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Escaped Prisoner From Local Jail Held at Harlingen

HARLINGEN, Tex., Feb. 17.—A man giving his name as Henry Walker, and saying he had escaped from jail at Ballinger, was arrested here yesterday.

The prisoner stated he had been held at Ballinger for burglary.

The above dispatch was received by The Ledger Tuesday morning and a similar message was received by Sheriff W. A. Holt from Harlingen officers. The name given in each telegram was different but there is little doubt that the man referred to is not Johnny Walker who recently escaped from the Runnels county jail here.

Walker and a pal were missed from the jail at supper time about three weeks ago. An investigation revealed that a bar had been sawed from one of the windows through which the two prisoners obtained liberty.

Walker was being held here on a charge of burglary. He also was under suspended sentence assessed at the last session of district court in Ballinger and was due to be tried this week for the new offense.

The prisoner, if he is Johnny Walker, will be returned here by the officers within the next few days, and probably will be tried during the present term of district court.

Hens High While Eggs at New Low

Runnels county farmers at last have gotten "a break," according to produce men, in that they are this week receiving 14 cents a pound for heavy hens and 20 cents a pound for No. 1 turkeys.

This is the highest price of late months for hens and comes at a time when poultry producers are culling their flocks for spring breeding purposes.

Hatches from incubators will begin coming off during the next few days and it is believed that one of the biggest and busiest seasons of many years is just ahead for the poultry raisers. It is freely predicted that if present indications can be taken as a guide there will be more chicks hatched here this spring than at any time in recent years, and on account of atmospheric conditions and the abundance of green feed the outlook for an excellent breeding season is very promising.

Another reason why there should be an unusually large hatching season is because the price of eggs is the lowest for many years and farmers find it more profitable to raise chickens, especially fliers, than to sell the eggs. Eggs were bringing 9 cents on the local market Wednesday and were retailing at two dozen for a quarter.

L. L. Stroble had business in the country west of San Angelo Tuesday.

Unemployed Here Get Food; Charity Board to Serve Many

C. R. Stephens, chairman of the local charity board, made one of the most interesting announcements authorized by the board this year when he stated Friday morning that food would be furnished to all deserving unemployed persons beginning at once. Mr. Stephens said he had been supplied with sufficient funds to take care of all who are in need of food at the present and for the next few days would interview white people from 8 a. m. to 3 p. m., and negroes from 3 p. m. until dark.

Mr. Stephens said that for the past several weeks calls had become greater daily and that it was fortunate that arrangements had been made to care for the deserving needy. After helping a family a check will be made to see that the food is used wisely and that those able keep trying to find work. Anyone refusing to work will be taken off the list and no further aid extended him. Mr. Stephens itemized a list of groceries, consisting of seventeen articles and asked local firms to bid on furnishing these boxes.

Lehmberg Lauded By Poultry Man

C. W. Lehmberg, county agent of Runnels county, this week received more praise for his work in this county. The last complimentary report came from E. N. Holmgreen, extension service poultry husbandman. Mr. Holmgreen in a letter to O. B. Martin, head of the extension service, has the following to say regarding the work in this county:

"I have just been sketching through annual narrative reports in district 3, and I want to call your attention to the report from Runnels county. For a fine detailed record of successful demonstrations this is very good indeed, and as I believe in handling flowers to the living I wanted to mention this matter to you."

The annual report made by Mr. Lehmberg this year has attracted much attention among agricultural leaders of the state. This report was conclusive proof of the efficient work done here by Mr. Lehmberg and actual accomplishments perhaps were better than in any county in West Texas.

The demonstrations held in this county last year were excellent. Most of these have been reported through the columns of The Ledger. The demonstrations have done much to help interest in better poultry in this county, many having built up large flocks on a systematic plan during the past two years, for which they have received good returns.

Special attention is being directed to poultry again this year and before the close of 1931 the industry is expected to increase and prosper still further.

Many are Buying Planting Seed now

A visit to the various feed and seed stores discloses that many of our farmers are to plant corn during the present week and it is freely predicted by old timers and others who have had experience in the planting and cultivation of corn that this year's promise of a successful outturn is indeed flattering.

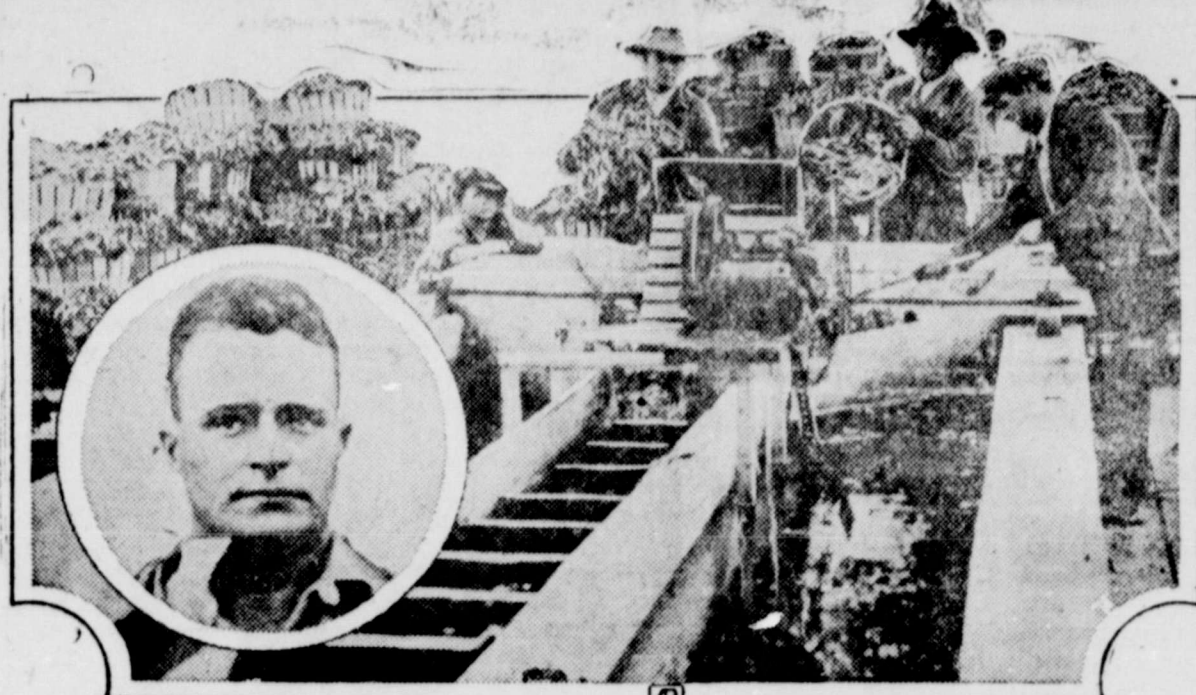
It is said that corn planted now in the ground should sprout and be up to a good stand in from ten days to two weeks and that roasting ears should be very plentiful by the first of June.

Wheat and oats that have not been grazed down by cattle or horses are said to be rather rank for the time of year, attaining a height of perhaps two and two and one-half feet in some places.

Spring gardens are also being resorted to this year in greater numbers and on a bigger scale than common, both by rural and city residents and the future outlook for the venter of fresh vegetables is not so promising as people evidently are making an effort to live more at home.

Henry Moody, of Coleman, had business here Wednesday.

"Radish King" Brings Science to Truck Farm



Dayne Mayes (inset) uses this cleaning machinery of his own invention on his 300-acre truck farm in Oklahoma. It is built to handle other vegetables besides radishes. Mayes grows 200 acres of produce each year by early and late planting.

(By Associated Press)

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Feb. 14.—Dayne Mayes, Oklahoma's "radish king," fights low prices for staple farm products with large-scale truck gardening and scientific methods.

Not one of the 300 acres he plans to cultivate this year will be given over to cotton or wheat, and very few of them to feed-stuffs.

He will grow 200 acres of radishes, and 100 acres each of tomatoes, sweet corn, cantaloupes, sweet potatoes and spinach.

This total of 700 acres of produce from 300 acres of land will be possible by raising radishes early in the spring, then sweet corn and cantaloupes, still later tomatoes, and finally, in the fall, spinach.

Large quantities of commercial fertilizer and "green manure" crops such as cowpeas keep the soil in

good condition. Terracing prevents erosion and tiling furnishes drainage.

Beginning with potatoes in the heart of the area known as the "potato basket of Oklahoma," Mayes first branched out with radishes, making a trip north to find out by buyers exactly what kind they liked best and when the vegetables were wanted.

As other crops were added he devised a single set-up of washing machinery suitable for handling all types of produce, thus eliminating duplication in plant investment.

Mayes has his own loading and icing sheds, and plans to build a 15-ton manufactory. From the Muskogee waterworks, adjoining his farm, he gets exhaust steam to heat his sweet potato hotbeds.

For use in case of emergency he will build a small canning plant to take care of possible

surplus, and for undersized products.

During the marketing season representatives of the state market commission inspect each shipment and certify its official grade, thus facilitating sale.

Last year, when Mayes harvested his first big crop of tomatoes, an expert was brought from Texas to instruct pickers as to size and color of vegetables that would hold up when shipped, and proper packing methods.

In 1930 Mayes shipped more than 100 freight carloads of produce to northern markets, principally Chicago, St. Louis and Cincinnati, receiving top prices because his crops reached market just after the Florida and Texas shipments and ahead of the northern produce.

This year he plans to distribute sweet potato and other plants to victims of the drought and depression.

Norton Citizen Dies Suddenly

W. P. Dekle, 47, of Norton, died suddenly Wednesday morning while in an automobile going to a fishing place. Decedent had resided in that community for many years where he made many friends. His death was a surprise as apparently he was in good health.

Mr. Dekle and Rev. E. W. Swearington were preparing to go on a fishing trip and the former was in his car waiting for G. L. Fagan to open a gate when Mr. Fagan heard a noise and ran back to the car where he found Mr. Dekle in a serious condition. A doctor was quickly summoned but the

stricken man died shortly after the physician arrived.

Surviving relatives include two daughters, Miss Hazel Cox and Miss Myrtle Dekle, of Norton; two sons, Aubrey Dekle, of Norton, and John Dekle, of Los Angeles, California; four brothers, N. O. Dekle, Longview; J. S. Dekle, Waco; J. A. Dekle, Kerrville; and C. D. Dekle, Santa Fe, N. M.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the Norton Baptist church, Rev. Swearington officiating, assisted by Rev. Mann. Interment in the Norton cemetery followed the church rites.

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

Sam Behringer transacted business in San Antonio Wednesday.

Report Kidnaping Bills Favorably

AUSTIN, Feb. 18.—The state criminal jurisprudence committee today reported to the Senate it had passed favorably the bill to assess a penalty of from five years incarceration to sentence of death for kidnaping for extortion or ransom.

J. D. Motley, Scott H. Mack and C. W. Lehmberg left Monday morning for Santa Anna to attend the farmers' short course. This two-day school is being held by the International Harvester Company, and a similar one is to be held here at an early date.

Grand Jury Completes Work After 7 Felonies are Reported

The grand jury for the spring term of 35th district court adjourned late Wednesday afternoon after making a report of its findings to District Judge E. J. Miller. Seven true bills, all felonies, were returned. Three of these indictments were for bootlegging, three for burglary and one for burning maize.

The grand jurors made the usual inspections of the jail, court house and other county property before adjourning. Judge Miller dismissed a petit jury Wednesday after an attempt to try a civil case which was later postponed until the next term of court. Following dismissal of the jury court adjourned to

meet here again next Monday when the criminal docket will be taken up. A number of cases are due to be heard next week in which several will enter pleas of guilty.

The docket is very light this term but the second week probably will see more accomplished in number of cases tried than any other. Several cases left over from last term and new indictments returned by the grand jury probably will be ready for trial.

Witnesses are being summoned on all new cases for next week so there will be no obstacles in the way of going to trial when each is called.

The Other Side of the Desk

In considering our relationship with our patrons, we fully recognize that mutual equation exists. We are not satisfied in protecting alone the interests of the bank. We must be convinced also that the customers' interests are likewise properly safeguarded and that the customers as well as the bank will be benefiter by the service rendered.

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\$285,000 Bond Issue is Ordered in Concho Co.

Green Acquitted Of Dry Violation

The first criminal case in district court was heard Monday in the case of the State of Texas vs. H. O. Green charged with possession of liquor for sale. The entire day was spent in hearing evidence and arguments with the jury getting the case at 5:30 Monday afternoon. After a few minutes of deliberation the jury reported, rendering a verdict of not guilty.

Green was charged with the offense in 1929 and the case has been on the docket of the court since that time.

A jury was selected early Tuesday morning to hear evidence in the case of the state vs. Ivey Brown charged on a liquor violation. All evidence was presented and completed in the case at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon and attorneys were allotted time for arguments. The case will be given to the jury late in the afternoon.

The entire week will be used for hearing cases on the criminal docket.

District court here disposed of two cases Tuesday and commenced hearing a third. Most of the day was spent in taking evidence in the case of the state vs. Ivey Brown, charged with violation of the prohibition law. The case was given to the jury about 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. About an hour later a verdict of guilty was reported and punishment was assessed at one year in the state penitentiary.

Brown was arrested when a raid on his place netted officers a gallon and a half of liquor. Nearby were two stills, not in use, and upon these grounds the state's attorney built the case.

Leslie Holman was given a two-year suspended sentence for burglary. Holman entered a plea of guilty to the charge of entering the Santa Fe passenger station here a few weeks ago. Defense counsel asked for a suspended sentence, which was not opposed by District Attorney C. L. South. The jury was out only a few minutes, reporting back with the lowest sentence possible, suspended. The suspended sentence was not opposed by counsel for the Santa Fe, as all damage to the railroad's property had been repaired and property taken returned.

Two cases called Tuesday were passed until Monday of next week at which time all witnesses were ordered to be in court and ready for trial.

The commissioners' court of Concho county in session Saturday morning at Paint Rock ordered a highway bond election for March 19 at which time commissioners' precincts 1 and 3 will vote on a bond issue of \$285,000. A hearing was ordered several weeks ago for Feb. 14 and at the hearing a petition was presented asking that the election be called. No opposition to the issue was brought before the hearing, it is understood, and arrangements will be made for the holding of the election on the above date.

The issue is being submitted at this time to meet a proposition submitted to the county by the highway department of the state of Texas to furnish the county part of right-of-way and completion of hard-surfaced road on Highways No. 4 and No. 9 running through that county. The mileage of the two designations is approximately 69 miles. No. 4 runs through the county north and south, leading from Ballinger to Menard, and No. 9 runs northwest and southeast, from San Angelo to Brady. Both roads intersect at Eden in the south part of the county.

At first the issue was discussed as a county-wide proposition but later it was thought best to create a road district composed of commissioner's precincts 1 and 3 and submit the question to the people living in the district.

The issue, in case it carries, will guarantee first class hard surface highways through the county completed for the above amount. The rights-of-way will be increased to 100 foot roads and a standard grade and pavement will be built with adequate drainage structures and bridges.

MILES THEATRE UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP WILL REOPEN

MILES, Feb. 17.—The Miles Theatre, which has been closed for several weeks will be opened again within a short time. It was announced here by W. E. Tyler, who became the owner of the show house last week by purchase from I. S. Story.

Mr. Tyler, who is president of the Miles Chamber of Commerce and publisher of the Messenger, local weekly newspaper, plans to operate the theatre under his personal direction.

Miss Sue Gilliam left Friday for her home at Brownwood after a visit here with her sister, Mrs. Leonard Stallings. Mrs. Stallings accompanied her to Brownwood for a week-end visit.

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10 lbs.

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LETTUCE

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Head

5c

BREAD

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Fancy dried prunes, small size

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19c

Shredded Wheat

An all prepared cereal known by all, reg 15c size

Pkg.

10c

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Fine when used as a spread or cooking purposes

2 lbs.

35c

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48 Lb. sack

89c

CHEESE

Fancy full cream, Longhorn cheese

Lb.

18c

JOWLS

Fancy dry salt jowls, fine for seasoning

Lb.

9c

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Schools in this part of the state are announcing the completion of immunization campaigns against diphtheria. Cases of this disease in this section recently have caused many school districts to speed up the work and immunize their scholars. No cases of this disease have developed so far in any school where the serum has been given to all the children.

Warm weather recently has turned people's thoughts to outdoor recreation and soon the miniature golf course will be in demand again. Spring is the season when many like to "rush the season" with picnics, fishing parties, any sort of outdoor diversion, garden or yard improvement. After remaining inside for several months the fresh air and sunshine is very inviting.

Since the closing of the duck season many people are reporting that large droves are to be found on almost every ranch lake and along streams. The season closes each year in this section just as the ducks begin pouring in and hunters have a chance to kill a few. Efforts have been made a number of times to have the closed season start later and at least give the month of February to open hunting.

There has been much complaint here recently about stock being turned loose on the highways. This is a violation of the law and yet it is badly abused. Many campers let their animals graze at night in order to save feed and they wander on to the highways where they are liable to cause wrecks. The same applies in this city where a stock law requires that no animal be turned loose to graze. There have been many complaints of injury to lawns from this cause.

Cold waves here this winter have been short lived and have amounted to very little. Old settlers who have watched climatic conditions here for many years believe it indicates an early spring, and this will not be contested. A severe freeze would be very harmful. Vegetation is growing apace and trees and shrubs are beginning to bud. A freeze would set them back several weeks later and good grazing spots would be killed.

Concho county voters have about one month in which to decide whether they will issue bonds for \$385,000 for the completion of about 69 miles of highways. Those favoring the issue are ready with all the good talking points while opponents are reported to be ready to fight the proposal bitterly. This section of West Texas is interested in the outcome of this election which will decide whether two important gaps in state and federal highways will be closed.

Overloaded trucks operating in this section are not finding it easy to avoid the eagle eyes of the highway patrolmen working in and near this city. The patrolmen have a set of small scales in their regular equipment that will weigh a truck anywhere along the highway up to 50,000 pounds. A \$100 fine was assessed against one driver here this week for transporting a load heavier than his license called for. Any suspicious load is stopped and a test is made.

All traffic laws are fine things but there should be a separate law dealing with hit-and-run drivers. The man on the highways in a car that after injuring someone, steps on the gas and goes on without stopping to render aid should be severely dealt with. Many accidents occur that are unavoidable but there is no excuse for the coward that runs from an injured person and leaves him suffering on the roadside where he may remain for hours before being cared for.

There is one big difference between the tractor now used in most places on the farms and the teams of mules. A tractor must have fuel before it will do the work but oftentimes teams of livestock are forced to work without the proper amount of feed. These things should not happen but in many instances owners will force dumb animals to carry on with their work on scarcely any feed at all. Such cases have been reported here recently and again prove the need of a humane society for prevention of cruelty to dumb animals.

One of the best pieces of news for this year so far locally is the

announcement that all unemployed will be fed by the local charity organization. Hungry people soon become dissatisfied and can hardly be blamed for taking things to satisfy the hunger of their families. With provisions made to furnish food to them it will go a long way to give them comfort and make them contented until work opens to take care of all able bodied persons.

Very little diphtheria has been reported in this county this year, and the few cases were in communities where immunization programs were not staged. Parent-Teacher associations, teachers, the county health association and others, with the cooperation of the medical fraternity have given much time during the past twelve months in stamping out this disease with the result that most of the children in the county in the susceptible age have been given the immunizing serum. This was a good piece of work and leaders in the campaign and all others who cooperated should receive full praise.

The first week of the spring term of 35th district court in this county proved very light. Little was accomplished except by the grand jury and its business was disposed of in the first three days. The remainder of the term will be rather light as few criminal deeds have been reported in this county since the fall term of this court. Investigations by the grand jury resulted in the returning of only seven true bills which is very few compared to those of adjoining counties some of which had upwards of forty indictments to handle.

Ballinger people in need of food were out in large numbers Friday afternoon at the office of the local charity board. The news quickly spread around town that arrangements had been made to give food to those unemployed and in need of something to eat, and during the day a large number of orders were given to parties here which will last them for several days. The securing of the first order was a simple matter and as is always the case in charity hand-outs some undeserving may have obtained help. These cases will be checked, however, and the party that does not properly use the food received or does not continue to make every effort to secure employment will find the second harder. The local charity officials are to be congratulated on the great work they are doing and local people should cooperate with them in every way possible in conducting the work. They have no money to waste and yet want to give aid to every person that is in need of substantial food. This is strictly an emergency until work is offered and these cases should only need very little help.

Texas' fire losses for the year 1930 totaled \$11,602,999.52, according to a report just released by the fire insurance commissioner. This is a reduction of about two million dollars over 1929 but is not a satisfactory report by any means. This loss was caused by 7,947 fires reported during the year of which 2,234 were from unknown causes. The commissioner states in his annual report that the relentless war against carelessness during the past year has been the cause of the decrease and expects that it will continue and bear fruit. Every fire department, newspaper and fire marshal in the state has stressed the point of being more careful about fire hazards and this program will continue. Many of the heavy losses besides those from unknown causes were credited to carelessness. Ballinger firemen have cooperated in the educational campaign during the previous year and so far no loss here has been traced to carelessness on the part of property owners.

Argument in favor of trading at home has been made to the buying public for many years and will always be an issue we suppose. The logic is good but it seems to be hard to convince people to a point that will create nothing but patronizing of home stores. When money is scarce there is much less mail order business because there places demand the cash in advance and usually when help is needed the local merchant must accommodate the people. One of the best arguments is to keep home money at home but oftentimes there is no money in the transaction, yet the buyer must have accommodations and the local business man that knows him is expected to dig up and see him through. The following editorial taken from the Radford Grocery News of Abilene explains in a brief message what is the matter with Texas: "Nothing's wrong with Texas, except entirely too many of us get up in the morning at the alarm of a Connecticut clock, button a pair of Ohio suspenders to a pair of Chicago pants. Put on a pair of

Massachusetts shoes, wash in a Pittsburgh tin basin, using Cincinnati soap, and a cotton towel made in New Hampshire, sit down to a Grand Rapids table, eat pancakes made from Minneapolis flour spread with Vermont maple syrup, and Kansas bacon fried on a St. Louis stove. Buy fruit put up in California, seasoned with Rhode Island spices, and sweetened with Colorado sugar. Put on a hat made in Philadelphia, hitch a Detroit mule fed on Oklahoma gasoline to an Ohio plow and work all day on a Texas farm covered with a New England mortgage, send our money to Ohio for tires, wondering why Texas taxes are \$2.75 per acre while Ohio farmers pay \$1 tax and drive on paved roads, and at night we crawl under a New Jersey blanket to be kept awake by a bull dog, the only home product on the place, wondering all the time, where in the hell all the money went in this wonderful state of ours. If we all would buy more home manufactured products, patronize home owned stores, we could keep our money at home and be prosperous."

LETTERS to the Editor

OBSERVATIONS AROUND THE CAPITAL

By Rep. G. Y. Lee

The deliberation careful study given the bills that are introduced and passed to the various committees for investigation indicates the legislation is getting very careful study.

Most of the major committees have sub-committees to which the bills are referred for investigation, and after careful study they will report them back to the full committee. Then the measure is considered by the full committee together with the sub-committee report.

All bills are not what their names import, some very long and the language seems to have been used to hide the real purpose of the measure. Who was the great man who stated that "words are used to conceal the meaning of the speaker?" He must have had close touch with legislative bill.

One amendment to the constitution to be introduced this week provides for the state to have authority to procure sites and equipment for the production of electrical power and dispense it to the people. This will marshal all the utilities people in solid mass to oppose its passage. Big business seems to be against the government's showing any consideration for the general welfare of the people where it is not permitted to be the dispenser. Are the people only "SHEEP" to be shorn at the will of the specially anointed?

Senator Weinart who has served the state long and faithfully, is one of the large men in the House. He is very able and his heart and soul is in his work for the relieving as much as possible the heavy burdens of our common citizenry. The people have a grand champion in the senator. Watch his work in the House of Representatives. The bill introduced to create a utilities commission provides for the salary of three commissioners at a sum of \$10,000 per annum. Why not place the duty with the railroad commission, whose members are elected by the people and owe their allegiance to the great mass of voters? Then the state could save \$23,000 in the very beginning. The railroad commission could procure a man to attend to the enforcement of the law and be where the responsibility could not be evaded. This head of the department of utilities could be procured for some \$5,000 to \$7,000. Economy should not be effective on one class alone.

The people have a right to expect economy and they do require it in every branch of the government. Let's help the people.

Governor Sterling has all the ear marks of a man of the Jim Hogg type. The people of Texas are going to be proud of their governor. The manner in which he comprehends their needs, the heartfelt sympathy that he holds for their welfare, the big stick that he wields in their defense is giving encouragement to your legislators that have the people's interest at heart. Facing the future with grim determination to fight the battles of the people in a righteous cause, may the longing of every heart be that of helpful encouragement, and may encouragement be expressed. Give him the flowers now. It will be very vital to his success and the forward going of Texas.

Chas. Meeks, of Winters, attended to business in Ballinger Tuesday.

Kansas 'Burbank' Develops Seedless Fruits

NEWTON, Kas., Feb. 18.—"Inventing" seedless fruits and vegetables is the specialty of D. G. Klassen, Newton horticulturist.

But the trick is to get him to tell what he has done.

Several years ago announcement was made of his discovery, after five years of experimentation, of a hard variety of seedless tomato.

The result was a flood of correspondence from three continents, countless orders for plants, theft of several valuable specimens from his greenhouse, and such confusion in the reticent Klassen's affairs that he swore never again to tell of his discoveries.

Only on the eve of his departure from Newton in search of more favorable climatic conditions for his research did his success in growing seedless melons, cucumbers, cherries, plums and apricots become known.

He also has discovered how to change the season of the apricot tree to reduce the likelihood of damage from late spring frozes.

Klassen's first seedless tomato vine grew to a length of 37 feet, the tomatoes attaining such size that baskets were hung beneath them for protection. On the market they brought \$1 a pound.

Formerly Klassen greatly feared being robbed of his horticultural secrets by "plant pirates," and



D. G. KLASSEN

would confide in no one save a younger brother, A. J. Klassen, who assisted him in the experiments.

A new congressional act providing for plant patents, however, now gives growers protection in work of this sort. Its passage largely influenced the "Burbank of Kansas" to push his research, even at the cost of selling the greenhouse upon which he depended for a livelihood and finding a new "laboratory."

Heals Pimples in 7 Days or Less Fertilizers Aid West Texas Cotton

Here is a wonderful antiseptic oil now dispensed by pharmacists at trifling cost, that will do more towards helping you get rid of unsightly spots and skin troubles than anything you've ever used.

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MANY RATTLESNAKES ARE KILLED NEAR BROWNWOOD

BROWNWOOD, Feb. 16.—Twenty-six rattlesnakes were killed on a farm six miles north of Brownwood.

The snakes were bedded for the winter under a ledge of rocks. One night several men were hunting for small game on the farm when the dogs bayed something under a ledge of rock. The men made a twister out of barbed wire and brought from under the rock not a rabbit, but a rattler. This process was repeated until nine snakes had been brought out and killed. The largest had sixteen rattles.

A few days later the party went back to the same place and with an improved twisted pulled out 17 more snakes. Other parties believe this a good way to rid the section of snakes and are trying the same plan.

FARMERS QUITTING COTTON

LUFKIN, Tex., Feb. 15.—Intelligent diversification for several years has raised the Clawson community to Angelina county prominence. King Cotton is de-throned. In a soil highly favorable to truck of many varieties, the Clawson farmers meet frequently, plan acreage, discuss market prospects, and adopt their planting with such shrewdness that they have established a record for consistent success. This year tomatoes will be planted on 200 acres. More than 75 acres will be given to cantaloupes of the Rocky Ford variety, Irish potatoes will also be planted in quantity.

S. M. Cameron and family, of near Norton, visited here Tuesday.

Dr. J. W. Macune had business in Paint Rock Tuesday.

Mrs. C. J. Lynn and Mrs. J. C. Richards visited in Abilene Tuesday.

F. D. McCoy and family have returned from a business trip to Dallas, Fort Worth and other points.

Mr. and Mrs. Cicero Smith of Breckenridge were here over the week-end visiting relatives and friends.

The state mineralogist estimated California's mineral output for 1930 to have been \$347,797,000.

CAPITOL News

AUSTIN, Feb. 17.—"Back seat" driving has become a problem in the halls of the Texas legislature. It met with the approbation of some and with criticism from other members.

Back seat driving was the term used by members of the house committee on federal relations during consideration of one of several resolutions seeking certain federal government action.

One representative declared in favor of tossing the resolutions into the waste basket. "The federal congress and government has its problems, the same as the Texas legislature and the state government. We should not sit back here and try and tell congress what it should or should not do," he said.

Other members of the committee claimed congress was representative of the people and should be informed of the likes and dislikes of the people in the "back seat." The net result of the argument was that the federal relations committee continued consideration of resolutions memorializing congress, some of them meeting with approval and others being rejected.

Representative McGill of El Paso has gone on record against introduction of resolutions of almost any kind. He stated his position during a recent controversy concerning a resolution endorsing prohibition in general and the 18th amendment in particular. McGill came out flat footedly against the resolution, saying, among other things, it was the most "damnable farce ever perpetrated on a free people."

One of his main objections, however, was that it merely took up the time of the legislature and produced no good, the El Paso member saying the legislature could better use its time doing something that would be productive of results.

His contention met with immediate objection from Representative Forbes of Weatherford, author of the resolution commending prohibition. Forbes took a directly opposite stand from McGill and said the Texas legislature should let the nation know where it stood on the question.

Representative Sanders of Nacogdoches, chairman of the house committee on appropriations, has a powerful set of lungs. His vocal capacity is so great that when he is feeling good, he disdains the use of the house microphone and prefers to stand in the middle of the floor to inform the members of his ideas on legislative propositions.

Sanders said the appropriations committee would start burning the midnight oil soon when it began consideration of appropriations for the 1931-1933 biennium.

TERRACING NOT NEW

NACOGDOCHES, Tex., Feb. 17.—Terracing land is not a new idea in Nacogdoches county, or at least in the Cross Roads community ten miles east of here.

Uncle Baker, sandy upland farmer, forty years ago, "circled" the rows on his land and on the land of his neighbors in order to keep the land from being damaged by the heavy spring rains. His methods were crude but in the main his principles were precisely the same as those now practiced.

By his method every row carried its own water easily and without rush, thus eliminating erosion and damaging washes.

50 APPLY FOR LOANS

ELECTRA, Feb. 16.—Fifty farmers in West Wichita county have applied for drought relief loans through the headquarters established at the chamber of commerce here.

It is expected that the first of the feed and seed loan checks will reach here in a few days.

FARMERS FEED GRAIN TO FATTEN LIVESTOCK

SPEARMAN, Tex., Feb. 17.—Farmers near Spearman are getting rid of many bushels of low priced wheat and grain sorghums while experimenting successfully with livestock feeding. More than 600 calves are on full feed in four lots near Spearman.

Each calf is fed 12 pounds of wheat, three ounces of cottonseed meal and a bundle of higeria a day. They will be ready for market about March 1.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Tuckey returned Wednesday from Dallas where they had been on a short honeymoon trip following their wedding here Sunday.

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

Ballinger Wins Two Basketball Games

Basketball fans saw plenty of action here Tuesday night when three games were reeled off on the indoor court in the old Sykes Motor Company building. All the games were fast and thrills were plentiful from start to finish. The house was filled with fans and the crowd was the largest to witness a game here this season. Attendance at local games has been increasing steadily and basketball is becoming more popular here.

The first tilt was played between the girls' teams from Miles and Bethel and it was undecided until the last whistle. The final count, however, was in favor of Miles, 24 to 22.

The Ballinger independent team furnished the competition for a double header with Paint Rock and Bethel independent teams as opponents. Ballinger won both affairs with ease, defeating Paint Rock 27 to 21, and Bethel 26 to 7. In the first game Reneau was high score man with a total of 12 points. Baker scored high in the afterpiece with 13 points. Dankworth played well in both games, scoring 8 points in first game and 7 in the second.

The Ballinger independent team has had a very successful season this year, having conquered all opposition so far. The quintet plans to meet other fast aggregations in this section and fans have an invitation to witness their games. The small admission charged merely takes care of expenses, equipment, lights, etc., and devotees of the sport say any single game is worth more than the admission price.

Adults Contract Children's Diseases

Adults can, and do, contract many children's diseases. And, usually, they suffer from them more than children do. For instance, many adults contract worms, an ailment usually associated with children. Sometimes they suffer intensely and take expensive medical treatments, without realizing that worms are the cause of their troubles. Yet, the symptoms are the same as in children, loss of appetite and weight, grinding the teeth and restless sleep, itching of the nose and anus, and abdominal pains. And, the same medicine that surely and harmlessly expels round and pin worms from children will do the same for adults—White's Cream Vermifuge, which you can get at Weeks Drug Store.

ARRANGING PRIVATE DINING ROOM IN CAFE

Owners of the Miller Cafe are making improvements in the rear of their building, painting and otherwise repairing the place, and expect to especially fit the space as a private dining room, to be used for private dinners, banquets, etc.

Miller brothers state that the improvements are made in response to a demand for such quarters for special occasions and they expect to make the place very attractive.

LOCAL EMPLOYEES ATTEND SAFETY MEET AT MENARD

Misses Grace Wootton and Margaret Morley of the Ballinger district office of the West Texas Utilities Company, attended the monthly safety meeting of this company at Menard Tuesday.

Employees from most of the towns in district G were present at the meeting and the Ballinger representatives report a very profitable business meeting and enjoyable social hour.

MCDONALD ADVOCATES PLANTING OF GARDENS

AUSTIN, Feb. 18.—Radishes for more rapid recovery from business reverses; green beans if you can't afford the store variety. In short, a garden this year, to lessen the drain on lean pocket-books—that is the seasonal advice offered by J. E. McDonald, state commissioner of agriculture. Not only farmers, but townspeople as well, who have a large or a small plot of ground, might well utilize it in growing fresh vegetables for their tables, McDonald said.

Albert J. Spann left Tuesday for Dallas, where he will take a physical examination in the U. S. veterans' hospital.

Louis Castor, of San Angelo, transacted business in Ballinger Tuesday.

J. W. E. Meaders and Ed Cummings have gone to Big Lake and McCamey on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Bevy DeMouille, of San Angelo, visited Mr. and Mrs. R. W. DeMouille here the first of the week.

Teachers Meet at B'wood March 6-7

The Mid-Texas Teachers Association will convene in Brownwood on March 6 and 7, and large attendance is anticipated. President C. H. Hufford, of Coleman, is sending letters to all part of the territory taken in by the organization, requesting teachers, trustees and others interested to do what they can to make the attendance the largest it has ever been.

An effort is being made to get all schools to dismiss pupils on Friday, March 6, so that all teachers may attend. Sessions will commence Friday morning, with night sessions each day. Programs will be mailed to all members within the next few days.

R. E. White, of Ballinger, is first vice-president of the association and is lending his assistance to the other officers in preparing the program, which will include talks by noted educators.

A large percentage of the Ballinger teachers are expected to attend this meeting. The association met here two years ago and last year went to Brady. The average attendance is between 600 and 750 but this year the number is expected to be exceeded.

The general theme is "The Training of Youth to Realize How to Live in Society." Points to be taken up include the obligation of the schools for training in character building, the enrichment of life through literature, the right use of leisure time, intra-mural athletics, physical education, athletics as a preparation for life, and athletics that meet the needs of all the children.

All superintendents have been asked to give publicity to the dates and importance of the meeting, especially informing the teachers and trustees so that as many as can will make preparations to attend. A special session of the convention will be for trustees and their problems will be discussed in conference.

Every Woman Knows

Every woman knows how easy it is to burn or scald herself while working in her home.

Every woman knows that these burns and scalds are painful and sometimes very slow to heal. Every woman should know that the pain of burns and scalds will be quickly relieved, infection positively prevented and speedy healing assured if Liquid Borzone is instantly applied. Get a bottle of Liquid Borzone and keep it handy in your medicine cabinet. Sold by Weeks Drug Store.

To Resume Rail Hearing March 6

SAN ANGELO, Feb. 16.—T. F. Sullivan, interstate commerce commission examiner, who conducted the hearing here last week on the Abilene & Southern Railway's application to build to this city from Ballinger, has recommended that the hearing be resumed in Washington March 6, it was learned here today.

The A. & S. had a few more witnesses, and the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe, which is opposing the extension, had five or six rebuttal witnesses to be heard when the hearing recessed here Thursday.

Local Banks Have Holiday February 23

The three Ballinger banks will not be open for business on Monday, February 23, in observance of the anniversary of George Washington's birthday.

Patrons are requested to take notice of this and make their banking arrangements on the Saturday before. 1td-1tw

HAGAN P.-T. A. TO PRESENT PROGRAM

The following program will be presented by the Hagan Parent-Teacher Association next Friday, February 20. Everyone has an invitation to be present.

- Prayer
- Business session
- Playlet—by school children
- Reading—Mr. Phipps
- The Schick test—Mrs. Allen
- Worthy home membership
- Social hour.

Buy your printing at home.

Getting Up Nights

If Getting Up Nights, Backache, frequent day calls, Leg Pains, Nervousness, or Burning, due to functional bladder irritation, in self condition, makes you feel tired, discouraged, try the Cytox (pronounced Sio-tex) today, under the Iron-Clad Guarantee. Must quickly relieve these conditions, improve restful sleep and energy, or money back. Only 60c at Weeks Drug Store

City Work Helped By Good Weather

The weekly report issued each Monday from the office of the city secretary indicates that all clearing will be completed next week on the site to be used for the Ballinger park and playground. This work has been under way for almost one month and has been no small item of work. The brush will be piled for burning as soon as it is dry.

The report also shows that Police Chief Lee Moreland answered three calls during the past week to homes in Ballinger where prowlers were at work. Prowling has been on the increase here of late and special watch is being maintained here and calls from the residential section of the town are answered promptly by the police department.

The first work was done during the past week towards equipping and furnishing the firemen's dormitory. Shades and window curtains were placed in this room and all floors have been waxed. One fire drill was held during the past week and equipment cleaned afterward.

The street department was busy practically all the time during the past week. Twenty-six loads of rock were raked and hauled from the cross streets between Eighth street and Broadway, 14 loads of dirt hauled off the downtown paving, and street grading equipment operated four days. One hundred and eighty-three yards of gravel were checked, spread and rolled on Tenth street in the 900 block where the city is cooperating with citizens on this work.

One additional case of scarlet fever was reported and placed under quarantine by City Health Officer Dr. E. R. Wlaker.

The water improvement program reported the repair of two broken joints in the 15-inch drain line. Toe wall on embankment north of the pump house was completed and rip-rap two-thirds finished and the work of filling over the drain line completed. The average pumping time at night was 41 minutes and the average for daytime was three hours. Filters were washed twice during the past week and another terrace wall was finished making three in all.

Other departments reported routine business with the dairy inspector showing inspections of four dairies, 10 laboratory tests of milk, 5 cows inspected and one permit issued.

Speedy Relief for Sore Throat

This Doctor's Prescription Requires No Gargling

No longer is it necessary to gargle and choke with nasty tasting medicines to relieve sore throat. Now you can get almost instant relief with one swallow of a doctor's famous prescription. This prescription was refilled so often that the druggist who originally filled it decided to put it under the name "Thoxine" and make it available to everyone.

The remarkable thing about Thoxine is that it relieves almost instantly, yet contains nothing harmful. It is pleasant tasting, and safe for the whole family, and is guaranteed to relieve sore throat or coughs in 15 minutes or money back. Put up ready for use in 35c, 60c, and \$100 bottles. Sold by Weeks Drug Store and all other good druggists.

NEW TRIAL ASKED IN CONDEMNATION SUIT

In the case of City of Ballinger vs. J. H. Wilke et al, condemnation proceedings pending in county court, attorneys for both sides argued a motion for a new trial this afternoon, this step being necessary to predicate an appeal to the 3rd court of civil appeals at Austin. This motion was presented to Judge Trimmer, and if it is overruled, the case will go up on appeal, so it is said by attorneys for the defendant.

NO SALE FOR DOLLAR BILLS AT HALF PRICE

BORGER, Tex., Feb. 16.—Just to try out an old saying that people in times of depression will not buy one dollar bills at half price, members of the staff of the Borger Daily Herald tried out the stunt.

Placing a "salesman" on a street corner, they took up positions in front of a nearby store and watched dozens of people examine the bill and turn it down. Police Chief John Farmer bought the bill after someone carried him the report that it was counterfeit.

University of Southern California has added a course on current conflicts in morals.

Supt. Lyon Favors New School Law

The investigation of certain matters in the state department of education at Austin ordered by the legislature is creating interest all over Texas. This came about by rural schools of the state being shipped "character charts" from a publishing house and billed for them, the charts being a part of the prescribed equipment of the schools. What seemed to be excessive charges for this material caused an uproar and members of the legislature interested themselves in the matter with the result that bills have been presented to regulate this matter in the future and also to investigate what has already occurred.

Commenting on the matter now before the lawmaking body of the state, H. C. Lyon, superintendent of the Ballinger schools, said Saturday morning that knowing State Superintendent S. M. N. Marrs for many years, he believed that he was guilty of nothing which might be construed as graft knowingly. He believes that the state official may have been deceived in regard to the character charts and the way they were to be handled.

Further commenting on the matter, Mr. Lyon stated that he was in favor of the bill presented by Ray Holder, chairman of the House committee on education, requiring that books not furnished free by the state be offered to school boards for their adoption under a competitive bid plan. He believes this bill should be passed and schools required to abide by the law.

The present law requires that books not free or adopted by the state be adopted by the school board but this is merely a formality since there is no requirement in the law for those who have the books for sale.

The character charts were sent to schools which get state aid as a requirement, but State Supt. Marrs states that no state aid has been withheld where they were refused, therefore it has not been compulsory to date.

Mr. Lyon stated that the insinuation that county superintendents were guilty of taking commissions on supplies was not generally practiced, in his opinion. This charge has been made and will be a part of the investigation.

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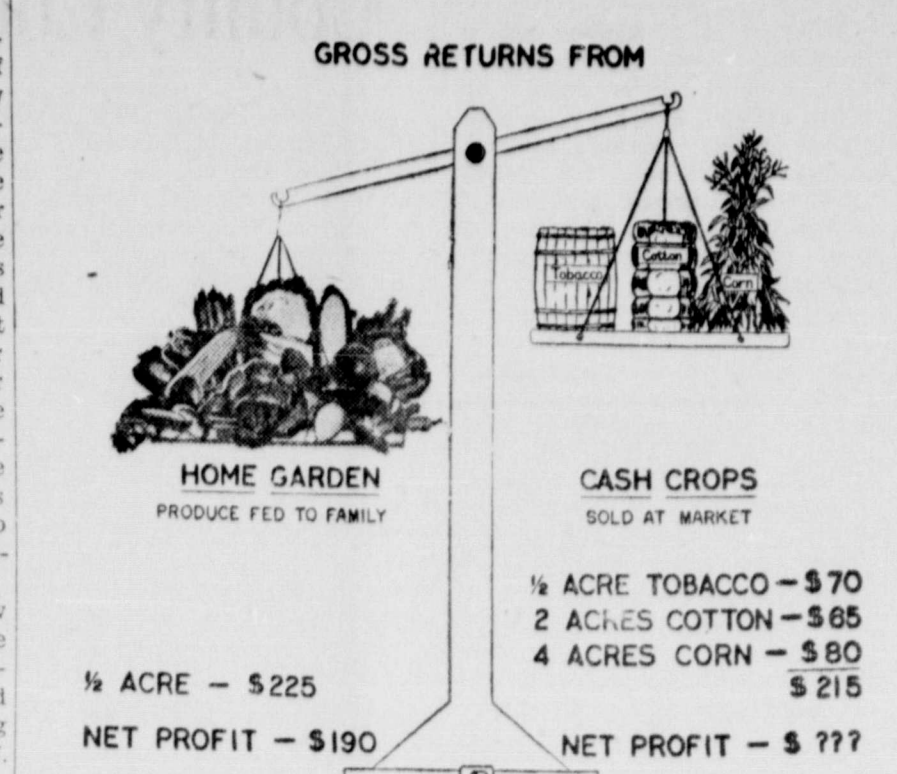
The Texas Almanac and State Industrial Guide, edition of 1931, which has just been issued by the Dallas News, might more properly be called an encyclopedia of Texas. Nearly everything one might wish to know about Texas is found in this new volume. Among the subjects covered in articles and statistics are agriculture and livestock raising, manufacturing, commerce, finance, minerals, railroads, highways and automobiles, aviation, foreign commerce, geography and physiography, forests and lumber production, irrigation and reclamation, wild animal, bird and fish resources, population, history, government, education and churches and religious organizations.

New census figures are given. There are several hundred articles and statistical tables containing several hundred thousand facts about Texas. There is a full text of the state constitution, with explanation of each of the fifty-one amendments that have been ratified since the adoption of the constitution in 1876. The constitution of the United States also is included. A folded sheet carries on one side a political and railroad map and on the other side a highway map. There are about 8,000 names and addresses of federal and state officials, county and district officials, mayors, school superintendents, chamber of commerce secretaries, writers, painters, musicians and others.

Questions such as the following can be answered from the Texas Almanac: When was Fort Phantom Hill established? Where? What is the highest mountain and what is the deepest canyon in Texas? What was the acreage, production and value of broom corn in Texas in 1930? How many airplane landing fields are there in Texas? What railroad projects are to be under construction in 1931? How many kinds of native oak trees are found in Texas? What was the 1930 census population of Winters, Texas. How many income tax payers were there in Ballinger in 1930?

The new Texas Almanac contains an article about each of the 254 counties, also brief articles about the more important cities and towns. While the primary purpose of the Texas Almanac is to give information about Texas, certain other information of general interest is given. The new edition has 384 pages, is printed

Truck Gardens Spell Profit For Live-at-Home Farmers



The farm scales balance this way in North Carolina with the result that "live-at-home" exponents practice their theory—and their incomes have shown a decided increase.

(By Associated Press) RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 16.—Farm girls and women enrolled in North Carolina home demonstration clubs increased their supply of home canned goods by a quarter of a million cans in 1930 over the previous year. "Live-at-home" enthusiasts say that using the average yields and average prices for cotton and tobacco in 1930, it would have taken more than nine acres of cotton

and almost 2 1/2 acres of tobacco to purchase the vegetables which can be grown in a half-acre garden. Food and feed crops which show a 4 per cent to 35 per cent gain in North Carolina include corn, oats, barley, hay, soy beans, cow-peas, Irish potatoes, sweet potatoes, sorghum, truck crops, laying hens and dairy cows. The cotton acreage was reduced 12 per cent and the income from other products increased \$19,000,000.

on book paper and is illustrated with a number of half-tones. The price is 60c a copy by mail.

N. Y. Woman Lost 14 Pounds of Fat

One 85 Cent Bottle of Kruschen Salts Did It.

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A generous bottle of Kruschen Salts that lasts 4 weeks costs but 85 cents at L. C. Daugherty Drug Co., J. Y. Pearce Drug Co., or Weeks drug store or any drug store in America—take one half teaspoon in a glass of hot water every morning before breakfast—cut out pastry and fatty meats—go light on potatoes, butter, cream and sugar—that will help Kruschen take off your fat.

Before the bottle is empty surplus fat is leaving you—indolence changes to activity—you'll feel younger—eyes will brighten—step grows spry. Millions know this—you ought to know it. Kruschen Salts is the ideal treatment for constipation, indigestion, headaches, nervousness and acidity. Take Kruschen every morning—it's the little daily dose that does it—if not joyfully satisfied after the first bottle—money back.

PASTOR OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH AT MILES RESIGNS

MILES, Feb. 17.—Rev. F. W. Henkel, for the past five years pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church of this place, tendered his resignation to the church council at its session last week. A congregational meeting held immediately after the morning services Sunday voted to accept Rev. Henkel's resignation. A call will be sent out at once for another pastor. Rev. Henkel was instrumental in doubling the membership of both Sunday school and church during his stay with the local congregation and he and his family have made many friends here who regret to see him leave. He has not announced where he is going.

Kentucky Taxes Whiskey

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 16.—(AP) Distilled spirits in Kentucky warehouses are assessed at \$7,536,871 by the state tax commission. Records show 149,949 barrels and 261,679 cases of old whiskey, and 26,105 barrels of new whiskey. New whiskey is assessed at \$20 a barrel.

PREACHER CATCHES WOLF

DALHART, Texas, Feb. 14.—A gray wolf, a species once common in the Panhandle but now almost extinct, was run down by Rev. O. V. Beal, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Dalhart, in the north part of Dallam county. The minister chased the wolf 10 miles in a large sedan before the animal dropped from exhaustion.

Mazeland School Immunizes Pupils

The school at Mazeland opened last Wednesday after being closed for more than two weeks on account of an epidemic of diphtheria in that community. A number of cases of this dread disease developed there and one death resulted while all the others are now reported on the road to recovery and no new cases.

The Mazeland school did not stage the immunization campaign in the fall when most of the schools in the county were looking after this work. The epidemic there has caused the parents to want the work done at once and an announcement was made last week that all children desiring could get the first dose of the diphtheria serum on Monday, Feb. 16. Ernest Caskey, principal of the school, stated in Ballinger Saturday afternoon that seventy children had already signed for the treatment and Dr. M. D. Barron of Wingate would be at the school all day to administer the serum.

Enrollment at the school following the two weeks of lost time was good and excellent work is now being done. The school is

one of the largest rural schools in the county with a fine brick building and a good staff of teachers.

OKLAHOMA FARMERS FORM SILAGE CUTTING "OUTFIT"

CHICKASHA, Okla., Feb. 13.—Like the threshing outfits that harvest wheat in other communities, farmers of this neighborhood are using an ensilage cutter to fill their silos.

Trading work, members of the crew travel from farm to farm storing the winter feed. The system evolved as a result of the success of W. E. Daniels and his two sons with trench silos on the three farms they manage. Pocasset farmers build their silos eight feet deep, eight feet wide at the bottom, and 12 feet wide at the top.

Hillard Clark and wife visited his aunt, Mrs. W. D. Lewis, at Benoit Monday night. Mr. Clark is superintendent of the Halburton Oil Co., at Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Fant and Mr. and Mrs. James Buchanan and son, Jimmy, of Dallas returned to their homes Saturday after a visit here with Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Crager.



Any COLD

That cold may lead to something serious, if neglected. The time to do something for it is now. Don't wait until it develops into bronchitis. Take two or three tablets of Bayer Aspirin as soon as you feel a cold coming on. Or as soon as possible after it starts. Bayer Aspirin will head off or relieve the aching and feverish feeling—will stop the headache. And if your throat is affected, dissolve two or three tablets in a quarter-glassful of warm water, and gargle. This quickly soothes a sore throat and reduces inflammation and infection. Read proven directions for neuralgia, for rheumatism and other aches and pains. Genuine Bayer Aspirin is harmless to the heart.

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66 ALSO IN TAGLETS

Inspection of Local Dairies is Finished

R. F. Zedlitz, city milk inspector, has completed his semi-annual grading here. All dairies, small dealers in milk, and cows have been inspected, milk tested, and permits issued according to the grading.

The Runnels County Creamery was issued a permit to sell grade A pasteurized milk in Ballinger, and the following were given permits to sell grade A raw milk: Kemp Dairy, Broadway Dairy, Witt Dairy, Whidden Dairy and Jones Dairy.

Milk producers who do not sell to retail trade but to the local pasteurizing plant and who were given grade A permits are the Michaels Dairy and Fowler Dairy. Those selling to the local plant wholesale and who were given grade B permits were D. Oliver Dairy, J. Oliver Dairy, Smith Dairy, F. Kemp Dairy and G. Nunn Dairy.

In addition to the above those who have one or more cows and sell some milk were given grade D raw milk permits. These are: Mrs. H. U. Jones, Mrs. L. Farris, H. Wiesepape, S. P. Hathaway, C. D. Middleton, E. L. DeWitt, R. R. Allman, F. W. Welhausen, A. B. Legate, R. E. White, and T. A. Duke.

Local dairies granted permits are operating under the standard city milk ordinance, under supervision of city and state authorities, cooperating with the federal health service.

Dr. Zedlitz stated that a big improvement was noted over that of the last grading period. Dealers are trying to meet every requirement of the law, it was declared, and even go further in improving sanitation of their places.

The average amount of grade A raw and pasteurized milk sold in the city during the past six months was 288 gallons. The average amount of grade D raw milk sold daily during the same period was 12 gallons.

Dairies have cooperated in every possible way with the inspector since the milk ordinance was passed here and much has been done to improve the quality of this necessity. Practically all the larger dairies have equipped their places to handle grade A milk and others are said to be planning changes to secure this class of permit.

Baby's Colds
Best treated without dosing—Just rub on
VICKS VAPORUB
OVER 26 MILLION JARS USED YEARLY

TWO LOCAL MEN FILE ON GOVERNMENT LAND

LeRoy Nicholson and Rothall O'Kelly came in Saturday from New Mexico where they each have pre-empted a section of land under the ex-service act of Congress.

Mr. Nicholson filed on his section Dec. 16, 1930 and Mr. O'Kelly in February, 1931. This land is located between Roswell and Fort Sumter, being about 45 miles north of Roswell and about the same distance south of Fort Sumter.

They have both made the required improvements on their respective sections and will live on the land for the time required by the government. Both are well pleased with the venture and expect it to prove profitable.

HOLD FAMILY REUNION

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wellhausen a family reunion was held this past weekend, when all members were present for the first time.

Those here were Mrs. Curtis Harber and family, formerly of this city; Mrs. Avis Miller, of San Antonio, and daughter; Chief Quartermaster C. W. Danley, U. S. navy, Lakehurst, N. J.; and Mrs. V. Chinnith, of San Antonio. This is the first time in a period of ten years that the family in its entirety has assembled in one group. Two of the family being in the military service are of necessity away from home an appreciable length of time.

Many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Wellhausen were in-and-out guests on this happy occasion and the old-time family spirit was ever present.

CATCH NICE STRING OF FISH

C. P. Hirschfeld and John Reese were displaying a fine catch of fish. The men set lines on the Colorado River Thursday night and took off six good sized fish Friday morning. All but one were channel cat, the largest, however, being a yellow cat weighing about six pounds. The catch was made only a short distance from the city limits.

T. J. McCaughan of Norton was in the city on business Tuesday.

B.Y.P.U. Revival Workers Secured

State workers have been secured for the Associational B. Y. P. U. revival to be held in this county from April 4 to 12, inclusive. Miss Grace Conn, field secretary of the state B. Y. P. U. will be here as general superintendent of the revival in this county and will be in charge of the classes at Winters for the entire week.

Hunter Lyon of Dallas will be sent here by the state board to assist in the revival in this county and will be with the Ballinger church for the entire week to direct and teach in their work. Mr. Lyon is a brother of H. C. Lyon, superintendent of the Ballinger schools and for several years has been active in B. Y. P. U. work over the state.

Miss Conn is a well known worker in all parts of the state and is sought in connection with all schools and special efforts of the organization.

A large number of churches in this county have signed up for the revival and to each of these churches will be sent a special worker from Howard Payne College at Brownwood. The plan will bring all the churches cooperating the work together at the Ballinger Baptist Church in afternoon meetings each day during the week. Reports from the different churches will be heard at these services and other important phases of the young people's work will be discussed by the two principal workers, Miss Conn and Mr. Lyon.

Each night the churches will hold their own meetings with a special leader in charge of the work in each community.

Churches in the county which have already signed up for the work include Bethel, Ballinger, Blanton, Content, Miles, Pumphrey, Paint Rock, Robert Lee and Winters. All churches of the association are expected to enter before the starting date and take advantage of the training to be derived from capable leaders who will teach the work and conduct the revival.

Unintentional Suicide

Many people are slowly poisoning themselves just as surely as if they drank iodine every morning for breakfast. They are daily absorbing the toxins, or poisons, created by accumulated waste matter in their constipated digestive system. Sooner or later disease will conquer their weakened bodies.

If you have dizzy spells, headaches, coated tongue, bad breath, insomnia, no appetite, bilious attacks or pains in the back and limbs, you are probably suffering from self poisoning caused by constipation. The surest and pleasantest relief for this condition is Herbine, the vegetable cathartic which acts in the natural way. Get a bottle today from Weeks Drug Store.

SHORT COURSE HERE POSTPONED ONE YEAR

Scott H. Mack, C. W. Lehmborg and J. D. Motley returned Monday night from Santa Anna, where they had been to attend the farmers' short course in progress there. This school of instruction, a similar course of which was to have been held in Ballinger, is sponsored by the International Harvester Company. The course will not be held here this year, however, as the leaders had urgent calls to go to Arkansas and will go there instead. Ballinger is at the head of the list for a short course next year and a date will be set early.

The Ballinger men were highly impressed with the nature of the work being offered in the course at Santa Anna and look forward to the session here in the spring of 1932.

ALL EGGS HELD EQUAL: "COLOR LINE" ABOLISHED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—There is no "color line" in the nourishment value of eggs.

A breakfast of white eggs has just as much food value as one of brown eggs, says J. P. Quinn, of the bureau of animal industry.

The color of an egg shell is determined by the breed of the chicken, while that of the yolk depends on the diet of the hen. One kind of yolk is just as nutritious as the other, he says.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Stroble have returned from a visit to relatives in Austin. J. L. Stroble, former Ballinger citizen, is now located in the capitol city.

Euell Arthur of Big Lake was here the first of the week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Arthur.

Nevada motorists paid an average fee of \$33.88 in 1930 to operate their automobiles.

Hit-and-Run Driver Injures Man Here

Wiley Stout, of Abilene, was injured near here on highway 30 west, Friday night about 8:30 when he was struck by an automobile while walking westward. He was picked up a few minutes after the occurrence and brought to the Weeks Drug Store here by Drew Dickson, local traveling salesman.

Mr. Dickson said he was returning home for the week-end and was driving at a fast clip. A short distance this side of Rowena he observed something in the middle of the highway and thought at first it was a sack of something which had fallen off a truck. He swung his automobile to the side of the road to avoid the object and brought the car to a stop alongside another machine further down the road. He and the driver of the other car went back to investigate and found a man suffering from bruises and cuts. The wounded man was placed in Mr. Dickson's car and rushed here for first aid. The man gave his name here and an examination showed that he was not apparently seriously hurt. However, most of his teeth had been knocked out and he had sustained painful head wounds.

Stout said he was walking to San Angelo to the home of an uncle and that a car going west ran into him a few minutes before Mr. Dickson arrived. The auto which struck Stout, he said was driven off as rapidly as possible. Mr. Dickson asserted he felt sure he met the hit-and-run driver about half a mile from the scene of the crash.

C. O. Brown, of San Angelo, took the injured man from the drug store here to San Angelo after his wounds had been dressed. Stout was taken to the home of his uncle, L. I. Waterhouse, of San Angelo. Upon arrival at San Angelo he was somewhat revived.

No clue to the hit-and-run motorist has been reported.

HONEY OUTPUT INCREASED WITH GLASS BOTTOM HIVE

ESCONDIDO, Cal., Feb. 13.—An increased yield of honey was announced by John E. Yarnell after a series of experiments with glass bottom bee hives.

He said he used a pane of glass 10 by 15 inches for the bottom of the hive and raised the latter four or five inches from the ground.

To reflect the light into the brood-combs he placed a sheet of white paper on the ground. The apiarist said he believed the light causes the queen to remain inside, making a queen-excluder unnecessary.

RAIN RECORD BROKEN

UVALDE, Texas, Feb. 14.—A January rainfall record at Uvalde which has stood for 31 years was broken last week by a slow steady rain which fell almost continually for five days. The total precipitation was 3.69 inches, making a total of 5.80 inches for the month. The previous record of 5.42 inches was set in January 1900, and only once since that time had the mark been approached, that being in January, 1919, when 3.04 inches was recorded.

BLIGHT-RESISTANT BEANS SOUGHT TO CUT CROP LOSS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—Apparently the best control for bacterial blight which, second to anthracnose, is the worst bean disease, is the development of blight-resistant varieties, says Dr. W. J. Zaunmeyer, assistant government pathologist.

The annual loss from the disease approximates a quarter of a million bushels. Losses in bad seasons have run as high as 75 per cent of the crop.

In isolated instances and in particularly bad years complete destruction of a field is not uncommon.

R. A. Williamson, who has been confined to his home after an operation at the Halley & Love Sanitarium, is reported to be resting well and will be able to be back at his post of duty in a few days.

A Wonderful Help to Mothers



Dallas, Texas—Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription was a wonderful help and comfort to me as a tonic and nerve. I found it especially beneficial during pregnancy. It kept me in such good condition that I was able to do my work, hardly realizing my condition, and when a woman gets along without suffering at this time her mental condition is greatly helped. Also Prescription babies are healthier and stronger. —Mrs. L. J. Bryant, 3723 Race St. All dealers. Fluid or tablets. Write to Dr. Pierce's Clinic in Buffalo, N. Y., for free medical advice, enclosing wrapper from medicine.

More than 100 Attend County Council Meeting

More than 100 members of the Parent-Teacher associations and teachers of the county were here Saturday afternoon to attend the meeting of the Runnels county council held at American Legion Hall. Mrs. Joe Simmons, president of the council, and other officers had worked hard for the preceding two weeks to secure large attendance and were rewarded with 18 organizations being represented and five schools without P-T A's had faculty members in attendance.

The P-T A groups represented were Ballinger, Ballinger pre-school, Barnett, Bethel, Blanton, Crews, Eagle Branch, Franklin, Maverick, Mazeland, Miles, Norton, Runnels, Winters, Wingate and Rowena. Schools and communities represented where there is no P-T A were: Miller, Brookshire, Spring Hill, Cochran, and Dry Ridge.

Prior to assembling in the auditorium the visitors inspected a collection of health posters and books displayed by the county health nurse, Miss Addie Alexander. This collection of health work was taken from all the schools of the county and was for the purpose of assisting those who have yet to start their projects. Teachers especially inspected this work very closely and received much help from the work done by other schools.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Simmons and all reports, the minutes, and letters were read, which disposed of the business to come before the organization. Miss Alexander was the first speaker and discussed summer round-ups, the awarding of health buttons and the requirements for students to receive this award. She also discussed the coming health conference to be held in the near future at Rankin and urged teachers from every school to get their posters ready as soon as possible. These posters will be taken to Rankin and placed in a booth for examination during the conference.

Mrs. Simmons gave a detailed report of her work as seventh vice-president of the sixth district, most of which was routine business but very interesting.

Mrs. B. J. Smith, of Wingate, spoke on "Founder's Day," giving a complete historical sketch of the organization since its founding in 1897. The Ballinger P-T A. has announced a party here at the high school auditorium Friday night to celebrate Founder's Day, to which everyone is invited.

County Superintendent R. E. White introduced the principal speaker, Dr. W. M. Wiggins, of Simmons University, Abilene, who talked on the problems of the schools, the introducing of children into group life, stating that the task of parents and teachers is the teaching and guiding of them properly. His address was a real inspiration to those who heard him and much benefit was realized from his statements.

The entertainment number was a vocal solo by Miss Addie Ward, radio artist, accompanied by Miss Maggie Underwood.

Following the program the Ballinger pre-school P-T A served refreshments. This organization wishes to express appreciation to M. E. Harris, who assisted in serving the coffee.

2 WOMEN REWARDED FOR 15c INVESTMENT

COLEMAN, Feb. 16.—Two Coleman county women should be rewarded, Miss Gertrude Brent, Coleman county home demonstration agent, says, because they have records of making profitable investments with fifteen cents. They are Mrs. E. G. Cry, member of the Loss Creek home demonstration club, and Mrs. J. C. Hall, member of the Rockwood club.

In October they purchased 15 cents worth of tendergreen seed each and planted it in gardens eight feet wide and thirty feet long. In thirty days they had plenty of greens to eat. Since maturing, they have been serving the greens about twice a week. Several other families also have been supplied. Mrs. Cry has put up about forty quarts for future use. The patches are still prolific and will likely bear until a spring garden comes in.

Tendergreen, Miss Brent says, is a cross between spinach and mustard and is rapidly gaining popularity.

M. B. Wardlaw left Monday afternoon for Fort Worth to be at the bedside of his father, N. J. Wardlaw, who is in a hospital at that city.

T. B. Saunders is back at his desk at the Ballinger State Bank after an absence of several days on business in Dallas.

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FARMERS PLAN TO PLANT LARGE ACREAGE IN TRUCK

LEWISVILLE, Tex., Feb. 16.—Eight hundred acres planted to water melons and 350 acres to cantaloupes is the object of farmers of this section in an effort to overcome losses sustained in recent years due to the over-production and low price of cotton.

A watermelon association has been formed here with J. R. Forban as president. It has been holding a series of educational meetings on the methods of preparing and cultivation of the land for melon growing. Railroad representatives assured the growers that buyers will come here to purchase the crop providing there is a sufficient quantity, which is certain since land in this section is well adapted to melon growing. A number of farmers have been successful in this line of endeavor for many years, but have been compelled to truck their products to the market, which meant much loss of time. It was due to this fact that the pioneers in melon growing began casting about for means of creating a local market.

The cantaloupe project is being sponsored by a large marketing firm, which requires that a certain seed be planted.

More than two-thirds of the required acreage has been secured. Since most land that is suited to watermelon growing will not produce good cantaloupes, vice versa, neither projects interfering with the other.

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BARNETT NEWS

Sunday school was well attended Sunday in spite of bad roads.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tyree and son, Bobbie, visited Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Tyree Sunday.

Miss Mae Belle Frost, of Hartley, Texas, who formerly lived here, was married in Amarillo to Raymond Hale. The young couple will make their home in Chickasha, Oklahoma, where Mr. Hale is employed as an electrician.

Grandpa Dunn isn't feeling as well as usual. He has been sick a long time, just up and down. We're always glad to hear he's up and getting around.

Miss Minnie Lea Camp returned home Saturday after spending several days with her grandmother, Mrs. Maxwell, of Ballinger.

HATCHEL NEWS

We had good attendance at the Church of Christ Sunday. Among those present were Mrs. Mollie McDaniel of Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hinkle and daughters of Ballinger, Mrs. Potter of Ballinger, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis of Winters.

Mrs. Mollie McDaniel of Coleman is visiting her sister, Mrs. Lou Graves.

Miss Ruby Guin of Hatchel and Miss Pully Michaelis of Ballinger were substitute teachers at Spring Hill last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith of Silver Valley spent the week-end with their daughter, Mrs. H. P. Michaelis.

There were fifteen present at the home demonstration club last Thursday. Mrs. Ralph Vancil gave an interesting talk on pictures. The next meeting will be Feb. 26. Visitors are welcome.

Mack Guin was among the number selected for the jury last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Stone visited Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Tucker Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Wood of Runnels were pleasant visitors of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Michaelis Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Voelker visited Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Guin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hinkle of Ballinger visited Mr. and Mrs. Mord Tucker Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Graves, Mrs. Lou Graves and daughter, and Mrs. McDaniel spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. Graves.

Carl Reams and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Reams.

A number of farmers of this community planted potatoes last week.

WINGATE NEWS

There were services at both the Baptist and Methodist churches Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McMillan and son, Troy, of the Oxien community; Mrs. T. L. Foreman and children, of the Blanton community; and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wood and little son, Elton Dwin, of Wilmeth, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Wood and family.

The birthday party given at the George Blackwell home for Miss Faye Ellis was well attended. We hope Miss Ellis many more happy birthdays.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Rodgers visited friends and relatives in this community last week-end.

Quite a few parents visited the school Friday as the grade pupils had valentine boxes.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Whigam, of Gorman, visited in this community last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Humphrey gave a dance Saturday night. A large crowd attended. Everyone reported a nice time.

Little Miss Winona Wood spent Monday night with little Miss Mary Catherine Connor.

Miss Tiny Wood spent Friday night with Miss Willie Mae Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Barnett took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wright Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Euel Bishop returned home Sunday from a visit in Bell county.

We are glad to report that little Miss Emma Dean Timms is improving rapidly.

BETHEL NEWS

(Delayed)

The Happy Home Makers Club met with Mrs. Tulos February 5, with twenty present. Three new members joined, who were Mrs. Bigby and daughter, Miss Mable and Mrs. John Lee Simmons. Delicious refreshments of cocoa, jello with whipped cream and cake were served. The club will meet next with Mrs. John Batts, February 19.

Miss Nona Diltz' expression class rendered a very interesting recital Friday night at the high school auditorium. A large crowd attended. A very interesting half talk by Miss Jane Tittle, of Ballinger, also was very enjoyable.

The basketball boys accompanied by David Wood, went to Winters Friday where they had a part in the county contests.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Davenport entertained a crowd of young folks Saturday night with a 42 social.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Lampie and family were among the number to see the ball games at Winters Friday.

Mrs. David Duke entertained her Sunday school class, seniors of the Baptist church, with a valentine social Tuesday night. A number of interesting game and contests were enjoyed by a large crowd. The guests were served delicious ice cream and cake.

C. D. Hornberg visited home folks at Winters during the past week-end.

Little Miss Mamie Lou Womack entertained a case of mumps last week.

David Duke and Tom Crockett attended the Taylor trial at Paint Rock last week.

This community is still too wet for farmers to work in their fields. Another good rain fell Saturday and Sunday night. Grain is looking its best and is providing fine pasturage for stock.

CREWS NEWS

Rev. W. F. Smith filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday.

Mrs. W. J. Young is in the hospital at Santa Anna, suffering from toxic poison. We hope she will soon be able to return home.

R. C. Ray was a guest of C. W. Schwartz Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Walden are the proud parents of a baby girl born February 10. She bears the name Ia Verne.

Miss Bonnie Mae Clark and little nephews, Dialon and Ben Alden Harwood spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Wilma McBeth.

M. M. Smith has moved to Ballinger to make his home for the present.

Mrs. W. E. Traylor and family have moved to the Eagle Branch community.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Young, of near Winters, were guests in the W. W. King home Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thad Traylor are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine baby girl.

A message was received from Miss Myrtle Tate stating her mother, Mrs. Willis Tate, of Talpa, was operated on at the Santa Anna hospital February 7. Mrs. Tate has many friends here who wish for her a speedy recovery.

Miss Zena Young was a guest of Mrs. W. W. King Sunday.

Mrs. Gilbert Carter, of Tokeo, Mrs. W. T. White and Mrs. W. P. King spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Irvin.

Miss Mary Roach visited friends here Saturday night and Sunday. Miss Roach was a highly efficient teacher in our high school for two years, and was welcomed by many friends. She is teaching at Norton the present term.

Miss Reba Jayroe called on Mrs. King and Mrs. McBeth Thursday.

BLANTON NEWS

The Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. were well attended Sunday and all reported good lessons.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Kennedy were visitors in the Sidney Hale home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. James and family attended church at Crews Sunday.

We are glad to know that Geo. Fowler was able to be brought home Tuesday from the Halley & Love Sanitarium at Ballinger. We all hope to see him well soon.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Wood, of Bethel, visited in the J. A. Foreman home Sunday.

The Eagle Branch junior basketball boys played Blanton juniors Wednesday evening, the score ending 18 to 8 in favor of Blanton.

Miss LaVerne Boothe spent Saturday night with Miss Petty.

Grover Foreman visited his sister at Brownwood last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Toungett visited in the E. B. Toungett home last Wednesday.

We are sorry to report Miss Maggie Brevard on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Toungett were Sunday evening callers in the J. B. Boothe home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Toungett visited Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Toungett Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Avent are at the bedside of Mr. Avent's mother, of Herring, who is very sick.

HERRING TOPICS

Mrs. Lewallen spent Thursday with Mrs. Kerby and Mrs. Ivy Miller.

Miss Loy Brevard spent Friday night with Mrs. A. S. Allcorn.

Miss Bernice Hale spent Friday night with Miss Ina Mae Richey of Talpa and attended the banquet given in honor of the boys' basketball team.

Mrs. J. P. Brevard and daughter, Lemma, spent Thursday with Mrs. Joe Bragg.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Odell of Dale spent Saturday in the J. J. Fuller home.

Mr. and Mrs. Farmer had as their guests this week-end Mrs. Shields of Coleman and Mrs. Farmer of Novice.

Noel Hale of Del Rio is visiting home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brister and son, Orvan, Mrs. Dan Talley and daughter, Alma, and a grandson, Junior Talley, and T. C. Payne of San Angelo visited in the T. C. Payne and G. C. Avent homes Sunday.

Miss Naolma Brevard spent Thursday night with Miss Myrtle Ruth Hale.

PEPPY WORKERS HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Peppy Workers of Wingate met at the home of the president, Mrs. B. J. Smith, Feb. 11. Rugs and their making was the topic of the hour. The home demonstration agent, Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, gave us some valuable information.

The next meeting will be Feb. 25 with Mrs. Charlie Smith. Program will be on pictures. Everyone is invited to attend.

Refreshments of coffee, cake and whipped cream were served to the following: Mmes. Hollingsworth, A. B. Mosley, C. A. Smith, R. V. Rogers, J. C. Busher, J. B. Wilson, Miss Mildred Smith and the hostess.

Club Reporter

SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Leach visited Mr. Leach's mother last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eckerman and daughter, Ester, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George McMillan.

Mrs. Ed Farley and children spent Sunday with Mrs. Farley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Parrish.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean and children were visitors in the John Hooks home Sunday.

Miss Bessie Brown is spending the week in Abilene with her aunt.

Mrs. George McMillan visited in the home of her brother, J. G. Tuckey, Tuesday.

Mrs. Humble had the misfortune to lose her fine milk cow Saturday.

Mrs. Walk Allen has been very sick with a cold the past few days.

A Mr. Green and family have moved in the Bud Gray place.

Homer Milton and family spent Sunday in the R. E. Brown home.

Miss Margaret Hutcherson spent Saturday with Miss Corinne Brown.

Houston Humble has returned home after a visit with her grandparents near Leaday.

Mr. and Mrs. Weisepape visited Mr. and Mrs. George McMillan Sunday.

Stafford Humble left Tuesday for Corpus Christi.

BETHEL NEWS

The Valentine social given by the League at the Methodist church Friday night was enjoyed by a large crowd. Members of the B. Y. P. U. were invited. A number of games and contests were enjoyed. Misses Nellie and Mable Bigby were leaders of the seniors and Mrs. McShan and Miss Bell of the juniors. Punch and heart-shaped cookies were served and enjoyed by all.

Rev. L. D. Hardt, accompanied by his family, filled his regular appointment Sunday with a good crowd in spite of rainy weather.

TO EXHIBIT MEATS

LUBBOCK, Feb. 17.—An exhibition of live and cured meats, intended to induce farmers to preserve meats for home use, and to encourage those in the cities to demand good Texas meats, will be held in Lubbock March 27 and 28.

The show will be the first annual Panhandle-South Plains Fat Calf and Pig Show, combined with a Ham, Bacon and Meat Show, under auspices of the Panhandle-South Plains Fair Association.

"Live-at-Home" Acres Grow
RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 17.—(AP)—The area planted to 13 important food and feed crops in North Carolina was increased by 520,180 acres last year while the cotton acreage decreased 234,000 acres. The money value of the increased production was placed at \$19,000,000. Governor Gardner has asked for an additional increase of \$40,000,000 in food and feed crops in 1931.

PREDICTS GOOD CLIP
SONORA, Tex., Feb. 17.—Charley Evans, manager of the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company of Sonora, and a former wool buyer, says the clip of wool this spring should be the best Texas has had in 10 years. He says sheep are wintering well in Sutton county.

Mrs. A. E. Bozelle left Wednesday for Dallas to attend a style show and purchase merchandise for the Bettis & Sturges store here.

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A number of the P.-T. A. members attended the council meeting at Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Hedrick Shelburn and Miss Cornelia Bell spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Mead McShan.

The families of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Batts, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil McShan, of Dry Ridge, and the Tom Crockett family enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Batts.

Little Miss Lucille Bayard is reported to have the mumps this week.

Mead McShan attended court at Paint Rock Monday.

BENOIT NEWS

We all are enjoying the bright sunny days. This warm weather reminds us of spring, especially since the grass and weeds are looking so green and fruit trees are beginning to bud.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cox and family visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cox, of Novice, Sunday.

Roy Clayton, of Coleman, came up Tuesday to visit home folks a few days.

Mrs. S. H. Skelton was a Benoit caller Wednesday evening.

Farmers Face Tighter Money For New Crops

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Farmers will find it increasingly hard to get money with which to produce their crops in 1931, but correspondingly easy to get funds for marketing what they do grow. That is what the annual agricultural outlook conference says. Aside from the physical limitations of production credit, there is a well-defined attitude, particularly in the South, against lending money for increased farm activity in major crops.

In some instances none at all will be lent unless the farmer agrees to plant gardens and feed for livestock, and otherwise follow the agricultural program of his locality.

Most production credit in the United States still comes from the country bank and the merchant, and the ability of country banks to make advances has been considerably impaired. Most of them entered 1931 with a smaller volume of deposits than they had a year earlier.

There were also less adequate secondary reserves consisting of commercial paper, bankers' balances and investments.

Banks in many areas have been unable fully to liquidate their borrowings from correspondents and federal reserve banks. Failures in many sections, particularly in the southern states, have accentuated further the shortage of available funds.

Advices from agricultural credit corporations and federal intermediate credit banks indicate that an increased volume of credit from these sources will be utilized. This increase will result in part from the formation of new credit corporations, and in part from enlarged operations of existing corporations.

The ability of country merchants to extend credit to their customers will be adversely affected in many sections by an abnormally large carry-over of last year's accounts, and by difficulties in obtaining new loans from the local banks.

The outlook for farm mortgage credit does not hold much promise of improvement during 1931. The decline in land values and the poor income returns of 1930 are making it difficult for borrowers to obtain renewals upon favorable terms.

A few insurance companies have withdrawn from the farm mortgage field. Most of the joint stock land banks are temporarily inactive, or have greatly restricted their operations.

The supply of credit for marketing the 1931 crops, however, seems likely to be ample. This type of credit is supplied from central money markets, where an abundance of credit is available and interest rates at the lowest level in any recent year.

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Peaches	Solid pack, per gallon	53c
Spuds	No. 1 best quality, 10 lbs.	23c
Cheese	Longhorn, 1 lb.	18c
Sausage	Pure pork, per lb.	20c
Breakfast Bacon	sliced, lb.	25c

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FOR SALE—Thoroughbred White Leghorn Eggs, from pedigreed males at 2 1/2 cents each. J. C. Reese, Ballinger, Texas. 20-31w

Deaths

Mrs. Mollie Klaus
Mrs. Mollie Klaus, age 55, wife of Otto Klaus of the Kistoff community, died at the home Monday night at 11 o'clock after an illness lasting since Saturday. Mrs. Klaus was a real pioneer of this county, moving here with her husband 32 years ago and since that time has made her home near the Kristoff school. Her mother and father came to this country from Germany and settled near Colorado and she lived there until coming to this county.

Last summer Mrs. Klaus suffered a stroke of paralysis but apparently had recovered when Saturday a second stroke caused her last illness with death resulting Monday night.

The body was brought here Monday night to the King-Holt Undertaking Company and prepared for burial and carried back to the home Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Klaus is survived by her mother, Mrs. Augusta Ranthum of Colorado and the following children: Frederica, Millie, Annie, Alma, Henry, Gustav, Erven, Raymond. Brothers and sisters surviving are Henry, August, Lease, Emil, Herbert and Charlie Ranthum all of Colorado, and Willie, Fritz, Erven and Felix of the county.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock at the Evangelical Church at Rowena with Rev. Ehmhorn in charge. Interment will be made in the Lutheran cemetery at Rowena following the service at the church.
Undertakers from the King-Holt Undertaking Company were in charge of all funeral arrangements.

R. A. Terry

News was received in Ballinger early Monday morning announcing the death of R. A. Terry, former local citizen, at San Antonio. Mr. Terry was found dead in his room early Monday morning by a daughter when she went to wake him. He was sitting in a chair when the daughter entered and upon examination it was found that he had died in that position.

According to meager details received here, Mrs. Terry had gone to visit a daughter in another town and Mr. Terry had occupied the room alone the night before.

Mr. Terry lived here for a number of years and served this county as clerk for several terms. He succeeded W. L. Towner to that office and after holding it some time went to Chicago where he was associated with a bank of which M. A. Traylor was head. He later moved to San Antonio and had lived there since.

Mrs. Terry is a daughter of Mrs. J. E. Oliver of Winters and a sister to Miss Gladys Oliver, who is well known here.

No details were learned concerning the funeral arrangements.

Notice to the Public

I will begin my 1931 assessing Monday, February 9, and will kindly ask everybody to be ready when called on by myself or one of my deputy assessors, to give us your inventory of property.
Please don't put us off as it has to be done, so please be ready.
Yours truly,
MIKE C. BOYD
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Mr. and Mrs. Henry Leach were visitors here Saturday attending to business matters for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Dunlap and son of Farwell spent Sunday here visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Dunlap.

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Jury Selected for 2nd Week of Court

The second week of district court was opened here Monday morning at 10 o'clock when a petit jury was sworn in and given instructions. District Judge E. J. Miller was somewhat late in arriving due to the condition of the road between Brownwood and Ballinger, it being necessary to use mud chains over the unpaved sections.

All men summoned for jury service reported to the calling of their names and very few excuses were offered. Thirty-one were retained for service this week in criminal cases to be tried. Jurors accepted for this week are: C. M. Colburn, Ernest Moody, C. M. Gibson, G. P. Teague, C. G. Meeks, Hugh Campbell, R. L. Stokes, M. S. Karmany, C. H. Ray, R. S. Mack, M. L. Northington, Joe Oliver, T. O. Williams, O. K. Jacob, C. L. Cook, Horace Murphy, Victor Mike, R. P. Sheider, C. E. McMillan, Louis Underwood, J. W. Seals, E. A. Voelkel, W. O. Bailey, H. M. Allagood, W. H. Speer, Bun Morgan, H. C. Daniel, F. H. Cameron, G. W. Poe, E. J. Schwartz, S. H. Davidson.

The docket was being arranged and all cases will be rushed as fast as possible.

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Weddings

Hill-Miller

Leyton Hill, of Winters, and Miss Ruby Miller, of Ballinger, were quietly married in San Angelo Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Hill will make their home in Ballinger after a short honeymoon in Big Spring.

Their host of friends in this county hope they will dodge the storms on the sea of matrimony.

Love-Sturges

Miss Margaret Sturges, daughter of J. C. Sturges of this city, became the bride of Wesley Love Monday afternoon at the home of her sister, Mrs. Sam Leeper, of El Paso. The couple will make their home near El Paso on the Sierra Blanca ranch owned by Mr. Love.

Miss Sturges had been living at El Paso with her sister since last August with the exception of occasional visits here with her father. She met Mr. Love about five years ago while on a visit in El Paso and the marriage is culmination of the romance which began at that meeting.

Miss Sturges is well known here. She was a leader in the young social set here during the past five years. Graduating from the Weatherford high school she then attended college three years, finishing at Simmons University, Abilene.

Mr. Love is a prominent young ranchman of the border country.

Angelo Man Takes Over Central Hotel

A deal was closed here Monday whereby the management of the Central Hotel passes from Stanley Gray to G. A. Tripp, late of San Angelo. Mr. Tripp has taken over the lease from Mrs. G. G. Odom, owner.

Mr. Tripp has been in the hotel business for the past twelve years in various parts of the country and has been connected with the Texas Hotel at San Angelo for several years. He comes to Ballinger highly recommended and personally promises improved service at the hostelry.

Mr. Tripp stated that he had always wanted to locate in Ballinger and felt that the city was deserving of much better hotel service and thought that he could give that service now, and asks the consideration of the public in the future. He said he would be handicapped for the first few days but would be in position before long to give guests superior service.

R. E. George recently sold his interest and furnishings in the hotel to the owners of the building and will devote full time to his mercantile business.

California imports 55 percent of the pork it consumes.

Four Prisoners Carried to Prison

Two deputies from the state penitentiary arrived in Ballinger Wednesday afternoon to take convicts from here to Huntsville. Four prisoners in the Runnels county jail here were turned over to the transfer agents by Sheriff W. A. Holt, and the quartet was given transportation on the afternoon Santa Fe.

Those removed Wednesday were Bob Lee, Arthur Pullins, Crescencio Gonzales and Emelio Ortiz. Ortiz will serve a life sentence for the murder of his daughter in Concho county last August. He was first tried at Paint Rock and given the death penalty but due to irregularities was granted a new trial and a change of venue to Ballinger. At the trial here he received a life sentence and no appeal was sought.

All others were convicted in the last term of 35th district court here and have been in the local jail ever since.

The loss of the four scar boarders at the county prison does not leave that institution empty by any means, a number being held there on various charges.

Six Gangs Work On Grading Job

Six gangs of workmen are busy at the present time on Highway 23 doing the dirt work on the grading job. Thursday approximately 140 head of horses and mules were being used on the work with about 45 men busy.

Five miles of roadway has been plowed up to date and most of the gangs are breaking a half-mile of ground at a time. These short stretches are completed before another is started and the work is being rushed as fast as possible. Many interferences have occurred since the work order was received here most of them being due to rain and wet ground making it impossible to use plows and scrapers.

The total distance of the new roadway is slightly over 14 miles and goes to the city limits of Talpa. With the entire crew working in good weather much dirt is turned each day but since work was started it has averaged raining at least once each week and working days are only about 50 per cent of the time.

Baptist Revival Dates are Named

Rev. J. H. McClain, pastor of the Ballinger Baptist Church, announced Friday morning that definite dates had been set for their revival and help secured for bringing the messages.

Rev. R. E. Day of Big Spring will be here for two weeks to assist in the meeting. Rev. Day for years has been in evangelistic work but is now pastor of the church at Big Spring. He is considered one of the strongest soul winners in this section and members of the local church are delighted that his services have been secured.

The revival meeting will start on June 7th and will continue for two weeks including three Sundays. This date was selected so that it would not conflict with the Methodist revival which has been set for the latter part of May and closes on the date for the beginning of the Baptist evangelistic campaign.

Rev. McClain stated that it was not the plan at present to employ any out of town help to carry on the music. Local singers will be used and special music will be rendered by choir members.

This is the second revival announced for Ballinger during the spring and summer, however other denominations are expecting to announce their dates as soon as their leaders are secured at a time when there will be no conflict.

WARM BATH IS ADVOCATED FOR CHILLED SPRING LAMBS

AMES, Iowa, Feb. 16.—During the cold weather early spring lambs chilled at birth may be revived if immersed, all but the head, in warm water.

J. C. Holbert, animal husbandman at Iowa State College, says the purpose of the bath is to invigorate blood circulation. To insure even temperature hot water should be added each time the bath cools until the lamb becomes somewhat lively.

Then, he says, the lamb should be wrapped in a large towel and rubbed briskly until dry, fed as soon as revived and put in a warm place to sleep. It should be returned to its mother as soon as possible to prevent her from disowning it.

City Officials to Gas Investigation

Mayors and city officials from all towns served by the Community Natural Gas Company will meet in Abilene Wednesday for the purpose of making an investigation into gas rates in this section. Mayor W. C. McCarver, City Commissioner E. Shepperd and City Attorney C. P. Shepherd will attend the Abilene meeting together with several other local people who are interested in the matter.

Gas consumers in many towns of West Texas started a complaint regarding the gas bills for December and January, saying they were too high as compared with those for the same period last year. A part of December and practically all of January last year were extremely cold and bills here naturally ran high. This year the weather has been very mild and people have complained that their bills were high and have welcomed an investigation into the matter.

Local people who have complaints to make are requested to give the figures to the local committee before they leave here Wednesday morning. They do not desire any guesses as to what bills were for the same period the two years but where receipts-bills are presented will submit them to the investigation if the opportunity is offered.

Mayor McCarver stated Tuesday morning that he did not know just what would be done at the meeting in Abilene. The Ballinger delegation is interested in learning what other towns are paying for gas and compare it to the rate here and the average monthly bill. There has been no change in rates here since the Community Gas Company began serving this town.

City officials from a large number of towns are to attend the Abilene meeting Wednesday. All Oil Belt towns along the T. & P. railway are to be present and San Angelo, although not being served by the same company, will have a delegation there to hear the discussion and compare rates with those in other places.

Frank L. Chase, vice-president and general operating manager of the Lone Star Gas Company, and William C. Grant, public relations director of the Lone Star Gas Company, will be present. Chase is president of the Community Natural Gas Corp. distributor of Lone Star Gas in 46 West Texas towns and all mayors and city officials from these towns have been asked to attend the meeting by Mayor Thomas Hayden of Abilene.

33 Families Given Food Here Friday

Thirty-three Ballinger families were assisted Friday by the local charity board and given baskets of food ranging from \$1 to \$6.77 in value. The office of the charity board was crowded for the biggest part of the day with white people applying from early morning until 3 o'clock in the afternoon and negroes after that hour.

This work will continue until further notice but nothing except food will be given from this fund. Financial arrangements announced for the furnishing of food Friday by C. R. Stephens is only for food and when emergency cases are necessary for medicine and other aid it will have to be handled in some other manner.

The supplying of food here to a large number at this time is of great help and many of those seeking aid Friday were honest and only asked for a few items. They were free to tell what they have on hand and what is necessary to make out a balanced meal for their families.

The office of the farm loans for seed and feed has not received any checks for those applying from this county so far. A few checks have been received in West Texas on this loan plan from the St. Louis office. The first check to be issued in Texas went to a farmer at Post.

DALE HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Dale home demonstration club met with Mrs. T. A. Brevard February 12, with twelve members present. Four new members, Mrs. J. W. Parr and daughter, Katie, Miss Fern Mayo and Mrs. Fred Weardea, were taken in.

The program Thursday was on rug making. The president, Mrs. Jones, was unable to be present on account of sickness.

After enjoying a very pleasant evening the club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Lon Carlisle on Feb. 26.

—Club Reporter.

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Dates for Short Course Given Out

COLLEGE STATION, Tex., Feb. 13.—Dates of the 1931 Farmers' Short Course at Texas A. & M. College have been announced as July 27-Aug. 1, inclusive, by H. H. Williamson, state agent of the extension service. Cutting the cost of production to meet the low farm price levels, and short cuts to living at home will feature the programs of this twenty-second annual event which will follow as a guide the Texas farm policy of the college as re-stated last fall by President T. O. Walton.

Women and girls will be offered programs designed to help in living at home and in improving rural standards of living, according to plans of Miss Mildred Horton, state home demonstration agent. The subjects covered will include meal planning, canning budgets, organization of pantries to save food, health steps, principles of clothing design and selection of materials, living room, kitchen and bedroom improvement, farm landscaping, and increasing the family income by the preparation and sale of home products.

Men and boys from the farms and ranches will be given intensive work in livestock and crop production, dairying, poultry raising, pecan and fruit culture, insect and disease control, and grading and marketing of farm products. Especial attention will be paid the broad subject of land utilization, Williamson said, and how to adapt the farm business to meet the changing economic conditions.

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69-YEAR-OLD LETTER HITS NEWFANGLED 'FARM SCHOOL'

COLLEGE STATION, Pa., Feb. 14.—A letter addressed to "Farm School," Centre County, Pa., has been received by Pennsylvania State College, although the name was changed 69 years ago.

Mailed from Yonkers, N. Y., the letter contained a newspaper clipping of January 16, 1862, which pointed out that almost all attempts to establish agricultural colleges had been "singular failures."

The clipping relates that in 1862 a "Farm School" student could meet tuition, board and all other expenses for \$100 per session of 10 months.

C. OF C. TO BUY SEED

CHILDRESS, Texas, Feb. 13.—The local chamber of commerce will buy 20,000 bushels of cotton seed for sale to Childress county farmers at cost. The large order will reduce the prices considerably, chamber officials said.

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Murchison Receives Promotion to Capt.

Ross Murchison, commander of the local national guard company, received his commission Thursday making him a captain in that organization. He has been first lieutenant of the company for several years and since March, 1930, has been in command of the organization.

Capt. Murchison is one of the original members of the local company, joining it in 1921 when it was first organized. He served in the grades of private and non-commissioned officer for three years and was made second lieutenant in 1925. After a few months service in that rank he was promoted to first lieutenant during the same year and has served in that rank for the past six years.

Last spring Capt. Charles H. Dobbs was transferred from the local company, made regimental adjutant, and accepted a position in a Fort Worth high school as R. O. T. C. instructor. Murchison was placed in command of the company here and was in command on the annual training camp last summer.

Three weeks ago he took an examination for promotion to the rank of captain and received the advancement Thursday which was dated in the adjutant general's office at Austin on Feb. 6. The promotion will have no effect on the company here as he has been ranking officer for some time. K. V. Northington was promoted to first lieutenant several weeks ago and the second lieutenantcy is vacant at present but will be filled as soon as someone can stand the examination and pass the work.

Capt. Murchison stated Friday that the company at present was up to full strength with 65 members and that attendance this winter was the best it had ever been here. The personnel of the company is far above the ordinary company in a military organization. The officers have watched enlistments and have recruited the best material available at all times. The staff of non-commissioned officers is excellent and each has made a close study of his work.

The Ballinger company each year at the encampment makes an outstanding record as compared with other organizations there. At present preparation is being made for federal inspection which will be held here in April this year.

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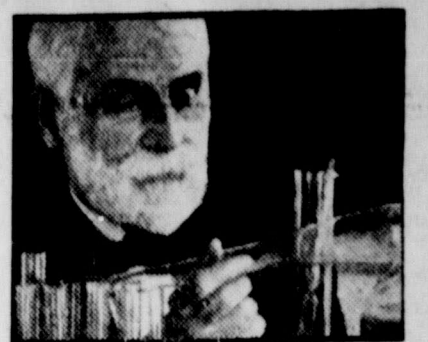
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