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Car Crashes into Wagon; Three are Badly Injured

Ollie Batchelor, George Fowler and Eldridge Seldon are in the Halley & Love Sanitarium recovering from injuries received Monday night when their automobile crashed into the rear of a farm wagon, two miles west of Ballinger on highway 30. The accident occurred about 8 o'clock. The three injured youths were taken to the local hospital in a Higginbotham ambulance.

S. H. Skelton, driver of the wagon, was thrown to the ground in the collision but his injuries were minor. He was bringing a load of bundled feed to the city and earlier in the evening had driven two wheels of the wagon off the concrete in order to check the speed of the wagon on an incline and the loose sand caused the conveyance to tilt over, losing part of the load. He had just finished reloading the feed and was preparing to start when the car came up from behind, crashing into the rear of the wagon.

The impact drove the motor back through the body of the auto and into the driver's seat, otherwise demolishing the car. The rear wheels of the wagon were crushed and the load of feed scattered over the road.

Batchelor, who was driving the automobile, was perhaps the most seriously injured. He suffered a deep wound above the right eye and cuts in the eye and nose. His

whole face and head were cut and bruised but he was resting well Tuesday, and physicians believe he will recover rapidly. Fowler and Seldon were both injured about the face and head but after their injuries had been dressed they rested well and are apparently in no danger. Seldon received an injury to one eye but it is not thought his sight will be affected.

Mr. Batchelor lives at Goldthwaite. He was recently married to Miss Clara Mae Lewis, daughter of Mrs. Ollie Lewis, of this city, and was here on a visit.

Ollie Batchelor, Geo. Fowler and Eldridge Seldon, who were injured in an automobile wreck here Monday night, are all reported to be resting well at the Halley & Love Sanitarium and are expected to soon be able to be up and be taken home. The three men are still suffering from their wounds but no injuries of a fatal nature developed from complete examinations and as soon as the wounds heal they will be able to leave the institution.

Mrs. W. W. Chastain went to Brownwood Sunday to visit her son who is attending school at Howard Payne College.

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Forgey in Office; Names Assistants

W. A. Forgey began his duties in the tax collector's office Thursday morning after having his bond approved and taking the oath of office late Wednesday afternoon.

He issued his first automobile and tax receipt to W. A. Holt, incoming sheriff, Thursday morning when the office opened for business. Mr. Forgey announced Thursday that his helpers would be Drury Hathaway, first assistant; Miss Zadia Royalty, and beginning Saturday, Clarence McCarver. Miss Royalty and Mr. Hathaway were on the job Thursday and Mr. McCarver will join the staff as soon as he returns from Dallas where he was scheduled to play football in the Dixie classic on New Year's day.

Mr. Forgey's is not a new face in the Runnels county court house, he having served for several years as county clerk. He is familiar with the duties of the tax collector and office routine and his assistants are experienced in the department, prepared to render speedy and efficient service to tax payers.

W. L. Brown, retiring collector, completed checking up at midnight Wednesday and turned over the keys to the incoming official. The last day of the year and his last day in office he handled approximately \$14,000 in taxes, which is considered a big day's run.

Collector Forgey is ready for the January rush and during the next 30 days a large portion of the taxes due by citizens of the county must be paid and most of the motor vehicles registered.

Mrs. C. E. Steffens left Sunday afternoon for Brownwood after being here for several days. Mrs. Steffens is a sister to Edwin Day who died last Thursday.

For Rent

Lower floor of Zappe building, corner Hutchings Avenue and Seventh Street. See H. J. Zappe, or phone 239. 1-2d-11w

Baby Boy Left on Doorstep at Miles

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Treadway of Miles found a small infant boy on the porch at their front door Monday night at 8:15. The baby was left there by some unknown person and was dressed in plain clothes and wrapped in a home made quilt. Mr. and Mrs. Treadway live about three blocks from the business district of Miles.

The baby is believed to be between five and eight days old and there are no marks on the infant's clothing which might lead to its identity. As soon as the discovery was made officers were notified and a search started to try and locate someone who might have left the small child there. Officers combed the city and highways but no clue could be found.

Mr. and Mrs. Treadway are caring for the baby but have not decided what they will do with it later in case the parents are not found. Miles officers are investigating every possible lead in an effort to find out who left the child but have little to work on.

It is believed that some transient who wanted to get rid of the baby saw a good chance to leave it there and make a get-away, and while the baby was asleep, warmly wrapped in its cover, placed it by the front door and was probably miles away before the baby cried out and was discovered.

Traffic over Highway 30 through Miles is heavy at that hour of the night and cars are racing along all the time. The parents, or whoever left the child, could within a few minutes be swallowed up in the traffic and there would be little chance of finding them.

Mr. Treadway is a carpenter at Miles.

Peace officers at Miles received telephone calls all day Tuesday from people in different sections of West Texas wanting to adopt the baby left on a doorstep at Miles Monday night. Sheriff W. A. Holt was called there Wednesday on the matter and stated that a number of West Texas people had called him wanting to be given the baby boy. No clues have been found which might lead to the finding of the baby's parents. Birth records were investigated in a number of West Texas towns Tuesday but revealed no births which might be that of the parentless waif.

Sheriff W. A. Holt returned from Miles Wednesday afternoon where he had been to look after the baby found on a doorstep there Monday night. Sheriff Holt stated that the baby was in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Donaldson, the former a deputy sheriff, and was doing fine. The child is sleeping well and Mr. Holt said was healthy and pretty.

Mrs. C. L. Mohr, formerly Miss Anna Jean Sharp, of Ballinger, has made application for the infant boy and will come to Ballinger either Wednesday afternoon or Thursday morning to fill out the papers. Officers at Miles informed Mrs. Mohr over the telephone Wednesday morning that her application was acceptable and asked that she appear at the court house at Ballinger to take out adoption papers.

The baby, who is between three and five days old, received a "shower" from women of Miles Tuesday afternoon.

Dean No. 1 Drilling Around 2,300 Feet

John Castor and Chas. Dutton, operators on the Dean No. 1 oil well have finished their contract to a depth of 2200 feet, but are continuing to drill and had gone below 2300 feet at the end of the week. Mr. Castor stated that they would keep going as long as resources were available to do the work or until pay is encountered. Eight-inch casing has been set in the hole to the depth of 1700 feet. Two showings have been found since that depth and every indication is good for pay oil according to the formations. The hole is in excellent shape and could be used for a very deep test.

Before casing was set in the hole gas was discovered in large quantities around 1250 feet. At that point drilling was halted until extra pipe could be secured and set in the well.

Legion Poll Likely On Cashing Policies

Officials of the "Pat" Williams Post, American Legion, are on the porch at their front door making hurried plans for the staging of a membership drive in Ballinger and vicinity one day next week in an effort to reach the prescribed quota for the ensuing year. All memberships were due on January 1 but so far many have failed to pay dues for the new year.

Commander Frank C. Dickey pointed out at a meeting of the executive committee held Friday that it was imperative that the local membership be kept up to standard during the present year as many big matters are coming up in public life which will demand polls from ex-service men.

Probably the item of most interest to Legionnaires is the proposed cashing of adjusted compensation certificates. This has been suggested as an emergency relief measure in congress and bills on the subject are before committees of both branches for approval. Passage of the measure would allow all veterans holding government insurance policies to cash them. Cash would be figured on base pay plus 4 per cent annual compound interest or the veteran could continue to hold his certificate as it now stands and receive his paid-up insurance at the end of the set period for face value.

Many veterans are interested in securing guns from the war department, and to correctly voice the sentiment of the local ex-service men on this and other questions arising recently, it is believed that the post membership must be built up.

Dues in the organization are \$325 per annum, which entitles the member to full membership, affiliation with the state and national departments and subscription to the American Legion Magazine, a monthly publication. Any person who served in the World War and received an honorable discharge is eligible to membership and is wanted in the local post. Those desiring to join at once may hand dues to any member or official of the Ballinger organization.

John Miller has arrived here from California and will be chef in the new cafe to be opened on Eighth street about Feb. 1.

Road Bond Election is Called for February 7

The commissioners court of Runnels county Saturday ordered a bond election in road district No. 4 for the issuance of \$610,000 in bonds. A hearing was asked on this proposition about one month ago and the hearing was set then for January 3. At the time the hearing was called old road district No. 2 was enlarged to take in all of commissioner's precinct No. 2, thereby creating road district No. 4.

Two large groups of citizens, one supporting the other opposing the issuance of bonds, appeared at the hearing Saturday. About twelve men opposing the issue presented a petition signed by 207 landowners who do not favor the proposition at this time.

After due consideration of the project and following the law, the court ordered the election to be held on February 7. Citizens will vote in three polling places, at Winters, Crews and Token. The largest box, at Winters, will be located at the fire station. All qualified voters at Winters, Baldwin, Antelope, Dale and Harmony will ballot at this box, while the Crews and Token boxes will be for the voters of those communities only.

The election, coming after the first day of February, will require 1930 poll tax receipt from each voter. In addition the voter must also have paid a property tax in the district to be entitled to participate in this election. To be

approved the bonds must receive a two-thirds majority of all votes cast. Just how many will take part in the election is difficult to estimate as few have paid poll taxes. The population of road district No. 4 is 6,116, according to the 1930 federal census.

The proposition calls for the issuance of \$160,000 in bonds for improvement of lateral roads, including drainage structures, and \$44,000 will be used to retire outstanding indebtedness against the district, leaving \$116,000 for actual construction. If the issue carries all home labor will be used and proponents claim many now not employed will be given work.

Both factions are expected to make a vigorous fight during the next 30 days. Interest has been keen for this issue for some time, but strong opposition has developed in certain quarters as shown by those appearing at the hearing in Ballinger and the petition presented.

No other business was attended to by the court while in session here Saturday. The next regular session of the court will be held later this month.

H. M. Martin returned Sunday night after spending a short vacation in the lower Rio Grande valley and in hunting sections south of Ballinger. Mr. Martin reports a fine time and was successful in bagging a big buck on the last day of the open season.

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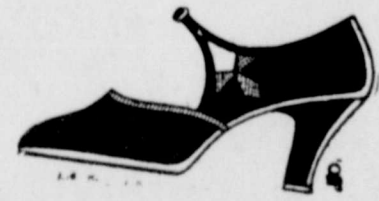
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The Banner-Ledger

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School paper editorials and newspaper comment have caused a number of slot machines in the vicinity of University of Texas campus to be seized by officers.

The new concrete bridge on highway 9, a few miles south of Mason, has been opened to the public. This bridge takes the place of a small, hazardous causeway.

The Winters Chamber of Commerce is planning the annual banquet to be held there on January 22, just one week later than the banquet here.

Much is being said at present about the increase in women smokers but so far very few are seen in Ballinger. This is still a curiosity here, causing by-standers to stretch their necks for a peep when a woman lights a fag.

Baptists of Texas have been successful in their campaign to raise money for Baylor University. A major portion of the \$350,000 quota already has been received by the committee and the goal was in sight by midnight Wednesday.

It is the law that all automobiles and trucks be registered in the county where the owners reside. A part of the registration fee for each motor vehicle goes to the county and those who slip into another county to register cars are robbing the road and bridge funds of their county and greatly hindering lateral road building.

Every day there is a stronger demand from the people generally for a driver's license law in Texas. Undoubtedly the next session of the state legislature will consider such a bill and with public opinion already favoring such a measure it probably will become a law.

The financial statement of the city of Ballinger for the close of the year shows all departments in good shape and some money on hand, after every bill has been paid. The commission was forced to operate during most of 1929 on the script basis but began on the cash basis in January, 1930, and continued thus through that year.

For the past thirty-five years a good season in the ground on January 1st meant a big crop year. If that runs true to form Runnels county will have a good chance to come back from the slight depression felt during the previous year.

lines operating in this state. Talk on the streets and newspaper publicity have made Texas people realize that the railroads are receiving unfair competition, and that the pride of Texas, her highways, are being turned into commercial routes without the commercial enterprises using them paying their pro rata part of the cost of construction and maintenance.

State highway patrolmen are doing excellent work in this state in educating the public how to drive cars and avoid accidents. These officers are polite, extend every courtesy possible, and yet when necessary can show that they have authority.

STARTING THE NEW YEAR RIGHT

There could be no better way for us to start the new year than to determine to do what we can, as individuals, to advance American progress and maintain the American principle of government.

Plain ordinary laziness on the part of citizens has produced sad fruits in recent years. It has caused high taxes, has been at least partly responsible for the business depression and has allowed the encroachment of government on private affairs to become a genuine menace.

Nineteen-thirty-one may prove to be a crucial year for the United States. There is at present, an undeniable trend toward socialism; toward a dictatorship of the office-holder. Unless checked, it will eventually get beyond all control.

It might be said that the best way for us to go forward is to turn backward, in one particular, and again affirm the principles of the founders of the nation. They created this nation to escape from the tyrannies of kings. Are we going to allow it to be destroyed by the tyrannies of politicians?

SHOOTS BELLED BUZZARD

HOUSTON, Jan. 5.—The belled buzzard has been brought into evidence by George Mathis, a farmer near here. Mathis shot the bird; found its neck a bell which was engraved with the name of Ralph Johnson, New Philadelphia, Ind., and bore the date July 11, 1927.

James Matheny, of San Antonio, representative of the American La France fire truck company, was in Ballinger Monday, spending the day here inspecting the new pumper recently bought from that company. John Parker, chief of the San Angelo fire department, was here with Mr. Matheny and after going over the equipment they reported it in first class shape.

Stevens Buys Potash Lakes

TAHOKA, Tex., Jan. 5.—Uel Stevens, San Antonio civil engineer, and associates have acquired from Cass C. and Crawford Evans the double lakes in part of the Bar T ranch for \$60,000. The lakes are reported to contain some of the richest potash deposits in the United States.

The Uel Stevens referred to above was formerly a citizen of this city. For several years he was county engineer for Runnels county, and married Miss Hattie Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Miller, of Ballinger. For several years Mr. and Mrs. Stevens have been making home at San Antonio.

Roof Completed On City Hall Here

All tile work was completed on the city hall roof last week and flooring removed from the auditorium was relaid. The surface is being sanded and probably will be finished this week.

A crew spent last week ditching above the upper dam on Elm Creek in an effort to lower the water level. The regular flow of the stream makes this difficult.

All brush was burned behind the levees of the new dam and the grounds cleaned. The crossing below the basin was completed during the week. A contract was let to O. G. Schmickle to move the steam pump and boiler from the pump room. Motors, motor pumps and electric control boxes have been removed and stored in the warehouse.

The local fire department answered one fire alarm last week. Chief of Police Lee Moreland reported 120 fire inspections.

City Health Officer E. R. Walker released one case of scarlet fever which had been under quarantine for several days. No other contagious diseases were reported by the health department.

Dragging of streets in the city was completed during the week. Old tile was removed from Eleventh Street at Pou Avenue, and a dip constructed. Grubbing and grading were done from Tenth to Twelfth street. Ditches from the Santa Fe right-of-way to Hutchings Avenue on Thirteenth Street were opened. Grading of these two blocks will be finished this week. Dirt and trash were piled and hauled from the downtown pavement.

Dairy Inspector R. F. Zedlitz graded three dairies, issued two permits and inspected 49 cows. Other municipal departments reported routine business for the preceding week.

Among those from out of town here Tuesday to attend the funeral of E. D. Walker were: Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Harris, Mrs. Henry Wylie, R. A. Hall, Vosberry Hall, and Mrs. Abe Miller, San Angelo; Bolly Warren and L. E. Collins, Coleman.

Oliver Cochran has returned from Mangum, Okla., where he has been for the past three months. Mr. Cochran sold his furniture stock here some time back. He will await the return of normal conditions when he expects to accept employment with some firm or possibly enter business of his own.

California's statistical department estimates women are involved in 12 percent of the automobile accidents of the state.

Oklahoma produced 3,774,080 tons of coal during 1929.

Walter Early Thanks Citizens

To the people of the 35th judicial district: "Today the duties of the office of district attorney I am turning over to my successor, but I would not do so without expressing to you my sincerest appreciation for the confidence you have reposed in me throughout my long term of office.

"The fact that I have had so little opposition for the twenty-four years of public service in your district bespeaks for me your interest and trust in me, and I have striven through these years to give you the very best service in my power, prosecuting with zeal those whom I believed to be wilful wrong doers, but trying at all times to be fair to the unfortunate.

"Through my associations in this office I have become acquainted and associated with many people of the district, lawyers, jurors and officers of the court, to all of whom I wish to express my appreciation for their loyalty and warm personal friendship.

"I am indebted to the district judges under whom I have served for their assistance and most kind consideration of me at all times. To my many fellow officers, the sheriffs and their deputies, the county attorneys, and the district clerks I owe a debt of gratitude for their assistance and many acts of kindness. Without their able assistance I could not have accomplished even that that I have.

"I trust that these warm friendships may not be severed on my retiring from office, but may continue through my life.

"I trust that you may extend to him who is to take my place the same friendship and consideration you have always shown me.

"And now with many thanks and very best wishes to all, I remain, Yours very truly, Walter U. Early"

(Brownwood, Texas, Jan. 1, '31)

NEW LIVESTOCK LAW FOR TEXAS IS SOUGHT

JUNCTION, Texas, Jan. 5.—Obsolete laws regulating the livestock industry, which has changed greatly since the laws were passed shortly after statehood in 1848, will be repealed at the incoming session of the Texas legislature if bills to be presented by Rep. Coke Stevenson of this city are passed.

These old laws sound amusing to the average stockman today, few of whom know they are on the books.

One of these laws forbids the branding or marking of livestock in any place except a pen. Another places a penalty for the use of more than one brand on livestock of one person. Most men today use separate brands on sheep and cattle. Still another of these old laws asks that each county display its county brand in the office of the county clerk and permit owners of livestock to place the county brand on the body of the stock. Cattle are required to be marked before they are 12 months old, while sheep, hogs and goats are to be marked before they are six months old.

MEXICAN EXPRESSES THANKS TO GOODFELLOWS

One Mexican family in Ballinger helped by the Goodfellows this Christmas feels grateful and the following letter was received from the father this week. The letter was written in Spanish but translated, is as follows: "Goodfellows: I direct these lines to give you my greatest expression of thanks for your charity in giving me Christmas this year and call on God to augment your capital for charity which you have this day done.

"With best wishes, I am your humble servant. Juvenicia Gomez"

Eight New Cars Registered Here

New automobiles registered during December, 1930, for this county totaled eight. No trucks were registered during the month, according to W. L. Brown, retiring tax collector. In December one year previous registrations were 43 cars and 11 trucks.

Following are the registrations: Ford Miles Motor Co., 1 Harwell Motor Co., 3 Chevrolet C. & C. Motor Co., 2 Buick F. F. Ligon, 1 Oakland George Dankworth, 1.

The tax collector's office is being rushed with applications for license plates and many new numbers are being issued daily. Car owners in this county have until the last day of January in which to secure their new plates and place them on their machines. After that date it will be a violation of the law to drive without a 1931 number plate.

McDONALD TO AID FEDERAL FARM BOARD

AUSTIN, Jan. 5.—J. E. McDonald, agriculture commissioner, has pledged his full cooperation to the federal farm board and other farm agencies and has said he would do anything in his power to better the condition of agriculture.

McDonald said he had been quoted as having expressed his opposition to the federal farm board and its policies and that this was not true. McDonald also stated he had an open mind on all plans to better agriculture.

He was especially anxious, he said, to establish and maintain close relations with the extension department of Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College, believing that close cooperation between the agricultural department and the college would be of inestimable value to Texas farmers.

Calling Cards, printed on short notice. Phone 27, we do the rest.

A. L. Spann Buys City Grocery Co.

A deal was finally consummated here Thursday morning in which A. L. Spann buys the City Grocery from W. R. Smith and Miss Neva J. Blair. The store was closed Wednesday while an inventory of the merchandise was made and other business affairs concluded.

Mr. Spann stated Thursday morning that his store was open for business and would be operated at its present location on Eighth Street until about February 1, when he would move into his own building on Hutchings Avenue, in the stand now occupied by the L. B. Rudder saddle and shoe shop. He also said he would conduct a sale during the month to close out present stock so he could completely restock in his other location. He will operate the store under the name of Spann & Company on the cash and carry plan.

Mr. Spann was in the grocery business for about 22 years, selling his store here about five years ago. Since that time he had retired but continued to reside in Ballinger. He will make a public announcement of his plans within the next few days.

Mr. Smith stated that he would remain in Ballinger for some time looking after his accounts but expected to return to his farm in the northern part of the county a little later.

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Place of standing, Westbrook place, South Ballinger. Terms of service, \$2 cash or its equivalent. W. B. Holland. d-8-10 4tw

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Builds Sturdy Health... in Tyler county. The only counties in east Texas where the county and county seat are the same are San Augustine, Jasper, Newton, Liberty, Orange and Nacogdoches.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Wardlaw and Miss Malcorine left Sunday for Bowie to be at the bedside of Mrs. Wardlaw's brother who is very low.



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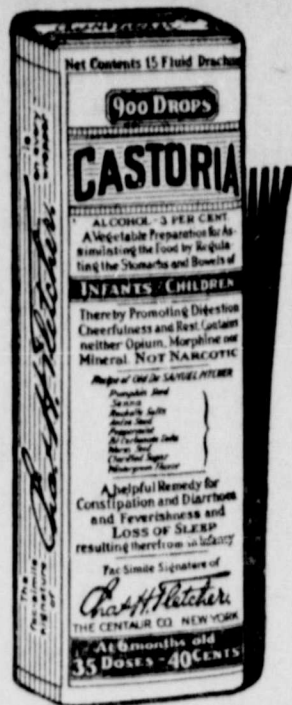
"THE MAIN THING ON MAIN STREET"

Cartoon titled "THE MAIN THING ON MAIN STREET" showing a street scene with various shops and people. Signs include "COYNE BANK", "THE COOLER", "CORSA COSMETIC'S BEAUTY SHOP", and "Rorback's Butcher Shoppe". A speech bubble says "WHY HE'S OLD ENOUGH TO BE HER FATHER". A sign on a building says "HURRY UP ANY LOOKET". A sign on a building says "CLOSED FOR THE DAY". A sign on a building says "TRY THE NEW COCA COFFEE". A sign on a building says "BANKER COYNE GAVE THE TOWN GOSSIP PLENTY OF REASON FOR TOMORROW'S WAGGING AS HE STROLLED DOWN MAIN STREET WITH CORSA COSMETIC, WHO WORE THE LATEST FASHION IN 'TOOT-ANY-COME-IF YOUWIS.' 'COME COME IN WITH OUT 'TOOTNY.' BANKER COYNE IS SURELY A GAY AND BRAVE WIDOWER."

Daily Buzz MAIN STREET'S LEADING NEWSPAPER SURE IT'S THE TRUTH TUT-ANK-AMEN STYLES ON MAIN STREET BANKER COYNE GAVE THE TOWN GOSSIP PLENTY OF REASON FOR TOMORROW'S WAGGING AS HE STROLLED DOWN MAIN STREET WITH CORSA COSMETIC, WHO WORE THE LATEST FASHION IN 'TOOT-ANY-COME-IF YOUWIS.' 'COME COME IN WITH OUT 'TOOTNY.' BANKER COYNE IS SURELY A GAY AND BRAVE WIDOWER.

By L. F. Van Zelm

Can't PLAY
Can't REST
—child needs Castoria



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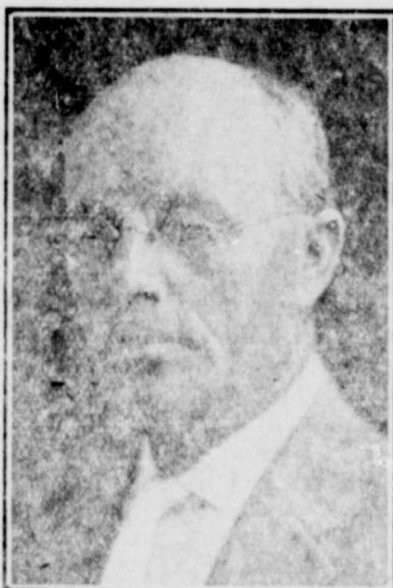
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E. D. Walker, Pioneer of Runnels County, is Dead

E. D. Walker, age 69, died at his apartment on Broadway Monday afternoon at 1:20 after an illness lasting for more than a year. Mr. Walker retired from business here last February and spent four months in California, taking a needed rest. Returning home he was apparently better for some time but became seriously ill on Christmas day and was never able to leave his room. For several days his family and friends have been expecting death almost hourly.



E. D. Walker

Mr. Walker was one of the city's oldest pioneers, having resided in the county for more than fifty years. He moved to Ballinger from Old Runnels in 1886 and built the first residence in this city. Entering the drug business here at that time he operated the Walker & Erwin Drug company for several years, bought out J. J. Erwin and operated the E. D. Walker Drug Co. until 1905, at which time he sold that business and organized the Ballinger State Bank. He remained with this bank until 1914 and at that time went to the Farmers & Merchants State Bank and was vice-president of that institution until 1925. He then returned to the Ballinger State Bank and remained with that institution until February, 1930, when he tendered his resignation on account of his health.

Aside from his long service in the drug and banking business here, he has headed other organizations and given much of his time to civic matters. For a number of years he was a member of the Fidelity Credit Co. and was still engaged in that work at the time of his death. He has served for years as an officer of the cemetery association and was holding the office of secretary-treasurer for the current time.

He was a faithful member of the First Christian Church of this city and was a regular attendant at all services held there. He has served the church in a number of different positions and for many years was treasurer and attended to its financial matters.

He held an office in the Runnels County Fair Association for several years and was a hard worker for the organization of that institution. He belonged to the Masonic lodge and served a number of times on the directory board of the Chamber of Commerce.

Decedent is widely known in this section of the state. His long residence here and the important position he held in the business life of Ballinger threw him in contact with people all over West Texas, making many friends who will mourn at his departure from this life.

He is survived by his widow and six children as follows: Alfred

and Harold Walker, Los Angeles; Edmund Walker, San Francisco; Phillip Walker, at present on the high seas; William Walker, Ballinger; and Mrs. Sid Hale, of the Blanton community.

Funeral services will be held from the First Christian Church Tuesday afternoon at 2:30, with the pastor, Rev. F. M. Crabtree, officiating, assisted by Alfred Crager, former minister. Interment will follow in Evergreen Cemetery.

Mr. Walker would have been 70 years old on January 22.

Many friends gathered at the First Christian Church Tuesday afternoon to pay their last respects to their friend, E. D. Walker, who departed this life Monday at 1:20 p. m. Mr. Walker had been seriously ill for several days and word from his bedside offered little hope for his recovery.

Three sons in California and one on the high seas were unable to come here for the funeral. The three sons in California were visited by their father last summer, when he and Mrs. Walker spent several months on the Pacific coast for his health.

Mr. Walker's health began failing more than a year ago, and in Feb. 1930, he retired from the Ballinger State Bank, selling his interest in that institution, and took a long needed rest. He later disposed of his home on Thirteenth Street, he and his wife leasing an apartment at the R. W. DeMouille residence on Broadway.

Rev. F. M. Crabtree, pastor of the First Christian Church, of which decedent was a member, was assisted in conducting the obsequies by Alfred Crager, former minister of the church and now local attorney. The Masonic lodge took charge immediately after the rites at the church. Mr. Walker was a Mason of long standing.

Interment was made in the family lot in Evergreen Cemetery. Active pallbearers were: R. E. George, Sam Baker, A. B. Stobaugh, Ross Murchison, Floyd Carr and R. W. DeMouille. Honorary pallbearers were: R. L. Harwell, Scott H. Mack, Claud Wilmet, Oscar Pearson, C. P. Shepherd, Dr. W. B. Halley, Dr. A. S. Love, T. B. Saunders, J. W. Powell, T. H. Chancey, Dan Moser, A. B. Legate, Ed Gentry, J. E. Brewer, and W. B. Dankworth.

Undertakers from Higginbotham Funeral Home were in charge of funeral arrangements.

Fresh roasted coffee—8 pounds \$1.00. U. E. Hartman Grocery, 2-57w

C. of C. Directors In Session Tuesday

The last meeting of the present board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce will be held on Tuesday morning of next week at 10 o'clock. At that time a nominating committee will be named to select and nominate men to fill the vacancies of committeemen retiring from the board this year.

The board is composed of 21 men. Eleven are elected and ten the next, with all members serving two years at a time. This is done in order not to have a completely new board at any one time and at least one-half the men are familiar with the projects before the organization. The committee which will be selected next Tuesday to nominate the incoming directors, will give their report at the annual banquet and recommend the election of the suggested directors.

Another meeting will be held the Tuesday following the banquet at which time the board will form their organization for the year, naming a president and other officers and also name all standing committees for 1931.

At the meeting Tuesday all committees will be asked to make their final reports for the year's work which will be included in the annual report of the organization. President F. M. Pearce and Secretary J. D. Motley are anxious to have all members of the board present and especially those serving as chairmen on committees.

Members of the Retail Merchants Association are also expected to include a report in the annual statement of the Chamber of Commerce. This has been the busiest year in the history of that organization and especially for the past eight months they have been called upon for many reports.

Final plans will be perfected for the program to be staged at the annual banquet and all unfinished business of the year will be looked after by the old board.

Doctors Disagree

When children are irritable and peevish, grind their teeth and sleep restlessly, have digestive pains and disturbances, lack of appetite, and have itching eyes, nose and fingers, doctors will not always agree that they are suffering from worms. Many mothers, too, will not believe that their carefully brought up children can have worms. The fact remains that these symptoms will yield, in a great majority of cases, to a few doses of White's Cream Vermifuge, the sure expellant of round and pin worms. If your children has any of these symptoms, try this harmless, old fashioned remedy, which you can get at 35c per bottle from Weeks Drug Store.

EMPLOYEES PLENTIFUL BUT EMPLOYER FAIL TO APPEAR

A group estimated at 300 men thronged the court house Thursday morning to meet George White, one of the contractors on the highway grading from Ballinger to Talpa. The laborers assembled in the district court room after notices had been published that White would be here at 11 o'clock Thursday morning to give employment to a crew. The jobless men waited until up in the afternoon but the contractors failed to appear or to send word that he would not be here.

In conference with County Judge Paul Trimmer a few days ago White stated that he would be here at the above mentioned time and that publicity could be given the fact. This was done and men from all parts of the county were here to try to secure jobs for themselves and teams on the new project.

Card of Thanks

I wish to extend my thanks to all those who helped me in any way following the burning of my home here recently. Your help was appreciated and makes me more fully appreciate my friends here.

A. N. Hoffman and wife 5-1d-1w

Erwin K. Knight, T. L. Shields and Ted Mills returned to Dallas Sunday after a week-end visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Taylor.

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Edwin Day Dies On 71st Birthday

Edwin Day collapsed Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock on the front porch of the home of Mrs. M. C. Smith. The tragic news was quickly flashed around Ballinger and many friends rushed to the home within a few minutes after the death occurred.

Mr. Day was a pioneer of Runnels county, coming here to make his home 33 years ago. He was a pioneer in the cotton gin business in Texas, erecting the second gin in this county in the early days of the industry. Only a few days ago Mr. Day received a letter from the State Ginners' Association informing him that he was one of the four original charter members surviving of the organization which was formed many years ago on the banks of the San Saba River at Menard.

Decedent's death came on his 71st birthday anniversary. He had been at his gin for the major part of the day and late in the afternoon one of the employees at the plant drove him to the Creasy Rotary Filer Company plant where he remained for some time visiting and talking with R. B. Creasy, long-time friend. A short time after leaving there he knocked on the door at the home of Mrs. Smith but before anyone could reach the door, he fell on the porch and expired. Mrs. Smith ran to his side to ask him what was the matter and realizing his condition was serious hurriedly summoned a physician. Dr. F. M. Hale arrived a few minutes after he fell but the unfortunate man was beyond need of a doctor's services. The body was removed to the King-Holt Company undertaking parlor and after being prepared for burial was taken to the family home on Broadway shortly before midnight.

No man here had more true friends than Edwin Day. His long residence in this county gave him a wide acquaintance and his happy, friendly spirit and square dealing made friends for him, of

the lasting type. The grief shown by men and women of all classes proved to what extent he was loved by those who knew him.

Mr. Day suffered an injury at his gin several years ago which resulted in the loss of his left arm.

Mr. and Mrs. Day were married in 1884 and to this union two children were born. Tom Day died when a small boy and was buried in a Fort Worth cemetery. Miss Della Day, after growing to young womanhood, met a horrible death in this city when she was severely burn and death followed. She also was buried at Ft. Worth. The remains of the two children were exhumed in November 1921, and brought to Ballinger for reinterment in Evergreen Cemetery.

Funeral services were announced for Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, with Rev. E. W. McLaurin, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. After the rites at the home interment will follow in the family lot at Evergreen Cemetery.

Relatives who have been notified and who were expected to arrive during the day are: Mrs. J. F. Carter, Mrs. Day's sister, of Mineola; Mrs. Day's sister, Mrs. C. F. Steffins, son and daughter, of Brownwood; a nephew, Ernest Day, of Fort Worth; and a cousin, Walter Gardner, and wife, of Winters.

Pallbearers selected are: Aubrey Warren, Paul Beard, Bruce Creasy, Bill Sharp, Chester Cherry and E. P. Talbot.

Honorary pallbearers are: Oscar Pearson, J. Y. Pearce, Jack McGregor, Paul Trimmer, Joe Spoons, Arthur Heywood, J. H. Wilke, J. T. Wiley, Jim Yarnell, C. A. Dooze, J. F. McMillan, R. B. Creasy, H. W. Lynn, and Lon Maps.

King-Holt Company undertakers are in charge of funeral arrangements.

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Gem Paper Clips at Ballinger Printing Co.

Firemen's Band May be Formed

A special meeting of the Ballinger fire department has been called for Monday night for the purpose of considering the organization of a band. For some time this matter has been under consideration by members and at the meeting Monday night definite action will be taken on the proposition.

In case the department decides to sponsor such an organization adult musicians only will compose the band personnel. A number of local firemen have signified interest in learning to play some instrument and are ready to begin lessons if the band is assured. Musicians of fireman age, who are not members of the department, will be eligible to the new band by becoming honorary members and subject to the constitution, by-laws and rules of the company.

A canvass of adult musicians of the city who have not played for several years shows quite a number interested in such an organization and it is believed that between 15 and 20 can be induced to become active members at the outset. This group can be augmented in the spring when a number of musicians return here from college.

Everyone interested in the proposed band has an invitation to be present at the fire station

Monday night. This applies to those who would like to become members and also those desiring to see an adult musical organization in the city.

Daughter Substitute Is Not Desired

No daughter equals your own and no remedy is as good as your own tried and genuine Carter's Little Liver Pills. Toning up liver, starting bile flowing and relieving constipation, there is none better than Carter's. Red bottles. All druggists. Take Carter's.

WOOTEN FAMILY HAS CHRISTMAS REUNION

All the children of H. A. Wooten with the exception of one son were here for the Christmas holidays and a family reunion was held.

Those who were here to enjoy the Christmas get-together were Mrs. C. O. Lincoxon, of Fort Stockton; Mrs. W. H. Thomas and baby, of Corona, N. M.; W. F. Wooten, of Houston; and Miss Grace and Henry Wooten of Ballinger.

All the members of the family from out of the city have returned to their homes.

Chester Afferbach has returned to St. Edwards University at Austin where he is attending school.

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As a young man Dr. R. V. Pierce practiced medicine in Pennsylvania. His prescriptions met with such great demand that he moved to Buffalo, N. Y., and put up in ready-to-use form his well-known tonic for the blood, Golden Medical Discovery. It aids digestion, acts as a tonic, and enriches the blood—clears away pimples and annoying eruptions and tends to keep the complexion fresh and clear. This medicine comes in both fluid and tablets. Ask your druggist for

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Holt Takes Office; Spoonts is Jailer

W. A. Holt took over the duties of the of the sheriff's office Thursday morning and is busy getting details of his organization worked out and ready to function. R. E. McWilliams and family moved to their home in Hillcrest Wednesday afternoon and turned over the office at the court house to his successor.

Sheriff Holt announced Thursday morning that Joe Spoonts would be his first deputy and that Mr. and Mrs. Spoonts were moving to the jail Thursday to take charge there. Other deputies have not been appointed over the county and as soon as the organization is completed and the men accept their appointments, Sheriff Holt will make public all deputies to serve under his administration.

Several prisoners are now in the county jail here and Mr. and Mrs. Spoonts are on the job looking after them and other duties of the place.

Sheriff Holt stated that he was ready to serve the people of Runnels county in any way possible that came in line with the duties of his office. "I want the hearty cooperation of the citizens of this county and they will find me ready to help them day or night in the interest of upholding the laws," he said.

Mr. Holt is well acquainted in this section of the state. He has made a close study of law violations and is thoroughly capable of meeting every situation arising in the line of duty of sheriff. He begins his tenure with the friendship and support of other peace officers in this part of West Texas and will always have their help when needs and with the citizens of Runnels county backing him, his work can be made as efficient as possible.

Just Like an Ostrich

A medical authority says that a person who tries to cover up skin blemishes and pimples with toilet creams and powders is just as foolish, as an ostrich that buries its head in the sand to avoid danger. Skin eruptions are nature's warning that constipation is throwing poisons into your blood stream and weakening your whole constitution. Remove the constipated condition and you will strengthen your system against disease and clear up your disfigured skin. The best way to do this is with a course of Herbine, the vegetable medicine that acts naturally and easily, which you can get at Weeks Drug Store.

A. B. Stobaugh returned Sunday evening from Ft. Worth, where he had been to accompany Miss Evelyn Stobaugh and Miss Mary Jane Kiechle, students at T. C. U.

26 Couples are Wed in December

Dan Cupid did a good business in Runnels county during the month of December when Mrs. Clarence L. West, county clerk, issued a total of 26 permits to wed.

This was the largest number of marriage licenses issued during any one month of 1930 with the exception of June, the brides' month.

Following are those who were granted the licenses in December:

- T. L. Hill to Miss Esie Shields
- Candelario Tarin to Miss Josefa Canala
- Hugh Butler to Miss Faye Buchanan
- Jodie Rowe to Miss Vonell Carter
- Hugh Garcia to Miss Estrella Tomas
- Burnett Scott to Miss Bernice Clark
- Glen Bryson to Miss Bennie Curry
- L. B. Walker to Mrs. Myrtle Spain
- Randall Campbell to Miss Lola M. Pumphrey
- J. T. Sneed to Miss Winnie Maurine Byer
- J. D. Lee to Miss Exa Satterwhite
- F. H. Lisso to Miss Edna Gerhart
- W. K. Farmer to Miss Johnnie Philen
- G. A. Northcutt to Miss Velma Morgan
- Clarence Davis to Miss Ava Crooks
- Jarrett Broyle Pace to Miss Beulah Baggett
- Andres Aquirre to Miss Bernarda Samorron
- P. R. Dietz to Miss Leona Jones
- T. E. Olinger to Miss Inez Castleberry
- Clarence L. West to Miss Ima McKown
- Alvin Redman to Miss Elsie Hauz
- C. O. Miller to Miss Dollie Moore
- T. H. Broughton to Miss Hallie Penny
- Millard M. Smallwood to Miss Rosalea Hardcastle
- Marvin Drake to Miss Estella Camp
- Albert Henniger to Miss Leona Pfeffer.

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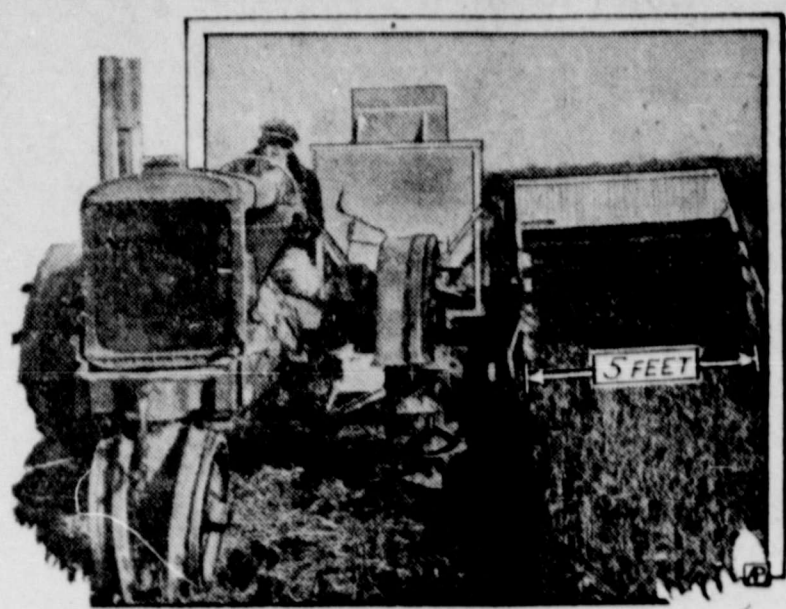
We wish to express our thanks to the many friends who were so kind and faithful to us during the illness and death of our darling baby. We also thank those for the beautiful flower offering. May God's richest blessings rest on each and every one of you.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Avent
Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Avent and family
Mrs. T. L. Foreman and family
Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Ingram and family

Arthur Giesecke returned Monday night from San Antonio, where he spent part of the holidays. He also spent some time on the Giesecke island ranch for an annual hunt.

Jim Hubbard, former pioneer citizen of Ballinger, attended to business here Tuesday. Mr. Hubbard has leased his ranch near Garden City.

One-Man Baby Combine Designed To Thresh in Areas of Small Grain



This "baby" combine, cutting a five-foot swath, has made its debut for small grain farms and uneven terrains.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 6.—(AP)—The big combine of the plains now has a baby brother.

Small combines are being developed here for practical use on small farms and areas of uneven terrain. They too will harvest and thresh grain in a single operation.

The machine was invented by R. G. Fleming of Chico, Calif., and is expected to be turned out in mass production in 1932.

Its advent in certain small-farm areas may make the stationary thresher or "separator" as much a part of ancient history as the flail.

A cylindrical wire brush has been substituted for the heavy iron cylinder and concaves of the regulation thresher. The machine cuts a five-foot swath and is capable of threshing grains, grass

seed and beans.

It is driven by a power take-off from the tractor, one man operating both the tractor and the combine. An experimental model used this year threshed eight different crops.

The swath cut by the combine is smaller than that cut by the customary binder or header on small farms. The smallness and compactness of the machine are intended to make it practical on farms where bigger combines cannot be used.

There are some regions, however, in which no combine probably ever will be used—those where types of grain, maturing conditions and the weather make it inadvisable to thresh simultaneously with the harvest, or where storage facilities require grain to be thoroughly dried in the shock to prevent heating.

Brookshire School Wins Health Idea

The little school at Brookshire, Runnels county, won first place in the state contest for new health ideas recently conducted from Austin. Each county nurse was instructed to bring with her to the meeting of all staff nurses at Austin in December posters and other exhibits for a bigger and better health program. Miss Addie Alexander, Runnels county nurse, took a number from schools of this county and entered them in the competition.

The entry from Brookshire was posted and while the art work was not deemed the best the idea expressed was considered excellent and worthy of first place. The poster showed a "health train," called "Child Limited." Each coach in the train was named some article that builds healthy children. The first coach was called Milk, and others such as Vegetables, Fruit, Eggs, Butter, Bread, Water and Greens followed.

Many novel ideas were presented from all parts of the state but after the judges had inspected each entry several times the award for the best poster was

given the Brookshire school.

Miss Alexander is delighted with the announcement that a Runnels county school won first. The county health department will receive a certificate for this poster as honorable recognition for the work done here.

MILLER WILL OPEN NEW CAFE HERE SOON

Tommie Miller, formerly operator of the Central Coffee Shop here, closed a rent contract Saturday with J. Y. Pearce for the building on Eighth street formerly occupied by the American Cafe. Mr. Miller stated that he would open a modern cafe just as soon as he could get equipment here from Dallas and installed.

The cafe will be constructed along modern lines with the refrigerator and kitchen in the front of the building in view of all customers. Smoke and heat will be taken from the stoves by means of suction fans and all new and modern equipment will be installed.

Mr. Miller expects to have the place open and running not later than Feb. 1 and possibly before.

Miss Margaret Kirk left Monday for Dallas, where she will visit for several days.

Directors in Meet; Banquet Menu Told

The last meeting of the 1930 board of directors of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce was held at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning in the chamber's new offices in the city hall. A general review of the year's work was heard and each committee gave a cursory report of accomplishments and projects to come up in the future.

Charles Coombs, C. R. Stone and Joe Neff were named as a nominating committee to offer ten names to be elected to the board for the ensuing year. These new directors will serve with eleven hold-overs during the coming year. The hold-overs for the succeeding twelve months are: E. M. Lynn, F. M. Pearce, R. E. George, R. G. Erwin, Chas. Coombs, Troy Simpson, M. McGregor, Scott H. Mack, George Holman, R. L. Harwell and C. R. Stone.

Following the business session Tuesday morning a report was heard from the committee in charge of arrangements for the

annual banquet, January 16. All details of the affair are in fine shape. Tickets will be placed on sale at all local drug stores Wednesday morning. Those desiring to attend the banquet can secure tickets at these stores until January 14. No tickets will be sold after that date in order to give the rural club women a definite idea of how many plates to prepare. Tickets are 75 cents, as compared with \$1 previously, and Ballinger citizens are asked to invite rural people to be their guests at the banquet.

Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, home demonstration agent, said Tuesday that the club women were ready, that a menu had been adopted and was being prepared. The food will be concentrated in the kitchen at the banquet hall on the day of the gathering and will be prepared to serve on scheduled time. The following delicacies will appear on the home-produced bill of fare: Celery, pepper relish, creamed potatoes, carrot salad, turkey, dressing, giblet gravy, cranberry sauce, stringed beans, malted biscuits, sweet potato pie topped with whipped cream, and coffee.

Home demonstration agents

from three nearby counties have already accepted invitations to be present and others are expected. Those who have accepted are Miss Gertrude Brent, Coleman; Miss Veda Floyd, Sweetwater; and Miss Gladys Martin, San Angelo.

Arrangements will be made to serve approximately 250 persons and if more than that number of tickets are sold additional tables will be provided.

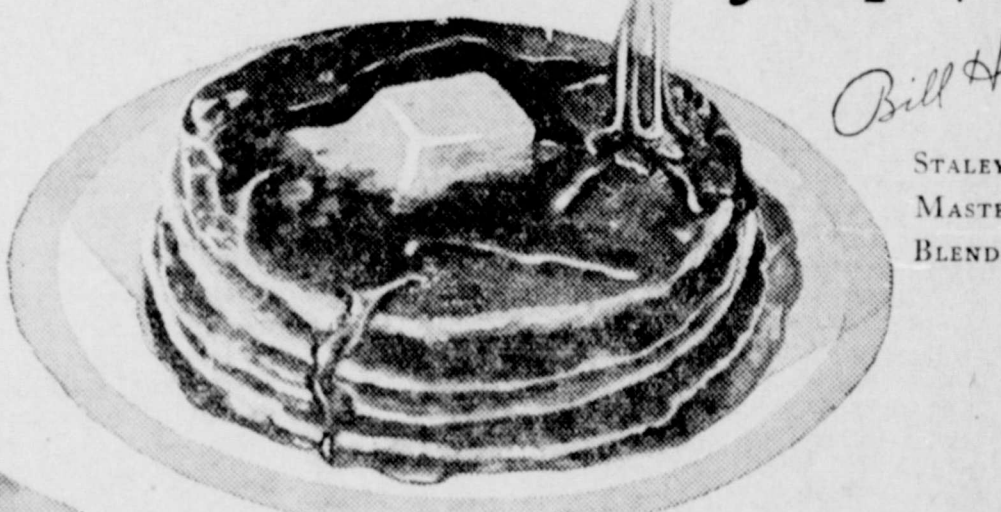
Decoration of the banquet hall will be commenced in a few days.

Music Substitute Not Wanted

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Rural

HERRING TOPICS

All church services were rained out Sunday and news is scarce as everybody stayed at home.

There are several sick in our community with bad colds and flu. We hope everybody will soon be well again.

School started Monday after a week's holiday, everyone entering the rooms full of fun and a good school spirit. Dr. Macune came to our school on that day and so kindly gave the toxin anti-toxin to the children whose parents were present, or had written letters stating they wanted their children immunized against this dreadful disease. The people wish to thank this good physician for his work.

Carl Fuller is visiting his uncle, J. J. Fuller, of this community.

This community was made sad to hear of the death of little Aaron Durwood Ament. He was born Dec. 2, 1930, and died Jan. 2, 1931. He was only spared a few short days to brighten the home.

Everything that could be done was done by friends and relatives to sustain life, but to no avail. God called him home to be with Him where there is no more sorrow or pain.

He is survived by his father and mother and a host of other relatives to mourn his going. Our loss is God's gain.

REPORTER

BENOIT NEWS

Another nice rain fell here Sunday, beginning before daylight and continued to fall throughout the day.

Through a mistake, your correspondent failed to report Mrs. S. T. Williams' birthday, which was the twenty-third of December. She was seventy-six years of age and was presented with a large angel food cake by her friend and neighbor, Mrs. O. C. Cox. We are sure the cake was delicious and wish for Mrs. Williams many more happy birthdays.

There have been a few more changes since our last report. Mr. Skelton and family have moved to the Peie Witter place; Mr. and Mrs. F. Gressett and two sons, Gordon and Roy, who resided near Snyder last year, last Friday moved into the old Robinson homestead formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Green.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Lewis went to Hatchel Sunday to see Mrs. Tony Lewis who is very low at her home near that place. We are sorry to hear that Mr. and Mrs. Lewis lost their baby. The infant was buried Sunday afternoon.

Mmes. Claud Brookshire, Arch Brookshire, Oscar Cox, Milton Clayton, Lizzie Vandeventer and Lela Clayton helped eat a turkey dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gibson Thursday in the Valley Creek community.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hoffman entertained the young folks Saturday night with a party.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Rumpy motored to Wilmeth New Year's day to visit relatives.

Mrs. C. W. Toungett of the Oxien community visited Mrs. A. W. Hill Saturday afternoon.

Misses Fay and Leona Hill spent Saturday night with Miss Aline Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Dorman Gantt of Best were callers in the W. T. Hill home Thursday afternoon. They were on their way to Chandler to visit Mrs. Gantt's parents.

CREWS SCHOOL NOTES

The holidays are over and school is progressing nicely again. We are sorry to lose a few of our pupils who have moved away, but we are glad to welcome the new ones who have come in.

Basketball Tourney Arranged The basketball coaches of the county met in Ballinger Saturday afternoon and arranged for a basketball tournament for the boys at Winters February 6 and 7; they also arranged for a tournament for the girls at Winters

February 27 and 28. Our boys and girls are practicing regularly now and expect to give a good account of themselves in the tournament.

High School Classes Organize The freshman class of Crews high school met and organized December 10. Sammie Beck was elected president; Ruth Hill, vice president; Arzeal Jones, secretary; and Miss Stephen, sponsor. The freshmen are wide-awake and are planning to have some class socials later in the year.

The sophomores organized by electing Ouida Zell Rainwater president; Doris Hill, vice president; Aubrey Morrison, secretary; Johnnie B. Fortson, reporter; and Mr. Beard, sponsor. Their colors are green and white; class flower, the white rose and evergreen; and their motto, "Try." The social committee, Marion Wood and Kate Boynton.

The junior class organized December 13. Norma Bradley was elected president; Fred Martin vice president; Viron Wilkerson, secretary and reporter. Their colors are blue and white; their flower, the white rose; their motto, "Make room for us; we are coming." This motto suits the juniors for they are coming. Mr. Grounds is sponsor.

The senior class organized by electing Loy Brevard president; Neoma Cox, vice president; Selma Morrison, secretary and treasurer; Lois Dietz, reporter; and Mr. Beard, sponsor. The class colors are green and gold; class flower, the dandelion; the motto, "Progression."

Our boys will play Maverick at Winters Jan. 9, and on Jan. 10 they are to play Wingate at Winters. Both games are at night.

WILMETH NEWS

H. K. Dickinson is very ill with pneumonia, and his many friends are concerned about his condition.

Ima Harter has returned to school after an attack of the mumps.

Miss Virden gave a party Friday night for her room and the B. Y. P. U. All reported a good time.

Mr. Blackman gave a party Saturday night.

There was no church Sunday, or Sunday night because of the rain.

WINGATE NEWS

Clyde Dunn spent the week-end with his family in Abilene.

Miss Hattie Myrle Bishop spent the week-end in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Polk spent Sunday and Sunday night with Mrs. Polk's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mahurin.

Miss Earline Hancock spent Friday night with Miss Omata Henley.

Quite a few from this community attended the farewell party given by Miss Hazel Alexander in the Pumphrey community Friday night. We are sorry she is leaving us.

Miss Marie Dean gave her class a party Friday night. A nice time was reported by all.

Miss Gertrude Blackwell spent Wednesday night with Miss Earline Hancock.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Wood and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Wood, of this community, attended the funeral of Aaron Durwood Ament.

Mrs. Calvin Rodgers of Sweetwater is visiting friends and relatives in this community.

Rufus Bailey is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. C. Porter.

Miss Ora Porter is visiting her sister, Mrs. Bill Davis, of Menard.

CREWS NEWS

Only a small number attended church service Sunday on account of rain.

News has been received here of the death of Douglas Madison, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Jarrel Madison, of San Antonio. They have many relatives and friends here who sympathize with them in

their sorrow. C. F. White is reported ill this week.

A social was given for the B. Y. P. U. in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Phipps Friday night. A large crowd attended and all report a splendid time. Refreshments of cake and hot chocolate were served.

Curtis Wilkerson in on the sick list this week. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Very little farming is being done at the present time on account of the rains.

Bro. Branaman was accompanied by his family to attend his regular appointment at Bronte Saturday and Sunday. They report the rains making the roads almost impassable. In order to come home Sunday afternoon, they were forced to make a long drive by Sweetwater in order to come on paved highway most of the way.

Laverne White and Sybil McBeth were both right sick last week, but are much better at this writing.

Relatives and friends of Crews and Herring are doing what they can to help Mr. and Mrs. Kirby since the loss of their home and furniture. The home is being rebuilt and a nice little house-keeping showed was tendered them at the Baptist church today. Others have carried offerings to their home. We feel sure they appreciate friends in this time of need.

REPORTER

MAVERICK NEWS

School opened Monday as the beginning of the fourth month. Every student is striving to improve his work this next month.

The girls' basketball team met the outside girls last Thursday afternoon and won by a score of 23 to 7.

The Maverick boys will play the Crews boys Friday night at Winters. Admission will be ten cents. Everyone is invited to attend and enjoy a very interesting game.

Below is a list of boys who will be eligible to enter the Inter-scholastic League contests. Some of them are not making their grades now but we hope they will be by the next semester. Earl Bowden, Ewell Frazier, Hurlin Lee, J. C. Lee, Horace Hutton, Albert Jackson, J. W. Borders, J. P. Hutton, O. B. Stephenson and Murl Day.

REPORTER

BARNETT NEWS

Mrs. Grace Harbor of Abilene returned to her home last Friday after spending several days here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Thompson. She was accompanied home by her parents.

The following were invited dinner guests in the home of Mrs. Roy Tyree last Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Laxton and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Tyree and son, Wilbur, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Forgy, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Tyree and Mr. and Mrs. John Phillips of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Forgy and daughters, Wilma Jean and Wanda Marie, of Hatchel, spent New Year's day with Mr. and Mrs. Dave Forgy.

Charlie, Doc and Cecil Edwards of Los Angeles, California, have returned home after several days' visit here with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Edwards and family.

The Barnett P-T. A. met at the school house Friday night, after the business meeting joined in a spelling match, after which cake and hot chocolate were served to the members. The P-T. A. here is just getting started and plans to have the first program in a week or so.

Gene Norman had the misfortune to be kicked by a horse on the trading grounds last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Laxton have moved to McCamey where Mr. Laxton has employment.

REPORTER

CREWS GIRLS 4-H CLUB

On January 2 Mrs. Hollingsworth met with the Crews club girls. There were sixteen present. Mrs. Hollingsworth discussed the sewing work for the year and gave us new ideas about gardening and poultry raising. We were

Wisconsin Woman Lost 11 Lbs.

"Have been taking Kruschen Salts for fat reduction—am on my second bottle—I lost 11 pounds in six weeks and feel fine—Kruschen sure gives you a lot of vim and pep."

Kruschen Salts are used daily by millions all over the world not only to take off fat from overweight people but to rejuvenate the entire system.

One bottle of Kruschen Salts (lasts 4 weeks) costs but 85c and one bottle will prove of vast benefit to people who have constipation, headaches, indigestion, nervousness, rheumatism, depression, acidity and auto-intoxication.

Not only that but one bottle will bring about body activity—increase in energy, vigor and ambition, sparkling eyes and freedom from pimples and blemishes—millions know all this—you ought to know it. Take one half teaspoon in a glass of hot water every morning before breakfast—walk a little each day—cut down on sweets and fat forming foods.

Sold by L. C. Daugherty Drug Co., J. Y. Pearce Drug Co., and Weeks Drug Store and druggists America over with the distinct understanding that one bottle will help you lose fat or money back.

assigned our work for each month in the year. For this month we are to finish one pillow case and have the material for our next garment. Most of the girls are enthusiastic in their club work and expect to make this the best year in the history of the club. Their work is to be supervised and graded by their teachers and local leader. The next meeting will be held the first Thursday in February.

Club Reporter

BETHEL NEWS

The rainy weather Sunday interfered with Sunday school at both churches. Rev. Cole, of Abilene was here to fill his regular appointment.

Miss Ada Simmons left early Sunday morning for her school near Kerrville, after spending the holidays here.

Jess G. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Smith, has recently moved to his father's farm in this community.

The Happy Home Makers' Club will have a called meeting this week as it failed to have a meeting last week. The club members are very proud of this year's work and are planning to do even better this coming year. We are proud also that our club won first place in the 4-H pantry contest.

The party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mead McShan Wednesday night was well attended. A number stayed to ring out the old year and welcome the new.

The party in the home of Tom Crockett Friday night was also enjoyed by a large crowd.

Buster Crockett and family, of Norton, spent Saturday night and Sunday in this community.

David Wood spent Saturday night with an old friend and school mate, Mr. Harvey of Ballinger.

Nichols Cotton, of Paint Rock recently bought a bunch of sheep from Tom Crockett.

Mrs. W. F. McShan is visiting her sons, Ralph McShan, of Ballinger, and Virgil McShan, of Dry Ridge.

Miss Nellie Bigby left last week for points near Fort Stockton, where she has accepted a position in a school.

Uncle Joe Fletcher, who had

Sure Way to Stop Night Coughs

Famous Prescription Brings Almost Instant Relief

Night coughs, or coughs caused by a cold or irritated throat, can now be stopped within 15 minutes by a doctor's prescription called Thoxine which works on an entirely different principle from ordinary medicines. It has a quick double action, it relieves the irritation and goes directly to the internal cause.

Thoxine contains no harmful drugs, is pleasant tasting and safe for the whole family. Guaranteed to give better and quicker relief for coughs or sore throats than anything you have ever tried or you can have your money back. 35c, 60c, and \$1.00 bottles. Sold by Weeks Drug Store and all other good druggists.

been visiting his son and daughter, Bert Fletcher and Mrs. R. D. Martin, of Maverick, is now visiting in this neighborhood.

Dr. Paul W. Horn Banquet Speaker

J. D. Motley, secretary of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, announced Monday that Dr. Paul W. Horn, president of Texas Technological College, Lubbock, would be the principal speaker at the annual banquet here January 16. A letter was received from Dr. Horn Sunday stating that he would be glad to come here and speak to the gathering. He is widely known throughout this section of the country and regardless of his subject it should be one of much interest to local citizens.

The committee in charge of the banquet are very optimistic over prospects for a record-breaking attendance. The program is assured in every detail and many who have declared they would attend have invited rural friends as guests. This is appropriate since the gathering is in honor of rural workers who have brought renown to the county in 1930.

Tickets have been reduced this year from \$1 to 75 cents. A contract has been made with rural club women to serve the menu of all Rannels county products. In addition plate favors and souvenirs will be placed at each plate.

E. M. Lynn, chairman of the entertainment committee, stated Monday that the program would be brief, as it was believed that this would meet with the approval of the membership. Music will be heard while the banqueteers assemble and during serving of the meal. The toastmaster will be named soon. Business will consist merely of the nomination of ten new directors for 1931 and their election. All other business will be passed to a meeting of the new board when the organization for another year will be perfected. A report of the activities of the chamber during 1930 will be placed in printed form at each plate.

Tickets will be offered for sale this week and those desiring to attend are asked, to purchase the pasteboards several days in advance of the banquet.

Mrs. S. A. Crager has returned to her home at Dallas after spending the holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Crager.

Roy Mack of Winters was in Ballinger Wednesday attending to business and visiting his parents.

More than 10,000 have been killed in English mines in the last 10 years.

County Judge Paul Trimmer went to Austin Tuesday afternoon to attend to highway matters and expects to return here this week-end.

Neil Eubank has returned to Norman, Okla., to resume his studies at Oklahoma University.

Sam Behringer left Tuesday afternoon for San Antonio to look after business there for a few days.

Be wise and advertise.

Patrolman Talks Traffic Violations

J. B. Draper, state highway patrolman, spent Thursday in Ballinger checking headlights and attending to other business for the department. Mr. Draper asked it be made plain to the citizens of this county the time for paying automobile taxes, securing their 1931 number plates and where to secure them.

A ruling of the attorney general's department gives motorists until midnight February 1 in which to pay the license, and attach the new number plates to both front and rear of their machines. Any motor vehicle driven after that date with an old number plate will subject the owner to arrest and a penalty of 20 per cent on his tax.

Mr. Draper said some people had the opinion that it was unlawful to drive cars with old plates in January, but that this was not true. Motor vehicle owners have the entire month of January to register their cars but he urged that this not be neglected until the last minute when a rush at the collector's office generally takes place. This information has been given to all highway patrolmen in bulletin No. 39 issued by the state department.

The place to pay this automobile, truck, trailer, motorcycle, bus, etc., tax, and receive new number plates is at the county seat in the county where the owner lives. The county receives the first 50,000 of the automotive registration fees, after that the money being divided with the state. Each county is entitled to its share of this money within its boundaries and the law prescribes that cars are to be registered in the owner's home county.

Mr. Draper spent part of Thursday in the county collector's office and several times asked motorists paying taxes to show their light testing receipt. He would then ask that the automobile be driven back to the testing station issuing the receipt and a check made of the lights to see if they were properly focused by the employee issuing the receipt. He also is visiting every official testing station, urging them to give their best efforts in testing lights and in this way eliminate much danger from accidents caused by blinding headlights after night.

The law requires that every automobile have two headlights burning and one burning red tail-light. Patrolmen watch this part of the traffic laws closely and warn drivers who appear on the roads with only one front light or no tail light. This is considered very dangerous and parties violating this section of the law in the future will receive tickets.

State highway officers are conducting an educational campaign during January to curb speeding and eliminate other traffic hazards. Rural schools are being visited and talks given on traffic laws and general instructions for safe driving emphasized. Patrolmen have been notified to arrest all drivers who still have old numbers on their cars beginning February 2.

Mr. Draper said great assistance could be given patrolmen if motor car owners would put their number plates on with small bolts and then brad the end of the bolt. This will eliminate number plates being lost by nuts working loose and also makes it



Texas Girl's Lucky Day

FOUR candles! And each one represents a year of joyous living. Little Wanda Greathouse, of 716 West 12th St., Dallas, is a typical Fig Syrup baby. Here is what her mother says:

"I heard a lot about California Fig Syrup, so when my baby, Wanda, became constipated I got some for her. It relieved her constipation immediately, gave her an appetite, made her bright and happy again.

"I have also used Fig Syrup for her colds and upsets. It has kept her strong and vigorous."

For fifty years, wise mothers have been secure in the knowledge that a child's headache, bilious, feverish or fretful spells can be quickly and safely overcome by California Fig Syrup. Physicians recommend its soothing aid to keep the bowels clear in colds, or children's ailments; or whenever bad breath, coated tongue, or listlessness warn of constipation.

California Fig Syrup helps tone and strengthen weakened bowels—assists in building-up and energizing weak children. The genuine always bears the name California. All druggists.



harder for thieves to steal them. When a plate is stolen from a machine after affixed in this manner the thief will be forced to cut the bolts and as a battered number plate is suspicious looking to a traffic officer it may start an investigation.

STERLING IS BREEDER OF FINE LIVESTOCK

HOUSTON, Jan. 5.—Persons not acquainted with the governor-elect frequently ask, "What are his hobbies?" One of them is the breeding of fine livestock.

Governor-elect Ross Sterling recently gave two Harris county communities a pair of registered boars and a fine bull calf to encourage the breeding of better livestock in the county. The animals will be used for breeding purposes.

Mr. Sterling owns a 100-acre farm adjoining his home on a high bluff overlooking Galveston bay. An unusual feature of the farm is that every acre is cultivated, even the pasture. There is no sod land on the place. The pastures are cultivated and mowed four or five times a year to keep down weeds. The farm is a hobby with the governor-elect.

The two boars given the Harris county communities are about five months old. They were farrowed by a registered sow brought to the Sterling farm from Oklahoma. The sow had won a number first prize ribbons. The bull calf was sired by a purebred bull from the Kieberg herd at Kingsville. Mr. Sterling has given boars to two South Texas communities, Hallettsville and Yoakum.

Newt Day has returned to Ft. Worth after attending the funeral of his uncle here Saturday.

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We Will Always Pay Top Prices for Eggs and Chickens

GRAPEFRUIT Doz. 30c	CABBAGE Lb. 2c
Marsh, Texas Seedless	Firm Heads
NEW POTATOES, 4 LB. - - - - 25c	
PLUMS No. 10 49c	SALTINES 2 lb. box 29c
We are sure you'll like them	Fresh and Crisp
SHORTENING Elk Brand 8 lb. 91c	
100% Pure Pail	
CHEESE Lb. 19c	JOWLS 11c
Longhorn	Fine for Boiling



FOR SALE—Milk Cow, fresh in milk. Phone 8403. Ed. Pa. 31-2td-2tw

FOR SALE—At a bargain. Whoopie! I should say it is a bargain. Just a small amount of ready cash and you can buy a furnished, modern 3 apartment house, close in, on Eighth Street. Must sell at once. See Chas. Furgasce for particulars. 31-2td-1tw-7

Wanted
Dependable person to handle Watkins route in Ballinger, earning over \$35.00 a week. Write in own handwriting.
The J. R. Watkins Co.
80-11 Iowa Avenue
Memphis, Tenn.
5-1td-1tw

FOR SALE—Lease of 155 acres on mail and school bus route 100 acres in cultivation, double row cultivator, planter, disc plow, 2 horses and harness, section harrow and some feed. Walter Jeffries, Talpa, Rt. 2 9-2w

FOR SALE—90 day seed oats, no Johnson grass. 50c bushel F. O. B. Kopperl, Texas. James Ladwig, Kepperl, Texas. 7-1d-1w

Deaths

Alton McMurry

Alton McMurry, age 25, was killed near Decatur Thursday when struck by a train. He was driving a truck when the accident occurred that cost him his life. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. McMurry of the Bethel community. Mr. McMurry is a farmer and lives on the R. W. Bruce place.

The body will arrive on the west-bound Santa Fe train Friday night and will be taken to the Higginbotham Funeral Home where it will be held until funeral arrangements are completed.

He is survived by his mother and father, six brothers and one sister.

Funeral services will be held at the funeral home with Rev. F. M. Crabtree in charge. Interment will be made in Evergreen cemetery.

Aaron Derwood Avent

Aaron Derwood Avent, age one month, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Avent, died at the family home near Blanton Thursday night. Funeral services were to be held at the Crews cemetery Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Rev. M. C. Golden officiating.

Mrs. Elizabeth Palestine Lilly

Mrs. Elizabeth Palestine Lilly, 78, died Wednesday evening at 8:30 at the family home here on Eleventh Street. For several days Mrs. Lilly had been very low and all her children were called to her bedside last week to be near the mother in her last hours.

Decedent's husband, W. K. Lilly, died August 11, 1930, and since that time Mrs. Lilly had been in a feeble condition.

Mrs. Lilly resided in and near Ballinger for the past ten years where she made many friends. She was a faithful member of the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church.

Funeral services were conducted at this church Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Rev. Collin, of Rising Star, officiating, assisted by Rev. J. E. Kerr.

Decedent is survived by the following children: Mrs. E. G. Bowden, Ballinger; Oliver Lilly, Henrietta; Mrs. R. R. Allen, Sweetwater; Mrs. E. Otis Allen, Shawnee, Oklahoma; and Misses Eva, Maggie and Eunice Lilly, of Ballinger.

Other relatives here for the funeral were Otis Allen and son, Wendell, Shawnee, Okla.; Mrs. Thomas Lilly and Myrtle Lilly, Bangs; Mrs. Inez Lilly, Amarillo; Catherine Lilly, Henrietta; Dr. R. R. Allen and son, Sweetwater. The following friends from out of town also were present: Mrs. B. C. McCall and Carl McCall, Mrs. George, Mrs. W. B. Witezl, Sweetwater; and Mrs. S. A. Joyce and Jim Joyce, Clyde.

Active pallbearers were H. F. Demmer, Vernon Collins, J. F. McMillan, Sam Malone, Walter Middleton and Fred Prusser; honorary pallbearers were: Ben Whittemburg, J. M. Jennings, S. P. Hathaway, H. P. Russell, W. A. Taylor, John Mackey, J. B. Mack, Jake Stubblefield, T. J. McCaughan, R. B. Hambricht and J. D. Good.

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

Infant Ragsdale

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Ragsdale, of Hilton, died at the Halley & Love Sanitarium

Runnels County 4-H Club Women Can \$18,428.00 Worth of Products

A food preservation report made by the women's and girls' clubs of the county for the past year looks like good times are ahead and shows in a small way what the club people are doing for the lowering of living expenses. The total report shows a grand total of food products canned amounting to \$18,428. in value.

This work has been going on this fall at a rapid rate and many special demonstrations have been held in different sections. The 4-H pantry demonstration held during the year and just closed has done much to increase interest in food preservation and the amounts given in this report include food canned during the pantry contest.

Mrs. T. A. Crockett was winner of first place this year in the contest and Mrs. G. F. Edwards was second place winner. They have written letters telling of their work and effort in the contest and each letter will be carried separately in this paper.

Outstanding in the clubs' report on food preservation done by the clubs and the demonstrations is the putting up of 33,310 pounds of cured meat. Other items include 2,118 quarts of canned fruits, 5,277 quarts of vegetables, 1,282 quarts of preserves, 2,242 pints of jelly, 74 quarts of fruit juices, 2,240 quarts of pickles and relishes, 3,039 quarts of canned meats, 20 quarts of dried vegetables, 21,330 pounds of cured meats; put up by demonstrators; 9,084 quarts of canned food and 11,930 pounds of cured meat.

"If it is necessary in the interest of economy, to produce upon the farm the food for the work animals, it is still more important to produce, as far as possible, the food required by all the laborers and their families."

The above statement made by Seaman A. Knapp, known as the founder of extension work and like activities, explains fully the main object of rural club work.

Mrs. Crockett will receive a free trip to the short course at A. & M. College next summer as first prize given by the West Texas Utilities Company. The utilities company also awarded \$10 to Mrs. G. F. Edwards, second place winner, to be applied on a trip to the short course.

Letters from the winners are reproduced below:

Mrs. T. A. Crockett, 4-H Pantry Story

First Place
At our first meeting in January Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, our home demonstration agent, asked me to be one of the 4-H pantry demonstrators for the year 1930. She gave a discussion on the pantry, then gave us an outline of what was required to fill a 4-H pantry score card.

It seemed rather easy as I thought I had always canned a big supply of foods for winter use or during the non-producing season, so with a new interest in garden work, I began to study the different varieties of vegetables, as quite a number were required to fill my pantry so that I might furnish my family with well balanced meals throughout the winter.

A new garden plot of one-half acre was found, and soil fertilized, and my hot bed was made. As soon as ready, the seeds were planted, and also the early vegetables, in the garden. They were up and looking their best when the first sandstorm in the spring came. After the sandstorm, not even the sprig of a plant was left. This was very discouraging, but with a new determination, I replanted and reset my garden which was soon looking fine. I succeeded in canning only a few jars before the hot winds and drouth set in. In a very short time the garden was badly damaged. By adding a few jars here and canning a supply of corn, a friend offering to can on the halves, she furnishing the cans and I the corn. This added more than 100 jars. Fruit was very scarce this year, and it seemed this would be my biggest problem as so many cans are required. I picked berries for jelly, and bought a few peaches. I used watermelon rind for preserves, jams and marmalades, making these by recipes furnished by Extension Service, College Station. Canning a part of two beves, a few chickens, and mutton, my meat class was filled. Still my score card was long ways from being filled, so I planted a fall garden. A number of varieties were planted and up looking fine when one morning, as I gazed upon my garden, my heart seemed to stand still. For I beheld the turkeys marching across my much beloved garden, like an army eat-

ing everything as they went. Again, I knew that to succeed with my plan, I must not give up. To strengthen my determination, I learned that as I had the largest pantry up to that time, I was to receive enough shelving and paint from the Wm. Cameron Lumber Company for a part of my pantry. This came as a surprise and to think it was something I had always wanted, a nice row of shelves for my pantry supplies. Therefore, with a newer and greater zeal, I began again to fill the pantry.

Through the kindness of a friend, I gathered tomatoes for tomatoes and peppers for peppers. With my tomatoes, I added many quarts to my fruit class, as tomatoes may also be classed as a fruit. Through the help of my neighbors, in assisting me with, I now have 62 varieties of canned foods, and 25 commercial and 907 containers.

Our National pressure cooker and Surpac sealer both played a very important part in filling the pantry. It has been a lot of hard work planning and scheming, but we are all very proud of our 4-H pantry. The children as well as Mr. Crockett, enjoy showing to our friends what we have done even though it has been one of the hardest years we have known.

My total expenses for the pantry have been \$31.70 which includes cans, jars, labels and a few commercial products to make my list complete.

My pantry contains the following:

Canned meats, 157 qts.	\$76.50
Canned and dried vegetables,	64.00
Pickles and relishes, 70 qts.	35.00
Preserves and jellies, 97 qts.	49.60
Fruits canned, 221 qts.	91.00
Other foods canned 66 qts.	16.00
Cured meats, 400 lbs.	60.00
Commercial products	15.00

The total value of my pantry is \$410.60, or a fraction over 9 1/2 bales of cotton or a little better than 25 tons of maize.

Ninety-seven people have visited our pantry; we would be glad to have anyone interested in our efforts to come see for yourselves, because "Seeing is believing."

My co-operators have canned 3,536 quarts of food valued at \$1,435.20.

Wednesday and interment was made at Hilton, with King-Holt Company undertakers of this city in charge of arrangements.

City to Register Births and Deaths

A new state law went into effect on January 1, 1931, changing the place of keeping vital statistics from the health officer to the city secretary. This applies to records of births and deaths. The city of Ballinger, in compliance with the new law, has purchased a set of the best records that can be obtained and with the cooperation of physicians and undertakers will endeavor to keep a strict and accurate record.

The law requires that the record be kept by months and those whose duty it is to furnish the information to the secretary are requested to give the information in promptly each month so that errors may be avoided.

The first baby born to be reported here under the new law was Ruth Ann Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lee Smith of Ballinger. The young lady was born on January 3. Mr. Smith, who is an employee of the Harwell Motor Company, has resided here with his wife for some time. Dr. F. M. Hale made the report Wednesday morning.

K. V. Northington, city secretary, stated that the job of keeping this record was thrust upon him by the legislature but that he earnestly solicited the cooperation of those who compile this information, so that his records will be authentic. Hereafter the city secretary will issue burial permits and keep a record of all deaths in the city limits.

The new vital statistics law is the result of several years' agitation to secure more systematic records.

A Great Discovery

When Pasteur discovered, in 1852, that the infection of wounds was caused by malignant bacteria, he performed a service of inestimable value to mankind. Since then medical science has been producing better and better antiseptics, to kill these germs that man enter the smallest cut and give us diseases such as typhoid, tuberculosis and lockjaw. Now, all you have to do to be sure that these dreadful germs will not infect a wound, is to wash that wound, however small, thoroughly with Liquid Borozone, the modern antiseptic. You can get Liquid Borozone, in a size to fit your needs and purse, from Weeks Drug Store.

Wood for Sale
We will sell dead wood from our Pecan Springs pasture for two weeks beginning January 12, and ending Saturday, January 24, 1931 at \$1.00 per load. Mr. Will Galloway will be at the double gates on the Glen Cove and Crews road where payment must be made for all wood taken.

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Mrs. G. F. Edwards—4-H Pantry Second Place
To begin with I knew I must start my 4-H pantry by planting a garden. To have an early garden I refixed my hotbed and planted my seeds for transplanting in it. My garden plot of about 1-4 acre was well-fertilized in the fall. When it came time for early planting everything was ideal. My garden is located so that it can be easily irrigated, but when a sandstorm comes it does no good. So the first sandstorm of the year demolished my garden. I want you to know I was blue—but I must keep on. I planted again and this time the hot winds scorched things even though it was watered. But all in all, I am pleased with my efforts.

In my pantry I have 548 containers of canned products and it is valued at \$130.65, but let me tell you—no one could pay me \$130.65 in cash for my pantry and expect me to accept it. It is worth many times more than that to me. It means three well-balanced meals a day for the entire winter and my family is all smiles because they know what is in store for them. Of course in connection with my pantry I have something in from my garden the year round—but in case of severe weather or on wash day a meal can be prepared and served with very little effort. Do you blame me for being happy?

Fresh roasted coffee—8 pounds \$1.00. U. E. Hartman Grocery. 2-5tw

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Atnipp are the proud parents of a fine baby boy born to them Monday. Both mother and baby are doing nicely.

BARNETT P. T. A. HOLDS SPELLING MATCH, SOCIAL

Last Friday night the Barnett Parent-Teacher Association met in a social gathering with a large number of the members present. A short program was presented after which an old time spelling match was staged with C. L. Howard and Arch Tyree acting as captains of the two teams.

Following the spelling contest women of the organization served hot chocolate and cake. The next meeting of the organization will be held January 16.

Be wise and advertise.

Arranging Program For Teachers' Meet

H. C. Lyon, city superintendent, and R. E. White, county superintendent, left Wednesday morning for Brownwood to meet with the program committee of the Mid-Texas Teachers Association. This meeting was called by President C. H. Hufford, superintendent of the Coleman public schools. The committee will be in session all day Wednesday and expects to formulate the three-day program for the association meeting which probably will be held in April.

The convention will be held in Brownwood this year, that city being selected at the close of the meeting at Brady last year. For a number of years Brownwood was the regular meeting place of the association. Later it was decided to meet in other cities of the district and since that time Coleman, Ballinger and Brady have entertained the convention.

Attendance at the mid-state teachers gathering usually runs between 700 and 1,000 and cities comprised in the district are always desirous of entertaining the association. The precise date for the meeting this year has not been set but local educators expect it to be held in April as previously.

Superintendent of city and county schools compose the committee which will supervise arrangement of the program which will include all phases of school work.

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ELECT SECRETARY FOR LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD

At a meeting of the board of trustees of the Ballinger independent school district Tuesday night the resignation of H. S. Strain as member of the board and also as secretary was accepted and other business attended to.

Harry Lynn, formerly first vice-president of the board, resigned that place and was made secretary, and A. J. Thorp was elected to the office of first vice-president.

A successor to take the place of Mr. Strain as trustee has not been announced, date by the board. As soon as a suitable man who is willing to serve can be found he will be elected.

Capt. Chas. H. Dobbs, of Fort Worth, adjutant of the 142nd Infantry regiment, Texas National Guard, and R. O. T. C. instructor in the Fort Worth central high school, was in Ballinger Friday attending to business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Drake and family who have lived near here for several years are moving into the Winters community.

J. G. Smith and family, formerly of Big Spring, are moving here and will occupy the old R. F. Smith home. Mr. Smith is a tool dresser and will work here and near San Angelo.

THE PRICELESS INGREDIENT

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C. M. Gidenon of Winters was here Saturday attending to business and ordered the Ledger for another year.

Mrs. Gladys Wood and daughter, Anita, have returned to Dallas after a visit here with Mrs. Wood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Taylor.

Robert Lowry of Abilene was here Saturday to attend the Edwin Day funeral.

J. H. McClain returned Tuesday night from Waco where he had been to attend a business meeting at Baylor University.

Mrs. J. W. Holt enjoyed a visit from a large number of relatives and friends this week. Included in the number were her mother and four sisters and their families. After a turkey dinner and a day of family greetings they departed for their homes.

Miss "Pully" Michaelis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Michaelis, left Friday for a visit in San Marcos.

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