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## Thousands Greet Santa Here Saturday Afternoon

One of the largest crowds to visit Ballinger in many years was here Saturday afternoon to greet Santa Claus on his first visit to the city. The crowd began assembling soon after noon and shortly before time advertised for the parade the streets were jammed with children anxiously watching for signs of His Majesty.

For some reason the jolly old fellow was late in arriving and did not appear on the streets until after 3 p. m. Crowds of kiddies rushed to the coach bearing the distinguished visitor and followed it to the intersection of Eighth Street and Hutchings Avenue where a stop was made while Santa saluted the throngs and threw confections to the children.

The Ballinger Band led the parade through town with the Ballinger high school pep squad acting as a special escort to Santa Claus. When the procession halted the pep squad sang songs and gave yells for the visitor, then escorted him back to his airplane and saw him off to another city where he was due to meet other children.

The streets were decorated for the occasion with many rows of colored lights strung across the streets, evergreen trees adorning the sidewalks and practically all stores decorated and showing the spirit of Christmas.

The next public Christmas program here will be given on the night of December 23 when the Ballinger high school glee club under the direction of Miss Katherine Todd will offer a cantata down town at 7 o'clock, and then serenade all those who have candles burning in their windows. The glee club will be assisted in this program by the business men in whatever way possible. Cars will be furnished the girls to make the trips in the residential sections.

Other Yuletide programs will follow, practically every church in the city staging programs of some kind on Sundays. Two concerts will be rendered by local choirs, the Methodist choir presenting a sacred concert next Sunday evening, and the First Presbyterian choir rendering a concert on December 27.

### Have You Joined the Goodfellows?

A canvass will be made here next week in all sections of the city by Rev. E. W. McLaurin, Rev. J. H. McClain, Rev. C. P. Jones, Rev. J. E. Kerr and Rev. H. M. Janvier.

Toys, clothing, food should be taken to the central fire station and left with D. G. Posey. Those having bundles and wanting some Camp Fire Girl or Boy Scout to come for same can phone K. V. Northington, Mrs. Bruce Creasy or Mrs. Victor Miller for a Camp Fire Girl.

Iron pots are swung along the streets where small cash donations can be dropped. These pots will be taken inside at night and watched throughout the day.

The Ledger will receive donations and the names will be published with the amount given unless otherwise requested. When the giver desires the contribution will be reported as cash.

Bundles will be delivered on Christmas Eve and the committee is anxious to get all donations, either cash or otherwise, now, so it can plan the work.

The Palace Theatre will stage its annual charity show on Christmas Eve morning from 9 to 12, and every child in Ballinger is invited to attend free. Those who are able are asked to bring some gift for the poor. Food, clothing, candy, fruit, an old toy—anything that will make some child happy will be the admission. Are you a Goodfellow?

Ask for Runnels Delight Butter 15-6t

Mrs. Mary Blair, of Winters, spent the week-end here with Mrs. N. B. Singletary.

J. S. Reese, of Benoit, was in Ballinger Thursday and called to have his Ledger continued for another year.

## Agents Gather for Winter Convention

C. W. Lehmburg, county agent, and Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, home demonstration agent, left Tuesday morning for Sweetwater to attend the district meeting of agricultural leaders scheduled there. A number of West Texas counties will be represented at this meeting of extension service workers. "Key" bankers and secretaries of chambers of commerce also have been asked to attend.

The program for the first day will take up matters of particular interest to the secretaries and bankers, while the second and third days will be of more interest to the agents. R. G. Erwin, "key" banker for this county, and J. D. Motley, secretary of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, have been invited to attend all or part of the time.

Leaders from College Station will address the agents on important problems of this section and reports will be heard from all county agents on accomplishments for the past twelve months.

## Dickey Will Head Charity Bodies

Frank C. Dickey, local attorney, has been named to head the Charity Board and Red Cross chapter for the coming year. Mr. Dickey has accepted the place, all funds have been placed at his disposal and applicants for help in the future should be directed to him for investigation and assistance if found worthy.

Will Dooze, elected at the Thanksgiving service, could not serve and tendered his resignation. The nominating committee was authorized to replace any vacancies on either board and after a recent meeting decided that Mr. Dickey would be the best available man for the job. He will be busy in district court for several weeks but after that can be found either at his office or the court house.

There have been a number of applications during the past few days for assistance from worthy families in need of clothing and food. Members of the Welfare Association stated Tuesday morning that they were entirely out of used clothing and that people having same should take it to the city hall for issuance by the association and Goodfellows.

The complete board for the Welfare Association is: Frank C. Dickey, chairman; Scott H. Mack, U. E. Hartman, Mrs. Max Russell and Mrs. Ada Steele. Red Cross chapter officers are: Frank C. Dickey, chairman; Charles Coombes, vice-chairman; R. E. White, secretary; and Neil McAlpine, treasurer.

R. E. McWilliams, of Austin, attended to business in district court here Monday.

Sheriff Burl Wheeler, of Taylor county, attended sessions of the district court here Monday.

Stamp pads and pad ink, any color, at Ledger office. atf

## To Present Two Xmas Programs

The First Presbyterian Church of Ballinger will stage two separate Christmas programs during the holiday season. The first will be held Wednesday evening, December 23, when children of the church and Sunday school will be given a Christmas tree.

Sunday evening, December 27, the choir will be heard in a Christmas cantata. The large choir under the direction of Miss Edith Miller has been working for several weeks on this program of sacred music and the entire citizenship is extended an invitation to attend. A complete program will be published next week.

Rev. E. W. McLaurin, pastor, will deliver his Christmas sermon on the morning of December 27, with Christmas music featured.

Be wise and advertise.

## Witness Fined for Non-Appearance

The first case called in 119th district court Monday morning was that of the State of Texas vs. Charles Winans. District Attorney Eugene Mathis called for Willie Henderson, state's witness, and finding him not in the court room presented papers to Judge O. L. Parish showing that he had been properly notified and that a return had been made.

Judge Parish passed the case for the present, fined Henderson \$100, set bond at \$250 and issued an attachment for the witness. Defendant's witnesses were present, however, no date will be set for the case until the state's witness is located.

George Hill, of Winters, attended to business in Ballinger Monday afternoon.

Be wise and advertise.

## Damage Suit Taken Up By District Court Monday

### 65,371 Bales Ginned On Dec. 1 Report

On December 1, 65,371 bales of cotton, counting round bales as half bales, had been ginned in Runnels county. Ginnings on the same date in 1930 totaled 29,305 bales.

There is still a small amount of the staple to be ginned in this county and quite a number of bales have been ginned since the report was compiled on the 1st which will raise the total some higher but most cotton men believe production this year will fall short of the 70,000 mark predicted earlier in the season.

A large per cent of the 1931 crop is being held by farmers, and the local yard and compress are crowded at the present. Buyers state that many bales are being hauled back to the farm to be held and only recently a warning was issued for all those holding cotton to turn the bales if they were in the open, exposed to the elements.

The final figures on this year's crop will not be known definitely until some time in 1932.

### WOMAN IS INJURED BY CHARGE FROM SHOTGUN

Mrs. George Odom was painfully injured by an accidental discharge from a shotgun at her home, six miles east of Ballinger on the Coleman road, Friday afternoon. A muscle of her right arm was completely torn off by the charge.

Mrs. Odom was in a wagon in which there was a gun and in some way the lines became entangled with the weapon, pulling the trigger and causing it to be discharged.

Dr. F. M. Hale was called to the home to dress the wounds and the victim was reported to be resting well Monday.

Rev. W. H. Doss, of Abilene, was in Ballinger Sunday to conduct funeral rites for his friend, R. J. Deens.

The 119th district court convened here for the third week Monday morning. The first case, that of Mrs. E. A. Ischar versus the West Texas Utilities Company, was called for trial. Ten of the jurors were selected from the regular panel and officers summoned others until the last two were accepted by counsel.

This case is one in which the widow of E. A. Ischar, deceased, is seeking damages of \$85,000 for the death of Ischar at his blacksmith shop here last July. Death is alleged to have occurred from a shock received while working with an electric drill.

A number of witnesses have been summoned and will be heard during the taking of evidence. The case is being conducted for the plaintiff by Frank C. Dickey and Dallas Scarborough while the defendant company is represented by A. K. Doss, A. C. Wood and E. J. Harwell.

The jury selected to hear the case is as follows: Doyle Campbell, Jim Eoff, W. R. Clark, J. W. Copeland, Dan Eckert, E. H. Colburn, F. B. Cox, Elmer Phillips, Hugh Campbell, W. D. Lewis, G. O. McAuley and John Loveless.

As soon as the jury was completed for this case Judge O. L. Parish excused others summoned for jury service this week until Wednesday morning at which time they were instructed to report.

Other prospective jurors who will report Wednesday morning for the remainder of the week are: George Dean, Frank Meadows, Chas. Grant, M. C. Atkins, Robt. Talbott, W. J. Gardner, Lynn Stokes, Tom Caudle, E. T. Bridwell, R. I. Collingsworth, Frank Flynt, D. F. Hicks, Jr., Jack Nichols, Clifton Davis, L. C. Daugherty, Joe Neff, Jim Collins, Ralph Erwin, I. N. Wilkinson, J. A. Williams, B. A. Lott.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin King, of San Antonio, were here this week visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Young, of San Angelo, visited in Ballinger Thursday.

Buy your printing at home.

## Children's Charity Show Set; Goodfellows Fund is Started

Some unknown friend of the poor put a crisp \$20 bill and \$5 to accompany it in an envelope and sent it to The Ledger Saturday morning for the Goodfellows.

A few more with this spirit of love for the unfortunate would shove the fund towards its goal and all the kiddies would at least have a good Christmas dinner and a little remembrance to play with.

W. D. Scales, manager of the Palace Theatre, announces that he will present a charity show on Christmas eve morning, the proceeds to go to the Goodfellows Club funds. The same plan as heretofore will be used, a feature picture being run for the children with the admission some gift for the poor in the form of an apple, an orange, candy, a warm garment for some child, a used toy, a bag of nuts, a can or parcel of food, potatoes, beans, flour, or a thousand other items that could be mentioned.

The benefit performance given each year by Mr. Scales has been of considerable help not only in providing a huge amount of food and clothing, but also in increasing interest in the movement here to spread Christmas cheer. The show will commence at 9 a. m. and a full program will be presented.

In previous years the sidewalk in front of this popular theatre has been piled high with good food and other merchandise when the children crowded the house to its capacity. Employees of the theatre will be stationed at the box office to receive the kiddies' gifts as they enter and parents

should not hesitate to allow their children to attend this show and provide them with gifts which will find their way into poverty-stricken homes.

Few Goodfellows have reported to date this year but when the committee suggested dropping the movement a number of people protested, declaring they intended to give in time for the work to be carried on. A few have sent in offerings and the others have a few days left in which to donate. At least \$250 will be needed to care for a larger number than were helped last year when more than \$400 was spent.

Bring or mail checks to the Goodfellows in care of this paper and the donation will be credited. Anyone preferring this his name not be published may simply make that request and the contribution will be reported as "cash." Here is the fund to date:

Previously reported	\$ 8.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Brock	2.00
C. R. Stone, jr.	1.00
Boelscher & Stansney	5.00
E. N. Stansney	3.00
Unknown	\$25.00
Geo. Garrett	2.00
E. Shepperd	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. H. Doss	2.50
Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Lynn	2.50
Ballinger Cotton Oil Co.	5.00
H. C. Lyon	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Leach	5.00
Cash	1.00
Mrs. Peyton Orgain	1.00
Miss Maggie Underwood	1.00
Mrs. A. R. Jones	5.00
Lions Club	10.00
Cash	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. F. D. McCoy	1.50
Cash	1.00
Modern Woodmen	2.50

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Here's a real menace to savings which large-scale buying and economical operating methods of chain stores have been giving you. Are you going to surrender them—particularly in this period of economic distress?

There's no time to lose if these savings are to be made safe! Protest at once to your State Representative. Tell him you don't intend to be the innocent victim of discriminatory legislation!

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SUBSCRIPTION BARGAIN OFFER

- For a limited time the subscription price of the Ballinger Semi-Weekly Ledger (regular price \$2 per annum), has been reduced to \$1. A whole year's reading for your dollar.

On December 1 Runnels county had produced 65,376 bales of cotton. To many people this seems like a lot of cotton but to those who have lived in Runnels county for a number of years it is just a normal crop.

Firemen all over the nation are trying to reduce fire during the holidays. Letters are being mailed, cards posted and newspaper publicity directed at those who will have Christmas trees in their homes, pointing out many of the common hazards which cause fires at Christmastide.

Other crops besides cotton are gradually getting a foothold in this county but some are not recognized as important yet. Poultry was about the second item to be heralded as a real money getting product in this county and many now look upon poultry money as one of the best sources of income.

Many are planning for the happiness of their families for Christmas and there will be few homes in this county that will not have fulsome cheer. The Goodfellows are making a powerful appeal to those who are able to give a little, asking that a small sum be donated so poor children and needy families can have a few of the joys of Yuletide.

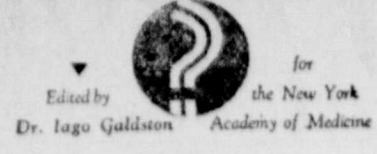
WANTED

Middling cotton at 50 points above market price in exchange for furniture at our lowest cash prices from now till Jan. 1st. Now is the time to get your Christmas furniture.

W. M. Spruell, of Nerton, was in Ballinger Saturday attending to business and ordered The Ledger for another year.

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HOW'S your HEALTH



Edited by Dr. Lago Goldstein Academy of Medicine

HYPNOTISM

Interest in hypnotism persists despite the century and a half that has passed since Mesmer first enunciated his theory of animal magnetism.

Faith and miraculous cures have been known since the earliest days of the tribal medicine man. Mesmer, however, laid down a pseudo-scientific basis for such cures by attributing them to the effects of a nebulous medium which he termed animal magnetism.

Mesmer was a Viennese physician living in the latter part of the eighteenth century.

Even as radio, electrons, radium and ultra violet rays are exploited today by the charlatan and quack to "take in" in the gullible, so magnetism—then in the forefront of scientific thought was used for the same ends.

The animal magnetism of Mesmer and the ritual of its application, were in time shown to be hocus-pocus.

However, the effects which Mesmer secured in certain states of nervous imbalance, or lack of balance, and particularly in hysteria were in time proved genuine.

The medical and scientific world in Germany, Austria, and England rejected Mesmer and his theories.

France was more receptive, and Mesmer left a deep impression upon the psychiatry of that country, echoes having been heard a few years ago in the preachings of Coue, whose auto-suggestion is a sort of self-hypnosis.

Hypnotism, as Mesmerism came to be known, was vindicated by the work of an English physician, Braid, and others.

The possibility of inducing by suggestion a variety of psychic states has been many times demonstrated.

Many minor, and otherwise painful operations have been performed painlessly on patients in a hypnotic state.

The possibilities for curing through hypnotism were once thought to be large, but they have not materialized.

Cameras whirl in dance scene for "Just a Gigolo"

Cameras danced as well as William Haines in ballroom scenes of "Just a Gigolo" his new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture which will open a two-day run at the Palace Theatre Wednesday of this week.

Mounted on whirling platforms, they followed Irene Purcell and Haines through the mazes of the dance, with microphones overhead moving with them to record dialogue "on the fly."

This was one of a number of original effects achieved in the new picture, a filmization of the David Belasco stage hit, "Dancing Partner."

Jack Conway directed the new production, in which a notable new appearance Miss Purcell plays the leading role, the role she created in the New York stage presentation, and Charlotte Granville repeats Belasco's original and misapprehends her mother role, which she also created in the Belasco play.

C. Aubrey Smith, noted for his work in "The Bachelor Father," Lillian Bond of "Stepping Out" fame, Albert Conti, Maria Alba, Lenore Bushman, Ray Milland, Gerald Fielding and Yola Davril have important roles.

Former Ballinger Woman Tells of Sad Christmas for Two Little Girls

The following letter should be read by every person who claims to love children and who wants them to be happy at Christmas. A former Ballinger woman tells of a Christmas Eve here many years ago when Santa Claus overlooked two little girls and how she has kept that childhood secret in her heart until she saw in The Ledger last week how Goodfellows were failing here.

"How it feels to be a poor child, with all of your childhood days spent in Ballinger, and have Santa Claus pass you by:

"On a Christmas Eve about forty years ago two little girls just starting to school, heard their schoolmates talking of the wonderful toys Santa Claus always brought them; the only Santa they had known only brought an apple, a stick of candy and once there was a package of firecrackers, carefully divided and put into the six carefully darned stockings hanging in a row. These little girls talked it over, and decided if mother could be persuaded to let them go to a Christmas tree and Santa Claus could really see them perhaps he could spare them each a toy.

"To the credit of the grownups present, I want to say I am sure they never noticed our empty hands or saw our bleeding hearts. Those were the only Christmas trees I ever saw as a child and one 10-cent doll in my stocking was the only toy of a childhood spent in Ballinger. My beautiful belief in a good old Santa Claus was gone forever, on the night I saw these beautiful trees and not a toy for the children in our family.

"It has been more than thirty years since I lived in Ballinger, and today, as I write this, I am blotting it with tears because of a childhood without Santa Claus. Many happy Christmas times have passed for my children and grandchildren and they have known only a generous Santa Claus and I have never told them of this tragedy of a child's life. Once each year this Skeleton in the secret chamber of my Memory is brought out, and will not rest or go back, until I have placed into the hands, myself, of some poor child gifts and as I look into the depths of their eyes—I see into their happy hearts.

"I am sending you \$1.00; I am sorry it can't be more, but I must be a Goodfellow to those among whom I live. I am not signing my name, I could not bear to have any one to mention this real sorrow of my childhood. I have a great love and respect for the

people and town of my childhood. "Your statement that the Goodfellows are not responding has caused me to unlock the door to this Secret Memory. "Hoping Ballinger people will remember the poor children this Christmas."

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FARMERS ARE WARNED TO TURN THEIR COTTON

Local cotton buyers warn farmers who are holding cotton and who are storing on the farm, that during wet weather especially the bales should be turned often to preserve the staple. Some cotton in the county has been badly damaged by allowing it to remain in one position on damp ground and when sold brings a much lower price than that which is turned every few days to allow the sun to dry out the staple.

Cotton held in public yards and even in warehouses is turned and position of the bales changed every two or three days.

A. C. Wood, of Houston, is here this week attending district court.

Businesses Which Help Build City

Runnels County Cooperative Creamery

The Runnels County Cooperative Creamery was organized and began operation in Ballinger in 1927. Following a strong demand for such an industry here, many local people interested themselves in the project after making trips to towns where home creameries were being operated successfully. After being satisfied as to its merit a corporation was formed and stock sold to Runnels county citizens. The shares were widely distributed with merchants, farmers, dairy workers and individuals subscribing to make funds available for the purchase of machinery and construction of a modern plant.

The plant, which has been in operation for the past four years, is one of the most modern of its kind in this section and turns out products that are as good as any on the market. The machinery is very modern, it is housed in a suitable building conveniently located on the Santa Fe right-of-way. Ample capacity cold storage vaults take care of all the products.

Butter, cottage cheese, Bulgarian buttermilk and all kinds of ice cream are manufactured. Pasteurized milk is delivered in the city limits, and all other products carried by an up-to-date creamery are produced.

The creamery offers a market the year round to the dairymen of this section and at all times pays all that the legitimate market will allow for milk and cream. Dairy products are sought in this section, every service possible being offered to those who patronize the plant. Manufactured products are disposed of through all possible channels and in this the creamery needs the cooperation of citizens in using and demanding "Runnels county" products.

Any person desiring to inspect the creamery will be welcome at any time. This plant, however, is inspected regularly by city and state health officials, who have complimented the management highly on the sanitary methods employed.

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

Methodist Choir In Concert Sunday

The First Methodist Church will celebrate Christmas next Sunday at both the morning and evening hour. The feature program of the holidays will be presented Sunday evening at 7 o'clock when the choir will render a sacred Christmas concert and the entire evening will be devoted to music. Thirty voices have been carefully rehearsed for this program with Mrs. L. Schermerhorn at the organ. The theme of "The Babe in the Manger" will be followed.

Anthems of Christmas nature will be used as the chorus numbers with Mrs. J. A. Schnable, Miss Ruth Forgey, Mrs. Levy Lee, Mrs. Troy Simpson and R. W. Earnshaw taking the solo and duet parts. A special feature will be a vocal solo by Miss Evelyn Shepherd; a reading on the birth of Christ, by Mrs. Robert Bruce; a violin solo by Miss Katherine Todd and an organ number by Mrs. Schermerhorn.

The church will be decorated and lighted especially for the night and an invitation is given everyone to attend. The choir is well balanced and has spent much time in preparing the program.

At the morning hour in the Sunday school children will bring gifts and money offerings which will be divided between the Methodist orphanage and the local Goodfellow Club. The entire school will be assembled for the occasion and a special program will be presented by the children.

Rev. C. P. Jones will deliver

his Christmas message to the congregation at 11 a. m. o'clock Sunday and the choir will render special music.

Pasteurized sweet milk is safer. 15-6t

Charles Coombes returned to bed Sunday evening with a relapse of influenza. Charlie had been up and was apparently about well when he suffered the relapse.

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DOROTHY DARNIT By Charles McManus. A comic strip with six panels showing a man and a woman in a rural setting. The man asks 'WHATCHA GONNA DO WITH THE GUN MISTERS?' and 'WHATCHA HUNTING FOR?'. The woman replies 'I'M A HUNTER' and 'DUCKS—ARE THERE ANY IN THESE PARTS?'. The man asks 'THOUSANDS OF 'EM' and 'ARE THEY WILD?'. The woman replies 'NO—BUT I'LL TEASE SOME OF 'EM AND MAKE 'EM WILD FOR YOU'.



# Weddings

## Miller-Kirk

Frederick Harding Miller and Miss Eleanor Kirk were married in Santa Barbara, California, on November 24. Mrs. Miller is the daughter of Mrs. R. P. Kirk of this city.

The following announcement was received here by friends: Mrs. Robert Pugh Kirk announces the marriage of her daughter Eleanor

to Mr. Frederick Harding Miller on Tuesday, the twenty-fourth of November nineteen hundred and thirty-one Santa Barbara, California

At Home  
1610 Garfield Avenue  
San Marino, California  
Miss Kirk was born and reared here, graduated from the Ballinger high school and after spending several years in Austin went to California to do secretarial work.

Mr. Miller, the only son of Herman Miller and Mrs. Emily Harding Miller of Pasadena, is a member of the firm of Hazard, Miller and Miller of Los Angeles, organized in 1878, being the oldest firm of patent attorneys on the West Coast.

Truck or ship your Pecans to Heart of Texas Pecan Growers' Cooperative Association, Brownwood, Texas. Liberal cash advance is made when you deliver and final settlement early as possible, when pool is sold. 11-21

## Benoit News

A norther came Saturday night without rain which will be appreciated by those who have hogs ready to kill.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Pendleton of Ballinger are taking their vacation this week. Mr. Pendleton is oil gauger at this place. They will visit in McCamey, Cisco and Fort Worth before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Pullin and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hoffman; and their guests Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hill and Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Hoffman. Mr. and Mrs. Milton Gibson and little son, Wesley Elmo, spent Saturday night with Mrs. Gibson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Odom, near Ballinger.

Mrs. George Odom was seriously injured Friday afternoon by the accidental discharge of a shotgun, the charge taking effect in her right arm, tearing away the muscles in that member. The accident occurred near their home while Mr. and Mrs. Odom were engaged in hauling wood. Mrs. Odom was driving the team when the lines became entangled with the trigger of the gun causing the gun to be fired. It was reported that the patient is doing as well as can be expected after having sixty stitches taken in the injured arm.

Mrs. W. D. Lewis and family have as their guests Mrs. Lewis' son and his wife, Mr and Mrs. Lois Brookshire of Seattle, Wash. Mr. and Mrs. Milton Clayton, Mrs. B. J. Clayton and her grandsons, Doyle Condrie, and Mrs. Arch Brookshire visited in the W. T. Hill home Sunday afternoon.

The school will have a Christmas tree and program Friday night, December 18, to which the public is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Pryor Martin and small daughter, L. Wanda, spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gibson Saturday, returning to their home in Brownwood Sunday.

L. B. Rappy and L. B. Jr. motored to Wilmeth Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Cox and family visited Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gibson Sunday.

## Poultry Meeting is Set for Thursday

Poultry raisers have been invited to attend a meeting here Thursday evening in the W. B. Currie Produce Company building. At this meeting important matters pertaining to poultry raising will be discussed by leaders familiar with every phase of the industry.

Ross Horick, the principal speaker, will discuss poultry management, breeding, mating, hatching and brooding of baby chicks. C. W. Lehmburg has been invited to the meeting and will speak on the subjects of improving the flocks and poultry demonstration farms.

Everyone interested in the progress of poultry in this section is invited to attend this meeting which will open at 7 p. m.

Raby Padgett has returned his ranch after spending a month here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Padgett. Mr. Padgett was ill most of the time he was here.

Pasteurized sweet milk is safer. 15-18

## Herring Topics

The farmers are all behind with their work as there is still some cotton in the fields as well as maize and bundled feedstuff. Very little land has been broken in anticipation of the 1932 planting season.

Rev. Teirce filled his regular appointment here Saturday, Sunday and Sunday night.

Mr. McDaniel and Mr. Feeler are in the list of sick in our community this week.

School is progressing nicely at the present writing. The teachers and children are preparing to stage a Christmas program Friday night. School will be adjourned Friday, to be resumed December 28.

Misses Irma Mae Richey and Oleta Davis of Talpa, Ira Hale, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hale and family of Ballinger all were Sunday guests in the home of W. A. Hale.

Mrs. T. C. Payne spent Thursday with her mother, Mrs. Hall. Mr. Payne visited Mr. A. Vent.

Mr. and Mrs. Shields and children of Silver Valley spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Farmer.

W. M. Bristor of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Brevard spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Avert.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hale spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Payne and family of Crews.

## Special Bill at Palace Theatre this Week

As a special treat to the patrons of the Palace this week, an act of unusual type is being presented on Wednesday and Thursday.

Cruz Alexander "The Mystic," and his new and thrilling acts of unbelievable mysteries, featuring many new and startling illusions, among the outstanding: the floating electric light, Chinese rings, and, as a climax, the thrilling marked bullet act, with a human target.

Alexander is also a mentalist of seemingly unlimited powers, and the answering of sealed questions from the audience is a high spot in his act.

Cruz is a former Ballinger boy, graduating from the local high school. During the last few years he has enjoyed a measure of success as an architect.

Sheriff Mose Denman and Deputy Jack Hallmark, of Brown county, attended to business here Monday.

Dallas Scarborough, of Abilene, was in Ballinger Monday looking after business.

## Deens, Former Official, Dies

R. J. Deens, 78, one of the best known men in Runnels county, died Saturday afternoon at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Oscar Harber. Mr. Deens was able to be down town Saturday, meeting his friends, apparently feeling fine and enjoying his visit to town after being confined to his home for sometime with severe illness a few weeks ago.

Declaring that he was feeling fine Saturday he persuaded his daughter, Mrs. Harber, and his granddaughter to go to Abilene to attend a Christmas celebration. He was down town during the forenoon and went home shortly before noon for lunch and to rest.

When Mrs. Harber arrived home at about 6:30 Saturday afternoon she went into the house and not finding her father in his room, called to him, and started through the house. Entering the breakfast room she found him lying on the floor dead. A physician called declared that he had been dead for some time, death being due to an attack of heart trouble with which he was afflicted.

Mr. Deens came to Ballinger about 26 years ago. For a number of years he engaged in the livery stable business with some of the best teams, single drivers and fine buggy equipment to be found in this part of the state. He continued in this business for a number of years or until the automobile era. Closing out his stables he took a short vacation and then announced for the office of county commissioner of precinct No. 1, was elected and served in this position for ten years, being elected for five terms.

At the time Mr. Deens assumed office, roads in this part of the county were in deplorable condition. During the ten years' term he became known as one of the best county commissioners in the state, and many roads were permanently improved under his direction. He practiced economy in his office but was ready to spend when the right kind of work could be done on any road in his territory. Under his direction every road in the precinct received its full share of improvement. One of his last acts and which still stands as a monument to his good work was the paving of a strip on Hutchings Avenue from Tenth Street to the Colorado River bridge.

Mr. Deens was a member of the commissioners' court in 1921 when Judge Paul Trimmer was appointed to that office. Referring to the appointment Monday, Mr. Trimmer pointed out that all four

commissioners were now dead and that they had died in reverse order according to age, the youngest expiring first and the oldest last. Those men were George Miller of Wingate, I. A. Curry of Miles, D. W. Yeaser of Winters, and R. J. Deens of Ballinger.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the First Methodist Church, of which decedent was a member, with his old friend, Rev. W. H. Doss, of Abilene, officiating. Rev. Doss was assisted in the service by Rev. C. P. Jones and Rev. J. H. McClain. Interment was made in Evergreen Cemetery.

A large throng of intimate friends of decedent gathered at the church Sunday afternoon to pay their last tribute of respect to this good man. Mr. Deens was preceded in death a number of years by his wife and since that time made his home with his only child, Mrs. Oscar Harber, and husband. His 26 years in Ballinger and his ten years in public office made him widely known.

Pallbearers were John Loveess, Paul Trimmer, A. C. Chapman, J. L. Davis, J. L. Chastain and E. L. DeWitt.

King-Holt Company undertakers were in charge of funeral arrangements.

## Sorghum Making Helps Farmers to Live at Home

(By Associated Press)

PINEHURST, N. C., Dec. 14.—Residents of Moore county, North Carolina, don't have to go away from home to obtain the necessities of life.

State agricultural authorities report hundreds of families in the county have grocery bills below \$3 a month. The live-at-home campaign of Gov. O. Max Gardner and low farm prices are partly responsible.

One of the things Moore county farmers aren't worrying about now is the sugar bill. That's because sorghum making has been revived on a large scale. The sorghum is used for all purposes that sugar is.

The sorghum-making plants in use in Moore county are of the same primitive type as were used long ago, except that steel rollers have replaced wooden. Mules supply the power that turns the rollers.

## Tax Hits Gasoline Use

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Dec. 14.—(AP)—Gasoline consumption in Florida fell off four million gallons during the first month the new gasoline tax was in force. The tax—seven cents per gallon—is the highest state levy on motor fuel in the United States.

## Book Shop Here Has 65 Members

The Little Book Shop opened recently by Mrs. George Pearce and operated as a circulating library has met with splendid success and now has a membership of 65 with prospects for 100 by Christmas. The annual membership fee is \$1 per year and a large stock of new books is kept at all times for use of the members.

During the first month of operation Mrs. Pearce issued 100 books. A shipment of new books has just been received, including latest volumes from the Book of the Month Club. All books are carefully selected and cover all classes of reading. Right at this

season Mrs. Pearce is featuring memberships in the library and books for Christmas gifts. She has connections whereby she can secure any book wanted and will sell them at the regular retail price to anyone who desires to give books.

The number of books on the shelves is so much larger than the total membership that regardless of how many are out the selection left at the library is enough for any reader to secure any type desired.

Many local people have visited the home library since it was established and each afternoon the group is rather large. Children seem to enjoy visiting the library with their mothers and looking through the cases and then there is always a "surprise" for the kiddies.

The invitation is open at all

times for anyone to visit the book shop.

## FIGHT AGAINST TRACHOMA AIDS 47,000 IN KENTUCKY

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 14.—More than 47,000 persons in Kentucky have been restored to normal sight during the last 25 years as a result of the state health board's fight against trachoma.

The number of cases in the state has been reduced from 90,000 in 1912 to less than 3,000 at present, records made public by Dr. C. B. Kobert reveal.

First clinics for treatment of the disease were established in mountain districts by Miss Linda Neville and Miss May Stone in 1908. By 1920 the state bureau of trachoma had been organized, with a personnel of a doctor and two nurses.



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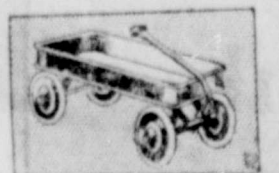
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**FOR RENT**—Furnished apartment Jan. 1; 4 rooms and bath. R. T. Williams, Phone 96 or 471. 15-1f

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—Two residences in Ballinger, will sell with part down, and some trade; or will trade them for other property. Give full particulars in first letter. W. B. Tyler, Miles, Texas. 15-1f

**FOR RENT**—Furnished south apartment. Phone 98. 15-1f

**LOST**—Between Ballinger and Bradshaw, satchel, with Bible, three testaments, and coat. Will pay a liberal reward. Notify J. B. Nisbett, 1118 Caldwell Avenue, Dallas. 15-1f

**WANTED**—Your Cream. We pay cash on delivery and sterilize your can. Runnels County Creamery. 27-1fw

# Deaths

**Mrs. R. M. Cotton**  
 Mrs. R. M. Cotton, 41, died at her home near Paint Rock last Friday at 2:30 p. m. She had been ill for the past eight years and a part of that time lived here where she made many friends.  
 Besides the husband decedent is survived by a daughter who was attending school in Denton at the time of her mother's death. The girl arrived home Friday evening a short time after the death of her mother.  
 Funeral services were held Saturday at 2:30 p. m. in the Paint Rock Methodist Church with Rev. L. D. Hardt officiating. Mrs. O. L. Sims sang a solo at the service which was followed by interment in the Paint Rock cemetery.  
 Undertakers from the Higginbotham Funeral Home were in charge of arrangements.

**Mrs. Ollie Vivian Murgre**  
 Mrs. Ollie Vivian Murgre, 36, died in a hospital at North Charleston, South Carolina, on December 8 following an automobile accident on December 7. Mr. Murgre was in a sanitarium there and unable to attend the funeral.  
 Mrs. Murgre was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Taylor, of Norton, and was well known in this county. The body arrived here on a Santa Fe train Saturday and was taken to the Higginbotham Funeral Home and later to the home of decedent's parents.  
 Funeral services were held at the Norton Methodist Church with Rev. E. W. Swearington officiating. Interment followed in the Norton cemetery.  
 Survivors include the husband, father, mother, three brothers and four sisters.  
 Undertakers from the Higginbotham Funeral Home were in charge of arrangements.

**Miss Viola Katherine Feist**  
 Miss Viola Katherine Feist, 21, of Rowena, died Thursday morning at 9 a. m. in St. John's Hospital, San Angelo, following an injury received about four years ago. She had been partially paralyzed since injured but had not been dangerously ill until about a month ago when she was taken to the hospital for treatment.  
 Besides the parents two sisters and four brothers survive.  
 Funeral services were held Saturday morning at the St. Joseph's Church, Rowena, with Rev. Pokluda officiating. Interment followed in the Rowena Catholic cemetery.  
 Undertakers from the Higginbotham Funeral Home were in charge of arrangements.  
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Mr. and Mrs. Tom Foster and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Foster and families, of Rockwood, were here Thursday to attend the funeral of Lon Mapes.

A. C. Gibbs, of Mason, visited here Monday and attended the opening of 119th district court for the week.

## Mrs. West and Baby Rules are Adopted Claimed by Death For Avoiding Fires

Mrs. Clarence West, 34, died here Sunday evening at 6:30 in the local sanitarium. She was preceded in death a few hours by her infant daughter and the mother and baby were buried here Tuesday morning in the same casket.

Mrs. West had been in a serious condition for more than a month and for the past several days her friends and loved ones had been very anxious about her condition. She was operated upon several weeks ago and had been taken to her home when it became necessary to return her to the hospital for treatment.

Decedent was born in Williamson county and moved here with her parents when she was one year of age. The past 33 years she had lived in this county, recently becoming a member of the official family at the court house, serving six years as deputy county clerk and three years as clerk. She was re-elected to the office last year and had served hardly a year on her new term.

Last year decedent was married to Clarence West of Miles, and the couple purchased a beautiful home on Sixth Street where they resided since. Mr. West has devoted his time to his farming going back and forth from here in performing those duties and his wife remained on the job at the court house until a few weeks ago when it was necessary for her to stop in the interest of her health.

She was active in church work and a faithful member of the Methodist church since moving to Ballinger. She was a regular attendant at all services and especially faithful to her Sunday school class. She was also well known over the state to county officials and attended most of the conventions of the clerks' association.

Survivors include the husband, mother, Mrs. W. F. McKown; five brothers and three sisters, J. L. Harl, Hadley, and Jim McKown, Mrs. Blanche Clark and Mrs. Eula Richards, of Bronte; Gray McKown, San Angelo; and Mrs. Ivey Seay, Albuquerque, New Mexico.  
 Mr. West's mother died at Miles on November 11 and was buried in that city.

Funeral services were conducted here Tuesday morning at the First Methodist Church, Rev. C. P. Jones officiating. Following rites at the church interment was made in Evergreen Cemetery.  
 King-Holt Company undertakers were in charge of arrangements.

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A campaign is being conducted in Texas to eliminate Christmas fires, accidents and tragedies, which mar the happiness of the season almost every year. J. W. DeWeese, state fire insurance commissioner, is receiving cooperation in this movement from all fire departments and safety organizations throughout the state.

Ten rules have been adopted for observance to reduce accidents and careless conflagrations. Following are the rules:

"Rule 1.—It is unsafe to put highly inflammable materials on the Christmas tree; however, if such materials are to be used, every precaution should be taken to prevent fire in any form to come into close contact with the tree, and especially should every precaution be taken to prevent unsafe electrical wiring in and about the tree.

"Rule 2.—Under no condition should a penny or wire be used to replace a burnt-out fuse plug. The fuse is the safety valve for protection against overloading, and to use a penny or wire to replace a fuse defeats the purpose of the fuse as a safety protection.

"Rule 3.—Lighted candles should never be placed on the Christmas tree.

"Rule 4.—Lighted candles should not be placed in the window near curtains or other inflammable materials.

"Rule 5.—All wrapping paper, boxes and other rubbish, should be removed from the house immediately when a package has been opened.

"Rule 6.—Small children should not be permitted to play with matches, for it is through this medium that many unhappy fires have occurred.

"Rule 7.—Small children should never be permitted to handle fireworks.

"Rule 8.—Under no condition should two people engage in a roman candle fight, for to do so is likely to result in serious bodily injury to one of the two. Past records reveal that many people have been severely burned, or received an eye injury. Neither should one person throw a firecracker at another person, for such innocent pleasure may result in serious injury.

"Rule 9.—Parents are warned not to leave small children at home to take care of themselves, for there are too many dangerous fire hazards in the household, and small children are not aware of such dangers. The records reveal that such practice as this on the part of parents has resulted in the death of small children not capable of taking care of themselves.

"Rule 10.—Last, but not least, All people are urged to think in terms of safety before doing any act during the Christmas

holidays, and if this precaution is practiced, we are sure to have few fires of careless origin and less casualties than ever before."

**Dollar Christmas Gifts**  
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Attorney E. L. Harwell, of Abilene, is looking after cases in district court here this week.

## BALLINGER PISTOL TEAM WINNERS OVER SAN ANGELO

Five Ballinger "pistol toters" Sunday watched the San Angelo police department's five-man team out-shoot a county officers' squad by a score of 211 to 179 and then walloped a picked Tom Green County team 296 to 218. The shooting was at the San Angelo Pistol Club course south of the city.

L. C. Daugherty, Ballinger druggist, led the invaders and also set the day's best score, a 79. Henry Alexander of the San Angelo police force made a 76 and J. B. Draper, state highway patrolman stationed here, negotiated a 71 in the police-county shooting, according to Wayne Cruzen, secretary.

The Ballinger team was composed of Daugherty, Roy Hill, county attorney, R. C. Henson, deputy sheriff, Chief of Police Mreland, and Billy Cordill. The local picked team included Draper, Alexander, Lonnie Koon, Jim White, and E. D. Hinkel. The special police group had Alexander, Vince Holt, Gene Lowrie, W. Ratcliff, and W. M. Stephenson. The original county officers' squad included Dude Thompson, Walter Probst, Jack Nabors, Arch Bengel, and Draper—San Angelo Morning Times.

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

## ATTENDS FUNERAL OF BROTHER AT COLEMAN

Ted Bell, of near Coleman, was thrown from his horse Sunday and killed. Mr. Bell and others had loaded some cattle on a truck to take to Fort Worth and after starting the truck struck a concrete culvert, overturned and spilled the stock. Mr. Bell was attempting to round up the cattle when the horse fell and killed him.

Raymond Bell, a brother, employee of the local Red and White Store, went to Coleman Sunday as soon as he received news of his brother's death and remained Monday for the funeral.

## PATRONAGE OF CO-EDS IS SOUGHT BY STORES

(By Associated Press)  
 WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The college girl is stepping into the limelight along with the debutante and the bride. Her patronage is being sought by stores, reports of the department of commerce reveal.

A midwestern store maintains a "college board" to advise girl students on college wardrobes and equipment.

The "board" starts its contact with the co-ed while she is still a senior in high school through a girl outstanding in school activities. She builds up good will for the store among her associates in the class rooms.

## NOTED ITALIAN MUSICIAN'S TRUNK IS HELD 40 YEARS

(By Associated Press)  
 LEGHORN, Italy, Dec. 14.—Pietro Mascagni has just returned to him here a trunk which he left as security for a board bill 49 years ago.

The noted composer, then a poor student, was ejected from a students' boarding house in Milan and his trunk held for the rent. Recently the heirs of the boarding house keeper returned it to him.

The trunk contained his diploma from the first music school he attended, his first medal from the academy, and the original score of his first opera, "L'Amore e Morte."

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## AMERICAN SLOGANS JAR BERLIN BUSINESS ETHICS

(By Associated Press)  
 BERLIN, Dec. 14.—American business slogans which offend German etiquette are frowned upon by courts here.

The designation of "autofriedhof," or "auto cemetery," as applying to a company for scrapping old automobiles, has been rejected by the Berlin district court on the ground that the term violates the law that trade shall not adopt names conflicting with propriety and decorum.

The law has special objections to foreign designations that have a double meaning in German.

## BERLIN ZOO BABIES FROLIC IN KINDERGARTEN CAGE

(By Associated Press)  
 BERLIN, Dec. 14.—An "animal kindergarten" where little brown bears, lions, leopards and hyenas frolic, has been established in the Berlin zoo.

It attracts as many grown-ups as youngsters among the spectators.

The playground is a large open cage to which the zoo babies are brought each morning. Keepers say the mama animals show signs of being glad to get rid of their young nuisances.

The kiddies outside the bars go wild with excitement when a bear cub clouts a baby lion, and the adult spectators wonder at the absence among the little beasts of the age old animal family feuds.

# Births

A son weighing 8½ pounds was born Sunday, December 6, to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Schleyer, of San Angelo. Mr. and Mrs. Schleyer formerly resided here and are well known in Ballinger. Mother and baby are both doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. McLain, of Sweetwater, are the proud parents of a fine baby boy born to them last week. Mother and baby are both doing nicely. Mrs. McLain is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Voelkel of this city.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all our friends who were so kind to us during the illness and death of our loved one, Lon Mapes. The acts of kindness, thoughtful deeds and floral offering were deeply appreciated by all the relatives.

Mrs. Lon Mapes and Family. 11

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