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## East Texas Oil Operators Discuss Voluntary Closing

(By Associated Press)  
TYLER, Aug. 6.—East Texas oil operators are meeting here today to discuss a voluntary shut-down as a better method of raising the price of crude than legislation.

The field last week averaged nearly 600,000 barrels of petroleum daily. Previous attempts to curb production failed for lack of unanimous cooperation.

Oklahoma operators started a voluntary shut-down before Gov. W. H. Murray closed all but stripper wells with national guardsmen. The Oklahomans suggested similar action here.

Judge Charles Brachfield, president of the East Texas Lease, Royalty and Producers Association called the meeting.

O. M. Ratliff, formerly of this city, recently of San Angelo, is in Ballinger and preparing to open a cafe on Hutchings Avenue near his former location.

Frank Morris, of Brownwood, was here Thursday looking after business and visiting friends. Mr. Morris had been in the Panhandle for the past week looking after school business.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Erwin and son, Ralph James, left the first of the week for Colorado resorts to spend their vacations.

Be wise and advertise.

## Rowena Expecting Big Crowd Tonight

Promoters of the goodwill visits to the various communities of Rannels county are urging that a large crowd join in the trip Thursday evening to Rowena. Preparations have been made in this neighboring town for a big reception to the Ballinger trippers and at least 100 cars are expected to make this visit with the delegation. The band will leave here shortly after 7 o'clock Thursday evening and will begin one of their popular concerts as soon as they arrive at Rowena. Other entertainment numbers will be presented to make up a fine program at that town.

E. M. Lynn will be one of the principal speakers Thursday night and will outline the plans for the Rannels county fair this year. Mr. Lynn is a booster at all times for the fair and will urge the Rowena people to continue their full cooperation with the institution.

C. W. Lehmburg, county agent, will also speak to the people of Rowena regarding the work of the fair and what it means in an agricultural way to exhibit our best products at a county gathering. Chas. Coombes will again act as master of ceremonies and J. D. Motley will respond to the welcome extended the Ballinger crowd.

The drive to Rowena late in the afternoon will be short and over pavement with no dust to mar the pleasure of the trip. Every person here is urged to join the caravan of cars and help make it the biggest party to visit a community this year.

## Compass of War Ace's Death Plane Ends 13-Year Journey in Museum

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, August 6.—A relic of the last flight of Major Raoul Lufbery, noted French-American war pilot, has come to the end of its journey in Smithsonian Institution.

It is a flame-seared compass salvaged from the wreck of the burning Nieuport from which the flier leaped to his death May 19, 1918, over Maron, near Tours, France.

A French soldier ripped the compass from the remains of the death plane and turned it over to Dr. F. Cautin, an army surgeon. Believing it should go to Lufbery's family, Cautin gave it in 1923 to an American named Codman.

Codman gave it to a brother, who turned it over to Dr. Phillip W. Place, South Lincoln, Mass. After an unsuccessful search for a relative of Lufbery's, he has given the relic to the federal museum. Lufbery, a globe-trotter and soldier of adventure, was born in France but reared in Wallingford, Conn.

## Fliers Prepare for Long Ocean Flight

(By Associated Press)  
TOKYO, Aug. 6.—Clyde Pangborn and Hugh Herndon, Jr., landed here today at 5:50 p. m. (2:50 a. m. CST), from Khabarovsk, Siberia. Abandoning their attempt to set a round-the-world record, the Americans are now planning a non-stop flight to Seattle, Washington.

Pangborn and Herndon may race Moyle C. Allen, who is arriving by steamer for the same purpose. A \$25,000 prize is being offered at Seattle for a non-stop flight from Tokyo.

Allen will fly the City of Tacoma, used in two previous unsuccessful flights. This first try by this plane was made with Harold Bromley and Harold Gatty, the later Wiley Post's partner in the recent world flight, at the controls. Engine trouble forced them back. Thomas Ash next tried the plane but was unable to life it off the ground with its heavy load of gasoline.

## Equalization Board To Meet Aug. 20th

The city board of equalization will convene here August 20 to hear taxpayers who believe their property has been assessed too high and to adjust other tax inequalities. The board this year is composed of C. R. Stephens, E. P. Talbot and A. L. Spann.

Following the work of the equalization board the valuations of taxable property will be listed and the budget for the ensuing year decided. These two items will be studied by the city commission and a tax rate set to suit the expense of operating the city's business.

The current rate is \$1.45, which was reduced 5 cents last year. The matter of the rate for the ensuing year has not been discussed by the commission yet and will not be until after the board of equalization has finished its labors and the taxable values adopted. It is expected that a large number of changes will be made by the board from the values given in the assessments.

City finances are in good condition at this time and tax payments are far ahead of many other cities in West Texas. A monthly financial statement is made public by the commission, showing all receipts and disbursements, and balances in each fund.

Property owners whose valuations have been raised over last year have been notified to appear before the equalization board on August 20, if they so desire, and in case they do not appear personally the assessed value will stand as the taxable amount for the next fiscal year.

Mrs. H. S. Strain and children, of Abilene, came in Wednesday afternoon to visit here several days with friends.

The best carbon paper for typewriters at Ledger office.

His death occurred while in pursuit of a German photographic plane. Flying at 2,000 feet his plane was seen to burst into flames and the flier jumped without a parachute.

## Caribbean on Guard for Hurricanes As Giant Tornadoes' Season Nears



The West Indies are watching eastern skies as August brings hurricanes, leaving such scenes as this in their wake. Diagram shows how these huge tornadoes bring winds of as much as 200 miles an hour, while the storm itself moves at a leisurely 15-mile gait.

(Associated Press Science Writer)  
WASHINGTON, August 6.—Weather observers of the West Indies are scanning the eastern horizon with anxious eyes, for a 150-mile hurricane may come roaring up into the Caribbean almost any day now.

August and September are the ripe months for hurricanes, says the U. S. weather bureau. The "big winds" are born out over the eastern Atlantic and sweep west and north over the West Indies, sometimes reaching the Gulf states.

A hurricane actually is only a tornado built on a gigantic scale, explains Dr. W. J. Humphreys of the weather bureau. Instead of whirling around a calm center less than half a mile in diameter, like the ordinary tornado, the hurricane spins about a center that may be 30 miles wide.

The whirling winds may rush as much as 200 miles per hour in a circle, but the storm as a whole moves forward not more than 15 miles an hour.

A hurricane seems like a straight-blowing wind because it is so large. As it passes over a city the wind on one edge is felt first, rushing at terrific speed. This belt of wind gradually moves beyond the city, however, and the calm center of the storm next comes over the area. Finally, as the other edge of the storm passes over, the wind blows hard again, but in the opposite direction.

Like a tornado, a hurricane originates in a calm space between two air currents moving in opposite directions. The air in the center is hot and moist, being lighter than the surrounding cooler air; it is pushed upward.

The rising motion, the opposite-flowing currents at the edges and the rotation of the earth start it spinning in a counter-clockwise direction.

As the moist warm air rises it cools, heavy rain falls back to push up more warm air and water vapor from below. Hurricanes disappear inland because the air is no longer so moist.

Hurricanes in August and September must move west and north over the Caribbean Sea because they are forced to travel around the edges of a huge high pressure area that extends across the north Atlantic from the Azores to Bermuda during those months, explains Charles E. Mitchell, chief forecaster of the weather bureau.

Later in the fall the barrier breaks and the hurricanes move due north.

As a hurricane moves forward it pushes a tremendous tidal wave ahead of it. Usually this wave does more damage than the wind.

A string of weather stations on the islands at the eastern edge of the Caribbean Sea keeps a constant lookout for hurricanes and reports twice daily at the height of the season.

When the barometer begins to fall and the wind changes from its normal easterly direction, warnings are flashed to all concerned.

## Free Bridge Injunction is Dissolved by Federal Judge

### Scene of Red River "Bridge War" Long Involved in Hard Struggles

(By Associated Press)  
DURANT, Okla., Aug. 6.—The controversy over the Red River bridge, climaxed when Gov. "Bill" Murray of Oklahoma assumed personal command of the national guard to keep the free bridge open and the parallel toll bridge closed, is reminiscent of other conflicts marking the history of this stream.

"Soon after the arrival of the Choctaw Indians in this country in the thirties," Grant Foreman, Oklahoma historian, says, "members of the tribe built ferries across the Red."

Texas also operated ferries, and, claiming to have a better right than the Indians, seized their boats.

"Bitter complaints from the Indians to the federal government resulted."

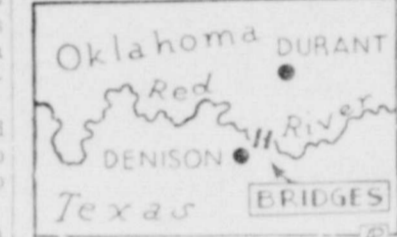
When the Indians found a market for their surplus corn in the republic of Texas, the republic imposed a tariff of 20 cents a bushel.

Later Texans sought to ship corn to army posts in what is now Oklahoma, cutting into a profitable market for the Indians.

This trouble was speedily settled when the Indians threatened to sink any boats carrying corn up the river.

The gold rush to California in the middle of the last century made the Red River ferry business valuable. B. F. Colbert and M. A. McBride were contending for the exclusive right to operate a ferry on the identical spot where the Durant-Denison toll bridge figuring in the recent excitement is located.

For more than 50 years an area of 2,380 square miles, between two forks of the Red in what is now southwestern Oklahoma, was in a dispute between Texas and the



Governor Murray of Oklahoma is the leading figure in the controversy over the free and toll bridges centered in this area.

federal government, decided in favor of the United States.

Controversy also arose between the governments of Texas and Oklahoma as to whether the south bank of the Red River, or the middle of the river bed, constituted the interstate boundary.

(By Associated Press)  
HOUSTON, Aug. 6.—Federal Judge T. M. Kennerly today dissolved the injunction against opening the Denison-Durant free bridge, recently suspended after the legislature had allowed the Red River Bridge Company to sue the state on a contract allegedly made by the state highway commission.

J. R. Handy, receiver for the bridge company, contended the legislative act was invalid and wished the injunction to stand. Judge Kennerly ruled that the act was valid. The bridge company claims a sum estimated at \$80,000 to \$150,000 from the highway commission.

The injunction led to a controversy between Oklahoma and Texas in which Governor W. H. ("Alfalfa Bill") Murray, of Oklahoma, removed the barrier on the Texas side of the free bridge and blockaded the parallel toll bridge with troops.

By dissolution of the injunction today both bridges are now open.

### WEAR SAYS ARKANSAS IN FINE CONDITION

Jas. A. Wear, who has recently returned here from a trip over Arkansas, stated that that state is in fine condition and crops of all kinds are beautiful. He further stated that Arkansas would have no need of Red Cross help this year as their produce was being sold at a fair market and farmers are busy placing every thing possible in cans and conserving it for their families during the winter. Mr. Wear brought back a bushel of peaches which were selected as to size and shape and paid \$2.00 at the orchard for them. He stated that fruit was particularly good and that many fruit raisers were being paid a premium for their produce this year.

## Prince and Bride On Way to Texas

(By Associated Press)  
NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—Prince Jean de Liechtenstein and his bride, the former Aleene MacFarland of Weatherford, Texas, arrived here today from London where they were married recently. They will visit in Weatherford soon.

It was announced that the couple will live in Paris and Vienna, visiting the United States once a year.

Liechtenstein is a small independent principality allied with Austria. Prince Jean is not the heir apparent but might possibly become the ruler.

## Negro, Wanted for Murder, Captured

(By Associated Press)  
HOUSTON, Aug. 6.—Charles Nelson, 19, one of two negroes sought for the slaying of Constable Thomas Beyett and the wounding of B. H. Dulaney, justice of the peace, near Tomball yesterday, were yesterday captured by a posse into in the northern Harris county. Nelson was brought here.

Nelson's companion, George Tolson, 17, said the other negro shot the officers while they were being taken to the Conroe jail on the charge of stealing a tire.

## Student Flier is Killed in Crash

(By Associated Press)  
SAN ANTONIO, Aug. 6.—Cadet Paul E. Nelson, student in the pursuit section of the advanced flying school at Kelly Field, was killed near Cliff when his plane crashed today.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. McNeigh, of Fort Worth, spent Thursday here visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Williams. Mr. McNeigh is owner of the old Luckett ranch near Wingate and was here to look after his property.

## Storms and Fogs Halt Lindberghs

(By Associated Press)  
OTTAWA, Canada, Aug. 6.—A radio message received here by the department of national defense said storms and fog had prevented Col. and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh from leaving Akavik for Point Barrow. The Lindberghs may remain at Akavik for several days it was stated.

The United States coast guard cutter Northland carrying reserve fuel has been unable to reach Point Barrow. The cutter is being held at Icy Cape where the Lindberghs may fly for fuel.

## Sterling Undecided On Death Sentence

(By Associated Press)  
AUSTIN, August 6.—Governor Ross S. Sterling is undecided whether to commute the sentence of Clyde Thompson, of Eastland county, scheduled to be electrocuted at midnight for the killing of Lucien Shook.

Thomas Davis was recently sentenced to ten years' imprisonment in the same case. Thompson previously had been reprieved to see the outcome of Davis' trial.

Museum Gets Old Horn  
CANYON, Tex., August 6.—(AP)—An old dinner horn, more than 131 years old, has been presented to the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society by the Rev. C. E. Jameson, pastor of the Canyon Methodist church. The horn is a gift of Mrs. Jameson's father, D. A. Goodwin of Springfield, Colo., and has been in the Goodwin family since 1800, according to definite information. Jameson said the horn was used on a southern plantation.

Mrs. Drew Dickson's nieces, Misses Lillian and Jane Lewis Maverick, of San Antonio, are visiting in the Dickson home here.

## Guard Members are Enjoying Camp Life

Letters received here this week from Ballinger boys attending the annual National Guard encampment at Palacios are very loud in their praise of the camp life. The boys declare they are being fed fine and have comfortable places to sleep and while the training is intensive, they are all well and having a good time.

Bob Straley, a member of the last year's football team, in a letter to his father, stated that the new football coach, John Sterling Prince has been to see them and that each afternoon the boys in the guard who will be candidates for the team this year are working out under the new coach. They are carried away with Mr. Prince and say that he is a fine man and a good coach and believe that under his training a championship team will be developed here.

The boys are keeping up with the local news with a stack of Ledgers that are mailed to the company office each day. The papers are closely read by all the men and they declare it to be their daily letter from home.

The guards will remain at the camp for another full week after this and during the two weeks will complete their military training for this summer. Mornings are hot there until the sea breeze starts but after that it is cool the remainder of the day. Bathing in the beach and games in the afternoon with picture shows and other entertainment at night give the boys plenty of recreation.

The local company plans to issue a challenge to any other company at camp for a football game before they return home. Nig McCarver, Cephus Arthur, Big Smith, Robinson and a number of other football stars will make up a team that can furnish strong competition to any who accept the challenge.

WEATHER FORECAST  
(By Associated Press)  
All Texas—Partly cloudy tonight and Friday.  
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One Ballinger business block has gone almost exclusively to the canvass roll type awning. Many cities have ordinances requiring one type of awning to make store fronts look uniform but here almost every known type is in use. Where new and modern fronts and awnings are used the stores look much better and those passing through the business district cannot but be impressed with the progressive appearance of this little city.

Do you ever have your car examined except when something is wrong and demands fixing? Safety lanes conducted in this and other states recently by the American Automobile Association prove that only a few of the hundreds of automobiles that pass through are working correctly. Many of them are apparently all right as far as the driver can tell but when examined by mechanics have faulty lights, bad brakes, something wrong with the steering device, a worn out wheel bearing and numerous other things that might cause a wreck at any time. Cars are like the human body in that a close examination at regular intervals may save life.

Ballinger citizens have cooperated wonderfully in the plan of making good-will trips into the rural communities. Those who have had the responsibility of arranging the dates, programs, and getting the crowds lined up are pleased with the cooperation of many people here in this work. The trips are not more than one-third completed yet and the last engagements will naturally be the hardest to attend. It is an easy matter to go to the towns while the idea is new and enthusiasm is high but it takes a real loyal booster to stay with the delegation all the way and make the first and last trip for the benefit of the fair and county.

Arrests in Runnels county during the past six weeks have been the least ever known here over a similar period. Officers are perhaps more diligent in watching for law violations than in times when arrests are numerous and they are busy with other matters but the violations of any law have apparently been very few and what have occurred have left no clues. Small thieving jobs and a few arrests from beer raids have about furnished the officers with their work and most of these cases are disposed of by pleas of guilty and imposition of fines.

### INJUNCTION HALTS ROAD WORK IN CAMERON CO.

(By Associated Press)  
BROWNSVILLE, August 6.—Another obstacle has been placed in the way of paving the last gaps in the old military highway in Cameron county.  
This is an injunction suit, seeking to have the funds spent on other roads in the county.  
The state has accepted this old highway as a state road and is to pay half the cost of paving it.

## PUFFY



The first plane safely down was to have won this fateful race. Since they've collided there is quite another thing to face. It turns into a race for life for both our heroes brave. And as they jump they both exclaim: "I hope our 'chutes behave."

## SUNDOWN STORIES



### PEGGY'S MOON THOUGHTS

By Mary Graham Bonner

"I thought," began Peggy, "that perhaps people would forget to look at the moon in the days ahead. That time we went with you and saw the city when you had turned the time way ahead made me feel that way.  
"It was filled with bright lights, and there were planes overhead all lighted up. It just seemed as though the people had no more need of the moon.  
"But here they have come across the world to see it, and it is so very, very large and so very, very near."  
"It is simply enormous," said John, gazing at it.  
"Oh yes," agreed the Little Black Clock. "Of course, the moon is really no larger, but in these very distant days to which I've turned the time it is more than two-thirds nearer than it used to be and that makes a great difference.  
"Here a day is longer than a month; so when I turned the time ahead to tell you about it I wanted you to see some more of the sights billions of years ahead.  
"I'm glad, too, that Peggy always appreciated the moon. But listen, we must hear what the people are going to do."  
And they heard the man conducting the sight seeing plane telling people of the little side trip that could be taken to the moon in rocket planes.  
John and Peggy remembered how they had taken a trip to the moon in a rocket plane when the Clock had turned the time forward—although not nearly as far forward as this.  
Now no one thought anything about it at all.  
Certainly things did change!

(Tomorrow—Children's Sun Baths)

### LINES RUN FOR HIGHWAY ON EDEN'S MAIN STREET

The engineering crew of the state highway department yesterday ran the curb and center lines and set stakes for the highway line down the business street of the city, so that those whose buildings must be moved back may begin this work. The moving process will begin at the Cities Service station corner, on the west side of the street, and will include the fronts of the Sanitary Market, Ake's fruit store, Sid Underwood's barber shop, Bill's Cafe, Day Drug Company, Eden Grocery and Day Dry Goods Company. The last three firms and the service station are housed in brick and stone structures and all others are frame buildings. Also, the last three were damaged in the recent fire, and the owners were waiting on the survey lines before remodeling their buildings following the fire. It is expected that they will begin tearing the walls down and rebuilding the fronts within the next few days. The other firms will likely follow suit so that all removal work will be done before the work on the highway is ordered. Unofficial statements are that contracts through the town will probably be let by mid-fall—Eden Echo.

### Five hundred miles of new state highways designated in Oklahoma in June brought the state system total to 6,000 miles.

### HOW'S your HEALTH

Edited by Dr. Jago Goldstein, Academy of Medicine

**SUPERSTITIONS**  
In times of stress men turn away from the world's stern realities and seek refuge in the supernatural.  
Faith is deepened and there is a firm intensification of religious feeling. But not all of man's search for consolation takes such forms.  
Some of it develops the form, not of faith, but of superstition. Side by side with a deepened religious feeling there appear demagogical beliefs that carry one back to the dark ages.  
Since the World War we have witnessed many such happenings. We can still recall the apparitions reported by soldiers in the days of their great trial, the angels that came to assure them of victory.  
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numerologists, fortune tellers, astrologers and what-not.  
Aside from the fact that the existence of these practitioners points to the unwholesome state of our mental and emotional life, they represent a distinct health hazard.  
Many a woman tempted to have her fortune read in tea leaves may pretend indifference to what the fortune teller spells.  
But it is a rare Amazon who can remain unaffected by the threat of "a serious illness" or "of a dark woman who threatens your happiness."  
One does not deliberately take walks through the morgue, or subject oneself to gruesome sights. Nor should you expose yourself to the suggestions and prognostications of people who pretend to know the future.  
And the same holds true of the amateur psychologist who is ready to interpret your dream. You are better off without his interpretation.  
Dr. Joseph Jastrow has written a book on this subject called "The Psychology of Convictions."

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### TRAFFIC LIGHTS TURNED ON AFTER TRUCKS COLLIDE

Traffic lights, turned off the first of the week to expedite dirt hauling from the excavation job at the new postoffice building site, were ordered turned on yesterday morning by City Commissioner J. S. Rogers when two trucks collided at the intersection of Concho and Live Oak streets.

A dirt truck belonging to Joe McCarthy and driven by Fred Burden was traveling south on Concho, returning to the postoffice site from the West Texas Utilities Company plant, where dirt is being dumped. When it was passing the intersection it was struck and turned over by an oil truck belonging to M. L. Walker, driven by Odus Smith. Neither driver was hurt. Shortly

after the accident the lights were turned on and have been guarding traffic since.—Coleman Democrat-Voice.

was grazed by the Farmers Gin. Salazar received a \$25 premium posted by the chamber of commerce and agriculture. Ginning was free. Manager A. W. Wagner of the J. E. Wolf store bought the bale at 9.05 cents.  
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By Charles McManus

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MOVIES

"Never The Twain Shall Meet" an Exotic Romance

Those who love romance with a dash of adventure will undoubtedly be fascinated with the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer South Sea Island picture, "Never the Twain Shall Meet," which closes at the Palace Theatre tonight.

Adapted from the story by Peter B. Kyne, the picture has a distinct tang of the islands. W. S. Van Dyke, the director who filmed "White Shadows in the South Seas" and "The Pagan" in Tahiti, has enhanced the color and native part due to his intimate knowledge of the ways of the Polynesians.

Conchita Montenegro, the little

Spanish dancer recently brought to America, was almost created for the part of Tamea, the South Sea island siren who, by her exotic wiles and native charm, so blinds the son of a wealthy American family that he gives up his home, people and business to follow her to the tropical island.

Her sparkling black eyes, wavy abundance of black hair, soft olive complexion and sinuous dancing, coupled with her inborn ability to act, make her seem a real part of the native setting.

She is the downfall of Dan Pritchard, ably played by Leslie Howard, who made such a sensation in both the stage and screen versions of "Outward Bound." Her sensual charm drives him almost to madness and his portrayal of the slow but sure degeneration of the white man in the islands is excellent.

The large cast includes C. Aubrey Smith, Karen Morley, Hale Hamilton, Mitchell Lewis, Clyde Cook, Bob Gilbert, Joan Standing and Eulalie Jensen.

Land of Love and High Adventure in "The Lash"

Richard Barthelmess will be seen tomorrow and Saturday at the Palace Theatre in "The Lash," latest First National production, a story of the dangerous days following the ceding of California to the United States. The star plays the part of a Spanish youth who takes up the cause of his father and sister, as well as that of all his people, against the desperadoes who are endangering their happiness and threatening to take from them all they hold dear. There is a lovely lady whose heart is in the keeping of the hero. Mary Astor plays the part, and his sister is portrayed by Marian Nixon. A Mexican dancer who for a time stirs his hot blood is done by Barbara Bedford. The men who take part in this romantic drama are James Rennie, Fred Kohler, Robert Edson, Erville Alderson and Arthur Stone. Frank Lloyd, responsible for so many Barthelmess successes, directed.

CREWS NEWS

Bro. Sory, presiding elder of the Brownwood district, preached at the Methodist church Saturday morning, and held quarterly conference in the afternoon.

Misses Hazel Holman, Nathalee Stevenson and brother, P. W. of Bronte, were guests in the Brannan home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Philips and family, and a few friends, attended the Firemen's Memorial service at the Baptist church at Winters Sunday morning, in honor of their son, William, and Marshall Chapman, deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Walden, of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Mercer, of San Angelo, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Walden Sunday.

All are cordially invited to attend a singing at the Methodist church next Sunday afternoon. Some singers from Wint-

Businesses Which Help Build City

The Hub

R. E. George, manager of The Hub, department store, came to Ballinger in 1911 and for nine years handled the office work at the local Higginbotham Brothers & Company store.

In 1920, Mr. George with a number of associates, including R. A. Nicholson and C. L. Baker, organized a corporation and purchased The Hub from John F. Currie. The store had been established for many years in what is considered one of the best business locations in Ballinger.

Mr. George was made manager of the store when this deal was completed, and with his wife in charge of the ladies' department soon stocked the house with nothing but high class merchandise, sold under a guarantee.

In 1923, C. R. Stone became a member of the firm and remained in the store at the head of the men's department for two years. He sold his interest to enter business for himself, and in 1928 Mr. George purchased the stock owned by Mrs. R. A. Nicholson and Mr. Baker, becoming sole owner.

On May 8, 1931 the store was partially destroyed by fire and as a result of this fire the building was completely remodeled and refurbished, opening July 24 as one of the prettiest and best arranged mercantile establishments in West Texas. The store is modern in every respect from the beautiful show windows to the business office. A balcony in which is located the ladies' department is private and affords excellent display of millinery and ready-to-wear.

Such standard and nationally known lines are carried as: Rothmore coats, Printz coats, Selby, Florsheim and Stacy-Adams shoes, Stetson hats, Munsing underwear, Daniel Green house shoes, Hart, Schaffner & Marx clothing, and Manhattan shirts and pajamas. No department of the store is neglected in any way and a large, complete stock is always available to discerning customers.

The Hub has enjoyed a good patronage for which the management is thankful. This season it offers an exceptionally fine place to trade as the entire stock is new and fresh, and beauty of the surroundings make buying a pleasure.

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

ters are expected.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Lucas, visited relatives at Goldthwaite last week.

Mrs. Jim Phillips, and Clifford Wood, were operated on last week, at the Halley & Love Sanitarium. This makes four from our community there at present. All are reported to be doing fairly well.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Brown, of Dallas, were visitors in our vicinity one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Lewis and daughter, while driving to Ballinger last Monday night, accidentally collided with another car. Mrs. Lewis was thrown through the windshield, and was severely cut and bruised. Mr. Lewis and Floy Jean suffered minor injuries.

Mrs. Ruby Thompson, of Winters, will give a chalk talk in connection with the B. Y. P. U. next Sunday night at the Baptist church. All are invited to attend.

A delightful social was enjoyed by the B. Y. P. U. at the home of the pastor, Rev. J. A. Brannan, Friday evening. Lemonade and cake were served. A delightful time was reported by all.

Jack Mathis, of Sterling City, and Eldon Mathis, of Centerville, were recent guests of Claude Mathis.

Mr. and Mrs. Pryor Martin, of Brownwood, visited Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gibson Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Dolores Lane attended the funeral of her cousin, Elmo Elliott, at San Angelo Friday.

Mrs. Joe Hoffman, Opal Cox, Edna Brookshire and Grafton Brookshire returned home Sunday from College Station, where they attended the farmers' short course.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cox and little daughter, Addie Ruth, and Lucille Hoffman spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clayton and family, of Novice.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton and family were callers in the Clifford Parker home Sunday.

Miss Faye Hill spent last week visiting friends and relatives in the Crews community.

Marvin Cade visited in Cross Plains Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. John Rampy called in the L. B. Rampy home Monday

gate's favor.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wright and family spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Barnette.

Arvil Lee Wood spent Saturday night with C. H. Wood and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mahurin had the misfortune of losing their suit case on their return from the Plains. The last they remember seeing it was at Sweetwater. We hope that they will find it.

"REPORTER"

Arnold Werner spent Saturday night with Woodrow Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Reese had as guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Julius Lange, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Kennedy and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rampy, of Pendleton, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Rampy last week, and other relatives of Wilmeth.

Mrs. John Connor and daughter, Mrs. Robert Dishman visited Mrs. J. L. Green Tuesday.

Sammie Brookshire, of Ballinger, spent the week-end with home-folks.

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We are sorry to report Mrs. Ceaborn Skelton is on the sick list at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Howell, of Barnett, visited Mrs. Howell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Williams, last Sunday.

The singing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Lewis Sunday night was well attended.

Mr. and Mrs. McDaniel and family visited in San Angelo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Ganitt called in the W. T. Hill home Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Filmy, of Amherst, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Hoffman and

family.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bryant and two sons, Adren and Truman, spent a few days with Mrs. Mary Brannon and family at Wingate.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Gibson, of Valera, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bryant and family.

"REPORTER"

GULF STREAM WOULD MAKE THOUSAND MISSISSIPPI

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, August 8.—The gulf stream, flowing north-eastward through the Atlantic Ocean, carries 1,000 times as much water as the Mississippi River, says the U. S. coast and geodetic survey. Off Miami, Fla., the gulf stream is 40 miles wide.

MOON of DELIGHT by Margaret Bell Houston

SYNOPSIS: As Sororita Flores, Juanita Rosara, the cigarette girl, is accepted socially by Nellie Helms, her grandson, Kirk, and their friends. Meanwhile the Marquessa Cabrera, the chaperone, still has provided, casts approving eyes on the jewels Juanita's new friends wear. Juanita does not know her as part of his study past, nor does Molly Divitt tell Juanita of her husband's thieving plans. So far as her new role Juanita has not met Kirk's father, who is trying to remove her veil at Florida's gambling house, had traveled her. But she has not advised Fouché, who had brought Ledbetter there. As she and the marquessa visit Mrs. Helms at Hilozi, Kirk senses that his woman's father, Juanita like the gulls, ready to fly away.

ADRIAN OR KIRK?

OFTEN Kirk had that sense with Juanita, the sense of something with wings... Why did she evade him so often, as she had a moment ago on the beach when he had come closer than he ever had come to her?

Had some man been in her life? Were they sending her back to America to forget? For all the marquessa's babbling, she had given no hint of sadness in Juanita's scheme of things. Yet sadness seemed the essence of Juanita, except at such moments as when she played the guitar, for instance.

Perhaps it was grief for some one else. Juanita's mother had died the year before. Her father had died when she was a child.

Whatever was in her past, Kirk felt that it stood between them more than any prospect of the future. He would not find the winning of Juanita an easy matter if he took her back to New Orleans. People were mad about her. They liked the marquessa, too, for that matter.

No easy race. There was Bob Cranshaw with his millions, and there was Rod Stevens. Nelly had had them both to dinner, and twice they had driven out on their own invitation. There was Adrian, too. Adrian was in love continually. With Juanita he seemed prepared to be serious. They would see Adrian tomorrow. He was giving Juanita a dinner on Tarpon Point. And Cranshaw and Stevens were making all sorts of plans for Easter week when Juanita should return to New Orleans.

Juanita seemed to enjoy them all. Kirk could not distinguish a difference in her manner with any of them, unless it was with Adrian. Adrian she seemed to avoid, not openly, but in a way that Kirk could divine. For himself, he was certain that she liked him, aware that she turned to him in any annoyance, such as when Adrian had arrived unexpectedly. That night Kirk recalled, was another time when he had seen her alone. They had gone out into the garden in the moonlight, and he had shown her the faded hush. Its red flowers were laid open yet, but he had picked one of the buds for her while they sat on the garden bench, and the sound of music and dancing came from the verandah. It was a night on which Stevens and Cranshaw had come too.

But Juanita did not turn to him for refuge from the past. She set it drop like a veil whenever he came close.

Her eyes were full of the sea as she turned to him, making a movement to go back. Their hour had gone fast.

The marquessa was waiting on the steps. Kirk went ahead to meet her. She stood, bending toward him as he ascended, talking rapidly. Juanita saw Kirk take out his wallet. The marquessa affected to protest. Presently she was radiant, running back into the house. Juanita looked away as Kirk approached. She felt charmed. Kirk was smiling.

"She gives us half an hour more," he said.

They walked toward the island's other end where the sun was beginning to go down in a walter of red gold.

"I'm going back to New Orleans tomorrow," said Kirk. "I'm leaving at six o'clock—before you're awake."

"I'm not certain I shan't be awake," Juanita answered. "There's been a mockingbird lately outside my window. I call him 'alarm clock.'"

"Set him for five o'clock," begged Kirk. "Have breakfast with me tomorrow in the garden. Does the marquessa sleep hard enough?"

"That's her sleepiest time. But why should she care?"

"She shouldn't. But she does look after you with a vengeance."

"She's not looking after me now," Juanita answered.

Kirk's hand tightened on hers. "What a chance!" he said. "It was tranquil here at the island's

other end. No wind at all. The waves lapped the white sand lazily. The sun was sinking fast, after its way in these waters. Soon it would be gone, as if a hand had dropped it into the void. . . . Kirk and Juanita were silent. The bathers began to flock toward the pavilion. The sun dropped like a red ball, leaving the dusk.

Madame Fouché sat in the sun parlor and talked with Mrs. Helms while Adrian walked the verandah, his eyes on the sound, now steeped in the after-glow of dusk.

Adrian and his mother had arrived sometime. They would spend tonight and tomorrow night in White Aloes.

"I was thanking you, Nelly," Madame Fouché explained, fanning gently. "Thanking how you sit all day while de yong peoples' ron'round."

Madame Fouché was voluminous and comfortable, with black, romantic coiffure and an agreeable smile. She had dressed in black since the death of Monsieur Fouché nine years before. Madame and Adrian lived alone now in the stone house.

Monsieur Fouché had been partner in the firm of Belaise and Fouché, cotton brokers. The Belaise had been Nelly's husband. It was the business that Kirk had inherited. Adrian had taken his place in the firm, but cotton, he had discovered, is an exacting mistress. Monsieur Fouché had not died poor. There were some small rent houses and a plantation near Baton Rouge. Adrian described himself as looking after these.

Nelly was dressed in a flowered taffeta, with a berth of old lace. On the table beside her were the remains of the collation with which she had endeavored to stay the appetites of her guests until dinner. Rhoda, Lorena's daughter, carried out the great coffee urn, and the dishes, restoring order to the sun parlor.

"And so," said Madame Fouché, "I tell Adrian, 'Tek me when you give your dinner to Sororita Flores, and let us go up tonight.'"

"That was sweet of you, Theoneste," said Nelly. "I would never have punished you like this, making you wait for dinner, if I had known. I told them not to eat dinner on the yacht because—and I didn't want to go with them. They always wait me to, but I save myself."

"You do not like Sheep Island?" "No, Sheep Island's all wool. If Kirk would take me to Caprice—but he won't."

"De doctor say you mus' lay off de gamble—oif?"

"For a while. Only for a while," Nelly answered.

"Pauvre enfant! I will play pinochle wid you. And if you will go to Adrian's party on Tarpon Point—I will go too."

Nelly shook her head. "That's woids again."

"Woods is nice. Anyhow, besides, what kin Adrian do? Kirk, he ron away wid Sororita Flores. He say, 'Look what I find' on his ran.'"

Nelly laughed. "I'm in blame. I had bin bring Juanita here."

Madame turned toward Sororita Flores, she is ver' nice."

"I couldn't tell you," said Nelly. "Everybody say she is rich."

Madame remarked, "De marquessa, now—I should not say de marquessa is rich. I thank Sororita Flores have feet de bill Sororita Flores—she give de air of some one who have money. Nelly, though she have only one jewel—dat pearl ring."

"I gave her that," said Nelly.

"You?" cried Madame. "You give her dat ring? . . . Ah, yer—when she bring back de necklace!"

"No. She wouldn't take anything then. I gave her that later, because it was Delphine's. She looks like Delphine."

"Kirk's motha? . . . I do not see."

"You've seen only Delphine's pictures. Sometimes in the evening when Juanita plays Delphine's harp, it seems as if Delphine had come back."

Madame cast a startled glance at the space by the piano.

"Nelly," she said after a moment, "I have not know you feel like dat. I mus' tell Adria. He mus' stay away."

"Stay away?"

"Adrian is ver' interest in Sororita Flores. But he mus' let Kirk have her—seece you feel like dat."

"That's thoughtful, Theoneste. I'd love to have Juanita, but I'm afraid she's not for either Adrian or Kirk. She's engaged."

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Careless Nelly! She shouldn't leave her jewels lying around, she marquessa agrees with Madame Fouché tomorrow.

ROMANCE AND REALITY

SOMETIMES, when you turn the pages of a book, your mind is seeking romance. You long to leave a too-familiar world . . . to travel with the speed of thought to far-off purple lands . . . to bathe in tepid, lotus-scented surf.

But your daily paper finds you in a more practical mood. Interested in real people, in the facts of the day. Looking for news of things that you may buy and enjoy—here and now.

You may find the advertisement just what you want in the way of a better breakfast food, or a new radio, or an improved face powder. If the thing fits into your living, is practical and possible and promising—you are vitally interested. Because you are reading about yourself!

Today, a great many things that were romantic dreams only ten years ago are common realities. Life has more color, more charm, more adventure. And the things that give it all these may be found in the advertising columns.

Advertising discusses realities—romantic ones often enough—but actual articles you can have for your own, new joys for your family, stepping stones to your happiness.

The advertisement of this paper are written for you. They are real. They are reliable. Take their advice

# Want Ads

**Rates and Rules**  
Two cents per word first insertion, no advertisement accepted for less than 25 cents. All subsequent insertions 1c per word each insertion.  
All classified advertisements must be accompanied by cash unless advertiser has a regular account with the paper.  
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**FOR RENT**—Five room house, 801, Twelfth Street. \$3.95 per month. 6-114-1

**FOR RENT**—Chevy, single furnished duplex, each with private bath. Phone 259 or see Sam Behringer at Cash & Carry Grocery. 6-212

**LOST**—Two rolls of bedding on highway east of Ballinger, August 4. Notify J. D. Burman, Colton, Texas, and receive reward. 6-114-159

**LOST**—Sunday night, at country club, White Gold Necktie with blue sapphire set. Liberal reward offered for return to Ledger office. 6-212

### TALPA TOPICS

Sunday school was well attended at all churches Sunday morning. Preaching was not held at the First Baptist church Sunday on account of Rev. Sheets being at Navarro building a meeting.

Mrs. McDole and daughter, of Abilene, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Sewell.

Harvey and Vernon Walls left Monday for Georgetown.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Richey, Jr. of Abilene, spent the week-end visiting relatives in Talpa.

E. E. Peeler is very ill in the Coleman Hospital.

Elbert Evans was a San Angelo visitor last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Redding of Merkel, Texas, visited in the Andy Broyles home last week.

Miss Jessie Gregory returned home last Saturday after spending her vacation in Talpa, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Herring are visiting friends and relatives in Bell county.

Mrs. W. K. Payne, Mrs. J. F. Traubner and daughter, Ruth, and Stella Herring attended church at Valera Sunday morning.

Harvey and Annie Lee Walls entertained with a party at their home Thursday night.

Miss Mary Susan Wilson, of Houston, spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wilson. Miss Wilson states that our climate is much more favorable and pleasant than the climate in Houston. She will return to her home in Houston Tuesday, August 4, and her baby brother, Arthur Leroy, will accompany her home. He will visit other sisters in that city.

Mrs. Verna Tuttle of Lyons, Texas, cousin of R. W. Courtney, spent several days visiting in the E. W. Courtney home and also with other relatives in Talpa. Mrs. R. W. Courtney and children accompanied Mrs. Tuttle to Cleo Tuesday.

Miss Ethel Mae Fowler, of Colman, visited in Talpa last week. The Methodist meeting will begin Sunday, August 9. Brother Boone will be here August 12 to do the preaching. Everyone is

## Lettuce Farmer, With "Toy" Telescope, Find New Comet Astronomers Missed



Turning his gaze at night from the soil to the skies Masani Nagata, Japanese foreman of a California lettuce and cantaloupe "ranch" discovered, with a two-inch telescope, a comet which had escaped Mr. Wilson astronomers.

(By Associated Press)

BRAWLEY, Calif., August 6.—A lettuce and cantaloupe "ranch" foreman by day and an amateur astronomer by night, Masani Nagata will go down in astronomical history as the discoverer of the Nagata comet.

Mr. Wilson scientists recently received a telegram from Nagata's cousin in terms of oriental deference.

After begging pardon for wasting their time, Nagata asked the observatory authorities if it was possible that he had located a new comet with his small telescope. He gave the position of the supposed new body in the constellation Leo.

Two days later he was informed by Mr. Wilson observers that their powerful telescopes had failed to locate the hazy conglomerate Nagata reported.

The same night Nagata, through his two-inch terrestrial telescope, again located it.

Dr. Seth B. Nicholson of Mt. Wilson observatory confirmed the discovery the next day. He de-

scribed it as being in the constellation of Leo, not far from the star Eho Leonis and in the general direction of Mars, although about ten degrees to the right of that planet.

The importance of the find, he said, could not be determined until its orbit had been calculated. The observatory, however, usually finds three or four new comets yearly.

Nagata, born in Japan near Tokyo June 18, 1886, learned astronomy from his father, who taught the young man as much as possible with limited facilities. Nagata came to the United States in June 1907, and for the last nine years has coupled his stargazing with lettuce raising.

Ten years ago he purchased a two-inch terrestrial telescope and each night, after completing his daily labors, turned the magnified eyes skyward.

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## District Nurses Start Program

Miss Addie Alexander, who has served for the past two years as county health nurse here, is beginning her duties in the new district assigned her which is made up of Runnels, Coke, Coleman, Mills and Brown counties.

After a visit over the new district with Miss Cella Moore of the state health department, Miss Alexander has begun making appointments and will be required to visit as many as three places a day from now until the opening of school in order to properly attend to her augmented duties.

Tuesday she attended the meeting of Runnels county school trustees here, Wednesday in Robert Lee and Bronie where three meetings were held, Friday of this week she will attend a county-wide health meeting at Coleman. Following these dates she will visit other towns in the district assisting doctors with summer round-ups, giving toxoids and vaccines, and on August 20 and 21 will deliver six lectures in Coke county communities on health work. With the opening of schools in her district her duties will increase and she will be kept busy with the state health program.

Efforts are being made to hold a special day in Ballinger prior to the opening of the local schools at which time all pupils who have not been vaccinated will have the opportunity. Health workers are anxious that every prospective student here be vaccinated at least a week or two before the term begins so each child will be ready to begin studies on opening day, losing no time because of illness or sore arms.

No immunization campaigns will be sponsored by the health nurse here this year and if such are held they will be supervised by local organizations. Both small-pox and diphtheria immunizations were conducted very thoroughly last year with local physicians donating their services in administering the injections.

## ESCAPED PRISONER IS CAUGHT HERE WEDNESDAY

Deputy Sheriff Carl Henson arrested Derwood Pogue here late Wednesday afternoon and placed him in the Runnels county jail. Pogue escaped from jail here several months ago when Johnny Walker made his escape and was later caught, brought back and sent to the penitentiary. Pogue was not heard from until Wednesday when local officers received a tip that he would pass through here late in the afternoon on a freight train. When the train arrived Henson was there to meet it and with the cooperation of the train crew made a search and found Pogue hidden away expecting to pass through here for other parts of the country. He was in jail here at the time of his escape charged with drunkenness.

Sheriff W. A. Holt stated Wednesday that no other charges had been filed yet against him and that an investigation as to the jail-break would be made later.

The San Angelo Sheep Herders will be here the following Sunday.

## BASEBALL GAME HERE SUNDAY AFTERNOON, 3:30

The Miles Giants will come to Ballinger Sunday afternoon at 3:30 to meet the Bearcats in a baseball game. These teams have met a number of times this year and the Ballinger team has won every tilt with the exception of one. The Miles nine will endeavor to get one back Sunday when the strongest team assembled there this season comes here. The Bearcats won at Miles last Sunday and will start about the same line-up in the game at Fair Park next Sunday.

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