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It only happens once in a blue moon in Runnels County but it is nice to see the harvest and movement of small grain as it started last week. Farmers are watching the skies and hoping for good weather until they can get their oats, barley and wheat combined and in storage. Small grain crops are few and far between in Runnels County, but this year is an exception, and crops are good in every part of the county. Equipment is coming into the area to take care of the grain as it is ready. Lines of trucks are to be found every day at local storage houses with some grain being piled on the ground and will be placed in the warehouse later when it can be the summer for local boys and girls.

It is only a short time until the annual observance of Ballinger's birthday anniversary. Local Jaycees are planning a bigger and better program than they have attempted for several

handed. So far the yield has been good in areas where it is ripe and the weight is satisfactory. This writer came from Louisiana last week-end and crops in Runnels County are the best along the entire route, with exception of corn.

This county also has a fruit and pecan crop in sight, of course barring insects and weather hazards. There is nothing like as many fruit trees as there has been in past years, but those left have a good crop which starts ripening within another month and on through July and August. Pecans are plentiful on the trees but must stand the heat of summer and the many insects which are a year round hazard.

There are a lot of students who are interested in summer jobs. It is unfortunate that there are more jobs here during the school year than during the summer vacation periods and it is hard for youngsters to get on regular with local firms for the three summer months. For those who do not work, there has been plenty of summer recreation planned which will consume all their leisure time. The swimming pool opened Friday of last week to an over-capacity crowd and will provide a place for cool recreation all during the summer. Boys have a fine baseball program underway with practically all who want to play on regular teams. Scout camps and other special events will also take up part of



WEST TEXAS NOTES

Civic leaders at Winters are staging a clean-up, fix-up and paint-up campaign which will cover a two weeks period. The affair started Monday and has the backing of all civic clubs of the city as well as the city officials. Mayor George Poe issued a proclamation calling upon all people to cooperate and the chamber of commerce announced they would furnish two trucks for free hauling. Property owners have been called upon to mow weeds on vacant lots and members of the fire department are assisting by making inspections.

Coleman people have been asked to cooperate in pruning trees and shrubs from electric lines in that city. The city manager stated that recent high winds caused at least one line to break and created a hazard to life and property. Electric service has also been halted in some sections of the town by tree limbs growing into power lines. City employees will start trimming trees and property owners are asked to assist by giving permission for removing limbs that interfere with lines.

Dr. Thomas R. Havins, history authority and scholar, who has been a member of the Howard Payne faculty at Brownwood for 35 years, was given the first "Oscar" by the school last week. The Oscar was a check for \$500 for outstanding work in the past year. The presentation was made at a banquet in his honor on the roof of Hotel Brownwood with Dr. Willis Tate of Southern Methodist University as the speaker. Dr. Havins stated that the money would go into a fund which he started several years ago to help boys and girls get an education at Howard Payne College.

Two fires at Bronte last week caused a heavy damage. The blaze in the Bronte Pharmacy

years and the special features should attract many people here including a large number of former citizens of the pioneer days. It is no easy matter for a small group like the Jaycees to perfect and present such a program. The very nature of the celebration should make every Ballinger person anxious to assist in any way they can be of service. In addition to the regular program features, local stores can get into the spirit of the occasion with special show windows filled with old time pictures, displays of clothing, furniture and souvenirs of the pioneer days and everyone can hang a special welcome sign in their place of business. The more interested people cooperating with the special event, the better the program and the more genuine the welcome for visitors.

caused a loss expected to reach \$60,000. The fire was discovered early Sunday morning and caused a heavy loss in the drug store and an estimated loss of \$11,000 to the adjoining building. A second fire completely destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Bell Sunday afternoon.

Newburg of Comanche County was named Texas Top Rural Community on May 26, climaxing a state contest in which 207 communities were entered. The contest was sponsored by the Farmer-Stockman magazine and the extension service department of Texas A & M College. The final prize carried a cash payment of \$500, making a total of \$700 won by the community during the contest this year. The community was one of the top five in the state last year and made plans then to go all the way in the state contest this year.

Announcement was made at Brady last week that the new San Saba Sand Company was located to stay. The company has made a \$250,000 investment and the management announced that enough sand had been found in the Voca area to last for 35 to 40 years. The company is owned by a group of Borger business men. The big investment was placed at Voca after the discovery of Sand frac sand, a material used in fracturing oil wells. The announcement stated that it was the only plant south of Chicago.

The citizens of Eden held a spring work cleanup at the cemetery last week and a large number reported to assist with the job. The project was sponsored by the chamber of commerce and a number of power lawn mowers were on the job

to take care of the high grass and weeds. Trucks and pickups were also on hand to haul away all trash piled up by the workers and the special day was successful with good accomplishments.

Colorado City's new Baker Hotel was previewed with a press party last Friday night. Members of the press from a wide area of West Texas assembled at the newly remodeled and redecorated hotel for an evening of entertainment and as guests of the management for the night. Formal opening of the hotel for the general public was held Saturday. Ed L. Baker of Dallas was on hand to act as host. It was announced that \$250,000 has been spent in making the hotel one of the most modern in West Texas.

The Menard High School issued diplomas to 25 seniors at graduation held on Friday night of last week. The program closed activities for the Menard school for this spring. Faculty members and seniors have outlined their plans for the summer and a large number of the graduates plan to enter colleges and universities next fall. Board members announced the hiring of Delnor Poes as basketball and assistant football coach. He has been coaching at Garden City the past two years.

The members of the Miles High School graduating class left on Monday, May 26, for one of the longest senior trips for any group in this area. They will visit Los Angeles, California and a number of other interesting places along the route. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. James Pennington, W. A. Smith and Mrs. Robert Fletcher. They expect to return to Miles today, June 5.

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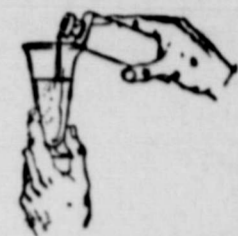
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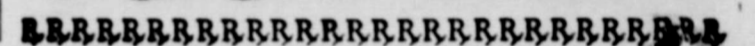


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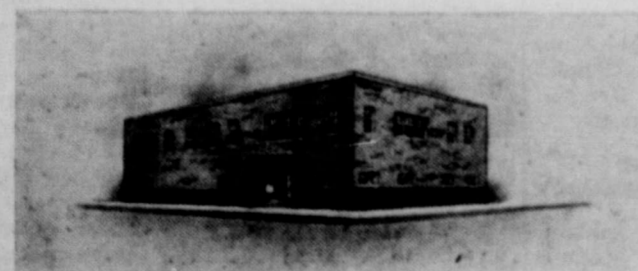
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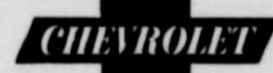
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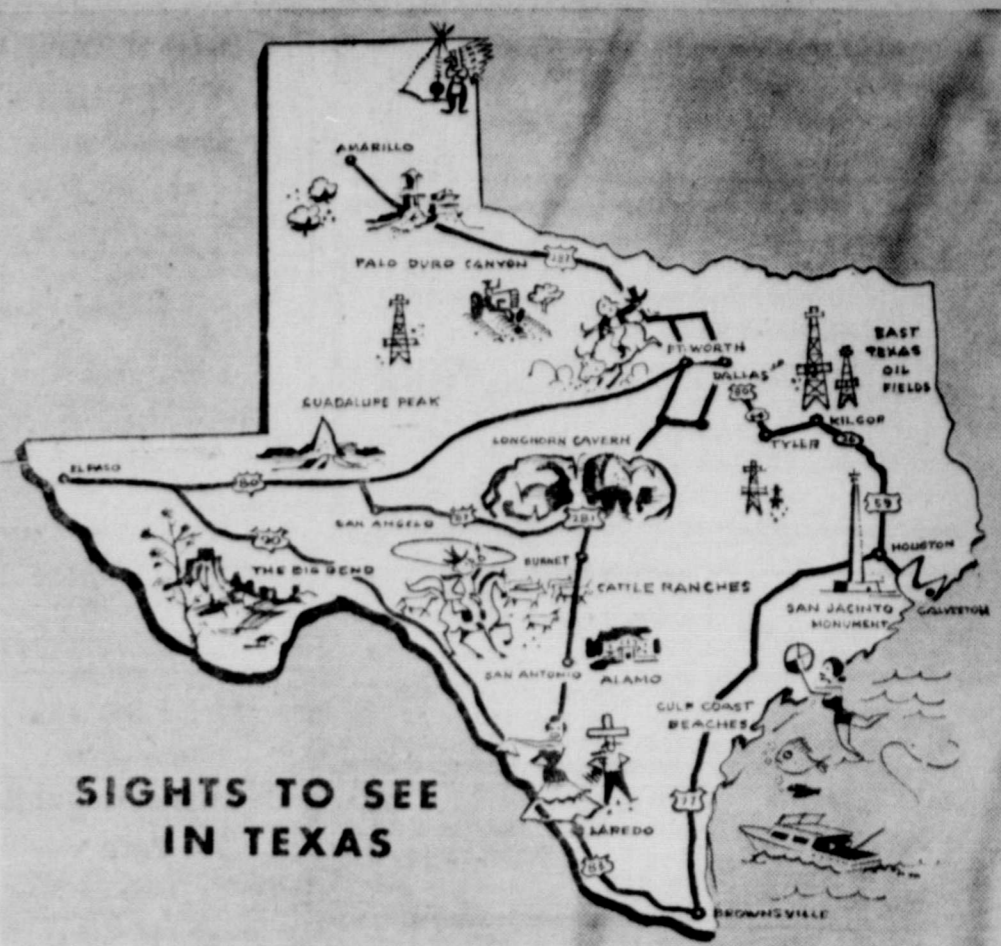
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Mebane-Hoffman Wedding At Dallas Saturday



Miss Lyvonda Hoffman, 3406 Swiss Ave, Dallas, and Wallace Curry Mebane, 3312 Amherst, Dallas, were married Saturday afternoon, May 24, in Wynne Chapel, Highland Park Presbyterian Church. Parents of the couple are Mr and Mrs. F. R. Hoffman, Ballinger, and Mr and Mrs. Wallace C. Mebane, Dayton.

Dr. Arthur V. Board officiated and Sam Parker was organist. Given in marriage by her brother, Garlyn Hoffman, the bride wore an informal-length gown of silk peau de soie and Alencon lace. Her illusion veil was caught to a crown of seed pearls, and she carried a nosegay of white rosebuds.

Miss Juanna D. Hoffman of Dallas was maid of honor, and Douglas Mebane of San Antonio was best man. David Hoffman of College Station, nephew of the bride, was ring bearer. Joe Jares of College Station and Valton Hoffman of Ballinger lighted candles.

Dr. David Mebane and Morrison Mebane, Dallas, and Valton Hoffman were ushers. Following the reception in the church parlors, the couple left for a wedding trip to Nassau, after which they will live in Dallas.

The bride is a graduate of Ballinger High School and San Angelo College. She also attended Southern Methodist University and was graduated from Baylor University College of Medical Technology, Dallas. Her husband is a graduate of Texas A & M College.

Virginia Douglass Holds Installation Ceremony

Mmes. George Newby, Price Middleton, G. A. Morrish and W. O. Irby were hostesses at the installation ceremony for officers of the Virginia Douglass Class of the First Methodist Church Tuesday evening. The affair was held in the church parlors which was decorated with garden flowers.

Mrs. Guy Middleton gave the opening prayer and Mrs. Bill Witter brought the devotional. Mrs. W. C. Witt installed officers for the ensuing year.

Officers installed were: Mrs. R. D. Midgley, president; Mrs. H. G. Agnew, vice-president; Mrs. Pauline Richardson, secretary; Mrs. W. E. Moss, assistant secretary; Mrs. M. E. McClenny, treasurer; Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw,

teacher; Mrs. Guy Middleton and Miss Ann Midgley, assistant teachers.

Mrs. Midgley named the committees as follows: Membership and Attendance, Mmes. McClenny, Witter, Willie Belle Middleton, E. F. Vogelsang, T. E. Foreman; Flowers and Cards, Mmes. C. M. Franklin, M. T. Camp; Gifts, Miss Bonnie Clark, Mrs. L. M. Bowden; Telephone, Mmes. G. O. McCorstin, E. B. Davidson, Ramon Berryhill, Flay Brevard, E. L. Rampey, Lewis Brown; Program, Mmes. H. G. Agnew, Price Middleton, Sam Conner, T. A. Parrish, Ted Tisdale; Social Service, Mmes. Roy Hill, Irby, R. A. Bagwell, Ruel Boswell, F. L. Wells, T. M. Hudgins; Finance and Projects, Mmes. Bill Bell, George Newby, Tom McEntire, Bill Clark, W. E. Moss; Pianist, Mrs. D. W. Turner.

Gifts were presented Mrs. Earnshaw, the teacher, Mrs. Bill Witter, retiring class president, and Mrs. Witt, the installing officer.

Frosted cakes and cookies were served following the installation.

Club Compliments Patsy Ashton At Gift Shower

Miss Patsy Lou Ashton, bride-elect of Barton Underwood, was honored by members of G. G.

Club last Saturday afternoon at a tea in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil W. Dixon.

Betty Dixon was assisted by the other club members in presenting a white Bible to Miss Ashton as a gift from the club. Individual gifts were also presented the honoree.

An arrangement of garden flowers flanked by white candles in crystal holders formed the centerpiece for the tea table where Jimbeth Flynt laded punch and Linda Wright served cake squares iced in white.

Others assisting at the tea were Judy Brown, Bobbie McDaniel, Karen Conner, and Mary Bagwell. Gracie Drake played piano selections during party hours.

Added guests were the honoree's mother, Mrs. Jack Ashton, Mrs. E. B. Underwood, mother of the prospective bridegroom, his grandmother, Mrs. E. E. Avey, and his aunt, Miss Rosie Hill of San Marcos, and Mrs. R. M. Bird Jr. of Fort Stockton, sister of the honoree.

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SOCIETY

Spring Rains Assure Fine Garden Club Shows

Frequent spring showers and excellent gardening conditions helped to make one of the most attractive spring flower shows that Ballinger Civic Garden Club has ever staged.

"Springtime Along the Colorado" was the theme of the annual show held at the National Guard armory Thursday between 3 and 8 p. m. where

the horticultural and design divisions, along with a junior section and several commercial arrangements, were displayed.

Mrs. C. A. Berry was flower show chairman and Mrs. A. O. Bartlett was chairman of the staging and schedule committee. They were assisted by Mrs. E. A. Saunders, club president. Mrs. Tom Caudle was chairman of the entry and arrangement. Mrs. Max Setser was

chairman of the horticulture arrangements.

Around 300 entries were made which included all species of annuals, perennials, corms, tubers, bulbs, rhizomes, potted plants, dish gardens or planters in the horticulture division, and decorative arrangements which included 66 classes.

A litterbug display was shown under the educational exhibits and was arranged by Mrs. Frank Cowan.

Mrs. O. C. Sykes was sweepstakes winner in Horticulture; Mrs. A. O. Bartlett was sweepstakes winner for the most artistic arrangements; the award of distinction in arrangement went to Mrs. Bill Clark and the award of merit in horticulture went to Mrs. Jim Golden. There were 33 blue ribbon awards presented in the horticulture division, and 14 blue ribbons in artistic arrangements, and approximately the same amount of red ribbons in both divisions. May exhibitors received the third award (yellow ribbon), and honorable mention was given in both divisions.

The judges for the show were Mrs. W. D. Fagan and Mrs. Maurice Brooks, both of Abilene; Mrs. W. J. Bryant, Mrs.

Earl Stagner, Mrs. M. Standford and Mrs. H. E. Basse, all of Stamford.

Other exhibits were arranged as follows: A Bride's Table, arranged by Thayer's Jeweler, George's Store and Mason Floral Co.; A Living Room in Maple, by Home Furniture Co.; a table laid with a red Christmas cloth and centered with a seasonal centerpiece, by Keel Drug Store; an out-door living room, by Wm. Cameron & Co.; a bridal shower table, by Wells Drug Store; and a table arranged with men's "Old Spice" toilet articles, by Pearce-Bailey Drug; Elliott Kemp, owner of Kemp Feed Store, displayed many spray pest solutions and powders.

Serving Refreshments

An old-fashioned well with the oaken bucket and potted calladiums on each side was the refreshment spot. Mrs. John L. White, chairman of the refreshment committee, was in charge. Serving punch and cookies with her were Mmes. F. L. Wells, Jim Golden, Clyde Chapman, Charles Bradshaw, L. C. Hill and Miss Lula McElroy.

Among the 200 who registered at the show were visitors from Abilene, Stamford, Winters, Rowena, Crews, Menard and


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Approaching Marriage At Abilene Announced

Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Reynolds of 1851 McCracken in Abilene announce the approaching marriage of their daughter Barbara Jean to George William McAulay son of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy McAulay of Safford, Arizona. Marriage vows will be repeated July 11 in the Chapel of the College Church of Christ.

Both are 1956 graduates of Ballinger High School. Miss Reynolds attended Abilene Christian College and is now employed at the Young Men's Christian Association in Abilene. The prospective bridegroom attended Arizona State College at Tempe and is now a junior at Abilene Christian College.

The couple will make their home at 686 College Drive in Abilene.

Miss Patsy Lou Ashton To Wed Barton Underwood

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ashton have announced the betrothal of their daughter, Miss Patsy Lou Ashton, to Barton Underwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Underwood.

The couple plans an early fall wedding.

Miss Ashton was a spring graduate of Ballinger High



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TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY



Rock Hudson and Jennifer Jones are seen in a key scene from the David O. Selznick production of Ernest Hemingway's great "A Farewell to Arms," a Twentieth Century-Fox release which also stars Vittorio De Sica. The film is at the Horseshoe Drive-In Theatre Thursday through Monday.

A Ballinger airman recently arrived at the Air Force Missile Development Center located at Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico.

Captain Rudolph A. Hoffman has been assigned to the Aero-Med Laboratory at this Research and Development Command installation.

Hoffman was graduated from Ballinger High School in 1949, and later attended Texas A & M College and was graduated there in 1955.

He is married to the former Miss Eddie Jo Kudlacek, and they have one child, Lisa Karen, age 22 months.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hoffman, reside at Route One, Ballinger.

Prior to his assignment at Holloman, he was attending the Nuclear Application Course at Walter Reed Institute of Research, Washington, D. C.

CREWS

Rev. Fred Brown preached at the Methodist Church Sunday morning in the absence of the pastor.

Neysa Petrie is spending a few days at home before returning to McMurry to attend school.

After a few days vacation at home, Gerald Dietz will enroll at the University of Texas. District Baptist Training Service met with the local church Sunday afternoon.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. E. Jayroe in the loss of her sister, Mrs. George Pauley, of Valera. Mrs. Burrus, Mrs. Schwartz and Mrs. McBeth attended the funeral Monday afternoon.

Mrs. R. E. Burrus was in Abilene last week for a visit in the home of her son, Mandle King, and to attend a piano recital in which her granddaughter, Janice King, performed.

Mrs. Frank Irvin was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Welby Fuller Sunday and will visit other relatives before leaving for Kansas to spend the summer.

Claudine Berry has been home the past week and has returned to Stillwater, Oklahoma where she has employment for the summer.

Mrs. Effie Dietz entered the Scott & White Hospital at Temple on Monday and will undergo surgery on Tuesday. She was accompanied by Tommie Foster who goes to the hospital for a check-up; also Gerald and Ophelia Dietz who will attend the wedding of their cousin, Donald Wayne Hambricht, at Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Mathis attended a family home coming at Ballinger Park Sunday.

Visitors in the Marvin Hale home last week included Walter Hale and son, Elmo, of Houston and Mrs. Elvin Berry and daughter of Hereford.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones Parrish of Ballinger visited last week with her mother, Mrs. Will Mathis and Mr. Mathis. Their son, Billy, returned home with them after spending a few days with his grandmother.

SOUTH BALLINGER HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

Mrs. Joe Thomas was hostess to thirteen members of the South Ballinger Home Demonstration Club Tuesday afternoon in her home. Mrs. Bud Farley read the "Thought for the Day" and Mrs. V. L. McShan read and described the home demonstration emblem. Roll was answered by naming "One Requirement of a Good Home."

Mrs. Archie Wallace presented the program on "Accessories in the Living Room," and stated that living rooms should be simple and not overcrowded. Mrs. Mack Setser and Mrs. Thomas gave a demonstration on the making of smoked pillows and displayed a number of various patterns.

Mrs. Tom McNally conducted the recreation period. Feed punch and cookies were served. Shadow names will be revealed at the next meeting on June 17 in the home of Mrs. B. M. Batts, and new names will be drawn.

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