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## Paving Program May Be On Three More Streets

Three other streets in Ballinger may be paved or partially paved, City Secretary J. R. Lusk said Tuesday morning, when asked if citizens on Tenth and Eleventh streets had yet presented a petition to the city commission asking the program to be extended over these two streets.

It is understood that petitions will be presented to the commission before the present program is completed and that many of the residents on both streets are very much in favor of the plan to pave these two streets.

At present Tenth street is open across the Santa Fe tracks but Eleventh street is closed and if it is decided to pave Eleventh street, a crossing will probably be made over the tracks to open the passage to the south end.

Harris Avenue, running in front of the Senior High School, will more than likely be paved. Residents and property owners, it is understood, have agreed to pave this avenue and it is believed that all are in favor of this program. The avenue is used very much, and the city commission will probably see fit to pave the street.

The city is busy opening up a new street this week. It is between the school property and Broadway, which is being put in to condition to be paved.

An appropriate name for the new two block drive would be School Drive. The city street force is grading this short drive and is putting it into excellent condition. Under the new Senior High School was erected, this was only an alley.

Much of the curb has been laid on Eighth street, while excavation on Broadway is well under way. Broadway will be paved from Sharp Avenue to Bonsal Avenue, the full width of 50 feet while from Bonsal Avenue to Park Avenue, it will have an 18-foot strip, but from Park Avenue back to the Santa Fe tracks which is connecting with the downtown paving, it will again be 50 feet wide.

The city has definitely decided to pave this street this way due to the fact that property owners on the first three blocks off Broadway, just north of the Santa Fe tracks, do not want the paving as decided on by the commission, and the Citizens Committee, which consisted of citizens residing on Broadway and Eighth streets.

The city water expansion program for the present has been completed, Mr. Lusk said. It is not known yet just what action will be taken on the paving of West Hutchings Avenue, where some of the citizens are opposed due to the cost of the storm sewer which must be built with the paving in order to take care of the waters from the hill when it rains.

Copper connections have been made in all other parts of the city where the paving is to be laid under the city's first program.

"During the next few days we will probably start a water line toward Hillcrest Addition," Mr. Lusk said. "Roy Reeder, of the Reeder Realty Company says the firm is ready to take the water line on as soon as the city has laid a line to the city limits."

## RABBIT DRIVE IN HAGAN COMMUNITY NEXT WEEK

There will be a rabbit drive in the Hagan community next Tuesday and Wednesday, March 7 and 8, it was announced by residents of that section in town on Monday, here shopping.

Dinner will be served both days but the exact place has not yet been decided.

The first day's drive will be started from the D. Oliver place. Ballinger people and everybody are invited to help slap the rabbit pests.

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## One Dead In Fight With Smugglers

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 28.—Mounted Customs Inspector Steve Dawson is dead today following a battle with liquor smugglers on the border last night.

Officers received a tip that a load of liquor was being run across and called upon the smugglers to surrender.

A fusillade of shots greeted the demand with one felling Dawson.

## COURT UPHOLDS TEXAS FEE LAW

AUSTIN, Tex., Feb. 29.—The constitutionality of the fee law in effect was upheld by the court of Criminal Appeals today in affirming the case of C. F. Richardson, of Harris county, who was fined \$750 for libeling W. L. Davis, acting principal of the Gregory school at Houston.

The constitutionality of the law was only a question before the court which ruled that no judge would prostitute his office for "rare fees" received in such cases.

## FRENCH SHOW DEVICES FOR SUBMARINE SAFETY

PARIS, Feb. 25.—With civilians and experts flooding the United States Navy Department with suggestions to prevent a repetition of the S-4 disaster the French Academy of Science has given three ideas, all considered feasible, but only for submarines sunken in shallow depths.

One plan is to drop a steel shaft into the hull, pumping out the water so that a diver could descend and release the imprisoned crew. The second is to equip the submarine with detachable buoys which pull up telephone wire and food tubes to the surface.

The last, and admittedly least practical, is for the submarine to drag itself from the bottom, so to speak, by its own shoes, or rather shoulders, the latter being a series of huge buoys connected to the submersible by heavy chains which, once released from the hull, would bring her to the surface. The only danger is said to be that the slightest inequality in tension in the buoys would cause them rip the craft to pieces.

Miss Elsie A. Cannon of Washington, D. C., is now a commissioner of the United States Court of Claims.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Schleyer and baby of San Angelo visited relatives in Ballinger on Sunday.

Megargel—A modern business house is under construction here next door to the Megargel News office.

## FORMER TEXAN IS GIVEN LIFE

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 28.—Dr. Charles M. McMillan, retired Texas and Missouri physician, was sentenced to life imprisonment today for the murder of Mrs. Amelia Applesy, wealthy Chicago widow.

A new trial has been denied by Judge Douglass Edmonds.

## COMMISSIONERS GET \$32,948 FOR ROADS

## House Gives \$250,000 To Fight Worm

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—The House today adopted without debate a concurrent resolution for \$200,000 appropriation to be immediately available for eradication of the pink boll worm which recently appeared in the West Texas cotton belt.

The president had previously recommended an appropriation of \$150,000.

Early consideration by the Senate is expected on the new bill.

## COWBOYS WILL PLAY IN N. Y.

ABILENE, Feb. 28.—West Texas will be represented on Broadway this summer.

The Cowboy Band of Simmons University, the original and only cowboy band in the world, has been booked by Gilbert Sandifer, manager, to appear at the leading theatres of Manhattan from July 1 to September 20.

Previous to the New York engagements, the band will play along the road on the way, being booked by Frank T. Kintzing, nationally known agent who handles engagements for Creators' and other large bands. They leave Abilene June 1 in new 34 passenger parlor busses to arrive in time for the New York dates.

Sandifer had no difficulty in interesting the theatrical men of the great city in the band. That "cowboy idea" was something new to them and they told the Simmons representative that his band could stay on Broadway as long as it liked.

While in New York, Sandifer also signed a contract bringing Galli-Curci, world's greatest soprano, to Abilene. She will sing at the university auditorium on the evening of April 2.

## 'Geo. Van Winkle' Starts a Long Nap

BROWNWOOD, Tex., Feb. 29.—"George Van Winkle," a horned toad, for which \$1 was paid, Tuesday, started out on a year's nap Wednesday morning, when he was placed in an airtight container and placed on exhibit in a show window at the Central drug store.

This experiment is being made to determine whether a horned frog can live for an indefinite period without air or sustenance, following the recent "frog story" from Eastland, where it is alleged that a frog placed in a corner-stone 31 years ago was taken out alive.

Scientists claim that the frog cannot live that long. The experiment is being conducted to settle the question.

"George" will be released from his airtight Pullman on February 28, 1929, and if still alive will be turned over to science departments of Howard Payne and Daniel Baker Colleges for inspection.

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Lehmburg, of Mason, spent Sunday in Ballinger with Mrs. Lehmburg's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Skinner.

Runnels county's four commissioners have been given \$32,948.44 of the 1928 automobile taxes of the county for road work, County Tax Collector W. L. Brown said Saturday morning. This amount is much larger than the 1927 amount as it includes 30 per cent of the weight fee added this year by a new state law.

The 30 per cent of the weight fee amounted to \$14,137.98, Mr. Brown said, and this amount boosted the total of each road precinct.

The total each precinct has received is as follows: No. 1, \$13,396.28; No. 2, \$8,532.26; No. 3, \$4,514.21; No. 4, \$6,505.89.

Cars registered in the county totals to date 4,480, while total for the trucks is 352.

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## NEW SCHEDULE IS ANNOUNCED

J. J. Beck, Santa Fe agent, Tuesday announced the new schedule for the four Santa Fe passenger trains in and out of Ballinger, effective on Sunday, Mar. 4th. The schedule is as follows:

Train No. 75, westbound, midnight, arrives 11:49 p. m., departs 11:49.

Train No. 76, eastbound, morning, arrives 6:16 a. m., departs 6:16 a. m.

Train No. 77, westbound, noon, arrives 11:44 a. m., departs 11:44 a. m.

Train No. 78, evening, eastbound, arrives 5:49 p. m., departs 5:49 p. m.

Train No. 78 is the afternoon passenger train which arrives here now at about 5:20 p. m. The schedule has been arranged to make the time of travel between Ballinger and Brownwood a few minutes shorter with the new time table eliminating the detour to Coleman each afternoon. All other trains will make the Coleman stop.

Several Ballinger ladies are planning to attend grand opera in San Antonio the last of this week, among whom are Mrs. J. F. Currie, Mrs. Harry Thomson, Mrs. J. G. Douglass and perhaps others.

La Salle, the French explorer, is the first known white man to enter what is now the state of Kentucky, in 1669.

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## Wichita Falls Man Starts New Home in Hillcrest

## Mother and Four Children Die In Fire

Quebec, Feb. 28.—Mrs. Raoul Gerneau and four of her ten children were fatally burned today when fire destroyed their home at Charlesbourg, a suburb.

The mother had rescued six children and had gone into the flaming building for others when she was trapped.

## COLLEGE YOUTH IS WHIPPED

NACOGDOCHES, Tex., Feb. 28.—City and county officials are conducting an intensive investigation of the kidnapping and whipping of Oscar Wilkerson, 20, a Freshman at the Stephen F. Austin College, who was found unconscious this morning in the woods back of the school.

He was kidnapped by three men in an automobile last night, he said when he regained consciousness.

He believes football rivalry is the motive.

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## Thinks U. S. Government Should Pay Cost of Boll Worm Fight

(By International News Service)

AUSTIN, Feb. 22.—The federal government should pay all the costs of any non-cotton zones found necessary in combatting the pink bollworm infestation which has involved seven West Texas counties, George B. Terrell, commissioner of agriculture, declared in a statement issued here.

Mr. Terrell said: "Since the pink bollworm is a foreign pest, and reached this country through the federal quarantine regulations, or in spite of them, and Texas is not responsible for its entrance into the country, I believe it is right and just for the federal government

J. G. Oakley of Wichita Falls, recently has moved to Ballinger, purchased a lot in Reeder's Hillcrest addition and has already let the contract for the construction of a new duplex to cost approximately \$5,000, it was learned Saturday.

Mr. Oakley sold all his property in Wichita Falls and is moving to Ballinger to make his home. He declared Ballinger the coming city of West Texas and that he wanted to be in on the ground floor. The material for the new home has been purchased from H. H. Hardin Lumber Company.

Reeder's Hillcrest is fast taking on the aspects of highly improved resident district and sale of lots during the past week have been better than first expected. Salesmen have been working both in and out of the city and many of the most desirable lots have been sold and on these lots, beautiful homes are already being planned.

Mr. Oakley's home, however, will be the first to be started. It is understood that construction will be started some time next week.

One carload of 4-inch water pipe has been received here and strung along a direct line from the city limits to the Reeder Hillcrest. Another carload of the pipe is in transit.

As Hillcrest is out of the city limits, the Reeder company must bear the expense of getting water to their property and this is being done. The water will be put to the property line of each lot in the addition.

Gas and electricity will also be furnished the property owners to their lots with no cost.

to pay all the costs of non-cotton zones. "Furthermore, this pest now threatens the entire cotton industry of the United States, and is therefore a national problem, as much so as the control of the flood waters of the Mississippi River and its tributaries. "I am sure that the Federal Horticultural Board recognizes this fact and would be willing to assure all costs if congress would make the necessary appropriations. I want the state to exercise all constitutional rights, but I think the cost of stamping out this pest is a federal proposition."

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# VACUUM NO. 1 INCREASES OIL FLOW

Vacuum-McMillan No. 1, Runnels county's discovery oil well, is making 90 barrels per day following the reconditioning of tubing and rods used in pumping the well, George H. Luck, field superintendent of the company, stated Monday afternoon. The well was previously making only 70 barrels of oil per day.

"Of course, it is not certain the well will continue to do this," Mr. Luck said, "the 90 barrels was made during the first 24 hours after the tubing was reset. The increase was about 20 barrels."

Vacuum No. 1 first started producing oil on August 27, 1927, early in the morning, when it blew in at a depth of 2,545 feet. It has been making daily between 70 and 125 barrels of oil since that time.

Vacuum-McMillan No. 2 is holding up to 103 barrels of oil every 24 hours. This well was drilled in two weeks ago Sunday.

The oil being taken from the two Vacuum wells daily is between 175 and 200 barrels and is being run into tank cars at the Humble Pipe Line Company's loading racks at Benoit, east of the field and from there shipped to the tank farm at Texas City, thus run into tankers and by water to the Vacuum Oil Company's refinery on the New Jersey Coast. The Vacuum Company has two tanks farms on the Coast, one at Texas City and the other at Lake Charles.

Mr. Luck said the rigs for Vacuum-Owenwood-Fowler No. 1 and Vacuum-Flanagan No. 1, had arrived in Ballinger and would be removed to locations on Tuesday of this week. The wells will be started as soon as possible with Drew Beams, Okmulgee, Okla., as drilling contractor.

Mr. Beams was the contractor on Vacuum-McMillan No. 2, with the best tools in the county.

Marland Oil Company's two new tests were being rigged Monday preparatory to spudding this week.

Svenssondale, et al-Werner No. 1, near Benoit, and 5 miles southeast of Vacuum-McMillan No. 2, is reported to still be at work around 2,200 feet with only a day tour running.

May-Schneider No. 1 is reported to be drilling around 1,600 feet.

Globe-Webb No. 1, is reported to still be having trouble with a flow of water at 1,375 feet.

McLean, et al-Clayton No. 1, northeast of Benoit, about 5 miles is still shut down. Drillers are awaiting the arrival of 10-inch casing.

Griswald-Willingham No. 1, 2,300 feet southwest of the McMillan No. 1 is still straightreaming to 1,410. This job has been in process for sometime with much work.

Watchhorn-King No. 1, 2 miles southwest of the McMillan pool was drilling after shutting off water between 2,700 and 2,720 feet.

Empire-Gray No. 1 is cleaning out to set 6-inch casing and deepen at a depth of 2,540 feet.

Gibson-Johnson's Serratt's No. 1 was reported to be drilling after setting casing to shut off a flow of water near 1,600 feet.

Location of two new wells by the Vacuum Oil Company and others on the Fowler and Flanagan farms, rigging up of Marland's No. 1 Herring and digging cellar and slush pit for their No. 1 Byler, spudding of Summers, et al, Reese No. 1 and the placing of Vacuum, et al McMillan No. 2 on the pump were the principal events in the oil happenings of Runnels county during the past week.

Vacuum-McMillan No. 2 which the operators have been watching with interest during the past two weeks has settled down under the pump and is now making 103 barrels of oil and no water, daily, George H. Luck, field superintendent of the concern said Saturday at noon.

"The well is making 103 barrels of 46.6 gravity oil daily, with no water whatever," Mr. Luck said. "The water has disappeared from the hole and only pure oil is now being pumped. Vacuum No. 1 is making 70 barrels of oil daily with a little water."

The two wells are making a total of 173 barrels of oil daily.

Mr. Luck said the Vacuum Oil Company had not yet made application for a power line with the West Texas Utilities Company.

"This will probably be done when other wells are drilled and other companies are operating in this field," Mr. Luck said.

Some time ago it was rumored that the Vacuum would install electrically driven pumps at the field, but the rumor was denied, however, this may be done in time. The Vacuum, it is understood, has such equipment in a field on the Coast and it is proving very practicable.

Marland Oil Company's No. 1 Herring is being rigged and spudding will probably take place next week. This well is near the Coleman county line.

On the Marland No. 1-Byler, 3 miles northwest of the city, workmen were busy Friday digging a cellar and slushpit preparatory to the erection of the rig. This well will be started within the near future.

Summers, et al No. 1 Reese, north of the city, has been spudded and drilling will probably be resumed tonight or Sunday. About 30 feet of hole has been made.

May-Schneider No. 1, 3 miles south of Ballinger, is drilling around 1,600 feet.

Globe Oil Company's No. 1 Webb was drilling at 1,375 feet Friday.

Griswald, et al Willingham is still straightreaming. This well is 2,300 feet southwest of Vacuum-McMillan No. 1.

Watchhorn-King No. 1 is drilling around 2,725 feet.

Empire-Gray No. 1 is running casing at 2,540 feet.

No report could be received today from Svenssondale, et al, Werner No. 1, drilling near Benoit.

Kennedy-Talley No. 1, north of the discovery well, Vacuum-Mc-

Millan No. 1, is still shut down, reports received here Saturday stated.

McLean, et al No. 1 Clayton, 4 miles northeast of Benoit, is shut down awaiting the running of 10-inch casing.

Gibson & Johnson-Serratt No. 1, a mile north of the city, is still drilling. The bit was reported Saturday to be working around 1,700 feet.

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The average speed for the 225 miles was 150 miles an hour.

The Handley-Page Jupiter is the most powerful air liner in the London continental services, being driven by three Bristol Jupiter engines, totalling nearly 1500 h. p.

The actual speed record for the London to Paris flight is 87 minutes, being held by a D. H. Napier air liner, which is of a much smaller type.

A machine has been invented which solves problems in algebra.

## Concho Co. Gets Several New Locations

As a result of the fine production of Vacuum, et al McMillan, 7 miles north of Ballinger, oil activities in Concho county on the south is taking on new life and other wells will be drilled in that county during 1928.

Plans now call for the drilling of some six or seven wells. Concho county is one of the oldest drilling areas in Texas, but production has never been developed although good showings have been obtained in most of the wells drilled there.

Operators have been blocking acreage in all directions from Paint Rock during the past few weeks and several drilling contracts are reported to have been closed.

The W. O. Shultz ranch is probably the most prominent among the acreage that is now being considered. Several wells have been drilled on this ranch but the acreage has never been condemned as fine oil showings have been encountered in almost every well drilled on this land. A location has been made on Section No. 127, T. & N. O. Ry. survey, and operations will be started as soon as the rig is hauled out.

A 2,500-acre block has been obtained in the Wardlaw, Wade, Houston and Noyes ranches. A test will be started on this tract within the near future. The location will be about three miles southeast of Paint Rock. The contract calls for a 3,000-foot hole.

Another test will go down north of the Concho river, about six miles from Paint Rock. It will also be for 3,000 feet.

Another block has been formed about 12 miles northeast of Paint Rock with a contract calling for a 3,000-foot test being signed.

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### WOUNDS SERIOUS FOR MILES MAN

SAN ANGELO, Feb. 24.—J. N. Smith, 38, resident of Miles, was in a hospital here late Thursday in a critical condition from a bullet wound penetrating the left side of the liver and left kidney. He was found wounded in his residence at Miles.

An operation was performed in an effort to save the man's life.

Mrs. Sam Brookshier of near Benoit is reported to be seriously ill with her recovery doubtful. Mrs. J. A. Reese of this city, a daughter, has gone to her bedside and other children have been called home.

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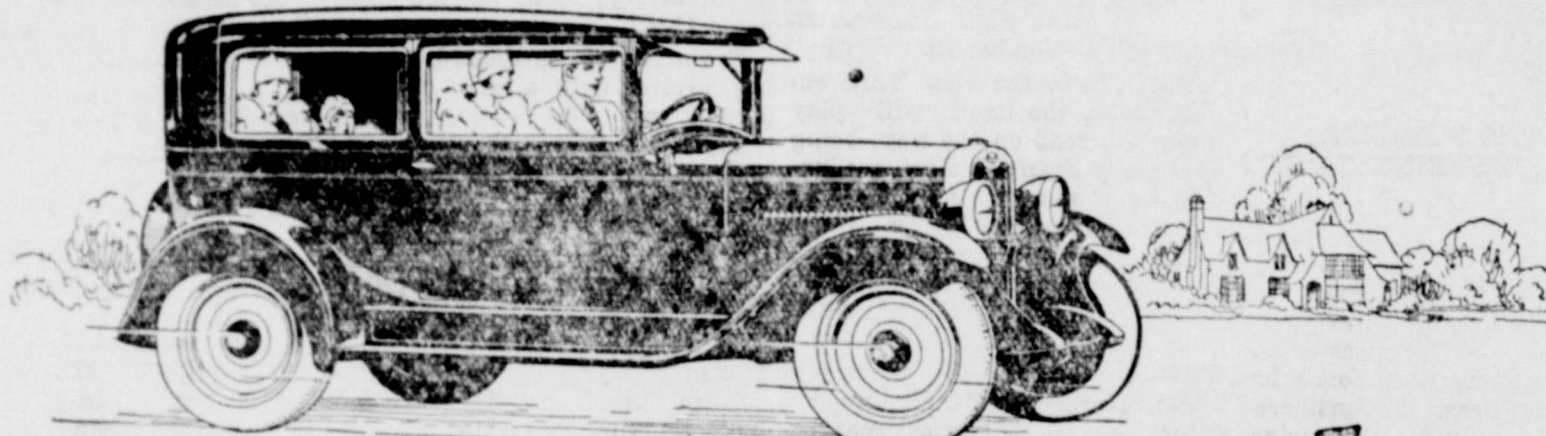
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## LOCAL MEN TO PINK WORM MEET

J. D. Motley, secretary of the chamber of commerce, W. B. Woody, manager of Texas Compress, Ed Day and Oscar Pearson, local ginners, and H. W. Lynn, manager of the Ballinger cotton oil mill, left Saturday morning for Sweetwater, where they will attend the pink boll worm parley to be held there today.

This meeting is expected to be an important affair in starting a war on the boll worm in this section of the state and representatives from probably 100 West Texas towns will be present to discuss the best methods to be used in this attempt to stamp out the pests.

This committee will represent Ballinger and Rannels county at the gathering. They will return here Saturday night.

### LINDBERGH MAIL RECEIVED HERE

Letters carried on the flight of February 20th when Col. Chas. Lindbergh carried the mail on his old route was received in Ballinger yesterday morning. G. A. Ladwig received a letter Thursday that was mailed in St. Louis on the 20th and was carried on the run made by Col. Lindbergh.

It took a jury at Morrison, Ill., twelve hours to acquit a man who drove over a chicken. The jury-men must have been waiting for tamperers.



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Mrs. C. J. Hartman, Scranton, Pa., writes: "With my first two children I had a doctor and a nurse and then they had to use instruments, but with my last two children I used Mother's Friend and had only a nurse; we had no time to get a doctor

## NEW SANTA FE SCHEDULE FIRST

Train No. 78, eastbound passenger of the Santa Fe, will arrive in Ballinger on Sunday, March 4, at about 5:55 p. m., instead of 5:20 p. m., the old schedule, in a change granted last Sunday by the Texas Railroad Commission, J. J. Beck, local passenger agent, said Monday morning.

"I have not yet received instructions as to how the new schedule will run," Mr. Beck said, "but I believe the train will arrive here at about 5:55 or 6 p. m., as the train will leave San Angelo about 4:45 p. m."

This new change will give the passenger train the right to pass up Coleman and will give patrons from this section of the country a 35 or 40-minute shorter trip to Brownwood. The train will arrive in Brownwood about 7:50 p. m.

In passing up Coleman, the California train, No. 92, will arrive there at 7:10 and will combine with the San Angelo-Brownwood train in Brownwood. The former 6:50 p. m. stop at Coleman will be limited after March 4 and the detour on the afternoon train discontinued.

### Morning Service

The morning service of the Santa Fe from this section will remain the same with morning train No. 78 leaving San Angelo at 4:30 a. m., reaching Ballinger about 5:36 a. m., and Coleman at about 6:50 a. m., and arriving in Brownwood at 7:50 a. m.

The change of No. 92, the California train, will put it into Temple at 12:55 a. m. instead of at noon. The train formerly went to Temple from Brownwood and the west mainline in the morning.

The matter was put before the commission on February 15, by representatives of the Santa Fe.

### HAGAN WOMEN GIVE LEDGER FORCE CAKE

The Ledger force Saturday received a fine angel food cake with regards from the women of the Home Demonstration Club of the Hagan community, who were conducting a food sale Saturday at the Piggly-Wiggly.

The Hagan women have conducted several of these sales and each has proven very profitable. The cake was relished by those who made a feast of it.

A new process has been devised to make paper money wear longer. Now if they could find a way to make it buy a little more.

## ELECTRICITY IN COUNTRY IS AID TO AGRICULTURE

TOPEKA, Kans., Feb. 23—Electricity in the rural sections of the United States, is responsible for the greatest strides being made today to place agriculture abreast modern times, H. S. Hendricks, of the United Power and Light Company, declared in a farm conference address here.

Electric units on the farms are making life more attractive, more remunerative and more efficient, Hendricks said. Not only are farm homes being made as modern as city homes, but farm labor is being saved, cost of preparing products for market is being cut down and farmers are equipping their home with electrical machinery more rapidly than they adopted telephones in the early days.

### Increase In Service

Hendricks explained that a recent survey made in twenty-seven states, showed an increase of 86.6 per cent in the number of farm homes receiving electric service, between January 1, 1924, and January 1, 1927, and he declared most of the larger power companies now are making it possible to establish rural electrical service.

Many uses of electrical energy on the farm were explained, some of which included the filling of silos and grinding of feed. The fact that water and ice problems are being solved in a satisfactory and economical way, and the work of housewives is being lessened greatly, was cited as an outstanding achievement. In many cases electrical power makes it possible to irrigate farm crops as well as modernize the home in everyway. Hendricks said:

"Running water, as supplied by automatic electric pumps, is one of the most important contributions of electricity to the modernization of the farm home.

"Such units are easily arranged to be entirely automatic, thereby giving the same service that can be had from any municipal water system. These pumps also can be equipped to pump water direct from the well at the simple turn of a faucet, a feature not possible with a municipal supply.

"A small electrical pump on one of our dairy farms supplies all the water for the home with a family of seven, for the dairy, for cooling milk, watering live stock and during the summer, an average of 1,000 gallons a day for irrigating a fine bluegrass lawn. An average of 52,775 gallons a month was used during 1926 at a cost of \$2.86 per month. If we add to this a fair depreciation, interest and repair charge for pump and well, the total cost per month is only \$5.36. This is cheaper than the rate for the same quantity of water in a nearby city."

Hendricks declared electrical refrigeration for the farm home is not a luxury. A comparison, he said, of the cost of ice and the cost of operating an electric refrigerator, including investment charges, is in favor of electric refrigeration without considering the convenience, cleanliness or low temperature of the latter form of refrigeration.

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### NEW AUTOMOBILE AGENCY ANNOUNCED

Frank Cameron of the Cameron garage announces the line of Oldsmobile cars to be handled by that firm. Mr. Cameron has just returned from Dallas and brought a four door sedan car with him, the first of the new model Oldsmobile to be shown here. The car is now on the floor at this garage and other types will be received within a few weeks.

Mrs. Fred Turner and daughter of Midland are here visiting their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Miller.

## CAUDLE TELLS OF COLEMAN PAVING

Tom Caudle of Coleman, manager of the H. H. Hardin lumber yard there, formerly of this city, was a visitor in Ballinger Wednesday and part of Thursday, says Coleman is going right ahead with its paving work and that the streets will be some of the best in West Texas when completed.

Mr. Caudle says he likes Coleman very well, that business there is very good and Coleman county has a very likable set of citizens.

"In Coleman when the property owners do not want to pave their part of the street, the city paves a strip and leaves the rest to go," Mr. Caudle says, "and believe me, these strips that are left unpaved are sure rough and when it rains they are very muddy. Most of the Coleman citizens are paving their part of the streets but there are a few vacant places."

Mr. and Mrs. Caudle and son came up to attend the George Washington celebration of the Masonic lodge here.

### AN APPRECIATION

The teachers of Austin feel very keenly the loss of Miss Alphonse Caperton, who passed away at 7:00 o'clock on the morning of January 21. Words are inadequate to express the esteem in which she was held in the hearts of those who knew her. In her twelve years of services in the Austin School, her faithfulness, gentleness and goodness endeared her to all with whom she came in contact. Her fine sweet spirit and her noble Christian character were a constant blessing and a benediction to her fellow teachers, and to the many little children whose lives she touched. As a teacher she was untiring in her work, and faithful to the last degree. Her life was surely an answer to G. Stanley Hall's question, "What is so well worth

## Skin Eruptions

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SKILLED physicians recognize the appearance of pimples, boils and other skin eruptions as being an indication of an abnormal condition of the system.

This is why so many thousands have been enabled to free themselves of these unsightly blemishes and painful skin annoyances by taking a course of S.S.S.

You owe it to yourself and friends to give S.S.S. a trial. It helps Nature build rich, red blood—those vitalizing elements in the blood that build and sustain the body.

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"I suffered from impure blood—was weak, and I had lost so much weight, I didn't look natural. I had pimples, and was also bothered with a breaking-out that itched terribly. I also had boils one after another. I tried different kinds of remedies, but nothing did me any good until a friend advised me to take S.S.S., which I did. This was some time ago. Now I feel well,

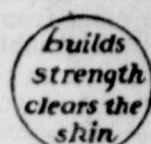


and I am getting along fine. S.S.S. stopped the itching and it cured me of boils. I advise all weak and run-down people to give S.S.S. a trial. It clears up the skin and makes you strong and fills you with energy."—Mrs. J. W. Barker, 1337 Walnut Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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### PERSIA WILL ENFORCE NEW CONSCRIPTION LAW IN SPITE OF PRIESTS

TEHERAN, Feb. 27.—The new conscription law will be enforced by all means, it is stated here, despite the opposition of the "Mullas" or priests who have invited the leading Persian clergymen to a conference at Kum, a famous shrine, to voice their protests.

Cabinet ministers have been negotiating with the clergy, and "mullas" have been closeted with the government officials, but so far there is no end of the deadlock.

An economist declares that the copper industry is on a sound basis. Brass appears to be producing its usual dividends also.

## PERFORMANCE as different as the car itself

Were greater beauty their only advantage, the new engineering principles of Dodge Brothers Victory Six would still be epochal and revolutionary.

Were greater safety The Victory's only advantage, it would still command the gratitude of a life-loving world.

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NOTICE TO BANNER-  
LEDGER REPORTERS

Correspondents for The Banner-Ledger in the various communities are requested to mail their items in not later than Tuesday of each week. The weekly paper is printed on Wednesday and we must have your copy before that time if it is to appear that week. All special notices can be written in advance and included in the news from each locality, with little trouble. We ask your co-operation in this and promise to try to give you the best country weekly possible to publish.

Ballinger's forward progress continues with first one thing and then another. At present oil activities are pushing this city gradually and not with a boom.

The insurance reduction here will mean a big saving to Ballinger merchants and citizens. Our thanks should be offered to the Ballinger fire department for their efforts in fighting fires and keeping our losses so low.

The showing of a few barrels of oil in a well caused more excitement than the wonderful two inch rain that fell over Runnels county this week. They are both fine and will mean much to this county. The rain gives a season that makes prospects good for another good crop.

The recent well in Runnels county to come in and get showings is stimulating the oil activities in Concho county. Concho has done a great deal of drilling and has had some excellent showing and with good producers in this county they are going forward with new tests.

They say a camel can go seven days without a drink, but the horned frog has set a record that makes a camel look sick. Being strictly a West Texas animal, we are not surprised at the frog living without food or water for that length of time, but we believe he had a little air hole to get an occasional breath and a bite of food.

West Texas is to have an eight-club baseball league this year with almost every neighboring town having a team. Coleman is going into the league, it is understood. Ballinger citizens know why Ballinger is not in this league, and Coleman citizens will probably find out why, after being a member three or four weeks.

Plans for the 1922 Fair are to be started Wednesday afternoon at a meeting of the stockholders here. We understand there is much work to be done and that all

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- For Congress, 17th District: R. Q. LEE
- For Sheriff: R. E. (EARL) McWILLIAMS CALVIN ROBERTSON
- For Tax Collector: W. L. BROWN ED J. O'KELLY
- For Tax Assessor: MIKE C. BOYD SID CASKEY
- For District Clerk: MISS GEORGIA SINGLETARY
- For Treasurer: MRS. JENNIE KIRK
- For County Judge: PAUL TRIMMER
- For County Attorney: C. P. SHEPHERD
- For County Clerk: MISS IMA McKOWN T. F. BRIDWELL
- For County Superintendent: R. E. WHITE
- For Justice of Peace, Prec. No. 1: C. H. WILLINGHAM
- For Public Weigher, Prec. No. 1: O. R. JONAS
- For Commissioner, Prec. No. 1: R. J. DEENS
- For Commissioner Prec. No. 2: D. W. YEAGER
- For Commissioner, Prec. No. 4: R. A. PERRY E. A. KORNEGAY

directors and department heads are to help do this work: The Fair has reached the point where it would mean a great loss to Ballinger if it did not grow as much as the remainder of the county institutions.

It looks as if there still might be some interest in the county political races this year, with incumbents of two offices now having opponents. There may be others. Some of you "slackers" who failed to pay your poll tax and won't get a vote now, will probably wish you had taken the free advice offered about the latter part of January which read something like this: "Pay your poll tax."

The Rotary Club, Ballinger's newest service organization, meets every Wednesday at 12:30 o'clock at the Central Hotel. This club has done wonderful work in almost every city where it was chartered and time will tell just how much good it will do in Ballinger. This city has needed such an organization for many years, but whether the Rotary is the one to be successful will soon be learned.

ELECTRIC POWER ON THE FARM

That electricity will soon become an important factor in farming operations is evident from the experiments that are being conducted in many sections of the country at the present time. It not only saves time, but expense for labor as well. In a dairy of 40 cows in Missouri, hand-milking for a period of two months was compared with machine milking. Including interest and depreciation on the equipment, the cost of machine milking was 22 per cent lower than that of hand milking, and the machine reduced the amount of hand labor by one-half.

The advantages of using electric current for cooking, lighting, vacuum cleaners, washing machines, mangles and other household conveniences too numerous to mention, is generally known and appreciated.

GROWING!

Growing, that is Ballinger out and out. Growing with the remainder of West Texas, keeping pace with its sister cities, San Angelo, Abilene, Brownwood, Coleman and Sweetwater, which are also growing, growing up with West Texas and helping to make the Southwest the best place in North America to live.

Ballinger's two new additions, it is understood, are proving to be very successful. New homes will be erected in these new additions by early spring and Ballinger will be larger and better. Not only will new homes be built in the new restricted residential districts but now they are being erected in all parts of the city and in South Ballinger.

Ballinger's downtown section is also growing—growing daily to keep up with the remainder of the city and to keep pace with other activities. Only a few new buildings have been erected, but new businesses are going in and other structures are being planned.

Ballinger's oil field is growing, not rapidly, but surely. With only two producing wells in the county, the grade of oil makes these wells worth more than in some counties where there are a dozen or more wells producing, but the run of oil is not of such high grade. Ballinger's oil field will grow as the county grows, and will keep pace with other growing developments and industries.

Ballinger's streets are being paved, not all at one time, but as they can be paid for. Ballinger is not a rich city yet, but it is able to pave streets. Twenty-five blocks are on the present paving program and the work is underway. Before the paving company gets ready to leave out, the city commission will probably have another job for them.

Ballinger's water system is to be improved and the supply to be increased. Still there comes the thought of growth. Ballinger is growing or it would not need more water or better water, for the water at present is very good, but the demand is increasing and the city must look after the welfare of its inhabitants. Ballinger's farming territory

is growing. Each year new land is put into cultivation and each year more and better crops are being raised by the farmers. The farmers are improving their crops, their poultry flocks and dairy herds and only recently have they seen fit to erect in Ballinger a creamery plant worth \$18,000.

Ballinger is growing—there is no getting around this fact. There are a dozen other things that could be mentioned, but keep your eyes open and you can find out yourself just how and why Ballinger is growing.

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Most clubs cost you money, but this "club" actually saves you dollars each month.

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If you enjoy associating with people who are self-respecting, who are paying their way, who are friendly and genuine and without a false front, we invite you to join the growing "Club" of PIGGLY WIGGLY Store buyers.

We know our customers. We enjoy dealing with them. They're the salt of the earth.

The backbone of any community is made up of the solid, substantial people who pay cash.

Come and join this "Club." It's fun to shop here—and you get the best of everything for your table, at prices that entable you to take a longer and more glorious vacation next summer, at our expense!

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RABBIT DRIVE AT PONY CREEK NEXT WEDNESDAY

Parties in Ballinger Wednesday from Pony Creek announced that a rabbit drive would be held there next Wednesday, March 7, the drive to start at the Sims' gin.

The drive will last throughout the day and cover much of the Pony Creek territory. Dinner will be served on the creek at the Mapes place, where dinners have heretofore been held on the rabbit drives.

Hunters from Ballinger are invited to attend and are promised a swell feed together with much fun in killing the rabbits.

FROGS BASEBALL SEASON OPENS ON MARCH 30TH

FORT WORTH, Tex., Feb. 28.—With the final home basket ball game with Rice here last week, supporters of Horned Frog athletics are confronted with a full month of inactivity so far as intercollegiate contests are concerned.

The next athletic contest booked for the home grounds of Texas Christian University does not come until March 30. On Friday and Saturday, March 30 and 31, Baylor will send its baseball team to Fort Worth to cross bats with the T. C. U. nine.

Two more games remain on the Frog cage schedule, but both of these are on foreign courts. The Frogs made five journeys to Waco to meet the Baylor quintet Monday evening and to Austin to play their final game of the season on the University's court there.

Hear These New Columbia Records—

- "Little Marian Parker," and "Where Is My Mama?"
- "Kelly Waltz," and "Honey-moon Waltz."
- D. E. MOODY MUSIC HOUSE. 1w

For book service in isolated sections of Arkansas, a donation of \$4,500 has been made by a national sorority to the Arkansas Free Library Service Bureau.

An appropriation has been made by the Government of Columbia for the erection of a building in Paris as a residence for Columbian students attending the University of Paris.

Students, soldiers, and members of labor organizations will be admitted free to the gallery during the coming opera season in Chile. Biweekly performances will be given at popular prices for the whole house. The Government will thus make the best music available to the public.

M. T. Gadberry of Glendale, Arizona, is here visiting relatives for several days.

LINDY HONORED IN NEW YORK

ALBANY, Feb. 29.—Colonel Lindbergh disappointed a great throng at the Albany flying field when he landed at Schenectady, nearby, and arrived here an hour later and greeted Governor Smith and other officials who escorted him to the capitol.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 29.—New York state, through Governor Alfred E. Smith, its legislature and state officials, today was formally to pay its respects to Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, who will address a joint session of the legislature at 2 o'clock this afternoon in behalf of aviation.

The capitol took on an appearance rivaling the inauguration of the governor with the state troops on guard and only persons with official passes gaining admittance to the assembly chamber.

Lieutenant Lester Maitland, trans-Pacific non-stop flier, is here and will also address the chamber.

CURTIS FIELD, Feb. 29.—Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh hopped for Albany, N. Y., at 12:12 o'clock this morning with four associates.

The Lindbergh plane was preceded by a transport plane, piloted by Lieutenant Lester Maitland and carrying F. Trubee Davidson, assistant secretary of the War for Aviation and Mayor Charles Hanna of Syracuse.

The tail skid on Lindbergh's plane snapped off about 100 yards after the start but Lindy kept on going.

NEW COMPROMISE FOR FLOOD BILL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—A new compromise on the flood relief bill, appropriating \$325,000,000 for the construction of adequate levees along the flooded areas of the Missouri Valley, and placing the burden on the federal government was approved by the Senate Commerce Committee after a month's study of the matter.

CUT IN RATES IS REFUSED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—Joseph Stewart, assistant to Postmaster General New, informed the House Postoffice committee today that the department has refused the publishers' pleas to reduce second class postal rates.

Any high-school graduate in South Dakota who desires to attend an institution of higher education in the State can obtain the indorsement of three responsible persons, may borrow money from a student loan fund sponsored by the P. T. Teacher Association of the State.

SEARCH FOR 3 FLYERS GOES ON

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—All available aircraft in this section took to the air at dawn this morning in an effort to locate the three naval fliers who have been missing since Sunday night.

The Naval Department has almost despaired of finding the men and believes that their plane fell in Chesapeake Bay.

Those missing are Commander T. G. Ellison, Lieutenant Commander Hugo Schmidt, and Lieutenant Roger Ranshousen. They vanished during the flight from the airplane carrier Lexington at Hampton Roads to Annapolis, 140 miles away.

Because of the lack of success of coeducational schools in Peru a law has been passed prohibiting this type of education. Secondary schools for girls only have recently been established in Lima, Cajamarca, Huancas, Trujillo and Puno.

Kansas was separated from Missouri and made a territory in 1854.

New Ice Stations to Be Erected By W. T. Utilities Co., One Here

The West Texas Utilities have let the contract here for the immediate erection of an ice station on Broadway. The station will be built on the corner lots across the street from Dr. J. W. Blasdel's home.

Mr. Earl Morley showed the Ledger a picture of the type station that is being erected by the company over West Texas and it will be another beauty spot in Ballinger. The building will be a Spanish type house of stucco and tile roof. Cement drives lead to the station and the grounds will be turned into a lawn and flower garden. The work on this station will begin at once and it will be finished in time to serve the ice patrons for the coming season.

New and attractive ice sales stations, of modified Spanish design, soon will be ready to give ice service to patrons of the West Texas Utilities Company in five of the 100 communities served by it.

Contracts for six sales stations, all of the same type architecture, similarly equipped, and almost the same size, have been awarded by the company. Four of the contracts went to Thomas & Montgomery, San Angelo contractors. Two others will be built by W. D. Ford of Munday.

Two stations will be erected at San Angelo, one each at Ballinger, Coleman, Quanah and Vernon. Those at San Angelo will be started this week, while the Coleman and Ballinger projects will be under way shortly after March 1. Mr. Ford will start construction of the Vernon and Quanah stations the last of this week or early next week. All of them will begin operation by May 1.

The stations at San Angelo will be erected at the intersection of South Chadbourne street and Avenue A. The other will occupy a site at North Chadbourne and Ninth streets. That at Ballinger will occupy the north 70 feet of Lot 1, Block 1, Flowers Addition, and that at Coleman will be built on property acquired sometime ago by the West Texas Utilities Company.

Each station will measure 24 by 24 feet and will be of brick and tile, covered with stucco—similar to other ice stations the company has erected in a number of its communities. All walls will be insulated with a four-inch cork board. All stations, except that at Vernon, will have two serving platforms for the convenience of

patrons and to prevent traffic congestion. Each will set back some 25 feet from the property line. Concrete driveways will extend from the streets to the platforms.

The ice vaults in each building will have a capacity of 15 tons. Automatic chutes, which carry ice from the vaults to the platform, will be installed. These chutes make for economy of operation, dispensing of one man. Ice will be stored at the plant in each community so that it can be automatically cut to the proper size by moving the lever to the automatic chute.

Electric signs, with a floodlight at the back focused on the building, will be erected at each station, as well as nine similar buildings of the West Texas Utilities Company in other communities.

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AN APPRECIATION

Please permit us to take this method to express our most sincere thanks and appreciation for the kindness, the sympathy and efforts of our friends and neighbors during the recent illness and death of our son. We also wish to express our appreciation of the many beautiful floral offerings at his funeral. May God bless you. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Halfmann. 29-7w.

SORE BLEEDING GUMS. Only one bottle LETO'S PYORRHEA REMEDY is needed to convince anyone. Get a bottle, use as directed, and if you are not satisfied druggists will return your money. J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

Japan's rapidly growing population is said to be making the food problem a serious one.

A new parachute square in shape has been designed for the use of aviators.

Wink—The Higgins Hotel, formerly of Tulsa, Winkler county has been move dto this place.



**Specials for Saturday**

LETTUCE, California Iceberg, nice hard heads, 3 for **25c**

APPLES, Washington, Arkansas Black, 30 for **53c**

FRESH PORK, Country Killed, Roast, Steaks, Sausage, per lb. **25c**

**ABTEX CHICKEN FEEDS**  
Starter—Scratch Feed—Laying Mash

LADY ALICE COFFEE, 3 lbs. **\$1.00**  
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Piggly Wiggly is owned by Ballinger people. They believe in Runnels County and its development, and buy all kinds of produce possible from the farmer.

We solicit your March business.

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## Currie Makes Report On Agriculture in Runnels

Members of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce heard an extensive report on the affairs of the agriculture committee of the chamber, Tuesday morning, by W. B. Currie, chairman of the committee.

The agriculture committee's most recent undertaking was the purchasing of 31 fine dairy cattle in Granbury and Dublin for farmers near Ballinger. These cows have been shipped here and have been delivered to the farmers who asked for them.

The agriculture committee has been doing some fine work this year and other matters are being planned for their work. The year was only started and much work has been accomplished by this committee already.

The directors also endorsed the program as adopted by the Fair Association for this year and pledged its financial and moral support.

The chamber has recognized the Fair as a valuable asset to the interests of Ballinger and this section of the state. They want to see this year's Fair the most successful of all previous undertakings and will aid in every way in making it the best.

The street paving, good roads and better water for the city came in for a large part of the discussion by the board. Further plans are being worked up on each subject, and although nothing has been definitely decided, other than in the street work, all undertakings are progressing very nicely and the committee will no likely obtain some results within the near future.

Other matters were also discussed and after two hours spent together, the board adjourned shortly before noon.

### FIGURE IT OUT YOURSELF

Here's a story of an ordinary longhorn Texas cow as told by E. B. Bullock and we are passing it on to the farmers and stockmen for what it is worth. Incidentally, the story has a moral.

It was in the early part of the year 1925, we believe, that this cow was brought down from the mountains and sold to a resident of the Artesia community. She was classed as a canner because of her condition. Her owner sold her for the total sum of \$15. Doubtless he thought he was getting a pretty good price and possibly was at that time. She changed hands a time or two, but in her meantime her calf, born in 1925, was fattened or fed out and sold for \$50. The next year, in 1926, she had another calf and the same program was repeated, the calf was fattened and sold for \$50. She had another calf in 1927 and recently both the calf and the mother were sold for the sum of \$125.05. Thus the cow originally purchased for \$15 finally netted the owners with her increase a total sum of \$225.05. Not counting the cost of feed the owners realized a profit of \$210.05. Of course, the feed cost money, but everything fed to either cow or calf was produced in this section. This raises the question of how much the cow would have netted the farmer who produces his own feed.—Artesia (N. M.) Advocate.

### HOSPITAL NOTES

Ted Truly, the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Truly, who was seriously injured in an automobile wreck near Talpa last October, underwent another operation Tuesday morning in grafting more skin on to his scalded body. This is the second skin operation with his mother, who was also seriously injured giving up the skin this time. The first operation was partly successful with his sister, Miss Marguerite giving the needed skin.

Harry Crosley, stage carpenter for Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Hopkins tent show, was dismissed from Halley & Love hospital Tuesday, following a very successful operation performed recently.

The French government will participate in the trade fair at Leipzig, Germany, next spring for the first time since the fair was established 700 years ago.

Pigmies of New Guinea average about four feet in height.

## FORMER NURSE MAY SHARE IN RUSSELL WILL

Miss Edna Webb, 28, a nurse in the Brownwood Hospital formerly of this city, has been named as one of the heirs of the late Lillian Russell, well known actress, who died some time ago in the East, according to reports received in Ballinger Wednesday. She is to receive \$250,000.

Miss Webb was recently notified, so says the report by a cousin, F. J. Webb, of Cross Plains, had bequeathed the two a large sum of money and that her part was \$250,000. Miss Webb has been planning a trip to New Jersey to look after her interests there, the report stated.

It was stated that Miss Russell and Miss Webb were second cousins.

Miss Webb was for six or eight months a nurse in Halley & Love Hospital here. She later resigned from the hospital to do private nursing and in all spent five or six years here. Later she went to Brady where she did private nursing for some time and then last May went to Brownwood to enter the nursing school at the Brownwood Hospital. She has been there since.

An uncle, J. F. McMillan, a carpenter, resides at 600 13th street here. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Webb, reside at Doole, McCulloch county, about 40 miles south of Ballinger.

Relatives here said that they were not aware of the fact that Miss Russell was a second cousin of Miss Webb, but that last spring before leaving Ballinger, she had spoken frequently of her cousin at Cross Plains, said to be an oil man, and rather wealthy.

According to special dispatches received here from Brownwood, Miss Russell left an income to her daughter and the remainder of her estate to her husband, A. P. Moore, to be distributed among certain relatives and to charity organizations. News agencies are making efforts to locate Mr. Moore.

Mr. Webb, the Cross Plains man, in an interview Tuesday afternoon with a newspaper man from Brownwood, said he did not know Miss Webb in Brownwood, "but had seen her." He denied any knowledge of the bequest, while Miss Webb told the same newspaper man that she knew nothing "but what he told me," meaning what Mr. Webb told her.

News agencies are making efforts to trace all the facts in the case and find out from just what source this information was obtained.

In an effort to communicate with Mr. Webb today in Cross Plains, it was said that he was in Coleman looking after business.

It is understood that Miss Webb had purchased some new clothes and was preparing to make a trip to New Jersey early in March with Mr. Webb of Cross Plains, to aid in the settlement of the Russell estate.

### HERRING W. A. W. SOCIETY

The Herring girls met at school February 23 and organized a W. A. W. Society. The members are Misses Della, Grace and Sammie Bragg, Loy Brevard, Bernice Hale, Vivian McCartney, Ester Pane, Arlene Feeller and Jessie Carlton. Loy Brennan was elected president, Adene Feeller, vice president, Bernice Hale, secretary and treasurer, Grace Bragg and Bernice Hale on social committee, Della Bragg, reporter. We hope this will be a successful organization. Our motto will be: "Work and Win." Our next meeting will be at the school house, when we will plan for a social.

Mrs. E. A. Giesecke and three daughters and Miss Margaret Kirk have returned from Dallas, where they spent several days visiting relatives.

Charles Foster of Bangs, spent Sunday in Ballinger with friends. Charles was formerly employed by the Santa Fe here. He is now connected with the Santa Fe in Bangs.

## Paving On Lower Part Of Broadway Undecided

The matter of paving the lower part of Broadway is still undecided, it was announced Wednesday morning by John A. Weeks, local druggist, and chairman of the Chamber of Commerce Civic Committee, who met with the city commission and paving contractors Tuesday night in a special meeting.

"We expect, however," Mr. Weeks said, "to be in position within a few days to announce that all of Broadway will be paved. If we can get two or three of the leading holdout property owners to sign up, I believe the matter will go through without further trouble."

All property owners on Broadway with the exception of those on the lower three blocks, just north of the Santa Fe tracks, have made arrangements for the paving, C. L. Nelson, a representative of Brown and Root, George town, the contractors on the job said Wednesday morning. All owners on Eighth street, with one exception, have signed up and it is believed that he will come across and make the necessary arrangements.

Herman Brown, of Brown & Root, C. L. Nelson and W. A. Woolsey of Brownwood, Mr. Proper of the Uvalde Rock Asphalt Company, and Mr. Weeks met with the city commission and city engineers Tuesday night to discuss the matter.

The city has gotten to the point with the paving where that on Broadway must be connected with the downtown streets and in order to do this, an 18-foot strip, with headers about six inches high, will be constructed unless the property owners on the lower blocks agree to the plan as has been adopted.

The two churches on Broadway are in favor of the paving, it is understood.

If three blocks of 18-foot paving is constructed, the city will

not be obligated to maintain any other part of the street and will not be liable for the flood waters coming down off the 50-foot street which will pass between the paving and the property of the people living on these blocks. The headers must be constructed in order that the paving be protected.

All known plans and some that are not yet known will be used in an effort to get the property owners to come across and join in with others on Broadway and Eighth streets in making the two streets beautiful instead of ragged without paving in front of several of the fine homes.

### FUNERAL FOR MRS. SAM BROOKSHIRE TUESDAY

Funeral services for Mrs. Love-day Rebecca Brookshire, 68, who died at her home two miles east of Benoit early Monday morning were held Tuesday afternoon at the home, with Rev. B. B. Edmiston, Talpa Methodist pastor, officiating.

Mrs. Brookshire had been ill for some time.

She is survived by ten children, all of whom were present at the time of her death, also several brothers and sisters and her stepmother, Mrs. George Clayton of Abilene.

King-Holt Co., undertakers, prepared the body for burial and were in charge at the grave.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

John F. Nunn and Miss Elizabeth Coulter.

Ricardo C. Rios and Miss Juana Quivina.

Orville Jarred and Miss Cleo Morrison.

Grabel Bekus and Miss Etonilde Delaesta.

Jack Barber and Miss Johnnie Hamilton.

### MR. AND MRS. W. J. COLEMAN MOVE TO MASON

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Coleman, for several years residents of this city, have moved to Mason, where Mr. Coleman will again be connected with the West Texas Utilities Company as assistant manager of the Mason office.

Mr. Coleman has been connected with the Utilities Company here for several months and has been promoted to a new position. He ordered the Daily Ledger to follow him to that city.

### INCOME TAX MEN AT BALLINGER STATE BANK

G. L. Hopkins and O. A. Kane, federal income tax men, are at the Ballinger State Bank on Wednesday and Thursday of this week assisting local citizens in

making out their annual income tax reports.

The two men arrived in Ballinger Wednesday morning and will remain until Friday.

Mr. Kane is the new Federal man of this section and will make Ballinger rather often.

### BANKS TO CLOSE HERE FRIDAY, MARCH 2

All Ballinger banks will be closed Friday, March 2, Texas Independence Day, it was announced Wednesday.

Get your extra change from your bank on Thursday afternoon before it closes for another holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Shepherd spent Sunday afternoon in Abilene, visiting their daughter, Miss Evelyn, and other friends.



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Ballinger, Texas

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Friday and Saturday

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When all the evidence was against him did the cowboy cavalier lay down his gun and surrender to Fate?

When all had lost faith in him—even the girl he loved—did he beg for mercy?

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## Texas Mother's Idea Is Proved Right



"A few years ago, my little daughter, Lois, nearly worried me gray," says Mrs. J. L. Carpenter, 104 Buckingham Ave., San Antonio. "She was very puny and underweight, she had no appetite, her breath was bad, her tongue was coated, she always seemed tired and sleepy and never wanted to romp or play like other children."

"She was badly constipated, and I had the idea that her stomach and bowels were weak. We decided to give her some California Fig Syrup, and we couldn't have thought of anything better. The first few doses brightened her up amazingly. We kept giving it to her for about a week, and at the end of that time she was feeling like a new girl. She began to pick up weight and she hasn't had a bit of her old trouble

since. Now she's a strong, healthy girl, making wonderful grades in Junior High School, doing splendidly with her music, and is as much help as a grown person in the home. We have used California Fig Syrup with her for bad colds, little feverish spells, etc., ever since our first experience with it. It's marvelous for children."

California Fig Syrup is purely vegetable and works with Nature to tone and strengthen the stomach and bowels, so they act normally, of their own accord. Children like its rich, fruity taste, and it acts quick to clean the souring waste out of their system, without griping or making them sick.

All drug stores have it, but to be sure of getting the genuine, endorsed by physicians for over 50 years, ask for it by the full name, "California Fig Syrup."

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## Plans Made to Fumigate and Sterilize All Cotton

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Reports of spreading pink boll worm menace in Texas cotton fields, caused President Coolidge today to ask that \$150,000 be provided immediately by congress for the Agriculture Department's campaign against the pest.

The recommendation calls for a total appropriation of \$400,000 to be available next year.

More than 2,000 farmers, ginners and cotton oil men and citizens of West Texas gathered at the city auditorium in Sweetwater late Saturday and perfected plans to fumigate and sterilize the cotton in the pink boll worm infected counties of this part of the state.

There were two factions at the meeting, the farmers, ginners and cotton oil men and the state and federal agents investigating the worm condition. There were many heated arguments and much discussion as to the report of the survey of the agents which was made in 16 West Texas counties and in which, seven counties showed pink boll worms. These counties are Yoakum, Dawson, Seury, Midland, Howard, Brewster and Martin.

Large delegations were present from Dawson, Howard and Martin counties.

The farmers and cotton men were very indignant over the report of pink boll worm in the above named counties, but a resolution committee, which was appointed by the acting chairman drafted a plan that was heartily endorsed after much discussion.

The plan was this: In order to avoid the zoning of the infected counties, plans will be made to fumigate and sterilize the cotton at the gin at the expense of the federal and state governments. If this does not prove successful there will be special sessions held of the legislature to appropriate special funds to carry out further measures for the farmers' relief after zones are created.

George B. Terrell, commissioner of agriculture, was present and delivered an address to the citizens. Governor Dan Moody was present and made the principal address at the afternoon session.

## DON'T LET INDIGESTION AGE YOU

Many a young person looks old and haggard through indigestion. The continual pain and discomfort combined with the inability of weakened stomach organs to extract nourishment from food are such a terrible strain that they drive all trace of youth away.

If you ever have indigestion, no matter how slight—beware! Get to the root of the trouble before it becomes chronic. "Pape's Diapiesin" will do this quickly. This great stomachic stops indigestion almost instantly by neutralizing excess acid and stopping food fermentation—common causes of digestive trouble—while nothing else so surely soothes, heals and strengthens your weakened stomach.

"Pape's Diapiesin" is used by millions all over the world. Get a 60-cent package of "Pape's Diapiesin" from your druggist today. The complete freedom from digestive pain and discomfort will be wonderful and will make you feel healthier and younger.

session. He pledged his endorsement and support for the best interests of the farmers. State agents and federal agricultural men were present and aided in giving the desired information in regard to the findings of the survey conducted in the 16 counties.

From this city, the following attended: J. D. Motley, W. B. Wood, H. W. Lynn, Joe spoons, Edwin Day, and Oscar Pearson.

### MOTHERS

Watch for symptoms of worms in your children. These parasites are the great destroyers of child life. If you have reason to think your child has worms, act quickly. Give the little one a dose or two of White's Cream Vermifuge. Worms cannot exist where this time-tried and successful remedy is used. It drives out the worms and restores the rosy hue of health to baby cheeks. Price 35c. Sold by Weeks Drug Store

### HOMELESS RUSSIAN BOY MAY BE BIGGEST STAR IN SOVIET MOVIEDOM

LENINGRAD, Feb. 27.—One of Russia's horde of homeless children Sashka Baskakov promises to become the most talented child movie actor in the country. He is only 14 years old.

Sashka's photographs, which are being collected by hundreds of admirers, adorn the rogues' galleries of 10 Soviet cities. His criminal record is as long as a scenario and just as thrilling. Authorities had about given up the job of trying to hold him in asylums and teach him a trade when Directors Nikolai Berensky and Ivan Petrov of the Leningrad State Motion Picture Studio wandered into the home for incorrigible orphans and picked out Sashka as just the right type for a part in the first all-homeless children's movie, "Golden Money."

It was the only job that ever appealed to Sashka. He nipped a plot to set fire to the studio and locked half a dozen other wail who thought that making pictures was just another scheme to civilize them. When twenty child-actors, excluding Sashka, were picked to change location to Batum for a couple of scenes, he reverted to his old tricks and rode the blind baggage for 813 days on the same train that carried the movie company. His display of loyalty gave him his big chance, and he has played the lead roles in five pictures since then.

OUSLEY ON SPEAKING TOUR FOR COTTON ACREAGE CUT (By International News Service)

CORPUS CHRISTI, Feb. 6.—Carence Ousley, of Dallas, president of the Safe Farming Association, will speak at Robstown, Nueces county, Feb. 9th, it is announced.

Reduction of cotton acreage will be the principal topic of the meeting. The Governors' Conference to be held at Jackson, Miss., Feb. 20, will be too late to affect plans of the South Texas cotton farmers, it is stated.

Protests are heard in Spain against the encroachments of American billboards.

## LEGION WILL SEE MINT PLANS TO MAKE SMALLER SILVER DOLLAR

SAN ANTONIO, Feb. 27.—With plans already well advanced, San Antonio is leaving nothing undone to make the tenth annual national convention of the American Legion, to be held here from October 8th to 12th, the greatest in the history of the organization.

Preparations are underway for entertaining a crowd of 100,000 or more people and for a program of fun and frolic such as has never been staged at any previous convention.

All the romance and glamor of the Southwest will be embodied in the program of entertainment features, according to Phillip B. Stapp, general convention director. San Antonio plans to infuse into the program the flavor of "Wild West" frontier life, the Mexican atmosphere and the tone given by the greatest military and aviation establishment of the United States.

Rides, side trips to the great ranches and border towns on the Rio Grande, entertainers from the city of Mexico, football games, a Broadway show, the greatest military demonstration and the most ambitious air circus ever staged at a Legion convention are a few of the features Stapp is lining up for the convention.

## FAIR MEETING HERE WED.

New officers will be elected, contracts will be let for entertainments, the dates for the 1928 show will be set, and other matters looked into at the meeting of the stockholders of the Runnels County Fair Association to be held Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the courthouse.

The stockholders will elect a new board of directors, the directors in turn will elect their officers and then the above business will be transacted.

J. D. Motley, secretary of the association, will make the annual report of his office. E. E. King, president, will preside.

Mr. King urges every stockholder of the association to be present and aid in the election of officers.

"We are going to have a real fair this year," Mr. Motley said Monday, "things have grown in the association now until we can pay more attention to every department and especially the entertaining features."

Tentative dates have been set but the board must pass on them Wednesday before they are final official.

The 1927 fair was one of the most successful ever held despite the fact that rain played havoc with many of the scheduled programs. This year programs will be arranged so the rain will have little or no effect with their success.

### CONCHO COUNTY POLL TAXES GAIN

Following shows the number of poll tax receipts issued at Paint Rock for the various communities of Concho county for this year:

Paint Rock	256
Eola	183
Lowake	95
White Point	116
Eden	444
Hills	36
Live Oak	89
Millersview	213
Pasche	89
Loveless	35
Williams	82
Coffey	20
Coneho	53
Dry Hollow	73
Welview	51

The total for 1927 is 1,835, as compared with 1,691 in 1925, according to the Concho Herald.

Mrs. Ann Kelly, who died in Lewisham, Eng., at the age of 103, was married three times without changing her name, since her husbands were all named Kelly and her maiden name was the same.

The United Kingdom now consumes ten times as much grapefruit as it did five years ago.

DENVER, Feb. 27.—Following announcement that new money in smaller sized currency would be available for distribution by the treasury department, probably late this year, a movement is under way here for adoption of a silver dollar considerably smaller in size than the present familiar "cart-wheel."

An increase in the mining industry of Colorado is seen in the proposal, offered by Coloradans, for the new, scientific silver dollar is adopted by the federal government.

The new coin, according to present discussion, would be composed of one ounce of silver, 47 cents worth of gold and three cents worth of alloy, mostly copper. Such a composition is pointed out as being a fair, equitable representation of the value of the country's wealth which is based on gold and silver.

### Size an Advantage

Another advantage of the new dollar, as contemplated under the proposal, would be its size, for it would be slightly larger than the 50-cent piece and of a thickness 20 per cent less than the half dollar.

Were such a piece adopted, Colorado being one of the largest producers of silver in the land would naturally benefit in a proposition whose features would offer advantages to everybody. Manufacture of the coin would necessitate an increased production of silver and this would stimulate mining, put more money into circulation and cause a greater prosperity, the proponents declare.

Discussion of the proposal brought out the cumbersomeness of the present "iron man," the disadvantage of whose weight has caused the eastern section of the country to shun it and substitute the dollar bill.

### See Few Dollars

It is seldom that a silver dollar is seen east of the Mississippi River but the bills are omnipresent and their repositories are not always the cleanest or most sanitary, leading various banks to establish bill laundries for their cleansing.

In consequence, the Coloradans interested in the proposal point out that the bill is one of the world's greatest mediums for the distribution of diseases, and contrast it with their suggested new coin which would be sanitary because it would not gather filth.

### KEEP SPARROWS OUT OF GARDENS

Mrs. R. F. Smith was a caller at the Ledger office Friday morning and stated to a reporter that she wanted to pass a good word along to other women who are trying to raise a garden and having trouble with small English sparrows. Mrs. Smith said to make a strong salt brine strong enough to hold up an egg and then to soak threshed maize in it overnight and sprinkle the maize along the rows of the garden. The sparrows will pay the garden one visit and not liking the taste of the salty maize, will move on to some other place.



## Winter's Colds and Chills Throw Heavy Burdens on the Kidneys.

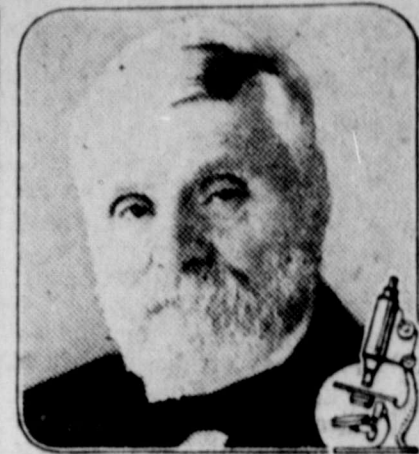
COLDS put extra burdens on our kidneys. When the kidneys slow up, impurities remain in the blood and are apt to make one tired and achy with headaches, dizziness and often nagging backache. A common warning is scanty or burning secretions.

Doan's Pills, a stimulant diuretic, increase the secretion of the kidneys and aid in the elimination of waste impurities. Are endorsed by users everywhere. Ask your neighbor!

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## Dr. Caldwell's 3 Rules Keep You Healthy

Dr. Caldwell watched the results of constipation for 47 years, and believed that no matter how careful people are of their health, diet and exercise, constipation will occur from time to time regardless of how much one tries to avoid it. Of next importance, then, is how to treat it when it comes. Dr. Caldwell always was in favor of getting as close to nature as possible, hence his remedy for constipation, known as Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, is a mild vegetable compound. It can not harm the most delicate system and is not a habit forming preparation. Syrup Pepsin is pleasant-tasting, and youngsters love it. It does not gripe. Thousands of mothers have written us to that effect.



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Keep free from constipation! It robs your strength, hardens your arteries and brings on premature old age. Do not let a day go by without a bowel movement. Do not sit and hope, but go to a druggist and get one of the generous bottles of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. Take the proper dose that night and by morning you will feel like a different person. Use Syrup Pepsin for

yourself and members of the family in constipation, biliousness, sour and crampy stomach, bad breath, no appetite, headaches, and to break up fevers and colds. Always have a bottle in the house, and observe these three rules of health: Keep the head cool, the feet warm, the bowels open.

We would be glad to have you prove at our expense how much Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin can mean to you and yours. Just write "Syrup Pepsin," Monticello, Illinois, and we will send you prepaid a FREE SAMPLE BOTTLE.

### L. P. WOOD RETURNS TO HOME AFTER SEVERAL WEEKS IN HOSPITAL

L. P. Wood of Old Runnels, pioneer of Runnels county, and one of the remaining few old cattlemen of the open trail, was returned to his home here Sunday at noon from the Santa Rosa hospital, at San Antonio, where he had been for the past several weeks following two very serious operations.

Mr. Wood is reported to be some better, but his condition is still regarded as rather serious. He was reported to be resting

resting very well at his home in Old Runnels Monday morning. He was accompanied home on the train by Horace Murphey, of this city, and a nurse.

Wesley Wood went to San Antonio last week and accompanied his mother home Saturday. Mrs. Wood had been in San Antonio with her husband for several weeks.

C. A. Doose, Sr., is confined to his bed at his home on Broadway. He has been ill all week, but was reported to be some better Saturday morning.

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## Santa Fe Improvement Program for 1928

Railways serving a growing country are never finished. They must add yearly to the number of cars and locomotives in order to care for increasing traffic. They must build extensions and provide second and third tracks. They must provide larger terminal yards and longer and more sidings. They must provide heavier bridges and larger and more commodious stations, roundhouses and shops.

This expansion in facilities requires additional cash investment in the railroads of this country, amounting to over half a billion dollars annually.

The Santa Fe proposes to spend 45 million dollars on its program for enlargement of such facilities during 1928.

Orders have already been placed for 3,850 new freight cars, 75 all-steel passenger train cars, and 771 miles of new steel rail, of which 490 miles will be 110 lbs. to the yard and the balance 90 lbs. When this steel is laid the Santa Fe will have 2,182 miles of 110 lb. rail all laid since January 1, 1925. Orders have been placed for steel for bridges, ties have been purchased, and work on more second track and other improvements is in progress.

The Santa Fe puts this large additional investment of new money into its property to increase its capacity, to render service, to promote safety, and to take care of the growing needs of the country it serves.

W. B. STOREY, *President*  
The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe  
Railway System.

### Fat Stock Show Boosters Visit Ballinger Schools

Dressed in cowboy garb, Bob Sweeney and Lon Fishbach of Fort Worth, advertising the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show which starts on March 10, visited local schools Friday afternoon on their tour in this section in boosting the show.

The two "Singing Cowboys," as they are known, have been over a large part of the state. To date, they have visited some 250 towns and travelled about 4,500 miles, leaving out of Fort Worth on their eastern tour some four weeks ago. They go as far as San Angelo to the southwest, to Lubbock on the Plains, to Amarillo in the Panhandle, and have already made their tour out to Longview in East Texas.

These two men are traveling

for the Association of Commerce of Fort Worth and are advertising the Fat Stock Show. They will remain out until the date of the beginning of the exposition, when they will return to Fort Worth and assist in entertaining the visitors to the show.

This year's Fat Stock Show will be the best ever held in the Southwest. Mr. Sweeney stated when he called at the Ledger office Friday. Well known rodeo cowboys and cowgirls will be there to take part in the rodeo events. Captain Tom Hickman, of the state Ranger force, and one of the best known rodeo judges in the United States, will be one of the judges. The opening pageant will be a most spectacular event, and will attract many thousands of persons. The livestock that will be on display will be of the best grade and breed and are the best in the Southwest.

"Telling stories is not in my line," Mr. Sweeney said, "but I saw the 'Rip Van Winkle' horned frog in Eastland and it is alive. I did not believe it at first, but the frog is very much alive, and is attracting considerable attention. It has received many columns in newspapers over the United States during the past week and is no doubt the greatest event that has ever occurred in Eastland county."

After their visit to the school here, the two boosters visited several of the business houses, inviting Ballinger people to the

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### LEGION SETS SHOW DATES

The American Legion will present their 7th annual show at their auditorium on March 12 and 13. The play that will be presented this year is a comedy in three acts, "Take My Advice." Rehearsals have been under way for more than one week now and the progress already made assures the public of one of the best shows ever presented by the Legionnaires here.

A strong cast has been secured and all the characters are particularly suited for parts assigned to them. Between the acts a beauty chorus of twelve girls will be presented in songs and dances. These numbers will be costumed and electrical effects used to make them the two biggest vaudeville numbers yet attempted in a Legion show.

Reserved seats will be placed on sale at the Weeks drug store early next week. Reserve seats will be 75 cents and general admission 50 cents. On Monday, March 12th, a special school children's matinee will be given at four in the afternoon with the admission price reduced to 10 and 25 cents.

### ELEVENTH STREET TALKS OF PAVING

Citizens living on Eleventh street are beginning to talk paving and the city commission may be asked within a short time to continue the paving program by including that street. One home owner on that street pointed out the fact to a Ledger reporter Thursday that twelve new homes had been built on that street recently and that rent property was scarce, everyone owning their own home.

Eleventh street has grown about as much as another street in town and the class of homes on this street is as good as any other street. The traffic is not as heavy on Eleventh as many other streets due largely to the fact that the street has no street running across the Santa Fe and connecting with Hutchins avenue. In case the street is ever paved it is thought that a crossing will be made on the railroad and the street open all the way through from the flat to the north end of town.

Other streets are becoming interested in paving and before Eighth street and Broadway are completed, others may be ready to begin.

### WIRELESS IS POPULAR WITH TRAVELERS AT SEA

(By International News Service)  
LONDON, Feb. 25.—Great popularity of wireless communication among travelers by sea is apparent.

Last year, 103,674 radio messages, comprising 2,225,079 words were despatched from the three Southampton to New York steamers of the White Star Line, "Majestic," "Olympic," and "Homeric."

Harry Crosley, stage carpenter of the Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Hopkins' tent show, is resting very well following an operation in Halley & Love Sanitarium Friday.

show and placing placards and posters in show windows.

#### ONE IN TEN

Neglecting a little wound, cut or abrasion of the flesh may in nine cases out of ten cause no great suffering or inconvenience, but it is the one case in ten that causes blood poisoning, lockjaw or a chronic festering sore. The cheapest, safest and best course is to disinfect the wound with liquid Borozone and apply the Borozone Powder to complete the healing process. Price (liquid) 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Powder 30c and 60c. Sold by

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W. A. Forgey went to San Angelo on Saturday to look after business matters.

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"The Old Reliable"

### PIONEER WOMAN DIES AT BENOIT

Mrs. Loveday Rebecca Brookshire, 68 years, 4 months and 21 days of age, died at the family residence two miles east of Benoit, at 3 o'clock Monday morning, following an illness of several weeks. Mrs. Brookshire had been ill for some time, but her condition did not grow serious until last week, when the children were called home.

Mrs. Brookshire was the widow of Sam Brookshire, a pioneer of this section. She has resided for many years near Benoit, and most of her children reside in this county.

Mrs. Brookshire was born in Mississippi on October 6, 1859.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the residence, with Rev. B. B. Edmiston, Methodist pastor at Talpa, in charge. Interment will be made in the Norwood cemetery, King-Holt Co., undertaker, prepared the body for burial

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Her brothers and sisters are as follows: Mrs. Nora Wilkerson, Winters; P. E. Clayton, B. J. Clayton, G. W. Clayton, Mrs. J. F. Morrison, of Abilene, and Abbey Clayton of Oklahoma City, and also her stepmother, Mrs. George Clayton, of Abilene.

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**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank our doctor, friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy shown us in the recent illness and death of our beloved daughter and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Burleson, Cecil Burleson, Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Burleson, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Burleson, Mr. and Mrs. Louie Miller, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Moore. It-v

**CATCHES PRAIRIE WOLF MONDAY NIGHT NEAR CITY**

A. D. Jones, a farmer, who spends some of his time trapping, was displaying a live coyote, or prairie wolf, here Tuesday afternoon.

The coyote was caught in a trap on the W. E. Allen ranch, just west of the city by Mr. Jones Monday night in the smallest trap he had baited for the animal. He trailed the wolf about one mile Tuesday morning before he could get him after he had pulled the trap from its fastening.

"This animal had pulled up three or four traps for me this year," Mr. Jones said, "but I finally trapped him."

Mr. Jones will receive a bounty for his catch.

**HERRING TOPICS**

There are several in our community on the sick list this week. We hope they will soon be well again.

Rev. M. C. Golden filled Bro. Tierce's appointment at the Hopewell church Sunday and Sunday night, on account of Bro. Tiera being ill. We were very sorry that Bro. Tiera was ill so he could not be with us, but were glad to have Bro. Golden fill his place.

Miss Opal Duggan spent Saturday night with her cousin, Miss Ona Lee Duggan of Winters.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Miller of Coleman spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. H. Miller. They were accompanied by Voss Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Miller and Mrs. J. P. Brevard, to see Mrs. Giddion, who is suffering from a broken leg.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Alleorn and Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Alleorn visited Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Fuller Sunday.

Mrs. Morris and children visited Mrs. Branch Sunday afternoon.

Several of the young people of this community spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Edna Mae Lowry.

Misses Selma Mavis, Eula Summers and Azella Avent spent Sunday with Miss Opal Duggan.

Miss Della Bragg spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Bernice Hall.

We are sorry to report that Mr. L. A. Faubion, Bro. Ebb, who is in the Baptist hospital at Abilene, suffering from a broken back, is not doing well. His many friends of Runnels county are hoping that he will soon be feeling better. —REPORTER.

**HAGAN NEWS**

The people of Hagan are rejoicing over the beautiful weather after bad weather the past week.

A very good crowd attended Sunday school Sunday, and also singing Sunday night.

Some of the Hagan folks attended church and singing at Barnett Sunday afternoon.

Miss Esther Wood spent Saturday night with Miss Alice Foreman at Blanton.

Mr. and Mrs. Flanagan enjoyed the company of Mr. and Mrs. Murry Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Foreman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wood and family, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Turner.

Some of the young people attended the party at Blanton Saturday night. All reported a good time.

Mrs. W. B. Smith spent the week end with her daughter, Mrs. Marvin Turner.

We are sorry to report that Miss Mable King was not able to attend school the past week on account of sickness, but we are glad to know she is improving at this writing.

Mrs. J. A. McClelland spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Stubblefield at Ballinger. —Reporter.

**BETHEL NEWS**

Mr. Guss Nunn has received a big shipment of sudan grass for the farmers of Bethel.

News is scarce this week. Muddy roads is about all we know. The rain last Tuesday was between 1 1/2 and 2 inches. Some of the school force, who live at a distance, were forced to find lodging nearby on account of the

rain making the roads too muddy for them to travel. The farmers are happy over the good rain, for it was the best that has visited this section in months.

We are glad to report that Cecil Nunn is recovering nicely from his illness of pneumonia. Cecil, take good care of yourself and hurry back to school, for you are being missed.

Little Jewel Dean Lee is able to be back in school after having the scarlet fever.

Mrs. H. G. Hays is recovering nicely from her operation, but is still in the sanitarium.

Rev. W. R. Yewell preached at Bethel Sunday.

The patriotic program given by the school Friday night in honor of Washington's and Lincoln's birthdays, was very much appreciated by all who attended. We are looking forward with anxious anticipation to more good, whole some entertainments to be given by our school before its close. —Reporter.

**BARNETT NEWS**

A number of young people surprised Mr. and Mrs. Pat Tyree with a "musical visit." We enjoyed violin and banjo music with some good singing.

Mr. Tom Kevil of Brookshier was a welcome visitor at our school Friday. Tom is a former pupil of both Mrs. Dunn and Miss Ray.

Miss Pearl Duke spent last Thursday night with Miss Marvel Frost.

The young people of this community were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Burks on last Friday night.

Our play was not carried to Roy last week because of the death of a member of this community.

Mr. Pat Tyree is on the sick list this week. We are glad to say he is improving.

A large crowd was out for Sunday school Sunday morning. Brother Yaney preached a fine sermon.

Brother Hooper, of Ballinger, preached for us before the singing Sunday afternoon. The house was full.

Mr. Ward and daughter, Miss Myrtle, made a business trip to Sweetwater Saturday.

We are glad to report that most of the pupils are back in school this week. Scarlet fever serum, bad weather, and colds combined to make attendance very slight last week.

Mr. Bona Camp was a Bronte visitor Saturday night.

Miss Ila Ray spent the week end in the Ray community visiting friends and former pupils.

Miss Floyd Drake spent Saturday night and unday in the Barnett community.

A few of the Barnett young people attended singing at Hatchel Sunday night.

Our play "Deacon Dubbs" will be given at Bethel next Saturday night. —REPORTER.

**BENOIT NEWS**

At this writing warm, spring like weather prevails, which we are glad to see after the cold spell.

Mr. and Mrs. Peckles of Ranger, are here visiting in the home of J. D. Tullas. Mrs. Peckles and Mrs. Tullas are sisters.

School was dismissed Tuesday on account of the funeral of Mrs. L. R. Brookshire.

Gordon Gressett, Misses Corinne Gressett and Faye Stagner

visited in Brady Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Jewel McShan returned to her home at Lone Sunday after spending a week with relatives here.

Mrs. Mae Shipp and Louis spent Monday night with Mrs. Willingham of Ballinger.

Mrs. G. W. Pillow was a caller at Benoit Monday afternoon, driving a new Whippet car.

It is with heartfelt sorrow that we report the death of Mrs. T. R. Brookshire, aged 69 years, a well known resident of Runnels county, who passed away at her home near Benoit at three o'clock Sunday morning, after a lingering illness of several weeks duration. The funeral was conducted by her pastor, Rev. B. B. Edmiston, of Talpa, at three o'clock Tuesday afternoon, with King-Holt, undertakers of Ballinger, in charge of the burial, which was made in the Norwood cemetery by the side of her husband. Mrs. Brookshire will be missed by her children, friends and the people of the community generally, as she was active in church affairs, being a devoted Christian and a member of the Methodist church. She attended church services as long as her health permitted during her last days of suffering she was cheerful and enjoyed the visits of her many friends who called to see her frequently. Mrs. Drake, a nurse from San Angelo, made her last hours as comfortable as possible. Her ten children were at her bedside when the end came. Survivors are Emmett Brookshire, of Maverick, Arch Brookshire of Lampasas, Claud and Bill Brookshire of Talpa, Mrs. August Herring, Talpa, Mrs. Andis Reese, Ballinger, Mrs. Bob Sims of the Eagle Branch community, Miss Ella Brookshire, Oklahoma City, Mrs. Perry Pullin, Ballinger, Mrs. Tom Gibson, Norton. —Reporter.

Tom Gadberry, of Glendale, Ariz. is here to be at the bedside of his mother, who is seriously ill.

T. P. Brown and niece, Bessie Brown, returned home Friday from a visit with Mr. Brown's brother, Will Brown, and family, and sister, Mrs. Young Pierce and family, of San Sabá.

Jack Gadberry, of Lometa, has returned home after a few days visit with his mother, who has been seriously ill for the past few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Brown of Cross Plains spent Thursday night with Mr. Brown's parents. They returned home Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Milam of near Winters, visited Mr. Milam's sister, Mrs. R. E. Brown, and family, Friday. Mr. Milam returned home Saturday and Mrs. Milam will stay a few days with her son, Willie Milam, in town, whose baby is seriously ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. George McMillan spent the day Tuesday with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Caswell Tuckey, who is sick.

Howard Dennis has returned to Snyder after a visit with his mother.

Horace Murphey returned home Sunday from San Antonio, where he went to accompany L. P. Wood home from the hospital at that place.

Henry Leach returned to his school duties last Thursday after several weeks absence on account of having undergone an operation for appendicitis.

We are glad to know that Clinton Reese is improving at the Temple hospital.

Mrs. Earl Evans and children of Abilene came down Sunday to visit for a few days with L. W. Evans and Mrs. J. G. Evans. They returned to Abilene Tuesday. Miss Neoma West accompanied her aunt home for a few days visit.

Kennie Voelkel and daughter, of McCamey, have returned home after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Voelkel.

We are sorry to know that Mrs. Gadberry is not improving as rapidly as had been hoped for.

Little Sam Reese, the baby of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Reese, is quite ill at this writing.

Harold Benton Leach is very ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. A. J. Voelkel is able to be up and about.

Mrs. Floyd Jones is able to be up after an illness of several days.

Mrs. Fred Tuckey of near Crews, it at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Gadberry.

Mrs. R. E. Brown and Bessie, and Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Brown attended the rabbit hunt at Blanton Tuesday.

Mr. Hoover has his new house almost completed.

Jim Fields has the foundation laid for two new houses. The Sunny South flat addition is building very rapidly. "Blue Bonnet."

**S. D. WILLIAMS CLUB**

The S. D. Williams Club of Hatchel met February 24, 1928, for the purpose of electing officers. The following were elected: President, Kan Honeycutt; secretary, Miss Otelia Mae Bowen; program committee, Misses Inez Esmond, Opal Lett, and Eula Bowen.

W. H. Esmond made an interesting talk about why he did not want girls to use paint. Miss Irene Wessells talked on the same subject.

The reason we gave our club the name it has is because every one loves Mr. Williams as if he were their grandfather. He has been to every opening of the Hatchel school ever since it was begun, excepting the opening of 1927, when he was attending court. He comes to the school during the year and tells stories to the children and they enjoy it. Every child was glad that we named our club the S. D. Williams Club, and I am sure he will be.

The club has two sides. One has thirty-five members, and the other has thirty-eight. The name of the other club is the "Lucky Lindy."

—Reporter.

**"LUCKY LINDY" CLUB ORGANIZED**

Hatchel High School recently divided her pupils into two divisions from which two Literary clubs should be organized. The most enthusiastic object of these clubs are to compete with each other. They will be sponsored by Mrs. Leora Richardson, the elementary teacher, and Miss Inez Esmond, the primary teacher.

A meeting was called Friday, 3:30 p. m. for the purpose of organizing. First, in order to create life in our club, we gave it the peppy name of "Lucky Lindy." The following officers were elected by majority vote: Ernestine Moore, president; Wilens Hoppe, vice-president; Louise Bales, secretary-treasurer, and Rosmund Pruser, reporter.

President Moore then nominated Lola Henniger, Lillian Reams, Lesla Reams, and Mrs. Richardson as the program committee.

The next meeting will be held Monday at 4:10 p. m. at which a program will be arranged, and club motto, colors and flowers will be selected.

Watch our progress. —Reporter.

**BLAME LOVE PLAY AS INJURIOUS TO MORALS; JAPANESE DECLARE BAN**

TOWYO, Feb. 28.—Plays portraying illicit love are injurious to the morals of Japan, if not to New York, so the Tokyo police have forbidden the production here of "Desire Under the Elms." Eugene O'Neill's drama of New England farm life. The play was to have been presented here by the New Drama Association, an organization of Japanese interested in the modern stage.

Japanese actors had been selected to impersonate the horny-handed, nasal-tuned Yankees and rehearsals had been in progress for several weeks when the police, after reading the script submitted by the producers, put down the ban.

Katie Gould, 16, of Portland, Eng., pulled a drowning boy safely to shore with a hook and line.

Tom Cox, geologist of the Ballinger oil field, spent Sunday afternoon in Abilene visiting friends.

Be wise and advertise.

## SEE 92 BILLION BARRELS OF OIL POSSIBLE IN U.S.

DENVER, Feb. 23.—Approximately 92 billion barrels of oil are recoverable from the oil shale deposits in the United States, according to Dean E. Winchester, Denver consulting geologist, who has just completed a report for the oil conservation board.

Colorado's proportion of this huge total is some 47,000,000,000 barrels, Winchester said, and at current oil prices would sell for about \$50,000,000,000.

In his report Winchester urged the federal government to increase its facilities at the oil shale experimental station in Rubicon, Colo.

"No one knows," he said, "what day we will need all the information which may be gained from the Rubicon plant work and when that day comes, we will need it badly. An oil famine is not imminent, but prudence must always foresee the possibility of an oil shortage. An oil shortage would slow down the wheels of industry and bring serious industrial depression."

Winchester, who is author of all but one of the oil shale bulletins issued by the United States geological survey, compiled his report in connection with determining the possible oil substitutes which, according to the rapid depletion of well oil, may soon be a necessity.

**Colorado to Figure**

When that day of substitute comes, he sees Colorado supplying a large percentage of the oil in this country from its shale deposits, and the quantity of this shale oil he would have placed higher in his report had he not adopted various limiting factors. His report did not consider shale less than one foot thick, shale which would yield less than 3,000 barrels of oil per acre, and did not consider that more than 60 per cent of the shale in the ground would reach the retorts.

In connection with the last factor, Winchester declared, however, that with the use of the best mining methods a possible 95 per cent yield is possible.

The geologist pointed out that coal and oil shale are the two outstanding substitute sources of oil, and emphasized the adequacy of the supply of shales as raw materials. He pointed out that since the richest and most extensive deposits of oil shale are in the sparsely settled sections of western Colorado, eastern Utah and southern Wyoming, the problem of transportation becomes of extreme importance.

**Hard to Guess Cost**

As to the cost of getting oil from the shales, Winchester would hazard no guess, saying that such could not be determined until it had been produced in commercial quantities.

He did say, however, that some experts believe such a cost would be no more and perhaps less than that now required in well production.

Increased interest in prospects for extensive development of Colorado's oil shale lands is indicated in a report made last week by Walter Spence, register of the federal land office for the Denver district.

Actual receipts for purchases of oil shale land totalled \$154,882.50, Spence said, which showed that approximately 61,000 acres in the government domain had been transferred to private individuals. The oil shale land is sold by the government at an average of \$2.50 per acre.

**CALVIN ROBERTSON IN RACE FOR SHERIFF**

Calvin Robertson of the Bethel community, has tossed his hat into the race for sheriff of Runnels county, subject to the Democratic primary to be held in July.

Mr. Robertson has resided in Runnels county for 24 years and has been a farmer in the northwestern part of the county and in the Bethel section.

Mr. Robertson will make his formal announcement in a few days.

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