

City Cuts Employees Pay, Tax Also Made Lower

The city commission of Ballinger at a recent session, tentatively fixed the tax rate for 1931 at \$1.35, a decrease in ten cents, approved the budget for the fiscal year, 1932-33, and reduced salaries of employees approximately 10 per cent, or about \$115 per month.

The tax rate will not be definitely approved until the thirty-day period, as required by law, elapses. The budgeted this year was prepared according to a recent statute passed by the legislature which requires all incorporated towns and cities to adopt a budget.

The budget was presented the commission by Mayor W. C. McCarter and approved by Commissioners George Holman and E. Sheppard. It is on file at the city hall and may be inspected by a taxpayer at any time. A copy of the budget also is to be filed with the county clerk for record.

Since the present administration took office three years ago, its principal object has been economy. The city has stopped issuing bonds and warrants and has attempted at all times to wipe out bonded indebtedness as rapidly as possible.

With the present cut in wages, the commission has succeeded in reducing salary totals exactly 50 per cent since 1928. A part of this cut has resulted in decreasing the number of employees of various departments.

Salaries paid in 1929 totaled \$1,900 per month as compared with \$950 per month today. The salary comparison of 1929 and 1931 of the various departments, follows: office, 1929, \$545; today, \$240; water, 1929, \$450; today, \$220; police, 1929, \$425; today, \$220; street, 1929, \$320; today, \$145; sanitary, 1929, \$160; today, \$125.

The decrease in the tax rate for 1931 comes from the general fund (ad valorem) and from the interest and sinking fund. A five-cent reduction was made in these two items while the street and building maintenance improvement fund remained the same. The 1930 tax rate was \$1.45 and the 1929 rate \$1.50.

Comparison of the 1930 and 1931 figures follow: street and building maintenance and improvement fund, 20 cents for each year; general, 60 cents in 1930 and 55 cents in 1931; interest and sinking fund, 65 cents in 1930 and 60 cents in 1931.

The present tax reduction and wage cut came after the commission had received 12 replies from inquiries sent to 20 Texas cities that compare favorably with Ballinger in population. Figures compiled from these replies by the city officials show that the municipal government here is operating on an average of 23 per cent less than the other cities of similar size.

Other business transacted at this meeting included the allowance of an estimate of \$1,019,200 to J. W. Root, contractors, on the South Seventh Street paving inquiry and to Wm. Dooze, Jr., an inquiry to the amount of \$82,72 for caliche.

"Get over a few minor revisions and the budget it will be on the city hall and with the next session of the commission has to do." The commission has to have a first time in the history of the city prepared Pacific Coking Co. seasons, hope, York Giants' 3, of.

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Banker Attempts To Take Own Life

(By Associated Press) ARCHER CITY, Tex., Sept. 25.—John P. Fleming, cashier of the First State Bank of Archer City, shot himself in the head in his office here today. Physicians said the wound was probably fatal.

Witnesses said Fleming opened the bank as usual, talked to a customer and other officials, then waked to his desk took a pistol and shot himself. Bank officials are unable to account for his action.

Firemen Prepare For "Fire" Week

Members of the Ballinger fire department, Thursday night, resumed their regular meetings after the annual summer vacation. The meeting was held at the city hall, with practically all of the members present.

Plans for Fire Prevention Week, to be observed here, October 4 to 10, were discussed and a questionnaire is to be prepared and given to the school children. This will be in the form of a home inspection blank and will contain 28 questions. The blanks must be returned to the department officials by Wednesday night, September 30.

With the aid of Boy Scouts, fire department officials will check these blanks and if any of them show fire hazards an attempt will be made to correct them as soon as possible.

The Scout troop which obtains the best results in this work is to be awarded \$10 cash and a box of apples, and the second place troop is to be awarded \$7.50 cash. The Rotary and Lions clubs are donating the cash awards while Sam Behringer is giving the apples.

Window displays on fire prevention are to be arranged in the downtown section by merchants and opened on Sunday, October 4. Programs for Fire Prevention Week will be started at Senior high school Monday morning at the chapel hour and continued throughout the week in all schools of the city, the P. T. A. organizations and the Rotary and Lions clubs.

Plans were also discussed for the department's section in the opening day parade of the Runnels County Fair, scheduled for October 13. A committee will begin work on this within the next several days.

TO ATTEND CONCERT
Mrs. Floyd Carr and Miss Eva Ruth Forgy and Adda Ward are in San Angelo this afternoon and tonight to attend the Joyce Allmond and La Mar Chapman concert to be presented at the San Angelo Municipal Auditorium at 8:15 o'clock. The program is being sponsored by the San Angelo high school pep squad.

Sells Brahama Cattle
SONORA, Tex., Sept. 25.—(P)—The final remnant of a herd of Brahama cattle brought to the Ranch Experiment Station near Sonora eight years ago has been sold. Fourteen head, used for experimental purposes, were shipped to the Fort Worth market recently. Range conditions at the station are excellent now, according to W. H. Dameron, superintendent.

Premier Critic Hoover
LONDON, Sept. 25.—(P)—Ramsay MacDonald today led a minority committee and table conference with Hindus and Moslems must their difficulties in the assistance of the prime minister had been the scene. At MacDonald's committee adjourned today for unofficial talks with Mahatma G. Agha Khan, leader of the Indian National Congress.

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A dispatch received from Harbin said Chinese authorities believe communists dynamited the buildings of the Japanese Residents' Association and Cultural Association.

Small damage was done by the blasts but the city is in confusion.

VIRGINIA GRID ACE AFTER ELUSIVE HUNDRED POINTS
(By Associated Press) WILLIAMSBURG, Va., Sept. 25.—Last year Clarence "Red" Maxey, William and Mary scoring ace, was to score "100 points or bust."

He "busted"—a rib as he scored his 99th point. He's out this year—as a senior—to achieve the coveted record of scoring 100 points in football.

He led the scorers in his sophomore year with 93 points, and set out in his junior year to add one touchdown and extra point to that record. Thanksgiving day he scored his 99th point and cracked a rib.

Stell Branch is in Talpa this afternoon looking after business.

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Contents loss amounted to \$21,458.42, while building loss was \$5,318.16. Total insurance carried was \$24,200. Value of all property involved was \$140,425, the report said.

Other information given in the report included, chemical used, 529 gallons; fires, 27; drills, 23; meetings, 6; hose laid, 11,850 feet; hours pumper used, 16; average meeting attendance, 18; average members at fires, 26 and average attendance at drill, 21.

C. O. Fields, of Sweetwater, is in Ballinger looking after business matters.

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Steinbach's skeleton was found September 2 in a thicket near Corpus Christi, after he disappeared July 7. Evidence showed he had been shot and struck on the head.

Hill protested his innocence. He said he came to Texas with Steinbach in January of last year and after working together for a while separated in San Antonio.

McKinney May Get New Post
(By Associated Press) DALLAS, Sept. 25.—B. A. McKinney, first vice-president of the First National Bank of Dallas, is expected to be elected governor of the federal reserve bank of Dallas at a meeting of the board of directors tomorrow.

Lynn P. Talley, present governor, has accepted the chairmanship of the board of the Bank of America Trust and Savings Association of California.

McKinney is now chairman of the federal reserve advisory board. He was governor in 1922, being re-elected during the deflation period.

BALLINGER PEOPLE TO SEE NIGHT GRID GAMES TONIGHT
R. W. Earnshaw, Sam Malone, Jr., John Lowman and Ernest Sublett are to go to Abilene tonight to witness the Abilene-Colorado football game scheduled to be played at Parramore field. It is probable that other grid fans from here will also attend this game.

The Howard Payne-McMurry tilt tonight at Brownwood on Kirkpatrick Field, is also drawing several from here. Among those going to Brownwood include Homer Voelkel, W. A. Schubmann, Conley Schubard and several others.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Simpson, of La Porte are here visiting with Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Bladell.

Coleman Gets Mission Meet
Delegates here Thursday attending the 1931 conference of the Brownwood district, Women's Missionary Society of the First Methodist church, selected Coleman for the 1932 meeting of the organization.

More than 100 women from a dozen West Texas towns were here for the annual meeting of the district organization which was held at the First Methodist church.

Mrs. Hal Cherry, Brownwood, secretary of the district, presided at the sessions. Mrs. J. W. Spivey, a member from Abilene, was the first vice president. Mrs. S. O. Sory, Coleman, was the principal speaker.

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A few scattered reports to the agricultural college are like this: Little Rock firms ordered 125 carloads of jars. At Hope, Ark., one firm distributed 770,000 jar tops and four carloads of jars; at Helena 225,000 jars were sold; and in Washington county two wholesale houses as late as August 15 ordered 10 carloads of jars. There are 240 gross to the carload.

One canning concern reported it had sold more canning equipment this year than for the last 10 years. This year's abundant crop has had much to do with the food preservation campaign. The average Arkansas garden grows from 10 to 18 varieties of vegetables, but 72 varieties were as possible.

There were 343 canning centers in the state, where home demonstration agents showed the way, and where all members of the family helped. "Canning bees" were popular, and church societies, school teachers and even business men's organizations sponsored them. Schools have canned supplies for use in their dining rooms this winter.

One woman, who put up 2,800 quarts, sold her surplus to hotels and restaurants. Another woman made \$62 from a small garden after preserving all she needed for home use.

Much bartering is going on, not only between neighbors, but between farmers of Arkansas with those of Texas, Kansas and Oklahoma. In addition to the canned fruits, vegetables and meats, the state this year grew more than 4,000,000 bushels of Irish potatoes and 3,900,000 bushels of sweet potatoes.

There is a bumper crop of apples, pumpkins, dried beans and peas, onions and other hardy vegetables that keep during the winter without canning or pre-serving.

Cotton Pickers Pass Up Runnels

(By Associated Press) NACOGDOCHES, Tex., Sept. 25.—G. W. Dison, section foreman, and R. L. Jennings, laborer, died in a hospital here today. The men were injured earlier this morning when a freight train struck the motor car they were riding near Cushing, 16 miles west of Nacogdoches. The section gang was on its way to work when the crash occurred.

A third man escaped by jumping from the motor car. The victims were employees of the Texas & New Orleans Railroad.

Runnels county farmers are still having a hard time obtaining cotton pickers, it was learned Friday morning when several farmers were in Ballinger looking for hands to help gather the crop.

It was reported that quite a number of pickers had already been through here from South Texas on their way to the Plains where bolls were being gathered and farmers were paying 40 cents per hundred for this work while only 40 and 50 cents per hundred was being paid in Runnels county for picking.

It was reported this morning that several Mexican families, totaling about 50 pickers, stopped in Ballinger only a short time Wednesday while en route to the South Plains. They would not consider stopping here and going to work in Runnels fields where about 75 per cent of the crop is open.

Additional requests for cotton pickers are still going out from Ballinger and other neighboring counties for pickers and it is hoped that these last requests will result in more pickers coming in here to aid in faster movement of cotton.

COLLIN HAS GINNED 3,050 BALES TO SEPT. 1
(By Associated Press) MCKINNEY, Tex., Sept. 25.—A total of 3,050 bales of cotton were ginned before September 1 in Collin county, according to the first ginning report announced by I. R. Dillow, of McKinney, county cotton statistician. Eleven thousand two hundred and fourteen bales were ginned to the corresponding date last year. Forecasters are predicting this year's crop will exceed the 1930 yield. The low initial ginning figures this year is due mainly to the fact that the season was about three weeks later.

SHERMAN, Tex., Sept. 25.—Cotton ginned in Grayson county up to September 1 amounted to less than one-fifth that ginned before that time in 1930. Up to September 1 only 1,336 bales had been ginned, as compared to 7,452 bales at that time last year.

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WEATHER FORECAST
(By Associated Press) West Texas—Partly cloudy tonight, fair Saturday. East Texas—Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday.

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Day or Night Phones 1248 Day Phone 96

Geologist Killed In Auto Wreck

(By Associated Press) FT. WORTH, Sept. 25.—Ralph M. Weaver, Jr., geologist, was found crushed to death under his overturned automobile early today, two miles west of Lancaster. Weaver was returning to a business meeting at Arlington Heights.

Russians Discover Gold
LONDON, Sept. 25.—(P)—Two Russian geologists, prospecting in cold barren Novaya Zemlya, island group north of continental Europe are understood here to have discovered gold in important quantities. The Academy of Science is sending an expedition to investigate further.

YOUTH JAILED TO 'LAY IT OUT'
D. McQueen, fined several days ago on a charge of speeding, was paced in jail Thursday night by Chief of Police Lee Moreland. McQueen had been released with a promise to pay his fine the "next day." He failed to show up with the cash and was lodged in the county bastle to "lay out" the fine.

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Associated Press... Tex., Sept. 21... of the...

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Republican can... based on the idea that... change of government is the only cure for present economic ills.

Portuguese politics have created the usual quota of strange bed-fellows. The heterogeneous groups which opposed the dictatorship have composed their differences and formed what is known as the 'Electoral Alliance' in an effort to defeat the government.

In this period the national currency has been stabilized, new roads have been constructed, the government-owned railroads which were operated at a loss have been leased, the troublesome tobacco monopoly question has been settled, the crime wave has been curbed and the navy reorganized.

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farmers have deer slain MATADOR, Tex., Sept. 25.—Farmers near Matador were so annoyed by the depredations of two deer, both bucks, that they had the animals killed by a state game warden.

Battle-Marked Fort Laramie To Glean Anew

(By Associated Press) FORT LARAMIE, Wyo., Sept. 25.—Old Fort Laramie, battle scarred and weather beaten, will gleam again in whitewashed splendor. Where once along the old Oregon Trail the pioneers sought shelter from Indian arrows the motorist will come to marvel at mementos of the whiteman-redman struggle for an empire. Almost 100 years have passed since the first log was laid at Fort Laramie, first military outpost in Wyoming.

SUNDOWN STORIES



THE PACIFIC

By Mary Graham Bonner

I've turned the time back to a September 25 of the year 1513, said the Little Black Clock. "And my magic is going to take us to a place far away. We're going to an isthmus." "That's a neck of land joining two continents," said John with great delight. "Right!" shouted the Little Black Clock. The Clock always made the children feel they were quite bright.

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The presence of any serious form of organic disease may make operation inadvisable.

(Tomorrow—Passing Examinations)

DALE TOPICS

Cotton picking has started to a great extent in this community and if the good weather holds out it will be only a matter of weeks until the larger portion will be out.

Mamye Jones returned Wednesday from Snyder where she has been a guest of Eura Little at Griffin's Emergency Hospital.

Omar Adams, Marie Jones, Elois Stephens, Arlus Brevard, Olga Brevard and Ralph Jennings attended a picnic given by the Presbyterian church Wednesday night.

Robert Williams, of San Angelo, was a week-end visitor here.

Olga Brevard and Robert Williams motored to Abilene Saturday night and attended the show.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Brevard spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs. C. C. Gill.

Robert Williams, Olga Brevard, Mamie Jones and Arlus Brevard spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs. R. G. Lee at San Angelo.

Quite a few from here attended the football game last Friday at Winters.

Robert Williams was a business visitor in Abilene Monday morning. He was accompanied by Olga Brevard.

REPORTER

SOVIETS TEACH YOUNGSTERS THE ABC'S OF GAS ATTACKS

(By Associated Press) MOSCOW, Sept. 25.—Thousands of children who go each summer to vacation camps near Moscow at government expense will be taught how to play realistically at one of the more refined forms of warfare. As a part of the general education program, the chemical warfare section of the Red Army has planned demonstrations at the recreation centers in which children will learn the fundamentals of chemical attack and defense.

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PUFFY



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DOROTHY DARNIT comic strip panels showing a woman and a child in a kitchen.

Chevrolet advertisement with text: 'DID AH MA... WAH IT... Chevrolet parts are put... determine their strength...'

Miss Ruth Holiday, a teacher in the Paint Rock schools, spent the week-end in Ballinger with relatives.

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WINGATE DAILY LED

WINGATE, TEXAS, SEPTEMBER 22, 1931.

Donors and costs of a judgement, in favor of T. Crutcher in a certain cause in said Court, No. 14147 and styled T. B. Crutcher vs. L. M. Livingston, J. J. Hinkle and L. M. Hinkle, placed in my hands for service, L. M. W. A. Holt as Sheriff of Runnels County, Texas, did, on the 7th day of September 1931 levy on Hinkle, and that on the first day of the undivided interest of J. J. Hinkle and L. M. Hinkle in and being the 6th day of said month,

SAM

BY FREEMAN LINCOLN

SYNOPSIS: Sam Sheriff's engagement to Peak Abbott a young millionaire whom she accepted because of her family's poverty, is threatened by her love for Freddy Mouson. Her stepfather, Fourth Alderson, makes a questionable sale of his invention, Sam finds her half-brother, worried by the disappearance of his wife, their former maid.

CONSPIRATORS

"NONSENSE!" Sam took his arm and shook it commandingly. "Stop talking such utter nonsense immediately, Nelson! Why or earth should you think she was dead? I never heard anything more ridiculous in my life. Let me see the letter will you, please?"

The letter was a badly phrased, almost incoherent little document. It was also definitely pathetic. As Nelson said, Martha had come to the conclusion that Nelson was too good for her; that she could never live up to him; that he would always be ashamed of her. For that reason she was going away. She still loved him, but that could make no difference. She was never coming back and he must not try to find her. She did not know where she was going, and hinted that her destination might very well be a lonely grave. She closed with renewed assurances of her love.

Sam looked up at Nelson and saw the once more he was on the verge of tears. He swallowed with difficulty and said: "She was going to have a baby, Sam."

"Really? That's splendid!" Sam was determinedly cheerful. "That's the best news I've heard in a long time. But why do you use the past tense? Martha isn't dead, you know?"

"Isn't she?" Nelson sat down suddenly and put his head in his hands. "How do you know?"

"How do I know?" Sam laughed. "I just know, that's all. Martha isn't the type. She couldn't commit suicide if she wanted to—which she doesn't—so let's not bother our heads about that any more. Suppose you tell me what you've been doing since you found this letter."

It appeared that Nelson had not gone very much. He had gone to see Martha's father and mother. This, of course, knew nothing of her whereabouts, and had created something of a scene when they learned that she had disappeared. He had telephoned Sam and a few of Martha's more intimate friends. He had stopped in at the accident wards of two or three hospitals—

"Just in case."

"What do you propose to do now?" Sam asked.

"I don't know. I might telephone the newspapers, I suppose, or notify the police."

"Also," said Sam grimly, "you might not! Do you want this all over the front pages?"

"I don't know," Nelson looked up at her. "I only know I want to find my wife."

"Of course," Sam put on her coat. "You'll find her, too, without bothering with the police."

WINGATE NEWS

Sunday school was well attended and good lessons were reported.

Most of the farmers have their maize in the barns. They are proud of their fine crop of feed.

The singing at the Elbert Bishop home last Thursday night was enjoyed by all who attended.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Wood had as their guests Sunday, Mrs. Emma Bull and son, Willie; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Prossie and little son, Arthur; of Coleman; Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Bull and little daughters, Clarence and Johnnie Fay; of Dement; and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wood of this place.

The farmers of this community are looking for cotton pickers. Many are needed in this part of the country.

Mrs. Dement is going to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. W. O. Wood.

Mrs. Royal Bishop spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Charlie Polk.

School will start at Wingate Monday, October 5. We wish a large number would enroll to start the new term with hopeful thoughts of getting higher. We hope there will be a large graduating class from both the seventh and eleventh grades.

"REPORTER"

C. C. Carter, of Norton, transacted business in Ballinger Friday morning.

Businesses Which Help Build City

Bettis & Sturges
The firm of Bettis & Sturges, one of the outstanding business houses in Ballinger, is headed by J. C. Sturges, Sr., a man with 35 years of experience in the general dry goods business.

It was 35 years ago that Mr. Sturges, then a young man, first "hired out" as a clerk in a dry goods store at Weatherford. He worked there for several years and later was connected with Harris-Lipsitz, wholesale dry goods firm in Dallas, then went with the Perkins Dry Goods Company in the same city, when it was organized. He traveled for these two companies for about 20 years.

In going into business for himself, Mr. Sturges obtained stock in the Bettis & Gibbs stores at Brownwood and Comanche about nine years ago.

In 1924 Mr. Sturges came to Ballinger and opened the Bettis & Sturges ladies' store. The Ballinger store was the third in this group.

Today the firm owns and operates five stores. They include, Sturges & Company, Brady, opened in 1928; Bettis & Sturges, Coleman, opened in 1927; Sturges & Company, Weatherford, opened in 1929; Bettis & Sturges, Ballinger; and Bettis & Gibbs, Brownwood.

The stores feature ready-to-wear departments in each city. Every year buyers from the stores make trips to Eastern markets to purchase goods for the system and always return with the latest styles and features offered by manufacturers in the metropolitan centers.

High grade and popular priced ready-to-wear are stressed at all seasons by this firm. Mr. Sturges says he believes merchandise which is desired by the leading citizenship is well represented in the local store.

Ladies' footwear is featured, but the store also handles children's and misses' shoes as well as the leading lines of hosiery.

The better lines of millinery, silk and woolen piece goods and all articles found in a modern, well stocked store of this kind are handled by Bettis & Sturges.

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

ARGENTINA SEEKS "ALKY" MOTOR FUEL IN CORN

(By Associated Press)
BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 25—An official commission has been named to investigate the feasibility of extracting fuel alcohol from corn on a commercial basis. Although the government operated portion of the oil industry produces two-thirds of the domestic gasoline and Argentina ranks twelfth among world oil producers, the country imports about half of its needed fuel at an annual cost of \$50,000,000.

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Leading the line of a country squire, Friedrich Wilhelm Hohenzollern, former crown prince of Germany, is raising fine livestock on his large estate at Oels in Silesia.

Others, however, cheered him. Chances for such incidents arise but seldom. Unlike his brothers Eitel Friedrich, August Wilhelm and Oscar, the eldest son of the Hohenzollerns has held aloof from siding publicly with the nationalists of Hugenberg or the Hitlerites.

In fact, since his return to the homeland in 1923 he has had his hands well filled with the administration of his private affairs.

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BALLINGER, TEXAS, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1931.

2 Injured in \$50,000 Oil Pump Station Fire

(By Associated Press)
CORSIANA, Tex., Sept. 26.—A fire and explosion at the Magnolia Oil Company's pump station here today caused a loss of \$50,000.
D. L. Sloan, oiler, seriously burned about the head and body, was taken to a hospital. Jim Marr, city fireman, was hit on the head by a falling brick.
The blaze was stopped in two hours. All available equipment of the Corsicana fire department was used to quell the flames. Dirt embankments were raised to prevent the spread of burning oil to properties nearby.

Legislature is Clearing Slate

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, Sept. 26.—The legislature, facing adjournment next Tuesday afternoon at 6 o'clock, today began cleaning up minor legislation.
The House postponed consideration of a bill creating a committee to investigate all phases of the cotton industry.
A bill to increase the fees of officers of smaller counties was killed.
The Senate bill, which appropriated \$2,500 to rebuild the Valentine school, wrecked by earthquake recently, was given approval by the House during the morning session.
The Senate took action to assist farmers in sections where highway work is being done by voting to request the state highway commission to use men and teams whenever practicable.

Gandhi Visits English Mills

(By Associated Press)
DRAWEN, Lancashire, England, Sept. 26.—Mahatma Gandhi, miniature Indian leader, who practically ruined the Lancashire cotton spinners with the Indian boycott of English products, visited this section today and heard pleas to lift the boycott.
He replied that India was in a much worse condition than the jobless spinners and that the boycott would remain unless India begins to consume more than it can produce.

Hawks Delayed In Long Flight

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—Captain Frank Hawks, on his way to Claremore, Oklahoma to participate in the dedication of the Will Rogers airport there, with Will Rogers, telephoned his wife here today that he had been forced down at Sunbury, Pennsylvania.
His message said he was not injured and his plane was not damaged.
Oil line trouble was given as the cause for the forced landing.

Stockton, Cal., Training Camp for the Pacific Coast League for Several Seasons, Hopes to Land the New York Giants' Spring Headquarters

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Friday Hottest Month

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Sept. 26.—A Ramsay MacDonald today told a minorities committee that difficulties in the office of the British ambassador in Moscow, Sir Donald Maclean, had been caused by the day to day adjournment of the House of Commons with Mahatma Gandhi and Agha Khan, leaders of the Indian and Moslem factions.

Negro Believed Man's Murderer

(By Associated Press)
SAN BENITO, Tex., Sept. 26.—Jesse Thompson, 33, dairyman, was shot to death here today while milking a cow. Officers are hunting for a negro, 15, for questioning.
It was learned that Thompson employed the boy a week ago, finding him "unemployed and hungry. Thompson's pistol was stolen yesterday.
The motive for the shooting is unknown.

Farmer Slightly Hurt in Collision

John Dean, farmer who lives three miles up the Colorado river, received painful bruises and minor cuts Friday when the wagon he was driving was struck by a car driven by a woman said to have been Mrs. George Haseltine of Fort Stockton. The accident occurred on the east approach of the Colorado river bridge.
Mr. Dean was able to be up Saturday but was sore from his bruises. An x-ray examination revealed that no bones had been broken.

Mrs. Haseltine, who was going to San Angelo, had started around the wagon driven by Mr. Dean and as she pulled out saw another car coming east. In order to miss colliding with the car, Mrs. Haseltine cut back toward the right side of the road and made a turn so short she struck the wagon. The wagon was demolished but the car was only slightly damaged.
Mrs. Haseltine was unhurt.
Mr. Dean was en route home from a Ballinger gin where he had just had a bale of cotton ginned.

MAGNETIC NAIL-PICKER OPERATING IN COUNTY

An electric magnetic nail picker of the Texas highway department arrived in Runnels county Friday afternoon and is to work the highways out of Ballinger for the next few days.
This machine is operated by electricity, generated by the truck. It picks up hundreds of pounds of steel each day that is found along the highways.

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Lions Plan for Opening of Fair

Ballinger Lions discussed plans for their part in the Tenth annual Runnels County Fair Friday at their regular weekly luncheon held at the Central Hotel.
Robert Bruce, president of the club, served as toastmaster and introduced J. D. Motley, secretary of the fair association, who outlined very briefly the tentative program for this year's fair.
The Lions are to have a part in the opening day parade as well as work during the entire five-day festival, which is scheduled to open on Tuesday, October 13 and close on Saturday, October 17.
A good attendance was recorded at this luncheon.

Two Trials are Set for Monday

Trials for W. A. Wallinger, who lives in the northern part of the county, and a negro, Ballinger, were set for Monday morning at the Peace Carl court.
Wallinger is charged with carrying a dangerous weapon and with hijacking a car here several months ago.
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Coke Residents Voting on Bonds

(By Associated Press)
BRONTE, Sept. 26.—Voters of seven Coke county precincts are casting ballots today on a \$175,000 bond issue to be used in the paving of highway No. 70, Sweetwater-to-San Angelo, traversing this county. The issue also would provide for the surfacing of highway No. 153, connecting Bronte and Robert Lee.
A \$265,000 bond issue for the same project was defeated two years ago. Proponents of the present issue, however, claim a majority.
Communities voting today include Hayrick, Ft. Chadbourne, Olga, Bronte, Mayes, Juniper and Tennyson.

Highway Worker Injured Friday

P. R. Cook, Paint Rock, an employe working on the highway near the Concho county seat, suffered a painful injury to his right arm late Friday afternoon when a piece of steel penetrated his right arm. He was brought to the Halley & Love hospital here for treatment.
Mr. Cook was at work when a piece of steel entered his right arm just below the wrist and made its way several inches upward. The injury was not serious but very painful.
He was reported to be resting very well at noon today and probably will be returned to his home this afternoon.

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Surfacing Opened on No. 4; New Span Longest in County

The first mile of paving on either side of highway No. 4 from the Concho county line in the direction of Ballinger will be thrown open to traffic tonight and additional right-of-way will be opened as fast as completed thereafter. Crews for Brown & Root, contractors for this construction, are completing the triple-A surfacing as they go, applying all three treatments of asphalt and crushed rock on each sector started and then opening it to travel as soon as it cools.
It is estimated that with favorable weather approximately half a mile per day will be completed and the entire contract will probably be finished by the middle of October. With good working weather the highway should be finished to the detour two miles south of the city by the opening date of the Runnels County Fair. The road would then be given its first severe use.
Fine progress has been made on other highway projects in the county during the week and drainage structures on highway 23 are about finished.

332 SPARROWS KILLED IN COTTON GIN

PADUCAH, Tex., Sept. 26.—Before the Johnson cotton gin was opened for the season, W. M. Johnson, owner, and a group of small boys closed all openings and killed 332 English sparrows that nested in the gin during the summer.

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Starving Chinese Greet Lindbergh

(By Associated Press)
NANKING, Sept. 26.—Crying, starving Chinese surrounded the plane of Col. Charles A. Lindbergh today when he landed in the flooded region of northern Kiangsu province, snatching packages and demanding food. Col. Lindbergh was forced to take off to prevent damage to his plane.
The American flier was accompanied on a relief flight by Dr. Heng Liu, hygiene director of the flood relief commission, and Dr. J. N. Grant, member of the faculty of the medical college at Peiping. The plane carried only 500 lbs. of supplies.
Col. Lindbergh said it was "the most heart-rending experience of my career."
Mrs. E. L. Colson, of Houston, is here visiting friends and relatives.
Mrs. and Mrs. Turner and children, of Midland, are here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Miller.

Joe Reese Has Gone to Alpine where he will attend Sul Ross College for the 1931-32 term.

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With the screen's most popular sweetheart team, Janet Gaynor and Charles Farrell in the starring roles...

Miss Gaynor and Farrell, both came to the screen via the "extra and bit part" route...

Walsh, on the other hand came to the movies from the stage and played the role of John Wilkes Booth in Griffith's "Birth of a Nation"...

The supporting cast includes Kenneth MacKenna, William Holden, Mary Forbes and Ulrich Haupt...

AMARILLO WILL DEMAND SECOND PHONE RATE CUT

AMARILLO, Tex., Sept. 26.—Not satisfied with recent reductions in rates announced by the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company...

Letters asking for opinions of telephone subscribers have been mailed out. Each question asked leaves a blank for a "yes" or "no" answer...

"As you know, the telephone company cuts the rates 50 cents for business telephones and 25 cents for residence phones..."

"This letter is written to ask if you are satisfied with the rates."

The city of Austin has 53,000 population. It is larger than Amarillo. Austin's phone rate is \$5 for business and \$2 for residence phones...

"If you say 'yes' will you stand by your commission to the limit of taking out your telephone if we ask it in our effort to get as good a rate as Austin?"

Goose characters. The hope of screen people here of a method for hardening copper which may be applicable to other metals.

Research workers at the Butte technical school hardened copper by the addition of about two per cent nickel silicide.

The resulting alloy was nearly twice as strong as structural steel but still retained the essential characteristics of copper.

With such tremendous hardness and strength the new copper alloy showed extraordinary willingness to take the most delicate casting and machining.

Dr. Curtis L. Wilson, head of the metallurgy department of the school, believes that the combination of these factors, applied to precious metals, will result in jewelry as strong as it is beautiful.

"As a result of our success with copper," said Dr. Wilson, "we already have received many inquiries as to whether some such

Judge A. J. Fires, in announcing that the case would be transferred to Donley county, said he believed great difficulty might be experienced in getting a jury in Hall county...

Mrs. Uel Stephens and children, of San Antonio, are here visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Miller.

Funeral Directors, Ambulance, KING-HOLT

Business, they say, do his full share of the projects are worth over what anyone...

It will only be a short time until Runnels county will have another all-weather road. Brown & Root are surfacing highway No. 4...

ABILENE WILL MAKE HEALTH SURVEY OF SCHOOLS

ABILENE, Sept. 26.—Plans for a general health survey of Abilene high school early in October have been announced by Mrs. Dallas Scarborough...

WILL BUILD COURTHOUSE AFTER JANUARY FIRST

LONGVIEW, Tex., Sept. 26.—Construction work will be started shortly after the first of the year on Gregg county's new \$200,000 courthouse-jail...

HOW'S your HEALTH

Edited by the New York Academy of Medicine

PASSING EXAMINATIONS

One ordinarily does not think of school examinations as representing a medical problem...

To the average student, whether in the primary, secondary or collegiate grades, an examination is an event of significance.

It is little wonder then that many students suffer a variety of physical embarrassments during an examination...

Some students cram for their examinations—with so little regard for their physical well being that when they appear for the ordeal they are literally exhausted.

Among the older students there prevails the general impression that coffee has some special virtue as a preparative for examinations...

Coffee is a stimulant and affects the higher centers of the brain, in such a way as to facilitate association of ideas.

To the student who is "slow in getting started" a small amount of coffee may prove beneficial.

The student whose answers

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CHARLIE RUGGLES IN 'THE GIRL HABIT' A Paramount Picture Talking Comedy Fox News

West Texas Utilities Company advertisement featuring an illustration of a room with electrical outlets and text about electrical convenience.

PUFFY cartoon featuring a rabbit and a boy with dialogue about transportation costs.

DOROTHY DARNIT cartoon strip with multiple panels showing characters in various situations.

Chevrolet Co. advertisement by Charles McManis, highlighting car quality and service.

J. W. Edwards, of Abilene, and Hubert Edwards, of Tyler, were visitors here this week in the

KING-HOLT logo and text

LET'S GO! advertisement listing various shops and services.

L. B. Rudder, E. J. Cathey, Bob Carsey advertisement

Batts Chevrolet advertisement with phone number 292

reader left Sunday for San Antonio where he is to look after business several days.

CREAM advertisement

LET'S GO! advertisement

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BALLINGER, TEXAS, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1931.

Sterling Signs Cotton Record

Japanese-Chinese War Prospects Look Serious

(By Associated Press)
NANKING, Sept. 22.—Addressing a mass meeting here today, Chiang Kai Shek, head of the Chinese nationalist government, said if the League of Nations or the signatories to the Kellogg pact fail to uphold justice in the controversy between Japan and China, that the nationalist government was prepared for a final and supreme struggle.

Chiang declared he was ready to lead an army of the entire Chinese people.

It was also reported today that the Nanking forces are about to unite with the insurgent Canton government against the Japanese.

TOKYO, Sept. 22.—The government has notified the minister to China it is ready to approve the proposal of T. V. Soong, Chinese minister of finance, for a joint Sino-Japanese commission to negotiate settlement of the Manchurian difficulties.

However, the Rengo News Agency brought a dispatch today which said the invasion of Manchuria was being speeded, troops being sent to Harbin, inland metropolis of the province.

Man Makes Bail In Forgery Case

G. B. Middleton, of Gulon, Taylor county, was released from the county jail late Monday afternoon after making bond of \$500. Middleton was charged in Justice of the Peace Carl Wilson's court Monday with forgery.

He is alleged to have given Gardner Brothers, Winters, a worthless check for \$11.

Middleton was brought here by Deputy Sheriff Gerald Black and Marshal N. C. Terry of Winters.

SUMMER ENDS FALL SEASON FOR 1931 STARTS TODAY

There does not seem to be much difference between yesterday and today but there is.

It is "fall" today. Yesterday it was "summer."

Summer officially ended last night at midnight and today is the first day of the fall season of 1931.

The temperature varied only slightly throughout the day.

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Fish are Dying in Runnels Creeks

J. P. Flynt, game warden, announced at noon today that he would remove fish from Runnels creeks and other water bodies in the county.

He said that many fish are dying in the creeks and that cranes were in the water where they were dying.

Another city project, the causeway at the upper dam on Elm Creek, is nearing completion, it was announced Tuesday and it is thought the new span will be open to traffic within the next two or three weeks.

Murder Verdict Given in Death

(By Associated Press)
PORT ARTHUR, Sept. 22.—Justice of the Peace B. H. Wiley today returned a verdict of "murder by a person or persons unknown" in the inquest for B. R. Holstein, prominent ship chandler, found dead in his burning home here yesterday.

Officers continued probing the story of Mrs. Frances Trotti, 29, divorcee, who said she was with Holstein until 10 o'clock Sunday night. As far as is known she is the last person who saw him alive. Holstein also was divorced.

Police Probing Janitor's Death

(By Associated Press)
SAN ANTONIO, Sept. 22.—John H. Stacy, school janitor, found badly injured at the bottom of a sixty-foot cliff in Brackenridge Park here Saturday night, died today.

In delirium, Stacy first said a man named Joe threw him off the cliff, then said girls did it. The man's skull was fractured, a leg was broken and an eye was put out.

Police are investigating the case.

Aged Man Killed By Freight Train

(By Associated Press)
LONGVIEW, Tex., Sept. 22.—A freight train today decapitated an elderly man tentatively identified by a card in his pocket as John McEvery, of Fentress. The victim was killed in the railroad yards here.

Misses Carmen and Joe Demmer have gone to Denton where they will attend Texas State College for Women (C. I. A.) during the 1931-32 term.

Sid Caskey, of Winters, was attending to business in Ballinger Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Boyd, of San Antonio, were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mike C. Boyd.

New Causeway to Be Opened Soon

This work, which will cost between \$1,500 and \$1,700, is being done by Looney Duncan, local contractor, who was given the job in a sub-contract let by Brown & Root, the firm originally awarded the construction.

The upper dam is being used as the south foundation for the causeway and the section just north of the dam is being filled in and is to be topped with concrete. The new crossing will be allowed to settle before being opened to general traffic.

BYARS APPOINTED CONSTABLE OF PRECINCT NO. 5, WINTERS

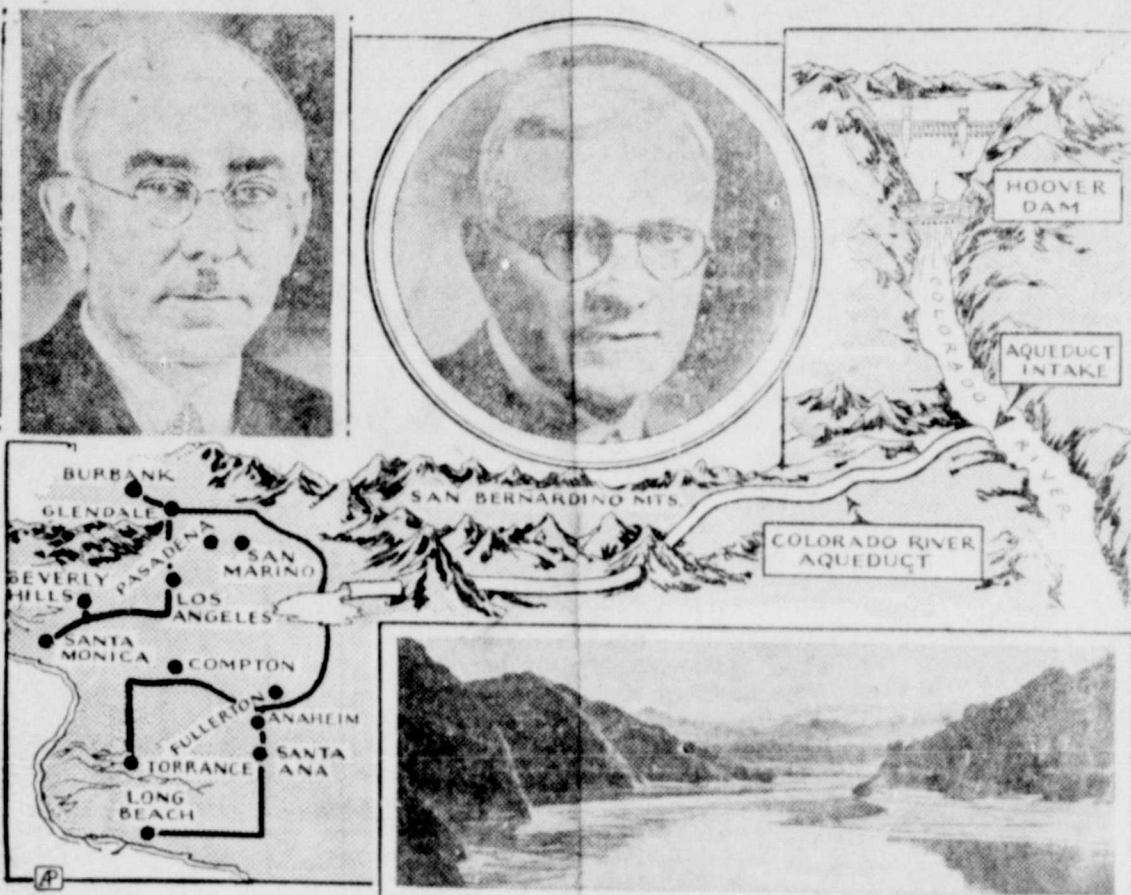
W. S. Byars, former deputy sheriff at Winters, has qualified for appointment as constable of precinct No. 5, Winters. It was announced Tuesday morning at the court house.

Mr. Byars was recently appointed constable of the Winters precinct by the commissioners' court in its regular September session.

300, 209 growers in the Carolina sweet potato counties average yield of 118 bushels per acre.

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Water Project that Would Employ 10,000 Hinges on Vote in Southern California



Voters in a group of southern California cities will decide September 29 upon issuance of \$220,000,000 bonds for the construction of a 256-mile long water aqueduct project. The route of the aqueduct is shown in sketch. At right below is the Colorado river from which the water will come. Frank E. Weymouth (upper right) is chief engineer of the project and Thaddeus Merriman (left) is chairman of the water district's board of engineers.

(By Associated Press)
LOS ANGELES, Sept. 22.—The water district would open a \$220,000,000 water aqueduct project and give 10,000 men employment in the hands of voters in a group of southern California cities, including Los Angeles.

The project which would give the 10,000 laborers the opportunity to earn \$100,000,000 in salaries within eight years is the 256-mile long Colorado River aqueduct.

It would bring the cities, which lie from Long Beach in the south to Burbank in the north, water from the Colorado River, 150 miles below the Hoover Dam. The water would travel over three mountain ranges and through three tunnels, the longest of which would be 12 miles.

To pay for the aqueduct, considered the world's longest man-made water course, the 1,567,775 registered voters in the Metropolitan Water District, comprising the cities to be supplied, will vote September 29 on a \$220,000,000 bond issue, payable within 50 years.

Warned by engineers the aqueduct is necessary to avert a southern California water famine, the Metropolitan Water District, formed in 1927, summoned Frank E. Weymouth, former chief of the United States reclamation service. Weymouth selected a noted staff to conduct surveys and assemble specifications for the giant undertaking. He called in Thaddeus Merriman, head of the New York board of water supply; A. J. Wiley, consulting engineer for the United States government; and Richard R. Lyman, Salt Lake City, Utah, consulting engineer, in addition to other prominent engineers.

The Colorado River aqueduct project first came into existence in 1923 when the natural growth of southern California demanded more water.

Officials of the various cities and citizens held innumerable meetings and finally the Metropolitan Water District was incorporated.

Other specifications are: tunnel timber, 4,425,000 board feet; concrete, 4,250,000 cubic yards; 25,440,000 sacks of cement for concrete and 46,000,000 pounds of steel and copper.

Major Clubs will Play this Week

(By Associated Press)
Six Southwestern Conference eleven are to be in action during this week-end, a check of the football schedules of the major institutions of the Southwest shows.

Featuring the play this week-end will be the T. C. U.-Louisiana State University eleven at Fort Worth. The Horned Frogs won their opening contest last week-end from the North Texas State Teachers' College eleven.

Sam Houston Teachers' journey to Houston this week to play the Rice Owls, victors last week-end over the Texas College of Arts and Industries, 37 to 0.

S. M. U., Texas, Arkansas and Texas A. & M., other conference members, have their scheduled "lifters" this week-end. Baylor U. does not have a game scheduled.

The remainder of the scheduled games follows:

Simmons University vs. Texas at Austin.

Southwestern University vs. Texas A. & M. at College Station.

North Texas Teachers vs. S. M. U. at Dallas.

College of Ozarks vs. Arkansas at Fayetteville.

LON MAPES SERIOUSLY ILL

Lon Mapes, who lives in South Ballinger, was reported Tuesday morning to be critically ill. Mr. Mapes has been in ill health for some time but his condition recently took a turn for the worse.

Murray Plans to Reopen Oklahoma Oil Fields Soon

(By Associated Press)
TRENTON, Mo., Sept. 22.—Gov. W. H. Murray, of Oklahoma, today said he thought arrangements had been completed to open flush oil wells in Oklahoma Wednesday.

Practically all wells were closed by martial law some time ago in an attempt to restore crude prices to \$1 a barrel.

Gov. Murray said martial law would remain in effect in the oil producing areas. He refused to discuss the price action. The present top is about seventy cents per barrel. It was much lower before the shutdown.

Weed approved about 125 miles of the proposed extension between Big Spring and Vega, but disapproved the construction of the line north of Brownfield and Lubbock.

Dallas Salesman Hurt on Highway

J. M. Richardson, Dallas shoe salesman, escaped serious injury late Monday afternoon when the heavy sedan he was driving struck a concrete shoulder on the Ballinger-Abilene highway near the Winters Country Club.

Mr. Richardson is reported to have fallen asleep as he was driving along the highway and the right front wheel of the machine struck the concrete.

The driver escaped with only a few minor bruises. The automobile was considerably damaged.

Briefs Attack Report on Road

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—The chambers of commerce at Dallas, Lubbock, Big Spring, Ackerly, Lamesa, Brownfield, Levelland, Littlefield, Dimmitt, Hereford and Vega today field briefs attacking the recommendation of Examiner Weed that the interstate commerce commission limit the extension of the Texas & Pacific Northern Railway.

OBSERVE JEWISH HOLIDAY

Jewish citizens of Ballinger, Winters and other Runnels county towns Monday observed Yom Kippur, holiest of Jewish holidays. A number went to San Angelo to attend rituals held in that city.

60,000 ATTEND AMARILLO FAIR

(By Associated Press)
AMARILLO, Sept. 22.—Attendance at the Tri-State Exposition, which opened here yesterday, is estimated at 60,000.

Officials today said the receipts would cover the expenses.

British Exchanges To Reopen Soon

England entered its second day of the six-month suspension of the gold standard quietly. The London stock exchange will open tomorrow.

Trading was normal on the New York market today. The ban on short selling is still being enforced there by the board of governors.

The British pound sold for \$4.07 to \$4.11 on the Paris bourse. Recent quotations had been about \$4.85.

All German exchanges remained closed today.

Slaver Escapes State Hospital

(By Associated Press)
SAN ANTONIO, Sept. 22.—Homer Edwards, convicted slayer of John W. Bradshaw, of Kendall county, last year, is being sought here today. He is reported to have been seen last night.

Edward escaped last week from the state hospital at Rusk, where he had been committed as insane. He was serving a life sentence.

Two other inmates of the hospital also escaped at the same time. Edwards made a break after beating up a guard.

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San Angelo

FRENCH COMMONERS EAT GRAPES FROM ROYAL VINE

(By Associated Press)
FONTAINEBLEAU, Sept. 22.—The famous "king's vine" which furnished fruit for the tables of the monarchs of France continues to bear.

Its product is auctioned annually for the benefit of the republic, and the humble citizen today eats the royal grapes.

The bunches are sold in baskets of 10 lbs. and 20 lbs.

Negro is Held on Robbery Charge

John West, negro, about 38, is in the county jail here today awaiting an examining trial on charges of robbery with firearms after his arrest late Monday afternoon by Chief of Police Lee Moreland.

West is alleged to have robbed a dice game in which he had taken part after another black had won part of his money.

Chief Moreland arrested West on East Hutchings Avenue Monday afternoon. The negro carried a pistol when apprehended. West has been employed as a "shine boy" in a local barber shop.

Mrs. W. A. Taylor has gone to Dallas to visit relatives and will go to Fort Worth to attend the Texas synod of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A.

J. P. Boyd, of Sweetwater, was in Ballinger Tuesday looking after business.

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L. L. Stroble went to Abilene Monday to meet his daughter, Mrs. De... Butler, who had been in Fort Worth visiting relatives and friends for several days.

WEATHER FORECAST

(By Associated Press)
West Texas—Partly cloudy, probably showers in the Panhandle, tonight and Wednesday.
East Texas—Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday.

...probably the number of dementia praecox patients, several of whose factors may operate together. There is serious doubt whether a frankly developed case of dementia praecox can be cured. On the other hand, it is the deep conviction of modern psychiatry that the potential dementia praecox case can be "spotted" and its development arrested. To this end all those who come in contact with the young might well dedicate some of their interest and efforts. For dementia praecox is indeed a tragic condition.

(Continued from Dementia Praecox-11.)

MOVIES

'Charlie Chan' Portrayal Brings Warner Oland Back to Fox

Warner Oland, the noted actor of Oriental roles, who makes his initial talking appearance for Fox in the title role of "Charlie Chan Carries On," first entered pictures with the Fox organization. "It was before American went into the war," Oland said. "I had been playing in a drama of the life of Benedict Arnold, with Walter Hampden, and returned to New York city when the show closed. My agent had no new stage engagements for me, but suggested that I take a role in a Fox film that was just going into production.

"In those days a legitimate actor looked with considerable disdain on the movies, and I was no exception. I laughed at the offer, but the agent persisted, and reminded me that Herbert Brenon, whom I had known for years, was directing the picture. More out of friendship for Brenon than anything else, I took the role, playing a heavy with Theda Bara. To my surprise, however, I found the work very interesting.

"In 'Charlie Chan Carries On,' opening a two-day engagement at the Palace Theatre tomorrow, Oland for the first time in his screen career becomes a hero instead of a villain. He portrays the smiling but keen-witted Chinese detective, Charlie Chan, who 'carries on' after the Scotland Yard man is put out of the running, while John Garrick and Marguerite Charrill have the romantic leads as the aristocratic Bostonian and the wealthy granddaughter of the mysterious killer's first victim.

Hamilton MacFadden directed, from the novel by Earl Derr Biggers, noted author and playwright.

'The Devil to Pay' Closes at the Palace Tonight

Ronald Colman, as the star in Frederick Lonsdale's sophisticated smart comedy-drama, "The Devil to Pay," closing tonight at the Palace Theatre, appears in a role that will delight his many admirers, and amaze them with his versatility.

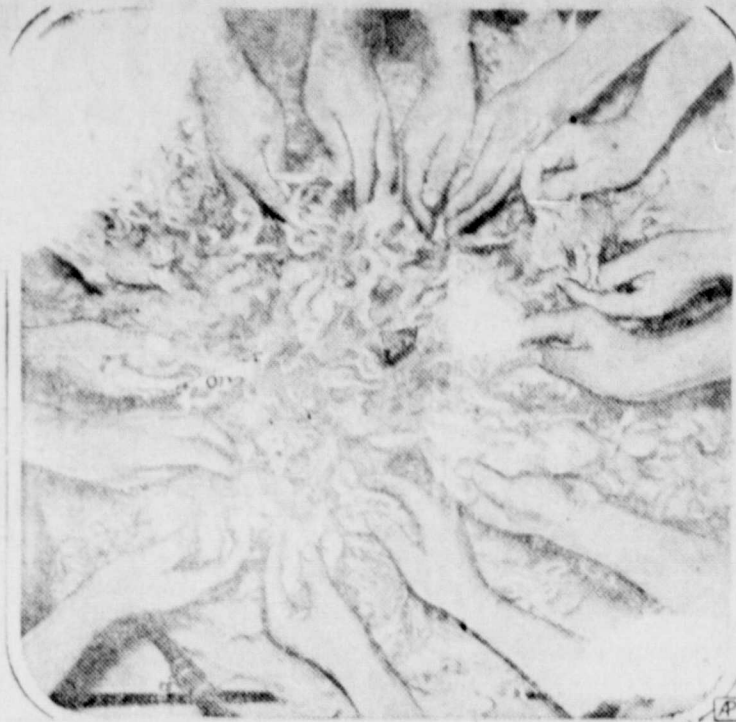
To his repressed characterization of the sightless hero in "The Dark Angel," the grim courage of his "Bulldog Drummond," the artful resourcefulness of his "Raffles," and the many romantic parts that have made him the best loved lover on the screen, Ronald Colman adds a far different role. Here he plays a happy-go-lucky prodigal son who, after a year or two in Africa, where his father has sent him to "make something of himself," he hungers for the lights and delights of London, and returns—broke—but undaunted.

"The Devil to Pay" mixes spicy ingredients in a swiftly moving plot, told in witty dialogue. Brisk, smart and sophisticated, its settings are as rich as the high society locale. The offering presents a new Ronald Colman.

Hundreds of anglers daily are trying the first season of fishing in Missouri's newly created Lake of the Ozarks.

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Mohair Sorters Need 'Safe Crackers' Touch



Sorters in a mohair factory who determine the diameter of individual hairs through the touch in their fingertips need sensitive hands, for the diameters are in the thousandths of an inch. Here are the hands of a group of sorters in a Sanford, Me., weaving mill.

(By Associated Press)

SANFORD, Me., Sept. 22—A man senses of touch and slight must be developed to a maximum," Wright says. "Men must train as apprentices for three years. About one man in 10,000 is capable of qualifying.

"If the sorter makes an error, a costly piece of fabric may be ruined later in the weaving. There is a difference of nearly \$1 a

The men, known as sorters, feel locks of goat's hair and tell with their fingertips whether the individual hairs are .0030 or .00067 of an inch in diameter.

"They also distinguish by touch as many as 13 other diameters between these two. The job is their lifetime profession. Theirs is known as a 'micrometer touch' because their decisions as to the diameter of hairs are calibrated regularly with mechanical micrometers by the bureau of standards are must be correct.

The men sit at long tables divided into stalls. Each daily sorts about 300 pounds of Angora goat hair, a lock at a time, into various matchings according to diameter, length and color shade for use in weaving fine mohair velvets and other fabrics.

The eyes of the sorters must also possess a microscopic quality as many of the shades of raw hair that must be segregated are not apparent to the untrained layman, says John Wright, head sorter. He has been in the business nearly 50 years.

"Here in the sorting room hu-

...between the lowest and higher grade mohair." The sorters must take good care of themselves physically for fear of disturbing their sense of touch. Few of them here wear glasses.

LITTLE SETTLEMENT STARTS LIVE AT HOME MOVEMENT

(By Associated Press)

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Sept. 22—A live-at-home movement to combat the current depression in all lines of business is in the experimental stages at San Fernando, 70 miles south of San Antonio.

The little settlement was founded more than a year ago when immigrant families left their first American homes in Chicago, Detroit and other large cities and look over small parcels of land in the Winter Garden district, where they are living off the soil.

The settlement was started by the Rev. Stanislaus Przybyz of Chicago, primarily to relieve the congested condition in tenement homes of the cities.

The Rev. Przybyz has succeeded in founding the colony of San Fernando, which now boasts some half a hundred families, with several new contingents expected. A smaller settlement, St. Stanislaus, near Brownsville, boasts 17 families.

Although the majority of residents of the colonies are natives of Poland, all nationalities are welcome to join the movement, the Rev. Przybyz declared. The land is sold for \$25 an acre and

up and payments are made from yield of the soil. "I am working on the theory," the Rev. Przybyz explained, "that there are only 6,000,000 persons in Texas and that there is room for 60,000,000 more." We will attempt to relieve the congested situation in the large cities by removing these destitute families to a land where they may at least live and enjoy life in a beautiful country."

MANY TOURISTS PASS THROUGH LAREDO ON WAY TO MEXICO

(By Associated Press)

LAREDO, Sept. 22—More than 4,700 American tourists from all sections of the United States and some from Canada crossed the Rio Grande into Mexico through Laredo during the month of August, according to the official report of the Mexican Tourist Commission of Nuevo Laredo and the Mexican consulate at Laredo. This was a record-breaking number.

Most of the tourists went only as far as Monterrey and Saltillo, while some others went to Victoria and Tampico. None ventured to try the hazardous roadway into Mexico City now being constructed.

In addition to the American tourists entering Mexico through the port of Laredo there were a total of 2,561 Mexican repatriates returning to their native land through Laredo during August, while there were 126 Mexican nationals deported to Mexico by the United States immigration service.

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...plans to put over a successful observance of Fire Prevention Week here, October 4 to 11. He is sure to read and fill out the forms at once and help local fire-fighters to fire hazards which for years have been eliminated and thereby make the city less subject to fire and loss.

Patrons should receive no consideration from any individual or charitable organization.

The editorial published in the News brings out a number of excellent points. It follows:

"If a man can't get a job, he should receive the sympathy and help of more fortunate persons. If a man can get a job, and doesn't do it, he does not deserve sympathy.

Texas labor officials have appealed to Oklahoma for 10,000 cotton pickers quickly. Is that to be taken to mean there aren't 10,000 Texans unemployed? The Abilene section needs a thousand cotton pickers at once. Vernon comes through with the same plea. Has there been an exodus of population from Amarillo's jobless ranks who wish to take advantage of this opportunity?

"Cotton picking at the prevailing prices will furnish barely a living wage. But according to the standards of the dignity of labor that always have ruled in America a living wage is a thousand times more desirable than charity.

"Do America's unemployed want to work?

"Most of them do. Some of them, and it is to be feared this percentage is increasing, don't want to work. They want the government to support them. It is at this class that condemnation is to be directed. If our charitable organizations are compelled this winter to feed and clothe a host of hungry and cold men and women, let those organizations discover if the objects of their aid are worthy, through a willingness to work is available, to receive help.

"It was in Jamestown, first English colony on the American shore, that the postulate of 'those who eat must work' was propounded. It worked there. The citizens worked and lived. They lived hard on the savage frontier. The frontier is less savage today, but the situation that confronts American citizens is no less rigorous.

"A dole for some will be necessary but let us steer as widely as possible off the widespread dole that encourages idleness and 'finicky' disinclination to do hard though honorable manual labor."

'WET' POST CARDS MUST BE MAILED IN MEXICO

(By Associated Press)

SAN BENITO, Tex., Sept. 22—Postcards portraying "wet" scenes in Mexico must be mailed in that country to avoid being intercepted by U. S. postal authorities and sent to the dead letter office, according to Postmaster Floyd S. Worth.

Such cards mailed in Mexico are not stopped but if posted on this side of the Rio Grande are refused transportation in the mails of this country.

PUFFY



"I'm glad that you explained," says Bun, "why you desire a Horse. I see it's for economy." And Puff replies: "Of course. Then too, I've had an urge of late to play an Indian chief. You, Bun, can be my right hand man, if you would just as lief."

HOW'S your HEALTH



Edited by Dr. Lugo Goldstein, Academy of Medicine

DEMENTIA PRAECOX

The term dementia praecox is used to indicate a progressive insidious affecting a large group of patients among whom the young and adolescent persons predominate.

At the present time there is a divergence of opinion among those who have studied the disease as to its precise nature.

There is, however, a substantial agreement on the principal factor of its cause.

Expressed in its simplest terms, dementia praecox results from the failure of the individual to adapt himself to the intellectual and emotional requirements of the world.

Unable to achieve a working compromise between the driving force within him and the restraining circumstances about him, the dementia praecox patient begins by a variety of exalted flights from the reality and ends by a withdrawal from the world about him, to the point where he is nothing more than a vegetative mass.

He retraces, in a sense, the path of his development and returns to an existence as simple as that of the unborn child.

The failure of adaptation in the individual may arise out of an inherent constitutional weakness, a lack of vitality, or, again, the circumstances surrounding him may

DOROTHY DARNIT



By Charles McManus

Advertisement for Cardui medicine. Text: 'Restless, could not sleep. THERE were days when I felt like I could not get my work done. I would get so nervous and 'trembly' I would have to lie down. I was very restless, and could not sleep at night. My mother advised me to take Cardui, and I certainly am glad she did. It is the first thing that seemed to give me any strength. I felt better after the first bottle. I kept it up and am now feeling fine.' - Mrs. T. R. Gibson, Fort Payne, Ala. CARDUI HELPS WOMEN to HEALTH. Take Theford's Black-Draught for Constipation, Indigestion, and Bloating.

Advertisement for West Texas Utilities Company. Text: 'You'll Enjoy the Convenience of Modern Electrical Refrigeration. An adequate supply of pure, sparkling ice cubes... delicious and attractive frozen desserts and salads... ample storage space for the safe preservation of "leftovers"... a moist-air compartment that simplifies the refrigeration of fresh fruits and vegetables... an assurance of scientifically-correct refrigeration regardless of weather conditions--these are but a few of the vital and appreciated advantages of modern Electric Refrigeration. For Summer Delicacies. TASTY frozen desserts, appetizing sherbets and salads, rich and creamy mousses and ice creams—all are at your fingertips through accurate control of the temperature in your freezing compartment. See the new Frigidaires, now on display in the Merchandise Showroom. A demonstration will convince you of the invaluable conveniences and substantial economies possible with this modern Electrical Servant. Do you know that your increased use of Electric Service is billed on a surprisingly low rate schedule... and adds only a small amount to your total bill? West Texas Utilities Company.

Ballinger and Angelo Will Play Game Next Saturday

The Ballinger high school Bearcats and the San Angelo Bobcats, fresh from top-heavy victories on the gridiron the past week-end, Monday afternoon started another week's practice in preparation for a non-conference game, scheduled to be played in San Angelo this week-end.

The Bearcats defeated Paint Rock high here Friday, 32 to 0, while San Angelo's class A entry scored a 60 to 6 win over the Big Lake Badgers at Cemetery Grid, San Angelo, Saturday.

Coaches Sterling Prince and Harley Davis, of the Bearcats, sent their charges through a stiff

work-out yesterday afternoon at Fair Park but were minus two backfield mainstays, Flynn, half-back, and McIntyre, quarterback. Both these men were on the sick list but hopes are being held that they will get into the fray at San Angelo this week.

Coaches Taylor and Keyes, of the Bobcats, saw their players in action for the first time last Saturday and while the score indicates a run-away game, they discovered several weak spots that must be strengthened before they get into district competition. Bobcat mentors changed players rather often in Saturday's game,

giving almost every man an opportunity to get into the battle. Ballinger's victory over Paint Rock game the local team a game in its fight for the conference title. The game this week will furnish the Bearcats a little more practice before continuing district play.

The Bearcat forward wall worked fairly well last week but more work will be given the linemen this week in preparing for the heavier and more experienced Bobcats.

Bearcats Not to Play Eden Team

Ballinger high school officials are endeavoring to arrange for a football game on either Friday, November 6, or Saturday, November 7, it was said Tuesday morning.

Tentative arrangements had been made for a game with the Eden high school team, authorities here said, but because Eden is not a member of the class B conference this year and is reported to be playing a team composed of ineligible players, this contest has been cancelled.

School officials said this morning they were negotiating with other teams, hoping that a game could be arranged for the first week-end in November.

NEW HOSPITAL IS DOING GOOD WORK, SAYS HEAD

(By Associated Press) GALVESTON, Tex., Sept. 22.—With several patients discharged as cured since the opening of the State Psychopathic Hospital in Galveston a month ago, satisfaction was expressed by Dr. Giles W. Day, superintendent.

At present there are 30 patients in the state institution and these are showing splendid results from the treatment being received. The capacity of the hospital was recently increased to 36.

While the staff of attendants has been increased, with additional appropriations, the doctors and nursing staff have remained the same.

Dr. Day is assisted by Dr. Titus Harris of Galveston as clinical director and Dr. J. B. N. Walker of Brownwood as assistant clinical director.

Charles Miller and Hammond O'Kelly transacted business in Coleman Monday.

Businesses Which Help Build City

Bettis & Sturges
The firm of Bettis & Sturges, one of the outstanding business houses in Ballinger, is headed by J. C. Sturges, Sr., a man with 35 years of experience in the general dry goods business.

It was 35 years ago that Mr. Sturges, then a young man, first "hired out" as a clerk in a dry goods store at Weatherford. He worked there for several years and later was connected with Harris-Lipsitz, wholesale dry goods firm in Dallas, then went with the Perkins Dry Goods Company in the same city, when it was organized. He traveled for these two companies for about 20 years.

In going into business for himself, Mr. Sturges obtained stock in the Bettis & Gibbs stores at Brownwood and Comanche about nine years ago.

In 1924 Mr. Sturges came to Ballinger and opened the Bettis & Sturges ladies' store. The Ballinger store was the third in this group.

Today the firm owns and operates five stores. They include Sturges & Company, Brady, opened in 1923, Bettis & Sturges, Coleman, opened in 1927, Sturges & Company, Weatherford, opened in 1929, Bettis & Sturges, Ballinger, and Bettis & Gibbs, Brownwood.

The stores feature ready-to-wear departments in each city. Every year buyers from the stores make trips to Eastern markets to purchase goods for the system and always return with the latest styles and features offered by manufacturers in the metropolitan centers.

High grade and popular priced ready-to-wear are stressed at all seasons by this firm. Mr. Sturges says he believes merchandise which is desired by the leading citizenship is well represented in the local store.

Ladies' footwear is featured, but the store also handles children's and misses' shoes as well as the leading lines of hosiery.

The better lines of millinery, and woolen piece goods and articles found in a modern, well stocked store of this kind are handled by Bettis & Sturges.

England's Royal Baby L' Penchant for Girlish Adven



Possible occupants of the British throne are Princess Elizabeth and her baby sister, Princess Margaret Rose, shown here with their mother, the Duchess of York.

(By Associated Press) LONDON, Sept. 22.—Princess Margaret Rose, who conceivably may some day rule the British Empire, is said by intimates of the family of the Duke of York, second son of King George, to resemble her mother more than her father.

Like a real English girl she already, although just past her first birthday, has developed a penchant for adventure, and when her nurse's back is turned is off on exciting voyages of exploration through the nursery door.

Unlike most babies she does not crawl on all fours, but shifts herself about by sitting upright on one leg and sculling herself along with the other.

Until recently she had worn only white clothes, but now when she plays on the floor a pink linen crawler is pulled over her cambrie morning frock. The queen has knitted several white woolen bonnets and recently smoked an ivory crepe de chine dress for her little granddaughter.

The baby princess can say "Mum" and "Dad" and to the tremendous delight of her sister, Princess Elizabeth, has just achieved "sis."

Margaret Rose is described as having the same heart-shaped face, chestnut hair, wide-set blue eyes and winning smile of her mother.

The baby princess is fourth in line to the British throne. The Prince of Wales is first, the Duke

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Barons Win 5th Game of Series

HOUSTON, Sept. 22.—The Houston Buffaloes and Birmingham Barons are en route to Birmingham today to continue the playing of the 1931 Dixie series which was started in Birmingham last week. The Buffs lost the fifth game of the series here last night, 3 to 1.

The Barons took the first game of the series by defeating Dixie Dean at Birmingham, lost the second, third and fourth, but last night, Touchstone, righthander, pitched consistent ball while his teammates counted blows off McCabe, Ft. Worth hurler loaned to the Buffs, to score three runs.

The sixth game of the set-to is to be played tomorrow afternoon and if a seventh is necessary the two clubs will return to Houston Thursday for a night game.

Wilson Hartgrove, of Paint Rock, was in Ballinger Monday en route home from Snyder where he had been to take Mrs. Hartgrove for a visit with relatives.

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"That desk has stood there for years. I wouldn't think of moving it." . . . "George is awfully fond of that chair. It belonged to his grandmother." . . . "Yes, I managed to match the old red draperies exactly. It wouldn't seem like home if things were changed."

You have known people like that, set in their ways and hide-bound by tradition. Good souls they are, fine, solid, substantial . . . but missing out on so much that they have every right to enjoy. Wouldn't you like to shake them awake . . . sweep the cobwebs from their mental horizons . . . give them words like "new" and "latest" to replace the "olds" and "alwavs"? If they would only read the advertisements in the daily newspapers!

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Read the advertisements every day. It will pay you . . . in added enjoyment, and actual money saved.



SYNOPSIS: Peak Abbott is teased by temptation to make love to Sam Sherrill, the lovely step-daughter of an eccentric, aristocratic inventor. Peak has technical rights, for she has promised to marry him. But he hopes to win her love by expressing only friendship, until she has forgotten her interest in Freddy Munson, Sam would have married Freddy if he had been wealthy, as Peak is, but at the time her family was in severe need of money, and so she accepted Peak's friendship as a stepmother. Fourth Alderson, has found someone to back his invention, and money suddenly rolls in upon the family. Peak offers to set Sam free, but she determines to stand by her promise. He believes she may be growing fond of him. Delighted with her new freedom to spend as she pleases, Sam conceals his on having a good time.

CHAPTER 24 FLOOD TIDE AND EBB

ON the Thursday night of the first week of April the Wayne Holcombs gave a party.

It was a cold, blistering night. The calendar called for a moon and a moon there was, but it was a pale, chill moon riding high in a tumultuous sea of scurrying clouds. The wind blew fiercely across the Holcombs' deserted gardens and hurried itself upon the brightly lighted windows of the house.

In the Holcombs' cleared living room there was warmth and light. The floor was crowded with dancing couples. A fire was burning brightly in the huge fireplace, and near it stood Peak Abbott.

He was engaged in the profitable pastime of observing Sam Sherrill without being observed. Sam was dancing with Tod Markham, a tall, rapid individual.

Sam's dress was blue; a vivid kind of blue. Peak could not name the shade. He only knew that its vividness enhanced rather than dimmed the whiteness of her shoulders, the blackness of her hair. He realized all at once that Sam was beautiful.

The sudden thought shook him from his composure. If Sam was beautiful, what was she doing dancing with that oaf, Markham? The thing was preposterous. It must be stopped. Peak moved across the crowded room.

All at once she was in his arms, and was looking up at him, smiling. He tried to speak but the words tangled themselves hopelessly before they reached his lips.

Sam had not noticed his difficulties. "Let's get out of here for a minute," she said. "I want a breath of air."

He found himself being led across the polished floor, and down a long hall to the garden door. In a moment the door was closed behind them and the Wayne Holcombs' party had vanished completely in a tremendous gust of wind.

The moon had been blotted out by a heavy bank of cloud and as a result the darkness seemed more profound than that of an ordinary night.

The wind was very strong. It rushed at Peak and buffeted him. It tore at his hair and at his half-closed eyelids.

Sam looked up at him, laughed, and reached out her hand. Before he was fully aware of what was happening he found himself running for side, her hand in his, the grass.

His feet were treacherous, slipping squally under foot in the dark. He stumbled and fell, and, however, the bulk of the house loomed darkly. With a hand Peak wrenched at the door. In another instant they were across the threshold and there they stood.

Peak moved across to the black that marked the window over the valley. Peak followed as he reached her side and as he reached her side the moon and there was light.

The whole of the little in view, a panorama in white. It was an orderly, sophisticated little was no less pleasing.

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the breaking of a dam against which the rising waters had been beating for weeks and months.

It was only when Sam at last turned her face away that the roaring in Peak's brain gradually began to ebb.

He held her all the more tightly. "Sam!" he whispered. "Sam!" "Don't go away. Kiss me again!" "No, no!" She managed to slip free, taking two or three quick steps backward until she was leaning against the wall, breathing hard, its follow-d her grins, but she held him at arms length.

"No! Please don't!" She was pleading. "Peak! Stop! Please be sensible."

With the sound of her voice all the hot madness slipped away, leaving him drained for the moment of all emotion. He dropped his hands and stepped back.

"I'm sorry, Sam," he said quietly. "I don't know what happened."

"It's all right. She managed an uncertain little laugh. "I don't know what happened, either."

"I kissed you?" He stared at her dully. "I didn't mean to do it, but I did. You kissed me, too, do you realize that? You kissed me just as much as I kissed you."

"I wonder why you did." For a moment a gleam of light came into his eyes. "I suppose it was the moon—or maybe it was a sense of duty."

"No," Sam was calm again. "No, it wasn't the moon, and it wasn't because I felt that I should. I wanted to kiss you, so I did. I enjoyed it."

"You wanted to? You enjoyed it?" He swallowed with difficulty. "Why?"

"I don't know. Why does anybody want to kiss anybody?"

"Why?" Once more the light flamed in his eyes. This time it flamed fiercely to match the sudden flame in his brain. "There's only one answer to that question, Sam, and you know it!"

He drew a sharp little breath. "You love me, Sam."

She looked up at him, her eyes grave and trembled. "Do I?" she asked quietly. "Are you sure?"

"Yes," he replied gently. "Aren't you?"

"No." She shook her head. "I'm not sure of anything."

"Then let me help you." Peak said. "Answer a few simple questions for me. Why have you been so different for the past month or more? Why have you been so much more happy than I've ever known you to be?"

"Have I seemed so very happy?" "Of course." He made an impatient gesture. "It has been as obvious to everybody else as it has been to me. It's been weeks since I've seen you have one of those proud streaks that you used to have so often. There's only one possible answer to the change. You've been happy. Don't you know, Sam, that you've been happy?"

"Yes," she nodded. "It's true. I've been happy."

"Of course you have! And now I want you to give me the reason for it."

"Yes," she admitted. "There's a reason, of course. But I'm afraid it isn't the reason you hope. I'm afraid you'll think it is a very silly reason."

"I won't think that. Tell me."

"The reason why I've been so happy lately is very simple." She said the words slowly, with an air of defiance. "It is just because of money—the money Fourth made out of his invention."

Peak stared at her to bewilderment. "I must make you see!" Sam said desperately. "I won't have you thinking I'm superficial and selfish; that I want money for money's sake. It's just that I'm sick and tired of being a charity patient!"

Peak shook his head wearily. "I don't know what you're talking about."

"Don't you?" she asked with sudden heat. "Well, I can tell you, because I've been one all my life and I know!"

"You admit that it isn't my fault that my friends have always been people with plenty of money. I didn't choose my friends and environment. I didn't choose my poverty either. It was foisted on me along with my friends. What has the result been?"

Sam asked the question fiercely, busily demanding an answer.

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Tax Collectors Awaiting Rate

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Mike C. Boyd, county tax assessor, is awaiting this rate before finishing his rolls but expects to have them ready shortly after the state rate is issued.

Every county in Texas is awaiting the state rate and unless it is received within the next few days, collection of 1931 taxes will be commenced later than usual.

Mr. Forgey said that approximately 24 per cent of the 1930 taxes are due October 15. He believes nearly one-fourth of the taxpayers took advantage of the legislative act in granting a postponement in payment of this levy. This act was passed and became effective a few days prior to January 31, the last day for payment of taxes without penalty and interest, and by that time a majority of the taxes had been paid. Ten per cent interest, however, is charged on the delayed payments.

SEA FISHING POSSIBILITY IN SOUTHWESTERN STATE

(By Associated Press) CHEROKEE, Okla., Sept. 22— Salt water fishing in the heart of Oklahoma.

It sounds foolish, yet state game department officials say it will come to pass if the federal government impounds the proposed artificial lake on the prairie near here.

Because the lake would cover the Great Salt Plain, officials assert fresh water fish could not thrive in it and only the salt water variety could be propagated.

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This is the 70th annual meeting of the Texas synod and the first time the two branches have held a joint session since division

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A high point of the meeting will be the addresses of Dr. Joseph A. Vance, Detroit, Mich., former moderator of the northern branch; and his brother, Dr. James I. Vance, Nashville, Tenn., former moderator of the southern branch.

Dr. W. B. Gray, Eldorado, moderator of the southern branch in Texas, and Dr. Floyd Poe, Dallas, moderator of the northern branch in Texas, also will speak at the gathering.

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BLANTON NEWS

Sunday school and B Y P U were well attended Sunday and good lessons were reported.

Relatives gave W. F. James a pleasant surprise Sunday with a basket dinner celebrating his birthday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Leuber Dietz and children, of Crews, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Boothe and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. James and little son, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon James, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. James and Miss Maude James.

The surprise party at the J. P. Boothe home Saturday night was well attended and all reported a good time.

J. A. Reese's mother and sister were guests in his home Friday.

George Fowler has returned home from Corpus Christi, where he had been for the past three or four months.

REPORTER

Fair Catalogues Being Completed

Catalogues, listing prices and premiums and giving other information regarding the 1931 Runnels County Fair, October 13 to 17, inclusive, are being completed this week, printers have informed officials of the fair association and by the early part of next week a clerical staff will be busy addressing and mailing these booklets to prospective exhibitors.

This year's catalogue is very attractive and contains 43 pages. Binding and a few other operations only are lacking to finish the brochure.

More than 1,500 catalogues are being issued this year.

93 Licenses to Wed are Issued

Texas "gun marriage" law has been cutting a big figure in weddings in Runnels county this year according to an inspection of the license records in the office of Mrs. Clarence West, county clerk.

At the close of business, September 21, a total of 93 marriage licenses had been issued since January 1, 1931, the records showed.

June, traditional month for nuptials, encompassed a total of only 13 licenses, while 13 permits also were issued in August. No other month showed more than 12 licenses issued.

The month of September stands a good chance of being the record month for issuance of licenses this year, as 12 have already been issued and nine days remain for business in this department.

Licenses issued in the county by months, follow:

Table with 2 columns: Month, Licenses Issued. January: 8, February: 12, March: 3, April: 10, May: 11, June: 13, July: 11, August: 13, September (21): 12

NEGRO'S BOND IN LIQUOR CASE SET HERE AT \$500

Bond of \$500 was set for Jesse Styles, negro, charged in Justice of the Peace Carl Wilson's court with transporting intoxicating beverages.

Styles was arrested in Winters by Marshal N. C. Terry and Deputy Sheriff Gerald Black.

The negro had been successful in getting his bond signed but had not been approved by Sheriff W. A. Holt Tuesday morning.

Be wise and advertise.

As they have been general manager, Mr. Maury Hopkins, assistant manager, also will be present with local district number officials.

These meetings are to be strictly for business, according to Mr. Harte, and only affiliated member towns have been invited to send representatives. Matters to be discussed include topics outlined by the executive committee several months ago at a meeting held in Sweetwater.

President Harte is to attend meetings held in districts 10, 9, 8, 3, and 5. Wilbur Hawk, Amarillo, vice-president, and Spencer Wells, Lubbock, vice-president, will attend the sessions in districts 7, 1, 2 and 3. Mr. Bandeen and Mr. Hopkins will attend all meetings.

The complete schedule for the meetings follow:

District 9, San Angelo, Wednesday, September 23

District 6, Big Spring, Thursday, October 2

District 8, Fort Stockton, Friday, September 25

District 7, Carlsbad, Saturday, September 25

District 2, Lubbock, Monday, September 28

District 1, Amarillo, Tuesday, September 29

District 3, Wichita Falls, Thursday, October 1

District 5, Abilene, Friday, October 2

District 10, Coleman, Saturday, October 3

The district 4 conference, which is to be held at Fort Worth, has not yet been arranged but officials expect to announce the date of this meeting after all other district conferences.

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DOVE SUPPLY PLENTIFUL BUT BIRDS ARE BECOMING WILDER

Local hunters are finding the dove supply plentiful this season and they are also finding that in order to get the limit in one day, they must be good shots.

Early in the season doves were slightly more plentiful than they are now but sportsmen who have been out after a good meal have fired at the birds so much that it is difficult to get within shooting range now.

Water tanks and holes around Ballinger have been providing the most popular hunting places while some nimrods have taken to the fields.

There are still many birds in this section but they are hard to bag.

Miss Nadine Johnson, of Abilene, is here visiting relatives and friends for several days.

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