c	Kotex Junior	12's	28c
30c	Kotex Regular	12's	28c
10c	Sweetheart Toilet Soap	2 Bath Bars	25c
13c	Camay Toilet Soap	3 Reg. Bars	25c
25c	Camay Toilet Soap	2 Bath Bars	25c
19c	Crystal White Laundry Soap	2 Reg. Bars	17c
25c	Soap Powder Ivory Snow	Lrg. Box	30c
34c	Detergent Rinso	Giant Pkg.	69c

Roxbury Christmas Candies

Peanut Cluster	16-Oz. Bag	53c	Stocking Mix Xmas	5-Oz. Pkg.	25c
Satin Mix	16-Oz. Bag	31c	Old Fashioned Mix	16-Oz. Pkg.	37c
Orange Sticks Chocolate Covered	8-Oz. Pkg.	37c	Filled Mix 100%	16-Oz. Pkg.	37c
Rice Long Grain Uncle Ben	14-Oz. Box	24c	Chocolate Drops	16-Oz. Pkg.	37c
Rice Long Grain Uncle Ben	28-Oz. Box	45c	Bread and Cake		
Honey Extract Sioux Bee	8-Oz. Jar	21c	White Bread Skylark	24-Oz. Reg. Sliced Loaf	23c
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Honey Comb Sioux Bee	16-Oz. Jar	43c	Fruit Cake Holiday Sliced	4-Oz. Pkg.	15c
Honey Creme Sioux Bee	12-Oz. Ctn.	29c	Fruit Cake Holiday Sliced Loaf	14-Oz. Pkg.	49c
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Garden Club's Christmas Tea Held at City Hall Auditorium
At the Ballinger Civic-Garden Club's Christmas tea Tuesday afternoon, held in the city hall auditorium, Mrs. H. P. Compton, of Abilene, gave a demonstration on making corsages from red roses, carnations, yellow pompon chrysanthemums and various types of dried leaves. She also showed how to make a novelty corsage from colored styrofoam in various designs. Mrs. Compton was introduced by Mrs. Jerry Hampton.

Mrs. J. W. Barr, president, conducted the business. It was voted to resume meetings at the library building in January. Mrs. Barr reported on her visit to McKnight Hospital at Carlsbad. With the therapy committee of the club, Mrs. Barr said they assisted at the hospital gift shop, and declared the Goodfellow AFB wives were doing a wonderful job in making the patients happy. The library committee reported that the club had given a book to the local library in memory of Joe Flynt, and that a book also had been presented by Mr. and Mrs. Barr.

About 50 members and guests were served hot spiced punch and fruit cake from the lace-laid tea table, which was centered with a small Christmas tree surrounded by love apples, pine cones and holly berries on a base of gilded cactus leaves. The arrangement was made by Mrs. A. O. Bartlett.

Other arrangements included a colored Christmas ball grouping by Mrs. Fred Harwell; a white styrofoam tree with varicolored balls by Mrs. B. W. Claunch; a white crinoline tree encircled by poinsettia blossoms and green leaves, centering a table laid with a green cloth, by Mrs. Tom Crockett; large frosted candles set in attractive Christmas groupings, by Mrs. W. B. Mason.

Alatheaan Class' Christmas Party in Talbott Home
Members of the First Baptist Alatheaan Class met in the Sixth Street home of Mrs. E. P. Talbott for their Christmas party Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. R. P. Canady and Mrs. J. A. Williams were co-hostesses. Christmas decorations were used throughout the house.

At the business session, the opening prayer was led by Mrs. Canady. The class voted to take care of a needy family for Christmas; also to school a girl in Nigeria, which it has done for several years.

Mrs. West Talbott gave the story, "Miracle in the Wilderness," which was well done.

Gifts were exchanged from the Christmas tree. Members brought gifts to be sent to the Roundrock Orphans Home, and also presented the teacher, the assistant teacher and Mrs. West Talbott with gifts.

Refreshments of fruit cake with sherbet snowballs and nuts were served to: Mmes. A. O. Bartlett, E. Shepperd, Mollie Morgan, W. M. Ashton, Owen Aycock, W. A. Forgey, J. M. Garlington, Joe Jones, Frank Kemp, E. E. King, A. E. Lowery, Halph McShan, W. A. Nance, J. E. Jones, Willie Stephens, Lee Sykes, R. E. Truly, Ray Whiteaker and the teacher, Mrs. R. E. Ruble.

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Sirloin Steak U.S. Govt.-Graded Calf	Lb.	59c
Sausage Hormel, Sack Made Fresh Daily Pure Pork	1-Lb. Bag	59c
Sausage Hormel, Sack Made Fresh Daily Pure Pork	2-Lb. Bag	1.15
Fresh Picnics Pork, Whole Shank On	Lb.	29c
Fresh Picnics Pork, Whole or Half Shank Off	Lb.	33c
Pork Roast Boston Butt	Lb.	35c
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WEST TEXAS NOTES

Members of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce will receive ballots this week with eleven names listed. These men have been suggested as eleven new directors to serve a two-year term. It is not compulsory to vote for these and on each ballot there are eleven blank spaces for write-ins.

One of the biggest programs to be undertaken by the chamber of commerce in 1956 is the celebration of Ballinger's 70th anniversary on June 29. Some plans have already been made for the program and include a homecoming of pioneers who had a part in the founding and growth of Ballinger and Runnels County.

Ballinger's Christmas program is history and shopping will be in full swing from now until the end of business December 24. The main Christmas events now will be in the local churches. Practically every church in Ballinger will have one or more inspiring as well as entertaining Christmas programs.

The Miles Future Homemakers of America staged their annual style show on Monday night and a large number witnessed the presentation. 'A Merry Texas Christmas' was the title and latest fashions for tots and teenage boys and girls were shown. At the end of the show, open house was held in the school cafeteria to show Christmas decorations. Students made and entered decorations and these were judged for places and ribbons. A small admission was charged for the show, the chapter to use the money in its regular activities.

Ground breaking was held at Winters last week for construction of the new telephone building. John Q. McAdams, Winters banker, was master of ceremonies. John D. Allen, telephone company superintendent, told those assembled what the company intended to do in the area to offer modern services. Mayor George Poe turned the first shovel of dirt and contractors continued by starting excavations. The building will be 30 by 51 feet.

Directors of the Stephenville community chest met last week and awarded sums to ten participating organizations. These include the Boy and Girl Scouts, city library, Future Farmers of America, recreation committee, a medical service fund, Goodfellows, band club and Cubs. More than \$3,000 was paid out to the organizations and awards will be made to other groups when their annual fund drives are scheduled.

Dr. Jack R. Harris, of Bronte, stated last week that work on a new wing for the Bronte hospital will start at once. He said the wing will provide six to eight new patient rooms, another operating room, nurses' and employees' lounge and a laundry. It will be completely air-conditioned and the operating room will have an autoclave. The addition will bring the total number of beds to 21 and in emergencies, Dr. Harris said 25 patients could be served at a time.

Directors of the Concho County Livestock Association met last week and set January. Much effort goes into the preparation of these services and they deserve a good hearing. Watch for the dates at the various churches and make church attendance part of Christmas this year.

While Christmas shopping is underway don't forget to visit the county tax collector's office and get a poll tax receipt for each adult member of the family. It will make a good Christmas gift and something that can be used all of 1956.

21 and 22 as the dates for the annual show. The two-day program will be held at Eden and a large number of workers will help supervise the contests in several divisions. A check up revealed a large number of cattle, sheep, hogs and other animals being fed for the show by the boys of the county. Also included is an auction of animals the final day.

A committee started solicitations last week for the Melvin community chest. Melvin organizations get part of the chest fund for all of McCulloch County. This plan has been followed for a number of years. Mrs. Dennis Hall is chairman of the Melvin committee.

Plans are being perfected for the Brown County Youth Fair, set for an early date in January. At a meeting last week officers were elected and department superintendents appointed. The fair is one of the first of its kind to be held in Texas and proved highly successful last year. In addition to the livestock show there is a complete division for girls and a general program for boys covering farm products and other projects.

Comanche County farmers and ranchmen met at Comanche last week to discuss irrigation and make plans for water if it can be made available. A number of farmers who have



CANDLES TO LIGHT THE CHRIST CHILD'S WAY—Tiny miss in Berlin, Germany, is entranced as she watches the flame of the first of four Advent candles which traditionally light the Christ Child's way to earth. One candle is lighted on each of the four Sundays of Advent, the liturgical season which precedes the celebration of the Feast of Christmas.

irrigated small and large tracts told others of the results obtained. For the past several years a number of Comanche County farmers have used limited water and the results have been highly successful. The project will receive careful study by the county agent's office and others connected with agriculture.

Flood control measures for the Devil's River were discussed at a meeting in Ozona Wednesday. Col. Harry O. Fischer, U. S. corps of engineers, called the meeting. He stated that the meeting was for the purpose of

gathering information and ideas from the people in regard to flood control work in the area. A survey was recently completed, money being provided in a \$75,000 appropriation made by congress. Planning has progressed to a point that some look forward to actual construction being started in 1956.

Preliminary surveys on the application of Paint Rock citizens for a water supply sufficient to eliminate drought emergencies will be completed this month. There has been some delay in the survey due to rush work of the engineer, A. S.

Kochler. A meeting of directors of the water district and the engineer will be held January 6. At that time reports from top state men in water and soil conservation will be held.

A cash fund is being raised at Coleman to take care of the needy during the Christmas holidays. After a survey, a goal of \$1,250 was set to meet the needs and the past week-end \$320 of that amount had been contributed. Committees will take the money and purchase food, clothing and other needs for the families and toys will be supplied by a shop operated by the firemen. Many used toys have been repaired and repainted and are ready to be distributed to the children.

Commissioners' courts of Andrews, Ector and Midland counties have reached an agreement to provide operating expenses for the Tri-County Foster Home. The board of directors of the home met with the members of three courts and it was agreed to share the expenses on the basis of the school enumerations in each county. Following the meeting the county officials made a tour of the home and expressed themselves as well pleased with the manner in which the institution was being supervised and the purpose it was serving.

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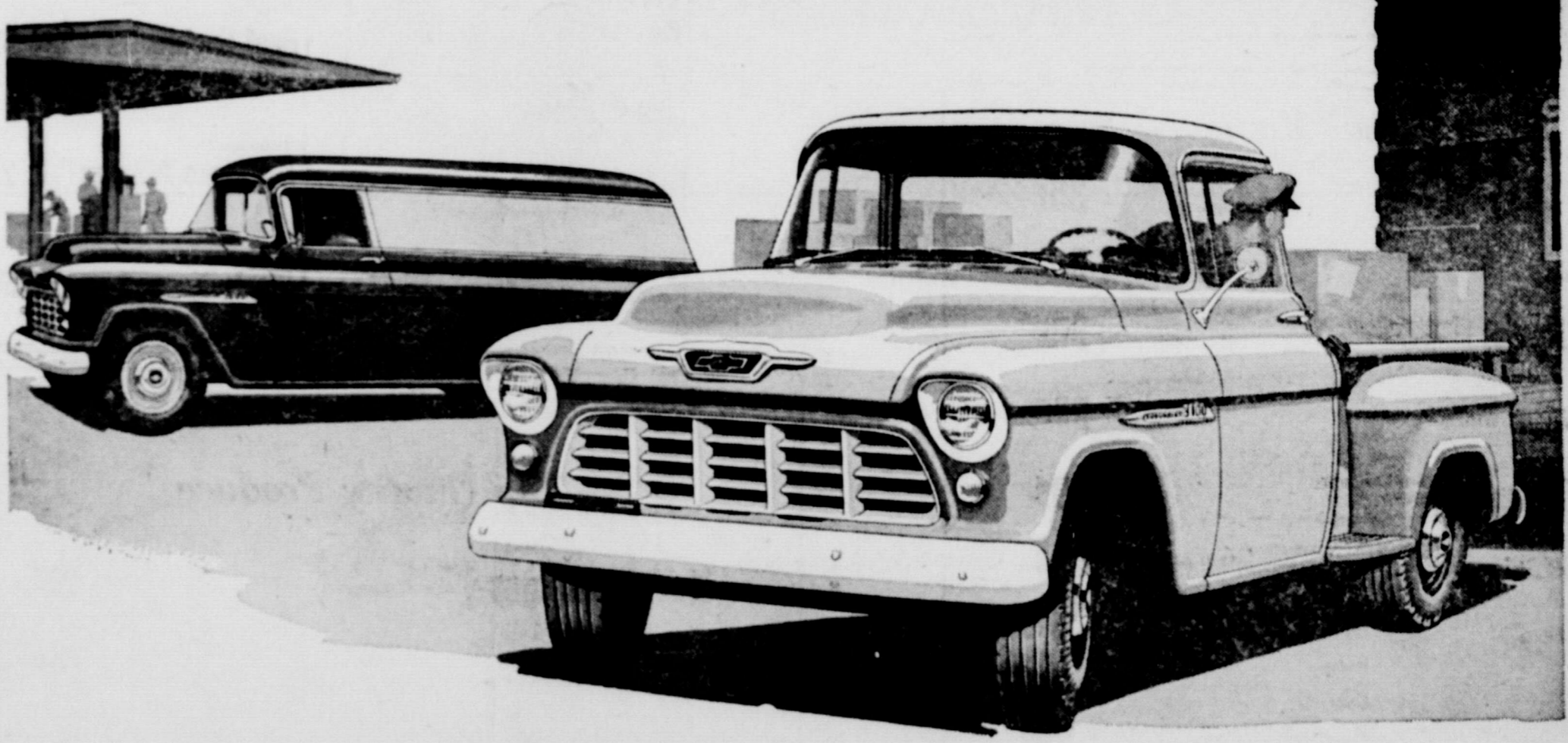
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Over 1,200 4-H Club boys and girls from the 48 states, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and Canada, attended the Congress, along with young people and youth leaders from 22 foreign countries.

During the week, the delegates participated in discussions, heard outstanding speakers, met sports stars, enjoyed top-flight entertainment at banquets and major meal events, attended the International Live Stock Exposition and Horse Show, took part in press conferences, made radio and TV appearances, toured the city and visited the museums, and attended a party at the Aragon Ballroom. The theme of the Congress was "Improving Family and Community Living." Among the prominent speakers on the program was Dr. Preston Bradley, Pastor of the Peoples Church of Chicago, who spoke on "What Youth Can Do." Other topics presented and discussed were "Understanding Begins With U." and "Working Together for World Understanding."



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up	KARO-WHITE	1 1/2-Lb. Jar	19¢
o-Lite	MARSHMALLOW CREAM	Pint Jar	19¢
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a Cola		6 bottle ctn.	19¢
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Cookies and cold drinks were served from a silvered wheelbarrow tied with red ribbons to around 90 guests. The group danced to recordings.

Mrs. Bradshaw, Mr. Cody Honor Guests in Ohlhausen Home
Mrs. Charles Bradshaw, who was celebrating her birthday anniversary Sunday, and John Cody, who celebrated his birthday Monday, were honored at a surprise affair Monday night when Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Ohlhausen entertained informally in their Third Street home.

Following games of forty-two a refreshment plate was served with coffee to: Mr. and Mrs. Cody, Mr. and Mrs. Bradshaw, Mrs. J. A. McClelland, Cordelia, John Bob and Andy Cody, J. A.

McClelland, Jr., Leland and Norma Ohlhausen.

MRS. CAUDLE, SON TO JOIN HUSBAND AT FRENCH BASE
Mrs. Ted W. Caudle and son, Randy, left by plane from San Angelo at 6:45 a. m. Monday morning and arrived at New York at 3:05 Monday afternoon. They were to embark there for overseas and join their husband and father, Capt. Caudle, at Dreux, France, to make home the next three years.

DALLAS MINISTER SECURED AS BROTHERHOOD SPEAKER



Dr. Charles P. Pitts, of Dallas, pastor of Highland Baptist Church, will be the guest

speaker here at 7:30 p. m. Thursday, December 15, for the Brotherhood of the First Baptist Church. His subject will be "The United Nations and Foreign Missions."

Dr. Pitts has spoken to many civic groups over the state on the work of the United Nations. For four years during World War II he served as a chaplain in the air force and became interested in people of the entire world.

JAYCEES CANCEL TWO MEETINGS THIS MONTH

Ballinger Jaycees did not meet last Monday night because of a large number of members desiring to attend the football banquet. President David Batts

stated that the meeting would not be made up.

The annual Christmas dance will be held at the country club on December 17. A popular band has been secured for this dance and the cost will be \$2 per person.

It was stated that no meeting would be held on December 26 as this is a city-wide holiday and that the cost of the meal will be contributed to take care of a needy family for Christmas.

COURT HOUSE CHRISTMAS PARTY ON DECEMBER 2

Officials and employees at the court house will have their Christmas party and tree at 3:00 p. m. on December 23. Following the program, the court house will be closed Saturday, Sunday and Monday, December 24, 25 and 26.

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The district committee will hold its first meeting of the new year at Eden on January 23 beginning at 9:00 p. m. The



SHEAR PLEASURE—Nick Luhman, 19, left, of Goodhue, is the new National 4-H Club sheep-shearing champion. His was shorn in 4 minutes, 46 seconds during competition at recent International Livestock Exposition, Chicago, Ill. At Darrell Stoops, Sharpville, Ind., clipped off top honors in professional division in 1 minute 48 seconds.

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Boone, Sylvia Findley and Bruce Bennett, and features Peter Graves, Warren Stevens, William Hopper, Tony Romano and Stanley Clements.

On the same program is a Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis comedy, "Scared Stiff."

"The Girl in the Red Velvet Swing," the story of Evelyn

Nesbit Thaw and the sensational murder of architect Stanford White by playboy Harry K. Thaw, has been filmed by 20th Century-Fox in CinemaScope and DeLuxe color. In the stellar roles of the love-triangle that made turn-of-the-century headlines are per Joan Collins, Ray Milland and Farley Granger. Featured are Broadway and Hollywood "big names," including Luther Adler, Cornelia Otis Skinner, Glenda Farrell, Frances Fuller, Philip Reed and Gale Robbins. The engagement of this feature at the Horseshoe is Sunday and Monday, December 18, 19.

A Mickey Spillane story, with its blondes, blood and beatings, has once again been excitingly transcribed to the screen in "The Long Wait," which will be the top offering at the Horseshoe Tuesday and Wednesday, December 20, 21. This United Artists release stars Anthony Quinn, Charles Coburn, Peggie Castle and Gene Evans and has a liberal quota of luscious females headed by Mary Ellen Kay, Shawn Smith and Dolores Donlon. The story tells of the valiant effort of an amnesia victim to clear himself of a framed murder rap.

The companion film, "Gypsy Colt," stars Donna Cocoran, Ward Bond and Frances Dee.

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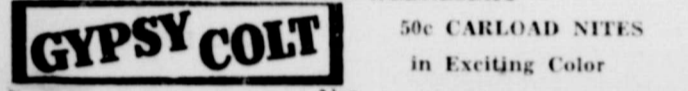
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Judy Canova's laugh-riot, "Lay That Rifle Down," will be presented as the upper half of the twin-bill at the Texas tomorrow and Saturday. As in all Canova films, the story of "Lay That Rifle Down" was tailored to Judy's comedy talents and gives her the opportunity to display the routines which have made her a favorite with fans the world over. Aiding and thwarting Judge in the high-jinks are Robert Lowery, Jacqueline de

Wit, Jill Jarmyn, Richard Deacon, Robert Burton, James Bell, Leon Tyler and Tweety Canova.

"White Feather," CinemaScope production, starring Robert Wagner, John Lund, Jeffrey Hunter and Debra Paget, is the other feature at the Texas Friday and Saturday. The giant frontier epic is about the surrender of the Cheyenne Indians to the white men which took place in Wyoming in 1870.

"The Good Die Young," United Artists action-filled drama to be shown at the Texas next Wednesday only, December 21, inaugurates a new and interesting technique in telling a psychological suspense story. Starring Richard Basehart, Gloria Grahame and John Ireland, the picture does not content itself with telling the exciting story of a mail robbery and murder in the center of London. It also delves into the motives that made criminals out of the men who carry out the holdup. In contrast to most crime films, "The Good Die Young" picks up its criminals at a stage of their respective lives when they are without a police record—decent,

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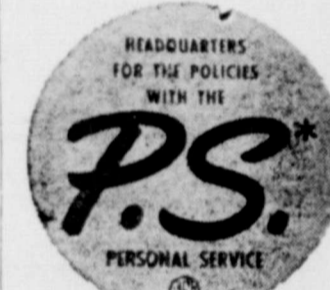
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County's Cotton Growers Vote Against '56 Quotas

Runnels County cotton growers rejected the proposed cotton quotas in the special referendum held Tuesday. The total vote in the county showed 270 opposed and 227 favoring the proposed quotas for 1956. The unofficial count in the six boxes in the county was: Ballinger—49 for, 58 against; Winters—76 for, 30 against; Miles—19 for, 24 against; Rowena—23 for, 79 against; Norton—44 for, 68 against; Wingate—16 for, 11 against. Voting in the state showed farmers favored the proposed quotas and price supports by about 9 to 1. The results of the national vote, also in favor, will determine the action to be taken and the county will be included with the remainder of the state. A number of West Texas counties voted against the quotas because of the cuts shown in recent announcement of acreage quotas for 1956.

OFFICERS MAKE FEW ARRESTS PAST WEEK

Local officers had a quiet week, only a few arrests being made, most of them on worthless checking charges. A warrant was received here from San Angelo for the arrest of Ray French, on a worthless checking charge. Officers stated he was also wanted at Sweetwater.

W. C. Walker was arrested here on a worthless checking charge and later was turned over to Concho County officers. Marcel Alcantar Hernandez was arrested here on a grand jury indictment for removing mortgaged property.

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Former Bearcat Coach Speaks At Banquet for 1955 Players

Felton T. ("Pooch") Wright, coach of the Ballinger Bearcats 16 years, came home Monday night to be guest speaker at the annual football banquet. About 300 fans and players attended the affair, sponsored by the Ballinger Quarterback Club, at the American Legion hall.

Dock Wilson, president of the club, was master of ceremonies and coaches were given checks in appreciation of their good work the past fall. A check was also given Gary DeShazo, bandmaster, for his part in the football season.

Coach Bill Scoggins introduced all the players on both the A and B teams the past year. Included were 14 seniors who will not be back with the squad next year. Many of these were on the starting lineup the past season. He then presented the remainder of the squad, mostly sophomores, who will be back for two more years. A gift from the team was given Price Middleton, who served as club trainer the past year and aided in taking care of the bruises. Coach Wright complimented the Bearcats of 1955 for the fine showing they made and declared that "Ballinger is the envy of lots of young football coaches who would like to live here." He urged the boys to excel in all their efforts and gave them encouragement in making better men because of playing the game of football right. He reminded the boys that in a very short time they would be winning beans to feed a family and should be ready for that responsibility.

Mr. Wright praised Ballinger fans for their fine spirit, which he declared was a big factor in the long string of wins in Bearcat history. At the conclusion of the program players went for their dates while fans cleared the building, and dancing was enjoyed the remainder of the evening.

SERVING UNCLE SAM
 Lt. (j.g.) Bobby L. Turner left Wednesday for Chelsea, Massachusetts, where he is to report to the naval hospital December 20 for a final check-up before boarding the light cruiser, USS Worcester, for an extended cruise to the Far East. He visited relatives at Big Spring en route to Denver, where he will be joined by a marine engineer friend, who will accompany him on the trip east.

HOSPITAL NOTES
 Patients dismissed from the Ballinger Clinic-Hospital the past week included: R. R. Mizell, medical, last Thursday; D. E. Greenich, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, medical, Saturday; Don Atkins, medical, Friday; Earl Cope, medical, last Thursday; M. E. Gotcher, medical, Tuesday; Mrs. Joe B. Lee and daughter, Friday; James Stewart, medical, Saturday; Louis Blair, Paint Rock, medical, Friday; Mrs. Ed Smith, Winters, medical, Wednesday; Dock Jones, Sturgis, Mississippi, medical, Saturday; Mrs. Quesada Esperanza, surgical, Saturday; Henry Kresta, medical, Saturday.

to McKnight Tuberculosis Hospital, Carlsbad. The next project will be the collecting of clothing to be put in a box at some place in the downtown district. It was reported that a committee composed of Mmes. McGarvey, Child Stone, Downing, Clarence Wiedenfeld and W. R. Gray, Jr., sacked 1,800 bags of candy for the Santa parade in Ballinger.

At the social hour a surprise gift shower was presented Mrs. Eugene Loika. The gifts were brought in by Mrs. Downing's twin daughters, Diana and Paula.

Holiday decorated cookies were served with coffee to Mmes. McGarvey, Gray, Gilbert Armendariz, Loika, Wiedenfeld, Billy Jack Middleton and H. B. Edmondson.

Fidels Class' Christmas Party in Turkey Home

Gifts of toys for the nursery of the First Baptist Church and gifts of food and clothing for an "adopted" family were brought to the annual Christmas party of the First Baptist Fidels Class held Tuesday evening in the home of Mrs. J. G. Tuckey on Seventh Street. Other hostesses with Mrs. Tuckey were Mmes. Lous Harding, Melvin Patterson, Willis Smith, Cam Blackmon, Earl Cope, S. L. Ferguson, Clyde Gabbert and Miss Anna Belle Hash.

The holiday decorations were featured about entertaining rooms. The dining table, laid with a white linen cloth and a red runner was centered with an arrangement of white shag chrysanthemums and pink spider lilies. Red candles in silver holders with holly were at each side. Miss Ruth Morgan presided at the silver service. Hostesses served fruit cake topped with English sauce and nuts.

SOCIETY

Virginia Douglass Class Holds Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party for the Virginia Douglass Class of the First Methodist Church was held Tuesday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Price Middleton on Hamilton Avenue. Co-hostesses were Mmes. Fred Underwood, Grady Richards and L. W. Fiveash.

A silver Christmas tree decorated with red and silver baubles and lights was featured in party rooms where seasonal symbols and greenery was used for other decorations. Mrs. Fiveash, president, was in charge of the business. Miss Ann Mideley gave the opening prayer. Mrs. Troy Simpson was presented as guest reviewer for the Christmas story, "This Way to Christmas," by Ruth Sawyer.

Safeway Employees Christmas Party Held at Store

Safeway Employees' Association held its annual Christmas party Tuesday night at the local store with their families. Toys were presented to around 22 children and refreshments were served to eighteen adults and the children.

Jaycee-Ettes Have Yule Party in Downing Home

A traditional cedar tree with vari-colored lights and decorations and many other holiday symbols were used to decorate the Ninth Street home of Dr. and Mrs. L. L. Downing Tuesday evening when Mrs. Downing was hostess to the Ballinger Jaycee-Ettes.

Mrs. Bob McGarvey, president, conducted the business, and reported that magazines and books had been delivered

At the Hillcrest . . .

It's brother against brother in Republic's "The Road to Denver," to be the top feature of the double-bill at the Hillcrest Drive-In Theatre tonight, Friday and Saturday, December 15 through 17. This exciting, action-packed drama of the old West is beautifully filmed in Trucolor. Co-starring John Payne, Mona Freeman, Lee J. Cobb, Ray Middleton and Skip Rivkin's screenplay based on Bill Gulick's Saturday Evening Post story. Supporting players include Andy Clyde, Buzz Henry, Paul Maxey, Glenn Strange, Lee Van Cleef and Karl Davis.

The second feature on this program is "The Green Buddha," starring Wayne Morris and Mary Germaine.

Zane Grey's immortal classic, "The Vanishing American," is brought to the screen with powerful impact with the first Ballinger showing next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, December 18, 19, 20, at the Hillcrest. This exciting and dramatic entertainment, produced by Republic Pictures, stars Scott Brady, Audrey Totter, Forrest Tucker and Gene Lockhart. It is the story of a vanishing race, the Navajo Indian, which at one time neared extinction, but at present is the strongest and most populous Indian nation in North America. It also is the story of a courageous man and

woman who found love in the midst of a proud race's final gallant fight for survival. Supporting players include Jim Davis, John Dierkes, Gloria Castillo, Julian Rivera, Lee Van Cleef, George Keymas, Charles Stevens, Jay Silverheels, James Millican and Glenn Strange.

BEARCATS WIN GAME IN SECOND OVERTIME

Basketball fans saw a thriller last Saturday night when the Bearcats won over the Merkel quintet in the second extra-time session by the score of 46 to 44. The game was tied at the end of regular play and an overtime session was held. Two teams still knotted a second time. In the second extra session Charles Holloway dropped a two-point goal to end the game.

This week-end the Bearcats will go to Abilene to take part in the invitation tournament at McMurry College on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. In this tournament will be some of the outstanding teams of the area and each game will be a hard-fought contest.

Tuesday night of next week the Bearcats will return to Abilene for a game with the Abilene B team.

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