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## Night Goodwill Trips are Adopted; Hatchel is First

The directors of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce adopted at their meeting Tuesday morning the plan for good will trips in the county to be staged each Tuesday and Thursday nights. The first trip will be Thursday night when the Ballinger delegation and band will join the Hatchel community in a program already arranged for that place by club members working for money to send delegates to the short course at College Station.

The entertainment committee of the chamber of commerce will cooperate with other communities that have arranged club programs and a number of joint meetings will be held during the remainder of this month.

The committee in charge of the plans for the good will trips will meet late Tuesday afternoon in a special meeting to perfect all plans and complete the itinerary. C. W. Lehmburg, county agent, will be with the committee in this meeting and will furnish them a list of communities that have already planned social evenings and as far as possible the dates for trips will be set so that the Ballinger people, band and entertainers will be able to join these communities.

A committee will canvass every business house in Ballinger Wednesday in an effort to secure at least one car and a representative of that firm for every trip to be made from here. Many others will be expected to attend and the invitation is open to every citizen of Ballinger whether a member of the chamber of commerce or not. The time for leaving Ballinger and the meeting place and all details will be announced Wednesday when the committee works out final plans.

The primary object of the trips from here is in the interest of the Rannels County Fair to be staged in October. Advertising, hat-bands and pennants will be provided all who make the trips and Ballinger's part on the community programs will be to tell the people of the plans and entertainment for this year's celebration.

The committee in charge of the trips is composed of Charles Coombs, George Holman and Tommie Hall and they are anxious for any suggestions that will help to make the programs better. If anyone knows of a good number that can be included on the programs they are requested to notify one of the committee and from these suggestions the best will be concentrated in one snappy, entertaining program. Music and humor are desired for the numbers and stunts and the only serious part of the programs will be one five or ten minute speaker to tell the people of the fair and invite their cooperation.

J. D. Motley, secretary of the chamber, in commenting on the proposed trips Tuesday, stated that the entire success depended upon the cooperation of the people and the crowds to join each caravan. He said that next Tuesday night, following the Hatchel visit, that Crews would be the place and that the local people would join a huge celebration there with the club women, boys and girls.

Be wise and advertise.

## Improvement of Cotton Quality to be Subject of Address at Short Course

COLLEGE STATION, Tex., July 10.—Improving the quality of cotton and cutting production costs are the two outstanding problems confronting the Southern cotton grower, in the opinion of D. T. Killough, agronomist of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, who will appear on the field crops program at the Farmers Short Course at Texas A & M College during the week of July 27. Other topics for the field crops program will include land utilization, soil erosion and run-off water data, later facts about cultural methods, results of fertilizer experiments, pastures, grain grading, cotton harvesters, producing pure line seeds and crop rotations.

"Short staples frequently give early maturity, high yields and high gin turn-out, which accounts in part for the drift to untenderable cottons," Mr. Killough in en-

## Five Beer Cases Are Before Court

Justice court was busy Monday morning hearing evidence in a number of liquor cases following raids here Saturday evening by local officers. Armed with search warrants the officers went to a number of houses in the city, where from 40 to 75 bottles each were captured, and in some "joinks" a large quantity in the "cooking" process was confiscated. Carl Martin entered a plea of guilty Monday morning and was fined \$25 and costs on a complaint charging possession of beer Saturday night.

Dee Dilibrey, residing at Fair Park, entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$15 and costs.

Gertrude Mullins, colored, upon entering a plea of guilty to possession of "home-brew" was fined \$10 and costs.

Eddie Biggs, colored, was fined \$10 and costs for possession of beer.

Mrs. — Simpson was charged with possession of liquor but her case was set for hearing in justice court next Monday.

A number of local people also entered pleas of guilty for alleged traffic violations. These cases were filed here last week by traffic patrolmen operating out of San Angelo. Fines of \$1 and costs were assessed against T. L. Sackland, Cliff Farns, R. R. Baxter and Grady Flynt. Violations included no tail light, one front light out, and other minor infractions as improper lighting of vehicles for night driving.

## Cement Culverts Help Rural Road

T. J. Parrish, County Commissioner of Precinct No. 1, is constructing two cement culverts in the west edge of town on the road that leads past the country club. The cement culverts replace two old worn-out plank structures that were in a dangerous condition and likely to cave in with a heavy truck at any time. The new drainage structures when completed will be permanent and are large enough for two cars to pass on and have a drainage that will take care of water after heavy rains.

This road serves a thickly settled community and the new bridges will be appreciated by many rural people. Other improvement work has been done on this road until it is in fine condition for travel in dry weather. Mr. Parrish is using county machinery in the construction of the two bridges and will have them completed within a short time.

All roads in precinct No. 1 under the care of Mr. Parrish are in fine shape and are being improved as fast as finances will permit. The recent dry period has given the commissioner time to make improvements and not spend all the time dragging after rains that caused the roads to be cut up.

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## Old Landmark is Destroyed by Fire

A landmark here was wiped out by fire Monday morning at 1:30 when the large frame building at the City Wagon Yard and tourist camp was destroyed by fire. The alarm was turned in by Nightwatchman C. B. Armstrong, after two explosions happened three or four minutes apart at the building and flames shot high into the air.

O. J. Jones, brother of the owner, C. W. Jones, was painfully burned in the fire before the firemen arrived and was rushed to the Halley & Love Sanitarium for treatment. Word from that institution Monday stated that he was getting along alright and would be permitted to leave the hospital late in the afternoon unless complications started in the burns.

Firemen had not made a statement Monday afternoon as to the cause of the fire. An investigation is being made as to the cause of the two explosions which occurred in the large wood building. Neighbors awake at that time of night stated that they knew the fire had been burning for several minutes before the alarm sounded or before the explosions. Nightwatchman Armstrong was on his beat near the Magnolia filling station on Broadway when the explosion happened and he rushed to a telephone to give the alarm.

When the department reached the scene of the fire the entire building was in flames. Both pumps were pressed into action with six strings of hose working on the job. After about 45 minutes this number was cut to three strings for about two hours and the booster tank was used after pumps were stopped for a long time putting out fire underneath the tin roof which had fallen in when the building collapsed. The total time of pumping water was slightly over four hours and the blaze was the biggest and hottest which local firemen have had to combat in recent months.

The fire was kept under control and confined to the one building with very little loss to adjoining property. The Southwest Telephone Company lost a stretch of heavy lead cable which was melted by the heat. One small tourist cabin located near the main building caught but was quickly extinguished before any damage was done.

Firemen answered another alarm Monday morning at 10 o'clock to the home of T. J. Seals on 12 street. Eighty-five bales of Johnson grass hay was destroyed by fire there, with the origin being undecided. It is believed that trash burning in the vicinity of the hay caused sparks to ignite the bales and when the firemen arrived the entire stack was on fire. The hay was hauled to the Seals home last week and stacked in the back yard after being stored here in a barn for sometime.

## Bethel Program is Enjoyed by Many

A large crowd attended the program at Bethel Wednesday night sponsored by clubs of that community to raise money to send members to the farmers' short course at A. & M. College. The crowd assembled before the rain commenced and when clouds began to threaten the entertainment and concession stands were moved from the school yard into the building where the affair was staged successfully.

The Citizens Band of Ballinger, under the direction of Charles T. Grant, played a concert, apparently much to the enjoyment of the audience. Short talks were delivered by C. W. Lehmburg, county agent; J. D. Motley, secretary of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce; and Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, county home demonstration agent, and the remainder of the evening was spent in play and serving of cold drinks, ice cream and cake.

A large delegation from Bethel will attend the short course this summer and at the meeting Wednesday evening it was voted to make the trip on the special train to be operated from Ballinger. It had previously been planned to go in a school bus.

Ballingerites who attended the entertainment experienced some trouble in getting home over the

## Guard is Preparing For Summer Camp

Capt. Murchison and Lieut. Owen T. Powell left Saturday afternoon for San Antonio to attend business in behalf of the Ballinger National Guard Company. The officers will get what equipment is needed for the company before going to camp, including the Regimental insignia, and will return with this equipment before Monday night.

Capt. Murchison urges that all enlisted men, non-coms, and officers of the company here, be present at the drill Monday evening as final checks will be made of all personal equipment and the condition of shoes. The final arrangements of squads will be made for the camp and those who are not present Monday night may be shifted to something that they will not like.

Capt. Murchison and First Lieut. K. V. Nrothington stated Saturday that they will carry about fifty-five men and three officers to camp this year. The company has 63 men enlisted but all of these will not be taken this year and the best of those in their work will be selected for the camp. Practically all the boys in the company want to attend the camp this year which will run for the first two weeks in August.

The Guards will entrain at Ballinger on July 31 and will arrive at Palacios Saturday, August 1, for two weeks of intensive military training. Full equipment will be carried from here to the camp, with a kitchen and mess hall being operated by local cooks for the Ballinger company. The kitchen will be established in a baggage enroute and the men will be fed from this kitchen until they reach camp.

Details are being rushed and every plan completed for the summer camp here. All meetings between now and July 31 will be used in getting the company and its equipment ready to load and attend the camp. The company has already established a fine record when the entire regiment is assembled and officers believe they have the best company this year that has ever attended a camp from here.

Mrs. Nettie Stovall, of Lake City, Arkansas, is here visiting her sister, Mrs. E. J. O'Kelley. She was accompanied to Ballinger from Lubbock by Mr. and Mrs. Arch O'Kelley, who went on to Brownwood for a visit.

muddy roads but finally made it after several cars had spent thirty minutes or more in the ditch.

Club programs are planned by other communities in the county before time to leave for College Station. Various types of programs will be given and all receipts will be used to defray expenses of the trip for club members.

## Rock Crushing Plant is Located on Thorp Farm

Brown & Root, contractors on highway No. 4, south of Ballinger to the Concho county line, started Monday moving a complete rock crushing plant to the A. J. Thorp place, where rock will be crushed for surfacing. The base is completed on the first half of the road from the Concho line to Pony Creek and the first layer of base has been laid from Pony Creek to the fill near the new Colorado River bridge. Work began on the river fill Monday and will be completed, probably being joined to the city pavement this week. This will include the contract recently let on Seventh Street by the city commission. As soon as the first stratum of base is completed the second will be put down on the last half of the sector.

The rock crushing outfit will begin operation at once and material for the first of three courses of surfacing will be hauled and dumped along the side of the road. Treatment will be three-course. Hot asphalt will be applied to the caliche base, then a layer of crushed rock, one to one and a half inches deep spread on top and rolled. Another coat of asphalt with crushed rock

## 4 Counties Will Market Poultry

County agents and poultry raisers from four counties met in Ballinger Tuesday afternoon to discuss means of forming a poultry marketing association for the four counties. Three of the counties, Rannels, Brown and Tom Green, already have county organizations and Coleman is now forming its association.

It is the purpose for poultrymen in the four counties to cooperate in marketing carload lots, cars to be made up from all the counties. An eastern representative will attend to placing the poultry at the best possible prices on metropolitan markets.

The four county agents, C. W. Lehmburg of Rannels county, O. P. Griffin of Brown county, W. I. Marshall of Tom Green county, and C. V. Robinson of Coleman county, were named as a committee to attend to grading and sales. A uniform, standard system of grading will be used in the four counties.

In some instances car lots will be shipped from one town but during off periods it will be necessary to make stops at each of the four county site towns in order to secure enough poultry to make up a full car.

For several months this plan has been underway in the four counties, with poultry growers, county agents and chamber of commerce officials active in working out the details in order to put the project in force as quickly as possible. Every effort will be made to thoroughly test the practicability of the cooperative move.

Attendance here Tuesday was large, much enthusiasm was evident, and Coleman representatives declared they would form an organization in that county within a short time.

Rannels county poultry has been shipped by the local association for several years direct to eastern populous centers but there are many occasions when carloads can not be secured in any one county. With the four counties cooperating the volume will be much larger and result in benefit to all the members.

The Rannels county association was represented at the meeting here by Mr. Lehmburg and George Dean.

## FARMER AT MILES DIES AFTER OPERATION

MILES, July 13.—Funeral services are to be held here today for W. C. Stobaugh, 54, farmer who lived a few miles west of Miles, and who died in St. John's Sanitarium at San Angelo Sunday evening after an operation. Surviving Mr. Stobaugh are his widow, and three married daughters, Mrs. W. W. Grubb, of Miles, and Mrs. Joe McCord and Mrs. Pat Howard, of Detroit, Mich.

Judge C. L. South, of Coleman, attended to business in Ballinger Tuesday.

## Short Course Train to Leave at 8:05, July 26

## Cheatham Home is Destroyed by Fire

The third destructive fire here within less than 24 hours occurred Monday night at 10:20 when the home of Dr. C. W. Cheatham, 1001 Broadway, was completely destroyed. No one was at home when the blaze was discovered and within a few minutes the entire building was aflame, tongues of yellow light leaping out of every window and all over the roof. Dr. Cheatham had gone to town and Mrs. Cheatham and the children are visiting in Corpus Christi.

Early in the evening guests called and a quilt had been spread on the lawn upon which the men sat for more than an hour. When the guests departed Dr. Cheatham rode to town with them to get his car, but before leaving took the quilt in the house and threw it in a large closet underneath the stairway. It was at that spot that firemen believe the fire originated. Flames ran up the walls and enveloped both sties before aid arrived.

A number of people discovered the fire about the same time and phoned in alarms. By the time the trucks and fire fighters arrived the entire building was burning inside and out and it was several hours before the hull of the structure was put out.

Local firemen worked about four hours, from 1 a. m. until daylight Monday in extinguishing a fire at the old wagon yard, were called for several hours in the forenoon for a haystack fire, and again about 10:30 p. m. until about 2 p. m. at the Cheatham residence. They believe they have gone through the traditional three fires so often reported here and perhaps no other alarms will be sounded here for several days.

It is seldom that three such destructive fires occur in rapid order as was the case here Monday. Windows and doors were open in the Cheatham residence, and fanned by a gentle wind caused the house to burst into flames in a few minutes.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Wellhausen and family left Tuesday morning to visit relatives and friends at Belton, Temple and Taylor. They will be away from home for ten days or two weeks.

Miss Le Belle Barker has returned from Alpine, where she has been attending Sul Ross State Teachers College.

Delbert Vancil suffered two broken ribs and fracture to two others Monday, at his place 6 miles north of town. He was working in a granary when he fell against the side of the building and was injured. He was resting well Tuesday, able to be out of bed and about a little.

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Many fields of cotton in Runnels county is blooming and putting on bolls and farmers state that it could not be growing or developing better.

Irrigation plants along rivers in this section are being placed in action for the first time this year.

The oat crop will be about completed here in another full week. Threshers are still operating on full time and some of the biggest fields in the county have not been touched.

Waxons are beginning to bring home grown melons and other truck to market here and many fine specimens are on sale in the local stores.

There is no county in Texas better able to have all-weather later roads at small expense than Runnels. Caliche in this section is recognized by civil engineers as the best available anywhere.

In recent years many wooden culverts in this county have been replaced by cement structures that will last for a long time to come.

Mrs. Ethel Cunningham, of Dallas, is her visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cordell.

RUNNELS GIRLS' 4-H CLUB

The girls' 4-H Club of Runnels community met at Mrs. Maddox's home Friday morning, July 10. The meeting was to teach us to judge bread but there were only two loaves of bread brought to the meeting so we didn't get to judge much bread.

Six members were present at this meeting and five visitors.

It was decided to sell cold drinks and ice cream on the court house lawn Saturday, July 18, and it will be highly appreciated if everyone reading this will come there and buy something from us.

We are going to leave off our meetings on the fourth Friday of every month after this as we can complete the year's work without that meeting.

The meeting adjourned to meet with Mrs. Gus Nunn the second Friday of August. This meeting will be very interesting and all visitors are welcome.

Everyone wanting a cold drink Saturday, come buy it from the Runnels girls' 4-H Club.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RUNNELS.

WHEREAS, on the 12th day of August, A. D. 1913, Jones C. Montgomery, a bachelor, executed a deed of trust conveying to G. B. Paxton, Trustee, the real estate and premises hereinafter described to secure Simmons College, a corporation, in the payment of one principal note for the sum of \$3,000.00, due November 1, 1923, together with ten interest notes, due November 1st of the years 1914 to 1923, inclusive, respectively, all of which said notes and debt are fully set out and described in said deed of trust, which is recorded in Volume 14, page 39, Deed of Trust Records of Runnels County, Texas; and,

WHEREAS, thereafter on the 1st day of November, 1923, the said Jones C. Montgomery and the said Simmons College entered into an extension agreement which is recorded in Volume 121, on page 218, Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, in which said agreement the indebtedness above mentioned was renewed and extended, the said Jones C. Montgomery executing on November 1, 1923, a note for the sum of \$3,000.00, due on November 1, 1933, payable to the order of Simmons College at Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, with interest evidenced by ten interest notes each for the sum of \$240.00, due November 1, 1924, and annually thereafter until November 1, 1933, said notes providing that the failure to pay any of said notes or interest at maturity would mature all of said indebtedness, including the principal note, and said notes providing for ten per cent attorney's fees in said notes are placed in the hands of attorneys for collection, and the extension agreement, further providing that the terms and provisions of the original deed of trust shall remain in full force and effect to secure said indebtedness as extended, save and except Geo. L. Paxton was made trustee instead of G. B. Paxton as provided in said original deed of trust, and the said Geo. L. Paxton succeeded to all the duties, rights, privileges, powers and emoluments as said original deed of trust conferred upon the said G. B. Paxton; and,

WHEREAS, the name of Simmons College, a corporation, has now been changed to Simmons University, a corporation, and Simmons University is the owner and holder of the above mentioned notes and deed of trust and is entitled to all the rights, titles, liens and equities of the original holder of said notes and lien; and,

WHEREAS, the first five installments of interest have been paid, the last installment that was paid being on November 1, 1928; and,

WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of interest note No. 6, due November 1, 1929, and interest note No. 7, due November 1, 1930, and the said Jones C. Montgomery has failed to comply with the terms of said deed of trust in that he has not paid the taxes on the land described in said deed of trust and same are delinquent for the years 1928, 1929 and 1930, and the owner and holder of said notes has exercised its option and has matured all of the indebtedness, including both principal and interest, described in said deed of trust and extension agreement, and said note and all interest notes are now due and unpaid and same have been placed in the hands of Wagstaff, Harwell, Wagstaff & Douthitt, Attorneys, for collection, and Simmons University has agreed to pay said attorneys the ten per cent attorney's fees stipulated in said notes, and said Simmons University has requested Geo. L. Paxton, Trustee, to advertise and sell the property according to the terms of said deed of trust and said extension agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Geo. L. Paxton, Trustee, will offer for sale between the legal hours of ten o'clock A. M. and four o'clock P. M., at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, the hereinafter described land and premises on the first Tuesday in August, A. D. 1931, the same being the 4th day of August, A. D. 1931, at the Court House door of Runnels County, Texas, in the City of Ballinger, to satisfy the unpaid balance of principal and accrued interest, amounting on the said notes to the sum of \$3700.00 as of July 6, 1931, with interest from that date to date of sale as provided in said deed of trust and ten per cent additional as attorney's fees. The property described in said deed of trust which is to be sold to satisfy said indebtedness, together with all rights, improvements and appurtenances thereto belonging, is situated in Runnels County, Texas, and is described as follows, to-wit:

395-1/2 acres of land out of the Wm. A. Tremper Survey

No. 439, situated in the Northeast corner of Runnels County, Texas, Abstract No. 458, said 395-1/2 acres of land being more fully described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a stone mound the original Southeast corner of said Wm. A. Tremper Survey; Thence North following a fence for 2058 varas to stone mound in fence on East line of said Tremper Survey for Northeast corner of this tract; Thence West 1079 varas to stone mound in prairie for the Northwest corner of this tract; Thence South crossing a branch 2058 varas to stone mound in Ballinger and Abilene public road for Southwest corner of this tract; Thence East running South of a fence for 1090 varas to the place of beginning.

Said tract of land is further known as Block No. 5 of the C. M. Montgomery Subdivisions of the said Wm. A. Tremper Survey No. 439.

Said property is located about thirty miles Northeast from Ballinger, Texas, the county site of Runnels County, Texas, about four miles west from Goldsboro, Texas, and about two and one-half miles Northwest from Token, Texas, and is fully described in said deed of trust above set forth. GEO. L. PAXTON, Trustee.

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HATCHEL NEWS NOTES

The Up and Doing club met Thursday with 13 members present and 5 visitors. Mrs. Jack Mathis gave an interesting lesson on Parliamentary laws. Mrs. A. B. Davis was elected to accompany Mrs. Ralph Vancil to the short course. The club adjourned to meet July 23.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. Bill Mathis is seriously ill. We hope she will soon recover.

Miss Hedwig Michaelis spent a few days last week with Miss Ruby Guin.

Mrs. Jack Davis was among the attendance at church Sunday. She spent Saturday night with her father, L. M. Bales. She and her sister, Mrs. Clinton Gill, visited their sister, Mrs. Gill of Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Davison, of Maverick, were among the church attendance Sunday, and visited their daughter, Mrs. Richardson in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Andrews and family visited Key Williams Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Voelker were visitors in the Scott Guin home Sunday.

Little Jimmie Louise Michaelis spent Monday with her aunt, Mrs. C. I. Michaelis.

Mrs. Charley Michaelis visited Mrs. Hugo Michaelis Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Caudle and two children made a business trip to Sweetwater Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Tierce and Mrs. Clinton Gill and daughter, Mildred, went to Round Rock Monday to attend the old

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settlers' reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Caudle returned home Saturday from the camp meeting at Fort McKavitt. They reported a fine meeting, good attendance, plenty of good eats, and everybody enjoyed the meeting.

Baxter Campbell and family spent last week visiting relatives at Roscoe.

The boys' 4-H club met Tuesday evening at W. S. Caudle's. They will have a cream supper at the school house Thursday night. The chamber of commerce will furnish the entertainment.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gibson and daughter, Laura B., and Mr. and Mrs. Pryor Martin returned home Sunday evening from a visit to old Mexico and the Carlsbad Caverns, New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cochran returned home Monday night from Brady, where they had been visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Gressett and family, and Miss Winnie Gressett, of Levelland, were San Angelo visitors Saturday night.

Miss Aliene Williams entertained her friends with a party Saturday night. All reported a nice time.

Mrs. L. B. Rumpy spent Friday evening with Mrs. Annie Hoffman.

The home demonstration club met with Mrs. O. C. Cox Tuesday evening. Mrs. Bert Kelley, Misses Opal Cox and Edna Brookshire were elected to go to the A. & M. short course.

Miss Faye Hill spent Saturday night and Sunday with Leona and Evelyn Hill at the Humble pump station.

Mrs. Dolores Lne and little son left Sunday for Dallas, to visit friends.

Misses Gladys and Serena Bryant spent Tuesday evening with Misses Fay and Vivian Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bryant's relatives from Gorman visited them Saturday and Sunday.

The singing in the J. L. Green home Sunday night was well at-

tended and enjoyed by all. The next one will be held at the Arthur Pullin home Sunday night. Everyone is invited.

Mrs. W. T. Hill is visiting in Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Talley moved to Ballinger Tuesday. We regret losing them from our community. "REPORTER."

Coleman and Concho To Get Road Awards

Contracts to be let by the Texas highway commission at Austin on July 30 will include two projects of great interest to Ballinger. The first state project in Concho county will be let at that session of the commission, for grading and drainage on highway No. 4 from the Runnels county line to a distance six miles south of Paint Rock.

County Judge O. L. Sims of Concho county in an interview for The Ledger the first of this week stated that the right-of-way on that portion of the new highway program in his county had been secured, and plans have been furnished from the office of the resident engineer, G. M. Garrett, in this city.

Ballingerites and other people in this section are vitally interested in the extension of highway 4. The portion of the highway in Runnels county will be completed sometime in September or October and the new sector between the county boundary and Paint Rock will be well under way then. The route in Concho county will be considerably changed, and the distance lessened. The highway will cross the Concho River between the present bridge and the dam just below and a large modern span will be erected.

Another project near Ballinger to be let is for the grading and drainage structures on highway 7 between Coleman and Novice. This will close a gap on that

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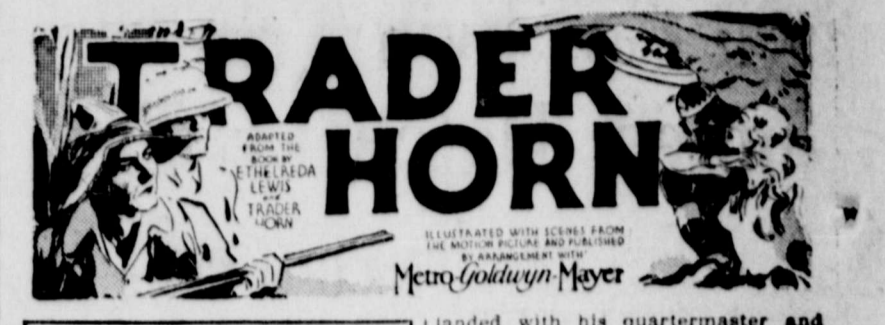
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route which connects with highway 4 just north of Tuscola. A small gap from Novice to Goldsboro will still be left but a separate contract on that is expected to be made soon. G. M. Garrett, resident engineer here, also prepared plans for this stretch of road, including the survey, and probably will supervise construction from this office. Only a small part of the proposed highway construction was listed in the first announcement. However, the commission will award approximately \$5,000,000 in road work at the session beginning July 30.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. White and son, of Cleburne, returned to their home Friday after spending several days here, visiting Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Douglass.



TRADER HORN

GROWN old and tired of adventuring, Alfred Aloysius Horn, who had traded on the rivers of Africa before Livingston and Stanley, finds refuge in a log house at Johannesburg. He travels and earns his living by making and peddling wire kitchen utensils. One day he called at the home of Ethelreda Lewis, famous South African novelist, and she induced him to write the story of his early life. The famous book, "Trader Horn," a best-seller all over the world, was the result of his writing and her editing. In his story, which is appearing serially in this paper for twenty-one days, Trader Horn tells of adventures with savage beasts and wild, cannibal tribes. The quaint spelling of Trader Horn and his kind of rambling away from his story to tell of his former days as a former lion hunter, a champion of the bannister.

Native and Missionary. We made several short trips up our journey and arrived early in the morning at beautiful and picturesque Sanna Falls, which as the river was nearly at flood height looked very impressive, nesting as it does among the mountains. Soon everything was bustle at the big Evey tower which covers both sides of the river and mounts up on each side of water as if it were perched on rocks and dangerous looking crags.

Miss Hasken took great pleasure in visiting the natives and soon made friends with them. In her visits to the various parts of this mountain town she was generally followed by an admiring throng of youngsters and women and she took great delight in knowing their reasons for having so many wooden idols some of which are quite large and grotesque whilst some of them are even hideous and specter like. I would explain what they were and she would always smile when I told her they were there to ward off evil spirits diseases and ill luck of all kinds.

In fact these people are about the most superstitious race you could meet and were all advocates of voodooism in its worst forms. Once these who did were men who had been mostly sent away from their wives and children.

And now this famous explorer made all ready for his trip, the large canoes were manned, the donkeys were last to be put on board. And as we fired him a rifle salute he waved us adieu and went off on his expedition. His fleet of large canoes which were all flat-bottomed were well manned by Okandas and Okotas, all followed the north bank of the river and these people are great singers and kept beautiful time and melody and this sweet singing which we could hear till they disappeared. It was carried seaward by the light river breeze. This expedition was the means of adding a very large country to France.

Plans for Revenge

Sinclair and I now argued the feasibility of following him up and establishing trading outposts in the best sections. This I agreed to do. I made several more trips to the sea and always contrived to meet Nina. She was more than willing to be carried off, by force if necessary as the poor lass longed for freedom and had begun to realize her position. She had studied English in her spare time and could write fairly well, but I was careful to put nothing in them which might disagree with her captors, should any letters necessarily and fall into their hands.

But she always told me to watch myself as the Black Envoys would have any chance to kill me as they were determined to get even with me for showing the river up and especially for the fight I had won, and although they might not dare to attack me openly to always beware. If anything happened whilst I was away she would always let me know if possible.

I asked her if there was any likelihood of my being attacked from the Josh house or in the village but to this she answered no she did not think so as I was always too well armed, and they feared me more than they loved me, and especially the witch doctors who always were glad of my enormous presents to them, and they all said I was not really a bad man but was naturally fond of fighting. She said they really had thought I would leave the ship to save myself and they even had agreed to let me go free if they captured me. My resistance was a great surprise to them and especially as they had so many killed.

Nina's Plan of Escape

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Armed only with crude clubs, the little party fought its way out of the savage clutches of the blacks.

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HAGAN HAPPENINGS

(Received Too Late for Publication Last Week)

A good crowd was present for Sunday school Sunday, and good lessons were reported. Also a good crowd for prayer meeting and B. Y. P. U. Sunday night.

The Fourth was greatly enjoyed by all in our community as most everyone attended a picnic somewhere.

We are very sorry to report J. A. Patterson on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis Nunn of Abilene spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wood and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sunday.

Evert Gray and son Willard of Blanton spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Evert Witter.

Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Seipp of Mann spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Seipp.

We were very glad to have Mr. and Mrs. Minshew back to Sunday school Sunday.

F. A. Sparks is visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Foreman of Blanton this week.

We are very sorry to report Mrs. King very sick. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

"REPORTER"

BARNETT NEWS

Mrs. Loudamy and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, of San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. Otho Loudamy and children, of Miles, visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tyree last week. Mrs. Roy Tyree and little son, Bobby, accompanied her mother, Mrs. Loudamy, home for a few days visit.

Rev. and Mrs. Cole and children, of Abilene, spent the Fourth with Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Forgey. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bowman, Clayton, Byron, J. E. and Helen Beaty, all of Bronte, spent the Fourth with the Tyrees.

The Barnett Sunday School enjoyed a picnic on the creek, in Tom Gibson's pasture, the Fourth.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Forgey, of Hatchel, visited Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Forgey Sunday.

Mrs. J. A. Helwig and children, of Miles, spent the week-end with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Will Tyree.

"REPORTER"

TALPA TOPICS

The First Baptist meeting began last Friday evening. Brother Tom Owens is doing the preaching. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Evans are spending their vacation at San Antonio and Corpus Christi.

Rev. and Mrs. M. M. Sheets have gone to Navarro, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Hoskinson have moved to Portland, Texas.

A. M. Norris and son, Coy, of Dora, Texas, spent Saturday and Sunday in Talpa.

Mr. and Mrs. Horton of Goldthwaite spent last week with their son C. A. Horton.

Rev. W. F. Smith is holding a meeting at Crews. The Crews people extend an invitation to all Talpa people who can attend to all services.

Jessie Maud McClure, of Millersview, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. C. Smith.

R. W. Courtney left last Wednesday to be with his family at San Marcos.

Mrs. George Simmons and daughters, Bernice and Hazel, of Ballinger, were visiting in Talpa Monday.

Mrs. Woods, of Brownwood, is visiting in the J. O. Freeman home this week.

C. A. Freeman, of Coleman, was a Talpa visitor Monday.

"REPORTER"

HEREING TOPICS

Rev. Tierce filled his regular appointment Saturday night and Sunday night. A large crowd attended all services. The people of this community are planning to attend some of the services in the services in the revivals at Crews Methodist, Oxlene and Glen Cove Baptist.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Brevard and children visited Mr. Brevard's brother, of Belton, and were accompanied home by Miss Thora Brevard, who has been attending school at San Marcos.

Noble Faubion spent Sunday with Marion and Arture Kerby.

Willeene Bragg spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mildred Kerby.

Miss Lenna and Loy Brevard were Saturday night guests of Miss Bernice Hale.

Son Hale, of Houston, is visiting home folks for a few days.

Miss Teletha Morrison, of Oxlene, spent Sunday with Miss Della and Sammie Bragg.

Miss Evelyn Payne, of Crews, spent the week-end with her aunt, Miss Bernice Hale.

S. J. Brevard, W. A. Hale, Jr., of this community, Bryon Clayton, Woodrow Cox, of Benoit, and Milton Hunt, of Crews, left Saturday for California where they will spend several weeks sight-seeing and visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Brevard, of Blanton, spent Sunday in this community.

Miss Neomia Cox, of Crews, was a Sunday guest of Miss Bernice Hale.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Miller spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Rosford.

Mrs. Wileene Allcorn returned home Saturday from Howard Payne where she had been attending summer school.

Orien Brister, of Abilene, is visiting in the G. C. Avent home.

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SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Sid Chapman and baby have returned home from a short visit with relatives in San Saba.

Henry Milam, of San Antonio, returned home Saturday night with his aunt, Mrs. R. E. Brown for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Seipps and family spent Sunday in Winters with Mr. and Mrs. Murphey Wilkins.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Brown and son, Marion, were visitors in J. C. Reese home Sunday.

Miss Anna B. Mapes returned Saturday after a weeks stay in Christoval.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hooks and daughter, Lucille, and Corine Brown spent Sunday afternoon in the R. J. Morris home near Blanton.

Miss Ruth Seipps spent the week-end in Winters visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Brannon.

Mrs. McCollough, who is making her home with her daughter, Mrs. Horace Murphey, returned home Tuesday from a visit at Elk City, Oklahoma.

Mrs. C. H. Midgley and Annie, Elizabeth and Nellie Mae spent last Wednesday with Mrs. Cleve King of Hagan.

Willie and Henry Milam, of San Antonio, and Delbert Brown were dinner guests in Wallace Seipps home at Hagan Sunday.

R. C. Tierce and Howard Humble spent several days visiting R. C.'s relatives at Bradshaw.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Seipps and Mrs. Jewell Jones were San Angelo shoppers last Friday.

Corine Brown and Lucille Hooks were guests of Margaret Chick Sunday evening.

James Midgley spent the week-

end in San Angelo with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Midgley and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Midgley.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, of Ft. Stockton, spent Tuesday with his sister, Mrs. H. O. V. Humble. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are making Ballinger their home.

Miss Helen Compton, of Hagan, was guest of Miss Elizabeth Midgley Saturday night and Sunday.

Willie Milam, of San Antonio, accompanied his aunt, Mrs. R. E. Brown and daughter Corine Brown, and Mrs. Milam's mother Mrs. W. M. Washum, home Saturday night, after a two weeks visit in San Antonio.

Miss Margrette Chick of Eldorado returned home with her sister, Mrs. Henry Leach, for a visit while Mr. Leach is attending school at Lubbock.

Mrs. J. C. Reese and Mrs. Jewel Jones and Mrs. I. F. Watt and son spent Tuesday afternoon helping Mrs. W. E. Seipps can peas.

Willie Mae McMillan was guest of Corine Brown Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Melton and son were guests in the R. E. Brown home Sunday.

Horace Murphey and Charlie Harris were busy last week with the thrasher at their places.

Mrs. John Hooks and Lucille were guests of Bessie Brown Friday afternoon.

George McMillan is at home after relieving Mr. Posey for two weeks at the fire station.

Mr. Moor, of Mineola, Texas, visited his sister, Mrs. Walk Allen last week.

Miss Bessie Brown is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Homer Melton of town.

The Merry Wives Club meets 3rd Tuesday afternoon at club room at school house. We are always glad to have new members and visitors.

Ellis McMillan and Miss Vera Jarrett surprised their many friends and were secretly married several weeks ago. They left Sunday for Abilene where Mr. McMillan is at work at present. Mr. McMillan and Miss Jarrett are both of this community. Mr. McMillan is a nephew of Mrs. R. E. Brown. Their many friends wish them well.

"REPORTER"

BLANTON NEWS

Most of the farmers of this community are up with their work, and quite a few are spending days on the river fishing.

Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. were well attended last Sunday.

Thomas Foreman, of Comanche, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Foreman this week.

J. P. Boothe, Bob Platt and Miss Mamie Ruth Boothe spent last week in the P. P. Holton home.

George and Lewis Fowler left last week for points near Corpus Christi, where they are to be employed.

Miss Zell Reese was a guest in the Dankworth home part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Tounget and family visited in the R. L. Boothe home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Cope, of Hagan; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Moore, and Misses Gracie and Fay Moore were guests in the J. A. Foreman home Sunday.

Mrs. Chas. James visited in the R. L. Boothe home Thursday.

Mrs. Eldon Avent and Mrs. Oliver Martin visited Mrs. T. L. Foreman Wednesday.

Mrs. J. P. Boothe visited her mother, Mrs. P. P. Holton, of South Ballinger Monday.

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

All who have news they wish reported please call 8539F11.

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BETHEL NEWS

Rev. Ray, of Drasco, is conducting the revival meeting now in progress at the Baptist church, with good crowds attending each service. Everyone is invited to come.

Canning corn seems to be the daily occupation of the club wo-

men. A great number of cans were put up last week, and several this week.

The social given by the 4-H boys and girls Wednesday night of last week was well attended in spite of rainy weather. Something over \$20 was taken in from sales of cold drinks, cream and cake. Some expenses are to come out of this. The funds will be used to send delegates to the A. & M. short course. We extend many thanks to each member of the Citizens Band of Ballinger which rendered such splendid music for the program, and invite them back again.

Mr. and Mrs. John Adams and children, who spent the past winter at Paint Rock, have stored their household goods with relatives here and left early Monday morning for Alpine, where Mr. Adams will enter summer school.

D. C. Hornberg, of Winters, spent the week-end visiting friends here. He will leave this week for Austin to enter summer school.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oran Nunnally on July 7 and left them a big baby boy. Also on the same day he visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Johnson, leaving them a baby girl. Last reports were all were getting along nicely.

This community was visited by a good rain Wednesday night, also good showers Sunday and Monday afternoons.

R. F. Smith had the misfortune to get a hand badly crushed in a thrasher recently. Last reports he was getting along very well.

C. A. Womack and family and Myrie Crockett left last Friday for several days' visit with relatives and friends in Mills county.

Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Butts, of San Angelo, spent the week-end visiting relatives here.

Miss Williams of Veribest, spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Halley Howell, and family.

Miss Nanell and Marcelle Stokes of Ballinger, visited Misses Berma and Lois Carroll Saturday night and Sunday.

Sam Smith and family are enjoying their summer vacation visiting down in the coast country.

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CREWS NEWS

Sunday morning saw the beginning of the revival meeting at the Methodist church. Services are being conducted by the pastor at present, Rev. Hargrove Grounds of Holliday, Texas, is expected to take charge of the evening services and will continue to assist throughout the meeting. The presiding elder of this district will address the congregation next Sunday morning and quarterly conference will be held in the afternoon.

All small grain in our vicinity as far as we have been able to learn, is now threshed, and either in bins or disposed of. All seem pleased at the bountiful harvest.

We are glad to report Bradley Pape getting along nicely following a tonsil operation.

C. W. Schwartz returned to his home here last week from Fort Worth, but was removed to Ballinger a day or two later, for medical treatment. Mr. Schwartz has been very ill for the past few weeks. We are all hoping for a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Thompson and Mrs. Fanny Stephens, of Fort Worth, have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Schwartz. Mrs. Stephens will remain indefinitely to assist in the care of her father until his recovery.

Mrs. Pearl Norris and children, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Lawson and Misses Thelma Cox and Edna Walden have returned from a week-end visit at Dublin.

Mrs. H. V. Bradley, of Winters, spent several days last week in the community, visiting.

The body of little Jean Thomas of Coleman, was tenderly laid to

rest in the Crews cemetery last Friday afternoon. Rev. W. J. Morphis, of Novice, conducted the funeral service. Little Jean was the two-month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, of Coleman. Death resulted from a complication of whooping cough and pneumonia, while the mother and child were visiting relatives in Abilene. Our sympathy is extended to the heart-broken parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Green, of Drasco, were guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. White last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Jones, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Phipps Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Walden and Mr. and Mrs. O'Neill were guests in the home of Mrs. King Sunday.

Misses Bonnie Mae Clark and Alma Phipps attended the Presbyterian encampment at Christoval last Sunday, with their friends, Misses Marie and Mamie Jones of Winters.

Edwood and Elwood Brown, of Dallas, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Jayroe, one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Jackson visited Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Morton at Glen Cove last Sunday.

Hundreds of cans and jars of vegetables are being canned by the Crews housewives.

Rain is badly needed at present. A heavy rain would insure an enormous feed crop and fall gardens could be planted.

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The singing at the Charlie Polk home Wednesday was well attended and there was some good singing breathed into the air. The next singing will be at the Andrew Smith home in Winters. The primitive Baptist people invite all who desire to attend the singing at Mr. Smith's.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Barnette and family and Miss Willie Mae Wood spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Wood and family spent Saturday night with

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Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wood. They took dinner on the crews Sunday and everyone enjoyed the lunch and had a jolly time.

We are sorry to report Mrs. Neil Holder not doing well after an operation.

Mrs. Mack Whigham and little daughters, Wilma and Margie Ruth are spending this week with friends and relatives.

Little Dorothy Frances and Johnnie Ruth Moore entertained a few of their friends at a party. Everyone enjoyed the affair.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Rogers, of Sweetwater, are visiting in this community.

Wingate and Robert Lee teams played baseball at Robert Lee Sunday. Robert Lee won.

A. C. Polk spent Friday night with Arvil Lee Wood.

Miss Della Rogers spent a few days last week with friends and relatives in Sweetwater.

Miss Willie Mae Wood was a recent visitor in Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Hulan Rogers recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Perry of Fluvanna.

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several local concerns and lately in the filling station business.

Survivors include the husband, mother and father, several sisters and brothers and other relatives.

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

### Gordon Barnett

Gordon Barnett, age 52, was buried here Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Evergreen cemetery, with the pastor of the Church of Christ from Winters in charge of the service.

Mr. Barnett died in the hospital at Lometa Tuesday after a long illness and his body was brought here from Brownwood by hearse and undertakers at King-Holt Company received the body and were in charge of all funeral arrangements. Mr. Barnett is survived by five children, Lomia, Roy, Benton and Woodie Barnett of Lometa and Johnnie Barnett of Dublin.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Mr. Bennett was a former citizen of Ballinger and resided in West End. He left here in 1914 for Brownwood with several small children following the death of his wife that year. The remains were buried by the side of his wife in Evergreen Cemetery Wednesday afternoon.

## Reports Light Rains Over Entire County

Rain falling in this section Wednesday afternoon and night was the heaviest at Paint Rock of any section where the gauge showed a total of one inch. Abilene received .91 and a number of places in the county received from one-quarter to one-half inch over a big territory.

The only place in the territory reporting no rain at all was at Concho, a short distance from Paint Rock where the hardest rain fell. All places phoned in Runnels county showed some rain, although in most places it was light.

The showers made a big change in the temperature and coming after a day with the mercury ranging around the 100 mark it was a welcome cool wind that accompanied the showers.

Following is a report gathered Wednesday by the Southwest Telephone Company at Ballinger:

- Abilene 91
- Ballinger 33
- Benoit shower
- Blackwell 58
- Bradshaw, light shower
- Brady, shower
- Bronte 50
- Brownwood, sprinkle
- Coleman, shower
- Concho, none
- Eden 25
- Ft. Chadbourne 50
- Hatchel, light shower
- Leaday, light shower
- Maverick 50
- Menard 25
- Miles 25
- Millersview, light shower
- Norton 50
- Offen 50
- Paint Rock 1.00
- Pony 50
- Rowena, light shower
- San Angelo 1.00
- Santa Anna, shower
- Stacy 25
- Talpa, shower
- Wilmeth, good shower
- Wingate 25
- Winters 25

A section in and near Pony Monday afternoon received good rains. The cloud that was seen from here late in the afternoon covered a wide territory there, with a number of farmers reporting as much as an inch and more of rainfall. Marion Hays was in Ballinger Tuesday at noon and stated that he received fully an inch and that water stood several hours in freshly plowed fields. The rain extended on south from his place but little fell towards town.

The wind from the cloud cooled off the air here and made the late afternoon very pleasant.

### TRAFFIC OFFICERS CHECK UP ON TAIL LIGHTS

Traffic officers in Ballinger Friday night issued a number of tickets to local motorists to appear in court Saturday. County Attorney Roy L. Hill said he expected court would convene some time in the afternoon and dispose of these complaints.

The summonses were issued to persons driving automobiles without tail lights. State traffic officers visit Ballinger every few days to make inspections of cars in use on public highways both in daytime and at night.

### FEED CROPS NEED RAIN IN MILES COMMUNITY

MILES, July 13.—Rain is needed here for feed crops, while cotton is not suffering at this time for moisture. A good rain, however, is desirable for cotton, if a bumper crop is to be made.

## Gold Star Mothers Will Leave Friday

Mrs. N. B. Singletary and Mrs. Mary C. Blair of Winters have received all necessary instructions, tickets, etc. for their pilgrimage to France with the Gold Star Mothers, and will leave Ballinger Friday afternoon on the late Santa Fe train for Dallas. They have received their expense money, tickets for railroad fare and pullmans, tags for their baggage and identification badges to wear on the trip.

They will be routed to Dallas, then to St. Louis and on to New York, arriving there Sunday, July 19. After a two days rest in New York at one of the best hotels, they will board their ship and sail for France on July 22.

Both local women are enthusiastic over the prospective trip and will be gone a greater part of the summer before returning to Ballinger. Each has one son buried in France that was killed in action during the world war, and the climax of their trip will be a visit to the graves of their sons in the military cemeteries of that country.

In addition they will have a large number of trips including a visit to the tomb of the unknown soldier, visits to the battle grounds of the world war and many other places of interest.

The pilgrimage is arranged in every detail and each mother in the crowd will receive every attention possible to make their trip enjoyable and comfortable.

## Crager is Appointed U. S. Dist. Attorney

Alfred Crager received notification Monday from the attorney general at Washington of his appointment as assistant United States district attorney at Fort Worth. Mr. Crager will leave at once for Fort Worth to qualify for the office and after making arrangements for a house will return here to move his family and household effects to Fort Worth.

This position was formerly held by M. Boynton, formerly of this city. Mr. Boynton resigned several weeks ago to accept the judgeship of corporation court at Fort Worth, and Mr. Crager was the successful applicant for the place.

Mr. Crager has resided in Ballinger for the past nine years. During that period he has been in partnership with O. L. Parish, and for the past several years with Frank C. Dickey. The Crager-Dickey partnership has been dissolved and Mr. Dickey will attend to the business with the exception of a few major unfinished cases. Mr. Crager said he would go to Washington to complete the case in behalf of Paint Rock citizens on the A. & S. Railway extension, and in case his aid was needed would return here for any other major cases. The brief on the railroad extension has already been filed by Mr. Crager and when the final hearing is called he will go to Washington for the arguments before the interstate commerce commission.

The district included in the jurisdiction of the Fort Worth district attorney's office comprises Dallas, Fort Worth, Abilene, San Angelo, Lubbock, Wichita Falls and Amarillo. Federal courts are held at all these cities and attorneys from Fort Worth do much work in these sessions Mr. Crager has not been informed what his duties will be but will confer on this with District Attorney Armond A. Dodge as soon as he returns to Fort Worth.

Ballinger citizens regret to lose Mr. Crager and his family. Their places in the religious and civic life of this city will be difficult to fill. Mr. Crager has been active in all lines of civic work and has rendered valuable service to the chamber of commerce, Rotary club and Runnels County Fair Associations. Friends here rejoice that he has received this excellent appointment but regret that his new duties will take him and his family away from this city.

### MILES OATS BRING 19 CENTS AT THRESHER

MILES, July 13.—Nineteen cents per bushel is being paid farmers for bulk oats at the thresher, but many farmers are holding their grain for higher prices. The yield here is the heaviest in years, production of over 100 bushels per acre being reported, and many large tracts of oats are threshing around 80 bushels per acre.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Reese, of Hancock county, Tenn., report that their first garden, grown last year, was worth \$200.

## Pecan Growers Have Successful Meeting

Pecan growers from all sections of West Texas gathered Friday morning at the Bert Fletcher farm near Maverick in the best meeting ever held by the Runnels county association. The attendance ran from 75 to 100 interested pecan growers, who stayed at the session all day, eager to learn more of the better ways of raising pecans and improving their groves.

A few from distant points were late in getting to the meeting due to not understanding just where the program and demonstration were to be held. Some arrived here Friday morning at 10 o'clock, thinking the program was to be staged at Ballinger, and by the time they drove to Maverick, arrived late for the starting of the program.

The meeting closed late Friday afternoon, with Larkin Hayley being reelected as president of the organization and the following officers being named: Bert Fletcher, vice-president; and Mike Boyd, secretary-treasurer. The following new members joined the organization during the day, and will be active in the association for the coming year: W. R. Griffin, J. C. Hale, B. J. Baskin, S. W. Cooper, Roy Taylor, F. O. Key, W. C. Walton, O. C. Ivey, J. E. Brewer, W. J. Cumley, P. W. Howe, Clarence Kaaser, B. A. Boykin and J. L. Rainey.

The organization decided to hold a fall meeting at some place near Winters. The grove will be selected later and a program will be arranged and invitations sent all pecan growers of this section to be present.

A large number of speakers addressed the meeting Friday and many interesting facts were shown in regard to the progress made in this county in the past year or more. C. W. Lehmgren, lene Monday for a visit with Mrs. in his remarks to the meeting J. L. Dellis and other friends.

Friday, stated that in the past six years 3982 trees had been planted and 7423 trees had been budded in Runnels county.

The members were optimistic over the price of pecans for the coming year and the crop in sight at this time. The records of those operating with a good increase in trees show that the revenue is much greater than from oat crops raised here.

One of the big features of the day was a real "live-at-home" dinner, served under the supervision of Mrs. Bert Fletcher, Mrs. J. W. Borders, Mrs. Larkin Hayley and Mrs. Ed. Schwartz.

Those attending were from Ballinger, Winters, Bronte, Abilene, San Angelo, Norton, Maverick, and Robert Lee.

### CLYDE HARVILLE'S CAR STRIPPED BY THIEVES

Saturday about midnight the Ford automobile owned by Clyde Harville was pushed from in front of the L. F. Gressett home, 1609 Eighth Street. Members of the family witnessed the affair but before they could do anything the robbers had disappeared with the machine. The car was found later on the Ballinger-Abilene highway just beyond the R. E. McWilliams residence. All five wheels with casings had been removed. No other parts were moved and with new tires and wheels the car will be as good as new.

Officers are working on the case but have uncovered no clue. Phone calls were made by the sheriff's department to nearby towns as soon as the robbery was reported.

Miss Helen Monk and Robert Monk left Monday morning for their home at Nacogdoches after a visit here for the past two weeks in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. King. Miss Hortense Holt accompanied them home and will visit there through next week.

Mrs. Mary Kelly went to Abilene Monday for a visit with Mrs. J. L. Dellis and other friends.

## Wright Resigns as Football Coach

Felton T. Wright announced Saturday at noon that he would resign from the Ballinger high school faculty and as coach of the high school football team. His formal resignation will be given to the board within the next few days, and he has already notified Supt. H. C. Lyon of his intention to resign. He has accepted the management of the new Gulf filling station on Broadway and will open the place here Monday morning on next week.

Mr. Wright, in commenting on his plans to resign, stated that he was quitting the teaching profession and would seek a better paying business along other lines. He stated that the profession was crowded, paid less wages than other lines of work and the working time was only nine months each year and that he was anxious to place his efforts in some other line of work.

He will not leave Ballinger, at least according to his present plans, but will try and make the new oil station here a success and remain on that job after the first of next week. The station has just been completed and is one of the most modern in the

city. The board, as soon as the formal resignation is received, will meet and consider the man who will be at the head of football here next fall. A number of good men are already in line for the place who can carry on with the great machine built up here in recent years under the coaching of Mr. Wright. The players hate to see their coach resign but as one stated when interviewed, "the boys are glad to see him get something better and feel that they can work just as hard for another coach."

Mr. Wright has had charge of football here for the past five years and during that time the bearcats has been one of the most dreaded teams in this district. He has one championship in the district and the Region and last year won the championship of the western end of District 11.

The team has a bright promise for the coming season and will start training with the best material that has been on hand in recent years.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Blythe and little daughter returned Sunday from a vacation trip to Arkansas where they visited in the home of Mr. Blythe's sister. Mr. Blythe reports a fine trip with plenty of fish and a good time in the Ozark region.

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