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Two Business Houses are Burglarized Friday Night

Two Ballinger firms, the Healer Chevrolet Company and the Runnels County Creamery were burglarized Friday night and the robbers made a successful get-away. Neither crime was discovered until employees opened the doors for business Saturday morning. Officers were notified at once and are working on the cases.

The safe at the automobile agency was blown, the door being completely blasted off, and the interior of the strong box was considerably damaged. A gas bomb placed in the safe failed to explode even after it rolled out and the heavy door fell upon it. Cash of about \$25 and checks in the sum of \$9 were taken from the safe.

The yeggs entered the building from the rear, prying open a window and making their way through the workshop to the office at the front. The explosion attracted no attention and the first news of the burglary became known when the house was opened Saturday morning. Papers and books were scattered about the room from the force of the blast.

The creamery was entered by a window being broken at the top, the latch unhooked, and the window raised to allow a man to climb into the building. Entrance was gained on the east side of the building. The office safe was not locked and the robbers had no trouble in this particular. Books and papers were taken from the safe and thrown about the floor. Change in the sum of \$18 was taken from a box left out of the safe. No checks were disturbed. A 25-20 automatic pistol was taken from a desk drawer. The vault where milk cream and butter are stored was entered and left open by the burglars. A small amount of milk and cream was missed.

Officers are without evidence but have suspects under surveillance who may furnish a tip. Both places were entered before the rain Friday night.

WINTERS QUARTET TO SING SUNDAY

A male quartet from Winters will be here Sunday evening with the First Christian Church and will have charge of the program which will be a musical. R. E. Beacon, well known singer, is in charge of the quartet and will bring a good program of sacred music to the Ballinger congregation. Every one is invited to be present and hear this musical treat.

ATTENTION MASONS

All master Masons in Ballinger are requested to be at the lodge hall Sunday afternoon at 1:30. The lodge will have charge of the interment of C. B. Duncan in Evergreen Cemetery following the service at the Higginbotham Funeral Home at 2 o'clock.

Utility Employees Stage 2-Act Play

Women's committee employees of the West Texas Utilities Company gave a playlet in two acts to the home economics class and the agriculture class at the high school building last Wednesday morning.

Miss Susie Rogers, chairman of the committee, and Misses Grace Wootton and Margaret Morley of Ballinger were the characters presenting the "Traveling Housewife." Miss Rogers, as the housewife who never stayed at home, was the object of back-fence gossip. Her neighbors, Miss Wootton and Miss Morley, wondered why she had so much time to "run about."

In the course of events the housewife invites her neighbors in for dinner and they were surprised to find just how she could have so much time and then serve such nice meals.

Of course, the electric range, refrigerator and other electric appliances which simplify house-keeping, were explained by the hostess as the reason the housewife had so much time to "travel around."

The playlet was cleverly rendered by the three young ladies and enjoyed by the two classes of the school.

Birthday Party Is Well Attended

A large crowd was present at the high school auditorium Friday night to attend the Founder's Day party given by the Ballinger Parent-Teacher Association. The crowd was the largest ever to attend a night program by the organization and everyone was delighted with the entertainment offered.

A total of \$16.80 was realized from the birthday penny offering which will be enough to take care of the Shick test here this spring.

The gathering was called to order by the president, Mrs. Alex McGregor and after a P-T-A song by the entire congregation. Rev. F. M. Crabtree offered the invocation. A short business session followed in which reports were heard from all standing committees and other business attended to.

Mrs. McGregor presided at the candle-lighting ceremony and in poetry gave a short sketch of the work of each succeeding president of the organization as they stood in front of the auditorium. All former presidents were present with the exception of Mrs. Oscar Routh, who is ill. The others in order were: Mrs. E. Sheppard, Mrs. Joe Simmons, Mrs. E. M. Lynn, Mrs. Harry Lynn, Mrs. James Wear, Mrs. Frank Pearce, and Mrs. A. McGregor, now serving. As the poems were read of each president candles were lighted in observing the occasion.

The program following was turned over to Mrs. R. T. Williams, chairman of the program committee, who introduced the number to follow. Miss Marjorie McAdams, teacher of piano in the public school, was presented in a piano number that was well received. The Ballinger girls' glee club under the direction of Miss Katherine Todd gave two numbers of harmony singing. The club is well balanced and well trained this year and was a delight to hear. Twenty-odd girls compose the club and they will soon compete in the district meet at San Angelo.

Following this the program was closed with the high school players presenting "The Valliant" in one act. This play was presented under the direction of A. F. Ligon with Price Middleton, Bill Duncan, Bill Rhuman, Harold Clark and Miss Rosa Crockett taking the parts. Their work in the rendition was far above the expectation of the crowd and left them talking and praising the work of the cast. The play, a prison tragedy with a bad ending left the crowd with plenty of tears and the actors felt the compliment of being able to draw real tears with their interpretation of the story.

Mrs. McGregor urged everyone to remain until refreshments were served and a large crowd waited and enjoyed home-made cookies and punch.

HORSE AND BUGGY STOLEN

BEEVILLE, Texas, Feb. 21.—The horse and buggy of P. S. Clare, a ranchman who clings to the old ways, were stolen the other day and recovered 24 hours later.

Boys were held responsible—boys who had never ridden in a buggy and thought it would be fun.

A bill introduced in the Missouri legislature would make chicken stealing by day, as serious an offense as by night.

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

Prices Soar on Stock Exchange

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—Bullishness reached new heights in the stock market's brief session today, sending the prices of shares one to twelve dollars higher in the most active Saturday's trading since last May.

Sales totaled 2,400,000 shares, of which 900,000 changed hands in the last thirty minutes.

Varied Weather Visits in Texas

DALLAS, Feb. 21.—With sunshine and shadow playing tag over Texas today, varied weather is reported.

Amarillo during the night had almost half an inch rain. A steady, cold, drizzling rain was falling over most of Oklahoma today, with most of the central and western portions of the state well soaked.

East Texas today generally anticipated clouds and spotted rains on the strength of the government forecast, with West Texas expecting fair and colder weather.

Organizations of both feminine wets and dries took exhibit space for the Women's Exposition in the St. Louis Coliseum March 5-11.

Food Seekers Threaten City

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 21.—A dispatch from Mexicali, Lower California, today said 3,000 persons threatened to sack the city Sunday unless work or food was provided them immediately.

The military and police are preparing to take necessary steps to prevent rioting.

The dispatch described the three senders as "hungry, jobless peasants."

Two Negroes Held For Kosse Officers

DALLAS, Feb. 21.—Two negroes, believed to be those who escaped railroad officers after a gun fight at Kosse yesterday, were being held in jail here today.

Railroad officers are expected here this afternoon to attempt identification of the suspects.

Election Contest Of Senator Made

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 21.—J. J. Farrell, chairman of the Democratic state executive committee, today announced the decision to contest the election of Senator Thomas D. Schall, Republican, last November, to prevent Schall being sworn in on March 4.

Methodist Minister Dies in Santone

SAN ANTONIO, Feb. 21.—Rev. Phillip C. Fletcher, 60, presiding elder of the San Antonio district of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, died at his home here today.

Rev. Fletcher was a prominent Mason.

A. R. Jones is reported to be improved and was able to be up some Saturday. Mr. Jones has been seriously ill for the past week at his home on Fourth street.

PARIS LIKES LINGERIE IN SEA-FOAM GREEN

PARIS, Feb. 21.—Green lingerie has swept Paris like a tidal wave. Slips, fitted chemises, night-dresses and even girdles are made in the new tint, a delicate sea-foam green.

Most of the springtime lingerie, made of chiffon or soft crepe, is trimmed in tucks and embroideries of the same shade, while others are bordered in black lace of cobweb texture.

Searching Nation For Missing Monk

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—A nationwide search is under way today for Don Francis Clougherty, 37, Benedictine monk, chancellor of the Catholic University in Pekin, China, who disappeared from Toledo January 17, after one day's treatment in a hospital there as the result of an automobile accident.

Arrest Armed Negro Looking For Governor

AUSTIN, Feb. 21.—Aaron Wilson, negro, is being held here today for a sanity hearing in Caldwell county, after State Ranger Oscar Martin observed the darkey with a long-barreled rifle, saying he was "looking for Governor Ross S. Sterling."

Railroad Revenues In Texas Decline

AUSTIN, Feb. 21.—The state railroad commission today issued a report showing that the operating revenues of Texas railroads declined 16.8 per cent last year from \$247,000,000 in 1929 to \$206,000,000 in 1930.

Operating expenses of the carriers, for the same period, declined 14.4 per cent.

AUTOGRAPH HUNTER FAILS TO GET SHAW'S SIGNATURE

LONDON, Feb. 21.—American ingenuity has failed to get George Bernard Shaw's signature.

During the campaign for funds to provide a home and sustenance for Sir William Watson, English poet, a \$2 check was received from America and made out in Shaw's favor.

The effort to secure an autograph was so obvious that Shaw's secretary endorsed the check "George B. Shaw," as he often does, minimizing the value of the signature.

Why was Jerry Buckley Murdered? Detroit Awaits Trial for Answer



Two of the three defendants to face trial for the slaying of Jerry Buckley (upper right), Detroit radio announcer, the Ted Pizzino (left) and Joe Bommartio (lower right). The case has been set for February 24.

DETROIT, Feb. 21.—Seven months ago gangster bullets silenced the caustic tongue of Jerry Buckley, Detroit radio political commentator.

Within a few days the epilogue will be unfolded in Recorder's court here. The case has been set for February 24.

A prosecutor will stand before a jury and give the state's answer to the question which has been a by-word in Detroit since July 22: "Who killed Jerry Buckley, and why?"

Everybody knows the prosecutor's answer to the first half of the query. He will say that three men under indictment for first degree murder, together with three other men and a woman who have not been apprehended, committed the crime.

It is the "why" that interests Detroit, and Harry S. Toy, prosecuting attorney, has promised that the "why" will be told in full.

The trial will reveal what has been told to a special grand jury by 100 or more witnesses, and perhaps show whether political intrigue, underworld vengeance, personal affairs, or a mixture of all three caused bullets to be poured into the back of the fiery young radio orator as he sat in a hotel lobby.

Respite Asked for Irene Schroeder

HARRISBURG, Penna., Feb. 21.—Another appeal for a respite for Mrs. Irene Schroeder, 23, condemned to die in the electric chair Monday for the slaying of Corporal Brady Paul, highway patrolman, December 29, 1929, was received by Governor Gifford Pinchot today from Judah P. Benjamin, who was chairman of the Mrs. Ruth Snyder clemency committee.

Benjamin asked the governor to grant a respite so he could have time to study the case to present his defense to the state pardons board in the hope of having the woman's sentence commuted to life imprisonment.

Glenn Dague, former Sunday school teacher, paramour and confederate of Mrs. Schroeder, is also sentenced to the electric chair for the same murder.

Reward Offered For First Oil Well

CENTER, Tex., Feb. 21.—Attempting to stimulate increased wildcatting in the East Texas oil belt, business men here today announced the offer of \$10,000 for the first oil operator drilling a 5,000 barrel oil well within ten miles of this city within six months.

During the recent development of an East Texas oil field the population of Longview tripled in three weeks.

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

25 are Known Dead in German Mine Explosion

Improvements at Cemetery Started

The Ballinger Cemetery Association is going ahead with improvements at Evergreen Cemetery and at present are planting 500 trees, hedge plants and shrubs. The new work was started the week and will be carried forward until the usual amount of spring improvement has been made. The association for the past several years has carefully planned its work to accomplish as much as possible each year.

The beauty of the burial ground here has been made much prettier during the past five years and much of the improvement work done is just beginning to show at this time. It takes trees a few years to get the proper start and grow large enough to make a good showing. With the water supply made ample for all purposes the work is not hindered in any way and is steadily going forward.

The work at the local cemetery is carried on each year by a volunteer tax against the lot owners. There is no way of enforcing the payment of this tax and in past years collections have been practically perfect. This year, however, due to conditions, officials of the association state that the payments are much slower and they are urging all who can pay these taxes so that the cemetery work will not be injured and that the improvements planned for this year may be carried out.

Ballinger has one of the prettiest cemeteries in this section of the state and those who work for the maintaining and improving of this city of the dead are due much praise for their untiring efforts. The 500 plants that are being planted at this time will mean much to certain spots in the plot of ground and are badly needed. With the trees being planted this year they will get a start with the other plants of the cemetery.

No Mail Delivery Monday

Postmaster J. A. Reese stated Saturday morning that the post-office would observe Washington's birthday and there would be no delivery, either city or rural. In cases where legal holidays fall on Sunday the following day is observed by the department. Ballinger banks will also observe the day Monday and will not be open for business.

NOTHBURG, Germany, Feb. 21.—Twenty-five persons were killed and four others seriously injured today in a fire damp explosion, 1850 feet underground, in the Eschweiler coal mine near Aachen. Several others of the crew of eighty men are reported missing. The government is investigating cause of the blast.

The explosion was localized as the mine is of the type known as wet pit. Damage to the shaft was slight.

QUANAH CITY COUNCIL DEMANDS GAS RATE CUT

QUANAH, Tex., Feb. 21.—Charging that gas rates of the Northern Texas Utilities Company and power rates of the West Texas Utilities Company are "excessive, exorbitant and unreasonable," the city council has demanded a reduction with a threat of suit within 20 days if the lower rates are refused.

A reduction of one-third is asked on the gas rates.

An audit of both companies is demanded in the council's announcement.

LEGIONNAIRES INVITED

HOUSTON, Feb. 21.—An invitation to all members of the American Legion in Texas to attend the eighth district convention here March 7 and 8 has been issued by A. Pat La Touche, district committeeman.

C. M. Garrett spent Friday in Coleman attending to business for the highway department.

Full-Time Police Radio

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 21.—Operation of the Indianapolis police department radio station, WMBZ, on a 24-hour basis has been made possible by the appointment of two additional radio operators and three radio service men. The station formerly was operated from 10 a. m. to 2 p. m.

Patronize our advertisers.

WEATHER FORECAST

West Texas—Fair and colder in the east and north portions tonight. Sunday fair.

East Texas—Cloudy, local rains in the east portion, warmer in the northeast, colder in the northwest portion tonight. Sunday partly cloudy and colder in the west and north portions.

PALACE THEATRE
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Ballinger as a whole has no outdoor meeting place. The Ballinger Country Club is used for most such meetings and members of that organization are very liberal in loaning the use of their grounds and building to social occasions. They are also abused in the matter and often the place is used without the knowledge or consent of the committees or officials. The creation of a city park will be of interest to them as it will supply another outdoor gathering place for picnics and eliminate trespassing on their private property.

Five burglaries have been committed here since Christmas. This practice is becoming too common and unless stopped in some way the town will awaken some morning to a real robbery. Firms that make a habit of leaving considerable money and other valuables in their safes should take every precaution to safeguard their property. It is an easy matter for criminals to stay out of sight of two night watchmen but if one would run into a guard inside a store some night, or break a gas bomb, or meet some other trap it would be different. This practice is not new to West Texas. Ballinger has been extremely fortunate compared to other West Texas towns and with precaution the crime can be cut here. Lend the officers every cooperation in their work is one of the best ways to stop crime.

Ballinger people interested in the establishing of a modern city park and playground will have a chance to help some next Thursday night by attending the bridge and 42 tournament at the city hall. The small sum of 30 cents will be charged as an entrance fee and the entire evening will be spent in sociable play. Aside from the fun of playing the games it will be well worth the price to meet with friends in a social way and hear the conversation of the evening. In addition refreshments will be served and the best players will be awarded prizes offered by local business houses. There will be no expense for the party and every cent taken in will be used to purchase playground equipment and start actual work on the establishment of the park. Ideal spring weather is causing the committee to rush the work as the site will be needed shortly for picnics and outdoor gatherings of numerous kinds. The Lions Club, which is staging the party next Thursday, is anxious for many local people to attend. It is felt that the interest shown in this party will largely determine the interest of Ballinger people in having a park created here.

Analysis of water from "Dire Water Springs" near Caddo, Texas, showed 13 different minerals.

SUNDOWN STORIES



THEIR COSTUMES

The costumes worn by the Days and Months and Years in the Grand March taking place back of the world were the most interesting and beautiful and original John and Peggy had ever seen.

Some of them wore snowy costumes, and looked exactly as though they were covered with snow. Others wore costumes of icicles and though Peggy and John thought they might feel cold, didn't seem to mind these costumes in the least. They were decorated with icicle jewels, too.

Some wore costumes of wheat and barley and looked just like warm, sunny, mid-summer Days. There were costumes of green leaves and spring flowers, of flaming autumn leaves, of pine needles and branches of fir and spruce trees.

Others were wearing costumes decorated with red berries, while still others wore suits made of moss, and out of these suits little violets and trailing arbutus flowers.

Some wore such bright and sunny-looking costumes that Peggy and John could hardly look at them without squinting their eyes as they did on dazzling sunny days.

Others were dressed in costumes of flowers so that they looked like beautiful gardens.

There were some who wore such rainy day costumes, and some who wore such heavy, dull gray suits that John and Peggy could hardly see them.

"The Foggy Days," whispered the Little Black Clock.

Some looked so very brilliant, and others looked quite dull. Oh, there was every kind of a costume you could possibly imagine, and they marched around and around the platform while the band played, changing from tune to tune as the different ones in the march passed by.

"This is the most interesting performance I've ever seen," said John, and Peggy agreed that she thought so, too.

(Monday—The Band's Tunes)

HOW'S your HEALTH



Edited by Dr. Inge Goldstein, Academy of Medicine

SCHOOL LUNCHEONS

In their book, "The Third Child," Drs. Max and Grete Scham declare that most schools do not allow a luncheon period long enough for the child to recover from his morning fatigue.

Nor does the time allowed enable the child to go home, to consume his luncheon, and to return to school without too much haste, they maintain.

The average luncheon period in American schools is an hour in duration. An hour and a half, however, has been found preferable, but the longer period is valueless unless it is properly utilized.

Thus, the proper use of the longer recess requires that 30 minutes be spent at the dinner table.

The child, however, should not be required to "mark time" at the table, but should consume an appropriate and nutritious meal.

The child's luncheon should contain a quantity of heated food. As the authors advise, "cold sandwiches and coffee should be conspicuous by their absence."

After luncheon and before returning to school the child should spend 15 minutes in complete relaxation.

Relaxation is an essential part of the child's experience, but the luncheon hour should not be used for

play. Violent exercises interfere with digestion, and do not allow the child to recover from fatigue.

Equal in importance to the noon-day meal is the child's breakfast.

Many studies made on the subject have revealed that large numbers of children come to school after having breakfasted on little more than a cup of coffee and a slice of bread.

Such a breakfast is most inadequate. Every child should have a nourishing and wholesome breakfast consisting of fruit, cereal, bread and butter, and a glass of milk.

(Monday—Signs of Progress)

DISTRICT BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT IS BEGUN

The district basketball tournament at Winters which opened Friday afternoon narrowed down to three teams before the night session closed Winters, Big Lake and Water Valley remain undefeated and will tussle for the honors today, the final game being played late Saturday afternoon.

The high spot of the Friday games came at night when the fast Big Lake team defeated the San Angelo Bobcats. Garner, a fast forward on the Big Lake team, completely routed the San Angelo defense and threw goals in fast succession to come from behind and finish the game in a tie. This was quickly broken by him with another counter, giving the Big Lake team a favorite place in the district race.

Water Valley entered the finals without playing a game and are not considered a hard team in the race. They were to meet Winters Saturday morning and Big Lake and the winner of the morning game will play the final game in the afternoon for the district championship.

Statistics show gasoline consumption in the United States was 6 per cent greater in 1930 than in 1929.

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



By C. E. Butterfield (Associated Press Radio Editor)

That part of Chicago interested in broadcasting is all agog over the fact that the new NBC studios there are originating about 200 programs a week for network distribution.

Added to this excitement is the fact that NBC arranged to take over the operation of WENR, Chicago's 50,000-watt station which divides time with WLS, and that an agreement had been reached with WLS to cooperate with the chain, at the same time using the WENR high-power transmitter.

These facts all seem to bear out to a certain extent the oft-repeated comment of Ben Pratt, one of Chicago's radio impresarios on certain subjects, that Chicago was destined to become "the radio center of America."

That statements notwithstanding, there is no question that Chicago has become a more important factor in broadcasting as a result of this activity.

In Chicago they point with pride that daytime listeners now will get a chance to tune in on the WJZ network to such features as "The Miracles of Magnolia," a dialogue flavored with the atmosphere of the South; "The Refrain Revue" with Fred Waldner as soloist; "A Wealth of Harmony," by a mixed quartet; "Morning Glories," a program of popular and semi-classical music; "Jill and Judy," a dialogue based on the adventures of two girl reporters; "Vocal Varieties," by vocalists and in instrumental trio; "Dance Miniature," by various orchestral units, and Lee Sims, radio pianist, with Ho May Bailey, blues soprano, as soloist.

Reasons for the producing of more programs from Chicago, today.

which in effect was the moving to that city of time formerly allotted to the New York studios, are numerous. One of them lies in the fact that NBC has new commodious studios there, and chain officials felt they should be used to a greater extent.

Another reason was that the New York studios are overcrowded. Besides the move centers more attention on Chicago which has produced such outstanding teams as Amos 'n' Andy, East and Dumpeke in their Sisters of the Skillet and many other entertainers who have attracted wide attention on the networks.

SISTERS SEPARATED FOR 30 YEARS ARE REUNITED

(By Associated Press)

BRENHAM, Tex., Feb. 21.—Through the chance acquaintance of their children, one an aviator and the other an aviation enthusiast, two aged sisters have been reunited after thirty years. Then they discovered they had been residing near each other for years, each thinking the other dead.

Mrs. W. G. Humphries, 72, of Brenham, and Mrs. Cynthia Danley, 82, of Little River, are the sisters.

Mrs. Danley's son is an aviator, and during the time he was stationed at Brooks Field, San Antonio, came to know Mr. and Mrs. William Brown, aviation enthusiasts, who live on a farm near Brooks Field. Mrs. Brown and young Danley then discovered they were related. As a result, the two aged sisters, Mrs. Danley and Mrs. Humphries were reunited.

Cheap Bull Proves Surprise

FREDERICKSBURG, Iowa, Feb. 21.—(AP)—W. Karnatz and his brother bought three bulls for herd sires. The cheapest and less likely bull increased the production of his daughters 46 per cent over their dams while the other two sired daughters which did not equal their dams in production.

Read today's news in The Ledger today.

Movie Invasion Gives Darkest China "Gay White Way" of 25 Candlepower

(By Associated Press)
HANKOW, China, Feb. 21.—The craze for movies has spread far into the interior of Szechuen province, taking with it the first practical step toward modernization of the hinterland.

In towns so remote that no white man except the missionary attempts to reach them, the coming of the film has forced the use of electric lights. In many of these places the movie house is the only bright spot after sunset.

Szechuen is the largest of Chinese provinces. It is three times as big as Texas, and it has a population of 60 million.

But most of it is shut off from the outside world. Good roads, except for a few favored places, exist only in the dreams of ambitious officials.

One result of this condition is to make news reels popular with the movie fans. Some of the small houses show only that kind of picture. Age is no barrier and films of events dating before the World War can still be seen.

Dramatic thrills, especially when they savor of the mysterious or supernatural, "pack 'em in" in the back country, and the old American serials have large followings. Comedy reels, however, are a dead loss unless of the slap-stick variety.

The sight of two men pelting each other with custard pies puts a Chinese audience into hysterics.

Talkies? Not yet, but maybe soon.

BAPTIST WORKERS TO GATHER AT WINGATE

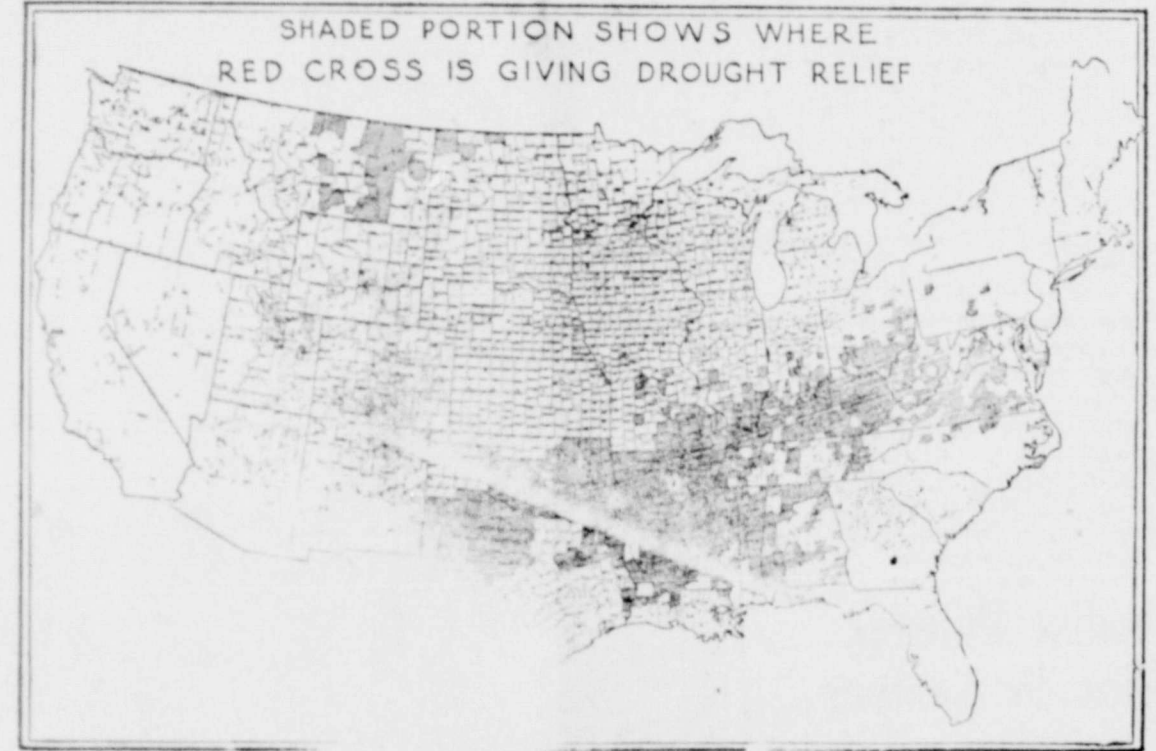
The program for the workers' meeting of the Runnels County Missionary Baptist Association has been announced for March 3. The meeting will be held with the church at Wingate and all Baptists in the county are urged to attend. Pastors from the churches in the county will be heard on the program on interesting subjects and the entire day will be observed. The following program is announced:

- 10:00 a. m.—Song service
- 20:15 a. m.—Devotional, J. F. Steele
- 10:30 a. m.—"Our Home Mission Responsibility," J. M. Riddell
- 11:00 a. m.—"The Appeal of Foreign Missions," W. T. Hamor
- 11:30 a. m.—Sermon, J. H. McClain
- 1:30 p. m.—Song and Praise Service
- 1:45 p. m.—"Our B. Y. P. U. Revival," Miss Mary D. Taylor
- 2:00 p. m.—Board Meeting



Be wise and advertise.

Drought Relief by Red Cross Greater Than Given in Any Previous Disaster



This map shows that the Red Cross is giving drought relief in 755 counties in 27 states.

DROUGHT brought to the American Red Cross a larger relief job than the Mississippi flood of 1927. Three times as many states are affected. The latest tabulation shows more than 900,000 persons being cared for by the Red Cross, at a cost of \$99,000 in the largest previous domestic disaster. Thousands of volunteers are aiding in the present emergency, and upon them rests much of the work for local relief. With 175 representatives in the field giving supervision, the American Red Cross reports that every one of its 735 Chapters extending aid in as many counties of 30 affected states, is giving an excellent account of itself.

President Hoover recently called upon all of the citizens of the nation to contribute to a ten million dollar relief fund to care for these men, women and children who are victims of the unprecedented drought.

Helping them to help themselves is one of the major efforts of the Red Cross. As a part of this plan, distribution of two million pounds of garden seed given by the Red Cross is getting under way in Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama and will follow later in other drought areas. Garden plots will be planted up to one-quarter acre in size, and will do much to thwart malnutrition and prevent disease.

Many are the stories of distress due to the drought stricken crops, which have robbed the larder of its normal winter food supply, and the barn of its feed for stock, which have reached the Red Cross. As a result, the Society has started to feed the children in hundreds of rural schools. A hot, thick beef stew, with vegetables, buttered bread and milk constitute this noon-day meal to prevent malnutrition.

Thousands of families receive their food orders each week from the Red Cross. Their wants are passed upon by committees of men and women in their own communities, who issue to them orders upon the stores they normally patronize.

In addition, more than 130 carloads of fresh fruits, vegetables and other edibles have been donated to the Red Cross by individuals all over the country, and these have been distributed in the drought areas, along with hundreds of bales of clothing.

The States where the Red Cross is giving aid are Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, Missouri, Montana, North Dakota, Oklahoma and Texas.

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"My hat is off," says Bunny, "to the Bantam of Japan. Though small, in fighting he performs as only bantams can." "It's good," the Bantam says, "you took your derby off to me— For if you hadn't done so I would knock it right off! See?"

DOROTHY DARNIT



By Charles M. Manus

CHARLES M. MANUS

CAPITOL News

(By Associated Press) AUSTIN, Feb. 21.—Members of the legislature who worked overtime to get their bills in under the 30-day provision of the constitutional amendment extending the session to 120 days could have saved themselves the trouble had they been able to foresee an opinion by Attorney General James V. Allred.

The first 30 days expired Feb. 11 and fear lest their pet measures might be ruled out if not introduced during that period, caused so much of a hustle among the lawmakers that when the smoke cleared away it was found 188 bills had been introduced in the house and about one-third that number in the senate.

The house took the afternoon off to permit members to draft additional bills to get them in on time.

And then a few days later Attorney General Allred wrote an opinion which declared the house could introduce bills legally until the end of the first 60 days, the house having adopted rules to this effect by a four-fifths vote when the session started. The senate, however, adopted rules whereby they could introduce bills only during the first 45 days.

Allred held the house had acted legally and in conformity with the constitutional amendment in suspending the order of business and was within its right to pass bills, hold committee hearings or take any other action it saw fit. He also ruled the house could introduce bills after the first 60 days by a two-thirds vote.

The senate stuck closer to the provisions of the amendment after the first 45 days will permit introduction of bills only on a four-fifths vote on each measure. The catch in the amendment that was taken advantage of in the house was, that "either house may otherwise determine its order of business by an affirmative vote of four-fifths of its membership." The house, by four-fifths vote, otherwise determined and adopted the general rules of the 41st legislature with a few exceptions.

The final days of the first 30-day period was the most strenuous in the history of the legislature as far as house employes were concerned. James Robinson, veteran journal clerk, said the 188 house bills, represented the highest number by far that ever been introduced in one day.

House employes also ventured the prediction that the total number of bills introduced in the 42nd session would exceed the number in the 41st, which held the previous record at 759. Approximately 650 have been introduced and the session is only a little more than one-fourth over, leaving nearly 90 days to equal or break the mark.

A few interesting facts about members of the legislature: Representative Hardy of Breckenridge, chairman of the oil, gas and mining committee, wears spats.

Representative Farmer of Fort Worth invariably has an apple core and a bottle of cough medicine on his desk.

Whenever prohibition or any law affecting prohibition enforcement is mentioned, the dry cause has a ready champion in the person of Representative Forbes of Weatherford.

One of the house's women members, Mrs. Sarah T. Hughes of Dallas, is against loosening the provisions of the divorce law and voted against a bill to include insanity in the number of causes for divorce.

Penrose Metcalfe, author of the congressional and legislative redistricting bills, occupies the same seat in the house as did his father when the elder Metcalfe was in the house.

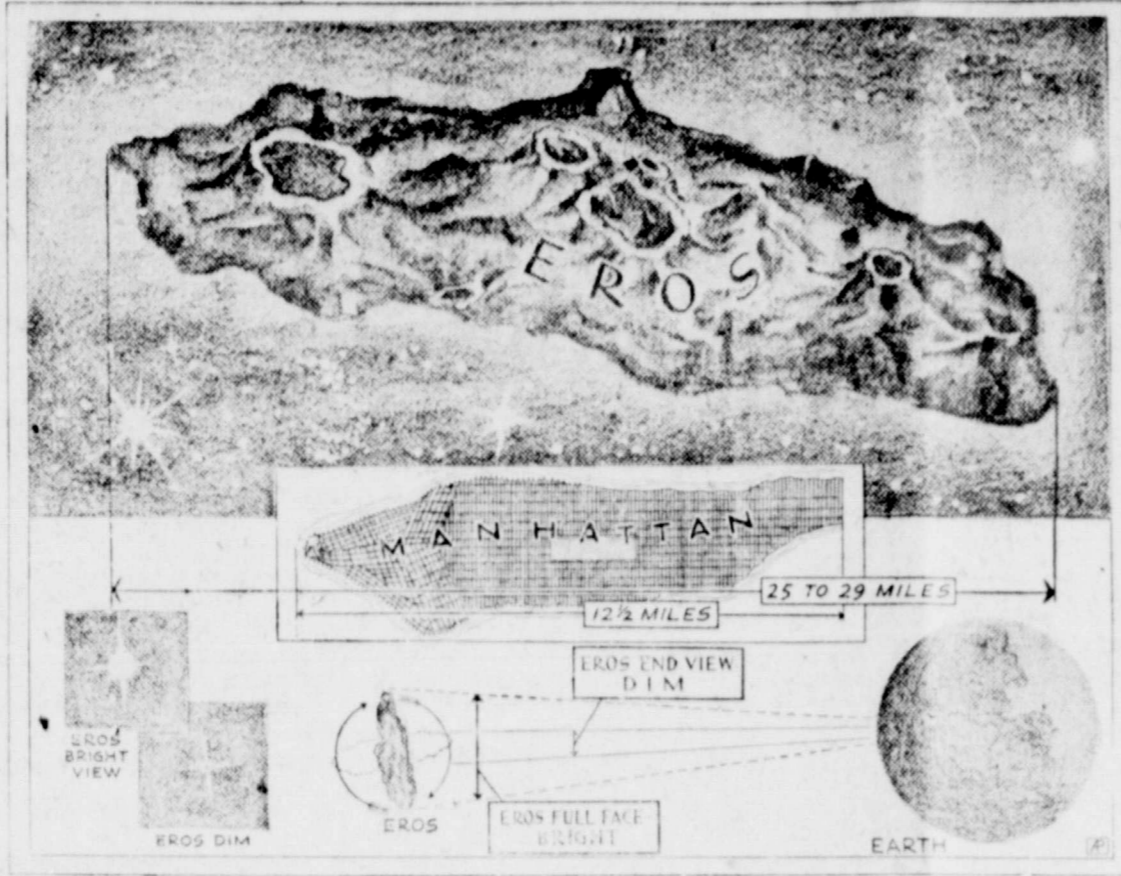
Mrs. Lee Roundtree of Bryan, who succeeded to her husband's place in the house, is a lover of nature, especially flowers. She keeps a fresh vase of flowers on her desk.

Representative Veatch of Joshua, member of the economy block, voted against the amendment which increased the pay of the legislators from \$5 to \$10 per day. Veatch who has difficulty in hearing, has an amplifier hooked up to his desk.

Notice Hagelstein Monument Co. San Angelo, Texas See our display before buying. 13-20td-20tw

Boothblacks Use Fruit Peel BOGOTA, Colombia, Feb. 21.—(AP)—The boothblacks who throng Bogota streets have a method several centuries old of cleaning shoes before applying the polish. They wipe off the dirt with orange or tomato skins after having eaten the fruit.

Planet Eros is Cylinder-Shaped; Not Much Bigger than Manhattan



The little planet Eros has been found to be a world of cylindrical shape (above), not much larger than Manhattan Island. Sketch below shows how Eros dims and brightens as its oblong shape whirls in space, millions of miles from the earth.

By Howard W. Blakeslee (Associated Press Science Writer) CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 21.—

The tiny planet Eros is shaped like a flash-light—a long cylindrical world.

He may even have the form of a dumb-bell, and if so is "Dumb-bell the First" in the planetary family.

His elongated shape is the first major discovery of the present approach of the tiny planet, a visit lasting until the end of February. It is a shape that has long been suspected for years.

Beyond the general proportions—length 25 to 29 miles, breadth 8 to 10 miles—announced at Harvard observatory, the details are unknown. His general proportions resemble the map of New York city, Manhattan Island, and are not much larger.

The question of dumb-bell shape—a detail that may await the

bigger telescopes of 1975 when Eros next comes very close—is based upon certain scientific theories.

This form might be considered an example of arrested "fission." This is a method of star division, whereby a rotating liquid or semi-liquid body, first flattens at its equator, then becomes pear-shaped, then a dumb-bell, with one knob much the smaller and finally separates into two stars whirling about each other.

The theory that he may be already broken in two has been published in Europe during the present series of inspections.

The peculiar shape of Eros might also be accounted for in the well known scientific hypothesis that he is one of the fragments of a broken planet that once revolved between the orbits of Mars and Jupiter.

More than 1,000 of these frag-

ments already have been identified and named. Some are as big as the British Isles. Most seem circular, but others, like Eros, are suspected of being irregular fragments.

This suspicion is due to the way they reflect light. Eros is believed to be whirling end over end, pointed like a thrown knife with his sharp end toward earth. When seen end-on he reflects little light, but when his full length stands across the sky he reflects much more.

The Harvard figures, based upon these light fluctuations, give his rotation period as five hours, 16 minutes and 12.94 seconds. That is a "24-hour day" on Eros. Twice in that period he points end-on, and twice full-face.

A person sitting on one end would be traveling a little less than 20 miles an hour in this motion of rotation.

OXIEN NEWS

The people of our community are rejoicing over the pretty weather we are having this week. Most of the farmers have begun their plowing.

Several of this community attended the ball game between Winters and Crews Saturday night at Winters. The game was enjoyed by each one present even if they did get defeated.

Mrs. C. W. Tounget visited Mrs. Wash Clayton, of Ballinger, Saturday evening.

Mrs. T. L. Foreman and children, of Blanton, spent Saturday night in the C. E. McMillan home.

Hubert Foreman visited in Brownwood this week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. McDaniel and family visited Grandpa and Grandma Morrison Sunday.

Mrs. D. D. McMillan and Mrs. E. B. Tounget visited Mrs. Eargle Berry Wednesday evening.

"REPORTER"

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals addressed to the State Highway Engineer of Texas, for the improvement of that part of State Highway No. 4, covered by F. A. P. No. 560-A, Unit II in Runnels county, will be received at the office of the State Highway Engineer at Austin, Texas, until 9 o'clock a. m. Feb. 27th, 1931, and then publicly opened and read.

Work consists of constructing Triple Bituminous Surface Treatment on Caliche Base Course from Ballinger to the Concho County line, a distance of 10.957 miles.

Detailed plans and specifications of the work may be seen for examination and information may be obtained at the office of G. M. Garrett, Resident Engineer, at Ballinger, Texas and at the office of the State Highway Department, State Office Building Austin, Texas.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Stone and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Motley attended the annual banquet of the board of city development at San Angelo Friday evening. They reported a fine gathering from all towns in this section and an excellent program.

MOVIES

Difference in Piano Talents of the Marxes Causes Furor

As a boy, Chico Marx, of the Four Marx Brothers, was a much cleverer musician than his brother Harpo.

Chico could take any old tin pan piano and make it talk, sing or weep. Harpo could pick out only a couple of tunes.

But the two boys looked as much alike as twins. So Chico would go around and get a job on the strength of his playing. Then next day Harpo would show up and pound away on his limited repertoire until he was kicked out. He never lasted more than two days but by that time Chico would have several more jobs lined up.

Harpo finally became tired of this adventurous life and set himself to learn, without lessons, how to play an old harp left to him by his grandmother. His technique was terrible and his tuning was worse, but somehow he began to draw music from the strings. No Marx Brothers' show is complete nowadays unless Harpo strums a half dozen tunes on his \$12,000 instrument.

These two favorites of "Cocoanuts," together with Groucho and Zeppo, display their musical and comedy gifts along new lines in "Animal Crackers," talking picturization of their famous play, which opens a three-day run in Ballinger at the Palace Theatre tomorrow afternoon.

Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh and Mrs. Fred Kiechle are spending the week-end in Fort Worth visiting their daughters who are students in Texas Christian University.

Palace

Last Chance to See—

A Tale of Love and Vengeance.

RENEGADES With Warner Baxter Noah Beery and Myrna Loy

Talking Comedy

About New York

By Richard Massock

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Charity assumes many forms. A bread line on Broadway is one variety.

At the opposite extreme is a Park Avenue couple's philanthropy. This couple lives in a penthouse adorned with a private bar, complete even to the cash register. Every time a guest takes a drink, and the couple entertains frequently and largely, he must pay a dime.

The coins are rung up in the cash register. At intervals the till is emptied and the contents sent to a babies' hospital.

The host, who has a handful of receipts from the hospital for sums ranging from \$25 to \$50, makes all his donations in the name of Mr. X. His donations amount to about \$200 a year, and at least four friends have adopted the same form of charity in their own apartments.

For the Record

Writing about the Bowery lately, we had left over an item which until now was buried in the dusty ledger of A. C. Benedict & Co., which jewelry firm, as we remarked, is going out of business on its 113th anniversary next April.

The item shown us read: "Jan. 8, 1924—Count Salm and Miss Rogers, \$10."

It was for a wedding ring, the jeweler said.

The marriage of Count Salm and Miss Millicent Rogers, daughter of a Standard Oil official, was a newspaper sensation. The couple came in one afternoon the jeweler said, and bought the ring.

Afterward, he added, he read in one of the papers that they had bought a platinum ring on Fifth Avenue. His only comment was that he sold the ring, there on the Bowery, and that it was made of white gold.

One of the partners, incidentally, began his career as a clock winder. He is Louis Froehlich, who went to work there in 1885. His first duty was to go around town to various homes and wind the clocks once a week, for which he collected a fee of 50 cents.

Trinket A certain celebrated musician

is possessor of a trinket any small boy would envy mightily.

It's a gold charm which he wears on his key chain and which is, in reality, a circuit pass to one of the largest chains of motion picture theatres in the country. Whenever he is in a city where the circuit has his theatre he need only show his pass to be admitted to the show. His acquisition of it came about this way: *

It is his habit to stop at a movie house after a concert, especially if he is in a strange town. There he is able to relax after performing for the town's music lovers.

Usually the last show has begun, and, the box office being closed, he frequently has been denied admission at the door. One night he met a movie magnate at a party and recalled how difficult it was for him to see and hear talkies.

Within a few days along came the gold pass.

SUNRAY IS NEW TOWN

(By Associated Press)

DUMAS, Texas, Feb. 21.—The name of the new town of Altman, which sprang up a few months ago with oil development, will be changed to Sunray. Two producing wells near the town were brought in by the Sun Ray Oil Company, and the company recently announced construction of a \$350,000 refinery and gasoline plant.

Boyd Convicted in Justice Court

Ben Boyd, negro arrested here Thursday for disturbing the peace and drinking was tried and convicted on two charges in justice court Saturday morning. A fine of \$10 and costs was assessed against him in each case for being drunk and disturbing the peace and he is being held for grand jury investigation for the charge of carrying a pistol and refusing arrest by local officers.



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THIS PAPER HAS SOME INTERESTING NEWS About Old Friends of Yours

Whenever you find an item about some one you used to know, or see the picture of a once-familiar place, there's an extra thrill in the news of the day. Fading memories grow bright . . . in a flash you begin to "remember when—"

Actually every newspaper you read is full of good news about friends of yours . . . friends that come into your home every day to help get the work done . . . friends you take with you when you go out . . . friends that make life easier, brighter, richer.

These friends are the foods, the clothes, the furnishings—the many modern comforts you meet in the advertisements. You know them well . . . know how they look and what they can do. Naturally you like to read all the news about them, for even old friends are constantly changing, growing more interesting, offering new ideas.

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FOR RENT—Furnished duplex apartment. Call 73, after 8:00 call 284. 17-6d
FOR SALE—Good Rose Bushes 35 cents. Ballinger Floral Co. 16-9d

Society

Mrs. Cherry Entertains Children's Organization
 The home of Mrs. Chester Cherry on Sixth street was the scene of a gala affair on last Saturday evening when the members of the Young People's Kindergarten Association of the First Presbyterian Church together with invited guests were entertained by the sponsors of the group. Mrs. Frank Pearce, Mrs. Cherry and Miss Edell Walker are leaders.
 Cleverly planned games provided happy diversion for the group of thirty-eight young people.
 Hot chocolate with cake and popcorn balls was passed by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Vernon Webb.

Sunday School Class Entertained
 The members of the Sunday school class of the First Christian Church of which Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh is teacher were hostesses to husbands and friends at a delightfully planned Valentine party at the country club on last Thursday evening.
 In the large living room nine tables were arranged for games of forty-two with all accessories emphasizing the heart motif. Valentines accompanied the delectable refreshment plate as individual favors.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC WILL MAKE BIG IMPROVEMENTS
 (By Associated Press)
SAN ANTONIO, Feb. 21—Approximately \$1,000,000 will be spent between Honda and Marfa in the El Paso division of the Southern Pacific lines, beginning March 15, F. L. Carson, superintendent of motive power here, announced.
 J. H. Knowles, division engineer at Del Rio, announced that the program would be undertaken to enable the heaviest type locomotive to operate between El Paso and San Antonio.
 The program calls for replacement of 90 pound rails by 110 pound rails on straightways and by 130 pound rails on sharp curves over the 82-mile stretch between Honda and Marfa.
 Expenditures planned are new rail, \$400,000; new ties, \$13,500; bridge work, \$150,000 and ballasting, \$250,000. Labor costs will bring the total above a million, Knowles said.

IRISHMEN TO FETE ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY
 (By Associated Press)
BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Feb. 21—Irishmen of Brownsville will play host to the Irishmen of all other parts of South Texas on St. Patrick's day, according to arrangements completed at a meeting recently.
 Delegations are expected from San Antonio, Houston, Corpus Christi and other Valley cities.
 The celebration here will open with a parade in the morning, and will include a fish fry at Port Isabel, near here, with a dip in the surf.
 They Live Long Here
NACOGDOCHES, Texas, Feb. 21—(AP)—Nacogdoches county claims some real old timers and pioneers. Among the oldest are: M. Sargent, 93 years; Charles Pull-on, 90; Elias Paasche, 93; W. W. Alvis, 92; Dr. E. W. Smith, 92; and John Burrows, 89.

CHURCHES

Ballinger Baptist Church
 9:45 a. m. Sunday school, E. Shepperd, superintendent.
 11 a. m., preaching service by pastor Subject, "Trust the Lord and Tell the People."
 6:30 p. m., meetings of the B. Y. P. U.'s, F. D. McCoy, director.
 7:30 p. m., preaching service by pastor.
 7:30 p. m., Wednesday, prayer meeting, followed by choir practice.
 7:15 p. m. Monday we begin our Sunday School Study courses. Two classes will be given in the Convention Normal Manual.
 J. H. McCLAIN, Pastor.

First Methodist Church
 Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Joe Forman, superintendent.
 Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor.
 All young people invited to attend Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.
 We are doing our best to make all the services interesting and helpful. The music is fine and an atmosphere of worship prevails throughout. All Methodists should want to be in their services. A cordial invitation is extended to all members who may feel inclined to worship with us. We will do our best to help you.
 Women of the Missionary Society will meet Monday at 3 o'clock in socials as follows: Circle No. 1 with Mrs. C. R. Stone, with Mrs. O'Neill assisting; circle No. 2 with Mrs. J. G. Douglass; circle No. 3 with Mrs. W. F. McKown, with Mrs. Allison assisting.
 Mission study Wednesday evening at 7:30 and choir rehearsal immediately following. I feel that great good is being accomplished in the Wednesday evening services. All are invited to attend.
 T. E. BOWMAN, Pastor.

First Presbyterian Church
 9:45 a. m. Sunday school.
 11:00 a. m., morning worship.
 2:30 p. m., Junior Christian Endeavor.
 8:30 p. m. Intermediate Society.
 7:30 p. m., evening worship.
 E. W. McLAURIN, Pastor.

First Christian Church (Broadway at Marrell)
 Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Alfred Crager, superintendent.
 Communion service, 10:45 a. m.
 Morning worship, 11:00 a. m.
 Evening service, 7:30 p. m.
 Wednesday evening prayer meeting, 7:30.
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 Ladies' Bible study 2:30 p. m. Mondays at church building.
 Prayer meeting and young people's meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.
 We welcome you to any and all of these services.

Church of the Nazarene
 Sunday school at 10:00 a. m.
 Preaching at 11:00 a. m.
 Preaching at 8:00 p. m.
 Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8:00 p. m.
 A welcome is extended to all.
 W. LAWSON, BROWN, Pastor.

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church
 Bible school at 9:45 a. m.
 Finlay Collins, superintendent.
 Worship at 11 a. m.
 Christian Endeavor at 5 and 6

ENGINEER GAVE UP

Says He Could Not Stand Indigestion Any Longer.—Relieved by Black-Draught.

Pulaski, Va.—How a railroad engineer was relieved of indigestion was described by Mr. C. K. Nelson, a Fourth Street resident of this city. Mr. Nelson said:
 "I was suffering from stomach trouble in 1917, and had been suffering for some time. I had a tightness in my chest, a shortness of breath. There seemed to be a heavy weight in the pit of my stomach, and quite a bit of nausea, yet I couldn't vomit. I tried different remedies, yet suffered on just the same. When in West Virginia, on a work train, I was in such a condition that I just gave up and came home. I couldn't stand to work, in my condition.
 "Some one told me about Black-Draught. I started taking it in small doses after meals. It helped me, and I went back to work.
 "One morning while on my engine I felt like I would smother. I stopped in a little town, bought a package of Black-Draught, took a dose and later in the day took another dose. It relieved me and I have not had a bad spell like that in more than two and a half years."
 "Theodor's Black-Draught contains no chemicals. Composed of pure botanical roots and herbs."



FURNITURE CHANGES KEEP MOHAIR IN VOGUE



Styles may come and styles may go, in furniture as in everything else, but one kind of upholstery, mohair velvet, remains in constant popularity ever since the invention of power machinery put it within the reach of everyday folk and not just of kings and nobles, as in previous centuries.
 The demand for furniture covered with fabrics made from the fleece of the angora goat has increased steadily until now the United States leads the world in angora goat raising and consequently in the production of mohair materials.
 Its great durability is undoubtedly the chief reason why mohair velvet is an upholstery perennial. Not even the beauty and lustre of its soft texture would suffice to win the housewife's repeated approval if mohair velvet, or velveteen as it is often called, did not surpass all other materials in wearing quality. This is partly because the mohair itself is the longest wearing animal fibre known and partly because it is a pile fabric, with the wear coming on the ends of the fibres instead of along the sides. As high as 40,000 of these sturdy fibres are found to the square inch in mohair velvet.
 Some knowledge of the physical structure and chemical composition of the mohair fibre is necessary to understand why it makes a superior upholstery fabric. Seen under a microscope, the mohair fibre is smooth and shiny, with fewer scales or serrations than on the wool fibre. This means that it does not attract dirt so quickly, that dust tends to slide off the smooth hairs and that actual dirt is easily removed with a swift brushing or with soap and water if necessary, without affecting the color.
 Then, too, mohair takes a fast, acid dye, so that the effects of sun and strong light need not be feared.
 Like all animal fibres, mohair is normally attractive to the pestiferous house moth, but new science has perfected a means of effectively and permanently mothproofing mohair velvet. It has been noticed that moths will actually die in preference to attacking the fabric. When one considers the tremendous amount of damage done annually by this insect, it is obvious that for this feature alone mohair recommends itself as the ideal fabric for fine furniture.
 But though mohair velvet remains popular season after season, its colors, patterns, and weaves change with the current fashion. Beautiful solid colors, or two-tone weaves, period designs, modernistic effects or conventional patterns may all be had in mohair velvet. Sometimes the pile is cut out to form the pattern, the remaining pile being stamped with a floral or other design. In other places, the pattern is formed by cutting certain of the loops and the fabric is then called frizette. If the uncut portion predominates, it is called frizette. Then again, the material may be handblocked in striking designs or woven on a jacquard loom with various colored mohair yarns.

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 Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.
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GOVERNOR'S PLEA LOWERS CAROLINA COTTON ACREAGE

(By Associated Press)
RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 21—The cotton reduction campaign conducted by Governor O. Max Gardner reduced North Carolina's cotton acreage by 234,000 acres in 1930, according to a report issued by the extension service of the North Carolina State College.
 The report also declares that the state's acreage of food and feed crops was increased by 520,810. These crops included corn, oats, barley, hay, soy beans, cowpeas, Irish potatoes, sweet potatoes, and home garden and commercial truck.

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Sophomores Put On Chapel Stunt

A large number of patrons attended chapel exercises here Friday at the Ballinger high school to hear an unusually fine program given by the sophomore class under the direction of Misses Maryatt Smith and Mable Brewer. The entertainment was given as a "Womanless Wedding" with all boys from the class taking part. The program had been rehearsed for several weeks and every detail of a society wedding had been worked out including the nuptial music, costumes and settings. The 30-minute program was a real laugh provoker and those attending besides the students of the high school were delighted with the performance.
 Opening the program A. F. Ligon read an important announcement from the society section of a state paper as follows: "The approaching marriage of Miss Roberta Straley, the young and charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Phillips Thorp, to Mr. Harrel Patterson Flynt is of great interest to the people of Ballinger. The Rev. Raymond Thomas officiating."
 The members of the wedding party will be Misses Mauricia Bartlett, Eldwina Williams, and Mariellona Connelly, bridesmaids; Messrs. Wayne Morgan, Lucius Evans and Ernest Killingsworth, groomsmen; Miss Johanna Nicholson, maid-of-honor; and Mr. L. B. Rumpy, best man. Little Miss Sammie Malone, flower girl; and Master Jack Scales, ring bearer. The bride will be given in marriage by her father, Hon. Charles Thorp.
 The pre-nuptial song will be rendered by Miss Jacqueline Lynn, accompanied by Miss Fredrica Wellhausen, who will also play the wedding march.
 The bride's mother, Mrs. Donald Phillips Thorp, with her other two children, Johnnie Q and Maxine, will leave directly after the ceremony for the Fiji Islands where they will visit relatives for several weeks.
 Following this announcement the wedding proceeded and the high moment was reached when the groom, Harold Flynt, and the bride, Bob Straley, appeared ready for the vows which united them in unhappy married bliss. The students and faculty of the high school were delighted with the program Friday and look forward when other classes will try to even beat this stunt by the sophomore class.

IT'S BUSTLING BELGIUM NOW; NATION HAS BUILDING ERA
 (By Associated Press)
BRUSSELS, Feb. 21—"Bleeding" Belgium in 11 years has become "bustling" Belgium.
 The government's new budget papers show nearly 100,000 houses have been rebuilt since the war, and nearly 270,000 acres of land have been treated to return their fertility.
 In addition to giving approximately \$346,000,000 to civilians who suffered through the war, the government has built 140 town halls, 237 churches, 382 schools, 412 other municipal buildings, 9,300 factories, 35,000 miles of highways and 1,800 miles of railways.
 During 1930 the Chicago elevated railroad carried about 182,900,000 passengers.

3 Negro Women Fined by Court

The court of inquiry held at the city hall Friday afternoon to look into rumors of bad conduct in the "flat" or negro-town, caused three women to plead guilty to vagrancy charges and \$1 fine and costs were assessed against each, and they were returned to jail. Negroes of the better class for several days had been requesting officers to investigate conditions in the "flat," where they claimed a general clean-up was needed.
 Mayor W. C. McCarver presided over the court and a large number of witnesses were questioned by City Attorney C. P. Shepherd. The witnesses talked freely, telling the court just what they knew regarding conditions in darktown.
 When a negro man was arrested Thursday for carrying a gun and disturbing the peace a short investigation was held, at the same time three women arrested and a large number of men and women summoned as witnesses to the inquiry Friday. The

man arrested was charged in county court, and while no investigation was made of his case by city officials, a number of witnesses referred to it.
 In passing sentence on the three negroes Mayor McCarver warned them that bad conduct would not be tolerated in the future in a settlement of peaceful colored folk who were desirous of adhering to the law and warned the prisoners that serious trouble was in store for law-breakers hereafter.

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