

# BRADY FLOODED AGAIN BY HEAVY RAINS

## County Council Elects Officers for Next Year

The Runnels county council of the Parent-Teacher Associations met here Wednesday afternoon at the courthouse with a large number of units in the county represented.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Joe Simmons, and a roll call showed the following member units represented: Ballinger and the Ballinger pre-school, Winters, Miles, Bethel, Runnels, Benoit, and Victory. A delegation was present from Blanton but were not members of the council. This school district will organize its P.-T. A. this week and at that time will affiliate with the council, and with the state and national organizations.

A report of all units represented was heard which showed that all had been active through the summer and had carried on a good work. Each unit conducted a summer round-up of pre-school children and complete records were kept on each child to enter any school this year. Foremost perhaps of the reports was the one submitted by Miles. This unit early in the year, seeing the need of playground equipment, went to the school board and asked for \$100 to buy such equipment. Instead of \$100 it received \$1,000 with which was bought a large amount of play equipment which was installed on the campus.

Mrs. Joe Simmons was re-elected as president of the council for another year. Her work was commended highly by her co-workers. Other officers elected Wednesday were: Mrs. B. J. Smith, Wingate, first vice-president; Mrs. T. A. Brevard, second vice-president; Mrs. Frank Kemp, Runnels, third vice-president; Mrs. J. W. Bright, Content, fourth vice-president; Mrs. H. O. Jones, Winters, fifth vice-president; and Mrs. J. H. Herndon, Miles, sixth vice-president. Mrs. T. A. Crockett, of Bethel, was elected secretary; and Mrs. A. McGregor, of Ballinger, treasurer.

Mrs. Sidney Gilmore, Sonora, president of the sixth district, addressed the meeting, telling the delegates of the state P.-T. A. convention which will be held at San Angelo the latter part of November. Mrs. Gilmore urged a large attendance from Runnels county and many present signified intentions of attending this convention.

A lengthy discussion was held regarding adopting an aim for the county council for the ensuing year. It was voted to make county-wide immunization against diphtheria the program for the coming year and all units entered into this program with enthusiasm.

Mrs. Gilmore, in speaking of the county-wide immunization program, adopted as an aim of the county council for next year, declared that any unit in the county desiring the assistance of Mrs. Simmons, president of the council, might call on her, and Mrs. Simmons' expenses would be paid from funds of the sixth district.

The report on work of this nature by the two Ballinger units was an outstanding feature of the meeting and many marveled at the wonderful results accomplished. More than 500 children received the toxin-antitoxin in two campaigns, one in the first three grades of school and the other in the pre-school class. Friday the fourth grade here will be included in the free inoculation, approximately 100 more to get the serum then.

Notes of this meeting were furnished by Mrs. T. A. Crockett, secretary of the council.

Coach Felton Wright and Dr. C. W. Cheatham returned to Ballinger late Monday afternoon after spending Sunday night and a large part of Monday on the road a few miles south of Paint Rock. Dr. Cheatham's car is still on the roadside there where it stuck Sunday night.

Be wise and advertise.

## 12 Rural Schools In County Opened

Twelve Runnels county schools began their work Monday and Tuesday of this week and several others who expected to open were postponed one week because of the wet weather preceding and cotton still needing picking. Dale was scheduled to start Monday morning but did not open until Tuesday as teachers were waterbound in Brownwood and could not reach here until that time.

One of the biggest openings in the county was at Hatchel Monday morning. An unusually large number of patrons were present and many expressed themselves regarding the present term and what they expected from the school this year. Principal H. R. Gassiot, who has taught in this county for a number of years, was very complimentary of the interest shown and said it was the best opening he had ever had in a school during his teaching experience. He especially complimented the board of trustees who had all rooms and grounds in perfect condition as well as all equipment. The board at Hatchel is composed of Scott Guin, Wirt Bales and G. A. Heniger. Teachers besides Mr. Gassiot are Miss Inez Parker, primary, and Miss Alma Ryan, intermediate.

Other schools beginning their terms Monday morning were Gruenwald, Cross Roads, Red Bank, Kristoff, Bell, Brookshire, Cochran, Independence, Wingate, and Pumphrey.

All these schools have equipment in first class condition for the coming term. A few stoves are being repaired to take care of the pupils during cold weather and some new shades are being placed in rooms where light is not correct.

Most of the county schools are open and those still closed will begin their year's work within the next two weeks it is believed.

All independent district schools are now teaching. Wingate was the last to start but had a large enrollment and much interest was shown Monday morning when students and patrons assembled. Miss Eugenia Baskin, of Ballinger, is a member of the faculty of the Wingate school.

Oklahoma farmers are being urged to poison grasshoppers now to offset a threatened outbreak next summer.

## District Court to Face Docket with 72 Cases

Court will open here Monday with a total of 72 cases on the docket for disposal. First week will take up civil cases which total 54, 6 to be tried by jury and 48 non-jury trials.

The non-jury cases are divided as follows: Seven for forfeiture of bond, 14 divorces, 6 damage suits, 12 for debt and foreclosure, and 9 miscellaneous.

Criminal cases pending on the docket are divided as follows: One burglary, 1 embezzlement, 1 murder, and 15 liquor violations.

The murder case to be tried here at this term is the State of Texas vs. Emilio Ortiz, and was transferred to Ballinger from Paint Rock a few months ago. In the trial at that place Ortiz was given the death penalty for the alleged murder of his daughter in Concho county last August.

District Judge E. J. Miller granted a new trial on account of irregularities in the jury room while the case was being deliberated, and also changed the trial to this city. Frank Hartgraves defended the Mexican at Paint Rock but it not known whether

## Damage by Rains Light in County

A check-up of damages in and around Ballinger from rains and high water over the week-end showed very little that will amount to much.

Perhaps the biggest streak of damage was on highway No. 4 south of Ballinger at Fuzzy Creek where 100 feet of dump was completely washed away. A part of the bridge there was washed out on each side of the bridge and will have to be refilled and connected with the concrete structure before traffic can use the crossing.

Shoulders along the concrete roads in the county were damaged in places by being washed but nothing serious which will cause any big amount of work. Engineer G. M. Garrett left last Friday afternoon for Austin on a business trip and has not returned yet. Employees of the office have made a partial inspection of the highways, however, to see if any big damage resulted from the high water.

M. C. Atkins, manager of the district telephone exchange, said Tuesday morning that more than 100 phones had been restored to service and only about twenty-five were out here at present and would be all right by Tuesday night. At Paint Rock he reported service crippled badly and a crew will start work there as soon as roads are so they can make the trip from Ballinger to Paint Rock.

A bridge across Hog Creek, a few miles south of Paint Rock, was washed out and several poles were carried down the stream with the bridge. This broke all lines south of Paint Rock and a large amount of damage also occurred in the town of Paint Rock.

Wild rumors circulated all over the state regarding flood stages here caused many long distance phone calls from people who were anxious about relatives living in Ballinger. In some way reports were broadcast Monday stating that flood waters were three feet deep here and waters still rising. The rumors were corrected, as soon as possible but not until much confusion was caused.

### BLAZE DOES SLIGHT DAMAGE TO RESIDENCE

Fire at a house on Fifth Street Wednesday morning belonging to Dr. F. M. Hale did slight damage but was soon out after the neighbors arrived and put water on the burning wall. The fire originated in a room from a gas water heater in some way but fortunately was discovered soon by parties living in the house. Wallpaper on the wall was damaged but otherwise the fire did not damage the room.

## Teachers Adopt Fair; Officers are Elected

### Institute Program Is Big Success

The Runnels county teachers institute in their closing session here Friday afternoon attended to a number of business matters pertaining to the schools and Interscholastic League work.

A resolutions committee reported at the close of the regular program Friday afternoon presenting resolutions which were adopted by the teachers. Two resolutions concerned local people, one thanking the deacons of the Baptist Church for the use of their auditoriums, and another thanking all who assisted with making the program a success in any way by furnishing entertainment.

The teachers voted Friday afternoon to hold a school fair each spring in connection with the Interscholastic League meet. This fair will be a one-day affair and will bring together exhibits from all schools in the county. The main purpose of the fair will be to increase interest of everyone in the county meet and also to assemble material for school entries at the fair in the fall. The Runnels County Fair has had a school division each year but the size of their display has never been as large as it might have been due to the fact that very few schools in the county were open at that time. The new plan for each school in the spring and they will be held until after the fair in the fall and entered there. This plan it is thought will build up the school division at the county fair. Supt. R. E. White within a few days will name a committee to work on the details of this fair and make arrangements for next spring.

All directors of the county interscholastic league meet were elected at the final session Friday. The place for holding the meeting next year was not named but will be soon by the new directors. The following were named to look after the meet the coming year.

Director general, A. H. Smith, Winters. Decimation, G. E. Applewhite, Miles. Debates, C. A. Womack, Bethel. Extemporaneous speaking, Miss Leon Campbell, Miles. Spelling, Miss Lela Hill, Eagle Branch. Essay writing, Mrs. Bessie Lowe, Ballinger. Athletics, Chas. Ross Smith, Winters. Music memory, Miss Catherine Todd, Ballinger. Picture memory, Miss Zora Mitchell, Drasco. 3R contest, Mrs. A. F. Brock, Benoit. Arithmetic, Ernest Caskey, Mazeland.

For some time there has been some dissatisfaction in regard to the classification of rural schools in the league meet each year. A committee composed of W. T. Gassiot, Victory D. C. Hornburg, Bethel and Ernest Caskey of Mazeland were named to make a classification of rural schools and present same to the directors before the county meet for their approval.

### OIL MILL EMPLOYEE IS SERIOUSLY INJURED

E. R. Cooper, employee of the Ballinger Cotton Oil Company, received serious wounds Monday night about 9:00 o'clock when he was caught in a lint saw at the plant Mr. Cooper lost two fingers from his right hand and received deep cuts on his right wrist and arm every five-eighths of an inch where he was pulled into the saw. These wounds began at his hand and ran above his elbow on the right arm.

He was rushed to the Halley & Love Sanitarium where he was treated and his wounds dressed. Several yards of stitches were taken in sewing up his wounded arm and it will be some time before he is able to determine the result of the injury. Physicians stated Wednesday morning that he was improving remarkably and they felt sure the arm would be saved.

Mr. Cooper and his wife live in Ballinger and for some time have been connected with the oil mill.

Bob Miller, of Paint Rock, was in Ballinger Wednesday morning and stated that the high waters on the Concho River were about the highest he had ever seen at that place. Some damage resulted to property near the Concho Monday.

## Coleman Woman Gets Five-Year Suspended Term

COLEMAN, Oct. 11.—Mrs. Louise LeBaron today was given a five-year suspended sentence on the charge of having killed Garland Freeman, infant, in an automobile accident here a year ago.

BRADY, Oct. 13.—At noon today water in Brady was receding slowly.

San Antonio reported eight-tenths of an inch rainfall; Lubbock an inch, Abilene and the Laredo district an inch and a half, Breckenridge two inches, the Rio Grande valley from a trace to an inch and a quarter, and Plainview an inch.

Reports from Amarillo said railroad traffic north and northwest of that city halted due to rains along the Canadian River, with bridges and highways washed out.

The Fort Worth & Denver and Rock Island railroad systems were the hardest hit, their bridges over the Canadian River washing out.

BRADY, Oct. 13.—Brady, near the exact center of Texas, and adjacent area were flooded today as the result of heavy rains Sunday and early this morning.

The Santa Fe station at Chesterfield is under four feet of water as a result of the heaviest flood on the Concho River since August 1906.

Tourist camps and the Baptist encampment grounds here were damaged.

Three hundred feet of track on the G. C. & S. F. between Talpa and Valera were reported to have been washed out, halting traffic for several hours.

Ballinger received six inches of rain and San Angelo two inches according to dispatches received here.

Many persons forced from their homes by high water a week ago here were again driven out today. Brady Creek rising rapidly after a six inch rain at Eden. Water at this hour is within a quarter of a block from the courthouse plaza. Last week's flood in Brady cause damage of approximately \$350,000.

Lake Wichita and Holliday Creek at Wichita Falls had the worst floods today for fifteen years. The Wichita River left its banks for the first time since the construction of the dam at Lake Kemp. Seventy-five families were forced to move. Motor boats are delivering groceries and supplies to some parts of the city. Rainfall at Wichita Falls was two and a half inches, making the ten-day total precipitation 8.64 inches.

Corpus Christi reported two and a half inches of rain, Sweetwater three inches, Brownwood one and a quarter inches.

ABILENE, Oct. 13.—Torrential downpours early this morning menaced homes and business property in Christoval, Ballinger, Eden and Brady, according to reports to the West Texas Utilities Company dispatcher here. The Concho River at San Angelo was rising at the rate of one foot every ten minutes. The Colorado River at Ballinger was unusually high, water running knee deep on downtown streets, while at Christoval families were forced from their homes.

A ten inch rain was reported from Eden and Brady, where water was high in the streets and flooded many homes. A big rise in Brady Creek is expected hourly.

General rains, varying from a half to three inches were reported from each of the forty-five counties served by the utilities company. Rain was reported from the Panhandle on the north to the Pecos River on the south.

Sunday's rain in this county ranged from 4 to 10 inches and coming just one week after the downpour of October 5th placed

### THE UNCONQUERABLE SPIRIT

Overcoming obstacles seems to be typical of the American farmer.

The unprecedented drouth of this year has been a real calamity, but throughout these affected areas the farmers are raising their eyes above their parched fields to vision a future of hope and promise.

We, of this section, should feel fortunate for every harvest blessing that has come our way, and especially for a climate that offers opportunities for year-round work and the profits that await those of our farmers who are making assurance doubly sure by turning their attention to better live stock and poultry.

Whatever the obstacles that stand between our own farmers and ultimate success, we have faith they will meet and overcome them through energy, foresight, orderly planning, and the unconquerable spirit that is theirs. And to them the full services and support of this institution is extended.

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With the ground soaked full of moisture, all streams bankfull and the Colorado at high stage, a recurrence of the flood of 1906 could happen here. Heavy rains on the watersheds of the river northwest of Ballinger would swell that stream until it could soon cover the business district.

Runnels county land has had about all the moisture it will absorb. Most of the water falling now is running off and when water stands on low places there is little change over a number of hours. This county has one of the best underground seasons for years and farmers are taking advantage of this fact and preparing to plant a large acreage in small grain.

Farmers in most sections of the county are getting back to their crops after the good rain. Lowland farms are still muddy and some will not be able to pick this week on account of the mud. During this week a large amount of seed oats and wheat have been sold here to farmers who plan to begin sowing small grain as soon as they can get drills in their fields.

Texas has a total of 496,007 farms. This is an increase since 1926 of more than 30,000 farms which shows that Texas is rapidly going to the agricultural. The state produces in normal years more than 5,000,000 bales of cotton and is gradually beginning to make other crops leaders.

Next week will see district court open for four weeks with a docket filled with both criminal and civil cases. Two juries will be sworn in Monday and the grand jury will be the first to begin their work of investigating crime.

G. M. Garrett left Saturday for his home near Dallas to spend the week-end and to attend the football game on the afternoon of the opening day of the State Fair.

The new bridge named for Thomas A. Edison, across the Colosahatchee River at Fort Myers, Fla., will be dedicated October 14.

North Carolina has more than a dozen living trees that have witnessed or taken part in historical events.

Deaths

J. R. Barefield, 58, died at his home on Strong Avenue, near the Runnels county jail, Friday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock. He had been ill for some time and death relieved him of his suffering Friday.

R. L. BATES IS WINNER ON MAIZE AT 4 FAIRS

R. L. Bates, of the Novice community, was in Ballinger Saturday attending to business. He has been attending a number of fairs this fall and winning blue ribbons as usual on his display of maize.

Mr. Bates believes in fairs and says that next to the extension service of A. & M. College they are the greatest benefit to farmers.

FIRE CHIEF IS GIVEN RECEPTION BY COMPANY

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin C. Atkins came in from San Antonio and other points Friday afternoon following their marriage at Athens last Monday morning.

In addition to the fire boys who went to the home on Broadway, a large number of other citizens who thought it was a real fire, gathered and the street and yard were filled with well-wishers who joined in a hearty greeting to the chief and his bride.

Approximately 125,000,000 kilowatt hours were consumed in Germany last year for broadcasting and other radio communication.

Neil McAlpine and Felton Underwood were among those who attended the Simmons-St. Edwards football game in Abilene Friday night.

CONTENT NEWS

Content community has been greatly benefited by good rains. We have had at least 8 inches in the last ten days, and it fell slowly enough that the thirsty ground drank it as it fell until we have a fine season in the soil.

School opened Monday, October 6, for enrollment and classification. On account of heavy rain that morning, attendance was not very large.

On October 5th, Miss Edna Pierce and Floyd Corder were married at Lawn. Bro. Pearson performed the ceremony.

Mrs. J. W. Bright, who has been visiting in Ft. Worth and Dallas returned home Monday night.

Miss Alpha Pierce is attending Abilene high school.

Friends of Mrs. R. E. Lafoon are sorry to learn that she had to be taken to Abilene for an operation on Wednesday, Oct. 15th.

Nathan Bryan and family are moving away from our community this week, and D. R. Allen will move to the place vacated by him.

V. H. Bright is attending the State Fair at Dallas this week.

Brady Flooded

(Continued from page 1) came so high that it was impossible to cross them and automobiles were tied up for several hours.

Mrs. W. A. Bridwell, who was returning home from Temple, spent the night at a stream near Talpa and did not arrive here until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

The midnight Santa Fe passenger train did not arrive here until 9:30 Monday morning due to a dump being washed out on both sides of Valera.

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The report: Abilene 1.52 Ballinger 6.41 Benoit 4.00 Blackwell 2.75 Bradshaw 1.25 Brady, good rain Bronte 2.00 Brownwood 1.21 Coleman 4.70 Hatchel 4.12 Menard 7.5 Miles 5.00 Millersview 7.50 Norton 4.00 Offen 10.00 Ovalo 4.00 Paint Rock 7.20 Rowena 4.00 Santa Anna 5.00 Talpa 8.00 Wilmeth 5.00 Wingate 4.00 Winters 2.80

SAN ANGELO, Oct. 14—The body of Earl Calhoun, bookkeeper for the First National Bank of Eldorado, was found today near his automobile on the South Concho River at Christoval.

On Friday of last week several club ladies and Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth met at the home of Mrs. Emmett Richardson and canned a beef. Nearly 75 quart jars of steak, roast, Swiss roast, chili and soup were canned.

BETHEL NEWS

(Delayed from last week) One of the best rains fell Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night, that this community has had in some time.

No services were held at either church Sunday on account of the continued rain.

School opened Monday morning with very few present, the roads being in such condition that the school buses and cars couldn't travel.

The Parent-Teacher Association already has made plans and will have a social meeting Wednesday night with a short program to welcome the new teachers, and also to get their year's work lined up with the school.

The Happy Home Makers Club meeting Thursday afternoon, October 2, with Mrs. Bob Smith, was quite a success. Thirteen members were present, and one visitor, Mrs. Ceell Jones, of Ballinger, was with us.

News has been received from Miss Ada Simmons, who is teaching near Kerrville, that she has had a \$25 raise in salary and school term extended to eight months.

The 4th club meeting was called off Friday night on account of the rainy weather by Mr. Lehmburg, county agent, and will be held Wednesday night with the P-T. A. social.

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Farmers in Scotland county, North Carolina, have shipped nearly 15,000 carloads of watermelons this season.

Tractors won a plowing contest from horse drawn plows in Iowa but lost in Illinois.

Half the states in the union and six foreign countries were represented in current registrations at Ag-res Scott College, Decatur, Ga.



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### Mass Divorce Granting Commended by Judge Miller

E. J. Miller of the 35th Judicial District has made a term of the Galveston Court rules governing divorce for the future in his revision upon the subject of divorce. The next legislature will have to look into the matter and see what amendments or changes can best be made.

Fifty years ago Galveston was as large or possibly larger than any town now in the 35th Judicial District, and there is not a county in the District with the exception of Concho county that does not have more than fifteen divorce suits on the docket at each term of the court. There are thirty or more cases on the Coleman Docket at the present term of court, which is mentioned only as indicative of the number of divorce cases, and is probably no larger in proportion than the dockets of any other county.

Marriage and the home are the basis and foundation of orderly society and of organized government. The more sacred and permanent this relation, and the better it is guarded, the more permanent and enduring will be our institutions and our civilization. Marriage has come to be considered too lightly and divorce is too easy. Instead of entering this most important of all relations with the view of making it permanent and to that end granting any and all reasonable concessions, it is too often gone into as a temporary or trial affair, and with the first minor disturbance or first discovery of slight divergences of disposition or of desires a break is made for the divorce court. Often an infatuation for a third party is the real basis or occasion for discovering incompatibility or imaginary cruel treatment.

While I am not opposed to divorce under reasonable circumstances and upon well considered and worthy grounds, neither am I an alarmist, but it occurs to me that the rapid growth of divorce in this state as shown by the above statistics is well worth the consideration of all people who care for the best interests of society or who seek to perpetuate American ideals and institutions.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—The new "gin marriage" law was blamed for the decrease of the number of marriages in Texas in 1929 in a report recently issued by the Department of Commerce. There were 63,173 marriages compared with 76,340 in 1928.

During 1929, 18,386 divorces were granted, compared with 18,073 in 1928. On the bases of population estimates however, the divorces per 1,000 residents was 3.20 compared with 3.21 the previous year. Seven counties did not have any divorces, Glasscock, Hansford, Kimble, Andrews, Moore, Sherman and Yoakum. For Glasscock, Moore, Sherman and Yoakum counties it was the second straight year without a single bond of matrimony being broken. Marriages in those seven counties aggregated 101.

Every county reported at least one marriage and the number of marriages exceeded the divorces in all except two counties, Borden, where the figures were one and

one, and Real, where it was an 8-11 standoff. Wichita county had 414 divorces to 576 marriages. There were more than one-half as many divorces as marriages in the four largest counties of the state. The figures: Bexar, 1,611 divorces, 3,426 marriages; Dallas, 2,064 divorces, 3,476 marriages; Harris, 2,038 divorces, 4,291 marriages; Tarrant, 1,104 divorces, 1,786 marriages.

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### G. A. LADWIG MAKES ASSIGNMENT TUESDAY

G. A. Ladwig, for many years in the dry goods business in Ballinger, made an assignment here Tuesday for the benefit of his creditors. J. C. Riser of Dallas was named trustee and will arrive here in a few days to dispose of the stock of goods either at public or private sale which will be for the best interest of all creditors.

A crew of workers started Tuesday morning making an inventory of the stock of goods which is valued at about \$20,000 with \$4,000 worth of fixtures.

Creditors are listed in the papers of assignment as \$8,000 unsecured and \$5,500 secured. Thirty-eight creditors filed claims in the unsecured class and one secured. Taxes for 1929 and '30 are also against the property for \$1,400.

Mr. Ladwig has been operating a store for the past fifteen years and has been in his present location for the past eight.

Mr. Ladwig has not announced what he will do. He owns his home here in Ballinger and has many friends who would regret to see him leave this town.

A "cotton museum" to tell the story of cotton from the field to the factory is to be established at Gastonia, N. C.

The rice crop of Louisiana this year has been estimated at 19,352,000 bushels.

### Legion Convention Set for Nov. 1 and 2

Legionnaires from all sections of West Texas will gather in Mineral Wells on November 1st and 2nd for the fall meeting of the 17th district. The session will open Saturday afternoon at 1:30 with a service school for all service officers and post commanders at which time they are urged to be present and bring with them all cases in their post that need attention. This will be a chance for many to reopen their claims with the veterans' bureau and for newly elected officers to learn how to carry on the work.

Dates for the district convention were originally set for Nov. 10 and 11 but so many posts in this section were planning Armistice Day programs that it was necessary to move it up a few days so as not to interfere with them.

All posts in the district are requested to elect new officers before this meeting and have the new ones there to attend the meeting. In complying with the request Post Commander J. W. Macune has called a session here of Pat Williams post on the night of October 20 at which time all officers will be elected and the work of the year closed. These officers will be installed later at a special meeting with a ceremony.

Hotels in Mineral Wells are offering special rates to Legionnaires on the dates of the convention. The Baker Hotel will be headquarters for the convention but any Legionnaire desiring cheaper quarters will be able to find them. In mailing out invitations to the meeting Earl Earp, district committeeman, is enclosing a list of all hotels, rooming houses and tourist parks in Mineral Wells with the price of each per day listed.

Mineral Wells is preparing one of the best programs ever offered in this district. Bands will be numerous and aside from the regular convention program all off hours will be filled with good entertainment for both the men and women.

The Ladies Auxiliary will meet in conjunction with the Legion and on Sunday they hold a separate business session. The Auxiliary will be included in all programs listed on the Legion program.

C. W. Lehmborg returned Sunday night from Abilene, where he had been attending to business.

### Rains Here Delay All City Workers

The city report for last week showed delays in several departments due to heavy rains and conditions which prohibited work. All departments pressed forward the latter part of the week, however, in accomplishing as much as possible in the short week caused by a few days of lost time.

At the city hall plumbing contractors completed the drain line and electrical contractors worked all week setting light fixtures. This is about the last work to be done on the new building and word has been received that the furniture has been shipped and will be installed in the offices as soon as it arrives.

The biggest delay of the week was caused at the dam and reservoir. High waters made work there impossible until Saturday afternoon and another rise larger than that of last week will make work practically impossible this week. Claud Livingston, engineer on the project for Brown & Root, did not think Monday that he had any serious damage from washouts. All dirt embankments were in good shape and the spillway completely covered with flood waters until it was impossible to tell what condition it would be left in after the waters had subsided. Work during the week included grading on the north side of the creek, fine grading and setting steel for concrete paving on cut-off wall way all week. As much cleaning up work and preparation for resumption of work went forward as far as possible.

At the plant installation of the new high lift pump was completed with the exception of wiring. Cleaned up around pumping plant. Built inlet box for storm waters around plant and connected same around drain line. Set two inch line to water grass on high earthen embankment. Laid four inch line 123 feet long on Fourth Street to reach new house being constructed there.

Office, police, dairy inspection, fire and sanitary departments all reported a week filled with general routine work.

The health department reported a number of inspections to places where sanitary conditions were reported unfavorable and these conditions were remedied. One case of diphtheria on Tenth Street was released from quarantine. The general health of the city was reported in fine shape with no contagious diseases reported at present.

### Take First Step For Irrigation

BRONTE, Oct. 10.—After several years of discussion, citizens of Coke and Runnels counties have taken the first definite step toward securing water supply from the Colorado River for irrigation and municipal purposes, when, at a mass meeting recently, they entered into negotiations with an engineering and finance corporation to make a thorough survey of the project.

The proposal, cost of which has not been determined, was given unanimous endorsement of citizens attending the meeting, and by Donald O'Neal of the Udon company with Texas headquarters at Dallas. O'Neal said water impounded by the proposed dam could adequately irrigate from 100,000 to 200,000 acres of land in Coke and Runnels counties, in addition to providing water for municipal use at Bronte, Robert Lee and Winters.

O'Neal said that if his company were convinced citizens of the affected territory desire the project, the firm would bear three fourths of the expense of the survey, and would also specify terms whereby irrigation would be the main consideration.

Robert Lusk, who is attending Howard Payne College, Brownwood, spent the week-end here visiting relatives.

The celery industry in southern California has survived skyrocketing of land values and is made to pay returns on ground worth from \$5,000 to \$10,000 an acre.

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### MISS STOKES HONORED

Miss Lynnette Stokes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Stokes, of Ballinger, has been taken into the Susan M. Key Literary Society of Texas Women's College. She was also elected as a member of Gamma Omicron, a national sorority. Miss Stokes is also a member of the Hughes West Texas Club and Y. W. C. A.



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# Bigger and Fewer Farms is Trend of the Nation

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—A combination of fewer farms and increased production has indicated to census officials a definite trend toward larger farm units.

With reports still incomplete from Texas, Louisiana, New Mexico, California, Iowa and Michigan, the census shows a net loss of 233,215 farms for the entire United States. For the most part losses are grouped in the older farm regions of the east, south and midwest where modern large scale farming has caused buying-in of smaller farms in the interest of more economical production.

Remote regions not reached by good roads, telephone or electric service, or where modern machinery is not adaptable, have seen an outright abandonment of land.

That situation is particularly noticeable in Georgia and South Carolina, and to a lesser degree in New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Kentucky, and southern parts of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois.

Readjustment has worked from the other end in such states as Oklahoma, Arkansas and Mississippi, where increase in number of farms suggests the breaking up of huge, half-cultivated holdings.

With the exception of Idaho and Montana, the west—birthplace of "corporation" farming—shows an increase in the number of individual farms.

The great grain region embracing Kansas, Nebraska, and South Dakota, which is most truly representative of conditions favorable to corporate operation of vast acreage, likewise is most truly representative of the swing toward more farm units.

Broadly, the agricultural census appears to reveal a movement toward the alternative between the small family farm too circumscribed for efficient operation, and the corporation farm of several thousand acres.

Declaring that the agricultural organization of the future need not be limited to a choice between the two extremes, the chamber of commerce of the United States says a good middle ground would be a system of farms three or four times the present average size, but still operated by family labor.

A second alternative, it says, would be group management of individually owned farms.

Chairman Legge of the farm board is champion of the latter suggestion, particularly in areas devoted primarily to the production of major crops. Advocating the consolidation of unprofitable wheat farms into larger units, the chairman suggests cooperative production rather than dispossession of the small land owner.

"Studies indicate that the time is past when wheat can be grown profitably on small acreage," he says, "and that there will have to be a readjustment in the size of the farm unit where wheat is depended upon as a cash crop."

The grouping of farms, he says, would facilitate bank loans in that it would make one borrower a good credit risk whereas there now may be two or three bad ones.

The census has been looked forward to as an appraisal of advantages as between the family farm and the corporation farm. While large scale farming is well-established, more than 9,000 corporations engaged in farming in 1926 represented only six per cent of the total gross income of American agriculture.

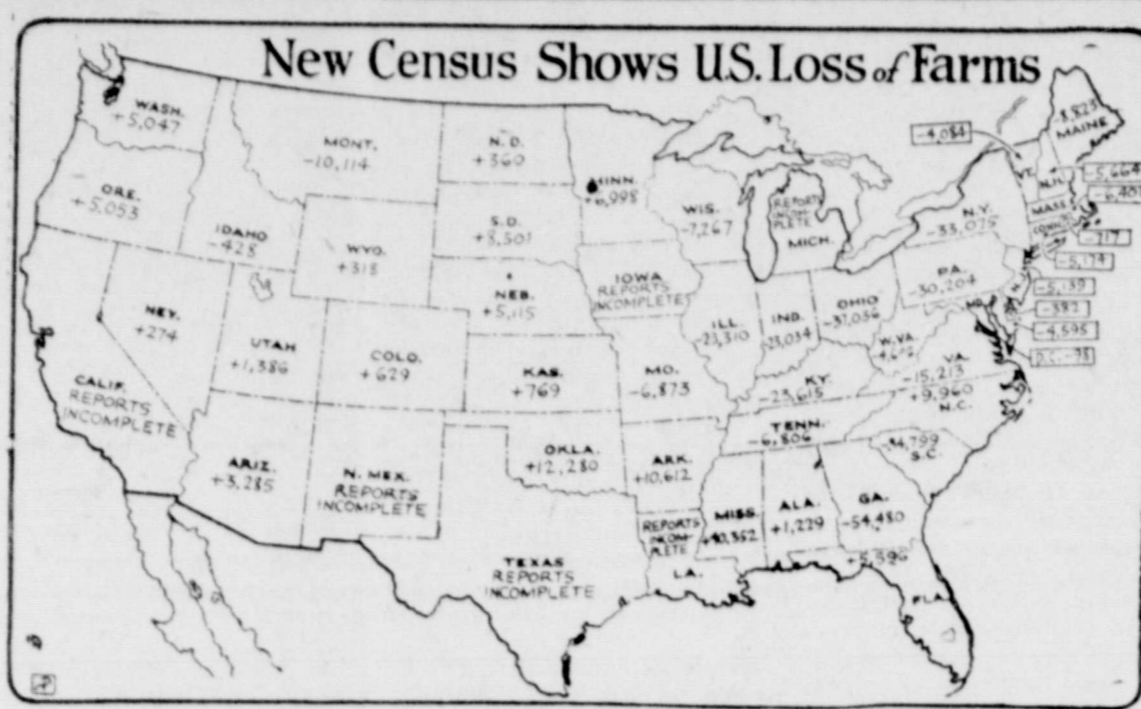
In a survey of large scale farming the chamber of commerce says corporation farming still is a negligible factor in the social organization of rural communities. Its growth probably will be slow. It is doubtful whether corporation-operated farms ever will encroach seriously upon the small units.

Extensive development of large scale farming the chamber says, would be hampered by the difficulty of obtaining land in workable units. Many of the large farms now operating owe their existence to special conditions which do not hold for most farms.

Taken as a group, the chamber says, large scale farms apparently have been no more, nor any less, successful than the average of the family-sized farms.

"It appears then," the chamber says, "that more incorporation or organization of farming enterprises on a large scale will not automatically solve the problems of the agricultural industry. In order to secure greater net returns than are secured from the family type of farming, large scale farms must achieve an efficiency considerably greater than the average of such farms now in operation."

While there has been a net decrease in the number of farms in the United States, and all states thus far reporting show losses in



This map shows the gains and losses of farms throughout the nation as reported thus far by 1930 census figures from 42 states. With a loss of 350,881 farms in 24 states and gains of 117,764 farms in 18 other states since 1920, the net loss for 42 states reporting is 233,215 units

## Red Cross Roll Call Set for Tuesday, 21

Some counties, not every state showed a net decrease.

Those in which losses by counties exceeded gains include New York, South Carolina, Tennessee, West Virginia, Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Maryland, New Jersey, Delaware, Missouri, Montana, Idaho, Georgia, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Wisconsin, and the District of Columbia.

The loss for the 24 states was 350,881 farms, and the district, 98.

States showing a net gain in the number of farms were Arkansas, Oklahoma, Mississippi, Washington, Alabama, Oregon, South Dakota, Nevada, Nebraska, Minnesota, Kansas, North Dakota, Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, Arizona, Florida and North Carolina. The total gain for the 18 was 117,764 farms.

While no state in the 42 reporting to date showed a gain in every county, farms were lost in every county of New York, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, and Ohio.

New Hampshire showed the greatest rate of loss, its number of farms decreasing 27.6 per cent since 1920. Arizona, increasing 32.9 per cent, showed the greatest rate of gain in farm numbers.

The South presented a curious pattern, both gaining and losing the greatest number of farms. Mississippi led the country in gains, chalking up 40,352 more farms than it had 10 years ago. Georgia led the losing column with 54,480 farms.

With 67 counties gaining and only nine losing, Mississippi had the fewest county losses.

The Red Cross drive in Runnels county will be staged on Tuesday, October 21st. This date has been definitely settled and committees will be formed in all towns this week to start early that morning to solicit everyone for membership. These committees will be named early this week and at a later date will be called together and given instructions in handling the solicitations and instructed in all information regarding the roll call and relief work which will be included in the drive.

Those in charge of this work are anxious to have Ballinger make an excellent showing in this roll call. In view of the fact that the Red Cross has already allotted and spent \$2,000 in this county on the free seed campaign and many other benefits to be derived from this wonderful organization people should seek membership and also make a donation towards relief work.

When the drive starts here it will be the purpose of the committee to secure as many individual memberships as possible. The entire town will be carefully canvassed and every man, woman and child given a chance to join the organization and pay membership dues. Individuals who desire to pay more than the \$1 dues can do so and all over the membership will be handed through the relief fund. Firms will be solicited for both membership and also for relief funds.

The relief fund money will be sent to the Wichita Falls branch and will be used in carrying on work in this district and the membership money will be divided, one-half remaining here in the local treasury and one-half being sent to national headquarters.

Each firm in Ballinger with a 100 per cent membership of its force will receive a placard to be placed in its window showing that every person connected with the firm has joined.

C. R. Stephens, president of the Runnels county chapter, is busy this week getting leaders lined up at every community in the county. Ballinger and Winters have already been cared for and he will go to Miles and Rowena early this week to secure a good committee to look after the drive there.

Both men and women will be called upon to handle the work in Ballinger. Men will be used to solicit in the downtown district and women will be given certain streets to work in the residential districts. It is the plan to complete the work here in as short a time as possible and no big territory will be given any team of workers. The business district will be divided into four districts, using the intersection of Eighth

added, "and the marketing of meats is about as important a work as our specialists and agents can do. We expect Mr. Snyder to help our agents and demonstrators in the cutting and curing of meat. With the rapid progress of refrigeration more work of this sort will be done in the homes and in the smaller towns hereafter."

**FARMERS NOT USING REDUCED FREIGHT RATES**

ABILENE, Oct. 11.—Farmers and stockmen of this adjoining territory have shown no disposition to take advantage of reduced rates on freight offered by railroads in the drought stricken portion of West Texas as one step toward relief. Not a single shipment yet been made or received at Abilene offices of the Texas Pacific railway.

The reduced rates, one-third less than regular charges, are applicable on incoming feed and outgoing livestock, except to market and feed pens. The rates now in effect in all counties notified as drought-stricken by federal government.

Four acres this year produced 634 bushels of marketable potatoes for J. J. Ratchford, Catawba county, N. C.

There are 43 holders of pilot licenses in the United States. Surveys for a Canada-Ala highway have begun.

and mice—that's RAT-SNAP, the old reliable rodent destroyer. Comes in cakes—no mixing with other food. Your money back if it fails.

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**KILLS RATS**

Word received here from Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Stroble, who went to San Saba Wednesday in response to a message telling of the death of Mr. Stroble's nephew, Floyd Stroble, stated that the young man was electrocuted when he attempted to remove a charged wire from in front of some sheep he was driving. As soon as he touched the high voltage wire he was killed instantly.

Mr. and Mrs. Stroble remained for the funeral which was held Thursday and interment made at San Saba.

The youth was 19 years of age. His parents have resided in San Saba for many years. Survivors included his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Stroble, one brother and one sister. The accident occurred Wednesday morning at 9:00 o'clock.

**STROBLE BOY KILLED BY TOUCHING LIVE WIRE**

Only one oil is good enough for household equipment, says chemist.

Chemists, mechanics and lubrication experts say only one kind of oil is good enough for your expensive mechanical devices—the best. To get best results from your sewing machine, vacuum cleaner, lawn mower, washer, electric fan, refrigerator and other household appliances, you should use an oil that not only lubricates, but also cleans and protects.

3-in-One Oil is different from all others, because it is a scientific blend of animal, mineral and vegetable oils. It gives you the best properties of each. It dissolves and works out dirt, protects against rust and wear and gives the most efficient lubrication, thus eliminating unnecessary repairs and replacements.

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## Texas Girl is Made Happy

MANY times a child has everything to make her happy and still is dissatisfied. This may not be the youngster's fault. Often it is due to a condition easily corrected.

Take the experience of Mrs. J. W. Nolan, 113 Geanier Street, Dallas, who says: "Nothing seemed to please Betty Jean. She was fretful, feverish, suffered a lot from colds. She was constipated."

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POOR health is a distinct drawback to progress in business or social life. Underweight, lack of appetite, sluggishness, a dull mentality, nervousness and even skin disorders—boils and pimples—show their mark on the body, face and mind when the red-cells are deficient in number. (See enlarged blood picture above.) Moreover a low red-blood-cell condition makes the system an easy prey to disease. When your red-blood-cells are only 80% you are NOT yourself—60% is dangerous.

The way to correct this condition is to take S.S.S., the tonic that will help Nature build up and enrich your blood. Millions of people have found it the easiest and surest way to keep themselves "fit." If your vitality is slipping away from you do try S.S.S. Take it before each meal. Get the large size. At all drug stores. S.S.S. Co. Builds Sturdy Health.

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**Ballinger State Bank**

**CAPITOL News**

AUSTIN, Oct. 14.—In the landslide of legislation due to hit Texas as lawmakers next January there probably will be a bill designed to eliminate some of the "padding" of scholastic rolls.

These rolls, returned to the state department of education by M. N. Marrs and his assistants, have prepared a summary of what the department considers essential legislation, and this along with the "padding" rolls ready has been approved by the state executive committee of the state teachers association.

On several occasions a second census of a school district has to be the means of lopping off names, and at \$17.50 per name, 400 additions run into money.

One of the means suggested to prevent this practice is making the basis of the census the previous year's enrollment, rather than the number of youths between a certain age residing in a school district on a certain date.

This and other educational measures will be presented to the state board of education at its meeting here Monday. Superintendent of Public Instruction S. M. Marrs and his assistants have prepared a summary of what the department considers essential legislation, and this along with the "padding" rolls ready has been approved by the state executive committee of the state teachers association.

At the board of education meeting, all members have been asked to submit their suggestions for legislation, which will be coordinated by a special committee.

Does using live rabbits in dog

traces constitute cruelty to animals?

The humane society at Dallas contends that it does and asks the opinion of one of the assistant attorneys general. The official of the society asking for the opinion was not concerned as to whether there was any gambling at the race course, but offered the suggestion that mechanical rabbits might as well be used as live ones, without a consequent sacrifice of animal life.

According to the letter requesting the opinion, the rabbits are turned loose at the end of a long course and headed for their grounds. If they beat the hounds to the feed lot, they temporarily escape their fate, but in the long run are the losers. The course, Ex-Students Association of the University of Texas looks upon the letter said, is near Dallas.

The next legislature is apt to be very much divided on the question of submitting a state

wide highway bond issue to the electorate, according to a survey of the Texas Tax Journal, an Austin publication which made a survey of the nominees for the 42nd legislature.

Of the 87 out of 181 members who answered a questionnaire sent to them, 22 said they would vote against submitting the amendment, 24 gave indefinite answers.

Fifty-one of the 87 said as private citizens they would vote against the amendment, seven said they would vote for it, and 26 gave qualifying answers.

More in the immediate future is the trepidation with which the Ex-Students Association of the University of Texas looks upon the submission at the coming election of the constitutional amendment giving the university more free-

dom in investing its oil revenues. John A. McCurdy, executive secretary of the organization, has declared that failure of the amendment would "seriously impede" progress of the university's \$6,000,000 building program.

At present regents must invest the funds in state or national bonds. There are few state bonds and national bonds pay a rate of 3.25 to 4.25 percent interest, and McCurdy fears that in 1933, when \$12,000,000 must be reinvested, the university will be unable to obtain more than 2.5 per cent interest. Texas A. & M. also would suffer, McCurdy's statement said.

DELIVER JACKETS TO BEARCATS MONDAY  
Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Lankford, of Abilene, were here Monday delivering Bearcat jackets to students in the Ballinger high school

who recently placed orders for them.

The jacket is a neat piece of workmanship and is made in the school colors of red and black. On the back is the head of a Bearcat done in colors of orange and white and the letters "Ballinger Bearcats" above and below the insignia.

A large number of boys belonging to the pep squad have purchased the jackets and will wear them at all games in the future. The pep squad jackets are red trimmed in black, and football players' jackets are similar with the colors reversed.

Mr. Lankford had with him Monday a sample jacket for the San Angelo high school and planned to go on there and solicit orders.

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J. E. Fowler was in Ballinger from his place north of town Monday and reported a big rain. Mr. Fowler stated that he expected to start making syrup as soon as weather conditions would permit.

**STILL GOING ON!---STRONG!**

REAL VALUES — DRY GOODS  
READY-TO-WEAR AND HATS

REAL VALUES  
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Well—you'd think so—if you could see the crowds—and crowds that came and bought here during the opening days of this sale—they have proved our values and prices—this is the time of the year when this store will clear each section of the store of all surplus stock—right at the time that you need the merchandise. To do so means merchandise for less—and in these times—our Annual Fall Sale is proving a real service to the community and surroundings.

Well—you'll just have to come each day—for many prices are taking a lower slant as the sale progresses—short lines are being closed—prices readjusted—and many lines of the best features of this sale are being repeated in today's offerings—with many new bargains.

**EVERY PRICE A CUT PRICE---WHY NOT PURCHASE NOW?**

**Ladies' Dress Special**  
Friday and Saturday, Oct. 17th and 18th

A sale bristling with real and remarkable economies. A sale in which desirable garments for women are priced at a fraction of actual value—due to the urgency of an immediate clear-away—we have adjusted prices downward—on many of the higher priced racks—others are assembled in groups at remarkable savings.

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Merchandise Like Buying Gold Dollars at Bargain Prices

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