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BALLINGER TEXAS, FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 1930.

HALE BABY KILLED WHEN CAR HITS FREDERICKSBURG-ANGELO ROAD GRANTED

TEMPLE, Jan. 10.—Robert Hale, Jr., 3, of Winters, was killed and Mrs. Julia Shanks, 60, of Lampasas, was injured seriously in an automobile accident at Lampasas last night.

Mrs. Shanks was carried to a hospital here and was reported to be in a serious condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Louis Hale, Sr., other occupants of the auto were seriously injured. The automobile is reported to have collided with a bus on a sleet covered highway.

TEMPLE, Jan. 10.—Dr. F. M. Hale, of Ballinger, father of Robert Louis Hale, who was injured internally, arrived at Lampasas last night and reported to his son's back was broken.

Grave fears are held that Mrs. Hale was injured fatally.

It was stated that Mrs. Hale had taken the child to Austin for treatment of an eye affection.

The mother was not told of the baby's death.

In a telephone conversation with relatives here Friday afternoon at 3:30, Dr. F. M. Hale stated that he was removing his son Louis to Temple, where he would be placed in a hospital. A complete examination showed that besides a broken back, several broken ribs, Louis had one or more punctures in his lungs and his condition is very grave.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hale and baby, and Mrs. Julia Shanks, mother of Mrs. Hale, were in a serious automobile wreck about 9 o'clock Thursday night, seven miles from Lampasas on the Austin highway. The baby died at midnight at Lampasas. Mrs. Hale was taken to the Scott & White Sanitarium at Temple and is not expected to live. Mrs. Shanks is in a hospital at Lampasas with a broken leg and an unconscious condition with little hope for her recovery. Mr. Hale is at Lampasas, suffering with an injured back, doctors early Friday morning expressing the opinion that if he recovered it was doubtful if he ever walked again.

A telegraph message was received in Ballinger just before midnight and Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Hale, of this city, parents of Louis Hale, left at once for Lampasas.

Following the wreck about 9 p. m. the four persons remained on the road in the bitter cold until about midnight before passing motorists stopped and rescued them. They were rushed to Lampasas and it was thought at first that Mrs. Hale and her mother were frozen, but treatment revived them enough for examinations to be made.

Mr. Hale left Ballinger Tuesday for Austin to get his wife, baby, and Mrs. Shanks, who had been there for several weeks having the child's eyes treated. They were returning to Ballinger when the accident occurred. Two cars are said to have collided on the ice-covered road, but the condition of the occupants of the other car was not known here Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hale have been making home in Winters for several years where he has been employed by the Jeanes Company. Mrs. Shanks has been living with her daughter at Winters most of the time, however her home is at Lampasas, and it is

presumed that the party was trying to get there before stopping for the night.

The latest word from the Temple hospital where Mrs. Hale was taken, stated that she was standing the examination very well but surgeons held out little hope for her recovery.

Mrs. Julia Shanks, 60, of Lampasas was the second victim of the wreck near that place Thursday night, succumbing to injuries received in the crash. She died about 7:30 Friday night. Robert Hale, Jr., 3, son of Robert Louis Hale, of Winters, died immediately following the wreck and both the child's parents are in a critical condition in a Temple sanitarium.

The wreck occurred late Thursday on an ice-covered road near Lampasas as the Hale family was returning to Ballinger after visiting in Austin. Relatives here were notified and Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Hale left immediately for Lampasas to be with the injured ones.

Reports here Saturday morning said that the two survivors were in a very critical condition and little hope was held for their complete recovery from the wreck.

Mrs. Hale had an operation at Temple for her injuries Friday night and reports say that she stood the operation in good shape and that she was resting well. R. L. Hale is suffering considerably with his lungs but in both cases no complications has arisen to bring alarm. Attending physicians state that although still critical their conditions are no worse and hope is being held for their recovery.

Mrs. Shanks is the mother of Mrs. Robert Louis Hale and resides in Lampasas, but went to Austin in company with her daughter. She was a pioneer of that section, having lived many years in and near Lampasas. She had many friends here whom had been made during visits to this place.

Details of the wreck meager, and as there were no eye witnesses it is difficult to get all the facts connected with the accident. The driver of the bus which collided with the Hale car was knocked unconscious by the impact and on regaining his complete faculties said the other car was on fire and he attempted to extricate the victims, but being unable to do this, rushed to the closest house for aid. After being on the road for some time the family was rushed to Lampasas for medical attention, but the child had died. The others finally revived with treatment. Mrs. Shanks was one of the worst injured and her death followed shortly.

The body of Robert Louis Hale, Jr. is to be brought to Ballinger on the noon Santa Fe and will be accompanied by Mrs. F. M. Hale. The body will be taken to the Higginbotham Funeral Home and funeral services for the infant will be held Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Baptist Church. It is thought that the pastor of the Winters Baptist church will conduct the rites, but final arrangements have not yet been made. Interment will be made in Evergreen Cemetery.

FORMER ACE PITCHER

IS HERE WEDNESDAY

Tom Vaughn, former ace pitcher for the Bearcats during last summer, passed through Ballinger Wednesday morning en route to his parents' home in New Mexico. Vaughn had been spending the first half of the winter near Houston, working for an oil company, and was on his way to his parents' home on account of the illness of his mother. Long Tom will report for spring training to the Beaumont club of the Texas League on April 3rd and expects to have a good year in the class A circuit. He stated Wednesday that he had been keeping up his training this winter and would be in good shape to start work as soon as the season opens.

Dillingham Will Erect Ice Station in Ballinger

Laborers began Friday morning to clear off the lot at the corner of Broadway and Railroad Avenue for O. D. Dillingham, of Abilene, and a contract will be awarded this week-end for the erection of an ice and storage vault on that location. A narrow lot, 16 feet wide by the full depth, was purchased by Mr. Dillingham a few weeks ago, and plans drawn for the drive-in ice station.

O. C. Williams, secretary to Mr. Dillingham at Abilene, stated Friday over telephone that construction on the station would commence by Monday if possible, and the plant would be ready for business within the next sixty days.

'Home Talent' Bank Robbers Trial Soon

BRADY, Jan. 14.—Trial of the alleged principals in Brady's "home talent" bank robbery has been set for January 20.

Judge E. J. Miller set the date for the trial of R. O. Turner and Miss Lucile Aweit, jointly charged with the robbery of the Farmers and Merchants bank here on March 21, 1919, but a motion for severance is expected and Turner's case may be heard first.

The Brady bank robbery was considered one of the most daring daylight robberies inasmuch as Turner and Miss Aweit were rearrested in Brady, while the assistant cashier, Harold Johnson, who was forced at point of pistol to hand over the money, was a schoolmate and neighborhood friend of Turner. Turner is alleged to have robbed the bank single-handed while Miss Aweit and 3 other Brady girls waited for him in front of the bank and drove him away in their car. The other three girls have not been indicted.

Two thousand dollars was obtained in this robbery but every cent was discovered several hours after the robbery when officers found the loot hidden in a pile of tin cans in the outskirts of Brady. All the alleged robbers were recognized during the hold-up and rounded up by officers and a posse of citizens within a few hours after the robbery.

Ladwig Leases Part Store to Help-Selfy

Work was commenced Monday morning on the west side of the G. A. Ladwig building preparing it to be occupied in the near future by a Helpy-Selfy grocery. This deal has been pending for several days and Mr. Ladwig was notified Sunday by state representatives of the company that they would be in Ballinger Monday to complete and sign contracts.

Remodeling of the building will be done as quickly as possible. The building will be separated into two divisions, creating two full-length stores each 35 feet in width. Mr. Ladwig has moved his dry goods stock into the east wing of the building and the Helpy-Selfy will occupy the section which faces on both Eighth Street and Hutchings Avenue. A side entrance on South Eighth will be used by the grocery store.

The entire interior will be remodeled and redecorated for the new firm. The front of the store will be torn out and rebuilt, with a door in the center and a show-window on each side of the entrance. The corner of the building will be enclosed, the rock pillar taken in, and mirrors covering the stone support at this corner.

McCarver & Lynn, owners of the building, are having the old awning torn down and will install two modern roll-type canvas awnings in front of each store.

As soon as final contracts are signed it is expected that a local manager will be announced and a date set for the opening of the new Helpy-Selfy.

Actual construction work on Highway No. 9 through Live Oak county north and south is progressing satisfactorily, the first unit bringing the highway from Atascosa county line near Whissett to within two miles of Three Rivers.

Set Up Cotton Association With Texas Men on Board

The stockholders of the Ballinger Farm Loan Association met at the courthouse in Ballinger on Tuesday afternoon for their annual meeting. The only business stated for the meeting was the election of a board of directors for the coming year and to hear the annual report of the secretary.

F. L. Harper has served the organization as president during the past year and Paul Trimmer as secretary.

Mr. Trimmer stated Tuesday morning that the association since its organization had made 149 loans in this county aggregating \$539,944.00. The organization was formed in 1917 but for two years made no official loans due to injunctions filed against them by some companies already operating in this state. The association has actually been in operation for about ten years and has had a very successful business during that time.

The seven men who have served as directors for the past year are: F. L. Harper, C. A. Dooze, Len Mapes, M. B. Wardlaw, W. A. Taylor, W. R. Clark and J. W. Bigby. Seven new directors will be elected by the stockholders at the session Tuesday and they in turn will elect officers for the year 1930. It is not necessary that the secretary be a member of the board of directors.

Farm Loan Board In Meeting Here

Mrs. Paul Trimmer is in Temple at the bedside of her mother, who is very ill. Mrs. Trimmer was called to Temple Saturday of last week and reports from there Tuesday stated that her mother was no better.

Weather Stops Highway Work

Highway construction in Runnels county has been practically halted for more than a week on account of freezing weather. The construction company was able to spread cement on highway No. 30 only one day last week. The paver was operated on Monday, January 6th, and was not used again until Tuesday, January 14th. Paving crews were forced to shut down again Wednesday morning when the mercury dropped to about 18 degrees above zero and all water lines leading to the mixer were frozen hard.

With these delays only about 600 yards of concrete have been poured in the past two weeks and indications are that the weather will stop practically all work again this week.

Engineer G. M. Garrett stated Wednesday that his department was still experiencing trouble with people who would not observe traffic signs along the highway. Detour signs are disregarded by some motorists and a number attempt to drive through the right-of-way, which is closed to all vehicles except trucks and cars operated by the construction company.

A massive floating crane, to be supplied by German manufacturers to the port of Dunkirk, France, will be paid for through reparation account.

Hallettsville.—There were 10,792 bales of cotton ginned in Lavaca County prior to November 1st, according to a report of the department of commerce.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Authorization of the Gulf & West Texas railway to construct a line in Gillispie, Mason, McCulloch, Concho and Tom Green counties, Texas, was given conditionally today by the Interstate Commerce Commission. The proposed railroad would extend 113 miles from Fredericksburg to Brady and from Eden to San Angelo.

Permission to build the line from Eden to San Angelo was given, however, on the condition that the Gulf & West Texas file an appropriate application to operate under trackage rights over the existing branch of the Gulf Colorado & Santa Fe between Brady and Eden.

The commission also ordered the line from Fredericksburg to Brady to be commenced before July 1, 1930, and be completed by June 30, 1932.

The Gulf & West Texas is also permitted to retain for a ten-year period the excess earnings of the line from Fredericksburg to Brady.

HORNSBY WILL GIVE SENATORS RECEPTION

AUSTIN, Jan. 11.—Members of the Texas legislature will be given a welcoming reception by Senator John W. Hornsby soon after their return to attend the special session to be called by Gov. Moody to convene January 20th.

Senator Hornsby was host to the legislators at a series of receptions and entertainments during the regular and special sessions last winter and summer.

Also, here's another concession the City of Austin may make in honor of the returning lawmakers.

Senator Hornsby has taken the initiative to have the municipalities keep intact the holiday street decorations consisting of hundreds of multi-colored electric lights festooning across Congress Avenue.

BROWN COLLECTING TAXES AT WINTERS

W. L. Brown, county tax collector, went to Winters Wednesday morning where he will remain for two days, collecting taxes and issuing number plates for motor vehicles.

Mr. Brown carried an assistant with him and all books and receipts necessary to take care of the tax-payers' needs in the north section of Runnels county. This done as a matter of convenience for the citizens in the north end of the county and also to relieve congestion in the office here. This practice for the last several years has induced citizens of that section to wait for his visit to Winters and thus be saved the drive to Ballinger.

\$185,000 INTEREST IS DUE STATE OF TEXAS

AUSTIN, Jan. 13.—Approximately \$185,000 in past due bonds and past due interest on bonds held by the state permanent school fund has been turned over to the attorney general's department for collection.

While this amount is much smaller than at the corresponding period last year, officials said they would make every effort to collect the money. Hope was expressed that school districts, cities, towns and counties would pay voluntarily without necessity of court action.

Alpine 8 miles of Santa Fe track has been laid to a point 8 miles below Palsano, 40 miles of grade is now ready for rails.

AN EARNEST DESIRE

The earnest desire of this bank is to prove itself a real institution of service throughout this vicinity.

Do not forget that your problems are our problems and that your success is necessary to our own.

The customer has a right to every constructive service of his bank, and the bank, in turn, asks only for the good-will and support of the depositor.

Help us to help you better by making this bank of personal service your bank and your partner.

The Winters State Bank

Winters, Texas

"The Dependable Bank"

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JANUARY

Clearance Sale

The More You
Buy
The More You
Save

8 Big Selling Day Starting Friday, Jan. 17
Closing Saturday, Jan. 25

Facts! We are opening the road to economy on many lines in our store which we do not want to carry over. Everything in Sweaters, Outing, Blankets, and Woolen Goods, must go regardless of prices. Profits are forgotten on many other lines.

SWEATERS

Ideal for every day use, for men and women, heavy cotton, colors tan and brown and priced so cheap for these 8 Selling days

96c



SHOES! SHOES! SHOES!

We have so many can't quote price but for these 8 Selling Days they will sell much cheaper.

LUMBER JACKS

A real winter garment for men. Heavy fleece lined, tan stripes with contrasting trim of brown. Special at only

TURKISH TOWELS

Fancy Turkish Towels good size, better buy now while our supply is complete.

14c

HOUSE SHOES

Ladies' felt house shoes

39c

DRESS SHIRTS

Men's good dress shirts

97c

MEN'S UNIONS

Men's winter union suits

89c

DOMESTIC

36" inch bleached domestic for

9c

HOUSE DRESSES

They are fashioned from pretty prints in many designs.

Lot No. 1 for **89c**

Lot No. 2 for **\$1.69**

Lot No. 3 for **\$1.79**

All are fast colors

LADIES' NEW SILK DRESSES

Lot No. 1 worth up to \$18.75 **\$9.85**

Lot No. 2 worth up to \$13.75 **\$5.95**

OUTING

Now is quilting time. Buy outing while it is so cheap. One special lot just the thing for your quilts, only

9c

36 inch heavy outing dark and light colors, special for only

18c

COATS

All ladies', misses' and children's winter coats to close out at much lower prices than you would expect to pay.

PULLMAN BLANKETS

Make ready now for the cold weather. Buy blankets. We have them much cheaper than ever.

Pullman blankets in beautiful plaids, sateen bound, part wool, size 66x80, per pair

\$2.68

MEN'S CLOTHING

We carry a complete line for men, hats, caps, dress and work shirts, shoes, hosiery, underwear, and a big line of work clothing. All on sale at lower prices.

MEN'S LUMBER JACKS

Men's heavy fleeced lined Lumber Jacks, colors brown with tan trim, very special at

\$1.19

BLANKETS

The Alpine blanket with more wool, assorted plaids, sateen bound, heavy weight, size 66x80. Special for you

\$3.19

Good Heavy Cotton Blankets

Slumberland, extra large size 70x80, assorted colors, special per pair

\$1.98

Single blankets, beautiful colors and good weight for only

98c

FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

Good heavy cotton Lumber Jacks, fleeced lined, assorted colors, just the thing for school wear, price

89c

All other sweaters, the better grades of wool at a very special price.

PIECE GOODS

Crepes

The underwear please crepes in fancy and solid colors, fancy color for 29c and solid colors for

19c

Ginghams

It's that Gilbrea quality in the solids, stripes, checks and fancy dress styles. Never changes colors. Special at

38c

Percal Prints

Here are bargains that you don't find every day. Percal prints the heavy cambries kind.

16c

Chambray

The old reliable Imperial that never faded, solid colors and staple checks for only

28c

Prints

New patterns pongee finish, 36 inches wide, tub fast for only

23c

Satine and Non-Cling

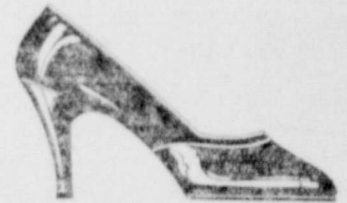
36 inches wide for the making of slips and children's bloomers. Comes in all the pastel colors.

39c

BLOOMERS

Made from heavy rayon silk, a grade that sells much higher, pastel colors that are in demand, well finished

79c



LADIES' SHOES

Going the limit to sell this lot, good styles, but broken sizes. Pumps, Straps, Ties, black kid and patents, high and low heels, they sold up to \$6.45. All in one big lot

\$2.95

SILK HOSE

Silk from heel to toe and the colors that are being worn. The quality you will like.

87c

OVERALLS

Men's good weight, blue overalls. They are full cut, for only

97c

Exera heavy blue overalls for Men, 220 weight, will be our special for

\$1.29

Boys' and girls' striped coveralls for

69c

WORK PANTS

Men's good work pants, many styles and colors to select from, very special

\$1.39

LOOK AND BUY

All silk goods on sale at a very low price.

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Ballinger,

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City Commission to Enforce Milk Law

A special meeting of the city commission was held Friday morning at the city hall as a continuance of the meeting held Tuesday night...

Local Farm Bureau Elects New Officers

The annual meeting of the Runnels County Farm Bureau was held at the court house in Ballinger last Saturday afternoon...

Thousand Express GratITUDE

On November 27th, a letter dated November 23rd, was received at the Sargon office advising that in one week one drug firm alone had received orders for Sargon to be shipped to Cavite, Philippine Island...

LETTERS RECEIVED FROM THE NORTHWEST

From the Northwest, many letters of this kind have been received advising that users of Sargon are sending it to relatives back in their old countries of Norway and Sweden...

NATIONAL GUARD PLAY IS POSTPONED TO JAN. 28-21

"Aunt Lucia," the great American collegiate comedy, which was to have been presented here on January 16 and 17 has been postponed until January 20th and 21st...

WINGATE QUARTET WILL SING OVER RADIO SUNDAY

The Wingate Quartet will sing over station KFYO, Abilene, Sunday afternoon, January 19th, from 1:30 to 2:30. This quartet is well known in Ballinger and has been on a number of trade trips...

FREE RECITAL HERE ON JANUARY 23

Pupils of the speech arts class of the Ballinger schools will be presented in a free recital 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening, January 23rd, in the high school auditorium.

The Shimizu tunnel, in Japan, now under construction will cut the time between Tokyo and the northwest by three and one-half hours.

E. Yarnell, of Norton, was in Ballinger Monday looking after business here for the day and asked for the date on his Banner-Ledger to be set up a year.

A contract has been awarded for 3.5 miles of grading and structures for \$26,637 on State Highway No. 7 from Nolan county to Burnham.

Baby's Colds Best treated without dosing—just rub on VICKS VapoRub

MISS MCKOWN CANDIDATE FOR RE-ELECTION AS CLERK To the Voters of Runnels County: I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Clerk of Runnels County...

Ballinger State Bank The stockholders of the Ballinger State Bank met Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock with 398 shares of the 400 represented

Farmers and Merchants State Bank The shareholders of the Farmers & Merchants State Bank met in the directors' room of the bank Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RUNNELS, We, G. G. Odom, as President and J. L. Chastain, as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES for FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK. RESOURCES: Loans and discounts, \$334,029.31; City Warrants, 3,759.58; Overdrafts, 938.28; Acceptances of other banks, 89,948.98; Banking House \$25,000.00, Furniture and Fixtures \$7,500.00; Real Estate owned, other than banking house, 7,817.90; Cash in Bank, 42,804.29; Due from approved reserve agents, 68,052.10; Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check on demand, 12,107.00; Interest on Depositors' Guaranty Fund, 2,349.50; Other Resources: Cotton Acceptances, 27,597.87. Total: \$663,948.99.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK

of Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31 day of December, 1929, published in The Ballinger Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 9th day of January, 1930.

Table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES for STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RUNNELS. RESOURCES: Loans and discounts, \$376,073.49; City Warrants, 3,759.58; Overdrafts, 938.28; Banking House \$25,000.00, Furniture and Fixtures \$7,500.00; Real Estate, 7,817.90; Interest Guaranty Fund, 2,349.50; Bills of Exchange (cotton), \$27,597.87; Banker's Acceptances, 89,948.98; Cash and Due from Banks, 122,963.39. Total: \$663,948.99.

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Incubator Now Running

We Set Eggs Each Monday Will be glad to take orders for trays and Baby Chicks any time. CURRIE PRODUCE CO. Mill - Field and Garden Seed Custom Hatching - Baby Chicks

See the new Ford bodies at our showrooms From the new deep radiator to the curving tip of the rear fender there is an unbroken sweep of line—a flowing grace of contour heretofore thought possible only in an expensive automobile. Now, more than ever, the new Ford is a "value far above the price."

Advertisement for Harwell Motor Co. featuring an image of a Ford car and text: "See the new Ford bodies at our showrooms. From the new deep radiator to the curving tip of the rear fender there is an unbroken sweep of line—a flowing grace of contour heretofore thought possible only in an expensive automobile. Now, more than ever, the new Ford is a 'value far above the price.' Harwell Motor Co."

L. Knapp, county farm agent, yields averaging 430 pounds of lint on one acre, and one of them, Wallace Hall, with a yield of 1203 pounds, is claimed to be the champion cotton grower of East Texas. Last year he produced 1005 pounds of cotton on an acre.

The boys used an average of 406 pounds of commercial fertilizer per acre, according to W.

Attention Farmers

We carry in stock a complete line of Piston Pins and Rings for your motor, any size.

When your tractor needs new pistone or sleeves don't throw away your old sleeves—we can regrind your old sleeves, fit new pistons or sleeves don't throw low price. Your old sleeves are already seasoned and will last.

We are equipped to do this work. Come in and see us before you buy. Our prices are right.

Parr Bros. Garage

4-H CLUB BOYS MAKE HIGH AVERAGE IN COTTON RUSK, Jan. 14—Forty-six Cherokee county 4-H Club boys made four times the State average in cotton production last year, with

Marriage Law is Rapped By County Clerks

SAN ANTONIO, Jan. 7.—After six months' trial operation the county clerks of Texas are about ready to back up on the "Three-day marriage intention law" enacted by the 41st legislature at the request of the Texas County and District Clerks' Association, according to Jack R. Burke, Bexar county clerk.

Burke declared that the association would probably hold a special meeting soon and go on record petitioning the special session of the legislature, soon to be convened, to repeal the statute which requires a couple to give three days notice of intention to marry before license can be issued.

Burke said that the sharp decline in the number of licenses issued in Texas since the law was passed influenced action to seek a return to the old custom of issuing a license on the spot when all other requirements were met.

Licenses issued since June 13, when the law went into effect, have dropped as much as 1,000 below the corresponding period in 1928, in some of the larger counties, according to Burke. In Bexar county there was a shortage of about 800 licenses, he said.

Burke is a member of the legislative committee which has been soundly out the sentiment of the county clerks in Texas for some time on the matter of repealing the law. He said he found only one strong advocate of the law—Chester Hollis, Tarrant county clerk, who was instrumental in having the bill presented to the legislature.

According to Burke, many of the clerks in border counties said residents of their counties were going to other states to be married because they did not want to wait the required three days. Loss in marriage license fees to these clerks amounts to a large sum each month and a deficit in their total fees will be shown unless the law is repealed, clerks said.

Justices of the peace in all counties are backing up the proposed repeal because the law has cut down their revenue from performing marriage ceremonies, Burke said.

C. C. Board Meet Is Postponed

The meeting of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce called for Tuesday morning was postponed on account of the absence of Secretary J. D. Motley. The meeting of the new board will be held the latter part of this week, at which time the organization for the ensuing year will be formed and all officers elected.

Mr. Motley was called to Fort Worth Monday afternoon on business connected with the Runnels County Creamery and as he had a number of important matters to submit to the new directorate he asked that the meeting be set for a later date in the week so that he might attend.

Eleven new directors were named at the membership banquet held here last Friday night and these men with ten hold-overs from last year's board will compose the 1930 board. Earl Morley has served as president of the organization during the past year and will retire from office as soon as a new president is elected. A president for the new board is being considered among those eligible to vote on the proposition and several names have been mentioned for the place.

The new board will organize, set the budget and attend to other pressing business, attempting to get all these matters out of the way before the close of January.

LARGE REALTY DEAL MADE AT COLORADO

COLORADO, Tex., Jan. 13.—Probably the largest realty deal in Mitchell county in years took place when the sale of 19 sections off the south side of the H. S. ranch to W. L. Ellwood and E. P. Ellwood, owners of the Renderbrook or Spade ranch, was contracted this week.

The 12,180 acres of land sold for approximately \$160,000. Mrs. Anna Rose Housinger, of San Antonio; Will T. Scott and Bob Scott, of Colorado; W. T. Scott heirs, were grantees.

The addition of the 19 sections to the holdings of the Ellwoods give the Spade ranch 244 sections or 156,000 acres in Mitchell, Sterling and Cone counties. It is one of the few remaining large ranches in this section of West Texas.

Whitesboro—Three banks of this city have merged into one institution to be known as the Whitesboro National Bank.

Scout Council Has Good Meet

The Ballinger Boy Scout Council met Friday morning at ten o'clock in the office of the Chamber of Commerce to discuss important business pertaining to Scout work in this city. Reports from different officers and committees were heard, and Chairman Robt. E. Bruce presented the plans of the Chisholm Trail Area as submitted by Ed Shumway, of Abilene. Each town in the area is assessed so much each year on expenses of the area office at Abilene. Plans were discussed as to how and when this assessment could be paid and a committee was appointed to try to increase the monthly budget of the local organization.

Most of the members present expressed themselves as being more than pleased with the excellent work being carried on here by the scout masters and expressed the hope that more money could be acquired to better take care of the local work.

Plans were also discussed with the idea of sending scoutmasters to school this summer. In Texas each year schools that are open to all scoutmasters at a very reasonable sum are held for two weeks and if possible local men will attend the school this year.

An interesting feature of the meeting was the exhibition of maps done by local Scouts. K. V. Northington, scoutmaster, showed a number of maps which had been drafted by local Scouts that were a revelation to members of the council. Mr. Northington said that what the Scout organization needed most was more cooperation from Ballinger business men. The Scouts expect and need this and the scoutmasters can do much better work if encouraged by others lending their assistance.

The council meeting Friday was well attended and each member present showed a great amount of enthusiasm in the work being done here with the boys.

Baby Wreck Victim Is Buried Here

The remains of little Robert Louis Hale were brought to Ballinger Sunday night and taken to the home of his grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Hale, 408 Sixth Street. The body was held there until 3 o'clock Monday afternoon when the funeral rites were held from the Ballinger Baptist Church, with Rev. M. C. Golden officiating, assisted by Rev. T. E. Bowman.

The baby died at 1:30 o'clock Friday morning at Lampasas, following an automobile collision in which a grandmother, Mrs. Julia Shanks, was killed, and his mother and father seriously injured. Following the wreck the four people were taken to Lampasas in a semi-frozen condition but the life of the baby boy was never revived, death resulting a short time after arriving in Lampasas.

The body was held in Lampasas several days while loved ones waited on the bedside of those who were near death. Mrs. F. M. Hale accompanied the body to Ballinger Sunday night and funeral arrangements were announced at once for Monday afternoon.

Those left to mourn the going of the little life besides his parents who are in a hospital at Temple, are the grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Hale; Mr. and Mrs. Davis of Wintgate; an uncle, Sydney Hale; and aunts, Mrs. Kallina, of Comanche; Mrs. Maud Cabanis, and Miss Jean Hale, of Ballinger.

Palbearers selected were R. W. Earnshaw, Hammond O'Kelly, H. J. Zappe, George Stokes, Albert Afferbach and Ernest Tomyer of Winters.

Undertakers from the Higginbotham funeral home were in charge of the arrangements.

MISS SINGLETARY FOR DISTRICT CLERK OFFICE

I am announcing for re-election for the office of District Clerk of Runnels County. I deeply appreciate the support the good people of Runnels County have given me and have tried to render you the very best service possible.

It would be a pleasure to me to see each of you personally but if I do not see you I am asking now that you give me your vote and influence, which I can assure you will be appreciated.

Yours very sincerely,
Georgia Singleary.
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Mrs. W. A. Bridwell returned Friday from Dallas, where she had been with her mother, Mrs. W. B. Wood. Friends of Mrs. Wood will be glad to know that she is resting well following an operation in a Dallas hospital Tuesday.

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Deaths

Mrs. W. R. Hamrick
Mrs. W. R. Hamrick died at her home in South Ballinger Monday night, after suffering for only a short time with pneumonia. Mr. and Mrs. Hamrick have been residing here for about a year. Mr. Hamrick working with highway construction companies. Decedent is survived by four small children besides her husband. Mrs. Hamrick's mother arrived here from San Angelo Tuesday morning to attend the funeral, no other relatives being present.

The funeral service was held at the King-Holt Company chapel Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock with Rev. J. H. McClain, pastor of the Ballinger Baptist Church, officiating. The body was to be laid to rest in Evergreen Cemetery following the rites.

King-Holt Company undertakers were in charge of the funeral arrangements.

John Lewis Webb
John Lewis Webb, age 3 years 11 months and 12 days, died at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Webb, of San Angelo. The child had been ill only a short time. The father is a brother of Vernon and Earl Webb of Ballinger, and the body was brought here late Thursday and taken to the home of Vernon Webb.

Funeral services, held at 2 p. m. Friday, were conducted by Rev. T. E. Bowman, pastor of the First Methodist Church, and interment was made in Evergreen Cemetery.

Palbearers were B. N. Wilke, T. J. Parrish, O. P. Dorsey and Chester Cherry.

King-Holt undertakers were in charge of funeral arrangements.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard R. Mauldin, of San Angelo, are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine baby girl, born at the Ballinger Sanitarium Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Mauldin is a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Walker, of this city.

LUBBOCK PREPARES FOR BEAUTIFUL YARD CONTEST

LUBBOCK, Jan. 15.—Everything is now being prepared for the 1930 Lubbock county yard improvement contest and entries are being received at the office of Miss Louise Baird, Lubbock county home demonstration agent.

Trees, flowers and shrubbery will be ordered by Don L. Jones, superintendent of the State Experiment Station, located three miles east of this city. A special demonstration yard will be established in each community of the county's eleven home demonstration clubs.

The yard improvement contest was won in 1929 by J. C. Stanford, of the Southwest Ward community. She was presented with \$10 worth of trees, shrubs, hedges, etc.

Mt. Pleasant—Construction has started on resurfacing Highway No. 1 between this place and Winfield.

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Fashion says—that the suit will be most important for spring. Owing to other vagaries of the new mode the suit has taken precedence over all other types of costume.

While the ensemble of dress and coat is smart and undoubtedly good style. The two and three piece suit is the big favorite for spring.

While lengths in jackets vary to suit individual types, the finger tip length has much chic and is very wearable. Very short bolero types and short peplum models are smart for girlish figures.

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Lubbock Seeks Concentration Point For Plains Cotton

LUBBOCK, Jan. 13.—With the operation of the \$30,000,000 national cotton cooperative calling for several districts in Texas, Lubbock hopes to be made a concentration point for cotton produced in the Panhandle-Plains area.

Lubbock county leads the 254 counties in membership in the Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association and also is the center of one of the state's most active

development in cooperative marketing of the staple. The greater South Plains area, with only 14.3 per cent of Texas ginnings for the season 1928-29, made 44.3 per cent of all deliveries of cotton, by contract, from members of the Farm Bureau Cotton Association in the state last year.

Ginnings of the area for the 1928-29 season totalled 706,548 of the 4,937,455 bales produced in Texas for that period. There were 115,225 bales delivered by contract to the Farm Bureau last year and up to December 1, 1929, of all deliveries in the state 22.5 per cent were from this area, the number of these deliveries being 22,606 bales. A total of 100,472 bales were delivered to the asso-

ciation in Texas to the same date.

Farmers belonging to the Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association own and operate 38 gins throughout the state; C' this number the Lubbock section has 21 gin plants valued at \$240,000, of which 67.2 per cent of all gin properties of the association in the state.

The greater South Plains area, of which Lubbock claims to be the "hub," comprises 49 counties.

CLEBURNE BUILDING PERMITS WERE 1750,000 DURING 1929

CLEBURNE, Jan. 15.—Building permits for Cleburne in 1929 were valued at more than \$750,000, the city secretary reports. Construction included 52 residences and a

permit for a \$50,000 Masonic temple.

MEXICO STOPS SALE OF HORSE MEAT

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 15.—The Department of Health has rescinded the order issued several months ago permitting sale of burro and horse meat for public consumption.

The order was rescinded because of violation on a general scale of its provision that butcher shops selling this meat place a burro or horse head carved in wood on the front of the shop.

Beaumont—The Gulf Paper Products Company has launched a \$250,000 industry here.