

## Scattered Rains Fall in Large Portion of State

DALLAS, Jan. 27.—Cloudy weather and scattered rains covered Texas today.

Sloppy weather greeted San Antonio voters at a charter amendment election.

The Lubbock area reported half an inch rain; Sweetwater, one inch; El Paso, three-quarters of an inch; and Dallas received a slow drizzle.

Rain started falling in Ballinger early Monday night and a slow drizzle was reported from all parts of the county for most of the night. Early Tuesday morning a steady downpour began and at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon an inch and one quarter had fallen here and it was still raining.

County reports showed a good rain falling in all sections of the county and travel over graded roads was practically stopped for the present. The rain here in Ballinger Tuesday fell hard enough to cause flood waters on the street and crossings for pedestrians were practically impossible.

## \$200,000 Blaze At Tyler Destroys Department Store

TYLER, Tex., Jan. 28.—A \$200,000 fire today destroyed the Naylor department store and office building here.

Officers discounted the theory of incendiary origin when the burning building was found locked by the firemen. A short time previous, however, an automobile loaded with bolts of dry goods had been seen leaving the city.

## MILES PICTURE SHOW SOLD TO FARMER; IS CLOSED

MILES, Jan. 23.—L. V. Yates, owner and manager for two years of the Miles Theater, has sold the show to I. S. Story, local farmer. Mr. Yates has moved to Ft. Worth, assuming management of the Orpheum Theatre there.

The local show house is closed and Mr. Story has not announced when he will open it.

## LADWIG TO ENGAGE IN EMPLOYMENT WORK

Chas. Ladwig, who for several years has been connected with the Ladwig Brothers store here, has made definite arrangements to enter business in Fort Worth, where he will be associated with his sister. They will operate an employment bureau, which has been established and active for two years.

## \$3,000 is Verdict In City Land Suit

The jury in county court hearing the combined cases of J. H. Wilke vs. the City of Ballinger, and Mrs. A. S. Wilke vs. the City of Ballinger, reported Saturday morning, giving a verdict to the plaintiffs in the sum of \$3,000. The cases involved about 25 acres of land owned by Mr. and Mrs. Wilke affected by the new municipal water reservoir on Elm Creek.

Failing to agree on a price for the land and for damages, the city sought to condemn the land and a commission was appointed to hear the case. This commission fixed the price of the land and damages at \$3,782. This verdict was appealed and heard this week in county court. The case was argued Friday after two days had been used in presenting evidence. The jury was unable to reach a verdict Friday afternoon and was ordered back for further deliberations. About 10:30 Saturday morning it made the above report.

The \$3,000 awarded to Mr. and Mrs. Wilke on the two suits include the value placed on the land and for damages done to pecan trees, gravel pit and rock quarry.

The divisions of the jury's verdict gave J. H. Wilke \$900 for 10.67 acres of ground and no damages; and Mrs. A. S. Wilke for 14.15 acres received \$1,260 for the land and \$840 damages.

## Runnels Included In Revised List

A revised list of counties eligible to receive drouth relief loans has been certified from Washington by Dr. C. W. Warburton, secretary of the national drouth relief commission. The Texas counties are as follows:

Archer, Baylor, Callahan, Clay, Childress, Coleman, Comanche, Cottle, Crosby, Dickens, Eastland, Erath, Fisher, Floyd, Foard, Garza, Hall, Hardeman, Haskell, Jones, Kent, Knox, Lubbock, Lynn, McCulloch, Mitchell, Motley, Nolan, Runnels, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Taylor, Throckmorton, Wichita, and Young.

Plans are being made in this county to begin the work as soon as application blanks arrive at the local office. The work in this county will be handled by C. R. Stephens, R. G. Erwin, T. J. McCaughan, and C. W. Lehmberg. Mr. Stephens will devote all his time to the work and will be furnished with an assistant on full time to look after the clerical work in the office. Mr. Stephens is well suited for this work and in connection is taking care of the Red Cross activities and is also head of the local charity board. For months he has studied conditions in the county and knows exactly what is needed, has the communities well organized and is ready to begin receiving applications as soon as blanks are available.

A survey of this county has already been made, showing that more than 300 families will have to be aided with loans and a large number with food by the Red Cross. Some have already been helped and a large per cent of the small grain now growing in the county was made possible by the \$1,500 spent in this county in the fall for small grain seed.

The offices of the drouth relief board will be located in the rear of the Ballinger State Bank building, formerly occupied by the city administration. This space has been donated to the relief work and local firms will loan office furniture.

The entire expense of operating a relief office must be paid by the city in which it is located. All money passing through the office will be paid direct to the farmers in checks and no part of this can be used as office expenses. The Ballinger Chamber of Commerce directors in meeting Tuesday voted to raise money to employ an assistant for three months, if those in charge of the relief campaign thought necessary. An office man who can meet the requirements can be secured at a low wage now and a committee probably will be appointed soon to raise sufficient money for this purpose. Office work will be tedious at first as several hundred applications for loans will be filed as soon as the headquarters is opened here.

Red Cross claims will be handled from the same office for food. Lyle Deffenbaugh, of Winters, will assist in the Red Cross distribution and a large number of cases will be looked after by him in the north portion of the county.

## Prisoners Escape From Lubbock Jail

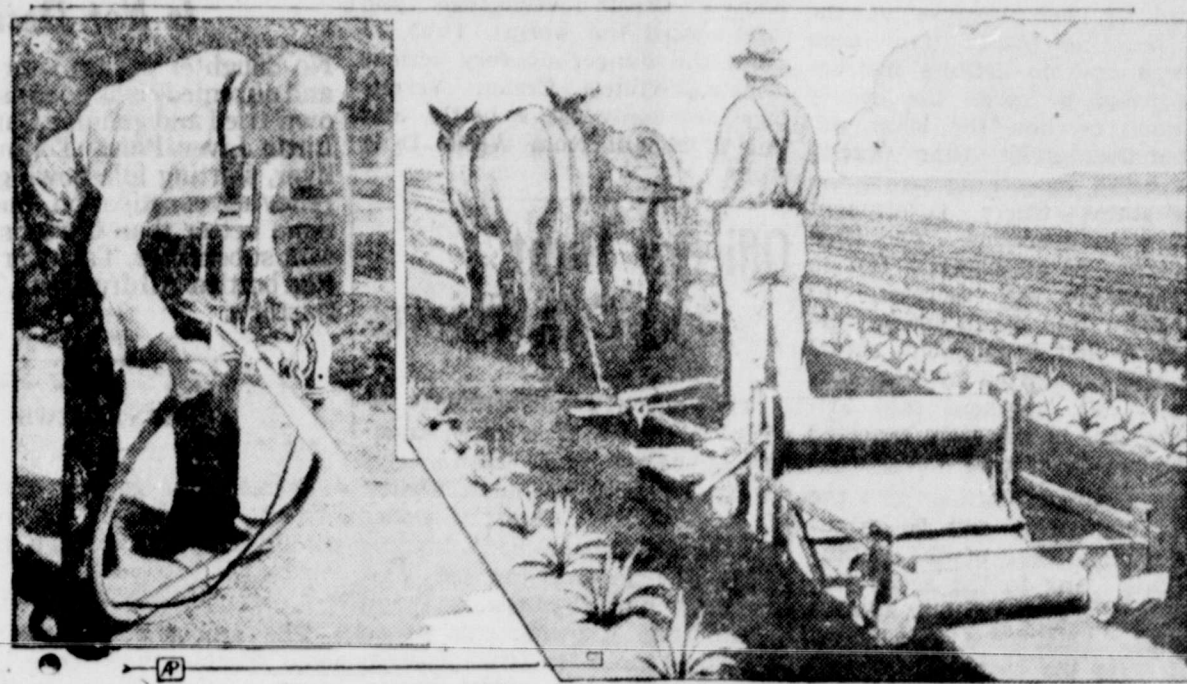
LUBBOCK, Tex., Jan. 28.—John F. Haley, under indictment by the Lamb county grand jury on the charge of robbing a filling station, and a man charged with stealing chickens here, sawed through the bars, dug through a brick wall, and escaped from the Lubbock county jail here today.

## Caterpillars Halt Train

BRISBANE, Australia, Jan. 27.—(AP)—A plague of caterpillars recently delayed the Tannemore train near Warwick, Southern Queensland, for several hours. Masses of caterpillars swarming over the line made the rails greasy and the train could make no progress.

C. G. Jennings has gone to Dallas on business.

## 'Skin' of Cellulose Spray Chokes Weeds



A cellulose spraying device (left invented by Arthur Streich, Berlin engineer, covers the ground with a tough skin that chokes weeds and stores heat and moisture for crops. Picture at right demonstrates the old method, used in Hawaii, of covering fields with paper.

(By Associated Press)

BERLIN, Jan. 28.—Eradicating weeds from a field under cultivation may become an easy, inexpensive matter with a cellulose spraying device invented by Arthur Streich, Berlin engineer.

By spraying a field with one part of cellulose diluted with ten parts of water, a continuous tough skin adhering tightly to the ground is produced.

This cannot be dissolved or washed away by rain, but it can be peeled off the ground easily after the harvest.

The cost is estimated at one-fourth to one-half cent per square yard for a coating half a millimeter thick.

Tests have shown that it chokes weeds which have weak germinating power, and hence obviates weeding and ridding work.

At the same time it insures a richer and better harvest of the crop planted, Streich says, not only because the nutriment in the

ground becomes available solely for the useful plants, but also because moisture and heat absorbed by the earth are prevented from evaporating or escaping.

The paper cover thus serves to store heat and moisture so the temperature remains practically uniform even during the night.

The idea of killing weeds by covering them up did not originate with Streich, the inventor pointed out. His spraying process is an adaptation of a principle first employed by an American, Charles E. Eckart, of Honolulu.

Eckart's method of covering the fields with tough wood paper is expensive, Streich said. For spreading this paper, especially constructed paper-laying machines pulled by horses or motors had to be devised.

Over half a million dollars are expended annually in Hawaii for this paper covering process," Streich said. "Such enormous outlays are not prohibitive or un-

profitable in Hawaii, where there are two harvests a year.

For general use, however, this process is impracticable, not only because of the price, but also owing to the fact that fastening the paper to the ground with clips, pegs, sand, or stones, is a tiresome and time-consuming process which, after all, offers no guarantee that, in the event of wind or storm, the covering will not tear or be removed entirely.

Streich's spraying method, he says, is applicable to all useful plants except cereals. To the cellulose may be added, besides water, any other substances necessary as soil ingredients, such as lime or potash.

For planting seeds or young plants, holes must be pierced through the cellulose layer in the same manner in which they are now cut into the paper covering in Hawaii. The watering of the plants is likewise done through these holes.

## Associated Fair Officials To Discuss Percentage Plan

Charlie Coombes, president, and J. D. Motley, secretary of the Runnels County Fair Association, will leave Thursday morning for Dallas to attend the meeting of State Associated Fairs. The body will be in session Friday and Saturday with the State Fair of Texas as host to the visitors.

Heads of fairs all over the state have a large number of important questions to present to this meeting that will have much to do with the life of these institutions during the next few years. Recently straw votes have been taken by mail on a number of the issues and practically all officials of county and regional fairs have voted alike. Most fairs in Texas reported heavy losses in 1930 due to many guaranteed expenses and it is hoped to work out a plan to eliminate these.

In previous years all entertainment programs have been booked outright by fair associations and stipulated sums guaranteed performers. Officials at the Dallas meeting will discuss a plan of trying to secure this entertainment on the percentage basis. Carnivals are booked that way and instead of an expense, furnish much of the revenue for the associations. Should it be possible for the fair associations to unite and accept only entertainment for the grandstand on the percentage basis a profit would be insured instead of a loss on this portion of the program.

This would apply to all fairs alike, but two separate plans would have to be worked out. About 60 per cent of the fairs in this state present racing programs while the remainder depend on hippodrome shows, fireworks, pageants, etc., to draw grandstand attendance.

Many of the fairs in this section of the state are discussing a plan to place premiums on a profit-sharing basis so as not to contract a fixed expense in that department. This would eliminate the necessity of rain insurance as every exhibitor and performer would share alike in the risk of inclement weather and poor patronage.

There was no Runnels County Fair held last year and judging from the experience of other fairs in the state it was a wise move.

## Warns Senate On Cashing of Soldiers' Bonus

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Andrew W. Mellon, secretary of the treasury, appeared before the Senate finance committee today with the warning that cash redemption of the soldiers' adjusted compensation certificates would upset the nation's financial structure and "seriously retard business recovery."

Mellon said the treasury would close the fiscal year with a deficit of \$375,000,000 and that payment of the face value of the certificates would cost \$3,400,000,000.

## Border Patrol to Be Increased 250

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—An appropriation of \$500,000 for the immediate increase to 250 men in the border patrol was voted today by the Senate appropriations committee.

Funds for the increase were added to the appropriation measure for the departments of commerce, labor, state and justice.

## Test Artificial Hay Drier

GAINESVILLE, Fla., Jan. 27.—(AP)—An artificial hay drier has been installed here and will be used in a cooperative experiment by the Florida experimental station and the United States forage crops bureau. The machine has a capacity of 500 pounds of dried hay an hour.

Scratch Pads, 20c per pound, at Ledger office. tld.

## Compromise Tax Relief Bill Adopted by House

### Special Officers Get 2 Bootleggers

Immigration officers E. M. Brown and F. L. Cantello arrested two Mexicans near Melvin Friday afternoon and turned them over to the sheriff of Concho county where they will be tried on charges of bootlegging. The immigration officers have been working in this section for the past two days looking for Mexican aliens who are being sent back into Mexico.

Friday afternoon they had started to Melvin to investigate several cases and a short distance from that town were passed by a car in which there were two suspicious looking Mexicans. They raced with the car, finally crowding it to the side of the road, and forced them to stop. One of the Mexicans, Rosalio Ramirez, was armed with a .44 revolver and was declared the gunman for the two. Fernando DeHoyos, the other Mexican arrested, was unarmed but a search of the car revealed a good cargo of whisky which was evidently being delivered.

The immigration officers took their prisoners and the gun and whisky to Paint Rock and turned them over to Sheriff Willie Warren. He later brought them to Ballinger and lodged them in the county jail here where they are being held for Concho county.

Messrs. Brown and Cantello, after several days work around Ballinger left Saturday for Del Rio. Many Mexicans have been visited in this section by the pair and as a result a number will be sent back to their native country.

### Pampa Carpenter Is Shot to Death

PAMPA, Tex., Jan. 28.—C. H. Taylor, carpentry foreman, was shot to death near Lefors early this morning.

The sheriff arrested a man and a woman in connection with the killing.

### COUPLAND IS NAMED WINTERS POSTMASTER

Thomas Coupland has been announced as the new postmaster at Winters and will take office with in the next few days. Coupland is a Democrat and has received the appointment under a Republican administration and will supplant a Republican on the job. He was recommended by C. O. Harris, of San Angelo, Republican leader of this section of West Texas.

George Hill, publisher of the Winters Enterprise, was in Ballinger Friday afternoon attending to business and visited the formal opening of the new city hall here.

AUSTIN, Jan. 28.—The House today adopted the compromise tax relief bill from the Senate-House conference committee. The bill carried a provision for deferring paying of 1930 taxes to October 30, 1931, making semi-annual payments optional if desired by taxpayers.

### Youths Confess to Stealing Chickens

Connie Bryant, 14, and Buford Pennington, 16, were brought to Ballinger Tuesday and placed in the county jail on charges of chicken theft. A few hours after being brought here by Deputy W. S. Barr, the youths made a complete confession to County Attorney Roy Hill. They were given a hearing in justice court and bond in each case was set at \$250.

Sunday night six chickens were taken from the home of H. I. Collingsworth and Monday six of the same kind of fowls were sold to a Winters poultry house. Their arrests followed.

Bryant and Pennington will be held here until bond is made or until their cases are disposed of at the next term of district court which convenes in Ballinger on February 9.

H. K. Hall, of Winters, entered a plea of guilty here Wednesday morning in county court to operating a pool hall in the town of Winters, and was fined \$25 and costs, the total amounting to \$51.80. Evidence had been secured against Hall by minors who testified they played "scratch pool" in the place and paid for each game, and that they were not members of any club at the time. The defendant offered no testimony in the case.

### Farm Home Burns; 7 Die in Flames

WILLIAMSPORT, Penna., Jan. 28.—Clyde Smith and his six small children burned to death today in a farm house at Powys, near here.

Mrs. Smith and her two-year-old child were saved but were badly burned.

Stalk Bears 3 Pounds Of Corn  
AMES, Iowa, Jan. 22.—(AP)—Otto Thompson of Shelby county produced a stalk of corn on which there were two ears more than 12 inches long and a third more than 11 inches, each weighing more than a pound.

## MONEY---

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## The Winters State Bank

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Rural people have complained of late quite a bit about thieves and prowlers on their premises. In addition to a number of people over the county reporting the loss of calves, others state that their chicken yards have been raided several times and a large amount of poultry taken.

Workmen with plows and fresnos on highway No. 23 turned lots of ground last week and the roadway is well torn up from a point near Elm Creek far over the hills to the east. A large crew is working full time on this job and every day that the weather will permit makes good progress.

All lines of business in this county are delighted with the spring-like weather this week. Nights have been cold, with heavy frosts, but sunshine during the day makes it warmer and all kinds of outdoor work have been started. The ground is getting dry enough for plowing and many are far behind with this type of farm work and will use the good days to catch up.

Ducks are now beginning to be plentiful in this section and the season closes with the last day of this month. Hunters are not helped a great deal in this particular season as most of the birds migrate here after the close of the season. Numbers of ducks have been found on large lakes in a few places in the county before Christmas but they are just now being located on small tanks and streams where hunters can reach them with a shot-gun.

Rains have again retarded plowing, planting and highway work. Missing one week-end without the usual rain, only one day of sunshine was enjoyed before a steady rainfall started all over the county. Many farmers had started breaking land and plowing was good in most places. Work on grading on Highway 23 was in full swing but all was stopped Tuesday on account of the wet weather.

Ballinger citizens showed their appreciation of the new city hall Friday when throngs inspected that building during the hours it was open to the public. Those who carefully looked the building over were delighted with the city's new home and visitors here were very complimentary over the progress of this city during the past twelve months. The review of the work actually completed was surprising to some of the visitors and shows the spirit of the citizenship of Ballinger in progressive moves.

Law violations in Runnels county have been perhaps lower than in any adjoining county. Officers have had little work to do for several months and what few cases are tried are of minor interest and small offenses usually punishable by fine. Trials that attract much interest have been transferred here from other counties. The term of court which will open here on February 9 will have few criminal cases to handle unless they are found by the grand jury which will meet on the first day of the session and make a report some time during the week.

A baby just a few hours old was found on the front door step at the Overall Hospital at Coleman this week. The child remained on the doorstep most of the night and while patients heard the cries, thought it was a child in the institution. The boy was not suffering from cold, however, as he was well wrapped in a small box and hot bricks had been placed in the bottom to keep him from freezing. The child is being taken care of at the hospital until a suitable home can be secured for him. This matter of getting rid of babies is becoming

common in this section. Recently one was found at Miles and soon placed in a good home that wanted a child. The infants are no doubt much better off and will find a home where they will be loved and given a good opportunity.

The Runnels county interscholastic league meet which will be held in Winters on March 20 and 21 will in connection to all the usual events stage a school fair. All schools will enter exhibits of their work in competition and show visitors to the meet what is being done in an educational way in this county. The fair will also serve to gather material for entry in the Runnels County Fair here in October. The date comes too early for many schools in the county and with them not open it has been impossible for them to take part in the school division of the county fair. These exhibits used in the school fair will be placed in the hands of a committee and can be brought here in the fall and entered in a booth to represent the community and rural schools of the county.

The plan being pushed this year by the Runnels county interscholastic league in the meet at Winters to hold a school fair in connection is a fine thing. For years many schools of this county have not been represented at the county fair because of the fact that the dates for the fair come before they are opened and material cannot be assembled for school booths so they are prevented from competing for the prizes and the benefits of showing their work to the large throngs who inspect the booths. The exhibits from the school fair each spring will be kept intact and someone appointed to look after it and enter it in fairs later. It is the right time of the year for good work to be selected and creates a desire among students to do work that will be picked for exhibition.

It now appears that the legislature will make the date for payment of taxes February 20 and by that time expects to pass some kind of a measure for installment payment of taxes. This bill is meeting with little opposition, and with a few amendments tied on is likely to pass within a few weeks. Towns are passing similar plans and some are even making the payments quarterly. Brady last week announced such a plan and people there will have tax paying time every three months instead of once a year. As the matters now stands, however, taxes are due this week and the deadline for payments will be Saturday night at midnight. After that they will become delinquent and penalties will be assessed. If the House passes the resolution favored Tuesday by the Senate, however, time will be extended on state and county tax levies.

J. H. Arthur and Mrs. W. J. Arthur, of San Angelo, were here Sunday for a visit with Rev. and Mrs. E. W. McLaurin. Mrs. J. H. Arthur and baby who have been visiting here for several days returned to San Angelo with them. Mr. and Mrs. Newt Wardlaw and family, of Del Rio, are here for a visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. J. F. Neff is in Temple at the bedside of her sister, who has been ill for some time.

L. Afferbach and Ed Pape left Friday morning for Gonzales to visit at the bedside of Mr. Afferbach's brother, who is very ill.

Lyle Deffebaug and S. W. Cooper of Winters were in Ballinger Monday looking after business matters.

A. A. Brown, of Taipa, was here Wednesday attending to business and remained for the night meeting of the local American Legion post.

Z. E. Tounget, whose address is Taipa route 2, was here Friday attending to business and renewed his subscription to The Ledger for about the thirtieth time. Mr. Tounget stated that everything was moving along nicely in his neighborhood.

Farm Loan Office To Open Here Soon

C. R. Stephens, R. G. Erwin, T. J. McCaughan and C. W. Lehmburg returned late Thursday afternoon from Abilene, where they attended a district drouth relief conference. This meeting was the last of three meetings called in the state by O. B. Martin, head of the extension service of A. & M. College. More than 500 persons, representing practically all counties of West Texas, were present.

The meeting was disappointing to the committeemen and to Mr. Martin as well because of the fact that no blanks have been received and no definite instructions could be given the county chairmen on how the loans will be handled, other than guess-work based on arrangements in other states where government relief is in operation. The final acceptance of all plans is left in the hands of the secretary of agriculture and when blanks arrive from that department, actual work will be started by the committeemen. Mr. Stephens said Friday that the blanks were expected by the middle of next week.

The Ballinger office of the county committee will be established in the rear of the Ballinger State Bank in the space formerly occupied by the city administration. This space has been donated for use by the committee as well as office furniture and other necessities. Application blanks will be distributed to various points in the county where farmers will have easy access to them and be able to study them before bringing them to the Ballinger office to file applications for loans.

A number of counties which were not originally placed in the drouth stricken area were represented at the Abilene meeting, seeking to be classed in that area and eligible for help with the first applications.

Everything possible will be done to speed up the work and start filing applications for loans. At present the committee has no instructions to publish regarding the procedure for securing these loans and can give no information until after complete supplies have been received and studied. As soon as this is done, an announcement will be made, explaining in detail all necessary



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What a joy to have the bowels move like clockwork, every day! It's easy, if you mind these simple rules of a famous old doctor:

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2. Get plenty of outdoor exercise without unduly fatiguing yourself.
3. Try for a bowel movement at exactly the same hour every day.

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Clean up that coated tongue, sweeten that bad breath, and get rid of those bilious headaches. A little Syrup Pepsin will soon free the bowels from all that waste matter that makes the whole system sluggish. You'll eat better, sleep better and feel better.

You'll like the way Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin tastes. The way it works will delight you. Big bottles—all drug stores.

DR. W. B. CALDWELL'S SYRUP PEPSIN A Doctor's Family Laxative

The Ballinger office will not be opened until all blanks have been received. No time will be lost, however, after the plan is thoroughly understood and the committee is permitted to make loans.

Nature Thought of Everything Nature thought of everything when the human body was made. When the body is about to become ill, nature planned danger signals to warn us. Thus, if our children grind their teeth when they sleep, or lack appetite, or suffer from abdominal pains, or itch about the nose and fingers, we should know that they may have contracted worms. Then, if we are wise, we buy a bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge and safely expel the worms. Thus we avoid the danger of very serious trouble. White's Cream Vermifuge costs only 35c a bottle, and can be bought from Weeks Drug Store.

Officers Hunt For Calf Thieves

The sheriff's department reports the theft of a large number of calves and small steers during the past ten days. Sheriff W. A. Holt and Chief of Police Lee Moreland have been investigating the matter for the past few days and Wednesday found a hide from a young calf in an abandoned well in the western part of town. The hide was removed from the well and identified by Jake Stubblefield as that of a calf taken from his place a few days ago. The finding of the hide was reported to the sheriff's department by a small Mexican boy living in that part of town.

Sheriff Holt stated Thursday that a number of head of fat, young stock had been reported missing and that what investigation had been made caused officers to believe that the stock was being stolen and butchered for home consumption.

He further stated that parties living in the country who heard trucks or cars on their premises

at night without lights burning had better make investigation at once and call officers. He believes that trucks without lights are entering pastures, killing the calves and taking them to some place miles away to butcher them, and then taking the meat to their homes.

The local officers are anxious to cooperate with the stockmen in every way possible in this matter and put a stop to this crime. One case has been investigated but evidence did not warrant an arrest and other clues will have to be found.

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CONTENT NEWS

Farmers are getting anxious to start ploughing. Very little ground has been broken in this section.

The school busses are having some trouble these days. A few bad places in the roads don't have time to dry between the rains and the heavily loaded trucks sink deep into the soft places. The attendance at school is holding up in spite of bad weather.

Will Crowson and family have moved back into our community after being away two years.

A. E. Bush, of Hamilton county, was here looking after his interests last week. He was accompanied by Floyd Bush.

Miss Nora Cash, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. H. S.

Bright, was called home last Wednesday, on account of the illness of her mother. At last report Mrs. Cash was improving.

Bro. Morphis filled his appointment here Sunday. During threatening weather he has been preaching mornings and afternoons. This is better than to have services at night, as he has to return to Novice after the last service, and then, too, some can come to church in the afternoon better than at night. Bro. Morphis preached two good sermons this trip.

Home Demonstration Club

The club met on January 1, with 10 members present. Two new members were enrolled. It was decided that members would pay five cents a month dues. As Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth failed to meet with us, and nothing definite had been planned, the club adjourned after a short social period in which they were served hot chocolate and cake by the hostess, Mrs. H. S. Bright, assisted by Mrs. Virgil Frierson.

Mrs. C. E. Coates and Mrs. Alton Parker were appointed as hostesses for the next meeting. On January 15 the club met with ten members present. Dues amounting to \$1.00 were collected. There was no special business to attend to, so Mrs. B. B. Lockett gave a jelly roll demonstration. This was enjoyed by all present, and especially was it enjoyed when the roll was served with delicious hot chocolate by the hostesses, Mmes. Coates and Parker.

We hope to have Mrs. Hollingsworth with us at the next meeting. Mrs. Roy Smith and Mrs. Clyde Jenkins are hostesses for that meeting.

Mrs. A. J. Fisher, one of our teachers, was called home to Abilene Monday afternoon, on account of the illness of Mr. Fisher.

Doss Allen had to take his little boy, A. J., to Abilene Tuesday morning for an operation for appendicitis.

"REPORTER"

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Mrs. Mame Carey of Buffalo, N. Y., writes—"Since I began taking Kruschen Salts I have lost 20 pounds and I feel as if I had lost 50 pounds—I feel so good and the best part of it all is that I eat anything I like."

Mrs. Clifford Rhoden has returned from Merkel where she has been during the time of the illness and death of her sister, Brooksie Justice. Mrs. Rhoden has been asked to fill the place made vacant in the school by her sister's death and she plans to return Sunday to stay with her parents and teach for the next four months.

Mrs. Oscar Routh, who was stricken with paralysis a few days ago, was reported to have been resting some better Friday morning.

F. V. Gates, who was employed by the D. Reeder Dry Goods Co. through the fall, has accepted a traveling job with a Dallas concern.

Dire Needs of Half Million Victims Of Drought to Be Met by Red Cross



Happiness entered this mountain home for the first time in weeks, when the Red Cross men arrived with a full supply of food. In oval above, John Barton Payne, chairman, and below, James L. Fieser, vice chairman, veterans in relief work, who administer the fund.

THE merciless sun of last summer which burned the crops on thousands of acres and brought a drought unprecedented in the annals of America, has caused destitution to rest on the doorsteps of more than a hundred thousand farm homes.

Mobilized, as in war time, the American Red Cross is feeding half a million people, and is undertaking to clothe the needy.

In the first few days after New Year's Day, 1931, calls for help more than trebled. On January 15, the Red Cross had given \$1,500,000

in relief. On that date, Red Cross food was given in all but nine of Arkansas' seventy-five counties. Red Cross Chapters in counties in one-third of the area of Kentucky were dispensing food and clothing. Counties in other southern, central and middle western states were relieving distress through their Red Cross Chapters.

President Hoover on January 13 in issuing a proclamation calling upon the public to contribute a \$10,000,000 fund to the Red Cross to meet this distress, said, in part:

"There must be a material increase in the resources of the American Red Cross to enable it to bear the burden which it has undertaken in the drought area and smaller communities over twenty-one states during this winter. Within the last ten days the Red Cross has had to increase the rate of expenditures to an amount greater than during the entire preceding four months.

"I appeal to our people to contribute promptly and most generously in order that the suffering of thousands of our fellow countrymen may be prevented."

"THE MAIN THING ON MAIN STREET"

By L. F. Van Zelm

Advertisement for Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, featuring a man's face and text: 'Colds Cost Money... FORTIFY YOURSELF AGAINST COLDS, GRIPPE... DR. PIERCE'S GOLDEN MEDICAL DISCOVERY'

Advertisement for Daily Buzz newspaper, featuring a fisherman and text: 'Daily Buzz MAIN ST. GOES A-FISHING... MOST EVERYONE WENT A-FISHING DOWN TO THE CREEK TO DAY BECAUSE THE FISH WERE BITING PRETTY GOOD.'

A large cartoon illustration showing a fisherman catching a large fish, with various speech bubbles and text: 'HERING'S FISH MART - WEAK FISH FOR WEEK ENDS... THE BIRD THAT CALLED THIS STILL FISHIN' WAS RIGHT - I BEEN HERE SINCE 6 AM AN I'M STILL FISHIN'... GOSH! THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I WAS EVER IN A SCHOOL'

## Backache Leg Pains

If Getting Up Nights, Backache, frequent day calls, Leg Pains, Nervousness, or Burning, due to functional, makes you feel tired, depressed, and discouraged, try the Cystex Test. Works fast, starts circulating thru the system in 15 minutes. Frayed by thousands for rapid and positive action. Don't give up. Try Cystex (proprietary) today, under the Iron-Clad Guarantee. Must quickly ally these conditions, improve restful sleep and energy, or money back. Only 60c at

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## Baptist Meeting Called at Winters

Rev. J. M. Riddle, county Baptist missionary, has called a meeting of the Runnels County Baptist Association which will be held in Winters on Tuesday, February 3, with the First Baptist Church of that place. A program has been arranged and all Baptists in this county are being sent these programs and urged to attend the session. The program will begin at 10 o'clock in the morning and will last until late in the afternoon or until all business is attended to.

According to the Concho Herald, paper published at Paint Rock, Rev. Riddle has been called to the church at that place and has accepted. This will take him from the place as county missionary in this county, however, he has not confirmed his call to the county-board yet. He has served in this county for a number of years and has been a strong leader in his work. He has the co-operation of all Baptist members of the county and his loss as a missionary here will be felt.

The following program has been announced by Rev. Riddle for the Winters meeting.  
10:00 a. m.—Devotional, Rev. M. A. Quindlen.  
10:30—"The Budget as a Soul-Winning Agency," Rev. J. H. McClain  
11:00—"The B. Y. P. U. as a Soul-Winning Agency," Rev. A. A. Bryan  
11:30—Sermon, Rev. John M. Riddle  
Noon  
1:30—Devotional, Rev. Willis J. Ray  
2:00—Board meeting

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

### HOSPITAL NOTES

H. W. Doherty is resting well in the Halley & Love Sanitarium following an abdominal operation this week. Mr. Doherty had been ill for several days prior to entering the hospital and was in a critical condition.

G. H. Coggin, of Bronte, is doing nicely after an operation this week for appendicitis.

Cecil Ash, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ash, of Marie, is resting well after a serious operation for double mastoids.

George Fowler is improving after having his knee operated on this week. Mr. Fowler was injured in an automobile wreck several weeks ago and has been in the Halley & Love Sanitarium since that time.

Mrs. Frank Smith, of Old Runnels, is convalescing following an operation for appendicitis this week. She will soon be able to leave the hospital for her home.

G. H. Harmon left the hospital Friday morning for his home at Robert Lee after remaining here or several days under the treatment of physicians.

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

### MAZELAND SCHOOL CLOSED: SCARLET FEVER IS CAUSE

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Caskey, school in the school at Mazeland, are here this week visiting the Mrs. Caskey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Cochran. The school there was closed for this week after a case of scarlet fever was reported. Unless there is a spread of the disease school will likely be opened again next Monday.

Buy your printing at home.

## City Finances are In Good Condition

On the occasion of the dedication of the new city hall building and the beginning of a new year for the administration city finances are found in excellent shape with a good balance in every account. The financial resume made up at the close of business on December 31, 1930, shows a total balance in all municipal accounts of \$37,962.14, and no account overdrawn. Another gratifying phase of the report is that every account shows a gain over the preceding month, collections up to standard, and taxes for the ensuing year practically half paid.

Following is a brief summary of the report:

City hall	\$ 472.04
W. W. improvements	4560.42
General	3103.90
Water	6729.89
Sanitary	201.07
Street	695.74
<b>Interest and Sinking Fund</b>	
W. W. 1921	\$ 682.04
W. W. 1922	5123.89
W. W. 1930	1253.30
Street 1922	10,216.52
Ref. 1928	259.81
Ref. 1930	4176.99
Lights 1921	100.50
C. H. 1930	336.03

Total \$37,962.14  
The balance on the city hall and waterworks improvement represents the balance of the funds which have been withdrawn from the Security Trust Co., Austin, and placed in the Ballinger State Bank.

The water department for December showed a net cash gain of \$357.65, and with improvements of \$53.57 made the net above operation \$411.22.

It was necessary for the commission to operate on the scrip basis for part of 1929, but as soon as 1930 taxes began to be paid the city went on the cash basis and since that time the commission has paid cash for everything. The new year is begun with the balance of more than \$3,000 in the general fund.

### RANGE CATTLE FOUND IN GOOD CONDITION

LIBERTY, Tex., Jan. 26.—Cattlemen of Liberty and Chambers counties report range cattle in the best condition to begin what usually is the coldest part of the winter.

Although the number of cattle that will through necessity be fed for several weeks in winter, it is not as large as last winter when the weather was unusually severe. There is a scarcity of feed, however, and cotton seed and other grains are reported finding ready sales. The ranchers have expressed optimism over the prospects of comparatively small cattle losses this winter.

## Sore Throat? Don't Gargle

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### A. R. JONES BUYS UNDERWOOD NEWS CO.

A deal was closed late Friday afternoon in which A. R. Jones purchased the Underwood News Company and will take over the business on February 1. Mr. Jones will be with the business from now until that time but all newspaper routes and magazines will be transferred to him on the first of the month.

Mr. Jones stated Saturday that he would continue to operate the business at the Weeks Drug Store and the only change in the business would be the name. It will be operated under the name of the Jones News Company, and practically all state papers and magazines will be sold.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nance of Brady spent the week-end here visiting relative and friends.

J. D. Smith of the Winters country was in Ballinger Monday looking after business here.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Atkins attended the presentation of "Flying High" at San Angelo Monday night.

## Concho Favors Road Bond Balloting Soon

A road district has been created in Concho county composed of commissioners' precincts No. 1 and No. 3 and will be known as road district No. 1. A petition is ready to be presented to the commissioners' court asking that a bond election amounting to \$285,000 be called in that district for the purpose of voting bonds to hard-surface Highways 4 and 9 through that county and to secure new rights-of-way and widen others.

As soon as the petition is presented a hearing will be called for fifteen days later and it is expected that an election will be ordered 30 days after the hearing.

The people of Concho county have the assurance that if the above amount of money is provided by the county, that they will retain their designations and that the state and federal governments will furnish the rest of the money to improve both important highways through that county. For the last several years citizens of that county have been working on the proposed issue and will continue to do so until after the election is held.

Highway No. 4 passes through the county almost north and south and goes from Ballinger through Paint Rock and Eden and on to Menard and other points south as far as Brownsville. Highway 9 goes through the county from San Angelo to Brady and misses Paint Rock but goes through Eden. Both roads are important links in the traffic of the state and their improvement will do much to fill the gaps of unimproved road.

The state ad national governments are offering to furnish about three-fourths of the cost of this construction and leading citizens are anxious to take advantage of the offer.

### Notice to Members of the Lone Star Wool-Mohair Co-operative Association

We have made arrangements to handle wool for the Lone Star Wool-Mohair Co-operative Association of San Angelo. There will be no extra charge above the regular charges specified in their marketing agreement. We have also arranged with J. A. Guy of this place to furnish bags and twine to our customers at the lowest possible cost. If you do not want to truck your wool to the warehouse just bill it to us for concentration over the railroad and we will take care of the freight. We will be glad to assist anyone in preparing their papers who wants to join the association or get a pre-shearing advance on their wool.

Talpa Wool Warehouse Co. 30-tfw

### WANTS FARMERS TO USE TESTED SEEDS

AUSTIN, Jan. 26.—The planting season at hand, farmers in Texas have been urged by J. E. McDonald, state commissioner of agriculture, to take advantage of the facilities of the agriculture department for testing seed for germination.

The service was reported by the department to be free.

State tested seed may be obtained from dealers subscribing to the state testing service, J. B. McClug, chief of the seed division, said.

The germination and seed law has been in effect less than two years, but already has established a basis for improving the quality of planting seed. J. E. McDonald said.

Jesse G. Smith, of Big Lake, has returned to his work after visiting his baby which has been ill here for several weeks.

C. P. Shepherd left Monday morning for Abilene to look after legal business in that city.



## In Society

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## 66 Teams Work On Road Grading

Work on Highway 23 between Ballinger and Talpa resembled the start of a big circus Thursday as many men and 132 head of horses and mules were being used at top speed in starting the grades. Plows and fresnos were tearing up ground over a mile and three quarters of territory, and with the ground in good condition for the work were making good progress.

Grubbing crews were busy at other places along the route and without any interference will likely complete this part of the work by the close of the week and have all ground ready for the plows. The grading contractors, with an extra large force on the job, will be able to do the work fast with weather permitting work on the project.

The distance to be graded is slightly more than 14 miles and two crews will likely be started on the work at once and all teams used full time until the ground is all broken and grades thrown up by fresnos. Included in the grading contract are a few small concrete drainage structures which will be built and connected at an early date.

The Austin Bridge Company of Dallas has the contract for the larger structures, but so far a work order has not been received to start this construction. As soon as the work is authorized the company will start a crew of men on these bridges, the largest of which is 179 feet long, and two of almost that size. These spans will be over streams where high waters have stopped traffic on

many occasion and after they are finished all flood waters will be taken care of without further interference.

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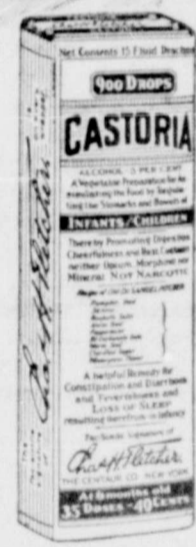
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## SAN ANGELO COACH TO BE ELECTED THIS WEEK

According to reports from San Angelo selection of a new high school football coach will be made there this week when the board meets to name a successor to Bill Bissett. Already a number of applications have been considered and many of them eliminated, leaving only three as possible choice.

The three said to be favored by fans, faculty members and trustees are Coach Felton Wright, of Ballinger; Harry Taylor, of Colorado; and Mollie Crawford, of Sam Houston normal. Of the trio Taylor and Wright seem to

have the edge. The San Angelo trustees will meet behind locked doors to save interference from fans.

Coach Wright has tendered his resignation here and local fans would like to see him chosen to guide the Bobcats. Friends have interested themselves in his behalf at San Angelo and believe he stands a good chance of securing the position.

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

J. D. Mouley left Monday morning for San Angelo to attend to business in that city.



## Sore THROAT

The daily press tells of increasing numbers of cases of sore throat. A sore throat is a menace to the person who has it, and to those around him. Don't neglect the condition. Check the soreness and the infection with Bayer Aspirin! Crush three tablets in 1/3 tumblerful of water and gargle well. You can feel the immediate relief. The soreness will be relieved at once. The infection will be reduced. Take Bayer tablets for your cold; and for relieving the aches and pains common to colds. Bayer Aspirin brings quick comfort in neuralgia, neuritis, rheumatism, etc. Get the genuine, with the Bayer cross on each tablet:

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Important Business is Before C. of C. Today

The Ballinger Chamber of Commerce directors met in regular session for the first time since their organization Tuesday morning and all committee appointments were made and business for the year discussed. J. D. Motley, secretary of the organization, following the reading of the committee, named a number of projects for the consideration of each committee to begin investigating and to include in the program of work for the year.

The civic committee was urged to assist the Lions club in every way possible with the city park and playground which has been taken on as a program for the year by that organization. Other matters of civic work will also be included on this program, probably including a "better yards" campaign this spring and summer.

The development committee was instructed to keep in touch with the federal building and in case of such a program being started to have Ballinger's claim before their congressman. Other matters of interest at this particular time included the road bond issue in Concho county for the construction of Highways 4 and 9 which will connect with hard surfaced road in this county on No. 4. Interest was shown in the road bond issue in the Winters commissioners' precinct which proposes to issue \$160,000 worth of bonds for lateral road work there. This election will be held on February 7. The securing of a designation from Ballinger to Bronte will stay before the highway committee as one of the greatest needs here and when such a thing seems possible the committee will be ready to work on the project.

The Runnels County Fair was discussed from many angles and Secretary Motley outlined a program which fairs all over this section are considering for the coming year which would place the programs and all fixed expenses on a percentage basis. Mr. Motley was instructed to attend the meeting in Dallas of the Fair Secretaries and Managers Association and bring back the general decision of that body for the solution of such problems.

A committee of three was named to consult with C. R. Stephens with reference to the opening of an office here for the handling of drouth relief loans and the issuing of food by the American Red Cross. Such an office will be opened here in the rear of the Ballinger State Bank within a few days, this space having been donated by the bank, and clerical help will be needed for some time in running the office and assisting with details. Mr. Stephens will give his full time to the work out it will be impossible

Opening of City Hall Attracts More Than 500

More than five hundred people visited and inspected the new city hall and fire station here Friday afternoon and night. The visitors started soon after lunch Friday and continued all through the afternoon with the heavy crowd coming about 7:30 in the evening. Four hundred and seventeen registered in books provided for this purpose but many failed to write their names which would run the total number of visitors well over 500.

Out of town guests registered here from Rowena, San Angelo, Santa Anna, Winters, Benoit, Coleman, Novice, Abilene, Sweetwater, Weatherford, Lindsay, Oklahoma, New York City and Cincinnati, Ohio.

The interior of the building was made much prettier by pot plants and ferns furnished by the Ballinger Floral Company and the Eubank Floral Company of this city. These flowers were placed in the downstairs offices and the entrance hall. A large basket of flowers were sent by people of Winters congratulating the Ballinger people on their new city building. Another was received from the Winters Fire Department by the local fire fighters and was placed in the station.

The main auditorium and the firemen's dormitory were made beautiful with hand painted pictures arranged by the Ballinger Art Society and a special collection of paintings by Mrs. H. H. Thomson.

A large crowd heard the program in the auditorium at 8 o'clock. J. D. Motley, secretary of the chamber of commerce, presided and following a short welcome by Mayor W. C. McCarver, Mayor W. E. Baxter of Santa Anna was introduced and offered a response in behalf of the visitors.

Following this the regular program was outlined was presented with Mayor McCarver talking of the city hall project, and Commissioner E. Shepperd the water extension work here. E. M. Eubank, a former city commissioner, was called upon and responded with a nice talk, congratulating the city upon their recent accomplishments. Fire Chief M. C. Atkins talked on the work of that department and a number of visiting chiefs were introduced and given time on the program.

City officials are delighted with the opening of the new building and interest shown by Ballinger people. They wish to thank all who had a part in its success and state that the building is still open for inspection to those who did not get to visit it Friday.

Visitors from other towns were very complimentary in their praise of the new city hall and fire station.

Would You Know One If You Saw It?

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

SAYS TURKEY RAISING BETTER THAN FARMING

COLEMAN, Jan. 26.—Carl Gray, Coleman merchant, is convinced that turkey raising is more lucrative than farming, particularly in a year like 1930, and he cites records as proof of his convictions.

S. Q. Switzer, tenant farmer on Gray's farm last year, cultivated 90 acres in cotton, worked early and late daily throughout the season, and harvested three bales of cotton that barely paid expenses of harvest and preparation for the market.

Mrs. Switzer, during this time, was raising turkeys on the halves with Mrs. Gray. She started the season with seven hens, and derived a profit of \$63 as her share of the crop—much more than was made by her husband on his 90 acres of cotton. And prices for turkeys last year were the lowest for several years.

Three million Christmas and New Year's cards were sent to the dead letter office in 1929 because there were no return address on them.

Adult Band Here Organized Thurs.

Following the action of the Ballinger fire department Tuesday night when it was voted by that organization not to sponsor an adult band, all those who were interested in the forming of such a band met Wednesday night and created the nucleus for an independent band.

Sixteen men who have never played before will begin rehearsals at once. These have already received their instruments. A number of others will be ready to commence practice some time in February, thus creating a band of about twenty beginners. This group will practice for several months and is expected to be joined later by about fifteen musicians who formerly played, building up a band of about 35 members by summer.

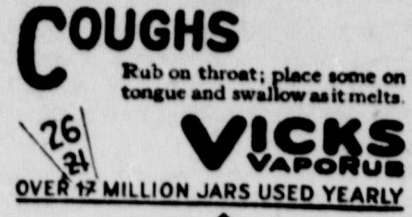
Chas. T. Grant, veteran band director, has been employed by the organization as director and will hold his first rehearsal about February 1. Instruction books have been ordered and will be here by that time.

The following officers will handle business affairs of the new band: J. A. Killough, president; Ernest Moody, secretary-treasurer; Carl Black and Marvin Taylor, managers; C. T. Grant, director and leader; and M. C. Golden, chaplain. President Killough made a very inspiring talk to the band and pledged his full efforts in making the organization a success. He also offered space for rehearsals in the rear of the J. C. Penney store, where lights and heat will be furnished. About 40 square feet of floor space is available in this excellent rehearsal room.

Each member of the adult band is buying his own instrument and will pay for his own tuition. The organization is created for the good of Ballinger and as soon as the musicians are ready to play in public will be available without charge. The officials are not soliciting funds on which to operate and expect to make no

canvass. A few volunteer donations have been given them and accepted but no solicitations of any kind will be made, it was stated.

President Killough announces that any adult desiring to become a member of the organization will be welcomed provided he furnishes his own instrument and pays tuition, and that he hoped to build the membership to approximately 30 beginners.



FORMER PASTOR HOLDS A RECORD REVIVAL

Leslie G. Smyth, formerly minister of the First Christian Church of Ballinger, now residing at Ada, Oklahoma, has received considerable publicity during the past ten days for the successful staging of a one-day revival in the Christian church of that city. Rev. Smyth has made this a part of his program at each place he has served but has never met with the success he had at Ada. One hundred and twenty-four persons united with the church there at two Sunday services as a result of the one-day effort. For several weeks members of the church were organized and made a careful canvass of the town. A religious census was made and those who had a preference for the Christian church were urged to come on the Sunday set for the revival and give in their membership. At the morning service 108 walked down the aisles.

Rev. Smyth staged a very successful revival in Ballinger while he was pastor of the local church, adding many to the membership.

Mrs. John Currie and Mrs. Conda Wylie left Sunday for San Angelo to be at the bedside of Kelso Wylie who is seriously ill in that city.

WINTERS QUINTET BEST IN BASKETBALL GAME

The Ballinger high school basketball team lost its first game of the season Friday night to the Winters five by a score of 19 to 14. This was the first time this year the two teams have played and the game was interesting until the last whistle. The game was played on the indoor court at Winters and a good sized crowd witnessed the contest.

The Crews team will meet the locals tonight on the court in the building formerly occupied by the Sykes Motor Company. The game will commence at 7 o'clock.

Those taking part in the game at Winters were: Flynt, Renau, Seidel, McIptyre, Marsh, Straley, Batts and Bailey.

The Ballinger players have won three and lost one of the games played so far this year.

MULES MEN TRADE FOR COLEMAN RANCH

MILES, Jan. 23.—A deal was consummated a few days ago in which J. C. and W. H. Williamson, for twenty-five years owners of a stock farm between here and Rowena, traded their property for a ranch in Coleman county to W. C. Haynes.

Mr. Haynes formerly lived here and it is understood that he is coming back to Miles, while the Williamson brothers will move to their newly acquired property.

Details of the deal were not made public.

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WINGATE NEWS

The party at Captain Dean's Friday night was enjoyed by a few of his friends.

Miss Jewel Bishop had as her guests Monday night, Misses Era Pulk, Earline Hancock and Gertrude Blackwell.

Miss Cleve Dugger spent Monday night with Miss Mary Lou Parish.

Miss Frankie Grisham spent Monday night with Miss Olea Vosburg.

Miss Hattie Murie Bishop spent Saturday night with Miss Edith Prewitt.

Miss Willie Mae Wood spent from Friday night until Sunday with Misses Anita and Omata Henley.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Polk spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mahurin.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wood, of Wilmeth, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Wood.

DALE NEWS

Misses Lois and Nora Green spent a pleasant day Sunday in the T. J. Mercer home.

We have some new people moving into our community, including Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kruse. We are glad to welcome this young couple to our community.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hale of Houston have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Brevard this week.

Mrs. T. A. Brevard and Mrs. W. M. Hale visited in the J. W. Hendricks home Wednesday afternoon.

Misses Lois and Nora Green and Miss Gracie Hendricks were guests in the Cooke home Tuesday night.

We are glad to have as a visitor in our community now, Mrs. Ferguson, mother of Mrs. B. B. Williams.

Katie Parr was a visitor in the Brevard home Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. T. A. Brevard and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hale were visitors in the home of Mr. Hale's parents in the Herring community. They enjoyed a basketball game in the afternoon, Herring vs. Talpa.

Guests in the Brevard home Thursday evening for supper were G. M. Patrick, Howard Mayo and Miss Billye Bailey of Winters.

Mrs. Hollingsworth came out to our community several days ago and organized a home demonstration club. This took place at the home of Howard Williams. They had their second meeting the past Thursday.

Mrs. W. M. Hale, Mrs. T. A. Brevard, Arlus and Olga Brevard, Howard Mayo and Ray Green motored to Winters Friday night to enjoy the play "Cappy Ricks," staged by the Little Theater Group.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Hobbs were visitors in the home of Mrs. Hobbs' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Parr, Sunday.

Quite a few enjoyed bridge games in the Brevard home on Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kruse had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Brevard and Arlus and Olga Brevard.

REPORTER

MAVERICK NEWS

The Maverick basketball boys were scheduled to meet the Crews boys tonight (Friday) at 7:00 o'clock, in the Winters gymnasium.

The S. A. A. U. Club entertained the school Friday afternoon in the school auditorium.

Honor roll students in the sixth and seventh grades were: Wilma Seipp, Chester Borders and Doris McAulay.

Mrs. E. A. Brock, hire, of our community, is suffering with pneumonia. Friends hope she will soon recover.

Doris McAulay is on the sick list this week. We are hoping for her a speedy recovery.

Miss Jennie D. Roberson, of Maverick, spent the week-end with relatives in Ballinger.

Misses Smith, Borders and Davis and Mr. Jackson visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tomlinson Sunday.

M. E. Davis, A. B., A. M., Th. M., B. D., and D. D., will preach at the Baptist and Methodist church Saturday night, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. Everyone is invited to attend and enjoy the good sermons.

REPORTER

WILMETH NEWS

The Mazeland basketball girls defeated the Bradshaw girls Monday night. The score was 17-10.

The Independence basketball boys motored to Mazeland Monday afternoon and were defeated. The score was 48 to 19.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Caskey went to Ballinger Monday afternoon, on business.

REPORTER

Ralph Proctor, of Big Spring, is visiting his grandparents here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Miller are the proud parents of a fine baby boy.

Veldon Harter and her sister, Leona, have the mumps. They are doing nicely.

J. S. Harter has pneumonia. He is doing as well as could be expected.

There were no services at any of the churches here Sunday on account of the bad weather.

BENOIT NEWS

The past week-end was warm and dry for the first time in several weeks, although a slow rain began to fall Monday about noon and has not ceased at the time of this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dishman and Mrs. John Connor of Ballinger were guests in the J. L. Green home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Williams of Sanatorium were Benoit visitors Monday.

Mrs. Dolores Lane and little son, Alvin Ray, have returned home after a visit with relatives at San Angelo and Wall.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Rumpy, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Green were among those who attended the opening of the new city hall Friday night.

Mrs. J. E. Reese and Mrs. Julius Lange were Ballinger visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hill had as their dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cox and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Howell of the Wingate community visited S. T. Williams and family Wednesday.

Mrs. Sid Dietz and Mrs. Tommie Dietz, Mrs. Jim Wood and Mrs. Clifford Wood and children, of Crews, visited in the A. W. Hill home Wednesday.

REPORTER

Mr. Roberts, of Talpa, spent Saturday night with his daughter Mrs. C. H. Midgely, and family. Mr. Roberts returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Newt Wardlaw and children, of Del Rio, spent the week-end with Mrs. Wardlaw's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Mapes and family.

Mrs. R. E. Brown left Friday for Abilene to visit her sister, Mrs. W. O. Brown. Mrs. T. M. Milam and son J. E. Milam, of Dallas, arrived in Abilene Saturday at noon to spend Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Milam's daughters, Mrs. R. E. and W. O. Brown. Mrs. Brown will return home in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Midgely of San Angelo spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. C. H. Midgely and family.

Mrs. Shelton of Benoit is spending this week with Mrs. Allen.

Mrs. John Hooks spent Monday with Mrs. Fred Farmer of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Midgely of San Angelo and James and Elizabeth attended the party Saturday night at the home of W. H. Embry of Hagan. All reported an enjoyable evening.

Corine Brown spent Tuesday night with Aleta Melton at town.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jackson of Victoria, Texas, are visiting Mr. Jackson's mother, Mrs. Will Jackson, and family.

Mrs. T. P. Brown of town spent the day with Mrs. I. F. Watson Saturday.

Henry Leach o Pumphrey visited his mother, Mrs. H. M. Leach, and family Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jackson, Mrs. Will Jackson, Mrs. A. E. Brunson and little son, Jack, were visitors in Fort Worth and Dallas last week.

Mrs. I. F. Watson is improving.

H. W. Doherty is still in the hospital and is doing fine.

Mrs. B. B. Cox has failed to show any improvement recently.

The boys' and girls' basketball teams of Talpa visited our school and played two games. The Talpa boys won while the girls' game ended in a tie.

Miss Ozella Avent spent Sunday with Miss Lemma Brevard.

Miss Gwendolyn Barmore of Glen Cove spent the week-end with Miss Maggie Ruth Brevard.

Mrs. G. C. Avent entertained the junior Sunday school class Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fuller and family spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Avent.

Garland Barmore spent the week-end with Charles Roesner.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Miller visited Mr. and Mrs. Barmore of the Crews community Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Barmore is seriously ill and her many friends are sorry to learn that she is not on the road to recovery. We hope she will soon be better.

There will be singing at the Hopewell Church Sunday afternoon at 2:30. Everybody is invited.

The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Larence Bryant on February 9. We intended to meet with her this time but as Mrs. Karnegy was the 4-H pantry demonstrator of this club the meeting was recalled to meet at her home.

At the last minute everyone was treated with cookies from the hostess' cookie jar. These were so good we did not mind the mud so much going home.

Bro. Tierce will preach next Sunday night. Everybody is urged to attend.

We are sorry that Geo. Fowler is not improving like he should. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Miss Effie Parker is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. L. Huddleston, this week.

Miss Carrie Witter spent Saturday night with Miss Pauline Malone.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wood of Bethel visited in the home of J. A. Foreman Sunday.

Miss Juanita Huddleston suffered the misfortune of a sprained ankle recently.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Boothe visited in the W. F. James home Sunday.

Dan Dorner and family visited in the home of Ed Linderman Sunday.

Mrs. Clemis Wood visited her mother, Mrs. Cole, who lives in the Oxien community.

Lee Wade, who has been sick for quite a while, is now improving.

Miss Laverne Booth is going to entertain the school girls of her class tomorrow night with a slumber party.

Miss Alice Foreman is visiting and working at Crane, Texas at the present time.

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Very good crowds attended both Sunday schools Sunday.

The first quarterly conference of the Methodist church will be held at Paint Rock next Sunday. Several from here are planning to attend.

The Junior girls indoor baseball game played at Ballinger Friday afternoon with the Ballinger Juniors resulted in a score of 25 to 13 in favor of Bethel.

David Wood spent the week-end in Abilene visiting friends.

Mrs. Bob Richardson was very sick last week but is much better at this writing.

Tom Crockett and son, Earl C., accompanied by Rupert Crockett, of Ballinger, spent three days last week with relatives at Mullin.

David Duke went to Lowake on business Sunday.

Mrs. Henergie has been very ill the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Mead McShan and Mrs. W. F. McShan were guests in the home of Tom Crockett Sunday.

The home economics class girls had a pie and candy sale at Piggly Wiggly Saturday. Proceeds were near \$10, which will be used to refinish the home economics kitchen.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Johnson had a very sick baby last week, but is reported much better.

Master Tom Womack entertained a case of mumps last week.

Less McShan and family, of Valley Creek, have recently moved to a part of Mrs. W. F. McShan's farm on the river, in this community.

Mrs. H. G. Hays and daughter, Miss Cora Hays, of Ballinger, attended Sunday school here Sunday.

The Senior basketball girls played a very interesting game with Ballinger girls Saturday afternoon. Bethel was victorious.

Miss Nona Diltz' expression recital was called off last Friday night until Friday night of this week.

Mr. Duke, of old Runnels, visited his son, David Duke, and family, one day last week.

The Parent-Teacher Association is planning a very interesting program on thrift for Thursday night of this week. Every patron as well as others has a special invitation.

We are very glad to report that those who were ill last week have improved very much.

Dr. M. E. Davis and Rev. Mac Boyd of Brownwood delivered wonderful messages Saturday night and Sunday to the people of this community.

Mrs. A. M. Miller of Brownwood is spending this week with her daughter, who is a member of the faculty here.

Dr. Leonard and wife of Bronte attended church in our community Saturday night and Sunday afternoon.

The boys' basketball team met the Crews boys Friday night on the Winters court and played a good game. The game ended with Crews in the lead.

Mrs. J. L. McAulay and son, of Ballinger, visited relatives in this community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Richardson visited in the home of Mrs. Richardson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Davis Sunday.

The P.-T. A. will render an enjoyable program Friday night, Feb. 13. Everyone is invited to be present.

The S. S. A. W. Club presented a very interesting program last Friday afternoon in the school auditorium.

Mrs. Anna Gibbs of Las Cruces, New Mexico, is visiting in the home of her daughter and daughter-in-law, Mrs. A. M. Miller and Anna Bell.

This club was just recently organized, but hopes to do good work in the future.

There were fourteen members present at this meeting, with one visitor, Mrs. W. M. Hale, of Houston. After a splendid round-table discussion the club adjourned, the next meeting to be held Thursday, February 5, with Mrs. T. A. Brevard.

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An article recently published in The Ledger stated that a small town in our state boasted of five sets of twins in its school.

The Crews school until after Christmas had seven sets attending. The Blalock twins have moved away, but at present we have six.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Berry are the proud parents of two pairs, Melvin and Elvin, and Florene and Lorene.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Grissom have twin daughters, May and Fay.

Melvin and Elvin Mathis are sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mathis.

Lawrence and Lela May are son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Berry.

And Florene and Lawrence are daughter and son of Mr. Somers (initials unknown to writer).

Only a mist of rain fell Sunday afternoon, gradually increasing until late Monday when a slow rain began falling steadily.

Sunday school services were held at both churches, but owing to the Baptist pastor being ill we had no preaching either Saturday or Sunday.

Quarterly conference was held at the Methodist church Monday morning. Dr. Coleman, presiding elder of the Brownwood district, preached at 11 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wood spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Pape.

Earl Mathis and mother, of Sterling City, were guests of relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carol Mosley and little daughter, of Hatchel, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Branham Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bates spent Thursday in the Jackson home.

Misses Bonnie Mae Clark and Alma Phipps spent the week-end with Miss Mamie Jones, of Winters.

Rev. J. A. Branaman is suffering severely at this writing. A small pimple in his nose became infected. Half of his face is badly swollen, and he is in a serious condition. His numerous friends hope he may soon recover.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Lucas have kindly fitted up a room in their home, for M. M. Smith, and are caring for him until his recovery, or until other arrangements are made. It was a noble Christian deed and all who know these good people are sure the old gentleman will receive the best of care and kind treatment.

Fire Chief Williams, of Winters, accompanied by his wife and daughter, and Roy Pumphrey and son visited William Phillips Sunday afternoon. William is still confined to his bed most of the time.

F. L. Gerhart was very ill a day or two last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. King and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Irvin were guests of Clifford Wood and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Kirby visited Mr. and Mrs. C. F. White Sunday.

Mrs. C. F. White was ill Saturday and Sunday but is better at present.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rosserford, of Herring, visited our Sunday school Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester McBeth spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Phipps.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wood and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Sparks.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Seipp and Albert McMillan visited Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Heidel, of Bronte, Sunday.

The party at Dick Embry's Saturday night was well attended and everyone reported a good time.

Quite a few friends surprised Tom Archie Davison last Wednesday night with a party in honor of his birthday. Games were played and hot chocolate and cake were served. Everyone reported a good time.

Mrs. Augusta Bethany, who has been confined to her home for some two months on account of illness, has regained her strength sufficiently to resume her duties with the J. C. Penney Co. store.

PALACE THEATRE Friday and Saturday CHARLES ROGERS in HEADS UP Garamont Picture With Helen KANE Victor MOORE and a crew of girls, grins and gaiety. From the N. Y. stage hit. Starting Sunday "LADIES OF LEISURE" With BARBARA STANWYCK LOWELL SHERMAN RALPH GRAVES NANCE O'NEIL GEORGE FAWCETT MASQUERADE DANCE O. D. H. S. HALL Rowena, Texas SAT. FEB. 7th First Prize \$5.00 Second Prize \$3.00 Third Prize \$2.00 7 Piece Orchestra Music By Golden Gates Brownwood, Texas

# Want Ads

**WANTED**—A good coal and wood range. Also turkey hens. Effie Parker, Ballinger, Texas. Phone 1341. 29-1td-1tw-\*

**FOR RENT**—Farm near Ballinger, terms, money rent. Apply Mrs. Laura Wooten, 403 Sharp Avenue. 26-4td-1tw1\*

**FOR SALE**—Best certified White Leghorn Eggs and Baby Chicks. W. S. Caudle, Phone 7211. d-26-29-3 30-2tw-\*

**FOR SALE** White Leghorn eggs, Hollywood strain, Phone 3402. C. T. Michaels, Hatchel. 23-4w\*

## Mrs. R. C. Malone Dies Wednesday

Mrs. R. C. Malone, age 79, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. E. Harvey, Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock after a short illness. Tuesday night Mrs. Malone was not feeling well and a physician was called to the home to minister to her. She was given some medicine and rested better the remainder of the night and slept late Wednesday morning. Members of the family kept going to her room and watching her closely during the early morning hours and at 9 o'clock someone entered the room just as she was taking her last few breaths. She died while she slept without apparently suffering any pain.

Mr. and Mrs. Malone have made their home in Ballinger for a number of years the greater part of the time. They originally came to Texas from South Carolina, but this state has been their home for many years. She was well known here and has a host of friends in Ballinger, Plainview, Abilene and other West Texas towns who mourn her death.

No funeral arrangements have been decided on and will not be announced until the children arrive here. All have been notified and are expected to arrive here late tonight with the exception of Mrs. O. P. Sinquefield, Georgia, who expects to arrive here Friday night. It was thought that the burial would be held in Abilene, but will be definitely decided when the children get here and make a final decision.

Mrs. Malone is survived by her husband and the following children: Mrs. A. L. Putnam, Charles, Robert and B. U. Malone, all of Plainview; Mrs. O. P. Sinquefield, Georgia and Mrs. W. E. Harvey, Ballinger. Grandchildren who are expected to be here for the funeral are Mrs. O. C. Auld of San Antonio, Mrs. E. Putnam, Kathleen, Robert and Brantley Malone of Plainview; Mrs. Raleigh Reese and Mrs. Jim Flynt Jr., of Ballinger.

The body was taken to the undertaking parlors of the King-Holt company and prepared for burial and returned to the home to Mrs. Harvey at 809 Sixth street Wednesday afternoon where it will be held until the funeral.

### "BLUE BOY" BULL SERVICE

I am standing my bull, "Blue Boy," which is out of the famous Shelton herd of Brownwood; his sire has silver medal backing, his grand dame gave on an official test 14,971 pounds of milk, and 941 pounds of butterfat in 365 days. His dame, which was two years old, gave 9,600 pounds of milk, 433 pounds of butterfat in an official test of 365 days.

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

Word from W. W. Chastain who is in Dallas under treatment of doctors states that he is greatly improved. He is now walking about the house with the aid of a cane. Mr. Chastain has been confined to his bed for the past year from a leg and bone disease and his friends will be glad to know that he expects to return home soon and be able to take up his duties on the road as a salesman.

Roy Mack, of Winters, was here on business and to visit home folks Tuesday.

L. J. Milsap has returned to Ballinger after spending several months in New Mexico.

Mrs. John Rayburn has accepted employment with Bettis & Sturges.

## PRESIDENT FRASER TO INSPECT WORK ON NEW W. O. W. CHAPEL AND SANCTUARY

Woodmen of the World Chief to Confer With Texas Officials on Head Camp Meeting at Mineral Wells.

W. A. Fraser, president of the Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Association will be in San Antonio soon to formally inspect the construction work on the memorial chapel and bird sanctuary, now being erected by the W. O. W. on its Memorial Hospital grounds.

Mr. Fraser will leave Omaha February 1 for his trip to Texas and while in San Antonio, he will confer with W. O. W. leaders in regard to the Head Camp meeting to be held at Mineral Wells, April 3 and 4. Mr. Fraser will be the principal speaker at the Head Camp meeting.

### Font From Italy

While in Italy recently Mr. Fraser purchased a baptismal font for the chapel. The baptismal font was formerly in an old church in Rome. It is made of Carrara marble and should arrive in San Antonio from Rome, sometime during the coming month. The font will be formally placed at the time of the dedication of the chapel, the date of which has not yet been set.

Though not the largest, nor the costliest building to be erected in Texas this year, the W. O. W. chapel and bird sanctuary will be one of the most unique and interesting structures in the state.

It is located on the 250 acre tract upon which the Woodmen of the World Memorial Hospital has been a means of new life to those members of the Association who have been afflicted with tuberculosis.

### Tiffany Art Windows

The west wall of the narthex of the chapel contains a large original Tiffany Art Glass window, one of the features of the building. The chancel is separated from the nave by a modified Gothic arch. In the chancel there are choir seats, organ console, and the key board for the operation of the chimes.

The walls of the nave, which is in a traditional English chapel style, are surfaced with a rough textured plaster. The windows are



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amber colored stained glass in diamond pattern. The roof is supported with rough oak trusses and all rafters and other framing members are exposed. The sanctuary is lighted by three art glass windows with a grained, vaulted ceiling.

### Outdoor Services

At the intersection of the two open cloisters is the tower, which forms at its base a room nearly twelve feet square with walls of Ashlar stone and a high vaulted ceiling. The tower and cloisters connect with the main portion of the building to form an open court which is lighted so that religious services or chime recitals may be conducted outdoors during the summer months.

Special landscaping will be one of the features of this most attractive structure.

"The chapel will be a universal church," said President Fraser.

and at the same time preparing for the first of the month.

### Mission Sunday School

For every penny given we can not express too highly our appreciation and admiration for the noble band of workers who contributed to these unworthy people, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Seargent. Try to be patient and listen to us try to express our gratitude to this worthy paper.

Marvin Atkins, noble telephone manager, and others who acted so quickly and responded to our rescue after the fire, bringing us things to wear and eat, and helping build back our little home.

We will not forget the ladies that helped so sweetly getting the rooms back in order. As so many of you know I am crippled. You will remember that I am manager of the Mission Sunday school, near the cotton oil mill, which I intended to write about for this paper for the mission Sunday school Christmas tree, but the fire came Christmas eve night.

Let me tell you we have the finest Sunday school in this town, we think. We had fifty-five enrolled Christmas, while some have moved away there are others coming in. The Methodist and Presbyterian Sunday schools contributed to our Sunday school. Our mission had six dollars in the treasury when we burned which was gladly given by the children and which was gladly received. Since the fire and the loss of my glasses, I have been of little help with the children's lessons, while they are planning a home-made candy sale for which the money will be given for the purpose of getting new glasses.

We wish to thank you one and all for the kindness you have shown us. And watch for our home-made candy sale.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Seargent.

## 34 Awarded Pins For SS Attendance

The First Presbyterian Church Sunday school at the morning service Sunday awarded attendance pins to those who had perfect attendance records from one to eight years. Thirty-four were given pins for the past year, having attended Sunday school each Sunday during the year. The total enrollment of the Sunday school is only 127 and 34 is a remarkable record to have been present every Sunday.

In addition to these, some of whom are receiving pins for their first year, a part of them range perfect records from two to eight years. Miss Effie McMillan was awarded a pin for the eighth successive year for perfect attendance, having a perfect record for that time without missing.

Following is a list of those receiving awards Sunday morning: One year—Mary Lynn, K. V. Northington, Jr., Clara Beth Lynn, Walter Trimmer, Eloise Mullen, Gloria McGregor, Paul Trimmer, Jr., Mrs. E. M. Lynn, Mrs. J. McGregor, and Mrs. K. V. Northington.

Two year—Mrs. Harry Lynn, Frances Pearce, Mrs. Geo. Holman and Miss Marryatt Smith. Three year—Nancy Pyburn, Chas. Simmons, Juliette Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Simmons and R. G. Erwin.

Four year—Ralph James Erwin, J. McGregor, Dorothy Lynn and Mary Faye Wardlaw.

Five year—Cordelia Lynn, Marjorie Lynn and W. R. Bogie.

Six year—Joe Simmons, Jr.

Seven year—Jack Lynn, David Baker and John Pearce.

Eight year—Miss Effie McMillan.

### IRRIGATION DISTRICT NAMED

SAN BENITO, Jan. 25.—The name and boundaries of the master irrigation district which will include 900,000 irrigable acres in this section have been determined.

It is to be known as Lower Rio Grande Water Conservation District of Texas and will contain all of Cameron county except Padre Island and parts of Willacy, Starr and Hidalgo counties.

These points were determined at a meeting held here when a bill to be introduced in the legislature creating the district was approved.

It is hoped by means of this district to cause erection of a series of storage dams on the Rio Grande and to assist in the reaching of an agreement with Mexico on division of waters, necessary because the river is an international stream and no projects can be erected on it without a treaty.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lynn went to Winters Friday night to witness the presentation of "Cappy Ricks" by the Winters Little Theatre players. They report fine attendance and a good performance of this well known play.

## Tax Payments are Little Below Par

Totals of delinquent taxes in Runnels county will be made public after the close of business here Saturday night. A week ago state and county levies were reported to about 75 per cent collected as of the same date the preceding year. Since that time collections have run about in the same proportion and 1931 probably will see a larger delinquent list than for 1930.

A. F. Brock, collector for the Ballinger independent school district, stated Monday afternoon that he was encouraged over the amount of taxes paid to the school treasury. He estimated that the district was about on a par with other years in collections and said if the final week was as good as the last week in 1930 that the delinquent list would be no greater than the one a year ago. He further declared he was receiving few complaints regarding the amount of the tax, citizens paying willingly and even expressing complimentary remarks about the educational system.

City tax collections have been reported fair. The municipal tax rate is slightly lower than for last year, being set at \$1.45, while last year's was \$1.50. Up to January 1 city collections had been unusually good and since then have been about as good as in previous years. Many city property owners visited the city hall this week for their receipts and a rush is anticipated until late Saturday night.

### DISTRICT COURT OPENS AT PAINT ROCK MONDAY

District Judge E. J. Miller and District Attorney C. L. South passed through Ballinger early Monday morning en route to Paint Rock to open sessions of 35th district court in Concho county. A number of attorneys from Ballinger and other West Texas cities are in Paint Rock during this session of the court.

Judge Miller stopped here a short while, long enough to look over the court docket here and see what was scheduled for trial on opening day, February 9.

District court has just adjourned at Brady after a four week's session in which a bank robbery case tried resulted in a hung jury.

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## May Put Runnels In New District

A bill has been presented by Representative Penrose B. Metcalfe, of San Angelo, for redistricting of Texas' congressional districts. According to the last federal census Texas is entitled to three additional congressmen and Metcalfe's bill in the legislature names counties for the proposed 21 districts.

Should this bill pass it would place Runnels county in a new district. The following counties would comprise the 20th district: Blanco, Gillespie, Kendall, Kerr, Bandera, Real, Edwards, Sutton, Kimble, Mason, Llano, Burnet, Schleicher, Menard, Lampasas, San Saba, McCulloch, Mills, Tom Green, Concho, Irion, Howard, Mitchell, Sterling, Coke, Nolan, and Runnels.

Of these, Runnels, Nolan, Lampasas and McCulloch, now in the 17th district, would be placed in the new district. According to the Metcalfe bill the 29th would be the largest in number of counties, one of the largest in area, and Runnels and Tom Green would have the greatest voting strength in the district.

According to the bill the 17th district would include Jones, Taylor, Shackelford, Callahan, Eastland, Stephens, Coleman, Brown, Comanche, Erath, Palo Pinto, Hamilton and Throckmorton. The only change would be that the four counties above mentioned would be removed.

Only three districts would embrace one county each. District No. 14 would be Bexar county, district No. 5 Dallas county, and district No. 8 Harris county.

### SPEETS WEEK AT GROCERYMEN'S MEET

Floyd Smith of the M System has returned after a week spent in Denver, where he attended a convention of retail grocery men of the southwest.

Mr. Smith was on a special train which carried seventy Texans to the convention city and besides enjoying the trip both going and returning, had a very en-

joyable time while attending the convention.

While enjoying the company of his fellow grocery men, Mr. Smith visited many places of interest in Colorado and picked up many ideas of merchandising and salesmanship which will prove advantageous in his own business.

Dave Fentress, of St. Louis, a brother of Mrs. Jack McGregor, came in Sunday for a short visit here.



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