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Runnels Ginnings are 58,512 Bales

W. S. Thompson Gets Award On Highway 30

The State Highway Department let the contract Tuesday to W. S. Thompson of San Angelo for the paving of the first stretch of Highway No. 30, from the city limits of Ballinger to one mile north of Hatchel. Mr. Thompson's bid was given at \$1.96 per square yard and the total job will amount to \$212,619.92.

The construction on this stretch will begin as soon as the paper work can be completed which will require about 80 days. This will make actual work begin around May 1 and the contractor will have 100 working days in which to complete the job, according to terms of the contract.

W. S. Thompson was the contractor in the building of the cement road from San Angelo south on Highway No. 9 towards Eden. This work was done last year and is a similar road to the one to be built here on Highway No. 30.

If the road here goes according to plans and no time is unduly lost it should be completed by next fall and open to travel.

State Engineer Garrett has about completed the survey on the west end of No. 30 from Ballinger to the Tom Green county line. This work is being rushed as fast as possible and as soon as the plans and specifications can be finished they will be placed in the hands of the highway department for their endorsement and a contract for its construction. Mr. Garrett stated Wednesday that as soon as this work was completed that he would place his crews to work on Highway No. 23 south of Ballinger from the Concho county line here and make this survey as fast as he could. There will be considerable straightening to do on this road and the survey will take more time.

The last part of the road to be surveyed will likely be from Ballinger to the Coleman county line. Two different lines will be surveyed on this stretch of the road for consideration by the highway department. This route will also include a bridge across Elm Creek.

Mrs. E. E. King left Tuesday afternoon for Abilene to visit with Mrs. J. Perry King and will also visit in Trent before returning home.

Be wise and advertise.

District Meeting Is Well Attended

Post commanders, adjutants and service officers from all the American Legion posts in the 17th District gathered at the Hilton Hotel in Abilene Sunday for an important meeting of officials of the district. The meeting was called for the purpose of planning the year's work with special stress as to membership, civic matters and service work.

The meeting was well attended and at the conclusion of the afternoon session the regular date for the district convention at Mineral Wells was set for Saturday and Sunday, February 23 and 24. A large delegation from the next convention city attended the Abilene meeting and urged a big attendance from all the district, promising a big program of entertainment for everyone.

The Abilene post was host to the visitors Sunday with a luncheon served in the Crystal Ball Room at the Hilton. Guests were entertained at this luncheon by the McMurry College octet of boys and girls from the fine arts department of that college.

Troy Simpson, chairman of the 17th District, and H. T. Forson, adjutant of the Pat Williams Post attended the meeting from here.

Police Chief Will Stop Slot Machines

The City Police Department is making a war on law violators of every description, and especially gambling devices and questionable slot machines.

The county attorney and city attorney have signified their willingness to prosecute all those operating wheels or slot machines. It is stated that many of the machines have been shipped into Ballinger during the last few months. It seems that traveling salesmen come along and tell the proprietors of small cafes and drink stands that the law governing the operation of slot machines has been changed and that their machine may be operated without fear of prosecution.

The police force is taking the necessary steps to filing complaints by giving the proprietors ample warning. After this warning has been given, complaints will be filed against all those operating machines.

Chief of Police McCall stated Monday that he would wield a relentless war against every form of gambling device and slot machines.

Ennis Dotson, negro, was hauled into police court Monday morning and paid a fine of \$20 and costs for operating a domino hall on Sunday. He operates a domino hall in the flat and charges so much per game.

Several auto owners have paid fines in city court for failure to buy their 1929 license plates.

Sheriff's Meeting Here Feb. 14-15

Plans are being made here at present for the entertainment of the West Texas Sheriff's Association which will convene in Ballinger on February 14 and 15. Sheriff R. E. McWilliams, ex-president of the association, is working with local people in arranging a program for the officers that will give them a good time for the two days they are our guests.

The association covers lots of ground and extends from Tarrant county west to El Paso. The estimate placed by those in charge state that from 150 to 200 officers of the law will likely be in attendance at the Ballinger meeting.

Mr. McWilliams has just returned from Austin where he has been as a member of the legislative committee of the sheriffs' association in the interest of certain bills now before the legislature. The sheriffs are particularly interested in having an amendment passed to the search and seizure law, giving a peace officer the right to swear out a search warrant upon stating that he has good grounds to believe that a house or car contains liquor. At present the warrant must be accompanied by two affidavits from other parties based upon facts that they know such to be a fact.

J. D. Motley, secretary of the local chamber of commerce, will assist Mr. McWilliams in getting a program ready for the coming convention and the two days that the sheriffs are the guests of Ballinger they will be entertained in a fitting manner.

Other committees will likely be formed to look after every detail of the work of helping the officers to stage a successful convention.

A classified ad in The Daily Ledger will get results.

Trimmier Attends Highway Meeting

County Judge Paul Trimmier is in Austin this week to meet with the State Highway Department and be present at the awarding of the contract on the first part of Highway No. 30, to be paved. The contract is supposed to be let to some company Tuesday of this week and the part that will be included in this first contract will include the stretch from the city limits, north to the precinct line about one mile north of Hatchel.

This stretch will be of cement and State Highway Engineer Garrett in charge of the work here, expects the actual pouring of cement to start not later than the early spring about the time that freezing weather is over.

Engineers are working West of Ballinger on No. 30 and will have that stretch of road ready to be given the final O. K. by the highway department shortly. The survey of the road is almost complete at present and as soon as this is done the plans will be sent to Austin.

The highway department is anxious to complete No. 30 and no time will be lost in getting actual construction started all along the entire route through the county.

Norton Man Dies In Dallas Hospital

Oran Lee, 25 years of age, died at Dallas Wednesday morning, after an illness covering several months. He is the son of J. L. Lee of the Norton country and it was only yesterday that the doctors at Dallas decided that an immediate operation was necessary. It is presumed that the operation was performed and that Mr. Lee died as a result of the same.

Higginbotham Bros. & Co. undertakers were notified to meet the 3:20 train in Abilene Wednesday and the body will be conveyed to the home near Norton by hearse this afternoon.

Funeral arrangements have not been announced.

Lewis George of Los Angeles, Calif., has arrived in Ballinger and will be in charge of the shoe department at The Hub. Mr. George formerly lived in Ballinger many years ago, with his parents.

Miss Hamilton, R. N., who had been located at Hamilton for some time, is here visiting friends.

J. F. Lusk is confined to his home with a severe case of influenza.

Rural School Bill Seeks \$2,800,000

AUSTIN, Jan. 18.—The financial condition of rural schools will receive another boost if the bill introduced in the senate by Senator Julian P. Greer, of Athens, exponent of just rights and protection for rural schools, is passed.

Appropriation of \$2,800,000 from the general revenue is requested by the bill to aid the rural schools in extending their scholastic year ending August 31, 1930. Schools of not less than 300 scholastic enrollment or of not more than 400 scholastic population will be the only ones to receive aid under provisions of the bill. The funds will go for new buildings, and for continuation of the school after local funds have exhausted.

Schools receiving the aid must have levied a tax of 75 cents on the hundred dollars for its upkeep, and must have work above the seventh grade. No increases of salaries will be permitted from aid received through the measure and no school will receive more than \$25,000 a year.

District Governor To Visit Rotarians

The Rotary Club will call in their mid-week luncheon on Wednesday of this week in order to have their regular meeting and banquet on Friday night. At this night luncheon the district governor, Rue Parcell of Amarillo, will be with the club and will bring them a message. The club voted at their last meeting to make it ladies night and each Rotarian may bring his Rotaryann if he so desires.

The program committee of the club is preparing a special program for this week and will offer a good number of entertainment selections in addition to the address from the district governor.

Mr. Parcell is making his annual tour of the district and the luncheon date here this week was changed from Wednesday to Friday in order to accommodate his visit. The district is very large and extends from Fort Worth to El Paso. There are 56 clubs in the district and the making of an annual visit with each club is no little task.

The banquet will be held in the main dining room of the Central Hotel at 8 o'clock Friday night.

Be wise and advertise.

10 Day Notice for Marriage License

AUSTIN, Jan. 22.—The Senate today passed the Wirtz bill exempting from taxation all bonds and other securities of the University of Texas. It also passed a bill requiring persons desiring to marry to file an application with the county clerk ten days before obtaining the license. They also passed a bill providing methods of serving process on non-residents who may contribute to injuries sustained in automobile accidents.

Mrs. Alma Alexander and daughter, Lois, have moved to San Angelo to make their home. Crews Alexander is at present employed there.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sturges have returned from Comanche, where they had been closing out the stock of goods which they had at that place. Our old friend and former citizen "By" George assisted them in closing out the Comanche store.

Eagle Pass—Plans are under way here for construction of new highway along the Rio Grande frontier for a distance of 350 miles from this place to Carrizo Springs.

Teacher's Program Is Being Arranged

H. C. Lyon, superintendent of the Ballinger schools, has been working on the entertainment number on the program for the Mid-Texas Educational Association this week. The outline of the program was sent to Mr. Lyon this week to be filled in with the names of all the local people it will be necessary to use on the program. Such numbers as the welcome address, invocations and musical and entertainment numbers are requested from the local entertainment committee.

Each session will open with short programs on which will appear the high school orchestra and glee club as well as readers and speakers. The other part of the program for the entire meet will be arranged by the officials of the organizations. Meetings will be held at the high school, the Baptist church and the American Legion Hall during the two-day meet of the teachers here.

Have you read the want ads?

All Rural Schools Open This Week

The county superintendent's office states that all schools in the county are open again this week and that sickness seems to be much better in all rural communities. Last week there were a total of five schools closed, most of them on account of the flu and measles. Every one opened Monday morning with all teachers present and an excellent attendance in the student bodies.

The Herring school has just voted \$1200 worth of bonds to be used in building another room to their present building and building book cases in their library. Judge Paul Trimmier carried the bond transcript to Austin this week with him to rush the paper work as fast as possible so that actual work on the building can begin without unnecessary delay.

The time of holding teachers' examinations has been changed slightly this year and instead of seven examinations, only six will be held. There are some in the county planning to take examinations in February but this examination will not be held this year and the first one will take place on April 5 and 6. This is the same date that the Mid-Texas Teachers' Association meets here.

Other examinations will be held during the year on the following dates, April 5 and 6, June 7 and 8, July 5 and 6, August 2 and 3, September 6 and 7 and December 6 and 7.

County Superintendent R. E. White is anxious that all those contemplating taking these examinations at any time during the year make a note of the change by the state department and let him know what time they will be ready to take their examinations. These examinations are for second class certificates in elementary and high school work.

House to Fight Added Pro Fund

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—A well supported effort will be made in the house to kill the \$24,000,000 prohibition fund which was added to the deficiency bill by the senate, house administration leaders said today. The measure must go to the house conference before it can be finally passed. Conference house managers will attempt to eliminate the increase.

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Cream, Eggs and Pecans are Down

Hens are the only thing on the produce market that are holding up in price since the holiday season has passed. Eggs have taken a big tumble and are being sold in some places for 25 cents retail. Pecans are again at the bottom of the list with only a 7 cent limit. Fryers are maintaining their usual cent mark, with sturduludu popularity by staying above the 25 cent mark, with 26 cents being paid. Cream has dropped in price during the first part of the year.

The day of higher prices for hens is near at hand as the shipping season is here, while the peak on fryers will not be reached until about June when the market really opens. Some will be lucky enough however to have earlier chickens and will of course get a fancy price.

Eggs will start moving to market from Ballinger in carload lots soon but this is not expected to cause the market to go up any.

Prices in effect Saturday, January 19, were as follows:
Hens, heavy, 20c.
Hens, light, 17c.
Fryers, 26c.
Eggs, 22c.
Pecans, 7c.
cream, sweet 43c.
Cream, sour 38c.

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DOSS FAMILY NOW IMPROVING

Ballinger parties who visited in Abilene Sunday reported that the entire Doss family is greatly improved and each one is doing nicely. Mrs. Doss was able to be up and about the house Saturday and Sunday. Little A. K. Jr., was up for the first time Sunday and was playing about the house a bit, but was very weak. Judge Doss is still confined to his bed but is greatly improved. Ann Katherine showed the biggest improvement Sunday she has shown since passing the crisis. She had very little fever and was gaining strength fast.

CASES BEING FILED FOR FEBRUARY TERM COURT

Miss Ina McKown has issued 15 capases, or warrants of arrest since January 1. These are largely for swindling, cold checking or other law violations of a similar character. The February term of county court will convene on Monday, February 11.

Reports from the adjoining territory to Ballinger would indicate that the farmers are beginning to want a little rain on their stand of small grain.

KISSES SPEAK PLAINER THAN WORDS



When your little ones are half-sick, out-of-orts, they can seldom tell you what is wrong. You have to read their symptoms in order to choose the right medicine. If, when you kiss them, you detect unpleasant breath, you have a sure sign that the bowels are sluggish and the stomach is sour and bilious.

For a child constipated, overish, languid, fretful, wakeful at night, lacking appetite and subject to colds and sore throat, you will find a reliable remedy in California Fig Syrup. It is the finest laxative in the world for children. Little ones previously always half-sick, fretful and backward through sluggish bowels and poor digestion, take a wonderful turn for the better and thrive amazingly when the bowels have been helped back to healthy regularity by an occasional dose of California Fig Syrup. Millions of mothers have proved its merit and have been relieved of further worry and anxiety from their child's constipation.

If you have a child bothered like this or one who is subject to frequent bilious attacks and sick headache, save the little one this suffering, and yourself constant anxiety by giving California Fig Syrup. Get a bottle to-day. All drug stores. California Fig Syrup has been trusted by the World's mothers for over 30 years. That is why the word "California" should be emphasized when buying.

Jury List for February Term District Court

Indicating that perhaps there will be a clean-up of the court docket in this county, there has been a grand jury and a four weeks petit jury drawn for the February term of the district court, which will convene here on Monday February 11 at 1:30 p. m.

The newly elected district judge, E. J. Miller, will at this time conduct his first term of court in Ballinger and the indications are that it will be a busy session, as the recent term held here in October was short lived owing to the sudden illness which overtook Judge Woodward.

The list for the grand jury and for the four weeks petit jury follows:

Grand Jury
J. F. Paxton, Winters; Paul Brown, Miles; Walter Schumann, Rowena; Claud Gooch, Wingate; F. G. Rogers, Miles; W. A. Nance, Ballinger; Dee Curry, Miles; M. L. Mitchell, Winters, Rt. 4; Dick Thorp, Ballinger; Ira Sims, Ballinger; Edgar Jayroe, Novice, Rt. 1; D. E. Caudle, Hatchel; S. E. Farmer, Miles; Hamp Byler, Ballinger; J. H. Scales, Ballinger; J. A. Mitchell, Winters.

Petit Jury, 1st Week
A. T. Chapman, R. B. Hambricht, H. H. Chandler, J. W. Snellgrove, E. T. Branham, G. W. Shelton, D. C. Goetz, Fred Gerhart, B. F. Ham, Roy Roper, J. B. Moore, Carl Harkins, Roy Mathis, Paul Martin, H. H. Williams, Willie Lewis, E. McChallis, L. C. Tomlinson, A. McGregor, G. A. Edwards, John Dry, I. Lesley, G. C. Brock, Dave Dobbins, B. M. Smith, Guy Mullins, J. E. Johnson, P. C. Davis, Henry Hickman, Fred Poe, Earl Rogers, S. V. Gates, Light Hoover, Ed Gerhart, Ben Williams, Walter Hamilton.

Second Week
D. E. Forgy, M. A. Bales, Alex Yarnell, O. C. Sykes, Ernest Gaston, J. C. Blossom, R. F. Meadows, D. L. Brevard, W. M. Spruell, A. D. Davis, Joe Simmons, P. A. Pullins, W. M. Rosser, T. M. Ferguson, Paul Gearhart, Henry Goetz, H. B. Fowler, Henry Stocks, R. F. Lane, J. R. Harris, J. C. Hall, Roy Sliger, Stanley Harter, Noel Penn, R. W. Bruce, Lem Harvey, W. D. Lewis, Gordon Hensley, A. J. Hood, Jas. Barron, W. R. Clark, Wesley Reese, T. H. Esmond, L. B. Watkins, S. K. Shelborne and Geo. Little.

Third Week
Fred Machotka, Claud Brookshire, H. H. Stroye, J. L. Houston, E. A. Jeanes, Jr., J. P. Toungett, C. M. Gibson, Hugo Halfman, Ed Lindeman, A. E. Williams, J. P. Boothe, J. E. Fowler, C. B. Waldron, H. G. Bradley, Will Hale, R. L. Young, C. W. Evans, Arthur Dooze, Henry Bright, Otto Finch, Geo. Coleman, R. T. Lucas, C. E. Jackson, Doyle Campbell, H. B. Halman, W. M. Key, Paul Jordan, W. A. King, A. D. Lee, M. B. Lee, B. A. Lott, Dick Barnett, Ben Spill, A. F. Lee, A. M. Davis and C. E. Hope.

Fourth Week
Kenzie Booth, Will Brown, John P. Currie, W. H. Embry, C. J. Lynn, G. E. Sogler, Wm. Dooze, J. T. Ford, J. W. Shaw, Joe Huffman, J. A. Patterson, A. L. Spann, J. W. Edwards, Edward Glass, W. E. Middleton, Albert Spill, Will Dunn, N. J. O'Quinn, R. H. Ryan, N. B. Crensy, L. Dietz, D. P. Holliday, J. C. Busher, J. A. Seidel, T. H. Chaney, J. B. Estes, J. L. Gill, J. E. McAuley, W. M. Patton, Dan Dorner, W. T. Forbus, Aug. Halfman, J. W. Reese, C. L. Baker, Tom Boykin and R. C. Curry.

Nature Thought of Everything
Nature thought of everything when the human body was made. When the body is about to become ill, nature planned danger signals to warn us. Thus, if our children grind their teeth when they sleep, or lack appetite, or suffer from abdominal pains, or itch about the nose and fingers, we should know that they may have contracted worms. Then, if we are wise, we buy a bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge and safely and surely expel the worms. Thus we avoid the danger of very serious trouble. White's Cream Vermifuge costs only 25c a bottle, and can be bought from Weeks Drug Store.

E. O. Keaton of Abilene was in Ballinger a short time Friday. He reports that in making his territory for the last two weeks that he finds out of every 25 calls made on business men that from nine to 15 of them have been sick. This is taken to indicate that the flu epidemic is general over this section of Texas. Mr. Keaton covers 85 counties in West Texas for the Barton Manufacturing Company of St. Louis.

Be wise and advertise.

Earnshaw Elected Head of Scouts

The Ballinger Boy Scout Council met in session at the chamber of commerce offices Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock to transact business and get the council reorganized. The meeting was called to order by the secretary, Troy Simpson, who explained the reason for the call and presided over the meeting until a chairman could be elected to fill the place made vacant by the death of the late chairman, L. Cohen.

R. W. Earnshaw was elected to the place and took the chair to finish the business of the meeting. Mr. Earnshaw, in accepting the chairmanship of the council, stated that he was ready to do anything possible for the good of scout work in Ballinger and would take immediate steps to get charters issued to the troops here and the work under way in a bigger way.

The drive for finances was discussed at length. Committees who have been working on this matter have turned in their reports and only \$223 of the \$300 assessed against Ballinger has been raised. The original assessment here was \$850 but the council early in the year refused this quota, feeling that it was too large for this place and especially as the scout movement was just being started here. The council, however, did accept a quota of \$300. This money is to be turned over to Ed Shumway of Abilene, who is in charge of the Chisholm Trail and looks after seven West Texas counties.

Two vacancies on the board were filled at the meeting Thursday afternoon. Tom Caudle was elected on the council from the American Legion and O. C. Sykes as a member at large. With the election of these two gentlemen the board was brought up to full strength of 15 men and as soon as a few matters are taken up with Mr. Shumway at Abilene, the council will be called together for some important work.

Before the work can progress much further with the organization of more troops there will have to be some trained scoutmasters. The council will ask that a school be

conducted here about the second week in February, or as soon as possible after that date, and at that time it is hoped that several men who are willing to take charge of troops will enroll in the school.

There are two troops here at present and each is making fast progress. Troop No. 1 is being looked after by Rev. E. W. McLaurin since Scoutmaster R. R. Williams left Ballinger. Troop No. 2 is in charge of Hoyt Smith.

Several months ago the chamber of commerce turned the tourist park at the end of Eighth Street over to the Boy Scout council and all meetings are being held there. The park will in time make an ideal place for the boys to train and when school is out the scouts plan to do much work there to make the place more compatible with their requirements.

SOUTH BALLINGER HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The South Ballinger Home Demonstration Club has had a very prosperous year of club work in the year just passed. Under the able supervision of Mrs. Hollingsworth, our county agent, the work has been done in a very systematic way. We wish to thank the county judge and the commissioners for making it possible for us to have a home demonstration agent to carry on this club work.

We have 22 club members and each one planted a spring and fall garden. We have done quite a bit of community canning, have sold some real work made by the club. All of our members took part, in some form, in the county fair, having both a club and community booth.

Our members have not all handed in yearly reports but from what we have we have sold \$611.75 worth of eggs, \$765 worth of butter, \$200 worth of milk. These have canned 3,691 quarts of fruit and 1500 quarts of vegetables and cured 3,000 pounds of meat.

We have our own club rooms and quite a bit of club furnishings, paid for from fair premiums, won at our county fair.

We are planning a "bigger and better" year for 1929.

Have you read the want ads?

Flu Epidemic About Spent

That the prevalence of influenza in Ballinger is on the wane is evidenced by the fact that doctors and druggists report calls and prescriptions on the decline anywhere from 35 to 50 per cent.

One druggist stated that 10 days ago they were filling from 120 to 160 prescriptions a day and that now they were filling about an average of 80 per day. Another stated that 10 days and two weeks ago he was unable to go to noon lunch and that now he has plenty of time for the noon meal.

Doctors generally report a great decrease in the number of calls on account of influenza and one doctor stated that where 10 days ago he had 10 to 12 cases per day he now only had about two or three new cases.

One druggist pointed out that many families who had prescriptions filled for the first cases in the family would have the same prescriptions refilled for other members later on.

From available information it

is apparent that the disease is on the decrease in Ballinger, and unless it breaks out anew, the condition of the people as a whole, from the standpoint of health, will be about normal again in a very short time.

THREE TEACHERS ARE ILL AND ABSENT FROM HIGH SCHOOL MONDAY MORNING

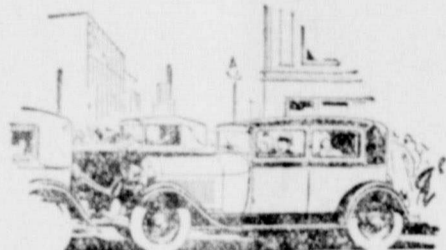
H. C. Lyon, superintendent of the Ballinger schools, stated that three teachers were out of school Monday morning and another was sick and should be at home but no substitute could be arranged and she was taking care of her classes.

Those unable to report for duty Monday were Mrs. Bessie Lowe, Miss Hazel Hamilton and Miss Malcorine Wardlaw. Mrs. Joe Forman was also ill but was on duty with her classes.

Mr. Lyon stated that the general attendance of students was improved Monday morning and the week started off with about the best attendance since the holidays.

Grosbeck-Vitaphone equipment has been installed in the Yale Theatre.

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A further improvement in braking performance is effected by the self-centering feature of the four-wheel brakes — an exclusive Ford development. Through

this construction, the entire surface of the shoe is brought in steady, uniform contact with the drum the instant you press your foot on the brake pedal. This prevents screeching and howling and makes the Ford brakes unusually silent in operation.

Another feature of the Ford brakes is the ease of adjustment.

The four-wheel brakes are adjusted by turning a screw conveniently located on the outside of each brake plate. This screw is so notched that all four brakes can be set alike simply by listening to the "clicks."

The emergency or parking brakes on the new Ford require little attention. However, should they need adjustment at any time, consult your Ford dealer for prompt, courteous, and economical service. He works under close factory supervision and he has been specially trained and equipped to help you get the greatest possible use from your car over the longest period of time at a minimum of trouble and expense.



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Runnels County Women's Clubs Make Reports

Below we are publishing a number of reports from different women's clubs in the county for their work done in 1928. Some of the clubs have not turned in their reports to the home demonstration agent, Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, but as soon as they do, these also will be published.

A careful study of the club reports will show in a small way some of the good that is being accomplished by the women of the county in their work. Under the able direction of Mrs. Hollingsworth they have grown and accomplished much during the past year and are now making plans for an even greater work during 1929.

The report follows:

Summary in dollars and cents of Runnels County Home Demonstration work in 1928:

Girls' Food Preservation \$	215.90
Girls' Clothing	263.25
Girls' Home Department	36.00
Womens' Food Preservation	11,686.45
Womens' Clothing	9,000.00
Womens' Labor Saving Equipment	2,704.00
Womens' 492 Home Im-	

Improvement Articles	782.50
Women's 12 Bed Rooms Improved	183.50
Women's 32 Living Rooms Improved	1,020.00
Women's 23 Dining Rooms Improved	575.00
Women's 19 Kitchens Improved	127.00
Women's Home Engineering	1,780.00
Women's Yard Beautification	730.00
Women's Home Gardens	9,560.00
Women's Home Poultry	33,199.96
Women's Home Dairy	33,805.00
Women's Bazaars	88.20
Women's Miscellaneous	35.65

Grand Total \$105,792.41

General Activities In 1928
Home visits made, 216.
Office calls, 421.
Telephone calls, 820.
Days in office, 107.
Days in field, 196.
Individual club letters written, 587.

Method demonstrations, 648.
Community rallies, 11.
County carnivals, 2.
Women attended the short course at College Station, 18.
Girls attended the short course at College Station, 10.
(All helped in putting over extension work in Runnels county).

Pumphrey Club
Our club at Pumphrey would like to call attention to a few of the things we have accomplished in

1928, also to thank Mrs. Hollingsworth for the help she has given us in this work.

For instance we had 16 members in our club and 12 of these made annual reports. We are sure the other four intended to. Every member in our club planted both spring and fall gardens and served raw vegetables 849 days and cooked vegetables 2835 days.

Our members have 1763 standard bred chickens. We sold \$904.16 worth of chickens and \$622.63 worth of eggs besides what we used at home.

There were 7740 gallons of milk produced from our 17 cows. When you think of the fact that vegetable and mean canning are comparatively new to us and that we have actually canned 1577 quarts of vegetables and 399 quarts of meat, it can be plainly seen that this phase of home economy is advancing rapidly. Besides this there have been 6025 pounds of meat cured.

Over 350 quarts of jellies and jams and preserves were put up, and while every member has not planted fruit trees, the number of trees planted average two to the member.

We produced 1176 pounds of butter and 1190 pounds of cream. Two members reported the value of cream sold as \$148.

Five hundred and six garments were made. This is only a part of the report of the Pumphrey Home Demonstration Club for 1928.

We want to thank the commissioners' court for making it possible for us to have had such an efficient helper as Mrs. Hollingsworth, and with her help, we will strive harder another year to live up to our motto: "To Make the Best Better."

Laff-A-Lott Club
The Laff-A-Lott Club of the Hagan community held its last meeting in 1928 with Mrs. J. C. Taylor, on Friday, December 21, 1928. This was the twenty-fifth meeting for the year 1928. This meeting was in the form of a Christmas party. The club presented our home demonstration agent, Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, with a beautiful white gold wrist-watch, as a reminder to her of their sincere appreciation of her untiring efforts to make the work both pleasant and profitable.

The name Laff-A-Lott might very fittingly be changed to Work-A-Lott as can be seen from a report of 12 of the 30 members.

On January 1, 1928, these members owned 2836 standard bred chickens. From these they raised 135,124 chicks. The hens laid 3,105 dozen eggs. Not all of the eggs were sold; many were eaten and were incubated. However, from the eggs sold \$1110.85 was received.

In 1927 the Laff-A-Lott Club reported more butter sold than all the rest of the county put together. This year they sold their milk to the Runnels County Creamery, and their milk sales advanced accordingly. On January 1 62 cows were owned; 30 more were added during the year. Two thousand four hundred and fifty-two pounds of butter were made. Most of this was used at home, only \$635.60 worth going on the market. The value of milk sold was \$2337.19 and \$127.50 worth of cream was sold. Making a total of \$3095.99 from the cows.

Early in the year the club conducted food sales or bazaars to raise money to buy canning equipment. The food sold like the legendary "hot cakes" and the money was easily raised. It is very evident that the equipment was used; 899 quarts of fruits, 1487 quarts of vegetables, 607 quarts of meat, 201 quarts of jam and jellies, 74 quarts of preserves were canned, and 212 quarts of pickles were made. Besides this eight quarts of fruits were dried.

Fourteen thousand eight hundred and ninety-one pounds of pork was cured by the members. From the waste grease 870 pounds of hard soap were made.

Miss Mayme Lee Hayden, clothing specialist from A. & M. in 1928, gave a very interesting illustrated lecture and demonstration on children's clothing in May. Evidence in the lecture could be seen in the 194 dresses and 139 undergarments and three hats made during the year.

The club as a body wishes to thank the commissioners' court for our very efficient agent, Mrs. Hollingsworth.

A special effort is going to be put forth to get each and every member to report regularly each month in 1929.

If the 12 members can turn in an annual report like this, what could 30 do?

Mrs. W. P. Murry, Pres., Laff-A-Lott Club, 1928.
Spring Hill Club.

In making the report for the Spring Hill Home Demonstration Club will say, "we all work together

and keep at work."

Our success depends in a great measure to the untiring efforts of our efficient home demonstration agent, Mrs. Hollingsworth.

We have had 100 per cent reports from the 15 club members every month of 1928.

Two members in the living room contest, Mrs. L. K. Parr in Class I and Mrs. Owen Aycock in Class II, were first winners in their classes in the county and won second place in District 2.

Five or one-third of the membership of the club attended the short course at College Station. Spring Hill club booth also won first place in the Runnels County Fair.

I submit the following report:
Butter sold, \$1713.40.
Eggs sold, \$1225.45.
Poultry sold, \$1194.03.
Standard bred chickens on hand, 1918.

Fruit and vegetables canned, 1386 quarts.

Garments made, 693.
Four homes installed water systems.

Two homes installed power washers.

Three homes installed kitchen sinks.

One pressure cooker was installed during the year.

Fifteen homes acquired other labor saving devices.

We are beginning the new year determined to keep our motto: "To Make the Best Better."

Thanking all who have helped

PALACE

Ballinger, Texas

Program for the Week

Friday and Saturday

TIM MCCOY

in

"Beyond the Sierras"

A melodrama of the Sierra Mountains.

Kinograms Comedy

Monday and Tuesday

GEO. BANCROFT

The incomparable star of

"Underworld"

in

"The Drag Net"

with

William Powell and Evelyn Brent.

Kinograms Comedy

Wednesday and Thursday

The Classic of Celluloid!

RAMON NAVARRO

and

NORMA SHEARER

in

"The Student Prince"

The Romance of All Romances.

2 Part Comedy

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COMING

TO STARTLE THE TOWN

"Our Dancing

Daughters"

Jazz Mad Youth of Tomorrow!

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Ballinger, Texas

Program for the Week

Friday and Saturday

Buck Jones

King of Cowboys

in

"Black Jack"

2 Part Comedy

Chapter 8

"TARZAN THE MIGHTY"

Monday and Tuesday

Sally Phipps and Nick Stuart

in

"News Parade"

From "The Adventures of a News-reel Cameraman"

Comedy 2 Reel Western

Wednesday and Thursday

BUDDY ROOSEVELT

in

"Bullets and Justice"

Comedy, "Barnyard Rivals"

and labored with us.

Mrs. Owen Aycock, Pres. Spring Hill H. D. C., 1928.

Sore Bleeding Gums

Only one bottle Leto's Pyorrhoea Remedy is needed to convince anyone. No matter how bad your case, get a bottle, use as directed, and if you are not satisfied drug-gists will return your money. J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

AUTOMOBILE RUNS OVER CHILD; SLIGHTLY INJURED

Carl, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nance, escaped possibly serious injury last Saturday evening about 7 o'clock, when he was knocked down and run over by a small sedan, the car passing over his shoulders. Mrs. Nance, who was struck by the automobile, but sustained only a few bruises. They were rushed immediately to the sanitarium where examinations showed the child had sustained no broken bones. According to Mr. Nance, his wife and the two children had been in his battery station a few minutes, and had prepared to leave for home, Mrs. Nance leading Carl, Jr., around the back of the car, which was parked in front of his place of business, was struck by the passing automobile, knocking the child to the pavement and passing over his body, the vehicle striking Mrs. Nance and bruising her slightly. Mrs. Nance and the baby were released from the sanitarium on Sunday morning, and Mr. Nance states that they are doing nicely, both being able to be up. —Brady Standard.

FIRE DEPARTMENT GETS \$25 CHECK FOR FAST WORK

The Ballinger Volunteer Fire Department received a \$25 check from W. L. Brown Wednesday morning for their service in extinguishing a slight blaze in his home last week. An explosion of gasoline in the kitchen of Mr. Brown's home came near to causing a disastrous fire but quick response by the fire fighters checked the blaze with only a small loss. The company is very appreciative of the check received from Mr. Brown.

KAZMEIER BABY CHICKS

Come from hens, trap-nested 365 days in the year, and have been for many years. Our best grade certified chicks come from hens with records of 200 up to 250, sired by males out of hens with official records of 250 to 302.

Trap-nested and Blood-tested

All of our chicks come from hens, blood-tested for White Diarrhoea and all reactors removed under the supervision of the State Sanitary Live Stock Commission.

Better Layers

Baby chicks from trap-nested hens, as pullets will develop into much better layers than pullets from just ordinary baby chicks.

Our baby chicks, as pullets will lay all the way from 50 to 100 eggs each in a year more than pullets from baby chicks not from trap-nested hens.

We breed S. C. White Leghorns, Barred Plymouth Rocks and S. C. R. I. Reds.

We guarantee 100% live delivery of strong, vigorous and healthy chicks at destination.

At present we are offering a 20% discount from our regular prices, on all orders with 10% deposit for future delivery. This discount will soon be removed.

For price and interesting catalogue write:

F. W. KAZMEIER, Bryan, Texas

Formerly Poultry Husbandman A. & M. College

Drugs Grown In Backyards Menace to Youths of United States



"One's sub-conscious ego stands amusedly by and observes a second ego go through the most ridiculous capers . . ." Upper left, method of inhaling the drug; below, a deadly backyard crop and a user "rolling her own."

By Graham Stewart (INS Illustrated News)

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—A cult of marijuana-smokers in ultra-sophisticated Greenwich Village, hasheesh orgies rivalling those of ancient Oriental days in certain luridous night-life resorts; haunts in Bohemia where writers, artists, musicians and others gather to "experience" something new in thrills by puffing the deadly leaf of the Cannabis Americana—

Small wonder that the narcotic division of the metropolitan police is waging a desperate fight to stamp out what is considered one of the most dangerous drugs yet to make its appearance in America. But it is no easy task. Though in New York State it is illegal to possess or grow the plant, detectives have discovered the deadly "loco weed" growing hardily in parks, back yards, window boxes and even in cemeteries.

Only a few days ago agents visited a vacant lot on East One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Street and found enough of the ripened plant to poison a thousand youthful minds. A hardy plant readily grown in a northern climate, the seeds and tender under-leaves only are harvested for drug purposes. These are crushed, mixed with alcohol and allowed to dry again. Later they are flavored with red

pepper, sugar and sometimes with some aromatic incense. Then they are made into cigars.

Marihuana isn't a heart stimulant, but a spur to the nervous system, so powerful that a few months of its use serves to destroy the strongest constitution. A clap of the hand sounds like thunder; one can literally hear a pin drop. Great distances loom before the eyes—a step across the room appears a long journey. A pleasant sensation is long-drawn-out. Seconds seem hours.

During this phase the smoker enjoys a pleasant and serene sensation of comfort; his mind seems detached from his body, and another personality stands off and whimsically and amusedly notes what appear to be highly ludicrous actions of the corporeal self.

The smoker of the weed soon finds he has difficulty in concentrating on anything; his mind leaps from idea to idea. And many times he returns to a first subject after the passage of hours and continues where he left off. It is then that he is verging on insanity.

The time required to render an addict hopelessly insane is placed by doctors at five years, as against 20 or even more of the opium smoker. Hence the drive to kill the drug at its source—the window box, gardens and the vacant lot plots.

Business Leader Endorses Sargon

Nearly everybody in Fort Worth is either personally acquainted with or has heard of L. A. Barnes, executive head of the L. A. Barnes Company, manufacturing stationers of Fort Worth, one of the largest and oldest businesses of its kind in the Southwest.

Mr. Barnes is a pioneer citizen of Texas, and is prominently identified with the business and social life of Fort Worth. He is a man of unquestionable integrity, whose word is as good as his bond.

In discussing the benefits he derived from Sargon, Mr. Barnes said:

"I suffered with indigestion more or less for twenty years. I was almost constantly troubled with biliousness and the distressing symptoms that usually accompany this condition. My liver was inactive and I was habitually constipated. Nearly everything I ate disagreed with me. I became weak and was easily fatigued, lacked energy and was in a general rundown condition. I was very susceptible to colds, which I am sure was due to my weakened condition.

After taking two bottles of Sargon I have a splendid appetite. I eat heartily and enjoy my meals. My digestion is sound, I am no longer bilious, and I believe my liver is performing perfectly. I am more active and energetic and I don't tire out like I did. I am no longer troubled with constipation. I feel 100 per cent better in every way.

"I want my recommendation to also include Sargon Soft Mass Pills, for I have been taking them along with Sargon, and I consider them an essential part of the treatment. They are mild, thorough and dependable.

"I have already praised Sargon to a number of my friends. You may be sure I would not give it my endorsement if I did not consider it an extraordinary medicine."

Sargon may be obtained in Ballinger from J. Y. Pearce Drug Co., in Winters from Main Drug Co., in Norton from Hayley Drug Store, and in Miles from the Crescent Drug Store.

McWilliams On Legislative Com.

Sheriff R. E. McWilliams was called to Austin Monday afternoon and will go before the legislature with a committee from the State Sheriff's Association to ask that body to amend the search and seizure law now in force. A committee of 12 sheriffs was named recently to work for the bill which will be presented at this session asking that the present law be changed.

There has been much talk about this law which says that before a car or house may be searched by a sheriff or officer looking for liquor that they must have a search warrant supported by two affidavits from other people stating that they know for a fact that the house or car contains liquor. The new bill would change this law so that a sheriff might search for liquor with a warrant issued to him at his own request supported by good reasons why he believes the place contains liquor.

Mr. McWilliams stated that he is severely criticized all the time by the public for not making arrests but that he was powerless to get the evidence because the right kind of search warrant could not be obtained on account of the two affidavits that must accompany the warrant.

There are many organizations in the state at present working for the new bill that will change this law and make it easier for the officer and harder for the bootlegger.

Baird is building a new brick structure on Market Street between Fourth and Fifth to house the West Texas Utilities Company. The utilities company will use it as an up-town salesroom and office. It will be furnished with the very latest office equipment.

W. R. McDopald, age 70 years, who for three years was night watchman at the local compress, but who lately had been doing the same kind of work for the Oklahoma Natural Gas Company at its booster station, has been confined to his home for the last few weeks with a severe case of flu, but is now reported to be able to sit up. Mr. McDopald is the father of Mrs. J. L. Moreland.

Motley Returns From Fair Meet

J. D. Motley returned from Dallas Sunday night where he attended a meeting of the fair secretaries from all parts of Texas Friday and Saturday of last week. Mr. Motley was re-elected as a vice president of passes that are being issued. He is a member of the executive committee.

Mr. Motley reports a very profitable meeting at which many interesting subjects were discussed by the secretaries and managers. There were about 100 men there representing fairs in different sections of the state and each one in round table discussion reviewed their successes and their troubles.

A great deal of discussion was given to the issuing of passes at county and district fairs. Many solutions were suggested that will be put into force in many fairs this year to eliminate the number of passes that are being issued.

Proper means of advertising was discussed at length with all fair managers agreeing that local newspaper advertising and special editions of local papers were the only means that showed results. Continued articles for several months preceding fairs, was given credit for a large part of the good advertising.

Mr. Motley stated that many carnival managers were present at the meeting trying to arrange their circuits for the coming fall and also many men representing booking agents for hippodrome shows were present. One of the agencies gave a big free showing of available acts to those present in which some wonderful entertainment was offered to the fairs for immediate booking.

Discussion was held relative to dates for fairs in this section and Mr. Motley gave as the unofficial dates of the Runnels County Fair, October 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12. This is the corresponding dates of the past several years and will likely be adopted by the executive committee for this year. Other fairs in this section will set their dates so as not to conflict with the date of the Runnels County Fair.

Fire Endangers New Residence

The home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Brown, at 1103 Eighth Street became endangered Saturday morning when a can of gasoline exploded in the kitchen of the lovely new home. The fire department made a run to the scene of the conflagration and it was only by heroic efforts that a serious fire was averted. The damage to the kitchen will be a right smart of an adjustment for the insurance company as the paper was burned from the walls and ceiling and other damage done.

Mrs. Brown was in the act of cleaning a Big Ben alarm clock with the gasoline and was some distance from the fire, when an explosion occurred, and the fire of course immediately followed. Mrs. Brown stated that she considered herself lucky that the new home was not more seriously damaged.

The Browns have only occupied their new home for the last few months, it being an eight room, brick veneer and is one of the city's most beautiful.

Plans are to start the preliminary survey for the new city lake for Hamlin within the next few days. The new lake will be north of Hamlin on the T-Diamond ranch and will supply water for a town of from 15,000 to 22,550 people.

Mrs. T. J. Forgey of the Fit-U-Well Style Shop, has been confined to her home for the past few days on account of sickness.

IT'S DANGEROUS GROUND
You stand on—with a cough, a cold or grippie, and your blood impoverished. You must do something! Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery enriches the blood—builds health and strength.

Mrs. Beatrice Morrison of 418 Terry St., Dallas, Texas, remarks: "Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is a splendid family medicine and one that I generally keep in the house. I always give it to my children for coughs and colds. My little girl has been especially benefited by taking this medicine. Diphtheria left her with bronchial weakness and she got run down, thin and puny. I gave her the Golden Medical Discovery and it built her up in health."
All druggists. Tablets or fluid.
Send Dr. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., 16c if you desire a trial pkg. of tablets. Write for free medical advice.

Industrial Survey Here Shows Large Increase

W. C. McCarver, president of the chamber of commerce, and J. D. Motley, secretary, have completed an industrial survey of Ballinger which they have been working on for several months. These gentlemen have obtained figures on all commodities shipped from Ballinger and manufactured here during the last 12 months and have tabulated them into figures showing that \$2,733,050 has been received here in the last year for products sold.

Cotton leads the list in the amount received. This is not unexpected as Runnels county and Ballinger have long been known for cotton production, but other figures are startling when summed up for a 12 months period.

The survey shows that the second largest amount of money put in circulation by any one thing comes from the sale of cream and the manufactured products. This item alone amounted to \$246,000 here for the last 12 months. One big reason for this is the locating here of the Runnels County Cooperative Creamery. The creamery has meant much to Ballinger and also to the farmers in this territory who have found a better market for their products since it was put into operation. It has also caused dairy herds to be increased and it is predicted that next year the majority of the herds will be doubled over this last year.

Poultry comes in for a large amount of the money shown in the survey and when eggs are figured with the poultry receipts it places the figures at \$400,000 for these two items.

This survey is placed on what was actually sold through the Ballinger markets and does not place any estimate in dollars and cents on what was used in the homes or was moved in some other manner to market than by being shipped. It was estimated that 10 per cent more cattle have been moved otherwise than by being shipped to markets direct. Ten per cent more sheep and goats have been handled in the same manner. Ten per cent of the wool crop is also hauled to other markets or is being held unsold. It was also estimated that at least ten times more pork was consumed at home than was placed on the market. Approximately 50 per cent of the estimated poultry crop was used in the home and 25 per cent of the sand and gravel

estimated in the survey has been used here in building and street work.

Following is the complete survey as given to The Ledger by Messrs. McCarver and Motley:

Cattle, 162 cars,	\$ 194,400
Sheep and goats, 34 cars	38,250
Wool, 250,000 pounds	75,000
Hogs, 2 cars	3,500
Poultry, 250 cars	200,000
Eggs	200,000
Cream, 82,000 gallons	246,000
Sand and gravel	75,000
Oil, 150,000 barrels	100,000
Maize, 14 cars	4,200
Oats, 64 cars	38,400
Wheat, 34 cars	34,000
Cotton, 15,000 bales, less ginning expense	1,500,000
Total	\$2,733,050

SUL ROSS SONGSTERS ARE BEST EVER THIS SEASON

ALPINE, Jan. 19.—The musical department of Sul Ross State Teachers College has announced its engagements for the ensuing term. Programs are to be presented in Sanderson, Marfa, Fort Davis and Marathon, according to Miss Shields, director of the department.

The Girls' Glee Club, the Boys' Glee Club, the Boys' Sextet and the orchestra will make the trips.

The Girls' Glee Club has received a great deal of praise from the business men of Alpine for the program they presented prior to the holidays. Several judges of group singing have pronounced this one of the best woman's glee clubs in the history of Sul Ross.

A number of new songs have been received, and both clubs are busily engaged preparing them for rendition. Several new members with lots of talent along the line of vocal attainments have been added to the personnel.

For Straight Legs For Baby—Give Scott's Emulsion

Bert Fletcher of Maverick received a message Thursday morning stating that his mother was very ill at Mullen. He left here for her bedside near noon Thursday.

Students' Night!

Wednesday, Jan. 30th

PALACE THEATRE

ONE NIGHT ONLY

The World's Most Thrilling Love Story of the Prince and the Peasant Maid

Two great stars—**RAMON NOVARRO** and **NORMA SHEAPER**

the genius of directors—**ERNST LUBITSCH**

the romance of romances—**THE STUDENT PRINCE** IN OLD HEIDELBERG

Admission to Adults _____ 30c
Balcony _____ 40c
Lower _____ 40c

THE GREAT CLASSIC OF CELLULOID

SAVE THE COUPON
Any Student Attending School Will Be Admitted For 20c—By Presenting this Coupon At The Box Office

THIS COUPON AND 20c Will Admit One Student To The PALACE
Wednesday night, January 30th

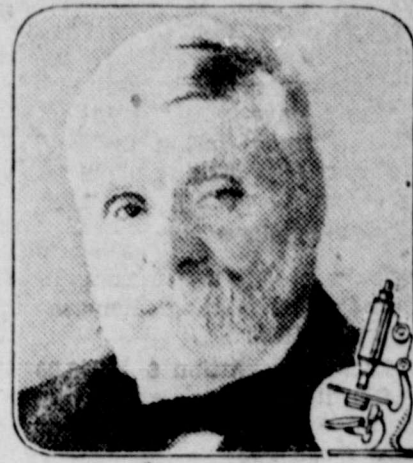
Elwood McWilliams was painfully hurt Tuesday when he was run over by a car. Elwood was riding a bicycle on Broadway when he was struck by the car and knocked to the pavement. He was carried to the sanitarium where it was found that his injuries were

not serious. Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, county demonstration agent, has returned from Hico, where she had been to attend the funeral of her father.

Have you read the want ads?

Prescription He Wrote in 1892 is the World's Most Popular Laxative

When Dr. Caldwell started to practice medicine, back in 1875, the needs for a laxative were not as great as they are today. People lived normal, quiet lives, ate plain, wholesome food, and got plenty of fresh air and sunshine. But even that early there were drastic physics and purges for the relief of constipation which Dr. Caldwell did not believe were good for human beings to put into their system. So he wrote a prescription for a laxative to be used by his patients.



J. B. Caldwell M.D. AT AGE 63

The prescription for constipation that he used early in his practice, and which he put in drug stores in 1892 under the name of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, is a liquid vegetable remedy, intended for women, children and elderly people, and they need just such a mild, safe, gentle bowel stimulant as Syrup Pepsin.

Under successful management this prescription has proven its worth and is now the largest selling liquid laxative in the world. The fact that millions of bottles are used a year proves that it has won the confidence of people who needed it to get relief from headaches, biliousness, flatulence, indigestion, loss of appetite and sleep, bad breath, dyspepsia, colds and fevers. Millions of families are now never without Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, and if you will once start using it you

will also always have a bottle handy for emergencies.

It is particularly pleasing to know that the most of it is bought by mothers for themselves and the children, though Syrup Pepsin is just as valuable for elderly people. All drug stores have the generous bottles.

Silver Tongues Attract Golden Dollars

Silver-tongued imposters coax away from unwary persons a billion dollars a year for worthless stocks.

What a pity that honest, frugal people should place confidence in persuasive strangers when they can obtain sound, unbiased advice from their local banker.

Verify every claim made for any investment offered to you. You are welcome to the necessary advice and information here.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK

Ballinger, Texas

Established 1909

EXPERIENCED

MORTIGIANS KING-HOLT

Private Ambulance
MODERN EQUIPMENT
THOUGHTFUL SERVICE

Day Phone 82 Night Phone 373

Directors: E. E. King and W. R. Wilkinson

Your Banking Connection

Should Be

STRONG ENOUGH to be SAFE,
OLD ENOUGH to be PRUDENT,
LARGE ENOUGH to care for EMERGENCIES.

This BANK meets every REQUIREMENT.

THE First National Bank

ESTAB. 1866 OF BALLINGER, TEXAS ESTAB. 1866

Flu Epidemic is Creating Record Demand for Vicks

432,000 Jars Every 24 Hours Needed to Keep the Nation Supplied with Vapor-Salve

Flu Milder But Widespread
That the public has not forgotten the lesson of 1918 is indicated by its prompt response to the warning of health authorities to combat the flu by keeping free from colds.

The demand for Vicks Vaporub, the vaporizing salve which proved so valuable during the 1918 epidemic, has already shattered by a wide margin all previous records.

Although the capacity of the Vicks laboratories has been tripled since 1918, they are once more operating night shifts to meet the national emergency.

The present output of more than 432,000 jars a day almost staggers the imagination. It means that every 60 seconds, day and night, over 3600 jars of Vicks are going out to check the nation's colds and help ward off the flu.

Mild though it is in comparison with 1918, this year's epidemic has already affected more than a million persons, and it is apparently still increasing.

Texas Motorcade To California

STAMFORD, Jan. 21.—The agricultural motorcade of Texas farmers and business men to California, being sponsored by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, will start February 2, after being delayed on account of lack of facilities.

The announcement was made after a communication with R. C. Bowen, of the West Texas Coaches, of Fort Worth, by members of the Stamford headquarters office of the regional organization.

R. M. Whitaker, agricultural manager, who is sponsoring the trip is concluding the details of the trip at this time and accepting last minute reservations.

Indigestion

Young's Stomach powder quickly relieves indigestion, bloating, heartburn, gas, constipation, dyspepsia, sick headache and nervousness. Doctors recommend it. Druggists return money if it fails. J. Y. Pearce Drug Co. W&T

Raby Padgett of Austin, was here Saturday, shaking hands with his friends and visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Padgett.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wright of Junction are here visiting with their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Felton Wright. Mr. and Mrs. Wright are here to visit their new granddaughter.

BETHEL NEWS

The Bethel school opened on Monday, January 21 with quite a few absent. The flu in this community has about run its course but the measles are still raging and are breaking out among the grown folks. T. B. Hall developed them Sunday and his sister, Mary Emmer had them two weeks ago. Mr. Robinson's little child has relapsed with measles and is pretty sick at present.

A good rain would be appreciated by every one, although the small grain is holding its own remarkably under those hard dry winds.

The six teachers all spent their time at home during the two weeks the school was closed except Miss Brooks who visited her brother at San Antonio.

Professor John Adams has been highly entertained by a young lady since Thursday, January 17. We have not learned the little lady's name, but she and her mother are both doing nicely.

The farmers around here are losing no time in getting their land in shape for another big crop.

I have been told by one who has seen it tried that in the boll weevil districts the cotton farmer should plant early, not chop out his cotton, but keep out the weeds and grass. The entire crop will open early. By this method the farmer can keep the boll weevil in check. He will save the expense of chopping and he will find every stalk will produce from two to five bolls.

"REPORTER"

Would You Know One If You Saw It?

If you ever came face to face with a germ, would you recognise it? Of course it is not likely that you ever will see a germ, unless you own a tremendously powerful microscope, for you would have to magnify one over a thousand times to make it as big as a pin head. But you should recognize the fact that these tiny germs can get into your blood streams through the smallest cut, and give you typhoid fever, tuberculosis, lockjaw, blood poisoning, and many more dangerous and perhaps fatal diseases. There is one sure safeguard against these dangers — washing every cut, no matter how small, thoroughly with Liquid Borozone, the safe antiseptic. You can get Liquid Borozone at Weeks Drug Store.

BENOIT ITEMS

Since our last writing your reporter has had a slight attack of the flu.

The grader is out this week fixing up the highway for better travel. The lane from Benoit to the Ballinger-Oxiene road has been grubbed out and fences set back ready for grading when this road is completed will make it more convenient for the different communities' traffic.

Mrs. Selton was teacher Monday in the primary room. Mrs. Shipp took over Mrs. Willingham's grades

for the day, due to illness in the home of the latter, who could not be here for duty Monday morning.

Miss Elva Foreman spent Saturday night with Miss Dorothy Gibson.

Sammie Brookshire is up after a week's siege with influenza.

Vorma Lee Lewis spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives at Cisco.

The wise old stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Hoffman Wednesday morning and left an eleven-pound boy. Babe and mother are doing well.

Mrs. J. A. Odom and Miss Edith were Benoit visitors Monday afternoon.

Mrs. F. Gressett and son, Roy visited her daughter, Mrs. Edwin Vogelsang at Hatchel Friday.

Mrs. Addie Lee Morris was carried to Ballinger Monday for an operation at the sanitarium, which will be performed Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Clayton and little Wanda of Maverick were visitors here Saturday night.

Earl Clayton and family of Novice, O. C. Cox and family, were all guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Clayton Sunday.

Miss Mitzie Hoffman of Brownwood is here with A. N. Hoffman and family this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ashton of near Norton spent Sunday in the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Odom.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Pullin are building a modern home out on their farm.

Grandma Williams has been ill at her home, but is improving somewhat.

"REPORTER"

Pecans Omitted In Industrial Survey

In making the report of the industrial survey of Ballinger Thursday's paper one item of importance was omitted from the column. The paper was no sooner on the street than people began calling our attention to the fact that no estimate had been made on pecans which has been a very important crop this year. This item was included in the total of the survey, but in some way was not itemized in the list of products.

The survey showed that there were 270,000 pounds of pecans handled here last year and were valued at \$24,300.

Gus Rosenberg of Brownwood was in Ballinger Thursday looking after business matters.

I still have a few more Mammoth Bronze toms for sale. Goldbank strain, prices reasonable. Mrs. J. P. Clifton, Rt. 5, Box 42, Winters, Texas. 25-3td

C. of C. Banquet Completing Plans

Plans are fast taking shape for one of the best banquets ever staged by the chamber of commerce here. Harry Lynn and his committee in charge of the arrangements are working every day to get the program complete within the next few days and they are well satisfied with the prospects for the staging of a banquet that will be different from any ever staged here before.

The banquet will be held in the basement of the new Methodist church and Mrs. J. G. Douglass and her Sunday school class of young women will serve the banquet. This alone insures a menu that will be all home cooked and different from the usual menus.

A decoration committee has been appointed with C. R. Stone as chairman and they will completely decorate the basement, making it the prettiest banquet room that the crowd ever assembled in.

The committee has placed orders for caps, favors and serpentine paper together with many kinds of noise makers to put pep into the occasion. The caps and favors for this year's banquet are different from what has ever been used here before and will add much to the spirit of the occasion.

Ernest Moody and his orchestra will be on the job to keep the air filled with music at all intervals where music is needed. Other entertainment numbers are being arranged at present and the state is being combed for a humorous speaker that will be a show within itself. The entire affair will be fun and no serious dry moments will happen on the program if the committee can help it.

Invitations are being sent now to commercial bodies in this section and there will be several visitors here from almost every town in this part of the state.

Ticket committees will be on the streets by next week offering banquet tickets to everyone. The tickets will sell for \$1 each and every citizen in Ballinger is urged to get tickets and attend the annual affair on Tuesday, January 29 at the Methodist church.

JUST CAN'T GET ALONG WITHOUT DAILY LEDGER

The Ledger received the following letter in the mail Monday morning from N. Passur at Crane, Texas:

Crane Texas, January 19, 1929.

The Daily Ledger, Gentlemen:

Enclosed find check for \$4.50 for which send us The Ballinger Daily Ledger. It looks like your Ledger is just a wart, it stays with you whether you want it or not. When The Ledger comes my wife and I fight over it to see who will get to read it first.

Your friend,
N. PASSUR.

M. D. Chastain, of the Cash and Tote Grocery, has been confined to his home for the last week with the flu.

W. B. Hensley, who was wounded in the World War, was called to Dallas by the Veterans' Bureau Friday to undergo an examination.

W. C. Jones is reported to be quite sick at his home south of town suffering with a severe case of influenza.



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Smartly tailored topcoats for women—They're "fashion right" everywhere

Take your Rothmoor topcoat with you anywhere—its distinctive fabric—its dashing lines—swagger air and Rothmoor's mantailoring features will make its presence felt in any gathering.

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If you have any of the following symptoms, I have the remedy no matter what your trouble has been diagnosed: Nervousness, stomach trouble, loss of weight, loss of sleep, sore mouth, pains in the back and shoulders, peculiar swimming in the head, frothy like phlegm in throat, passing mucous from the bowels, especially after taking purgative, burning feet, brown, rough or yellow skin, burning or itching skin, rash on the hands, face and arms resembling sunburn, habitual constipation, (sometimes alternating with diarrhoea) copper or metallic taste, skin sensitive to sunlight, forgetfulness, despondency and thoughts that you might lose your mind, gums a fiery red and falling away from the teeth, general weakness with loss of energy. If you have these symptoms and have taken all kinds of medicine and still sick, I especially want you to write for my booklet.

Mrs. J. B. Massey of Odessa, Texas, Box 112, whose picture appears here writes: I wish to thank you very much for restoring my health from one of the most dreadful, miserable diseases that anyone can have. I was in bad health for several years, under care of Doctors for three years. I do not think I could have lived much longer. I am in better health today than for several years; weigh more than I ever did in my life. I believe I am rid of an awful disease that the other Doctors failed to cure. FOR FREE DIAGNOSIS AND LITERATURE WRITE: W. C. ROUNTREE, M. D. AUSTIN, TEXAS



MRS. J. B. MASSEY

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Again we ask: what has become of the city park movement started several months ago?

Get a ticket to the annual chamber of commerce banquet. It is going to be a five dollar show and feed for only one dollar.

A good number of farmers are running drills at present getting small grain in the ground for the spring crop.

If all the bills being presented to the present legislature are given consideration the body will be in session when the next election comes round.

Several new business houses are to be erected in Ballinger during 1929. This is evidence that we are to enjoy another prosperous year, because building is progress itself.

Another year of growth like 1928 and Ballinger Independent School District will of necessity provide more class rooms for the ever-increasing number of pupils enrolled.

The city police department is making a war on slot machines and other lottery gambling devices in Ballinger. If some salesman has left one with you, better get it checked before you place it in operation.

Many are wishing that the census bureau could take the census of Ballinger and Runnels county right now. Truly we have grown and will have easily trebled the showing made in 1920, but just wait until 1930 and we believe we will have quadrupled our 1920 population.

Pay your poll tax. This is an old worn-out warning, but you never can tell what may come before the voters of this county during the year. Be ready to take part in any issue that may come up by having your right to cast a ballot for or against the issue, January 31 is the last day to pay this tax.

In studying the industrial survey made recently here we find that pecans figured in the survey for \$24,000. This should make it easy when anyone is considering what kind of trees to set out. Pecans do well here and they grow about as fast as any other tree.

The show window fair this last Christmas was very successful. How about a little competition on our lawns and yards this spring. Beautiful yards mean much to the looks of a town and are a fine advertisement to the transient who passes this way. A little competition might help to make many yards a little better.

Building in Ballinger is steaming right ahead since the first and with the city's improvement program coming up for the summer months, a road contract to be let today on Highway No. 36, the Oklahoma Gas Company plant being completed and several oil wells being drilled as well as the annual building around town, Ballinger can look forward to another year of growth.

Ballinger has the most stable town lots of any town in West Texas. Town lots are not too high in Ballinger. Rents are reasonable and there will come a day not very far in the future when the lots in this city will be worth just twice what they are worth today. If you have money to invest and want to double it come to Ballinger.

Postal receipts, cotton yard receipts, cream receipts, bank deposits and existing funds indicate that Ballinger and Runnels county are in a healthy financial condition. With fair weather conditions during the next few months our future outlook will be even brighter than now. Prepare now for the town's most prosperous and profitable year, it is truly at hand.

It is said that there are a few men of ample means who are telling the world that this is the year to be cautious about what we buy and what plans we make for the future. That is and should ever be the case, but why any more so now than any other time. Is it not true that we are in a sound financial shape and are our prospects not the brightest in the last eight or ten years? Ballinger is simply going to grow and nothing short of disaster can stop her.

Fair secretaries from all parts of Texas are meeting Friday and Saturday of this week in Dallas to plan dates and other matters of interest to fair managers. J. D. Motley, secretary and manager of the Runnels county fair, is there getting all that he can out of the meeting and will return to Ballinger with many new ideas to be used in the staging of the 1929 fair. With the fair secretaries and managers, the entertainment people and carnival managers meet and it is at this meeting that many circus acts are reviewed which will be available for fairs in this section this fall.

Plans are being rushed as fast as possible for the chamber of commerce banquet to be held here on January 29. The report of the chamber for last year will prove, to those at the banquet, that the body of men accomplished many things for Ballinger. However, that is past history now and the entire citizenship should be more interested in their program for the year that is ahead of us. The chamber of commerce works unselfishly all the time for Ballinger and Runnels county. The secretary is the only paid man on the job and he will testify that many other members of the board spend many hours each year working for projects that help the entire town and every human living in it. Help the directors; their time is just as valuable as yours, and if they are elected to the job and are willing to give their time, to work for matters of civic progress, surely you can support the organization in their efforts. If you are in business in Ballinger and are not now supporting the institution, don't wait for a committee of other business men to waste several hours away from their places to solicit you, but call at the office and tell the secretary what you want to give to this work for the next 12 months.

WE NEED ENFORCEMENT MORE THAN NEW LAWS

"The World Conference on Narcotics Education," says the Portland Oregonian, "insists on a twentieth amendment to the federal constitution as a means of combating the evil it is organized to suppress. It does not appear, however, that passage of a federal amendment would greatly facilitate detection of higher-ups who could now be heavily punished if convicted. The problem is not constitutional but administrative. The federal government and states, operating under present laws, can handle the situation, provided they will arise to its gravity, as well as they could if an amendment were passed.

The drug habit is abhorrent to all normally minded persons, as the Oregonian says, an amendment to the constitution on top of our present drastic legislation on the subject, will not secure enforcement. The program of the conference for a model narcotics control law to be submitted to all legislatures, is practical and should have hearty and unqualified support.

We have a prohibition amendment to our constitution but that does not mean law enforcement. There have been attempts to enact anti-pistol-owning laws as a means of crime prevention but such laws merely dodge the issue which is proper enforcement of our present statutes. Naturally, more laws mean more law breakers and in the past the multiplicity of laws has meant more loopholes by which criminals escape just punishment.

Fewer laws, more specific in character, with strict enforcement and certainty of serving sentences once conviction has been secured, would, in the opinion of persons experienced in criminal matters, be the best remedy for crime.

NOTICE TO THOSE WISHING NOTARY APPOINTMENTS

The Ledger is in receipt of a letter from G. Y. Lee, representative from the Ninety-second District, urging that everyone wishing to be appointed as a notary public get their names to him so that they may be given the appointment at the proper time. Send Mr. Lee your name and he will see that it is placed on the list and when the appointments are made you will be included in the number. Mr. Lee has urged the district to let him hear from anyone that he might be of service to. He is anxious to serve this district in every way possible and he will be glad to be called upon by individuals.

SCALES IS MADE EXECUTOR OF BROTHER'S ESTATE

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Scales and daughter, Katherine, have returned from Lubbock where they have been to the funeral of Mr. Scales' brother who died there last week following an operation.

W. D. Scales has been appointed executor of his brother's estate and guardian of two minor children. The estate is estimated to be worth about \$100,000 and includes two picture shows, an ice factory and considerable real estate.

Mr. Scales stated that he would have to divide his time here and at Lubbock until after the affairs were completely settled there in regard to arranging the estate following his brother's death.

There are two minor children, both girls, one being 11 years old and the other 13.

SENIOR PLAY CAST IS NOW READY FOR WORK

The senior play will be presented sometime in February according to an announcement from the high school Thursday morning. The play this year will be under the direction of Miss Armenda Timmons, teacher of expression, and the cast will include the best available material from the high school.

The play selected for this year is "An Old Fashioned Mother," and is a play that is strong in its appeal to everyone. The play carries a wonderful plot and is filled with moments of intense interest as well as many comical situations.

Rehearsals will begin at once and the cast will be coached later perfect by the date of the show in February. Specialties will be used between the acts and the high school orchestra will furnish the music before the show and during intermissions.

ALSTON GOWDY'S FUNERAL THURSDAY AFTERNOON AT 3

The funeral for Alston Gowdy, age 17, was held this afternoon from the Episcopal church at 3 o'clock with Rev. Arthur Whittle of San Angelo in charge.

Following the service at the church the body was taken to Evergreen cemetery where it was laid to rest.

His father, L. K. Gowdy, and his uncle, Alston Gowdy, arrived from East Texas Wednesday night and were present with other members of the family at the funeral.

BALLINGER PEOPLE ATTEND BANQUET IN SAN ANGELO

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Motley and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McCarver attended the annual banquet of the Board of City Development in San Angelo Tuesday night. Mr. Motley reports the banquet one of the best he has ever attended and stated that the report at the meeting showed wonderful forward progress made by San Angelo.

The banquet was well attended and the party from Ballinger enjoyed the program very much.

WEEKS' ANGELO STORE

An architect's drawing of the Weeks Drug Store to be established in the Hilton Hotel at San Angelo, reveals that the store will be a thing of beauty. It is not expected that the store will be open for some time yet, but when it is formally opened, it will have as neat an appearance as any dining room in any of the finest residences in the city.

The Weeks Drug Store at Abilene, which is also located in the Hilton Hotel at that place, has been open for business for some time and is said to be doing a flourishing business.

Messrs. Weeks and Earnshaw,

the owners of the three stores, will maintain their residence in Ballinger, and store here will serve as headquarters for the concerns.

Cotton Fights To Gain Place In New Styles

BOSTON, Jan. 17.—By making importations unnecessary, American styling and designing will be the ally of the tariff this year, according to the fashion salons of the cotton industry.

"Manufacturers, designers and stylists of fine textile fabrics have worked to make importations unnecessary," declared the style advisory board of the National Cotton Manufacturers Association in its report issued recently.

Fabrics especially mentioned for Palm Beach are gingham, pique, garbadine, novelty printed cotton for coats, scarfs and belts, and velveteen for coats, the advisory board stated.

"More prints will be seen, many of them multi-colored, others on chiffon in pastels. Cotton dresses will be especially good when striped like the wash silks.

"The week-end costume is among the new styles to come into vogue," the style experts declared. "It consists of a short coat of printed pique combined with a skirt of the same material, a tuck-in blouse of plain pique and a sleeveless dress of the same fabric. This presents two dresses of the same fabric which are interchangeable and are worn with the same coat and accessories giving variety and utility because the coat is obligatory this season."

Cotton jersey sweaters are being featured with caps of the same material, one smart novelty knit fabric being made up of grey wool and white cotton, the style advisory board declared.

"The most important colors of the sleeveless pique dresses for golf and tennis are pink, peach, yellow, pale blue, cream and white. The tomboy dress has already won popularity in some of the exclusive girls' schools. One design shows a skirt of plain broadcloth, pleated all around of striped broadcloth and stitched in the new irregular way, a boyish tuck-in blouse of striped broadcloth and with this is a four-in-hand tie. Another design is made with a plain broadcloth skirt buttoned on both sides with a sleeveless tuck-in blouse of striped broadcloth."

The report further stated that new dresses seen indicate that waists are coming back to the normal size.

Sheriff's Office Keeping Busy Now

Sheriff R. E. McWilliams arrested a Mexican by the name of Angel Juarez, who is wanted at Trinidad, Colo., for destroying mortgaged property. Mr. McWilliams received a message from the authorities at Trinidad Wednesday and succeeded in locating his man within a short time and placed him in the county jail here. He immediately notified the sheriff in Colorado that he was holding the man here for him.

The sheriff's department also filed two charges of theft, one for stealing turkeys and another for stealing tools. One of the cases pleaded guilty and paid a fine and the other is still in jail.

Sheriff McWilliams arrested Ed Hendricks Saturday night and filed a liquor charge against him. He was released on \$1000 bond. This makes three bonds for similar charges against the same man since the November term of court, Mr. McWilliams stated.

Three drunk charges were also filed by the sheriff Sunday night and all were disposed of Monday.

Several persons have been fined in justice court for not having 1929 number plates on their cars. The sheriff's department extended the time for securing plates to January 15 and since that date have been arresting those who are still using their cars with last year's number plates on them. The fine figures about \$21.70 and at present there are about 2000 cars in the county that have not made a visit to the collector's office.

Construction work is progressing on the new tile and brick home of the Texas Furniture Company at Olney. The foundation and walls have been completed of the 100-foot front and 100-foot extension to the back.

I. D. Thompson is very ill with influenza at his home this week.

Other Measures Before Legislature

AUSTIN, Jan. 21.—Under provisions of a senate bill which was introduced by Senator W. A. Williamson of San Antonio, all persons seeking divorce must be a resident of the state for 12 months and a resident of the county in which the suit is filed for six months. Persons in military service are exempt from these restrictions and may sue for divorce either in the county of their residence at the time of enlistment, or in the county in which they are stationed.

AUSTIN, Jan. 21.—The Woodall senate bill extending three oil and gas permits of the Pure Oil Company on three tracts of river bed land in Chambers county for a period of two years, received a favorable report by house committee of state affairs. The company has already spent \$375,000 on development of these permits without having discovered any oil.

AUSTIN, Jan. 21.—An extensive and comprehensive bill providing for the creation of a state museum, outlining the duties, functions and provisions of government of the museum, has been introduced in the senate by T. J. Holbrook, of Houston.

AUSTIN, Jan. 21.—A proposal to amend the constitution so as to provide that the secretary of state shall be elected by the people, was introduced in the house by Representative Gerron of Waxahatchie. At present the secretary of state is appointed by the governor and the salary is \$2,000 a year. The salary would be materially increased under Gerron's amendment.

AUSTIN, Jan. 21.—The Morse-Acker house bill proposing to increase the compensation of the county judges of Harris county from \$5,000 to \$8,000 a year, was reported favorably by the house judiciary committee. The bill will be taken up in the house for action soon.

AUSTIN, Jan. 21.—Senator Hornby has introduced a bill in the senate permitting the state highway commission to erect safety devices at railroad grade crossings.

AUSTIN, Jan. 21.—An appropriation of \$1,000,000 to purchase the remaining privately owned property surrounding the historic Alamo at San Antonio, is provided in a bill introduced by Representative Anderson of San Antonio.

The purchase by the state of the historic spot was recommended by a commission in a concurrent resolution adopted by the Fortieth Legislature. After considering the feasibility of the acquisition of this property, the commission recommended its purchase. Subsequently the purchase of this property was made a platform demand.

The bill provides that the governor shall appoint a commission of three citizens of Texas, none of which being a resident of Bexar county, to act as a board to negotiate for the purchase, or otherwise acquire the grounds. The name of this commission shall be the "Alamo Land Acquisition Board," and it shall act by a majority vote in all cases.

Seventy-six or more than a majority of the membership of the house, joined Anderson in presenting the bill. This assures its passage in that body and it is said that there is a majority in the senate which favors passage of the measure.

More Interest In Livestock

FORT WORTH, Jan. 17.—More interest is being shown in the livestock exhibits of the Southwestern Fat Stock Show than ever before at this period of the year, according to Manager John B. Davis. The show will be held here March 9 to 16.

Premium lists of the \$53,000 in prizes offered in all departments by the exposition were sent out some time ago and breeders of livestock in many states have requested entry blanks.

Seven prizes were added this year to the premium list for herdsmen or shepherds who arrange the most attractive and neatest stalls and pens of livestock. This is to encourage care in proper arrangement of livestock and in keeping the premises sanitary.

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W.T.C.C. Head Here Wednesday Morn.

A. M. Bourland, president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, and E. H. Whitehead, publicity agent of the same body, were in Ballinger Wednesday morning looking after business. These two gentlemen are touring the territory served by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce in the interest of certain legislation now before the state legislature.

They were due to meet with a representative body of citizens here Wednesday morning but due to mail arriving at the local chamber of commerce too late it was impossible to get a hearing here for Mr. Bourland. He spoke at Albany Tuesday night to a large gathering of citizens.

The three bills for which Mr. Bourland is working are known as the Water Conservation Bill, the Land Validation Bill and the River Bed Bill. In speaking of the last bill, Mr. Bourland stated that the law was interpreted at present that any stream with a 30 foot bed from bank to bank is a navigable stream and that not only the actual bed of the stream but 1000 feet on each side, the mineral rights belonged to the state.

He discussed action of the attorney general in bringing suits for the state based on an "ancient" statute defining a navigable stream as any 30 feet in width between cut banks, regardless of the flow of water in them.

"The attorney general is seeking to deprive landowners of all oil royalty rights to the beds and to one thousand feet of land on each side of such creeks. This construction of the statute would include dozens of dry creek beds in West Texas, such as Leon Creek, Elm Creek, California Creek and others," said the speaker. "Rightful owners will be deprived of their lands."

"The men who framed the Texas constitution never dreamed that dry creeks far in the interior would ever be classed as navigable," he continued. "And, such action would never have been taken had oil not been discovered on tracts figuring in vacancy suits."

That the land title question is as important to other parts of the state as to West Texas, and in fact more so, because there are more streams 30 feet wide in other sections, was a point emphasized by Mr. Bourland. "Oil may be found in East Texas or any other section at any time and just as soon as it is discovered or for other reasons value of lands greatly increases land grabbers will cause all Texans to find themselves menaced by parasites seeking to file claims on their lands," he said.

Bourland discussed the water rights situation brought about by the Colorado River case and the Brownwood application and urged united support in West Texas for the Walter Woodward bill introduced in the state senate to assure prior right to waters of Texas streams for municipal, domestic and irrigation consumers in the order named and, lastly to hydro-electric power manufacture.

After spending several hours here Mr. Bourland and Mr. Whitehead left for San Angelo where Mr. Bourland was scheduled to speak at noon Wednesday. From San Angelo they will go to McCombe where a meeting will be held Tuesday night and the speaker will talk on the three bills now ready to be presented to the legislature.

Card of Thanks

I wish to extend by sincere thanks to the dear friends of my dear mother and her children during her illness and death. Words can't speak as our heart feels to the dear ones who stood by in her last hour as we could not be there, especially the people of the Williams Springs community. And my dear little niece who was such a little hero in such trial.

Mrs. Maude Jones, daughter, Burtis Jones, Clyde Jones, Cecil Jones, G. B. Jones, Lois Jones, Vernon Jones, —Grandchildren.

25-1w*


Hatchings and Baby Chicks

We are now running our giant incubator and are taking sittings of eggs every Monday. Also some baby chicks for sale each week.

Currie Produce Co. 25-1w

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Starr of Wichita Falls are now residents of Ballinger, and are living at 209 Eighth Street. Mr. Starr purchased the Goodyear Shoe Shop in December, and is fitting his shop up to make cowboy boots, shoes, etc.

For colds, grip and flu take



Relieves the congestion, prevents complications, and hastens recovery.

KEEP STOMACH YOUNG!

Eat What You Want



When the food you eat goes into your acid-soaked stomach, it sours and can't digest, makes foul gas and sour bile. The blood takes these poisonous acids and carries them through the body. Naturally it makes you miserable and despondent, because your system is not nourished—you lose weight.

Pape's Diaprepin dissolves the acids and sweetens the stomach. It digests the food; no more sour bile is taken up by the blood. Your appetite is like a youngster's again, and gradually you get back your health, flesh and energy.

Chew a tablet or two of Pape's Diaprepin after meals. It tastes good, and relieves the misery of indigestion in five minutes. It will keep your stomach young and vigorous so you can eat anything you want without being afraid of the consequences.

Nurse to Visit Schools Feb. 1st

The Red Cross nurse who was at first expected to come here on January 15 will not arrive, according to present plans, until February 1. Upon her arrival here she will immediately visit each school in the county and inspect one at a time, every pupil in all the schools of which there are some 6000 enrolled.

The nurse comes here partly at the expense of the state and federal government, in compliance with a law recently enacted and which provides that a pupil is undernourished, if tuberculosis is evident, or if there is any other thing wrong with a child. The sale of Red Cross Christmas seals takes care of the rest of the expense.

The inspection will not only take in the rural schools but will also apply to the independent districts, included in which are Ballinger, Winters, Miles, Rowena and Norton.



Charity Board Raises \$367.50

Four committees of ladies completed the drive here Thursday morning and turned into the charity board a total of \$367.50. In making the canvass there were a number of local firms that were not solicited Thursday and these are requested to bring their contributions to the First National Bank and leave them with Harry Lynn, a member of the board.

Mr. Lynn stated Thursday morning that the board was well pleased with the results of the drive and that unless something unusual happens the amount will be sufficient to take care of the needs of the board for the year.

Demands have been heavy since early fall on the charity board's finances and they have been called upon to take care of several cases that were of a serious nature and required a heavy outlay of money. As soon as the present flu epidemic is over the board expects to get by with few demands made upon them.

The ladies were well organized for the drive Thursday and finished their solicitations in about two hours.

Rev. Jack Whittaker of Paint Rock was here Thursday to attend quarterly conference of the Methodist church.

Mrs. J. Ben Whitten, wife of Prof. Whitten of Norton, was taken to the sanitarium here this morning to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Evelyn Doss Dies Thursday Morning

Evelyn, the nine-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Doss, died Thursday morning at about 7 o'clock following an illness of two weeks. For the past week she has been very low and death has been expected at almost any time.

The sadness surrounding this death has caused Ballinger people to bow their heads in sorrow. Mr. and Mrs. Doss until the last few months have made Ballinger their home and their children have all been reared here among a host of friends and were beloved by the grown people of the entire town. Evelyn was known by everyone here and her happy little smile and pleasant disposition made for her friends with everyone she met. Since moving to Abilene she has returned to Ballinger on many week-end visits with her little friends and with her grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Doss.

For over two weeks now the entire Doss family have been very sick and at the present time only two of the family will be able to attend the funeral. Elizabeth and Dorothy are up at present and Mr. and Mrs. Doss, Ann Katherine and A. K. Jr., are confined to their beds. Ann Katherine and A. K. Jr., are just improving slightly from pneumonia following flu and Mr. and Mrs. Doss are both down with flu. Elizabeth and Dorothy have both been sick but are much better and it was thought Thursday that they would be able to attend the funeral here Friday.

The funeral service has been announced at the Methodist church here Friday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock with J. Prichard Spann, pastor of the St. Paul's Methodist, in charge. The body will arrive here at about 12:30 and will be taken to the church where it will be held until time for the funeral. Following the service at the church the body will be laid to rest in the family lot in Evergreen cemetery.

Rev. W. H. Doss is in Austin and is expected to arrive here today by automobile. He was notified early Thursday morning of the death of his granddaughter and friends from there were to bring him through today in a car.

Funeral services for the funeral Friday afternoon are C. P. Shepherd, Frank C. Dickey, O. L. Parish and Paul Trimmer.

The funeral service for Evelyn Doss was held Friday afternoon at 1:30 from the Methodist church with Rev. J. Prichard Spann of the St. Paul's Methodist church, of Abilene, in charge.

The body was brought from Abilene Friday in a child's hearse from the Kiker-Knight Undertaking Company and arrived at the church here at near 1 o'clock. Elizabeth and Dorothy were the only members of the family who were able to come with the body and attend the funeral. They were joined here by their grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Doss and their aunt, Miss Louise Doss. Rev. Doss arrived here from Austin Thursday night to be at the funeral.

Friends crowded the church to overflowing, both from Abilene and from Ballinger. Rev. R. B. Hooper, pastor of the church here read a short scripture lesson and Rev. Spann offered the prayer and talked to the friends in comforting terms. The choir rendered music, some of which were hymns from the primary department, a place where Evelyn was so well known in Ballinger.

Girl friends of Elizabeth Doss from Abilene and Ballinger were in charge of the flowers. The floral offering was very large and beautiful. Several extra cars were used to carry them from the church to the cemetery.

C. P. Shepherd, Paul Trimmer, O. L. Parish and Frank C. Dickey, four local lawyer friends to A. K. Doss, acted as pallbearers and tenderly laid the little body to rest.

GEORGE KERLEY'S BROTHER KILLS SELF AT BIG SPRING

Word was received in Ballinger Thursday morning that J. O. Kerley age 55, a prominent ranchman near Big Springs, had shot himself Wednesday afternoon and had died an hour later.

According to reports here the bullet penetrated his right temple and came out the top of his head. He left a 12-page letter in which he stated that he felt that it was time for him to pass on. He has been in ill health for the last few years, it was stated.

Mr. Kerley is a brother to George Kerley of this city.

Summers-Reese Test Well May Be Plugged Up

It was learned today in a statement from Robt. B. Summers that he intends to call a meeting of his stockholders at an early date for the purpose of submitting the proposition of plugging the J. W. Reese well and moving this drilling equipment into a more likely territory. Mr. Summers has at this time two large blocks of leases under advisement, but would not state in what county they were located.

The reason for this move Mr. Summers said was on account of the failures of the Swinson-Werner o. l. Empire-Gray No. 1, Gibson-Johnson-Serrat No. 1, Griswald-Willingham No. 1, Vacuum-Fowler No. 1 and the Vacuum-Flannigan No. 1 wells, all this together with the lack of cooperation on the part of land lease and royalty owners in and around the Reese block.

Mr. Summers stated that unless owners of the leases and royalty around this location are willing to cooperate to the extent of putting in enough of same to justify the drilling of this well to the depth of 2500 to 4000 feet he would not consider going any further with the undertaking.

The territory is deserving of a deep test but Mr. Summers says that he has never had enough acreage to justify him in drilling to the Vacuum pay, in the face of the dry holes above mentioned.

Mr. Summers stated that the Boyce No. 1 on the Lange tract two and one-half miles east of the Vacuum field was now drilling around 1150 feet Thursday morning.

Nine-Tenths Preventable

Nine-tenths of all the diseases of the American people can be traced directly to constipation, doctors say. Constipation throws into the system poisons which taint and weaken every organ of the body and make them easy victims for any germs which attack them. Prevent constipation and you will avoid nine-tenths of all diseases, with their consequent pain and financial losses. Herbine, the good old vegetable cathartic, will prevent constipation in a natural, easy and pleasant way. Get a bottle today from Weeks Drug Store.

MOST RURAL SCHOOLS ARE OPEN THIS WEEK

The county superintendent's office reports most of the schools of the county running on full time with a fair attendance this week, with only the Bethel school closed, and it is due to resume work next Monday.

Several of the schools were closed during the last few weeks, owing to the ravages of influenza.

Mrs. R. E. White is quite ill at her home with a stubborn case of flu.

Rev. W. H. Coleman of Brownwood, presiding elder of the Central Texas Conference, was here Thursday to hold the first quarterly conference in the Ballinger Methodist church.

Miss Eleanor Hancock, sister of Mrs. R. T. Williams, is here from Simmons University, Abilene, visiting over the week-end.



Cold Won't Bother Him This Winter!

Some men throw off a cold within a few hours of contracting it. Anyone can do it with the aid of a simple compound which comes in tablet form, and is no trouble to take or to always have about you. Don't "dose" yourself when you catch cold; use Pape's Cold Compound. Men and women everywhere rely on this innocent but amazingly efficient little tablet.

You'll find it in any drugstore you visit, and for only 25c a package. Sore throat, or a stuffed-up head, even grippy colds won't worry you, once you experience this quick relief.

PAPE'S COLD COMPOUND

\$20,000 Real Estate Deal is Closed Here

A real estate deal was closed here this week in which Henry Jones purchased six and one-half lots, or 195 front feet on Eighth Street from Mrs. Tom Ward for a consideration of \$20,000. The property is the quarter block immediately behind the Farmers and Merchants State Bank and now occupied by the Ward Service Station.

Mr. Jones stated Friday morning that the latter part of this year he will begin the construction of a modern fire-proof garage building to house his business on this property. The new building will be approximately 75 by 140 feet and will be one story in height. Mr. Jones did not state what kind of material will be used in the building but said that it would be modern in every detail.

Until actual construction is started the Ward brothers will continue to operate their station on this property with no changes being made.

The deal has been closed but paper work has not been completed on the final title as yet.

Mr. Jones has been operating the Ballinger Auto Company in the present location for many years. This building belongs to Marshall Northington and will likely be occupied by Mr. Jones the entire year of 1929.

Marriages Far Ahead Divorces

From records available in the office of the county clerk it is revealed that there was a total of 436 marriage licenses issued during the year 1928. This is an average of almost one per day. During the present month, the clerk has maintained a fair average as she has issued 22 licenses up to the 18th.

In the district clerk's office it was found that making a comparison of licenses and the number of divorces issued in the same period of time was entirely two different

number of divorces. In 1928, there was only 31. Of this number children were involved in 16 of the cases and in 15 children were not involved.

During the last few months a large percentage of the marriages have been Mexicans, but as a whole it is thought they would only constitute about 25 per cent.

Mrs. Robert Lee Jonas and baby of Coleman are here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Straley.

Child-birth Information Book FREE

WHEN the little one arrives you can have that moment more free from suffering than you have perhaps imagined. An eminent physician, expert in the science of childbirth, has shown the way. It was he who first produced the great remedy, "Mother's Friend."

Mrs. C. J. Hartman, Seranton, 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 because I wasn't very sick—only about ten or fifteen minutes."

The "Mother's Friend" at our mothers and grandmothers did. Don't wait. Start today. "Mother's Friend" is sold by all drug stores—everywhere.

By all means get the booklet on Things to Know Before Baby Comes. One copy is yours, free. Write for it NOW. Beutlich English Co., Dept. 13, Atlanta, Ga.



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DR. F. J. BROPHY
Dentist
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Hunting Accidents Cause 42 Deaths

AUSTIN, Jan. 18.—Hunting accidents in which people were either killed or injured during the last hunting season broke all records, according to figures compiled in the Game, Fish and Oyster Department.

So far this season, 80 have been injured, resulting in 42 deaths. Accidental discharge of firearms, reckless shooting and drowning mainly were responsible for the large number of accidents.

The injured includes 29 boys at an average age of 15, of which number 16 were killed and 13 seriously injured. The average age of the 51 men killed or injured is 34 years. No accidental shooting

is reported of men over 45 years of age although two deaths by drowning and one by a serious fall were reported.

Sixteen were accidentally shot by companions of which number four died. Capsizing boats cost the lives of 12 and several others were killed in various ways.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ferguson, who have lived for the past year on their farm near Miles, have returned to Ballinger and are at home in a duplex apartment on Ninth Street.

F. V. Gates and family, former Winters citizens, are happily domiciled at 403 Tenth Street. Mr. Gates is the manager of Gates-Nunnally Company, which firm recently purchased the stock of the Ballinger Dry Goods Company.

Skin Eruptions successfully treated from within

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

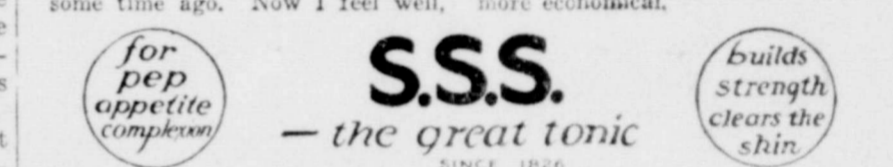
This is why so many thousands have been enabled to free themselves of these unsightly blemishes and painful skin annoyances by taking a course of S.S.S.

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.

In building rich, red blood cells, S.S.S. improves the processes by which the body is nourished.

"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.

All drug stores sell S.S.S. in two sizes. Get the larger size. It is more economical.



a clear skin comes from within

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More Rubber - Stronger Cotton — and

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against accidents, wheel misalignment, cuts, under-inflation, rim cuts, blow-outs, bruises, or any road hazard.....

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(This offer applies to passenger car tires only)

Cameron's Garage



THOSE who are looking for a spring coat that is a little different will doubtless come here. We are showing a very remarkable collection of stunning new coat models for spring in twills, tweeds, kashas, imported novelty effects. Brilliant and subdued colors and of course, black.

Sizes for Women and Misses at
\$12.50 to \$57.50

On the Wings of Spring



One strap in kid, honey beige, with modified heel, just one of the numerous styles that we are showing in the advance spring selection

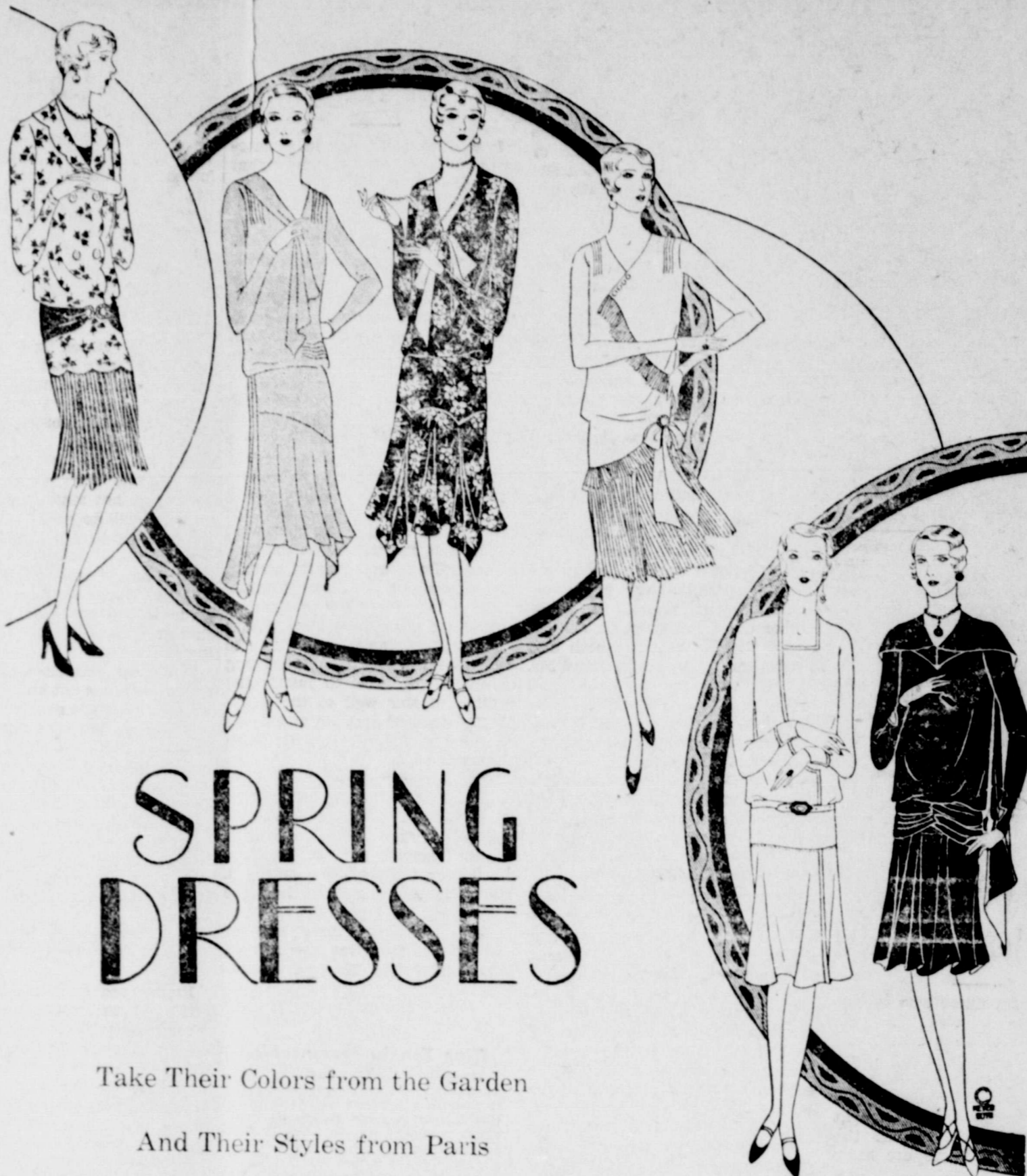
\$10



Beautiful kid here in red and honey beige, dainty high and medium heels, bow trimmed

\$5.95

Colors for those who like a dash of it to complete the ensemble and subdued tones for those of conservative tastes—truly a complete spring selection awaits you here!



SPRING DRESSES

Take Their Colors from the Garden
And Their Styles from Paris

RARELY have we had such exceptional dresses to offer at this price. Seldom have our buyers been so enthusiastic over newly arrived merchandise. You'll appreciate let's see the new frocks for the days—frocks in new color combinations. Frocks with new ideas for afternoon teas and bridge, for street, business and semi-formal occasions. Sizes for women and misses. A brilliant collection at one price.

\$10.98

BETTIS & STURGES

CLASSIFIED ADS.

FOR SALE—50 gallon oil tank, 203 Twelfth Street. 18-2w*

Posted Notice

My entire place 13 miles northeast of Ballinger is posted against hunting, fishing, watering stock and every other form of trespassing. People are hereby warned to not trespass in any manner. F. E. Clayton. 18-4w*

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Fordson tractor. See it at Harwell Motor Company, Ballinger, Texas. T. J. McCaughan, Norton, Texas. 18-w2

FOR SALE—White Leghorns, Warren strain, direct. Hens, pullets, cockrels, \$1.00 and up. Wm. Hoppe, Hatchel, Texas. 25-w3*

FOR SALE or trade—a bargain. Thirty acres close in, fine land, fruit trees, big shade trees, about 70 pecan trees, plenty of water in house. Will take small cash payment down and will consider some trade. Would consider lease for cash. Possession at once. See Jack Carroll, Ballinger, Texas. 22-2d-1w

Snyder is soon to have a modern commercial airport. The 200-acre plot was recently purchased for \$50,000. It, joins the northern city limits and will have a camp, water, gas, electricity and sewage disposal, filling station and other conveniences.

DEATHS

Infant Caswell

The five months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Caswell died at the home of J. D. Good at Norton Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock. The baby had been suffering from pneumonia for several days.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon from the Norton Baptist church with the pastor in charge assisted by Rev. Rosser of Bronte. Interment was made in the cemetery at Norton immediately following the services at the church. Higginbotham Bros. & Company undertakers were in charge of the funeral.

Mary Elizabeth Currie

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Currie, age 87 years, 5 months and 5 days, died at the home of her son, W. B. Currie, Sunday afternoon at 4:55 o'clock after being seriously ill for only a short time.

Mrs. Currie has been making her home here with her son and his family for many years and was very feeble, not being able to get out much. Her eyesight had failed her and she spent most of her time in her room.

Mrs. Currie was married to Dr. W. B. Currie on November 24, 1857, and their married life extended over a period of 68 years before he was called by death. Mr. Currie served four years in the Civil War and after coming out from the hospital unit, he practised medicine and he and Mrs. Currie lived in Llano county for a few years and later moved to Concho near the east county line, giving the name of "Currie Bend" to the big bend in the Concho River. Mrs. Currie had 10 children, 54

grandchildren and 44 great-grandchildren. All the children and grandchildren have developed into useful and influential citizens and she departs this life with a real service done. She had lived a long and consecrated Christian life, has reared a big family that has not departed from her teachings, lived for 68 years with her chosen mate, and leaves this world to go and receive her reward for her many faithful acts of this world.

The funeral cortege left the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Currie Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock for Paint Rock where funeral services were held at the Baptist church at 3 o'clock with Rev. J. H. McClain pastor of the Ballinger Baptist church, in charge and assisted by Rev. Nicholson of Paint Rock.

Pallbearers were Elmer Shepperd, Willie Stephens, Neal Nutt of Ballinger and John Billie Wade, W. M. Patton and Plat Roach of Paint Rock.

Daughters here were Mrs. R. A. Haley of Amarillo, Mrs. Mattie Bishop of Paint Rock, Mrs. Willie Drape of Matador and Mrs. W. A. Christwell of Amarillo. Her son, W. B. Currie, was at her bedside when she passed away.

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West Texas Today, official magazine of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, will be in the mails this week. The January issue carries more pecan stories, but is not a pecan special as last month. Development in different West Texas towns and reports from secretaries of chambers of commerce served by the regional organization are given space.

Mr. Hoover is a Californian, but you notice he picks Florida climate to write his first message in.

District Court Will Have Heavy Docket

District court will be called in Ballinger on February 11 at 1:30 p. m. for one of the heaviest dockets ever tried here. Juries have been summoned for the full four weeks and indications are that much of the old docket will be disposed of at this term of court. Judge E. J. Miller will occupy the bench for the first time in Runnels county.

Miss Georgia Singletary, clerk of the court, stated Tuesday morning that there were at present on the dockets about 30 criminal cases left from the last term of court to be tried at this term. These 30 cases are in addition to the bills that will be returned by the grand jury at this term. The grand jury will start work the first day of court and will continue in session until they finish investigating all crime that is brought to their attention. Their findings will be returned in bills and will be ready for trial the third week of the present term of court.

In addition to the criminal docket there is a heavy civil docket for the consideration of the court. At present there are 27 new cases on the docket and about a similar amount of cases continued from the last term of court. There is well over 50 cases to be tried at this term. Of the 27 new cases to come to the attention of the court, 11 are divorce cases and most of the others are suits on debt.

With the grand jury finding the usual amount of indictments at this term as other terms, their findings will run the total of cases to be tried by the coming court to about 100.

Order Pecans Thru W. T. C. C. and Save

STAMFORD, Jan. 22.—Because of the growing number of people who are becoming interested in the pecan industry in West Texas, the West Texas Chamber of Commerce has made arrangements with one of the better known pecan tree nurseries of this section to supply farmers in its territory.

These trees are two years old, between three and four years, and between four and five years. The young two year old trees usually bring \$1.50 but can be gotten for \$1 by ordering through the regional organization. The three and four year old trees can be purchased for \$1.35 each if ordered through the chamber, but if ordered directly from the nursery would cost \$3 each.

The orders will be received at the Stamford headquarters office of the regional chamber and will be forwarded to the nursery. The nurseryman will send the customer information as to setting out the trees and the proper care thereafter, inform him when his order will be filled, at which time the remittance will be made directly to the nursery and the young trees shipped.

All of the trees are of West Texas hardy root stock and budded with good hardy West Texas paper shell varieties such as Burkett, Halbert, and the Nuggett. Only 1000 trees have been arranged for at this rate by the regional organization and it is hoped that they will be distributed to at least 100 farmers.

Weslaco—New Cortez Hotel has been formally opened.

Valley Corn Is Starting to Grow

McALLEN, Jan. 17.—McAllen's first crop of corn for the new year is now poking its leaves out of the ground and is spreading a green blanket over the valley.

While corn planting is delayed until the latter part of February in central and north parts of Texas, and is put off as late as May and June in Northern states, the warm climate of the valley gives the farmer in this section one of the earliest plantings of corn in the United States.



Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Williams are the proud parents of a little girl, born to them Thursday morning at 9:30. The little miss weighed 7-2 pounds. Mother and baby are both doing nicely.

CITY COURT TRIAL IS APPEALED TO COUNTY

L. E. Parker was arrested Saturday night by Policemen McCall and Moore for running into a car at Hutchings Avenue and Twelfth Street belonging to Mrs. Sam Weams. A jury trial was held in city court Wednesday of the affair and the jury found the defendant guilty of being drunk. The case was appealed by the defendant to the county court and will be heard by that body at a later date.

Mr. Parker paid all the damage on the other car and adjusted outside differences satisfactorily.