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## Ranger Captain Admits Warning Oil Companies

(By Associated Press)  
AUSTIN, Apr. 25.—Frank Hamer, captain of rangers, admitted here today that he had sent letters to thirty-eight oil companies having holdings in Texas, warning them of a suspected communist plot to destroy oil and company property. Capt. Hamer was incensed at the fact that the warning had been made public, although he did not say why nor reveal the source of his information. He asserted the "reds" already had acquired some nitro-glycerine, and mentioned two explosions in Kansas oil areas since he had sent out his warning. Reports from Houston and Beaumont today told of several oil companies there receiving the letters and strengthening the night guards at their plants.

Miss Eleanor Hancock went to Coolidge Friday where she will remain until the opening of the summer session of C. I. A. at Denton, in June.

Mr. and Mrs. John Weeks spent Friday in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Stroble left Saturday morning for San Saba. They were accompanied by Mr. Stroble's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Stallings have returned to Ballinger after a visit to Brownwood and Goldthwaite.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Lewis, Winters, are in Ballinger for a few days with their daughter, Fay Jean, who is ill.

Senator Walter Woodward, of Coleman, who has been ill for the past few days at Austin, is reported to be improving.

Mrs. J. A. Schnable who has been visiting in Sweetwater for the past few days, has returned to her home here.

Mrs. G. L. Blythe who was called to Anson on account of the illness of her mother, has returned home. Mrs. Blythe reports her mother's condition to be much improved.

## Commission Denies Proposal by Neff

(By Associated Press)  
AUSTIN, Apr. 25.—Pat M. Neff, member of the state railroad commission, said today that he had asked the commission to replace the proration umpires with deputy oil and gas supervisors, but a majority of the commission had voted against the proposal. Neff said the umpires were paid by the oil companies, whereas the railroad commission paid the supervisors.

## Rural Schools Closing; 183 to Get Diplomas

The Crews grammar school held its closing exercises Friday night with large attendance. A delightful program was given with practically all the school children taking part. No diplomas were issued Friday night as the Crews school will take part in the county-wide graduation program here on Sunday, May 10. The term ends at Crews three weeks hence.

A number of schools in the county have already closed for this year. Those reported as closed by the county superintendent's office are Dale, Cochran, Dry Ridge, Blanton, Oak Creek, and Independence. The Red Bank and Millar schools were to be closed Friday night of this week. Programs being held at this time, nearly every week for the remainder of the next month will see one or more finishing the year's work. The last rural school in the county to close will be Drasco, the term ending there about the middle of May.

Independent district schools under supervision of the county superintendent will remain open about one more month or about a week longer than the Ballinger

## Texan Killed in Honduras Friday

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, April 25.—The American legation at Tegucigalpa, Honduras, today reported the murder of John Edward Wright, son of Lem Wright, of Alto, Texas, by an unnamed Honduran at the Lerida farm in the interior of Honduras.

The report said the murder was a personal attack, and not connected with the insurrection. The murder occurred Friday. The authorities are attempting to bring the killer to justice.

## Dallas Man Dies In Garage Fire

(By Associated Press)  
DALLAS, Apr. 25.—Benjamin F. Parkman, 60, a carpenter, was burned to death in his garage today when his automobile caught fire.

Children passing the Parkman home saw smoke pouring from the garage and reported the fire. Parkman's body was found beneath the machine.

## SINGING CLASS SUNDAY AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

There will be a program by the Ballinger singing class at the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church Sunday afternoon at 2:30. All singing leaders who will come are to be used. There will be special numbers. W. Lawson Brown, president, will direct the numbers.

A large crowd is expected, the people of Ballinger having shown an avid interest in the performances, and it is hoped that they will continue to help this worthwhile entertainment by attending these meetings when possible.

B. F. Butcher, Maverick, was in Ballinger Saturday.

Mrs. R. G. Erwin returned from Temple Friday night.

## Mexican General Receives Acquittal

(By Associated Press)  
MEXICO CITY, Apr. 25.—General Leopoldo Rizo was acquitted here today of charges of participation in the Escobar revolution in 1929. Gen. Rizo was in command of the federal garrison at Guaymas, state of Sonora, when the revolution began, and was accused of joining the rebels who occupied Guaymas for several weeks.

## New 2,950-Mile Highway Mapped Linking Scenic Spots in Five States

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, April 25.—A "highway of highways," combined into a rough figure eight from Kentucky to the Atlantic, is planned to join three great proposed national parks of the East.

Linking the proposed Mammoth Cave, Great Smoky Mountain, Shenandoah national parks and historic sites of the East, the highway has been laid out over five states for a total of 1,950 miles.

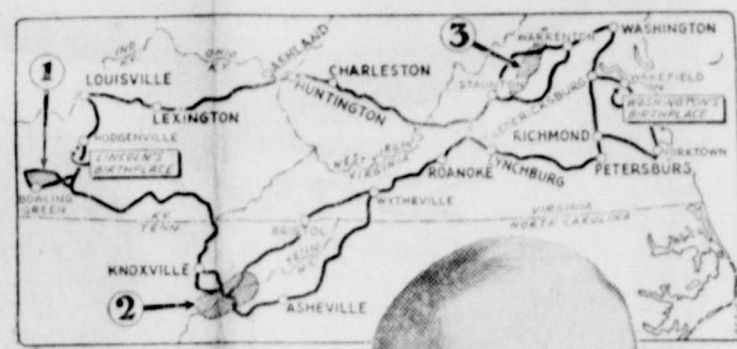
Following established highways, the system is improved for all but 75 miles of the distance, most of which is under construction.

Agreement on the route, with alternative loops for motorists not making the entire circuit, was reached at a recent conference of federal and state officials and civic organizations called by Representative M. H. Thatcher of Kentucky. A permanent association was formed to promote the highway's formal creation.

Representatives of the association will meet with state officials for their approval of the individual part of each in closing existing gaps and marking the route with signs.

Adopted in its entirety, the eastern national park-to-park highway will be presented to Director Albright of the national park service for designation on official park maps.

The highway has been so routed as to enable motorists to cover the east's family of proposed national parks and historical sites, ranging from Lincoln's birthplace in the middle west to Washington's in the east, in a tour of from 10 days to three weeks.



Map shows the route of the projected eastern national park-to-park highway as mapped at a recent conference of federal and state officials. Representative M. H. Thatcher of Kentucky (below) is president of the association pushing the program.

As laid out, the highway runs from the Mammoth Cave in Kentucky into Tennessee and the proposed Great Smoky mountain national park, branching in the Smoky region so that one way leads into North Carolina.

The branches join at Wytheville, Va., running to Natural Bridge for the main juncture of the rough figure-eight. Eastward from the trail runs to Richmond, where it again loops to go direct to Washington or to include Lee Hall and Yorktown.

Northward from Natural Bridge, the trail leads to Staunton, where a loop is formed giving the motorist the choice of skirting the lower edge of the proposed Shenandoah national park or passing directly across it by way of the Luray Caverns.

This loop joins at Warrenton, Va., for a single trail to Washington. Retracing the trail along the north, the highway runs from Lexington, Va., along the Midland trail and route of the pioneer Daniel Boone to Huntington, W. Va., and back to Mammoth Cave by way of Louisville, Ky.

## Shippers Ask Hoover to Aid In Restoring Cotton Industry

### Pageant Sunday At M. E. Church

The Sunday evening service at the First Methodist Church will be prepared by the young people's department of the church which will present a pageant, "All for Christ." Rehearsals have been held during the past week.

Special lighting equipment has been installed for the pageant. During parts one and two colored "spot" machines will be used.

The pageant is divided into four parts, showing the Sunday school and various units of the Epworth League in their activities. The choir will sing twelve or more old hymns as a portion of the presentation.

Characters representing the Spirit of the Sunday School and League units will wear special costumes. The closing scene will depict the close of a vesper service at annual League night in which the pastor and other adults will take part. The final challenge of "All for Christ" will bring all young people of the church forward singing "Jesus Calls Us."

This service begins at 8 p. m. Attention is called to this change in hour for the evening service.

### Baseball Head is Claimed by Death

(By Associated Press)  
CINCINNATI, O., Apr. 25.—August Carry Herrman, former president of the Cincinnati National Baseball League club for years and chairman of the old National Baseball Commission, and former grand exalted ruler of the Elks Lodge, died at his home here today after a prolonged illness following breaking health in 1927.

Herrman would have been seventy-two years old May 3. He suffered an attack of arteriosclerosis fifteen weeks ago. Death was caused by old age, and a complication of diseases.

Burial probably will be made Monday or Tuesday, but arrangements were incomplete this morning.

### Will Erect Scout Home Next Week

Construction will start Monday morning on the Boy Scout camp house on the bluff near Elm Creek. Arrangements were completed Saturday assuring the building of the hut and material is on the ground ready for the carpenters to begin Monday morning. This contract was speeded up because lumber previously placed on the site was being stolen necessitating placing of a guard there 24 hours of the day.

The new Scout home will be 24 by 36 feet with a 7-foot porch across the entire front. Inside will be four patrol rooms, 9 by 10 feet, and an assembly hall, 14 by 36 feet, with a platform at one end for programs. The location has been cleared and leveled. Just below at the foot of this bluff will be the permanent camp grounds in the new municipal park.

A few years ago the municipal tourist park here was donated to Scout organizations. Recently the lumber was hauled to the new site and stacked, after nails had been removed. Construction had been delayed on account of lack of finances.

J. E. Gressett has agreed to supervise the work and also furnish his time at half price, and other local carpenters have indicated they are willing to help on the same basis and will begin work Monday morning. H. H. Hardin Lumber Company has donated all nails for the building and several local firms have volunteered to donate cash equal to two days' labor for completion of the structure. No funds are being solicited, but cash is needed and anyone desiring to help with cash or material should notify E. M. Lynn, secretary-treasurer of the Scout council, and those desiring to help with the labor are referred to Mr. Gressett. Rev. E. W. McLaurin is chairman of the building committee.

It is believed that the building can be finished next week and be ready for occupancy by the Scouts in a few days. A location has been made a short distance away from the Scout hut for the Camp Fire

## Eight Persons Injured In Explosion at Mine

### Nationality of Alleged Slayer Is in Doubt

(By Associated Press)  
LAREDO, Tex., Apr. 25.—American and Mexican officials today argued over the nationality of Alberto Sanchez, 18, born in the United States of Mexican parents, who is charged with fatally stabbing Edna Merle Springer, 11, in a ravine near the Springer farm house near San Antonio. Earlier today, Governor Sterling at Austin offered \$250 reward for Sanchez's return to Atascosa county.

### Woman Kills Self In Escort's Presence

(By Associated Press)  
OKLAHOMA CITY, Apr. 25.—The body of Mrs. Marion Buck 28, was found in her apartment here today. Adrian Mason, 27, said the woman shot herself in his presence.

After the couple came in together from a party, Mrs. Buck declared to have said she was going to kill Mason. Instead, Mason asserted, she killed herself.

The woman's son, Billy, 12, as a witness corroborated Mason's story.

### PALMS AND NATIVE TREES TO BEAUTIFY HIGHWAY

(By Associated Press)  
MCALLEN, Tex., Apr. 25.—The Lower Rio Grande Valley is preparing to take the lead in beautification of highways in the state of Texas, as plans for improving the 500 miles of highway in Hidalgo county were worked out at a meeting here recently. Palms and native trees are to be planted along the highways of this county, according to the plan adopted, and it is likely that Cameron county will carry out a similar program. Property owners will care for the trees in cooperation with the county.

The Valley is noted for its palms already, and also for the many interesting native trees, such as ebony, mesquite, huisache, tepalcates, retama and others. All these will be used in beautifying the highways.

A. R. Jones who has been ill for the past week is gradually improving.

Rev. and Mrs. T. E. Bowman returned Friday night from Corsicana and other places where they had been visiting for several days.

(By Associated Press)  
MEXICO CITY, Apr. 25.—Eight persons, including an American, E. A. Manderfield, superintendent, were killed in an explosion at the Providencia mine of the Compania de Penoles, subsidiary of the American Metals Company, in northern Zacatecas, it was reported here today.

While full details are lacking, many are reported to have been injured.

### ADVERTISING CAMPAIGNS AID BUSINESS AT MIDLAND

(By Associated Press)  
MIDLAND, Apr. 25.—An intensive effort in West Texas has been initiated by the Midland Chamber of Commerce to offset a lack of business. Trades Day, Dollar Days, courtesy schools, a merchandising institute, paid advertising in 14 weekly newspapers, personal calls at 9,930 houses in 14 towns in Texas and New Mexico are some of the features of the campaign. It has brought enormous returns to Midland merchants, they say.

### PLAN EXTENSION FOR BIG IRRIGATION DITCH

(By Associated Press)  
EDINBURG, Apr. 25.—Plans for the excavation of a gigantic drainage ditch, 17 miles in length and serving practically all the irrigation districts of Hidalgo county, are being worked out now by County Engineer E. H. Card.

The commissioners court of the county recently considered the matter, and the cost was estimated at \$70,000. An extension of the irrigation ditch in the Donna district will probably be made, according to the court.

### BOY WITH DYNAMITE ROUTS CAFE CUSTOMERS

(By Associated Press)  
DEL RIO, Apr. 25.—When a small boy came into a restaurant in the San Felipe suburb with four sticks of dynamite and a box of dynamite caps, patrons of the restaurant fled. Police said the explosive apparently had been stored for years in a small room connecting with the restaurant kitchen.

### WEATHER FORECAST

(By Associated Press)  
West Texas—Fair, somewhat colder with frost in the Panhandle and west portion tonight. Sunday fair and colder in the southeast. East Texas—Cloudy, thunder storms in the northeast portion, somewhat colder in the northwest portion tonight. Sunday partly cloudy, somewhat colder except in the southeast portion.

Talking Cartoon  
Sound News

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The yard season in Ballinger is here and lawns are demanding the mower often to keep the grass in shape. Proper care of a yard is not a hard job unless it is neglected for a time. Weekly trimming of lawns is an easy task and furnishes good exercise for the owner. Lawns and yards here this summer will be more beautiful than ever. The work started by so many two years ago will begin to show up well this year as trees reach some size and flower gardens blossom after the next few weeks.

The season for drinking cold beverages is getting close and all filling stations and many other places are stocking bottled drinks to be kept cold for the public. When purchasing such drinks in Ballinger bear in mind that there is a bottling company here that is one of the business institutions that helps to make Ballinger. Their drinks are as good as can be bought and every bottle used makes more business for the local plant. When business is rushing more men are employed and the manager and employees are able to spend more money locally. Ask for Ballinger bottled drinks when you buy.

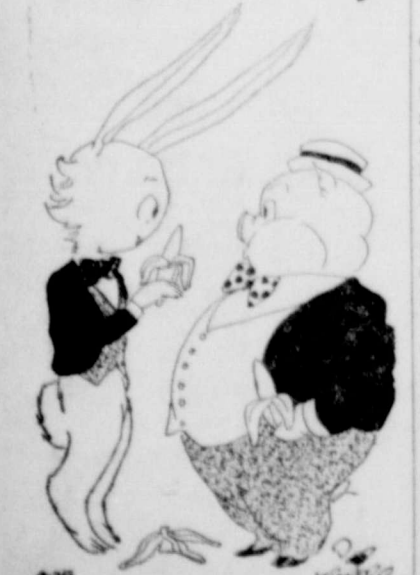
Many failures in high school are blamed largely on the amount of outside activities parents permit their children. High school students of this age belong to numerous organizations and without warning find themselves with regular engagements that take several nights a week away from their home studies. The pupil with a heavy course in most instances finds it difficult, if not impossible, to make a passing grade without time at night to do much study and with outside engagements he shows up with a failing grade. School officials believe parents should limit attendance on outside affairs on school nights, and see to it that a certain amount of study is done each evening. The state department of education and colleges have set up standards of requirements which high schools must meet. High school teachers cannot pass students whose work is not up to these standards. It is very easy for pupils and parents to become careless of school responsibilities and thus face failure quite unexpectedly.

Our first Special Rug Day next Monday. Come in and see what we are doing, whether you buy or not. L. E. Bair Furniture Co., 14

HOUSTON SCHOOL CENSUS MAY REACH OVER 75,000

(By Associated Press) HOUSTON, April 25—Preliminary estimates, subject to revision when the final re-checks are made, placed the Houston scholastic census involving children of from five to eighteen years, at "not less than 75,000." "It is an estimate, of course," said L. T. Cunningham, census director, "but it is a safe one." The exact figure, he added, would not be known until after May 1.

PUFFY



They land at Pago Pago, Puff and Bunny do, today (They later learn you say it "Pago Pago," by the way). "I love Samoa," Puffy says. "Why, almost every tree contains a meal for you. And yes, of course—a meal for me." (Copyright, 1930)

SUNDOWN STORIES



PIGS AND MANSIONS

By Mary Graham Bonner

John and Peggy were glad to go with the Little Black Clock to see more of the pigs in the old barnyard. Perhaps some day John would have a pig and he'd like to know more about them.

"We call anyone a pig who is greedy," said the Clock, "and we see how the pigs like to eat all they can and grab from one another. But they don't fight over their food and they don't raise any excitement when things don't go their own way.

"In fact, I think pigs are very good-natured and very patient, so I feel we should go back and hear some more of their talk."

So the Little Black Clock and John and Peggy went back to the old, old barnyard to hear some more of the pigs' ideas as they gruntingly, squealingly chattered.

"We will never want to live in gorgeous houses or mansions or palaces," the pigs said. "We will never ask for a huge house with handsome furniture and soft, lovely rugs and dainty curtains at the windows.

"We will never ask to use silver knives and forks and eat off fine dishes.

"We will be satisfied with left-over food, and we will never grab as much as lots of creatures who will think they are far finer than we are.

"We will always sit or walk around our pens and yards contentedly and live our pig lives without much fussing and without much annoyance to those who will be our neighbors.

"We will not complain. We will not grumble. We will be proud of being pigs who can enjoy their food, but we will never get foolish ideas about grandeur.

"Oh, no, pigs will always be simple creatures."

And Peggy and John agreed that they had lived up to their promises.

(Monday—The Old Mansion)

HOW'S your HEALTH



GIANTS AND DWARFS

While the giants and dwarfs appearing in folk lore and fairy tales are largely products of imagination, they have their counterparts in reality.

To begin with, there are races whose average man and woman are markedly tall, while there are others among whom the average height is little more than five feet. The pigmies of Africa are an example of a small race, while the Scandinavian people are on the average taller than the Latins.

A giant race may have existed at some time in history. The skeletal remains of certain of the primitive races now extinct suggest that they may have been taller than the tallest people alive today. So too, there undoubtedly were primitive races of relatively short stature.

Today, however, there are no giant races, but there are individual giants. These giants, most of whom are over seven feet tall, are freaks of nature and the result of glandular disease.

The gland involved in so-called gigantism is the pituitary, a gland of internal secretion located at the base of the brain and encased in a special bony structure descriptively called the Turkish saddle.

The pituitary gland is composed of two parts, front and rear. When the front portion for certain reasons still unknown overacts during youth or the growing years of an individual's life, he is inclined to grow to gigantic proportions.

On the other hand, when the pituitary fails to function adequately, the result is an adult of low stature, or a dwarf.

When the over-functioning of the pituitary begins after the individual has attained his maximum height and stopped growing, there results a new growth of bone involving principally the jaw and the extremities, a condition known as acromegaly.

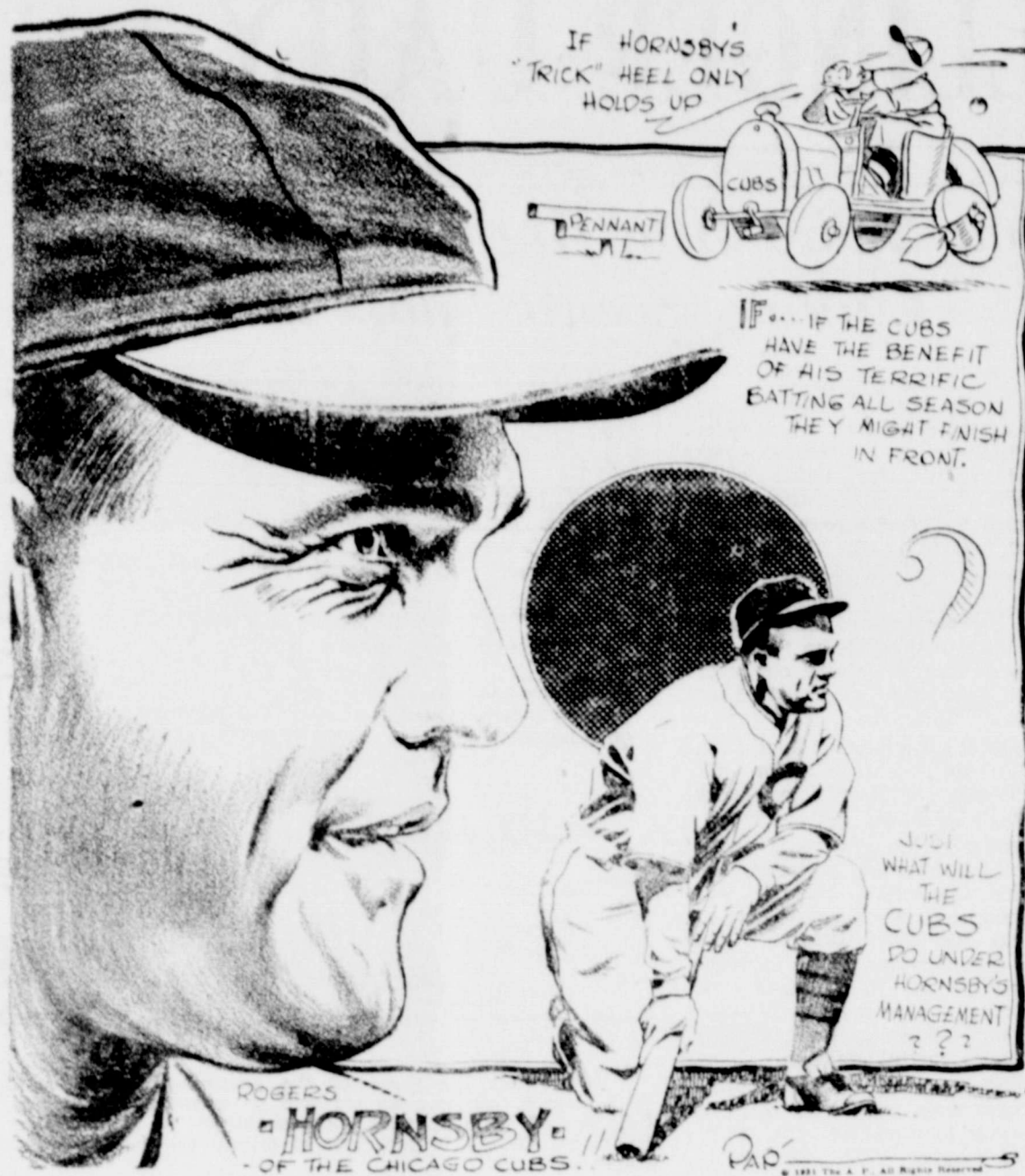
The acromegalic individual does not grow taller but acquires a brute-like appearance due to his heavy-grown jaw and large hands and feet.

(Monday—Tobacco and Motherhood)

The town of Earlington, Ky., has two fire chiefs, one for day and the other for night duty. Each is paid \$50 a year.

Hornsby's High Hopes

---By Pap



MOVIES

"The Right to Love" Opens at the Palace Tomorrow

Ruth Chatterton—an incomparable actress—in the vehicle she believes will be her greatest achievement.

No other actress on the talking screen is her equal in dramatic characterization. She plays upon the emotions of an audience with superb understanding. Here is the subtle touch of genius.

"Madame X," "Sarah and Son," "Anybody's Woman"—one remarkable portrayal after another, has attained for Miss Chatterton, supreme popularity in her preferred field of drama. She has won the praise of critics; the enthusiasm of the entire theatre-going public.

She has been given the title, "First Lady of the Screen," by several critics.

And "The Right to Love" offers the "first lady" greater opportunity than any previous picture—for the full expression of Miss Chatterton's dramatic force.

The picture will be shown at the Palace Theatre for three days—tomorrow, Monday and Tuesday.

In this story she is not confined by the limits of a single portrayal. She enacts two distinct roles, and in one of them steps the part from the trusting innocence of girlhood to the mature philosophy of motherhood.

It is a drama of life rescued by love—a story of emotion—the eager joy of young romance—the rending sorrow of death to the father of her child—the passion of mother-love—hatred—desire—and the bitterness of disillusionment.

"The Right to Love" in book form was a best seller. It gives every evidence of attaining the same popularity on the talking screen.

Heading the supporting group are Paul Lukas and David Manners.

"Along Came Youth" Closing at Palace Tonight

Charles Rogers is given splendid support in his most recent starring picture, "Along Came Youth"—a romantic comedy about a young American sportsman stranded in England, which ends a two-day run at the Palace Theatre tonight.

Stuart Erwin is the chief fun-provider.

Frances Dee, Maurice Chevalier's sweetheart in "Playboy of Paris," is Rogers' girl friend. William Austin, Evelyn Hall, Leo White, and Mathilde Comont are seen in other supporting roles.

PUMPHREY BOYS' 4-H CLUB

The county agent, C. W. Lehmburg, met with the Pumphrey boys' club Tuesday, April 21, and carried the club boys with him to Will Pumphrey's for a lesson on judging dairy cows.

The boys all reported the work very interesting and helpful to them. The work will probably be more helpful in the future.

Mr. Lehmburg will meet the club here at the school again April 28, for the purpose of judging field sorghums.

The membership committee expects to have a few new members at the next meeting.

The fathers of this community and all of the boys who are not in school that are eligible for membership are invited to attend the next meeting to be held here at the school building.

—Club Reporter

VICTORY BOYS' 4-H CLUB

The Victory 4-H club met last Friday for the purpose of electing officers of the club. A regular meeting was held Tuesday, April

21, by C. W. Lehmburg. The subject Monday was grain sorghums. We have ten members now, but we hope there will be more soon. Lively interest is shown by the whole club in 4-H work.

Tuesday was the day chosen to be the regular meeting day of each week.

The following are the officers elected:

Walter Spill, president; Elvin Williams, vice president; Davis Sawyer, secretary; Daulton Smith, reporter.

—Club Reporter

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Mad Pursuit

BY JESSIE DOUGLASS FOX

SYNOPSIS: Although pretty Nora Lake loves her affable father, she is distressed at their ceaseless quest of new scenes. "Oh, Julian, let's go home!" she exclaims when he tells her that they are going to the Tyrol town behind the Italian villa Mrs. Nevers has just bought. Protesting when he tells her to borrow money for household expenses from the banker, Nicholas Thayer, then goes Nora to her father's dismay at her father's slip that she would marry Thayer, if only, as she recalls his words before she had met Jonathan Thayer, a youth of 20 who had strongly impressed her. But Nicholas Thayer who dines from the first when she goes to serve his breakfast he tells her rather harshly that he is leaving.

Chapter 3 CURIOUS NORA Nora did not answer him at once though speculating why this strange man had decided to leave the Villa Rosa with its pleasant old rooms was not comfortable enough then, for him. "I thought I could work here," Nicholas continued, "but it's no good. I'll have to get out of Florida. Soon I'll be sunning myself and talking about the great things I shall do some day."



"You've cut yourself badly!" Nora told Nicholas when he brought back his hand.

In the words. She knew too well his laziness, but his very weakness enlisted her sympathy. "Are you going to the Tyrol?" she asked, the thought darting through her mind that this might account for her father's sudden change of plan. "I'm going home."

On the moment he seemed changed; strange still, but the gray eyes she had thought cold and piercing she saw now were suffering. "I want to go home," Nora said. She sat down on a high-backed chair as though at any moment she might spring up and dart off. "Why don't you?"

"Julian can't get on without someone to look out for him." His lips twisted in a amused smile as though the idea of her looking out for her father was as absurd as it was pathetic. "You've been lucky," Nicholas said with asperity, "most people would give their boots to travel about as you have done. For three years, isn't it?"

"I've travelled ever since I was born. But you can't live on scenery forever," Nora ended simply. "Look here, you can get what you want by wanting it enough." "Have you got what you want?" "God, no!"

His violence startled her. He stood, legs apart, looking at her with inimical, drawn brows. "Neither have I." He was disarmed for the first time. His face was quite different when he smiled; there was a kind of pity in it that changed it magically. "What do you want?"

She leaned forward, her eyes shining, as she began to tell him about the old rectory in Sussex. But when she came to the mention of the boy she found she could not say a single word. His name was not spoken. He listened to her with a faint amusement. It was strange that such a little vagabond as herself should cherish so quiet a scene. Perhaps it was because her life had been so full of upheavals and changes from one place to another that the peace of that English parsonage haunted her. A strange child, he mused. Whatever would

become of her, tied to that futile make-shift of a father? For that Julian Lake's pretension to be a painter was dust hung in the eyes, Nicholas Thayer now knew. The pictures he had displayed with such pride last night had been abominable. He was a shiftless idler and he would undoubtedly marry this child of his to some other vagrant like himself. Her instinct was right, he concluded, she should go home.

"What future could there be for her in Europe, where she had no background, no money, nothing but a kind of every charm for her whole fortune?"

Nora said suddenly, "I met someone once named Thayer."

"There are several of the name," he said dryly. "His name was Jonathan. He was tall and very fair."

"I had such a brother once," he said, studying her curiously, "in London about five years ago."

"He isn't—dead?" she breathed. "I believe he's still alive," he said indifferently. "He must be married by this time," she tried to say with a casual indifference.

But to her confusion the blood began to sting her cheeks. "It is a habit the young seem to

have. And by this time—he must be. Her finger tips were icy. She had to force the words out. "Have you seen him—lately?" "I haven't seen him lately," he said without interest. "She could not say another word. He walked away from her. She was tantalized almost beyond her power of endurance, but she waited.

"Well," he said, smiling down at her, "say good-by to your father for me. I don't like to say good-by to you. She did not want him to go. She was not experienced enough to know how to make him stay. She was a little angry too, that she had told him about herself, and that he pitied her. And she was dying of curiosity to know more about Jon. She stood up and went over to the blind that she had tried to open that morning and wrenched at it with fury. Thayer came over to her and leaning out thrust his first at it. With a loud creaking it swung open. But Nora saw when he had brought back his hand he had a long ugly gash below the thumb.

"You've cut yourself badly!" she said. "You'd better run water on it at once. I'll get a disinfectant in the medicine chest upstairs." She rushed upstairs to rummage through the medicine chest with their Italian labels. There was no disinfectant. When she went back he had wrapped his hand in his handkerchief. "Have you run cold water over it?"

He was smiling cynically. "I came through the war unscratched, a pin prick's not going to do me in now," he said. "Will you tell your father for me that I won't see him again?" He turned abruptly and ran upstairs. She stood listening to the sounds of his packing. For the first time a crazy restlessness besieged her own spirit. She wanted to rush upstairs and tumble things into her own bags and be off.

"I hope I never see him again!" Nora thought. (Copyright, 1930, Jessie Douglas Fox)

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YOUTH CLAIMS FIRST TO "HITCH-HIKE" PLANE HOP. FT. WORTH, April 25—Jack Belzner, Texas Christian University senior from Clifton, Ariz., claims to be the first college student to "hitch-hike" an airplane ride. "I was just walking down Main street with my hands in my pockets—and that's about all, too," he relates, "when a man asked me if I was going his way. I didn't know which way he was going, but I didn't have a class until Monday, so I hopped in." Arriving at the municipal airport (the man's destination), Jack idly examined the planes. He was interrupted by a man wearing a flying helmet who said something to the effect of, "Going my way."

LABOR CONVENTION MAY 18-23. EL PASO, Apr 25—Plans have been made to entertain more than 250 delegates to the annual convention of the Texas Federation of Labor, May 18-23, here. Governor Ross Sterling has been invited to attend the opening day's session.



# Mad Pursuit

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Chapter 4  
A YOUNG DIANA

**D**ESPITE her feeling against Nicholas Thayer, Nora stood thoughtful for a moment considering the nasty gash beneath his thumb. Then she went over to the desk and began to write with a creaking pen.

"Have that cut looked after," "N."

She stuck the piece of paper to the slim balustrade where he would be sure to see it as he left.

Then she caught up her hat and crushed it down over her hair. She

She stopped at a pastry shop and drank vermouth and ate a small paté; she found she was a few minutes short. This was the wretched ending of such a morning! She could see with what delight the proprietor would dramatize the scene—and she shut her eyes.

It would be so easy to laugh about it afterwards with her father, but at the moment—

She looked desperately about and saw a slim fair woman approaching along the Faubourg. She had never seen Mrs. Nevers before with such real pleasure.

"You've saved my life!" she laughed. "I've run up a bill in the pastry shop and I can't pay for it. Oh, one Mrs. Nevers will be lost."

Mrs. Nevers went in and settled the small tabs at the desk, then she stood beside Nora's table a moment.

She was a fair woman, thin at most to attenuation, dressed with elegance. She was one of those smart unassisted women that Nora had met before, always easier for any new sensation. She suggested a Venetian goblet that might hold nothing more dangerous than acid white wine.

The long gold earrings that she always wore, clashed on her pale cheeks as she talked.

"But you came back sooner than you expected?" Nora asked, her



"A young Diana!" That was what Mrs. Nevers called Nora.

let herself out through the rusty gate on to the winding road that led down into Florence.

Perhaps if she walked very fast, Nora thought, she could forest Nicholas Thayer. But Florence was made for loitering and she found herself wandering along the pavements of the Lungarno, stopping to lean on the parapet to watch the fishermen holding their long nets.

But this morning nothing pleased her. She kept remembering the way Nicholas Thayer had looked at her with a pity that made her angry now as she remembered it, a faint contemptuous smile that enraged her. She wondered what had made her tell him about the rectory, and she felt her cheeks flame at the memory.

Two American girls came walking briskly along the Lungarno. Nora watched them covertly, dragging her beret on at a more dashing angle. But they did not even glance at her. Their smart travelling clothes put hers to shame. She looked down at her stabbed slippers, at the blue skirt and coat she had slept in more than once. She tried to console herself by thinking that they would never know her secret haunts in the hills nor the old monastery where she had chatted with the Franciscan friar. All the small adventures that, until lately had been the very spice of life.

She spent part of the lire note recklessly on violets with the dew still on them, and loitered up one long twisting street, and down another as narrow.

But this morning she could draw no solace from the blessed cherubs of Della Robbia with their glistening smiles.

Something was troubling her and at last she dragged it up into the light. Her father was planning something but with more perspicacity than he usually possessed. Why else had he asked Nicholas Thayer to visit them? Why was he away all afternoon long, and why was he so scrupulously brushed and groomed, swining down the hill with his ash walking stick, to return long past midnight? How did any one ever know another person, Nora thought, how divine the motives and strange desires that move him on?

heart sinking as she realized that the tenure of the Villa Rosa was over.

"I was so bored," Mrs. Nevers smiled. "You make me feel quite diminutive. What a long-legged creature you are!" she said, eyeing Nora coolly, "a young Diana!"

But it was said with a twist of the lips as though Diana were a rangy uncouth young woman who might better roam her fields than venture into city streets.

"I'll tell Julian. And you shall have the villa at once."

"No, I wouldn't think of disturbing you!" Mrs. Nevers said. "How is your father? Working, I suppose at his wonderful pictures?"

Nora felt her cheeks begin to redden. She could see her father lying in bed smoking incessantly as he turned the pages of "Don Quixote."

"I wonder if you appreciate, my dear, how lucky you are to have such a charming man for a near relation?"

Nora knew that Helen Nevers did not like her. Mrs. Nevers could never like anyone younger or fresher than herself; she longed to revenge herself on any girl for her own lost youth.

Nora decided she must tell her father Mrs. Nevers had returned. And she was afraid. She was afraid of their future, afraid of her father's secret plans. There was only one way that Nora knew of outwitting her and that was to plunge recklessly toward it. She ran toward the tram.

She went in through the gate of the villa some 20 minutes later and pushed open the door. How silent the whole place was! Its loneliness pressed against her heart. The salon was ablaze with sun. Nicholas Thayer was walking up and down. His face looked flushed and feverish and he brought his eyes to her as though she were a stranger.

"What's the matter?" she asked. "It's my beastly hand."

"Let me see it!" she demanded.

"There's nothing to see," he laughed, "but it's been acting up like the deuce."

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A lie? Perhaps. Yet Nora tomorrow can't force herself to repeat what the doctor said.

## "Mt. Vernon" Rebuilt for French Exposition

By Adelaide Kerr

PARIS, April 25.—(AP)—On a sloping plot in the Park of Vincennes, French workmen have driven the last nails in the facsimile of Mount Vernon, reproduced as part of the United States exhibit in the International Colonial and Overseas Exposition.

The show is to open early in May at a ceremony which probably will be the last official function of President Gaston Doumergue. His term as president of France will expire a few weeks later.

Furnishings of the historic home of George Washington, complete in every detail, are being installed in the Mount Vernon reproduction under the supervision of Miss Anne Madison Washington, great-great-great-niece of the first president of the United States.



ANNE MADISON WASHINGTON

Miss Washington, whose father was the last child born at Mount Vernon, will act as hostess at the mansion during the six months of the exposition.

In addition to the Mount Vernon pavilion, the United States will stage colonial exhibits from Hawaii, Porto Rico, Alaska and the Philippine Islands. The whole has been financed by an appropriation of \$250,000 from the United States government.

"American Week" at the exposition will be staged from June 28 to July 4, when the ceremonies will climax with a reproduction of Lafayette's Independence Day visit to Mount Vernon.

At that time the march, "The Legionnaires," composed by John Philip Sousa as America's musical contribution to the exposition, will be played by the band of the French Foreign Legion.

Several historical articles have been brought here. At the foot of the bed in George Washington's room will stand the battered

trunk which accompanied him on all his revolutionary campaigns, while his sword, mess kit and camping outfit, loaned by the Smithsonian Institution, will be displayed in other parts of the mansion.

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## Russian Would Stay in Mexico

(By Associated Press)

EL PASO, April 25.—A man without a country, skilled physician and former convict, Dr. R. N. Trotzky, who claims he is a nephew of Leon Trotzky, Russian Soviet leader, hopes to find peace and an end to his troubles in Mexico or some South American state.

His stay in America, beginning with illegal entry at Hoboken, N. J., in 1920, has not been pleasant, and the fault, he says, is not his. Rather, he muses, he seems to have been born under an unlucky star and pursued relentlessly by ill fortune.

Trotzky, young and handsome, returned to El Paso recently after serving a term in the Minnesota state penitentiary in connection with an illegal operation and sought admittance to Mexico. United States immigration authorities paroled him on his own recognizance, with instructions to report daily at the international bridge.

"When I was released by the immigration authorities," said Trotzky, "it was the first real freedom since 1920." He admitted readily he was smuggled into the United States in that year, and since had known no peace.

"I was not guilty of the Minneapolis crime with which I was charged," he continued. "A witness for the state in the trial admitted the woman had been treated by other doctors before I took charge of the case. My conscience is clear."

"I served 15 months at Stillwater, the state penitentiary, for a crime I did not commit. Naturally I don't feel any too good about being punished for something I didn't do. I wouldn't mind it so much had I been guilty."

After being pardoned by Governor Christianson of Minnesota, Trotzky said he planned to go to Turkey, but was advised by Leon Trotzky that he was better off in the United States. Thereupon, he said he asked Governor Christianson to revoke the

pardon, and this was done. Later the Minnesota parole board discharged him, and he was turned over to the immigration officers.

"I'd like to live in Mexico," he said, "but I don't know whether the Mexican authorities will let me. If they won't, I will seek admission to some South American country. If I can't enter South America, I can only ask the immigration authorities to let me stay here."

## A. & M. ANNUAL COTTON SCHOOL OPENS JUNE 8th

(By Associated Press)

COLLEGE STATION, Apr. 25.—The twenty-second session of the summer school of cotton at the Texas A. & M. College will be held June 8 to July 18. J. B. Bagley, head of the department of textile engineering, will have charge of the school. A training class for federal cotton examination will be conducted June 2 to July 18. This latter course is designed to help meet the demand for licensed Government Cotton Classers.

Instruction in grading, stapling, exporting and cotton trade procedure will be given. Textile machinery of the college, valued at \$36,000, will be operated for the benefit of the summer school students to show the methods of removing foreign matter and short fibers from the cotton as the stock passes through the processes.

Instructors for the school have been announced as follows: J. G. Powers, head of division of cotton classing, A. & M. College; James R. Taylor, Shawnee, Okla.; Charles H. Welch, Marshall, public cotton classer and broker; J. N. Craig, Timpson, cotton merchant.

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## Businesses Which Help Build City

Martin's Studio, owned and operated by H. M. Martin, is a Ballinger institution that citizens may well be proud of, supplying Ballinger and Runnels county with first-class photographs and developing service. Mr. Martin took charge of the studio in March, 1928, and since then has added much modern equipment.

Before coming to Ballinger Mr. Martin was associated with his father, W. P. Martin, a pioneer photographer. He began learning this vocation when a mere youth, and still claims to be a student in that he is always studying methods to improve his product. He attends state and district meetings of his profession, takes the leading magazines and devotes to picture making and is always on the alert to learn new and better ways of producing photographs. He is conversant with late art methods and is able to retouch and color any type of photograph.

The studio is conveniently located in an upstairs suite of rooms on Hutchings Avenue. A large, spacious reception and display room for use of customers is well equipped, and dressing rooms where patrons may retouch their hair and makeup are available. Two large dark-rooms are used for developing and drying.

Martin's features kodak finishing and has developed a large business of this nature in this section. Kodaks and films are retailed. At this time Mr. Martin is cooperating with the Eastman Company in its \$100,000 contest covering the entire nation. The contest will include pictures taken in May, June, July and August, and anyone interested may secure entry blanks and complete information at the studio.

Mr. Martin is an active, progressive worker in civic affairs. He is always present when his help is needed, always on the job at big events here to record important graphic scenes to perpetuate them in history.

At this season he is photographing seniors from many schools in this section and urging photographs for Mother's Day, May 10.

This ad is one of a series, contributed by the Farmers & Merchants State Bank in behalf of businesses which help build Ballinger.

OL BRINGS RAPID GROWTH TO KILGORE

(By Associated Press)

KILGORE, Tex., April 25.—A Jack and the Bean Stalk sort of growth convulses Kilgore.

For instance: Railroad revenue here a year ago was reported as totaling \$4,000, and for March of this year nearly \$1,000,000. One man was employed last year; more than 200 are employed now.

About \$1,000,000, according to local estimates, will be spent on expansion of transportation facilities.

There are 78 cafes now to one before the East Texas boom; 23 grocery stores as against two.

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## Little Stars



Genevieve Tobin

ONE of the new comets of Hollywood is Genevieve Tobin, who in her first picture, "A Lady Surrenders," scored a hit—and in her third will be starred.

A professional actress since she was ten, Miss Tobin was a star in New York and London before coming to Hollywood. She has a sister, Vivian Tobin, on Broadway. Genevieve, a blond, plays the harp, and piano, has sung and danced in musical shows as well as acted in drama.

## SPINACH GROWERS WILL BUILD OWN ICE PLANT

(By Associated Press)

CRYSTAL CITY, Tex., Apr. 25.—Fifteen of the larger spinach growers in the vicinity of Crystal City have organized and incorporated the Shippers Cooperative Ice Company and have plans under way to build an ice plant with 150 tons daily capacity and 5,000 tons storage capacity at an estimated cost of \$200,000.

The organization plans to have the plant in operation in time to have the storage vault filled before the beginning of the shipping season next fall. It requires from 150 to 200 tons of ice daily to ice the spinach shipped out of Crystal City.

To Show Big Bend Cattle  
MARFA, Tex., Apr. 25.—(AP)—Fine cattle of the Big Bend country will be exhibited in a show here June 18-19 under auspices of the Highland Hereford Breeders' Association.

**MAGNOLIA GAS**  
WINS FINALS  
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Per Gallon  
MAGNOLIA Gas used in the Ford District Mileage Contest at San Angelo set a new record Thursday. Fred Poole, Paint Rock, drove the winning car, using MAGNOLIA Gas.  
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## SNAKES GIVE SANTONE COPS CASE OF "JUMPS"

(By Associated Press)

SAN ANTONIO, Apr. 25.—Officers Mike Livo and Pete Scivano of the San Antonio police force have "sworn off."

The boys had stopped to exchange greetings on a San Antonio street about 3 o'clock in the morning, according to the story they told at headquarters. They saw a sight that froze them in their tracks.

Coming down the middle of a Commerce street sidewalk, his head high, was a huge rattlesnake. He was going places, intent on doing things.

He would have passed the officers without as much as a kind word but they would have none of his high-hatting. They took another look, rubbed their eyes, obtained rocks and committed mayhem.

Looking over the vanquished, they were startled by a faint

hiss. Coming down the sidewalk was another huge rattler. It was the Old Lady and she was stopping not on the order of her going.

Livo and Scivano killed the Old Lady.

There couldn't be any more, but there was. The officers were in the act of disposing of the corpora delicta, when a third rattler appeared. He, the Big Brother, also met an untimely end.

Backtracking, the officers discovered three other reptiles quitting a large pit in a carnival show.

## ELECTION IS IRREGULAR: QUANAH TO VOTE AGAIN

(By Associated Press)

QUANAH, Tex., Apr. 25.—A new city election has been called for Quanah for May 13 because of irregularities in the regular election April 7. Some of the successful candidates have been disqualified for failure to pay delinquent taxes.



# Want Ads

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# CHURCHES

**First Methodist Church**  
 Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Joe Forman, superintendent.  
 Preaching service at 11 by pastor.

A pageant, "All for Christ," will be put on at 8 p. m. by the young people. You will enjoy this pageant.

Regular service Wednesday evening followed by choir practice.

Ladies meet Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock as follows: Circle No. 1 with Mrs. Striplin, Miss Myrtle Killam assisting; circle No. 2 with Mrs. Hamp Byler, circle No. 3 with Mrs. Cliff Richards, Mrs. Chastain assisting.

You are most cordially invited to any and all of these services.  
 T. E. BOWMAN, Pastor

**Ballinger Baptist Church**  
 9:45 a. m. Sunday school. E. Shepperd, superintendent.  
 11:00 a. m. preaching service by pastor. Special music by Mrs. Lucille Jones Needham.  
 7:00 p. m. meetings of B. Y. P. U. S. F. D. McCoy, director.  
 A place for every member of the family in the training service of the church.  
 8:00 p. m. preaching service by pastor. "Man's Surest Fortress."  
 9:00 p. m. Wednesday prayer meeting, followed by choir practice.  
 We have a treat in store for all in the special music which will be rendered by Mrs. Needham. She will give us two selections, one at the close of the Sunday school hour. We give a cordial welcome to all who will worship with us.  
 J. H. McCLAIN, Pastor

**First Presbyterian Church**  
 9:45 a. m. Sunday school.  
 11:00 a. m. morning worship.  
 2:30 p. m. Junior Society.  
 6:30 p. m. Young People's Society.  
 7:45 p. m. evening worship.  
 Everyone is welcome to any and all the services of this congregation.  
 E. W. McLAURIN, Pastor.

**Church of Christ**  
 (Eighth Street and Bonsal Ave.)  
 Bible study at 9:45 a. m. Classes with competent teachers for all sizes.  
 Preaching by Levi Gentry, of A. C. C. at 11:00 a. m. Communion following preaching services.

## Auto Transfer Law Lowers Fee

Announcement was made today by W. A. Forgey, tax collector, of a new law now in effect, passed at the present session of the legislature.

In accordance with the new bill and instructions from the state highway department and an opinion handed down by Roy L. Hill, county attorney, Mr. Forgey says the fee on transfers of automobiles has been reduced from \$1 to 25 cents if the bills of sale, supported by a chain of title, are filed in his office not more than ten days after the date of the bill of sale. However, if a bill of sale now in existence regarding and not more than twenty days since its date, the transfer fee will be \$2.75; and if the bill of sale is more than twenty days old before it is filed with Mr. Forgey the fee for the transfer is \$5.25.

Mr. Forgey states that all bills of sale now in existence regarding their date will be transferred for only 25 cents if filed with him before May 10. After the 10th of May the date of the bill of sale will govern the fee charged.

As a further precaution Mr. Forgey advises that any bill of sale showing on its face to have been altered in any way will not be accepted by him, neither will a bill of sale be transferred if it is not supported by a chain of title.

The new law further provides for the bill of sale to be in triplicate instead of in duplicate as under the old law. Two copies are now to be left with tax collector rather than one. One of these copies will be sent to the state highway department by Mr. Forgey.

Mr. Forgey states that he will be glad to explain any feature of the new law to anyone who does not understand its provisions.

C. R. Stone and J. D. Motley attended to business in Sweetwater Friday.

Paschal Dietz of Crews, spent Saturday in Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Malone, and Sam Malone, jr., spent Friday in San Angelo.

Be wise and advertise.

Preaching at 7:45 p. m.  
 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.

**Eighth Street Presbyterian Church**  
 Bible school at 9:45 a. m. Finous Collings, superintendent.  
 Worship at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Christian Endeavor at 5:30 and 6:30 p. m.  
 J. EDWIN KERR, Minister.

**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.

**Church of God**  
 Sunday school at 10:00 a. m.  
 Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.  
 Conducted for the purpose of preparing persons for future service.

**First Christian Church**  
 Broadway and Murrell  
 Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Alfred Crager, superintendent.  
 Evening service, 7:30 p. m.  
 Wednesday evening prayer meeting, 7:30.  
 The church with a cordial welcome.  
 FRANCIS M. CRABTREE, Minister.

## Girl Pilot, 17, Tackling Job Flying Over Guiana Wilds

(By Associated Press)  
 BALTIMORE, April 25.—Seventeen years old, Barbara S. Poole has just received a private pilot's license from a Missouri flying school and plans to go to British Guiana to fly a plane for a gold-mining company there.

Miss Poole, whose home is in Baltimore, formerly lived in New York and was graduated from the Washington Irving high school.

The youthful aviatrix said she had been offered the position in British Guiana by R. M. Sage, American operator of the mine.

If present plans mature, the girl's job in South America will be the transportation of supplies from the nearest town to the mine a distance of 150 miles.

Miss Poole entered aviation about six months ago, enrolling for a ground course in aeronautics at a local flying school. She continued her studies in the Missouri school.

Last January, desiring to gain more flying time and ultimately qualify for a transport pilot's license, she advertised in an aviation magazine, describing herself and stating her number of hours of solo flying.

## Greater Speed Awaits Change In Propellers

(By Associated Press)

LOS ANGELES, April 25.—One of aviation's fondest dreams, transport ships that will cruise at 250 miles an hour, will be realized when one of the simplest pieces of mechanism—the propeller—has been developed, Capt. Carl Squier, speed plane builder, believes. And the time, he adds, is not far off.

The present speed of airplanes, he says, has been reached by streamlining and the development of powerful motors.

"Right now we can go no further. We have built a ship so streamlined that at a speed of eighty miles more than 200 miles an hour the plane actually catches up with the motor and coasts through the air.

"The motor is turning at tremendous speed, but it cannot get away from the ship and pull it faster. When the propeller is developed this ship we have now will cruise at 250 miles an hour over long distances."

The propeller that will accomplish this has been put through a limited number of experiments.

The ultimate development of it will be Squier believes.

"In flight, a pilot will be able to change the pitch of the propeller and make it revolve at different angles, thereby cutting the air at the most advantageous angle after high speed has been reached. In this way higher will be attained."

By changing the pitch, the motor will not be forced for great speed and the propeller will continue to pull the ship through the air instead of coasting along with it.

Changes in the propeller, he says, have increased airplane speed as much as 20 miles an hour.

5,000 ACRES NEW LAND TO BE BROKEN IN COCHRAN

(By Associated Press)

LUBBOCK, Apr. 25.—Five thousand acres of new land will be broken out this spring in Cochran county, according to J. R. Ward, of Lehman, a member of the county commissioner's court, said here.

"There are a lot of new people coming into the county but not as many as in other years," Ward said. "Quite a few people in Morton and Lehman who own land over the county are breaking it out for planting."

The season is good in the county according to the commissioner. He said farmers believed that with sufficient rain they will be able to raise the largest crop they have ever had.

Mrs. Harry Lynn visited in Abilene Saturday.

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## Rotaryann Party Is Fun Provoker

The tacky part and Rotaryann night staged here Friday evening at the Ballinger Country Club by the Rotary Club was a successful entertainment in every way and one that provoked much real fun and laughter. Practically every member of the club with their Anns and a good number of guests assembled prior to dark at the club and all were dressed in costumes of many years ago. One crowd came in a wagon filled with cane chairs and all declared they enjoyed the ride from town to the club in the late afternoon by this vehicle.

The luncheon was served by Mrs. Willie Brown assisted by members of the home domestic science class and was a delicious menu of turkey and all other desirable side dishes. The main room at the club had been beautifully decorated by Garland Thomas of the West Texas Utilities Company in red, white and blue paper and lights. With three large tables arranged in the room the guests were seated for the feed and fun program.

After an exchange of greetings and a full inspection of clothes, the guests were ushered into the dining room where the program opened with the singing of America, with Miss Abie Kennison at the organ. The meal was served and before the dessert was brought in a sing song of the old songs was enjoyed and everybody took a part and put all their volume into the chorus.

At the conclusion of the meal, E. Shepperd, acting as toastmaster, introduced the fun-makers of the evening for a short minstrel show. For more than thirty minutes J. D. Motley, Harry Lynn, Troy Simpson and Claud Stone assisted Mr. Shepperd in pulling fast gags on persons present. The sketch had been carefully selected and brought many laughs to the crowd and no fights.

Judges reported on the tackiest two couples present with first honors going to Mrs. J. H. McClain and James Wear; second to George Garrett and Miss Abie Kennison. A mock wedding followed with the tackiest couple as principals and the best as escorts. J. D. Motley sang the pre-nuptial music and used as his selection "Darling I am Growing Old." Miss Kennison played the wedding march, using the beloved strains of "The Bear Went Over the Mountain," and while the impressive but not beautiful ceremony was spoken by the Rev. J. H. McClain, soft strains of "Everybody Works But Father" were used on the organ. For the wedding the organ was constructed into a pipe-organ, using sewer pipes to give it a better appearance.

"Peruna" was used as the closing



BARBARA S. POOLE

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ode, and the guests departed declaring it a very enjoyable evening and ready for another Rotaryann night.

If you want to buy a Rug or Rugs, be sure and attend L. E. Bair & Co's Rug Sale all day Monday. You will appreciate the special prices offered.

Bill Coleman, of Arlington, is spending the week in Ballinger visiting friends and relatives.

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 —Club Reporter

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