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## Midnight Blaze Damage Is Placed at \$25,000.00

The most destructive fire in many months partially destroyed the Hub here Friday morning, causing damage estimated today by R. E. George, manager of the firm, at \$25,000. The fire was discovered at 1:45 and an alarm turned in. The department made a quick response and performed the best work in combatting the flames that they have ever accomplished here.

The building was entered by firemen wearing gas masks and the exact location of the blaze discovered. With this knowledge they reentered the building with a small hose and succeeded in extinguishing the fire with a nominal water damage to the stock. Fire Chief M. C. Atkins estimated Friday that less than 200 gallons of water was used in combatting the flames with a good supply of chemical.

The fire started in the balcony occupied by the laides ready to wear department. When firemen reached the balcony it was well in flames and practically all merchandise afire. The blaze was confined to this department and the damage to the remainder of the store and stock was caused mostly by heat and smoke. Some water damage was caused under the balcony in the shoe department but all who inspected the store Friday morning praised the work of the local department.

R. E. George stated Friday that he roughly figured his loss at \$25,000. The stock of merchandise carried by the Hub invoiced at this time about \$45,000 and everything in the women's department was a total loss. The remainder of the loss from smoke and water will run high and may even exceed his first guess. The store was inspected by the local fire chiefs and fire marshal early Friday morning but no cause of the fire could be determined.

The store will be closed until insurance adjusters arrive to inspect the parts on which they have policies. Mr. George stated that he had coverage with the three local insurance agencies and these were notifying their companies of the loss Friday morning. Mr. George has not announced what he expects to do and will leave the store closed until after an adjustment is made with insurance agents.

The building is the property of Mrs. J. F. Currie. The damage to the upstairs section will likely be heavy and will require a new ceiling, floor, window frames and practically being rebuilt. The remainder of the store will have to be refurnished as all paint is blistered from heat and the interior dark from smoke.

Local firemen in discussing the fire Friday praised the gas masks recently purchased by the city commission. Chiefs Atkins and Cherry stated that, without them it would have been impossible to combat the fire except to flood the entire building with water. He also expressed his appreciation to the city administration for the trip given three chiefs to the short course at A. & M. College. While there the Hub building was one used in a lecture by Chief Goff of Oklahoma City. The diagram of the building was furnished by the Ballinger firemen and taking it on a blackboard, Chief Goff discussed ways of building. The local men followed the advice given in this lecture and the results were plainly seen.

Chief Cherry also praised the work of Miss Golden Robbins, night telephone operator. Miss Robbins remained at the switchboard during the entire fire with the telephone office densely filled with smoke, and answered all calls regarding the fire. Her work was a big help to the department and appreciated by them. Miss Robbins was not excited and although the smoke was very bad, she remained on duty without leaving the board.

Mother's Day, Sunday May 10th

Remember your mother with a telegram. Special blank, special envelope. Local telegraph office open 7 to 8 p. m. Saturday evening, 12:30 to 2 p. m. Sunday afternoon. 8-2td

C. E. Straley and son, Ernest, of Comanche, were here Friday to attend the funeral of Mrs. L. A. Jeanes.

## Block at Houston Destroyed by Fire

(By Associated Press) HOUSTON, May 8.—Fire preceded by an explosion in West Gray addition to Houston today destroyed a block of business houses and caused damage estimated at \$50,000.

The blast lifted the roof off a bakery, and blew Joe Lala, 36, out the back door, painfully burning and injuring him.

The flames spread quickly. The cause of the conflagration has not been determined.

RIO GRANDE CITY, Tex., May 8.—The C. Valle Hardware Company building was destroyed and the entire business for a time was threatened by fire which caused \$40,000 damage here today.

Defective wiring was blamed as the cause of the fire.

## Sterling Asks Observance of Mother's Day

(By Associated Press) AUSTIN, May 8.—Governor Sterling today issued a proclamation calling on Texans to observe Mother's Day on Sunday, May 10, requesting that church services then be "devoted to mother."

J. L. Bailey, Lampasas, brother of Dr. Chas. F. Bailey, was operated upon here Wednesday at the Halley & Love Sanitarium for appendicitis. Friday he was reported to be resting well and expected to soon be completely recovered.

## 3 Blacks Drown; One is Injured

(By Associated Press) SAN MARCOS, May 8.—High water on the Guadalupe River swept an automobile away at a crossing near Gurene last night, claiming the lives of three negroes—Andrew Farmer, his daughter, Charleetta, and Henry Burns, all of San Marcos.

Another negro occupant of the machine escaped and is recovering from injuries and exposure.

## Truck Driver is Killed in Wreck

(By Associated Press) TOLEDO, O., May 8.—Melvin McCormick, 22, Sylvania, Ohio, truck driver, was killed, and Jesse E. Mann, train engineer, and E. W. Ingold, train fireman, probably were fatally hurt near here today. McCormick's truck carrying 1,000 gallons of gasoline struck the train, and exploding drenched all with gasoline.

## EARLY MORNING MEETING FOR CAMPFIRE GIRLS

Camp Fire Girls will hold a grand council campfire just at sunrise Saturday morning, in the city park. All members are notified to be present and any parents who desire will be welcome at this meeting.

Those attending are asked to bring food for breakfast which will be cooked and served following the ceremony.

Mrs. B. W. Draper and Mrs. Curry, San Angelo were coming here to attend the meeting and assist in directing staging of the camp fire.

Be wise and advertise.

## Steamer Aground With 488 Aboard

(By Associated Press) NEW YORK, May 8.—The Cunard Line's gigantic steamer Berengaria, carrying 488 passengers, plowing through a heavy fog and rain, ran aground today in soft mud on one side of Ambrose channel in Gravesend Bay.

Cunard Line officers in New York said the liner was not believed to be in distress.

## Germany Studies New Power Rocket As "Vest-Pocket" Aircraft Defense

By Wade Werner  
BERLIN, May 8.—(AP)—Germany seems on the point of developing also a "vest-pocket" air defense.

Under the Versailles treaty Germany is not permitted to build fighting planes. But other countries have built enough of them to worry Germans who insist their country must be just as adequately protected as if it were populated by Frenchmen or Poles.

Berlin is less than an hour's flight from the Polish and Czechoslovakian borders. The industrial Rhineland is less than an hour's flight from the French border. Germany's air defense consists of a few anti-aircraft guns.

To build fast fighting planes, capable of beating off an air raid, would be to violate the Versailles treaty.

But the treaty says nothing about rockets. And so, with Germany acutely rocket-conscious just now, the possibility of developing an air defense with rockets is being seriously discussed.

It may be many a year before anyone in Germany or elsewhere succeeds in shooting a rocket to the moon. But rockets capable of describing spirals and figure eights in the atmosphere above a threatened city are no distant dream.

Only recently the Osnabrueck inventor, Reinhold Tiling, demonstrated a powder rocket which, when it reached the peak of its upward curve, unfolded wings and glided back to earth like a sailplane.

He calls his invention a "hochleistungsdaerbrandpulverrakete," which means a high flyer rocket propelled by burning powder.

At Dessau Johannes Winkler demonstrated a liquid-fuel rocket



A "sailplane" rocket, which goes up like a bullet and comes down like a glider, may develop into an anti-aircraft defense weapon for Germany. At left one is shown in the firing tripod; at the right the roaring missile is taking off.

that described exactly the curve he said it would make, and landed where he predicted it would.

And in Berlin the Heylandt Liquid-Gas Engineering Works exhibited to newspaper men a rocket-motor with a 400-pound recoil and a roar like several thousand airplane motors, which its builders say could project itself to any point in Europe within 12 minutes.

Engineers, basing their predictions on these demonstrations and on recent achievements in radio control of airplanes in flight, contend that the radio-controlled rocket, capable of shooting to super-airplane heights like a bullet and then spreading wings and zigzagging downward under distant control, is just a matter of money and time.

Such rockets would not have to be loaded with explosives to be valuable in air defense. Planes have been disabled by colliding with large birds, while small pieces of loose metal coming in contact with a whirling propeller have caused many a forced landing.

A few hundred metal rockets radio-guided toward a collision with an approaching air squadron, could be vastly disconcerting to enemies.

Laded with high explosives, ignitable by radio at the most opportune moment, they could be even more dangerous to an approaching fleet, army or air armada.

The rocket as a substitute for heavy artillery is another interesting field of engineering conjecture.

## Red Cross Workers Honored At Successful Banquet Here

The banquet here Thursday night honoring Red Cross and federal farm loan workers was a success in every way. Every plate prepared was taken and attendance was upwards of eighty persons.

The crowd assembled in the dining room at 8 o'clock and after the signing of "America," and the invocation by Rev. E. W. McLaurin, C. R. Stone, president of the Lions Club, stated the purpose of the gathering. The meal consisting of fried chicken and trimmings was served. At the conclusion of the meal Mr. Stone introduced Miss Katheryn Wooten, "My Home Town" speaker, who will represent Ballinger at the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention, who responded with the piece she will present to the thousands of convention visitors about Ballinger. Her speech is well worded, and in a brief talk she tells why Ballinger is a fine place to live, enumerating practically everything here that is worthy of mention. Her delivery is excellent and Ballinger boosters are expecting her to be one of the leading contestants in that feature of the convention program.

Following this number the meeting was turned over to Judge Paul Trimmer, president of the Rotary Club, who expressed appreciation at having as guests the men who have so faithfully served this county in recent months. He introduced Miss Katherine Todd who played two beautiful violin numbers. She was accompanied by Mrs. L. Schermerhorn.

Scott H. Mack was next introduced for a short talk on what the work has meant and to express appreciation to the committee in behalf of the gathering. Mr. Mack said he loved to be a citizen of a town just as the crowd had heard of and where loyal people were willing to sacrifice in times of emergency in rendering an unselfish service for the benefit of all. "Service is a big word today," the speaker said, "it was not hard in 1917-18 when oratory from the platform and pulpit regarding the war and our

## Lingle Murderer Denied New Trial

(By Associated Press) CHICAGO, May 8.—Leo V. Brothers, convicted of the murder of Alfred ("Jake") Lingle, Chicago Tribune crime reporter, was denied a new trial here today, and was formally sentenced to fourteen years' imprisonment.

Brothers' attorneys were allowed sixty days in which to file a bill of exceptions.

Orders taken for Mother's Day cakes also birthday and wedding cakes. See samples at Sam Behring's. Phone 1376. Mrs. George Pearce. 7-3td

The Ohio State archaeological museum has on display an automobile built in 1884, some 15 years before autos came into general use.

Mrs. F. M. Pearce, soprano, was presented in two beautiful songs, Miss Maggie Underwood playing the accompaniment.

C. W. Lehberg, county agent, spoke on what the relief had meant to the farming interests of this county. He stated in the beginning that the loan relief was to be handled through the county agent's office but with the recommendation that a county committee be named to assist he considered himself the luckiest agent in the state by having the type of men that assisted him in this work. Looking at the assistance from the standpoint of the farmer Mr. Lehberg stated that it has allowed about 1,100 people to remain on the farm and produce a crop this year, that 15,000 acres would be cultivated and produce a crop that otherwise would have been barren, that 10,000 tons of feed probably would be raised due to this aid, and that if conditions remained normal a crop valued at half a million dollars would be the result of the aid

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## Kentucky Mining Town Quiet; Troubles Settled

### Youth Dies from Poisonous Liquor

(By Associated Press) DALLAS, May 8.—Wilbert Short, 17, of Sulphur Springs, died at Garland today after the truck in which he and two other youths were riding overturned near Garland.

The coroner's verdict said young Short's death was the result of "drinking poisonous liquor."

Short walked to Garland after the wreck, where his injuries were found to be not serious, and asked permission to rest for a while in the Garland jail. Officers found him dead when they attempted to awaken him later.

### MUSIC RECITAL AT SCHOOL AUDITORIUM MONDAY NIGHT

Mrs. L. Schermerhorn will present her music class in recital Monday evening in the high school auditorium. The public is invited to attend this entertainment.

## Sinclair Oil Well Is Still Uncapped

(By Associated Press) GLADEWATER, Tex., May 8.—Glen Harroun, production superintendent for the Sinclair Oil Company, said here today that no attempt would be made to cap the wild Sinclair No. 1 Cole well before late today. Harroun said a new capping device was being constructed at Kilgore.

The wild gusher recently claimed nine lives in an explosion and fire which followed. The flames were extinguished Wednesday but the well is continuing to flow out of control.

## Woman Arrested In Husband's Death

(By Associated Press) SANDERSON, Tex., May 8.—Mrs. Bessie May Rivers Sharp is in jail here today charged with murder in connection with the death Monday of her husband, W. T. Lett Sharp.

Officers said an analysis of Sharp's viscera revealed poison. The wife was arrested last night.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wheeler, Abilene, were here Friday.

## Mexican Resort is Under Martial Law

(By Associated Press) SAN DIEGO, Calif., May 8.—Martial law has been declared in Tia Juana, across the Mexican border near here, today following the death of Roque Sabida Quijano, private secretary to the mayor, who was shot last night when malcontents attacked the mayor and his party.

(By Associated Press) EVARTS, Ky., May 8.—Conferees seeking a permanent settlement of the mine district labor difficulties progressed here today as an imposing army of state troopers stood guard.

At Harlan, the grand jury resumed its inquiry into the troubles which so far have claimed five lives.

E. B. Childers, superintendent of the Black Mountain Mine, center of the disturbances, reported that a number of men had returned to work. At the same time, however, trouble was reported to be brewing at the Ramsey mine, in another part of the county.

### WIRE MESH BOTTOM HELPS VENTILATE POULTRY NEST

(By Associated Press) DAVIS, Calif., May 8.—Mesh wire cloth is gaining in favor as bottoms in poultry nests according to J. D. Long of the University of California farm here. The new bottom is used without straw.

Long says the new-type nest has better air circulation, an important factor during the summer, and is easier to clean. "A new idea in nests," Long says, "makes use of a wire-mesh bottom placed at a slight slope, so the newly-laid egg rolls forward under the nest approach, which is hinged to permit collections."

"This nest has the advantage of preventing soiled or broken eggs as several hens use the nest in succession. Incidentally, the nest is better ventilated."

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### WEATHER FORECAST

(By Associated Press) West Texas—Partly cloudy and cooler tonight. Saturday fair and cooler in the southeast portion. East Texas—Cloudy, thunder showers in the east portion, cooler in the west portion tonight. Saturday partly cloudy and cooler in the northeast and southwest portions.

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The success of the pay-up checks to be placed in circulation here Saturday depends upon how many firms will use them. Each check issued must bear ten endorsements before being cashed at the bank and as fast as they are received by firms they should be endorsed and placed back in circulation.

There is one regrettable thing in connection with the closing of school in Ballinger and that is that it means many of the teachers will be away for the summer. These thirty-odd teachers living here nine months of the year take a place in the civic and social activities of the town that is impossible to fill and their work here will be missed while they are away.

The person who does not remember his mother next Sunday is indeed ungrateful and perhaps not deserving of the mother love she feels for her child. There is no sweeter day set aside than that called Mother's Day and to those who have mothers living it should be one of the happiest days of the year.

The banquet here Thursday night in honor of those who did real valuable service without pay to the county was a fine piece of work and bestowed deserving appreciation where it belonged. Those present as honor guests appreciated the program in their honor as it was their only compensation.



"I love the life on shipboard, starting with the morning meal. The broth they serve about eleven has a great appeal. I'm fond of luncheon, tea and dinner and a snack at ten. But night at sea I don't much care for—there's no eating then."

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SUNDOWN STORIES



THE CLOCK'S RIDE

By Mary Graham Bonner "I don't believe you could guess where I've been!" the Little Black Clock exclaimed as he returned to the children, whom he had left watching the monarch butterflies.

"I'll try and guess," Peggy said. "You've been to the other side of the world and back."

"You've been to a baseball game," suggested John. "Neither of you is right," said the Clock. "I am sure you couldn't guess. You know I left you to talk with the butterfly family and it was then that I had my simple but unusual adventure."

"You'd better tell us," said John. "I give up," Peggy added. "I've been for a ride in an express cart. Yes, that's what I've been doing. A little boy came to our house and he asked your mother if he could take me for a ride in his express cart."

"He said he had been hearing about our adventures but felt, perhaps, I might get tired standing for so many other hours on top of the desk in the hall."

"So he took me for a ride and all the time he talked to me. I couldn't answer because I am only supposed to share my adventures with both of you, but he said he enjoyed taking me and I know he felt that I appreciated being taken for a ride."

"We stopped at his house and he showed me to his family."

"He said, 'Here's the Little Black Clock who takes John and Peggy for adventures,' and they said, 'Oh, we're so very glad to meet the Little Black Clock.'"

"Now wasn't that exciting?" John and Peggy were much amused at the Clock's joy over that little treat when he gave them so many, many treats.

"But we mustn't talk any more," he said, "for we have an invitation."

(Continued—"The Flight Deck")

HOW'S your HEALTH



Edited by Dr. Inge Goldstein, Academy of Medicine

ARTHRITIS

It is sound belief in medical circles that the more there is written about a disease, the less positive knowledge there is about it.

Though this appears like a paradox, it is in fact easy to understand. Positive information can be tersely stated, conjectures, hypotheses, suppositions, must of necessity be argumentative and hence voluminous.

There are "tons" of medical literature on arthritis. And yet, in the strictly modern sense of scientific knowledge, there is relatively little known about the disease.

Arthritis is defined as a dis-

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ease of uncertain origin, affecting the structure of one or more of the joints, producing deformity and loss of function.

Arthritis is one of the oldest disease conditions of which there is any record. It affected animals long before man appeared on earth. The fossil remains of reptiles bear witness to the existence of this condition.

Men of the old stone age suffered from arthritis and the disease affected the Egyptians.

Dr. Ralph Pemberton, who has made numerous studies on the subject, observes that arthritis afflicted the Greeks and the Romans, and that this affliction led in part, at least, to the establishment of the natural bathing and watering spas found in old Europe.

Arthritis is a very widespread and common disease. It is responsible for a great deal of disability and crippling and represents a large economic problem, in so far as many of those afflicted with arthritis cannot work and become a burden to themselves and to society.

The amount of disability caused by arthritis is several times greater than that caused of tuberculosis.

There has recently been organized in this country a committee for the study of arthritis. This committee has already done good work in clarifying the problem.

MOVIES

Popular Screen Players United in Movie Comedy

Although Jack Oakie and Jean Arthur have been under contract with a producing company for nearly three years, they play their first picture together in "The Gang Buster," which is showing today and Saturday at the Palace Theatre.

Jean Arthur's roles have taken her mostly into the realm of mystery melodrama, with such hits as "The Canary Murder Case" and "The Mysterious Dr. Fu Manchu" pictures. Oakie has, of course, concentrated on comedy. "The Gang Buster" joins these players in a picture which combines mysterious melodrama and comedy, with the comedy predominating.

Crooks in "Paid" Had to be Brought Up to Date

It's a far cry from the criminal of 1912 to the gangster of 1930. For styles in crime change along with the length of midday's skirts.

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer had to take this into consideration in filming Joan Crawford's new picture, "Paid," which will be the attraction starting Sunday for three days at the Palace Theatre.

For this picture was adapted from Bayard Veiller's sensational underworld drama, "Within the Law," which was a tremendous stage hit eighteen years ago with Jane Cowl in the role now played by Miss Crawford.

In the years that have elapsed since Veiller penned his crook drama, footpads and burglars have become bandits and racketeers. The sandbag has given way to the sapstick, the revolver to the automatic, the sawed-off shotgun

and machine rifle.

No longer does the crook wear a rakish cap, a ferocious and unshaven appearance, snub boots and swaggy clothes. Nor does he lurk in dark alleys to pounce upon chance victims, break into second-story windows or smash jewelry shop portals. Today he dresses and looks the part of a dapper business man. He labors only on expert jobs, carefully planned and "fool-proof," avoiding violent means of gaining access to forbidden premises.

Police too have changed, according to Sam Wood, director of the new Crawford vehicle. The bull-dozing "copper" of yesterday is a suave psychologist today. The rubber-hose third degree now is a shadow-box ordeal. The fist is now kid-gloved.

Those who remember the play as it was originally produced will note these changes in the new talkie version in which every detail has been brought up to date at the climax of the picture in order to give the crook drama a modern and more realistic feeling. In the original play, the burglars broke into the house marked for robbery in the conventional manner, gaining access by means of a window.

Today's burglars are far too smart for that sort of trick, knowing that they would easily be detected by modern burglar alarms. In trying to devise a logical substitute for the antiquated method, Director Wood conceived an idea from watching the night work of

telephone company linemen who were repairing conduits laid under the street paving in front of his home.

Observing the operations of the linemen, it struck the director that such a disguise might be employed by the crooks in "Paid." The idea was put into action and that is why in the new Crawford film the racketeers seize a telephone truck, drive it to the scene of the planned robbery and use it as a mask for their nefarious activities.

An important cast supports Miss Crawford in her first straight dramatic role. Robert Armstrong and Marie Prevost have featured parts and important roles are filled by Kent Douglas, John Miljan, Farnell Pratt, Hale Ham-

ilton and Robert Emmet O'Connor.

Special Saturday Dry barbecue, goat and beef at Ben Smith's 8-11d-\*

RUSSIA "OUT OF BOUNDS" FOR TURKISH STUDENTS

(By Associated Press) ISTANBUL, May 8.—Official friendship with the soviet union notwithstanding, Turkey has put a ban on visits of Turkish students to the land of communism.

The step followed discovery that Turkish schools, especially schools for girls, have been made centers of Russian propaganda.

There were three school girls

in a batch of eleven native communists recently, sentenced to from six months' to two years' imprisonment.

GAS RATES LOWERED

(By Associated Press) WHITE DEER, Tex., May 8.—A reduction in gas rates amounting to about 15 per cent to domestic users has been granted citizens of White Deer by the Central States Power and Light Corporation. The minimum was reduced from \$2.50 to \$1 per month. Similar reductions have been announced by the company in Panhandle, where steps are under way for a municipal system.

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## 322 T. C. U. PUPILS EARN WAY THROUGH SCHOOL

(By Associated Press)  
FT. WORTH, May 8.—Three hundred and twenty-two Texas Christian University pupils are working all or part of their way through school, according to a report made by the committee on student activities.

The report shows 84 students work 7 to 20 hours a week; 86 work 21 to 30 hours; 28 work 13 to 45 hours, and 14 work more than 45 hours each week. There are 110 who do some work, but who have no specified schedule of hours.

A. H. Montford of Fort Worth reported that he worked 87 hours a week. He holds a regular position with a newspaper.

The income from this student labor is estimated to be between \$1,900 and \$2,000 weekly, at the conservative wage of 35 cents an hour. For the 36 weeks of the school year this would produce a total income of \$68,400, or an average of \$213 for each one of the 322 working students.

C. W. Lehmburg left Friday at noon for San Antonio in response to a message stating that his mother is seriously ill. He expects to return here by Monday in case she is improved so that he can leave her bedside.

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# Society

## Shakespeare Club Has Final Meeting

Mrs. B. C. Kirk was hostess to the Shakespeare Club on last Thursday afternoon, entertaining in her pretty Seventh street home. White and yellow, the club colors, were employed in an artistic way by Mrs. Kirk in all details of the affair.

This was the final meeting of the year and the close of Mrs. Kirk's two years' administration as president.

Mrs. Lella McAdams gave an interesting report of the Sixth District Federation meeting at the Spring and Mrs. C. L. Stephens conducted a parliamentary drill. The following officers were formally installed for the next two years: president, Mrs. C. P. Shepherd; vice president, Mrs. E. C. Baskin; recording sec'y., Mrs. F. V. Gates; corresponding sec'y., Mrs. H. C. Lyon; treasurer, Mrs. Jim Cottelle; critic, Mrs. Tommy Hall; historian, Mrs. G. M. Vaughn.

During the social hour which followed, tables were covered with yellow cardboard for the amusement of the club members. Scores were recorded by means of dainty daisy stickers and yellow and white tulle Shasta daisies accompanied the refreshment plate of angel cake iced in yellow and white and white brick ice cream.

The club personnel included: Mrs. Kirk, Joe Forman, Basil Shepherd, Stephens, Vaughn, Hall, Gates, Lyon, Cottelle, J. G. Douglass, E. H. Forgy, R. F. Lane, Horace Murphy, J. A. Williams, A. B. Legate, F. C. Miller, McAdams, Leonard Stallings, A. B. Stobaugh, Misses Wynia Greer, Mamie Gene Hale, Gladys Geisman, Horenae Holt and Louise Morgan.

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## CAUDLE CATCHES BIG BASS IN CLUB LAKE

Tom Caudle Thursday afternoon brought in the prize bass from the Ballinger Country Club lake when he landed one measuring 19 3/4 inches long and weighing 4 1/4 pounds. Mr. Caudle was fishing from the dam with a rod and reel and using a minnow for bait when the strike came. He successfully landed the big fellow a few minutes later and is very proud of his catch. In addition he caught a nice string of crappie.

## Six Programs are Ready for Public

A new system will be used this year in handling and seating the crowd at the graduation exercises of the high school to be held on Thursday evening of next week. Each graduate will be issued a limited number of tickets for their relatives which will be good for seats in a reserved section of the house for kin of the graduates. Heretofore it has been hard to handle the crowd and in some cases parents were unable to secure seats with other parents of seniors.

All programs in connection with commencement are ready for presentation to the public. The first one will be held Sunday morning at the Ballinger Baptist Church when Rev. J. William Stephens of San Angelo will deliver the baccalaureate sermon.

The remainder of the programs will be held at the high school auditorium as follows:

Monday evening musical recital by pupils of Mrs. L. Schermerhorn.

Tuesday evening, Senior Class Day.

Wednesday evening, speech arts recital by students under Miss Nova Diltz.

Thursday evening, high school graduation.

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Saturday, Monday and Tuesday following commencement will be used in registering the four classes for the coming year.

All programs will be free and the public is urged to attend. Beginning Saturday programs will be published each day preceding the events.

## BASEBALL PLAYERS REPORT FOR PRACTICE

A number of local baseball players reported for the first workout at Fair Park Thursday afternoon. The positions were all filled by good, fast, hustling performers and batting practice showed the team will have a scoring punch. Included in the group are several well known players who have been seen in action here many times. The team will continue regular workouts, expecting within another week to be ready for competition.

Letters have been arriving here from many sections of West Texas seeking games and as soon as the locals are ready to open the season they will have no trouble in booking games either at home or abroad.

## JERSEY SHOW AT DUBLIN THIS MONTH ON 13, 14, 15

(By Associated Press)  
DUBLIN, Tex., May 8.—Plans for the second annual Heart of Texas Jersey Show, here May 13, 14 and 15, have been completed, final arrangements having been approved at a conference of representatives from many of the 35 counties segregated in the "Heart of Texas" section.

W. P. Hallmark is president, Joe Shelton vice-president and D. R. Franks, secretary-treasurer. Counties represented are Bell, Bosque, Brown, Callahan, Coleman, Comanche, Concho, Coryell, Eastland, Erath, Hamilton, Haskell, Hill, Hood, Jack, Johnson, Lampasas, Menard, McCulloch, McLennan, Palo Pinto, Parker, Runnels, San Saba, Shackelford, Somervell, Stephens, Tarrant, Taylor, Throckmorton, Tom Green, Young and Wise.

The show will be held under auspices of the Heart of Texas Association and \$1,500 in premiums will be awarded.

R. W. Earnshaw went to Abilene Friday morning to look after business in connection with the Weeks Drug store in that city.

Mrs. L. F. Pennington, Winters, was brought here Thursday night for an emergency operation Friday she was resting well.

China Finds Money to Burn PEIPING, May 8.—(AP)—Bank notes bearing a face value of half a billion dollars went up in smoke here when bills printed by an American company 16 years ago for President Yuan Shih-Kai were burned by order of the Nanking finance minister. Yuan ordered the notes when he hoped to ascend the throne of a new Chinese dynasty.

## Red Cross

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given in this county.

C. R. Stephens, chairman of the federal farm loan committee, and also of the Red Cross work as well as local charities, spoke briefly on the work and also expressed appreciation for the banquet to honor him and his co-workers. Being limited to time, Mr. Stephens could not touch on the work conducted which started last fall when free seed for pasturage was made possible and on through the past three months of loans and Red Cross aid. He praised those who assisted him in the distribution and especially Lyle Deffebach, Winters, for Red Cross work, and H. O. Jones of the same city for farm loans.

R. G. Erwin and T. J. McCaughan of the committee each made brief statements on the work and expressed appreciation for the banquet. Mr. Deffebach spoke on the Red Cross work and the privilege it had been for him to serve in the Winters district. He declared he had been able to learn more about humanity as he observed those seeking aid and that instead of a hard job it had been a joy to be of service to the unfortunate.

H. O. Jones, of Winters, spoke on his part in the federal farm loan work and stated that he had accepted the call for service because he felt it a duty he must perform. Knowing that needy persons had been helped had repaid him for his efforts and the unpleasant part of the duty and

he especially thanked the Ballinger people for their recognition of the service of the committee. He closed by introducing others at Winters who assisted in the work. Besides his wife, were Miss Duncan and Miss Neely, assistant-secretary of the Winters Chamber of Commerce. Miss Neely brought greetings from Secretary S. W. Cooper who could not attend the banquet, and read resolutions passed Thursday by the Winters chamber in which the relief workers were thanked.

Mrs. Charles F. Bailey delighted the crowd with two humorous readings that provoked many

hearty laughs. The meeting closed with the singing of a good-night song, and a standing vote of appreciation to the honor guests.

Baker Henderson, who had been on The Ledger's reportorial staff for the past three months, returned to his home at San Angelo Thursday. Mr. Henderson expects to enter University of Missouri school of journalism next fall, and had been in Ballinger to gain some actual experience before taking up the journalistic course.

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