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More Surface Casing Is Asked for County

C. T. Parker, county farm agent, received a letter from the State Board of Water Engineers the first of the week in regard to pollution in this county.

The letter stated that the information from some 1500 recent questionnaires sent to landowners of this county, had been studied as to the depth of fresh water sands in the county. As a result, they are recommending that surface casing in oil tests be increased to protect the fresh water sands.

The board explained that this would not solve the conditions prevailing in this county but that it should help in the future. They added that they would continue to study the conditions in Runnels County and hoped to be of additional assistance in clearing up the

salt water pollution. Local people who have spent much time in trying to get something done in the county feel encouraged as this is the first concrete step made to correct some of the evils. For some time it has been recognized the required depth for casing was not enough in this county and that many of the water sands were below the required depth. The letter did not state the exact number of feet that will be asked in the future. Some of the fresh water in this county comes from a depth of 300 feet, while other wells produce from 12 to 15 feet. In the past, 60 feet of surface pipe has been the requirement here, however, many of the major companies have set pipe to a much greater depth in their effort to protect the fresh water of that area.

All Officers Are Asked To Help Holiday Traffic

With the Christmas holiday period only a week away the Texas Department of Public Safety has placed its enforcement functions on the alert for traffic law violators.

Operation Deathwatch, the department's count of all violent death in Texas, opens at 12:01 a. m. December 21 and extends through 11:59 p. m. January 1. During this period 113 persons are expected to lose their lives in traffic accidents, while 200 are predicted to die from all violent causes.

In announcing plans for the high-accident holiday period, Col. Homer Garrison Jr., DPS director, said well coordinated enforcement efforts will be made to prevent loss of life and property upon our highways. Three functions of the department, he said, the Highway Patrol, License and Weight and Motor Vehicle Inspection, will devote their attentions to traffic law violators throughout the 12-day period.

Not only will patrolmen in three functions of the Texas DPS be working as one unit in controlling law violators on Texas highways, the governor has called upon county and city departments throughout the state to make all-out efforts to remove dangerous drivers from our streets and highways.

During the 12 days of last year's Christmas-New Years holiday, 108 motorcades occurred in 89 fatal accidents. The previous record high occurred in 1951 when 126 persons died in 115 fatal accidents.

For the current holiday the DPS prediction lists 113 motorcades, 48 suicides and homicides and 44 other accidental deaths totaling 205 violent deaths.

In making its bid to Texas motorists for safe driving during the Christmas-New Years holiday, the Texas DPS advises motorists, pedestrians and passengers to use common sense in their activities.

Air Force Times To Honor Norton Vet of 17 Years

Five non-commissioned officers at Goodfellow Field have been nominated to have their biographical sketch written up and submitted to the Air Force Times for that publication to use in its current series of features on "Outstanding Airman."

Among the officers is M-Sgt. Travis M. Barrett who was awarded the Bronze Star and Commendation Ribbon, plus a warrant officer rating, for the part he played in keeping the aircraft moving through Guam to Korea early in the campaign.

He received his awards for initiative and hard work involving long hours of repair with no technical orders or information were available. Taking charge of a small detachment assigned to the job, Sgt. Barrett instructed his men and worked alongside them to get the mission accomplished.

The sergeant is a veteran of 17 years service in the Air Corps and Air Force. He is a native of Norton, is married and the father of a son and a daughter. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Barrett of Norton.

Activities Rush School Students Through Friday

School activities have kept faculty members and students busy the past week and will continue on through Friday of this week.

The past week-end the Ballinger Bearcats were in a tournament at McMurry College, Abilene, and were defeated in the final minute of play for the consolation. They defeated Jayton and Wiley and lost to Roosevelt by three points Saturday afternoon.

A group of thirteen students, members of the Student Council, and H. B. Edmondson were in Comanche Saturday to attend a district meeting. The Ballinger group gave a report of the Comanche meeting at an assembly program Monday at high school.

Ballinger girls played in a basketball tournament at Paint Rock the past week-end.

The Ballinger Bearcats will be at Winters this week-end for another invitation tourney and will meet a number of schools in this area.

In try-outs at Abilene Saturday, Karen Carpenter made the all-state choir and will sing with that group next spring. Mary Carpenter and Kay Mansell were selected for the regional choir which will also sing in the spring. Wade Clifton was selected to play in the all-region band.

Friday afternoon the annual Christmas program will be held at both junior and senior high schools with parties to follow. School will be turned out for the holidays at the end of the afternoon session.

The big event of the year will be the coronation program at 7:30 Friday night in the high school auditorium. This program will be followed by a dance at Bruce Field.

Wiley Is Named All-State And All-Area Teams

Deibert Wiley, 220 pound Bearcat tackle, has been showered with honors the past week. He was selected on the Star-Telegram's all-state Class AA team, an honor which seldom comes to a football player. Sunday he was the most valuable lineman on the Abilene Reporter's all-area team, an eleven selected from two West Texas Class AA districts.

Wiley, a Ballinger senior, is being sought after by a large number of schools which includes almost every school in the Southwestern Conference and some as far away as Dartmouth. He has not made up his mind yet where he will seek his education after graduation here next June.

On the all-area second team Ballinger placed Jimmy Nicholas at guard and Jerry Candler at half-back. Honorable mention went to Wesley Stokes and Ronald Everett. As a specialist in place kicking, honorable mention went also to Lyle Young.

The first all-area team was composed of:

Ends—Rufino Escobedo, Stamford and Charles Wolford, Ranger.

Tackles—Deibert Wiley, Ballinger and David Conner, Haskell.

Guards—Gaylon Woodward, Coleman and Don Drummond, Hamlin.

Center—Bill Moss, Seymour.

Backs—Billy Ryan, Seymour, Dale Hyerly, Coleman, Jimmy Roberts, Anson, and David Wharton, Ranger.

Harold Barrett, Ranger coach, was named as coach of the year for this area.

CHRISTMAS EDITION PUBLISHED TUESDAY

The Ledger will be out next Tuesday morning with the 1957 Christmas edition. There will be no week-end paper published on Thursday.

We will appreciate getting your Christmas personals as early as possible. If you have not been contacted, and you plan to go somewhere or to have company, please give us the information. Merchants who want Christmas greetings and who have not been contacted are also urged to contact us and a salesman will call. Watch for your Ledger next Tuesday.



MODEL CITY—Twins Tani, left, and Dran Seitz get "that towering feeling" when they touch the tip of New York's Empire State Building. Actually, the building is a replica made of balsa wood and is part of a Manhattan collection built by Guy Miller and owned by him and A. George Golden. The model Gotham is being exhibited in Grand Central Station by the Travelers Aid Society during its annual fund drive.

Ballots to Name Board Of C-C Directors 1958

Ballots are in the hands of Ballinger members of the Chamber of Commerce asking them to vote for 4 men to serve as directors for the next two years. These ballots are to be voted on and returned to the chamber office by Saturday, December 21. At that time they will be tabulated and the 11 men receiving the highest number of votes and who will accept the job, will be declared the 11 new directors to take over after January 1.

Ballots on post cards, along with a list of all eligible members, were mailed to the membership last week along with a letter explaining the plan to select the new members of the board. To date a large number have neglected to write the four names on the post card and place it in the mail. Chamber of Commerce officials

are anxious that all members vote and have a part in the selecting of the new members. The new board will be announced next week. There will be 11 holdover directors who will make up the 22-member board. A meeting of the group will be held on the first Monday in January, at which time officers for the year will be elected, members of the executive committee named and chairmen selected to head each standing committee. The board will set a date for the annual membership meeting and banquet at which time officers and new directors will be installed. Hold-over directors and those retiring from the board at the end of this year were also included in the letter to the membership as those who are ineligible for election.

Christmas in the Churches

Sunday will be a day of Christmas in most of the churches of the city with sermon and song dealing with the story of the birth of Christ. All churches extend a welcome to those who are not regular members and invite them to participate in the worship services.

At the First Baptist Church a visiting minister will bring the morning Christmas message with the choir furnishing special music in keeping with the occasion.

At the evening service, the Choral Choir, directed by Bob Allford, will sing a cantata, "The Story of Christmas." This group of 35 young people have been rehearsing for several weeks for the special program.

Another special service has been planned for December 29 when college students at 29 for the holidays will have charge of the program.

The main Christmas program will be held at 7:30 Sunday night when a playlet, "The Unexpected Guest," is presented by a cast of adults and young people. There will also be special music for this service.

Tonight the official family of the church including all deacons and their wives will meet for a fellowship dinner and program.

Sunday school classes and various departments of the church are having special Christmas social events which will continue on until Christmas Eve.

First Church of God

The main observance at the First Church of God will be held Sunday evening starting at 7 o'clock. All the children of the church will take part in a special program which has been arranged and rehearsed by adults of the various departments.

Following the program the annual Christmas tree will be held with gifts for all the children.

Mrs. John Hollingsworth of Miami, Florida has been here the past week attending to business.

Officers Report Arrests In Area During Week-End

Local law enforcement officers were kept busy last week and from now until after the holidays will devote a good part of their time in assisting highway patrolmen and others with traffic problems. All officers in Texas have been asked to cooperate in making driving safer during the Christmas holiday season and until after January 1 trips are over.

A. O. Merch was apprehended the past week-end and bootlegging charges filed against him. He was granted bond by the county court for a hearing later.

Pat Barron was apprehended in San Angelo and charged with car theft. He is at present on five year adult parole.

Sheriff Don Atkins reported that two 6½ inch liners valued at \$180 had been stolen from the Hoxie Oil Company.

W. B. (Pete) Copeland has been charged with wife and child desertion and a warrant received from Durant, Oklahoma asking local officers to apprehend the defendant.

Orville Wilson was charged with felony theft and bond was granted in the amount of \$1,250.

Lorenzo Martinez ran into all kinds of trouble with local officers. He was charged with transporting whiskey, car theft, speeding and no driver's license. He was fined \$20.50 for having no license. Bond in the other cases were: \$500 for speeding, \$500 for transporting whiskey and \$1,000 for car theft.

Five tickets were issued to speeders the past week-end in this area.

Texas Free Show For Youngsters On Christmas Eve

The annual free Christmas Eve show for kiddies will be held again this year at the Texas Theatre. Manager Louis Brown announced this week that his entire staff would be on the job Tuesday morning for a full hour and one-half show for the youngsters of the Ballinger area.

The program will start at 9:30 a. m. and should be out by 11 a. m. Parents can leave their children at the theatre during that time and pick them up when the show is completed.

A good program of cartoons and comedies has been booked for this annual show and one that will delight the children. Mr. Brown stated that each year the Texas has been packed for this Christmas Eve show and that he expects another capacity crowd Tuesday morning.

It is his way of expressing appreciation to the youngsters who attend the theatre all during the year and also to the parents.

The theatre will be made comfortable Tuesday morning regardless of weather and a staff will be on the job to look after the children.

Annual Football Banquet Planned Here January 13

The Bearcat Quarterback Club announced this week that the annual football banquet would be held on January 13. Arrangements have been made to bring George Sauer, athletic director at Baylor University, here for the principal speaker.

This year the banquet will be for men and ladies and if it can be arranged, the meal will be served at the West Ward cafeteria. Members of the Quarterback Club will complete arrangements as fast as possible and announce the complete program within a short time. Tickets for the dinner will go on sale to local fans shortly after the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Sauer was head football coach at Baylor until he resigned to become athletic director. He was an all-American fullback at Nebraska in his college days.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Paschal and four children, formerly of San Antonio, have moved to Ballinger where he will be employed by the West Texas Utilities. Mrs. Paschal is the former Marjorie Alliman of Litherland, England.

Hale-Aikin Committee Holds Meeting Monday

Coronation Set Friday Evening Dance To Follow

Friday evening will be a big night for the students of Ballinger High School. The annual coronation will be held at the auditorium starting at 7:30 p. m. when the new king and queen will be presented along with a large number of other outstanding students.

They will include the most popular boy and girl, the most typical boy and girl, the most handsome boy and the most beautiful girl, the class favorites—one boy and one girl from each class, the most outstanding athlete, football, band and PFA sweethearts, FHA dreamboat, and 23 students listed for this year in Who's Who.

These students are the most outstanding in all classes and departments of the high school for this year. In addition to their presentation Friday evening, all those on the program will have special pages in the annual to be published near the end of the school year.

The high school choral club, under the direction of Mrs. Wm. F. Postlethwaite, will open the program Friday evening with a short concert.

Following the coronation of the queen and king, the group will go to Bruce Field for their annual coronation dance and Christmas party.

Christmas Party Of 4-H Clubbers Attended By 300

There were approximately 300 present for the countywide 4-H Club party here last Saturday night. The annual Christmas event was held at the National Guard Armory and all clubs were present with the exception of one. In addition to the boys and girls there was a large number of parents here for the entertainment.

The program opened with the singing of Christmas carols led by girls from the Rowena and Ballinger clubs. This was followed by the Christmas story taken from the scriptures.

Agents presented all the special awards won by boys and girls during the entire club year. Many outstanding records in club work were shown in the many awards presented.

Next came the exchange of gifts from the lighted tree and the serving of cookies and drinks. Girls furnished the cookies and boys provided the drinks for the party. Those in charge stated the gathering was one of the best Christmas socials ever held by the county clubs.

Special Program For Bible Class Sunday Morning

Christmas will be observed by the Downtown Bible Class at the Runnels Theatre Sunday morning. A special program has been arranged for this occasion and the general public is invited including the men, women and children.

Special Christmas music will be rendered by the Girls' Sextet of the Ballinger High School. In this group are Kay Mansell, Martha Gallant, Gloriana Crawford, Karen Carpenter, Donna Atkins and Jeren Summers.

The special Christmas message will be brought by Rev. E. R. Gordon, pastor of the First Methodist Church.

A fellowship period with coffee and doughnuts will start at 9 a. m. and will be followed by the program.

T. J. Mansell, class president, stated this week that many bundles of used clothing have been received and are still coming in to the class. Persons who know of someone in need can send them to Mr. Mansell at Mansell Bros. on Hutchings Avenue and they can be fitted in what they need. The class is making a year-round project of the used clothing bank and hope to have articles at all times to care for those in need.

The Runnels County Hale-Aikin committee met here Monday night at the high school for their first session since the state Hale-Aikin Committee of 24 was named. The state committee was named by four groups interested in educational standards in the state and since that time community committees have been named and the several community committees in a county also form the county committee.

W. E. Elkins presided at the meeting here Monday night and after a general discussion, it was decided that each would go back into their community to hold meetings and make a study of the needs as indicated by the people.

The committee to make the school study in the Ballinger area is composed of Charles Hambrick, C. A. Bissett, E. J. Grindstaff, Mrs. R. E. Ruble, Miss Ruth Morgan, Ernest Caskey, J. G. Tuckey, Price Middleton and M. A. Poy.

County groups are to complete their investigations and make their report by May 1 of 1958 so that the next session of the Texas Legislature will have their information for consideration.

The study to be taken up by the committee includes practically every phase of education, present and future needs. It will include subject offerings, what is offered by each school and the requirements of the state for graduation.

Standards will be given a close look by the committees along with services offered. The instructional and administrative personnel will come in for more consideration. Special services and auxiliary services that takes in classrooms and transportation will get a close study by the groups. Materials furnished by the state including text books will be looked into with a view of expanding to include films, tape recordings and television.

Special programs that take in vocational education, and might provide for the exceptional child as well as the retarded student, will be considered. Adult education will also be given consideration.

Other items will include building construction, school finances, transfer of high school students from elementary schools and the teacher supply. The Ballinger committee plans to hold other meetings at which time they may invite local people to attend and participate in the discussions.

Rotarians Enjoy Christmas Party At Club Tuesday

Ballinger Rotary Club's annual Christmas party was held Tuesday, and was greeted by an almost perfect attendance, with eight San Angelo Rotarians as guests. Presents were stacked under a beautifully decorated tree and were distributed to members and guests at the close of the program.

A feature of the program was a number of songs by a sextet of sixth grade pupils of the local schools, under the direction of Mrs. W. F. Postlethwaite. The sextet was composed of Jo Lou Putman, Karen Schroeder, Becky Bigby, Barbara Holbrook, Gary Brown and Grant Lee. A novelty tap dance number was offered by Miss Putman and the performance of the entire ensemble was well received.

The club is planning to assist needy families of the community this Christmas season as has been customary over the past several years.

There will be no meeting of the club next week, next meeting to be held December 31.

SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE TAX

Announcement was made Wednesday that the tax office of the Ballinger school board would be closed December 24, 25 and 26 for the Christmas holidays. They will be on the job Friday, December 27, to receive payment of school taxes and transact other business.

Several Ballinger stores have announced that they will be closed on December 25 and 26. The court house and city hall will observe the same holidays as the school board office.



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Ground Sage Crown Colony 1/2-Oz. Can **17¢**
Aluminum Foil Alcoa or Reynolds 25 x 12 Roll **29¢**
Cottage Cheese Lucerna—Dry Curd 2 1/2-Lb. Bag **49¢**

Safeway Holiday Special Buys!

Del Monte Peas Early June, Extra Tender 2 303 Cans **35¢**
Fruit Cocktail Town House, All Your Favorite Fruits 303 Can **19¢**
Sliced Peaches or Halves—Town House or Castle Crest, Extra Heavy Syrup 2 1/2 Can **27¢**
Mixed Nuts Perfect for Fruit Salad 1-Lb. Cello **49¢**
Marshmallows Fluffiest 1-Lb. Cello **35¢**
Brazil Nuts Washed—Large and Medium 1-Lb. Cello **41¢**
Baby Walnuts Emerald Long Type 1-Lb. Cello **49¢**
Roast Beef Hash Mary Kitchen 15 1/2-Oz. Can **43¢**
Chunk Tuna Chicken of Sea Green Label No. 1/2 Can **33¢**
Trend Detergent Ideal for Dishes, too Giant Box **45¢**
Northern Tissue Assorted Colors 3 Rolls **27¢**
Maryland Club Coffee, Regular, Drip or Pulverized 1-Lb. Can **92¢**
Salad Dressing Kraft Miracle Whip Jar 16-Oz. **37¢**
French Dressing Kraft Miracle 8-Oz. Bot. **25¢**
Cheese Spread Kraft Pimiento, Olive, Pimiento or Pineapple Jar 5-Oz. **25¢**
Kraft Cheese Cracker Barrel Sharp 8-Oz. Pkg. **43¢**
Sliced Cheese Kraft American, Pimiento or Swiss 1/2-Lb. Pkg. **35¢**
Kraft Caramels Delightfully Fresh Flavored 1-Lb. Pkg. **39¢**

Prices effective Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 19-20-21. No Sales to Dealers.



SAFEWAY STORES WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY CHRISTMAS DECEMBER 25 Shop Early and Save!

Special Buys for the Big Feast

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Ice Cream Party Pride Assorted Flavors A Perfect Dessert Anytime 1/2-Gal. Ctn. **69¢**
Bel-Air Strawberries Frozen, Sliced 16-Oz. Pkg. **29¢**
Bel-Air Green Peas or Cut Whole Kernel Corn—Frozen Fresh from the Garden Flavor 2 10-Oz. Pkgs. **29¢**

Safeway Fresh Produce

Delicious Apples 64's and 72's Gleaming Red, Extra Fancy Washington State Lb. **13¢**
Navel Oranges Sunkist, Juicy, Sweet Perfect to Fill the Stockings Lb. **13¢**
Pascal Celery Crunchy Sweet, Perfect for Your Holiday Dressing Lb. **8¢**
Russet Potatoes Premium Bulk, Specially Selected for Baking Lb. **8¢**
Crisp Lettuce Cracking Fresh Arizona's Finest 2 Heads **21¢**
Cranberries Late Harvest, Firm, Tangy, Imp. Ripen Berries Lb. **21¢**

For Your Christmas Dinner
Libby Pumpkin Ideal for Pies 2 303 Cans **23¢**
Bakers Coconut Moist 4-Oz. Can **19¢**
Shortening Royal Satin 3-Lb. Can **85¢**

Season's Best Buys at Safeway

Sliced Pineapple Libby—Perfect for Pies and Cakes No. 2 Can **29¢**
Whole Green Beans Del Monte 303 Can **23¢**
Highway Corn Whole Kernel Golden 2 12-Oz. Cans **25¢**
Busy Baker Crackers Salted Just Right 1-Lb. Box **23¢**

Lucerne COTTAGE CHEESE Regular, Firm, Chive or Low Calorie
Holiday Special Buy 16-Oz. Ctn. **23¢**
BARTLETT PEARS Town House Ideal for Salads 303 Can **20¢**
Chocolate Covered Cherries Raspberry, light or Dark Chocolate 13-Oz. Box **49¢**
Sunnybank Margarine Creamy Smooth Perfect for Holiday Baking 1-Lb. Pkg. **25¢**

Holiday Special!
Canned Biscuits Top Flite, Bisquick, Ballard, Gladiola, Pillsbury, Puffin or Borden 8-Oz. Can **10¢**

Kitchen Craft Flour 5-Lb. Bag **47¢**
White Corn Meal Kitchen Craft 5-Lb. Bag **45¢**
Spring House Butter 1-Lb. Pkg. **83¢**
Mince Meat Little Cook 9-Oz. Pkg. **19¢**
Bouillon Cubes Steero Instant 2 1/4-Oz. Pkgs. **35¢**
Wesson Oil Perfect for Pie Crusts Qt. Bottle **65¢**
Fluffo Shortening 3-Lb. Can **91¢**
Sugarine Liquid Sweetener 4-Oz. Bot. **59¢**
Mortons Salt Free Running or Iodized 2 26-Oz. Boxes **25¢**
Razor Blades Pal Injector 20-Ct. Pkg. **69¢**
Black Walnuts Funsten's 4-Oz. Can **47¢**

Safeway Holiday Specials!

Velkay Shortening For Flaky Pie Crusts 3-Lb. Ctn. **65¢**
Breakfast Gems Eggs Grade A Quality Medium Size Doz. **59¢**
Mince Meat Snails Thurs., Fri., Sat. Only Regular Price 23¢ Curtsy 7-Oz. Pkg. **19¢**

Pecan Pieces Woody's 1-Lb. Pkg. **95¢**
Vel Beauty Bar Toilet Soap 8-Oz. Bar **21¢**
Ivory Snow Soap Powder Large Box **33¢**
Vel Detergent For a Whiter Wash Large Box **32¢**
Pecan Halves Woody's 1-Lb. Pkg. **99¢**
Ad Detergent Economical Size 10-Lb. Box **\$2.39**
Delsey Tissue White, Pink or Yellow 2 Rolls **27¢**
Vigo Dog Food Beef or Horsemeat 1-Lb. Ctn. **11¢**

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SOCIETY

Presbyterian USA Conquest Class Christmas Party
Members of the Conquest Class of the First Presbyterian Church USA, held their no-host Christmas dinner party in the home of Mrs. Willie Hoover on Wednesday night of last week. As guests were greeted by Mrs. B. H. Erwin, a Christmas

symbol conquest was held, at which George Holman was the winner.
Following the dinner, Mrs. John Reese conducted the business. Miss Eunice Lilly gave the Christmas story and Henry Psenck gave the prayer. Mrs. Harper McFarland distributed gifts from the lighted Christmas

tree. Other decorations were potted poinsettias, mistletoe and arrangements of ornamented balls.
Mrs. Hoover played Christmas carols on the Hammond organ, and Mrs. Una V. Green directed the group in singing.
Those present were Messrs. and Mmes. R. E. Hancock, Hub

Dean, Henry Psenck, B. H. Erwin and Claude Dittmore of Bronte; Mmes. Rufus Allen, Greene, Andy Spreen, J. E. Fowler, Ad Urban, A. W. Sledge, Betty Routh; Misses Lillian McMillan, Mickey Vorbeck, Edna Routh, Eva, Maggie and Eunice Lilly.

First Methodist Junior Department Meets

Mrs. Garland Nix, superintendent of the Junior Department of the First Methodist Church, and teachers, Mmes. Herman Rountree, T. L. Hebert, J. D. Reneau and B. C. Edwards, entertained 35 members of the department Wednesday evening

at the Fellowship Hall. Gifts were brought and will be sent to the Bethlehem Center Colored School. The group rehearsed the singing of carols which they will sing at the Women's Society of Christian Service Christmas program next Monday.
Games were played and re-

Senior and Intermediate MYF Have Caroling Party

Around 22 members of the Senior and Intermediate MYF of the First Methodist Church met at the church Wednesday night for a caroling party.
After visiting a number of homes and singing Christmas carols, the group went to the home of the church pastor, Rev. E. R. Gordon, and Mrs. Gordon for a party in the basement.
Mrs. E. B. Underwood, superintendent, and counselors, Mrs. R. A. Bagwell, Mrs. Sam Conner, Mrs. C. L. Drake and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Stacy, served a sandwich plate with hot spiced apple cider and candy.

Ace of Clubs Christmas Party in St. John Home

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle St. John were hosts to members of Ace of Clubs last Thursday evening, entertaining at a steak supper at Zentner's and followed by bridge games in the St. John home which was beautifully decorated with the traditional theme.
The dining table, laid with a red felt Christmas cloth, was centered with a huge white, silver and red candle ornamented with pine burs.
High score award in bridge went to Mrs. H. G. Agnew and Earl Barr. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Moss won the bingo award. An exchange of gifts from the lighted tree was at the conclusion.
Others were Messrs. and Mmes. Price Middleton, Howard Bramley, W. O. Irby, Sam Conner, George Newby, Mrs. Earl Barr, H. G. Agnew, Miss Jackie Bramley and Mack St. John.

Methodist Junior School Presents W. S. C. S. Program

Thirty children of the First Methodist Junior Church School presented a Christmas program at the meeting of the Women's Society of Christian Service Monday afternoon in the church parlors.
The program included "O' Little Town of Bethlehem," "Oh Come, All Ye Faithful" and "The First Noel," followed by the Christmas Story from Luke by Gary Brown. Hal Reneau sang a solo, and Larry Hays played a piano solo. Other Christmas carols were sung by the group.
Mrs. T. L. Hebert, secretary of Children's Work in the church, presented the program, assisted by Mrs. Garland Nix, superintendent of the Junior Department, and Mrs. Herman Rountree. Mrs. J. D. Reneau was pianist.
Approximately twenty members of W. S. C. S. attended the program.


CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas—
GREETING:
You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Runnels County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy:
CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS
To Humberto Villarreal, Defendant. Greeting:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable District Court of Runnels County at the Court-house thereof, in Ballinger, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 27th day of January A. D. 1958, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court on the 12th day of December, A. D. 1957, in this cause, numbered 6811 on the docket of said court and styled Mary Medrano Villarreal, Plaintiff, vs. Humberto Villarreal, Defendant.
A brief statement of this suit is as follows, to-wit: A suit by plaintiff, Mary Medrano Villarreal against defendant, Humberto Villarreal, in which said plaintiff seeks judgment against defendant for divorce and dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between them, and for general relief as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.
If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.
The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.
Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Ballinger, Texas, this 13th day of December, A. D. 1957.
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Mrs. Thelma Grounds and children of San Angelo spent the week-end visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Pape.

The Crews MYF met with Ophelia Dietz in her home Sunday evening. After the program, plans were made for Christmas and candy and coffee were served the group.

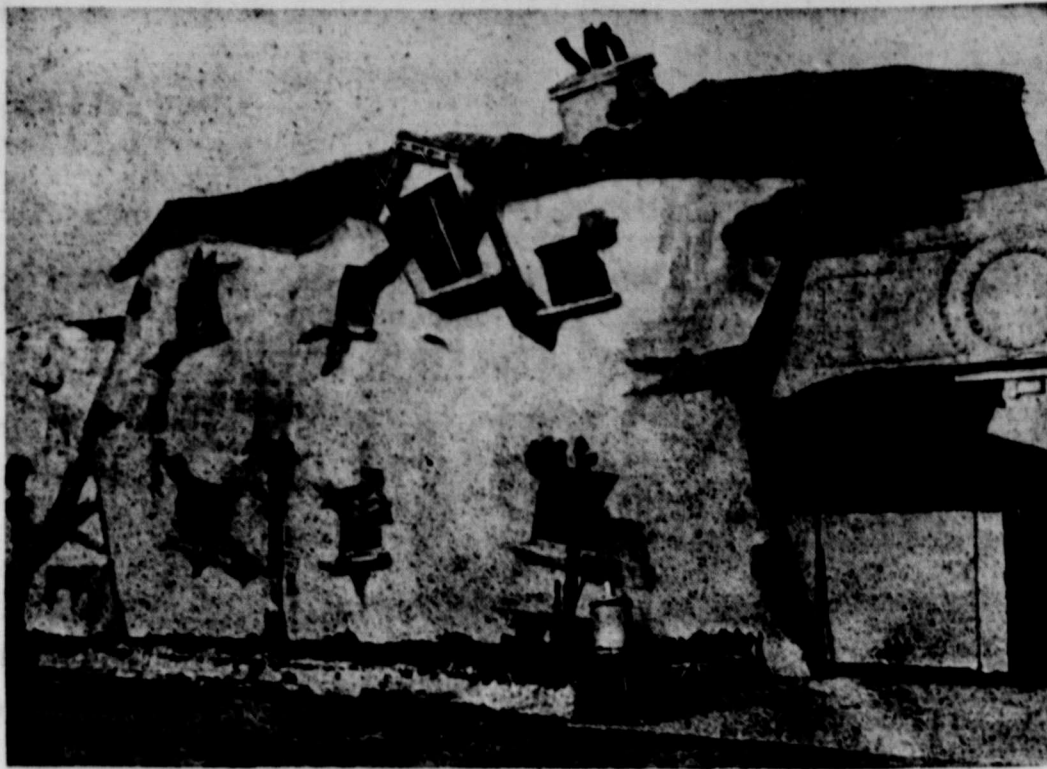
Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Petrie visited Rev. and Mrs. Fisher at Talpa last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Alcorn and Foy, Rev. Frank Fisher and the Arnold Alcorn family were luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Alcorn Sunday. Mrs. Louise Hale and Mrs. Hentchel of Ballinger were afternoon callers.

Patsy Fisher and some friends from Howard Payne College at Brownwood spent the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Fisher.

Announcements have been received that Joe Alcorn has finished his course at an embalmer's school at Dallas. He plans on moving to Coleman this week where he has employment.

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CREWS
Visitors at the Methodist Church Sunday morning were Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Edwards of Brownwood, D. H. White of Ballinger and Mrs. Thelma Grounds and children of San Angelo. Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Bridwell were back in the service after spending several weeks in Lamesa. Owen Bragg was also able to be out again after having been ill for several days.

Methodist pastor, was ill and not able to attend services Sunday. She is taking treatments at a Brownwood hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hale were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Flay Brevard at Ballinger. Flay Brevard and David and Mr. Hale went to their hunting lease at Menard for a days hunting.

Word has been received here that Mr. and Mrs. Lavon Curbo of Hobbs, New Mexico have a new baby girl. She arrived December 6 and has been named Lavonda June. Mrs. Curbo is the former Beuna Belle Berry.

Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Edwards of Brownwood, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Mayhew of Drasco,

ger, the winner of the MH-50 Tractor under the MH Tractor Demonstration Program during the months of September and October, 1957.

Carl Vassberg of Lyford, Texas was the lucky farmer whose name was drawn at the dealer meeting held in Austin on December 3, 1957.

Texas Secretary of State, Mr. Zolie Steakley, was chosen to draw the winner of the tractor in the presence of MH-F dealers from Districts 9 and 5.

In addition to MH-50 tractor sales, Mr. Vassberg sold 6 additional tractors in the Model 333 and 444 tractor class.

MEETING OF V. F. W. SET FOR TONIGHT
The Byler-Bilbrey Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will meet at the Wells Drug Store tonight at 7:30 for the regular business session.

Commander James Hudgins has announced an inspection of the post by L. A. Marshall, of San Angelo, commander of District 22. All members and those wishing to become members are invited to attend.

GOOD LIVESTOCK SALE IS HELD HERE MONDAY

The weekly livestock sale held Monday afternoon was well attended and there was a good run of cattle, sheep and hogs. The market was strong all during the afternoon and all animals were disposed of before the end of the sale.

The management announced that no sale will be held next Monday, December 23, but regular sales will be resumed the following Monday.

SCOUTS TO PRESENT PROGRAM FOR LIONS

A group of boy scouts who attended the Philmont Ranch last summer will attend the meeting of the Ballinger Lions Club Friday. The trip was sponsored by the Ballinger Lions and the boys will express their appreciation, tell of the wonderful outing area, and also present a program.

C. A. Bissett will have charge of the program.

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BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Lawson of Fort Worth are parents of a daughter, Lynda Lea, born on December 10. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Eld McMillan of Ballinger and Mrs. H. T. Lawson of Fort Worth.

COUNTY CHRISTMAS TREE HERE MONDAY

County officials and employees will have their annual Christmas tree and party Monday afternoon after which they will start their holidays for December 24, 25 and 26.

Gifts will be exchanged from the tree and refreshments served by lady employees at the court house. A beautiful tree has been decorated on the first lower hall at the court house and will remain there until after the holidays.

SERVING UNCLE SAM

Milford D. Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie H. Jackson of 302 Broadway, Ballinger, and Walter H. Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Thomas of 802 12th Street, Ballinger, completed recruit training December 4, at the Marine Corps

Recruit Depot, San Diego, California.

The 11-week course included instruction in all basic military subjects and the firing of all basic infantry weapons.

Upon completion of training, new Marines are assigned to a unit for further infantry training, or to one of the many Marine Corps schools.

JAYCEES WILL GIVE BICYCLE TO YOUTH

The Ballinger Jaycees have a bicycle assembled and will give it to some local boy within a short time. The bicycle is on display at the chamber of commerce office now. Boys who wish to try for the bicycle will write a statement on "Why I Need a Bicycle" and drop the letter in a box at the chamber of commerce office. Impartial judges will read the statements and will announce a winner.

The Jaycees in meeting Monday night voted to call off their meeting for next Monday and to use the money usually spent for the dinner in caring for a needy family.

NORTON LIONS PLAN GOC GROUP FOR TOWN

The Norton Lions met on Thursday night of last week with the Norton Home Demonstration Club serving the dinner.

Sgt. Clyde of Dyess Air Force Base at Abilene was the guest speaker for the program following the meal. He discussed the matter of organizing a Ground Observer Corps at Norton and showed a 30 minute GOC picture which showed the important part each unit can play in this work.

The Norton Lions were 100 per cent in favor of the project and a unit will be formed and meetings scheduled each month.

The next meeting of the Lions Club will be held in January.

EXPLORERS ATTEND SERVICES IN GROUP

Explorers of Post 34 attended church services Sunday in a body. They had Rev. O. D. Carpenter at the Seventh Street Baptist Church at the morning worship service.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our friends who were so kind to us in our recent sorrow, the death of our loved one, at Bertram, Texas. The telegrams, letters and cards received from our Ballinger friends meant much to us in this sad hour. We express our deep appreciation for each kind expression of sympathy.

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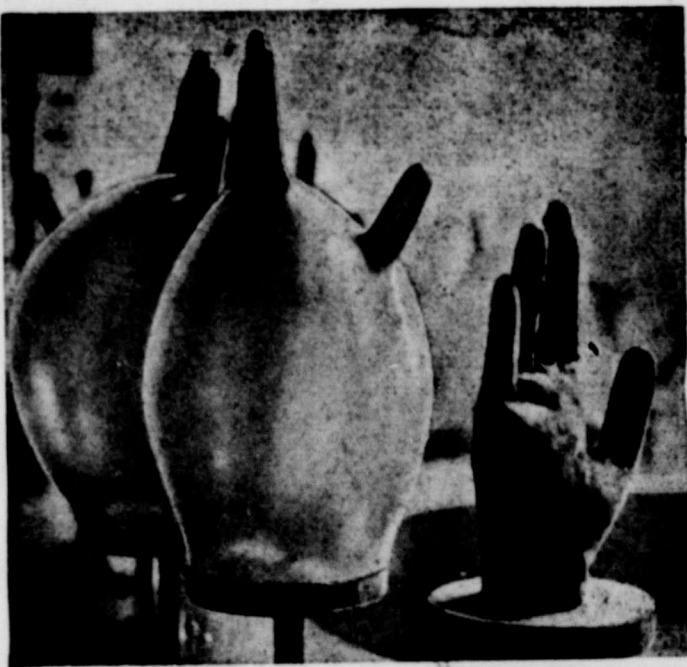
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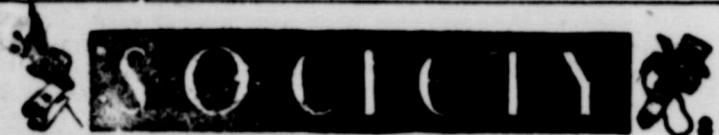
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Philathea Class Christmas Party Held Tuesday

Mrs. Paul Richardson, Mrs. Blair Hays and Mrs. R. L. Bell were hostesses for the annual Christmas party of the First Methodist Philathea Class Monday night, entertaining in the Richardson home.

Seasonal decorations were featured in party rooms. The traditional green tree was ornamented with red balls, and the dining table was centered with an arrangement of greenery, pyracantha berries and pine burs with red candles burning in candelabra at each side.

Mrs. Jack Nixon, president, directed the business after the opening prayer was given by Mrs. Marion Hays. Mrs. Troy Simpson brought the Christmas story, "Merry Christmas, Mr. Baxter," by Edward Streeter.

Birthday celebrations were Mrs. Mack Setser, Mrs. L. T. Allen and Mrs. Sam Behringer.

Itz, Aubra Dodson, Tom Caudle, Robert Bruce, J. L. Davis, Cordelia Forgye, Vernon Webb, O. R. O'Neill, Claude Stone, C. L. Howell, Hugo Vogelsang and Miss Ollie Chenoweth.

A & M Home Town Club Meeting Dec. 23

The Winters-West Texas A & M Home Town Club wishes to announce a Christmas social at the Winters Country Club on December 23, starting at 7:30 p. m. All former students, other college students, high school students and the general public are invited to attend.

Presbyterian Service Class Entertained At Dinner

Members of the Service Class of the First Presbyterian Church USA, held their annual Christmas dinner party last Sunday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ashton.

A Christmas scene was used for yard decorations and party rooms were decorated with a silver and red Christmas tree. The dining table was laid with

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a red decorated cloth and centered with an arrangement of candles and berries.

Following the turkey menu, humorous gifts were exchanged from the lighted tree. Members brought gifts for a needy family.

Those present were Messrs. and Mrs. Pierson Corder, Maxie Cole Jr., Doyle Riley, Bill Dean, Bobby Curry, Willie Roy Beaver, Calvin Howell, Kerry Lange, Mrs. G. W. Byram, Miss Patsy Ashton, Eddie and Prissy Howell, Diana and Kathy Riley, Diana and Jerry Byram, and Mackie Lange.

Mrs. J. W. Barr Entertains Methodist Workers Class

Mrs. J. W. Barr was hostess to members of the First Methodist Workers Class Wednesday afternoon, entertaining in her Seventh Street home which was given a festive air by the traditional greenery and red candles.

Mrs. Lillian Holt, president, conducted the business and gave the opening prayer. Reports were heard from Mrs. Lee Evans, the secretary, and Mrs. Hatton Laxson, the treasurer. Mrs. L. C. Hill gave the Christmas story from Luke, "The Nativity Story" and "Do You Believe in Santa?"

Following several contests, Santa distributed gifts from the lighted tree. Cranberry punch was served with fruit cake and candies from the tea table laid with an ornamented red felt cloth.

Others were Mrs. Asa Cordill, C. P. Shepherd, Bob Crockett, Hamp Byler, Sally McShan, C. M. Gibson, W. E. Midgley, Lee Boatright, Tom Crockett, C. D. Harris, Oliver Cochran, A. J. Borders, Oscar Cochran, John Lovless, A. O. Strother, W. R. Clark and J. C. Reese.

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Delta, University Queen nominee, and was an active member of Business and Professional Women's Club in Coleman. The past three years she has taught in the Junior High School at Corona, California.

Mr. Kreaeger is a graduate of the University of Houston. He is an active member of Toastmasters Club at Corona where he is mathematician at Corona Naval Ordnance Laboratory. The couple will continue their residence at Corona, California.

Card of Thanks The G. F. Blackman family wish to express their sincere thanks for the many expressions of sympathy and kindness shown during the illness and at the death of their husband and father. 19-11

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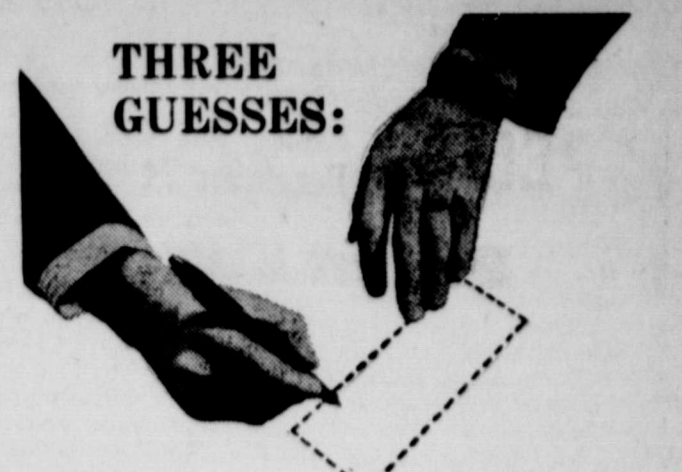
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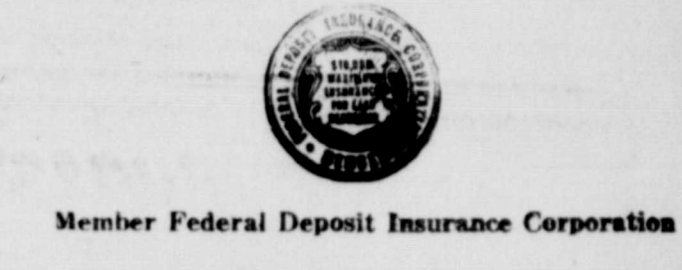
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HOSPITAL NOTES
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Austin Williams, medical, Saturday
Joe Ramos, medical, Thursday
Mrs. Paul Jaloma and son, Friday
W. B. Hodges Jr., medical, Monday
Mrs. J. M. Nichols, medical, Tuesday
J. D. Crockett, Winters, medical, Thursday
Blado Mena, medical, Thursday
Mrs. E. B. Blackburn, medical, Saturday
Sylvia Medrano, medical, Tuesday
J. H. David, Abilene, medical, Sunday
Mrs. A. W. Malone, medical, Tuesday

Births reported at the Ballinger Clinic-Hospital the past week were:
Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Barnes, Winters, a son, born December 11
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Reeves, a daughter, born December 12
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Williams, a daughter, born December 13
Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Comer, a daughter, born December 16
Mr. and Mrs. Olivia Cortinas, a daughter, born December 18
Patients in the hospital at this time are:
Mrs. J. E. Simco, surgical
Mrs. John New, Hearn, medical

L. L. Williams, medical
Mrs. Joe Dodson, Talpa, medical
David Fuchs, Eola, medical
Mrs. David Fuchs, Eola, medical
Michelle Fuchs, Eola, medical
Mrs. H. W. Lynn, medical
Mrs. Mayme Straley, medical
Lee Bigley, Norton, medical
Mrs. Henry Viameli, medical
R. P. Canady, medical

her son, Frank Barnes and family. While there she attended the annual Christmas party and banquet given each year by the Civil Aeronautics Administration, of which Mr. Barnes is an employee.

L. H. Feiwellen of Austin has been appointed to the State Board of Control. He is a brother of Mrs. R. G. Erwin and with his wife will visit here during the Christmas holidays.

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Green Peas	DEL MONTE	No. 303 Can	20c
Asparagus	MISSION	No. 303 Can	26c
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Comstock Apples	Can	24c	Spuds	Lb.	6c
Caramels, Kraft 1-Lb. Pkg.		33c	Carrots	Cello Pkg.	10c
Miracle Whip, Kraft	Pt.	35c	Celery	Stalk	15c
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One custom, and a good one, that never changes is the gathering of families at Christmas time. Practically everybody is either going to see some one or expecting company...

The national guard army at Ballinger is becoming more and more of a community center. Numerous organizations reserve the building, at a small charge to pay utilities, and have their meetings there. The

facilities offer room for most any kind of a meeting. Numerous banquets have been served in the building, dances have been staged and large get-togethers have been possible because of the large floor space.

Early in 1958 the new bridge across the Colorado River on Highway 87 will be completed and that route opened to the public. Business men on Hutchings Avenue have suffered a hardship for many months while that street was closed to local traffic and all through traffic routed on other streets.

Christmas is a time of remembering those less fortunate than others and in Ballinger this year there will be families that will not have much to eat, little to wear and no toys and gifts for the kiddies unless someone is big-hearted and



WEST TEXAS NOTES

The Paint Rock chapter of the Order of Eastern Star held a 50th anniversary program last week at which time three charter members of the organization were honored. Mrs. Ora E. Holman of El Paso and Mrs. J. A. Waide and Mrs. J. B. Waide made up the threesome that have been members at Paint Rock for 50 years.

The Volunteer Firemen at Rowena have started a selling campaign on fire extinguishers. The small "Fire Pug" is being sold by firemen at \$2 each and a part of the cash will be used by the firemen to carry on with their expenses.

The industrial committee of the chamber of commerce at Stephenville has engaged H. C. Rethwisch of the Dixie Locating Service to help that city in getting new industry. He met with the committee last week and will assist them in trying to land a new industry which has over 200 employees.

helps them. Each year there are about 50 families in Ballinger who need help and this year will be no exception. There are others who are never listed for aid but who will have very little unless some friend steps in and helps the parents. Your Christmas can be a little happier if you find such a family and assist them in getting some of the non-essentials that spread so much happiness in the hearts of boys and girls.

smaller towns where labor and other necessities were available. The speaker was in Texas to look over seven towns being considered for a new industry.

A number of organizations at Eden will have a part in the special features for Christmas being planned. The Lions Club will be host at a free show for the kiddies of that area and an excellent program has been arranged by the theatre manager. The Veterans of Foreign Wars will gather toys, repair them and distribute them to children on Christmas eve.

The Texas Highway Department has announced that they plan to spend some \$46,500 in Coke County for the improvement of highways. This is in addition to the regular construction work announced prior to this time and some of which has been started.

City officials at Winters have announced that parking meters will be covered on certain shopping days during the Christmas season and all who visit Winters at that time will find free parking. These dates were set up to include Saturday, December 14, Saturday, December 21, and Tuesday, De-

ember 24. The courtesy is extended as a part of the towns invitation to Christmas shoppers in that trade area. Saturday, December 14, the annual kiddy Christmas parade was staged and a large crowd was on hand to view it.

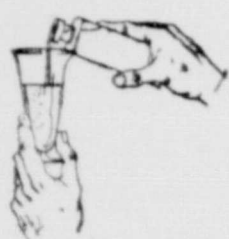
Coleman firemen will again carry out the annual Christmas Cheer program in that city. Contributions to purchase needed supplies are being secured and a budget of \$1,250 has been set up for the 1957 job. Early contributions to the cheer fund amounted to more than \$400 and an urgent appeal was issued last week for at least \$800 more.

Trustees of the Howard County Junior College have announced that bids would be sought on January 10 for a new \$400,000 student union building for the school. The building will provide 15,000 square feet of space and is being made possible through a grant from the Dora Roberts Foundation.

Comanche County, which on an average produces more than a million pounds of pecans had a better than average crop this season. Prices received on the Comanche market ran from 18 to 20 cents per pound on native pecans and 30 to 40 cents on the paper shell varieties.

Advertisement for Electric Gift with an illustration of a man and woman looking at a gift. Text includes 'surprise them with an Electric Gift!!', 'See Your Electric Appliance Dealer', and 'Electricity costs so little - you can afford to use lots of it!'.

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WHEN YOU FEEL "out of sorts," when you have an ache or a pain, well-meaning friends will gladly prescribe for your ills. Their judgment is based on what they have heard from others, and they talk glibly of what happened to Pete, Sam, or John under similar circumstances.

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Merry Christmas To All

For many centuries Christmas has been a day of gladness. It marked the beginning of a new and brighter era. Its spiritual and religious significance has remained unchanged in an ever changing world.

It is a time to think of others and its deeper meaning is expressed by the scriptural precept that we must continue to strive for peace and for the day when good will may prevail among all men and among all nations.

At this season we are especially mindful of how much our depositors and friends mean to us. To each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas!



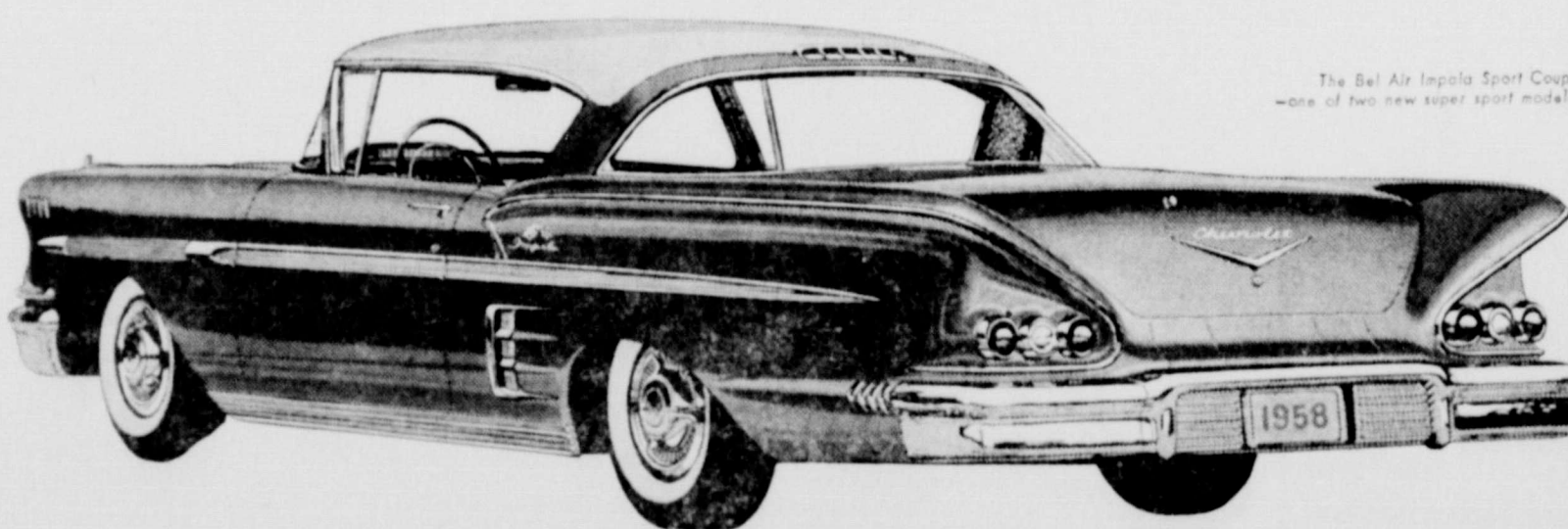
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There's never been an engine-drive combination like this one! Chevrolet's Turbo-Thrust V8* introduces a radical new slant on engine efficiency. The combustion chambers are located in the block rather than in the head, and chamber surfaces are precision machined.

Turboglide*—the other half of the team—is the first and only triple-turbine automatic drive in Chevy's

field. It takes you from a standstill through cruising in one continuous sweep of motion, without even a hint of a shift or lag. Harness these triple turbines to a 250-h.p. Turbo-Thrust V8—or the 280-h.p. Super Turbo-Thrust*—and you step out instantly in any speed range.

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Noel Wiley Has Borden Truck



Noel Wiley has been made representative of the Borden Company in this area and will operate from his home in Ballinger with deliveries to local residences with all Borden products. He has already established a milk route here with delivery to the door and also provides the local retail and wholesale trade with milk and other Borden products.

Mr. Wiley is a resident of Runnels County and operated a dairy here with delivery of milk to Ballinger customers back from 1938 to 1943. He was away from the county for awhile but returns to Ballinger to make his home with his wife and two children.

At the Texas .

Warner Bros. "Black Patch" arrives tonight, Friday and Saturday at the Texas Theatre. The film is reportedly a thrilling picturization of a hardened Civil War veteran, set in the

unruly territory of New Mexico following the war-between-the-states. George Montgomery Stars as the title character, Black Patch.

The film also stars Diane Brewster, Tom Pittman, Leo Gordon and Sebastian Cabot.

Feminine glamor and the instinct of a wanton killer are merged in one personality, the murderer of RKO's "The Unholy Wife," arresting suspense drama due Saturday night, Sunday and Monday at the Texas Theatre.

Diana Dors, Britain's No. 1 screen favorite and a popular newcomer in American movies, plays the title role.

Starred with Miss Dors is Hollywood's celebrated Rod Steiger.

Jeff Chandler and Orson Welles appearing together in Universal-International's "Man in the Shadow" which shows Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at the Texas Theatre with a matinee at 2 p. m. Tuesday and Wednesday, do a lot more than make this CinemaScope picture a "first teaming" movie event. Separately and collectively, the two strong men of the screen add vital if not heroic importance to one of the season's most profoundly gripping melodramas.

Rarely has so much physical fury been captured for a movie as is contained in this topical "open space" thriller which stars Chandler, Welles and Colleen Miller.

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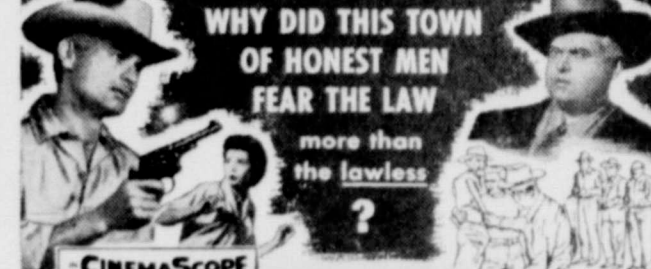


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MAN IN THE SHADOW

Annual Free Xmas Show For Children--Tuesday Dec. 24--9:30 a. m.

SOCIETY

Farley-Clark Wedding Is Announced

Miss Barbara Joan Clark, daughter of Mrs. Grace Clark of Coleman, became the bride of Robert Jesse (Bob) Farley.

son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Farley of Ballinger, on December 10. The ceremony was performed by Jack Horton, minister of the Church of Christ at Santa Anna.

The couple will make their home in Coleman where Mr. Farley is employed by the Ben Franklin Store.

Virginia Douglass Class Holds Christmas Party

Mrs. T. A. Parrish, Mrs. Bill Witter, Mrs. Sam Conner, Mrs. Bill Bell and Mrs. W. E. Moss were hostesses to members of the Virginia Douglass Class of the First Methodist Church at the annual Christmas party Tuesday evening.

Mass arrangements of pyramantha berries decorated entertaining rooms where Mrs. Witter, class president, was in charge of the business. At the opening of the meeting the group sang Christmas carols followed by a prayer by the class teacher, Mrs. R. W. Barnshaw. The class voted to contribute \$5 to the Methodist Orphanage at Waco; they also plan to contribute food and clothes to a needy family for Christmas. Gifts were brought to the meeting for the colored

children at the Colored Methodist Church in Ballinger. 2nd chapter, 1-29, of Luke, was 2nd chapter, 1-29, of Luke, was given by Mrs. Barnshaw. She also read the story, "The Legend of Bethlehem Rose."

Members exchanged gifts from the white decorated plastic tree topped with a Santa. Pie and coffee were served to 77 members.

Golden Wedding Open House

Mr. and Mrs. Emil F. Salge of Winters will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary with an open house at the Winters home demonstration club house on Sunday, December 29, from 2 to 5 p. m.

The couple was married December 26, 1907, and have one daughter, Mrs. Agnes Lawrence and one grandchild, Myrna Jo Ann Lawrence.

Mrs. Salge was the former Augusta Bredemeyer before her marriage. Friends and relatives of the family are cordially invited to attend the open house.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Brookshier returned home Monday after attending the funeral of her sister, Mrs. Folly Barker at Bertram. Mr. and Mrs. Brookshier had been in Bertram for about a week.



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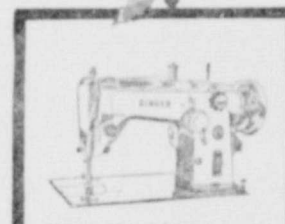
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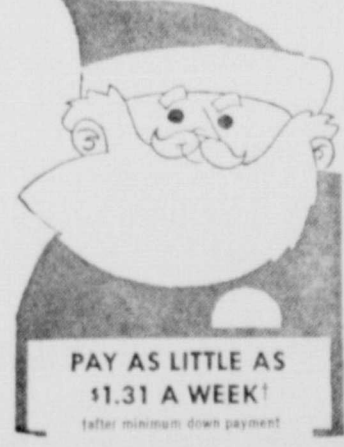
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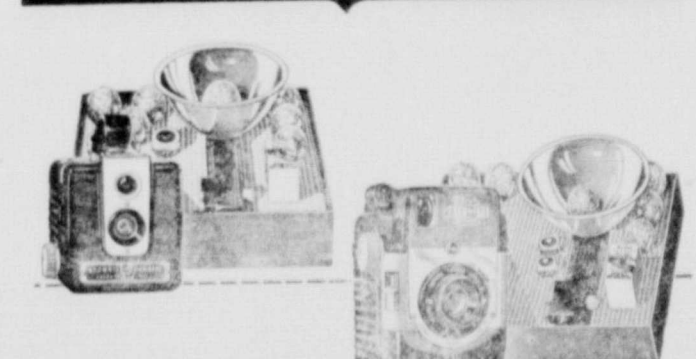
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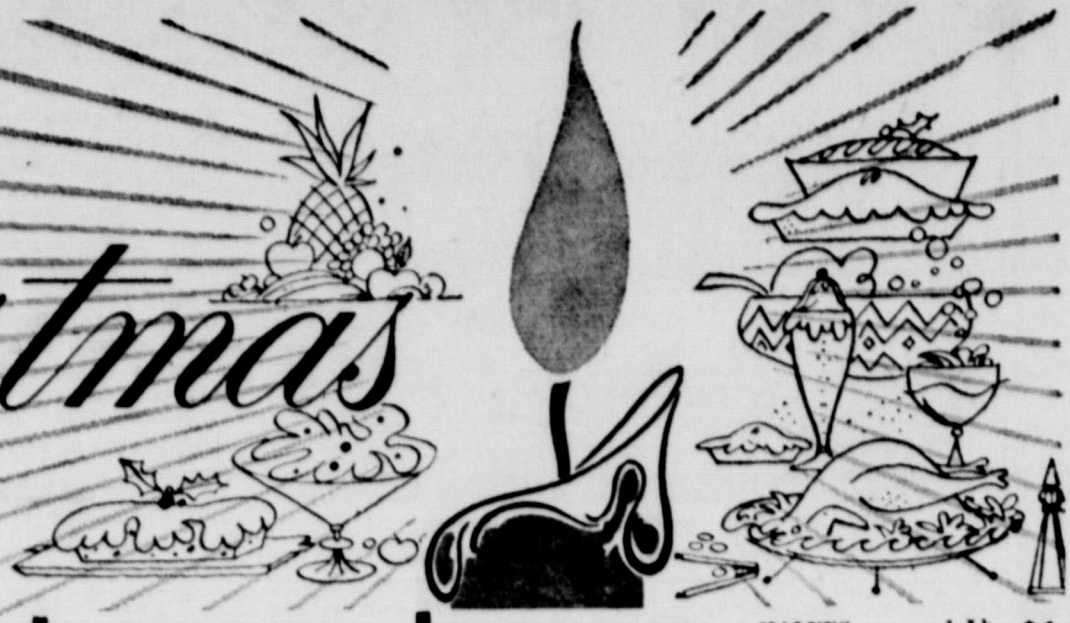
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Coffee	ADMIRATION PAPER BAG	Lb.	69¢
Egg Nog Mix	FOREMOST	Quart	49¢
Frozen Rolls	FROZEN RITE BRAND	Bag	33¢
Eagle Brand Milk		Can	25¢
Jello	ALL FLAVORS	3 Pkgs.	19¢

Cheer-Up Drink	NEW DRINK	6-Bottle Carton	19¢
Big Dip	FOREMOST	1/2-Gal. Carton	33¢
Cake Mixes	GLADIOLA	ALL FLAVORS	3 Boxes 89¢

Shelled Pecans HALVES 1-Lb. Cello **\$1.09**

Cream Cheese KRAFT-PHILADELPHIA
3-Oz. Pkg. 2 for **25¢** 8-Oz. Pkg. **37¢**

Pumpkin LIBBY'S—Size 303 Can
2 for **19¢**

Pitted Dates WHITE SWAN
1 lb. pkg. **39¢**

Zee Wax Paper Roll **19¢**

Green Beans KIMBELL'S—WHOLE No. 303 Can
2 for **35¢**

Fruit Cocktail DEL MONTE—No. 303 Can
2 for **39¢**

Salad Pears OUR VALUE—No. 303 Can
2 for **39¢**

Pure Extract DOVE BRAND—ALL FRUIT FLAVORS
1 1/2 oz. Bottle **19¢**

Tide Giant Box 59¢	Shortening VEGETOLE 3-Lb. Can 69¢	CARNATION MILK TALL CANS 2 for 29¢	Cocoanut SHREDDED 1-Lb. Cello Bag 39¢	Mince Meat WHITE SWAN 12-Oz. Pkg. 19¢
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LOOK KIDDIES! Santa Claus will be at our store Friday and Saturday Be sure and come by from 10:00 to 12:00 and 3:00 to 5:00 each day. We will have **FREE Lollipops, Balloons and Bubble Gum** Be sure and shop our way for all your Christmas goodies---Big selection Candy, Nuts, Fruits and Baking Varieties

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Onions CALIFORNIA RED Lb.	15¢
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Apples DELICIOUS Lb.	15¢
Cabbage RED Lb.	9¢
Oranges CALIFORNIA SUN KIST Lb.	13¢
Cabbage CRISP Lb.	5¢
Beil Peppers Big Pods Lb.	19¢

MEATS

TURKEYS	TOMS Lb. 39¢	HENS Lb. 45¢
Sliced Bacon PALACE BRAND OUR VALUE Lb.	39¢	Pork Hams FRESH Half or Whole Lb. 69¢
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3rd Prize 5,000 Liberty Bell Stamps

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Aluminum Foil ALCOA—25-Foot Roll	Roll 29¢

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Walnuts BIG JUMBO Lb. **55¢**

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Holiday Cream Fudge Adds New Meaning To Christmas Giving

Noah Webster must have been something of an Ebenezer Scrooge to judge by his definition of fudge. Mr. Webster's dictionary calls it a "soft, sugary candy containing chocolate and nuts." And then he stops, leaving out the most important part—the fun of making or receiving a boxful for Christmas.

And if you're using this fudge recipe, you'll be preparing an extra batch to nibble on at home. The evaporated milk, blended with marshmallow and semi-sweet chocolate morsels, guarantees a creamy texture and rich flavor that will keep you in the kitchen making fudge all during next year, too. The fudge can be made in just a few minutes, and chances are that all the ingredients—including a can of evaporated milk—are on hand at all times. If not, they will be—after you've made your first batch.

Holiday Cream Fudge

1/2 cup evaporated milk	1/4 teaspoon salt
1 8-ounce jar marshmallow cream	1 12-ounce package semi-sweet chocolate morsels
1/4 cup butter	1 teaspoon vanilla
1 1/4 cup sugar	1/4 cup chopped Brazil nuts

Combine evaporated milk, marshmallow cream, butter, sugar and salt in saucepan and bring to full boil stirring constantly. Boil five minutes over moderate heat, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; add semi-sweet chocolate morsels, vanilla and nuts. Stir until chocolate is melted. Pour into greased pan 8x8x2 inches. Chill until firm. YIELD: Approximately 2 1/2 pounds.

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BALLINGER HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The annual Christmas party of the Ballinger Home Demonstration Club was held in the home of Mrs. L. C. Hill on Seventh Street. Mrs. Drury Hathaway was co-hostess and also acted as Santa in distributing gifts from the lighted silver tree. Gifts were also presented to the president, Mrs. Alvin Spreen, and Miss Ollie Chenoweth, county agent.

The party rooms were decorated in greenery and candles where Mrs. Spreen conducted the business after the group sang "Silent Night" with Mrs. Hill at the piano. Mrs. R. D. Midgley gave the Christmas story, "The Three Wise Men." Mrs. Bill Witter accompanied the group when they sang carols.

A sandwich plate was served with fruit cake and coffee. Others were: Mrs. W. A. Nance, Lyle Curry, Edwin

Vogelsang, Rufus Allen, Felix Itz and Hatton Luxson.

CREWS HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Crews Home Demonstration Club met Friday, December 13, in the home of Mrs. Marvin Hale for their annual Christmas program.

Mrs. Marion Woods led the group in the singing of Christmas carols and Mrs. Owen Bragg led the recreation period. Refreshments were served to and gifts exchanged among the following members: Miss Ollie Chenoweth, Mrs. Marvin Hale, Owen Bragg, Walter Schwartz, Marion Woods, Panchal Dietz, Patay Brown, Walter Pape, John Grohman, Enoch Johnson, R. O. Waechter, Pete Petrie.

The next regular meeting will be January 3 at 2 p. m. in the home of Mrs. John Grohman.

better places to live. With colored slides and amusing stories his talk was educational, inspiring and entertaining. He was introduced by County Agent C. T. Parker.

The program was preceded by a community supper. The next meeting will be the community Christmas program on Sunday night, December 22, at the Maverick Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Allen returned Monday night from Altus, Oklahoma where they visited their son-in-law and daughter, Major and Mrs. Clark Koiler.

Card of Thanks

To those who were so kind and thoughtful of us during the illness and death of our brother, we wish to say "thank you" from the depth of our hearts. To Rev. Gordon for the consoling message and Mr. Allford for the beautiful spiritual hymns. We again say thank you so much.

John and Miss Agnes Glover
Mrs. F. Atwell and family
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MAVERICK COMMUNITY CLUB HOLDS PROGRAM

Reagan Brown, of the Extension Service, spoke to the Maverick Community Club at their regular November meeting. Working with communities all over the state of Texas, he pointed out the many changes taking place in farming and gave many examples of how rural communities are organizing to make their communities

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF RUNNELS

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the District Court of Runnels County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 30th day of July, 1956, in favor of Martin Maas and against Marshall Campbell and wife, Erman Campbell, in the case of Martin Maas vs. Marshall Campbell and wife, Erman Campbell, No. 6551 in such court, I did, on the 4th day of December, 1957, at 10:30 o'clock A. M., levy upon the following described lots situated in Runnels County, Texas, as the property of said Marshall Campbell and wife, Erman Campbell:

Lots Number Four & Five (Lots No. 4 & 5) in Block Number Ten (Number 10) Woodard Heights Addition to the City of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, and on the 7th day of January, 1958, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M., on said day, at the courthouse door of said County, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title, and interest of the said Marshall Campbell and wife, Erman Campbell in and to said property.

Dated at Ballinger, Texas, this 4th day of December, 1957.

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EXPLORER POST 34 ON 20 MILE HIKE
 The members of Explorer Post 34, sponsored by the First Baptist Church of Ballinger, went on a 20 mile hike last Saturday. They went up the Colorado River to the Kuhn Dam and returned to their homes.

The members made a study of wildlife on the trip. Fifteen boys started the long march but only eight completed the hike.

Those attending were: Buzzy Underwood, senior crew leader; Butch Young, Raymond Batchelor, Bobby Gray, Harley Wheeler, Bobby Davidson, Floyd Wimberley, Donald Bailey, Tom Meador, Skipper Wheelless, Larry Clark, Mickey Darby, Cecil Pasley, Johnny Parks and a visitor, Don Rodgers.

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Highway Patrol In Need Of Men Exam Dates Set

Col. Homer Garrison Jr., director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, announced today the January dates for examinations to be given young Texans interested in becoming patrolmen in the state police organization.

The exams will be given in major cities throughout the state January 13, 14 and 15. Applicants for the jobs will close January 10 and training for those selected will begin April 1.

In making the announcement, Garrison said the positions offer a good future for young men between 21 and 35 years of age who have a high school education and are in good physical condition.

Applicants must be between 68 and 76 inches in height, of good moral standards and weigh not less than two or more than three pounds per inch of height.

He said the patrolmen positions offer many personal benefits including good pay, retirement benefits, annual vacations, the best in training and equipment, holidays and sick leave. Students draw \$300 while training and receive automatic pay raises.

Exams will be given January 13 in Tyler, Beaumont, San Antonio, Abilene, El Paso, Lubbock and Austin. They will be given January 14 in Dallas, Houston, Corpus Christi, San Angelo, Amarillo and Waco. On January 15 the tests will be given in Fort Worth, Harlingen, Midland and Wichita Falls.

Persons interested in the good paying jobs may obtain complete information by writing to the Texas Department of Public Safety in Austin.

CIVIL AIR PATROL IS DISCUSSED HERE

A discussion was held here Monday night at the meeting of the Air Force Reserve in regard to the forming of a civil air patrol in Ballinger. Ralph Rohatsch, commander, and Earl Killian, executive officer of the San Angelo air patrol, met with the reserve unit to talk over plans for such a unit in Ballinger.

The unit is open to boys, girls, men or ladies, 14 years of age and up. Those interested are asked to contact Dr. Z. I. Hale or Carl Fouts and the San Angelo officials will come back to discuss the matter with the candidates. The candidates are not limited to Ballinger but may come from anywhere in this area.

The civil air patrol has been called into action on many occasions and have given wonderful assistance to law enforcement officers, also flying in times of floods and other disasters and in search of lost persons.

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DEATHS

Dorsey Read
 Dorsey Wesley Read, 57, died at the Ballinger Clinic-Hospital Tuesday afternoon after an illness of the past two years.

Decedent was born at Blum and with two brothers, Karl Read and the late Hicks Read, came to Rowena in 1921 and established the Rowena Reporter which they published for a number of years. They sold the paper in 1931 and for some time Mr. Read was a freelance advertising man for several newspapers in this area.

He joined the San Angelo Standard Times in 1935 as a road man and moved to Ballinger in 1940 as general agent. Since that time he has gathered news, handled circulation and looked after advertising for his newspaper here. He won a number of awards from the Standard-Times while serving here and at the same time was local reporter for a number of other state papers.

After becoming ill, he underwent major surgery at Temple twice and has been in the Ballinger hospital for several months.

Read was a member of the Presbyterian Church and was married in 1927 to Josephine Wallace who survives.

Other survivors are two sons, James Read of San Angelo and Winfield Read of Fort Worth; his mother, Mrs. J. A. Read of Fort Worth; a brother, Karl Read of Fort Worth; three sisters, Mrs. Roy Gogans of Dallas, Mrs. Burl King of Abilene and Mrs. Iona Read of Blum; two grandsons, Michael and Robert Read, both of San Angelo.

Funeral services were held at 3 p. m. this afternoon at the First Presbyterian Church with Rev. Felix Keys officiating and assisted by Dr. LeRay Fowler. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery.

Mrs. Matilda Osburn
 Mrs. Matilda, Osburn, 80, member of a pioneer Runnels County family, passed away Tuesday afternoon in a Dallas hospital.

Decedent was born January 5, 1877 and moved to Runnels County with her parents in 1886. She moved away about 40 years ago and for some time has been making her home in

Dallas. Funeral services were held at 10 a. m. today at the Newby-Davis Funeral Chapel with Rev. Felix Keys officiating. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery.

Survivors are two brothers, Arthur Doose of Ballinger, Will Doose of Kerrville; two sisters, Mrs. George Wright, Tallahassee, Florida and Mrs. Guin Gordon of Dallas.

George Ford Blackman
 George Ford Blackman, 73, died at 2:30 p. m. Thursday at his home here following an illness of the past seven months.

Decedent was born September 14, 1884 in Wilberson County and moved to Ballinger in 1941 from Arkansas and came to Ballinger in 1944. For ten years he was caretaker at the Evergreen Cemetery. Most of his life he was engaged in farming. He was married to Viola Carter on November 23, 1918 in Chickasha, Oklahoma.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a. m. Saturday at the Newby-Davis Funeral Chapel with Frank Courvisier officiating. Burial was in the Old Runnels Cemetery.

Survivors are his wife, two daughters, Mrs. Cynthia Holloway of Eola, Mrs. C. C. Neale of Texas City; one son, W. H. Blackman of Garland; two brothers, Neely Blackman of Goldthwaite, Charley Blackman, address unknown; one sister, Mrs. R. D. Neal of Austin; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

HOLIDAYS FOR CITY EMPLOYEES ARE SET

City officials announced this week that Christmas holidays for most of the city employees would take Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, December 24, 25 and 26. The office at the city hall will be closed but a few city employees will be on the job in their departments.

City firemen will remain on the job 24 hours Saturday and police will also put in additional hours during the Christmas season.

Monday afternoon the employees will gather in the fire station for coffee and cake before closing for the afternoon and the three days from work. The city offices will be open again for regular business on Friday, December 27.

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