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6 STORES DESTROYED BY FIRE AT NORTON

Visit is Made to Pantry Winner

A large party of Ballinger people went to Norton Wednesday afternoon to inspect the 4-H pantry entered by Mrs. Kirby Robinson which won first place in this county. An invitation was received by the local chamber of commerce last week to visit at the Robinson home and see the prize winning pantry and a large number of the directors and their wives accepted and Wednesday afternoon was named as the time for the visit.

Among those making the trip were Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Motley, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Stone, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. King, Mr. and Mrs. George Holman, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Lynn, Mrs. J. A. Killough and several others.

The pantry was one of the best in this section in size, variety of foodstuff, and in quality. The county entries were judged by experts and Mrs. Robinson was the winner by a considerable margin. Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, home demonstration agent, escorted the Ballinger group to the Robinson home.

As a reward for the best pantry Mrs. Robinson will receive a trip to the short course to be held at A. & M. College next July. This award was posted by the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce.

9 Cases Scarlet Fever in County

At the present there are eight or nine cases of scarlet fever under quarantine in this county. A number of these cases are reported to be very mild and physicians diagnosed them with difficulty. One community only a short distance from Ballinger has six cases under quarantine and every precaution is being taken to prevent an epidemic.

County Health Officer J. W. Macune has called on a number of cases this week. He urges that all with sore throats and other minor symptoms be watched closely and given immediate treatment.

One case of scarlet fever in Ballinger was released from quarantine last week by City Health Officer E. R. Walker and a diphtheria patient also was allowed liberty after passing the required length of time. No other infectious or contagious diseases have been reported in the city recently.

Health conditions for the entire county so far this winter have been good and none of the schools has had to close because of epidemics. Most of the cases of scarlet fever have developed within the past few days and with strict quarantines being maintained schools are not expected to be affected.

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Baffling Crime Mysteries Cross Stage of 1931: Gordon, Faithfull, Collings Deaths Head List

By Mark Barron
NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—In a year replete with murder mysteries, New York continually held the spotlight in an arena of dramatic crime.

Of eight major homicide cases over the nation, five of them took place within the jurisdiction of metropolitan police.

The year of homicidal drama began one freezing night in February when the body of Vivian Gordon, who had been strangled to death, was found dumped in a park in upper Manhattan.

Investigation revealed the once beautiful Vivian had been involved in night life and underworld intrigue which suggested blackmail and white slavery.

One man was tried and acquitted of her murder, and the case remains unsolved.

That murder had not yet left the front pages, when, on an afternoon in May, an army of bluecoats, armed with machine guns and tear gas bombs, surrounded an apartment house in midtown Manhattan.

After a battle that resembled a barrage being thrown across No. Man's Land, they drove from cover two criminals wanted for murder. One was the thin, baby-faced "Two Gun" Crowley, charged with killing a Long Island patrolman.

In contrast, his partner was a heavy set, flabby truckman, Rudy Durlinger. He had shot his sweetheart, Virginia Brannen.

Durlinger already has been electrocuted and Crowley is under sentence of death.



The eyes of the nation were focused on puzzling crime mysteries throughout 1931. The first was the slaying of Vivian Gordon (upper left) in New York. The death of Starr Faithfull (upper right), whose body was found on a Long Island sound shore, never has been solved. Winnie Ruth Judd (center) confessed killing two friends at Phoenix, Ariz., and shipping their bodies in trunks.

Then followed a death mystery life is filled with sordid, macabre adventures.

Much circumstantial evidence hinted that Starr might have been murdered, and just as much that she was a suicide. The case is unsolved.

In July the crime stage shifted to the bleak wastes of the Apache reservation in Arizona. There Henrietta Schermer, Columbia

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FARM LOAN MEMBERS TO MEET JANUARY 12

The annual stockholders meeting of the Ballinger National Farm Loan Association has been called for the afternoon of January 12, in the office of the secretary, Judge Paul Trimmer. The annual statement of the secretary-treasurer and the financial statement of the Federal Land Bank will be two items of business to come before the meeting. Other business will be to elect a board of directors and consider other propositions that may be presented.

Secretary Trimmer has notified approximately 125 to attend the meeting which will be held at the court house. C. A. Dooze is president of the organization.

Charles Coombes is reported to be improved at the Halley & Love Sanitarium where he has been for the past few days under treatment.

Miss Lois Crews, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, has returned to her school work there after a visit to relatives here and at San Angelo.

BALLINGER PISTOL TEAM TO SAN ANGELO FRIDAY

Ballinger pistol experts will go to San Angelo Friday, New Year's day, to engage the San Angelo team in a third contest. The two meetings already held were both won by the Ballinger men. The San Angelo club will offer some attractive prizes at next shoot. A number of supporters will accompany the local team to San Angelo.

CITY CLEANING CO. MODERNIZES PLANT

The City Cleaning Company, W. S. Wood, proprietor, has completed the installation of modern dry cleaning equipment at the location on Eighth Street. The machinery of the Elite Cleaning Company of Winters was purchased by Mr. Wood and has been moved here and placed in use with his plant, which was already well equipped. Tumblers, extractors and other pieces of the most modern machinery in this line are now in use at this tailor shop, bettering the service to patrons.

Annual C. of C. Banquet Will be Held January 15

At a meeting of the directors of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce Tuesday morning the date for the annual membership meeting was set for Friday, January 15. The occasion will be a banquet to be held in the Central Hotel at 8 p. m., details of which have been delegated to the program and entertainment committees. Special committees will be named to look after the sale of tickets and decorations and it was suggested that a short entertainment program be presented.

For the past seven years it has been the custom to hold the chamber's membership meeting in January, at which time directors are elected to succeed those retiring. The board is composed of 21 men, 10 retiring one year and 11 the next. This year ten will leave the board and a committee has been appointed to nominate their successors. The nominating committee is composed of Scott H. Mack, R. L. Harwell and F. M. Pearce.

Directors who are serving the last of a two-year term are: R. E. George, R. G. Erwin, Charles Coombes, Troy Simpson, M. McGregor, Scott H. Mack, F. M. Pearce, R. L. Harwell, C. R. Stone and George Holman. Hold-overs who will serve with the ten to be elected at the banquet are: H. W.

Lynn, E. E. King, M. C. Atkins, J. A. Killough, L. C. Daugherty, Grady Stokes, Tommie Hall, John A. Weeks, T. B. Saunders, J. L. Chastain and E. M. Lynn.

Plans for staging a successful banquet will be commenced by the committees at once. One speaker will be heard on the program providing the services of a good one can be secured. Other numbers will be of an entertainment nature. Tickets will be sold for fifty cents, the cheapest ever offered for an affair of this kind.

The regular entertainment committee is composed of Charles Coombes, Tommie Hall and George Holman, and this body will complete general plans within the next few days.

Only a very short business session will be held at the get-together and that when the nominating committee presents the names for the ten new directors. Guests will be invited from neighboring cities and a number from the rural sections.

The committee wishes it understood that the banquet is open to everyone and not limited to actual members of the organization. Any person may purchase tickets for himself and any number of guests he desires to take.

Officers Make Plea To Resume Drilling For Cemetery Taxes At Dean Oil Well

The Ballinger Cemetery Association is making an attempt to collect 1932 taxes and all delinquent taxes now. Letters are being mailed to every lot owner who is known, giving a statement of his taxes and urging that a check be sent to the treasurer, A. R. Murchinson, at once.

For years the association has operated on tax money of \$5 per lot per year. The results of efforts to beautify this cemetery are well known, the burial grounds being recognized as among the prettiest in the state.

Starting January 1 no lot will be given water nor sexton service where taxes are delinquent for more than 1931. This action was taken with deep regret by the board at a recent meeting, but realizing that it would be impossible to carry on with the money available the directors thought it best to offer free service and maintenance of the lot by the sexton only to those who have paid.

E. Shepperd, president of the association, stated Wednesday that he realized this action was necessary but that the entire membership of the board felt loath to announce it. He estimated that unless 1932 taxes and several years of delinquent taxes are paid that from 40 to 50 per cent of the lots will get no attention from the sexton during 1932.

During the past spring and summer from two to four men were employed at Evergreen Cemetery to make improvements, daily care for lots, and water all flowers, trees and shrubs. A great many new shrubs and trees were planted and other improvements made in the burial grounds.

For a number of years the cemetery has been financed by the \$5 per year tax and until two years ago no difficulty was

feet will be important and that a much bigger amount of oil will be found. Many local people are watching every move at the well and considerable excitement is current on account of the fine showing. There is some gas in the hole but pressure is not strong. Casing is set to a little deeper than 2,700 feet and the remainder of the hole is in good condition.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hall, of Brady, and Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Marshall and two children, of Dallas, were guests of Mrs. Viola Allison Wednesday. Mr. Hall is a brother of Mrs. Allison.

R. H. Allen, of Norton, was in Ballinger Thursday morning attending to business and brought first hand information of the disastrous fire there Wednesday night.

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Cash and Carry Grocery

Fire originating in the J. L. Smith general merchandise store at Norton Wednesday night at 11:30 spread rapidly until the entire west side of the street in that thriving little city was destroyed.

The Ballinger fire department was called upon for assistance shortly before midnight and several local firemen with the chemical wagon made a run to Norton only to find the last building on the west side in ashes. Bad roads prevented the firemen from reaching the scene quicker, and lack of adequate water supply precluded use of any equipment but the chemical wagon. The local firemen stood by at residences where sparks were falling to prevent further damage.

Before a general alarm had been sounded the flames gained considerable headway, spreading to the Masonic hall, about the Smith store. A strong wind from the north spread the flames south down the street and within a short time the R. L. Condon blacksmith shop, the Frank Priddy barber shop, the office of Dr. W. W. Mitchell, the J. F. Childress grocery, the W. L. Hayley drug store, and United States postoffice were consumed.

Stores across the street were slightly damaged from the heat and citizens fought the flying embers for about two hours to save business houses still standing. Plate glass windows in front of the A. T. Chapman store were broken and sparks flying through the air ignited soot in a flue, starting a fire in this store which caused more excitement but did little damage. A large group at

the Allen & Crockett garage stopped a number of incipient fires there.

All but one of the stores were burned to the ground before any merchandise was removed. Fire fighters entered the Hayley drug store and succeeded in removing some of the stock and all post-office fixtures before the building became ignited. Other buildings, stocks and fixtures were totally destroyed.

No check-up had been made Thursday morning on the insurance carried by the various businesses. It is known, however, that Mr. Smith carried some protection and that Mr. Hayley had insurance on the building in which his drug store was located. Insurance inspectors from Ballinger estimated the total loss at approximately \$15,000.

Mr. Hayley was moving his drug store and the postoffice Thursday morning into the stone building across the street formerly occupied by the Norton bank. The pharmacy will be open for business there in a few days. Other store owners had not made statements as to future intentions.

Telephone lines to Norton from Ballinger were out and lines to San Angelo were used in communications from here.

Origin of the conflagration has not been determined.

Cecil Dickinson returned to San Benito Tuesday after a visit here with his mother, Mrs. R. A. Dickinson.

Mrs. Alma Alexander and Miss Lois Alexander, of San Angelo, visited relatives here several days last week.

Grocery and Market Moved to New Location

Friday morning the J. M. Jones Grocery and the Mackin Market will be open and ready for business at their new location on Eighth Street in the building formerly occupied by Stone's, next door to Higginbotham Brothers & Co.

In moving from the Zappe building at the corner of Hutchings Avenue and Seventh Street we do so believing that the move will be beneficial to us.

We desire to greet our customers at our new location where they will find us housed in a manner to better display our merchandise and make shopping easier and more pleasant.

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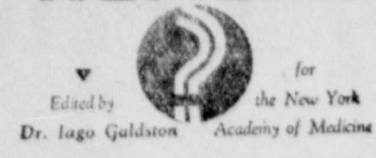
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KIDNEY STONES—II

So many factors enter into the treatment of kidney stones that but few general considerations will apply to any given case.

The position of the stone or stones, their size, the damage the affected kidney has suffered, the condition of the other kidney, and a score of other items must be taken into consideration in determining treatment.

Hence, the patient who has suffered a renal colic, or who has reason to suspect that he is so affected, should place himself under competent medical care.

Even if the stone has given the patient but little trouble, there is always the possibility of an emergency arising.

And this can be better met when the patient has been consistently watched.

Waters of various sorts are employed in the medical treatment of stones, but no water, natural or artificial, is known to possess the power of dissolving kidney stones, and any claims made to the contrary are misleading.

Natural and artificial diuretic waters should not be taken in very large quantities except on medical instruction.

Constitutional predisposition appears to favor the formation of kidney stones. However, diet and personal hygiene habits play an important role.

A simple diet meager in nitrogenous foods such as meat, fish and eggs, and sparing in sugars and fats is advisable.

Care should be taken that the diet is balanced.

Pure spring water or distilled water, when taken in liberal quantities, tends to dilute the urine and to dissolve its salts completely.

Substances which irritate the urinary tract, such as peppery and spiced foods and strong coffee, should be eliminated.

Moderate exercise in the open air helps burn up the body's fuels and prevent the formation of relatively insoluble waste products.

Pasteurized sweet milk is safer.

Baffling Crime—

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university student, was found murdered in her out of the way cabin.

After several months a young brave confessed to a detective who had been living as an Indian on the reservation.

New York leaped to the fore again in August with a mystery that brought out an East-West romance. Hisashi Fujimura, a wealthy Japanese imported, had fallen in love with Mary Dale, a blonde chorus girl.

Fujimura went on an Atlantic excursion aboard one of the "whoopie cruise" steamers. In a connecting cabin was Mary Dale, booked as nurse for Toshika, Fujimura's 7-year-old daughter.

Near the end of that cruise, Fujimura disappeared from the ship. Was he murdered and his body thrown overboard? Was he a suicide? Did he slip ashore unseen and go into hiding? Those questions remain to be answered.

The next murder mystery was on the water, climaxing a raid of pirates on the motor launch Penguin as it lay anchored in Long Island Sound.

Late one September night Benjamin P. Collings, a retired engineer, sat on the deck of his boat.

Mrs. Collings and their 5-year-old daughter were asleep in the

Moon's High Ascension in January To Take the Eye of Sky-Watchers

By Robert H. Baker (Professor of Astronomy, University of Illinois)

URBANA, Ill., Dec. 31.—(AP)—During January and for several months following many persons will remark that the moon at its highest ascends unusually high in the sky, and that its rising and setting points reach farther north than usual.

Earlier in January they will observe that the moon crosses unusually low above the south point, while its rising and setting points are shifted farther south than usual.

The moon is now going to extremes in its north and south motion, an event which occurs once in about 19 years. And the reason is not difficult to understand.

Everyone knows that the moon revolves eastward around the earth, completing the circuit in a little less than a month.

We can watch it progress from night to night against the revolving background of the stars, and can thus plot the course it appears to pursue among the constellations.

This path is nearly a great circle of the heavens. It is inclined about 5 degrees to the ecliptic, the circle which the sun appears to describe around us annually as the earth revolves around the sun.

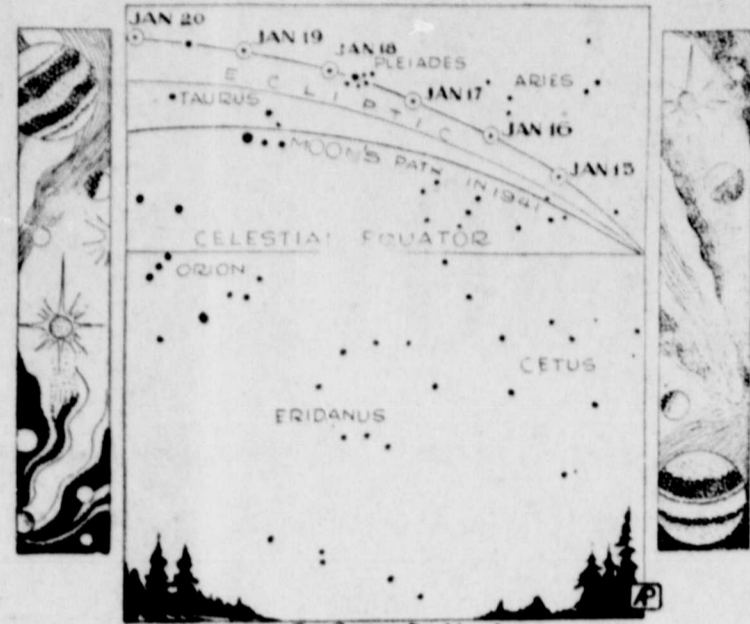
Now the ecliptic is inclined 23 1/2 degrees to the equator, so that the sun in its annual journey swings north and south, causing the seasons.

Similarly, the moon in its tilted path shifts north and south during the month. The full moon,

being opposite the sun, ascends highest when the sun is lowest, that is, during the winter.

While the moon's path keeps always nearly the same angle with the ecliptic, it slides rapidly westward along it. The crossing points—astronomers call them the ascending and descending nodes of the moon's path—move completely around the ecliptic in 18 1/2 years.

For this reason the inclination of the moon's path to the equator changes from 18 1/2 degrees to 28 1/2 degrees and back again in cycles of 18 1/2 years. And the greatest inclination is reached early in



The moon which, now is going to extremes in its north and south motion will attract attention in the January skies. Chart above shows its path among the constellations in the southern skies.

January, so far as this effect is concerned.

But the sun's attraction, which is responsible for the regression of the nodes, disturbs the moon's motion in other ways. The northward displacement of the upper part of the moon's path will continue for two months longer.

On March 15 the moon will reach its most northern point of the present cycle, 28 degrees 43 minutes north of the equator. Then in the latitude of New York it will pass within 12 degrees of the zenith, fully 20 breadths higher in the sky than it could ascend 10 years ago.

Ralph Graves as Frisky Pierce, head of the cast of "Dirigible." Fay Wray plays the feminine lead. The remainder of the cast is made up of a well-known group of screen artists, including Hobart Bosworth, Roscoe Karns, Harold Godwin and Clarence Muse.

Frank Capra, who is credited with many motion picture successes, is the director of "Dirigible."

In their report following the Christmas holidays city police are very complimentary of the behavior of the citizens, enumerating only four arrests made last week. Listed as the meanest thing called to the attention of the officers was the stealing of the contents of a Goodfellow money pot from in front of the Palace Theatre.

A close watch was made in the fire zone to prevent shooting of fireworks, and no children violated this ordinance, but two adults were arrested and fined for shooting fire-crackers inside the limits. Citizens cooperated well with the officers and a number of suspicious characters were ordered out of residential districts after officers were notified where to find the suspects.

Members of the fire department assisted in patrolling for fire hazards and were ready at all times to prevent blazes. The department also assisted in the Goodfellow movement, handling clothing and toys brought in for the poor.

Street work continued through the holidays and every day suitable found all machinery and employees on the job. Rains and mud postponed this work until a number of streets were in bad condition but the maintainer and grader have been operated on full time since the mud dried.

The office department has been receiving some tax payments and is ready for the usual rush around the first of January.

Jack Holt, as Jack Bradon, and

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and Jack Bradon is frequently called upon to act as arbiter of some of their most acute differences. He often feels that his love for Helen is much more sincere and unselfish than that of her husband and believes that if Helen knew the real depths of his devotion she would undoubtedly respond to him.

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J. T. McMillan, of the state banking commission, who spent more than a month in Ballinger during reorganization of the Ballinger State Bank, was here Tuesday to visit friends and transact business. While here he purchased a new Chevrolet coupe from the Batts Chevrolet Company and drove it back to Coleman, where he is working at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Murchison and son spent the week-end with

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Murchison on the latter's ranch near Anson.

Frank Drews, Jr., of Dallas, is here to spend a few weeks with Mrs. D. Reeder.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Subject to Action of the Democratic Primaries)

For County Clerk: MRS. LYNNIE HARRIS

Palace 3 Days Starting SUNDAY His Wife Dallied With Love While He Risked Death for Fame! DIRIGIBLE She demanded kisses... he craved glory... which won? JACK HOLT, RALPH GRAVES, FAY WRAY The dramatic achievement of the year... during... a different... a vivid, intriguing play you will see again and again SILLY SYMPHONY CARTOON SOUND NEWS

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About those New Year's resolutions: January 1 of each year is the time for everyone to determine to do one thing and quit doing another. Such resolutions are often referred to in a joking way as being made one day and shattered the next. This is indeed a fine time to make some good resolutions and then strive to live up to them. Every vocation could stand some resolutions that would be of great help during the coming twelve months. A few suggestions might be a closer cooperation of all in business, a determination to go to the polls and cast a ballot for the most efficient man in the race for each office, to trade at home and to help in every way possible to create a good local market for every product raised in this county. These and other resolutions will help to make this a better town and county. In the growth of every community there must be those who are willing to sacrifice their time for civic interests. Ballinger has some fine workers but more are always needed and it is a good time to resolve to do your full share of this kind of work during the ensuing twelve-month.

SCHOOLS WILL OPEN HERE MONDAY MORNING

All local teachers will return this week-end to commence their duties Monday morning at 8:13. Students and teachers have enjoyed a ten-day vacation and a full attendance is expected at the first period Monday morning. Enrollment now is about to the maximum for the year, however a few new pupils are expected to enter Monday.

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Weeks Drug Store

DOROTHY DARNIT



Rural

CREWS NEWS

A program was rendered at the Baptist church Thursday night. Santa Claus entered with sacks full of candy and nuts...

School opened this morning after a week's vacation. Miss Verba Eubank left recently for her home in Putnam after a few months in school at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Madison, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Young and Mrs. Glenn Barrington have returned to their home at Carrizo Springs after a few days' visit here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Grounds and family, of Doole, spent Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Dietz.

Mrs. Otis Davis, of Dallas, and mother, Mrs. Chapman, of the Winters community, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ransom Davis Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Campbell and family spent Christmas day in Ballinger, with Mrs. Campbell's mother, Mrs. Warren.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Carter, of Toke, and Lloyd McBeth and family, of Sweetwater, were Christmas guests of their mother, Mrs. King.

Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Phillips, of San Antonio, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Phillips.

Rev. J. A. Branaman and family have moved to Bronte. Bro. Branaman will continue as pastor of the Crews Baptist church for the present year.

D. H. Grounds, of Doole, was among the visitors in our community Sunday.

Mrs. Roxy Pruett, of Big Spring, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robbins.

NORTON NOTES

S. F. Sharpes left Tuesday for his home at Happy.

Mrs. W. W. Mitchell left Tuesday for Abernathy, where she expects to spend several days with her sister.

Mrs. John Tomlinson, of Cisco, and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Tomlinson, of Canyon, spent last week-end with Mrs. F. Roper.

Miss Cordie West returned Saturday from Cameron, where she had been visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Pertle and little daughter, of Anson, are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Priddy and Mr. and Mrs. C. Patton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Setser, of Tyler; Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Setser, of McCamey; Miss Myrtle Setser, of Lamesa; Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Setser and Mr. and Mrs. Mack Setser, of Norton, spent Christmas day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Setser.

Mr. and Mrs. Holliday Hayley, of Tyler, spent last week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hayley.

Mr. and Mrs. John Steele returned to their home at Happy Monday. They spent the holidays with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Poe and children, of Capps, spent Tuesday and Wednesday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Taylor.

Mrs. Marie Gentry and daughter, of San Antonio, spent the holidays visiting Mrs. R. H. Murphy and other relatives.

Mrs. J. E. Goff and daughter, of Temple; Miss Maggie Taylor, of Waco; and John Taylor, of Bronte, returned to their homes Monday after spending several days with their mother, Mrs. Bob Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Barrett returned Monday from Big Spring, where they had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Loy Taylor.

Mrs. L. B. Hambricht and son, Dee Elton, are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Loy Taylor, of Big Spring.

Mrs. Vera Curry and children, of Wilmett, spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Ben F. Curry.

SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

Mrs. Lon Mapes, Miss Anna B. and Leo Mapes spent Christmas in Del Rio with Mr. and Mrs. Newt Wardlaw and family. They returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Lola Boothe and children, of Eagle Branch, visited Mrs. Boothe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Watson, Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary Kelly spent Christmas in Winters with Dr. and Mrs. Maddox. She returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Holton and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs.

Julius Boothe, of Blanton, Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Reese, of Gorman, returned home Sunday after spending a week with Mr. Reese's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Reese.

Mrs. Lewis White was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Washam, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Davis and little son, of Eldorado; Mr. and Mrs. Dave Davis, of San Angelo; and Mr. and Mrs. Sid Davis and baby were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Davis, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Leach and little son, of Pumphrey, visited Mrs. C. H. Midgley Friday afternoon.

Misses Ina Baxter and Mary Lewis, of Carlsbad; and Zola Chapman, of Norton, were guests of Misses Annie and Elizabeth Midgley Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Theazle, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Brown, and Mrs. T. M. Milam, of Abilene, were guests of Mrs. Milam's daughter, Mrs. R. E. Brown; a sister of Mrs. W. O. Brown; and Mrs. Theazle and Mr. Brown's uncle, R. E. Brown, Friday afternoon.

Mack Brown, of Fort Stockton, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Alice Brown, and sister, Mrs. W. E. Branch.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Midgley, of San Angelo, accompanied the former's sister, Miss Elizabeth Midgley, home, Tuesday, after spending the week-end in San Angelo.

Miss Corinne Brown returned home Friday with Abilene relatives for a week's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Collins and children, of town, were guests of Mrs. Collins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Davis, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Midgley and little son, of McCamey, spent Christmas with the former's mother, Mrs. C. H. Midgley. They returned home Saturday.

Vernon Doty and Miss Edith Doherty, of Abilene, were guests of Miss Doherty's cousin, Miss Bessie Brown, Saturday afternoon and Sunday. They returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Roberts, of Stamford, spent Sunday with Mr. Roberts' sister, Mrs. C. H. Midgley. They returned home Monday.

Miss Lena Smith, of Abilene, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. H. O. V. Humble.

Curtis Reese, of Beaumont, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Reese.

W. E. Selpps and family spent Friday in Winters with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis McMillan and Miss Gussie Jarrett, of town, were guests of Miss Bessie Brown Friday afternoon.

Luther Morris, of near Blanton, spent Friday night and Saturday with his sister, Mrs. John Hooks. He returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George McMillan and Willie Mae spent Christmas with Mrs. McMillan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Tuckey, of near Crews.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Brown and family, of Winters, were guests of the former's mother, Mrs. Alice Brown, and sister, Mrs. W. E. Branch, Sunday.

Luther Reese is in Sherwood this week visiting Rex and Pierce Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Roberts, of Brownwood, returned to their home Saturday after visiting at the bedside of Mrs. Roberts' mother, Mrs. Alice Brown, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. E. Branch. Mrs. Brown is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Reese, of Benoit, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Lange, and Mr. and Mrs. John Kennedy were dinner guests Christmas day in the J. C. Reese home.

Mrs. Mary Kelly spent Monday in town with friends.

M. C. Falls was on the sick list last week.

Mrs. J. T. Farley, of town, took Christmas dinner with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bryan.

Mrs. Van Nort, Roy and Gertrude Van Nort spent Christmas with Mrs. Van Nort's father, Mr. Jenkins, of Comanche.

Miss Winnie Mae Van Nort spent Christmas with relatives at Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Farley and family were guests of Mrs. Farley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Parrish, of town, Christmas day.

BETHEL NEWS

Christmas has come and gone and a new year is almost here. Everyone seems to have spent a very pleasant Christmas which was made more enjoyable by the beautiful weather.

All the children of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Shelburn spent a very pleasant home-coming Christmas day.

The Christmas pageant entitled "The Magic Star of Bethel"

hem," presented by the Methodist Sunday school was well attended and enjoyed by all. The collection, amounting to \$11, goes to the orphanage at Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hodges and family are moving this week to a farm west of Paint Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Lampe had as their Christmas day guests, Mr. and Mrs. Lampe, father and mother of Mr. Lampe; also Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Donham and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Batts and family spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Batts and family of Dry Ridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Orie Cotton, of Drown, spent the holidays in the Gr. Cotton home.

J. V. L. D. Hardt and family were dinner guests in the T. A. Crockett home Christmas.

Mrs. W. D. Duke and little daughter spent the week-end with relatives in San Angelo.

John Batts has recently completed a large barn and implement house on his farm here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lee Simmons spent the holidays with relatives at Maverick.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Silvey, of Brownwood, visited in the home of Mrs. Silvey's mother, Mrs. W. F. McShan, during the holidays.

The young folks enjoyed a party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Nunley Friday night.

Misses Thelma and Nellie Bigby, who are teaching in Tom Green county, spent the holidays with home folks.

Fletcher Crockett, of Levelland, gave home folks a very happy Christmas surprise by coming in unexpectedly Sunday morning.

Fletcher is employed in the First National Bank at Levelland and this was his first visit home in two years.

Rev. L. D. Hardt preached at the Methodist church Sunday evening, delivering a very fine Christmas message to a large audience.

Robert Lee, who has employment in the Gladewater oil field, spent the holidays with his parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. McShan and daughters were guests in the Tom Moreland home Christmas.

The Happy Home Makers' Club will hold its first meeting of the new year January 7, meeting with Mrs. John Lee Simmons. All members are urged to attend.

Miss Alma Koenig, who teaches at Santa Anna, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Koenig.

Mr. and Mrs. Hedrick Shelburn entertained the young folks with a party Tuesday night. A very pleasant time was reported.

J. H. Nail, who teaches at Big Lake, visited friends here during the holidays. Mr. Nail is a former teacher of this place and has many friends who are always glad to see him.

Misses Alma and Velma Lyppe were guests of Miss Myrtle Crockett Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lee Simmons, joined by Miss Ada Simmons, entertained a number of young folks with a party Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. McShan and family, Mrs. Winas and children, Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Little and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Duke were guests in the Tom Crockett home Tuesday evening. Forty-two was the main diversion.

Miss Thelma Bigby, who had a tonsil operation Monday, is reported to be recovering rapidly.

BEAUFORT NEWS

Miss Lurline Brookshire came in last Saturday from Denton, where she is attending school, to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Brookshire, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Parker had as their guests Friday Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Chick and family, of San Angelo; also Mrs. Parker's mother, Mrs. J. R. Burton, of Crews.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Struber and two sons, of Oklahoma, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin, of Comanche, were guests in the F. Gressett home Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Lois Brookshire left Monday for their home in Seattle, Washington. Buster Gibson and Woodrow Cox will accompany them as far as Redland, California.

Arnold Werner, who is attending the University of Texas, Austin, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Werner.

Mrs. Mabel Elliott, of Menard, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hill, and her daughter, Mrs. Dolores Lane, during Christmas, returning home Monday.

Mrs. Dolores Lane and J. P. Cashion were numbered among the guests who enjoyed a delicious turkey supper Christmas night in the home of Miss Mabel Campbell, of Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lumpkin had as their guests Friday, Felix Lumpkin and Ben Odom, of Maverick.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Rampsy, of Rowena, were Benoit callers Friday evening.

Miss Payne Hill attended the social in the home of Mr. and

Mrs. Ed McMillan and spent the night with Miss Arzel Jones Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Spreen entertained with a dance Christmas night. All report a nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hill and family and Mrs. Mabel Elliott were dinner guests in the W. T. Hill home Christmas day.

HATCHEL HAPPENINGS

The farmers are making use of the pretty weather, trying to finish picking cotton. On account of continued wet weather there is considerable scattering cotton in the fields, but with a few more fair days everybody will be finished.

The club women entertained their husbands Monday night, December 21, with a forty-two party at the club room, which was beautifully adorned with Christmas decorations. Progressive forty-two was selected as the game, and eight tables were filled. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Jones Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mathis, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Mathis, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mathis, Mr. and Mrs. H. Tierce, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walker, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Chandler, Geto Henniger, Misses Ola and Anna Henniger, Misses Georgia, Ruby and Ruth Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Mord Tucker, Ralph Parker, Chuck Bailey, R. C. Tierce, Marcus Bales, and Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Phillips. Prizes were awarded for high and low scores. Mrs. R. C. Chandler and Mrs. Jack Walker tied on high score. They drew for high domino and Mrs. Walker won. She was awarded a box of snuff. Jack Walker won low score and was awarded a sack of candy. After all had enjoyed themselves until a late hour refreshments consisting of sandwiches, hot chocolate and cake, were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Wirt Bales spent Sunday with Marcus Bales.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis, of Winters, spent the holidays with Clinton Gill.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Guin, of Ballinger, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Schleyer, of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. E. Graves, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Guin, and Mr. and Mrs. Blair, of Ballinger, spent the holiday with Mrs. Mary Guin.

Little Annette and Janette Tucker, who are attending school at Jermyn, spent the holidays with their parents, returning to Jermyn Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Caudle, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Caudle, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Caudle, of Ballinger; and Mr. and Mrs. Butcher Caudle, of Winters, spent Christmas day with D. E. Caudle and family.

Baxter Campbell spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Cheatham.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Bales.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Caudle spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ferguson left Sunday for South Texas to spend a few days hunting.

Mrs. H. Tierce spent Christmas day with Mrs. Bob Bailey.

Mrs. R. R. Reams, who has been sick for some time, is reported unimproved.

Miss Rosalee Graves is spending the week with the Claud Reagan family.

Mack Guin and Miss Ruby Guin visited in Ballinger Saturday.

EAGLE BRANCH NEWS

The last week of old 1931 is passing by, with the beautiful weather we welcomed and enjoyed during Christmas.

Pleasant memories of the year will help us forget the worries of the past. And our minds will be centered upon the things of the new year.

There were many changes to take place here during the week.

The George Glasscock family came to this community in 1924. This will be their last week spent here as they are moving to a farm near the Victory community. During the time they have lived here four children have been married from this family.

The J. D. Moore family, who have been living on Mrs. Lola Boothe's farm, are moving to Mr. Moore's father's place and will occupy a vacant residence there.

Hollis and Jake Presley and sister, Sallie May, returned home last week from Littlefield, where they had been for several weeks.

School began here Monday. All the pupils appear to be interested in their studies, and a good term is anticipated.

Jack Halliburton, of Ballinger, was the guest of Alexander Carter during the holidays. Jack visited the Eagle Branch school Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell and children and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rowe were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Carter Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Glasscock left Monday for Lamesa, where they will remain through the year.

There was a good dance Saturday night at the Raymond

Kirtz home. Some of the farmers are engaged in sowing grain. Since there is such a fine "season" there will be quite a lot of grain sowed in this country, if the weather continues fair.

TALPA TOPICS

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Hale spent Christmas at Fort Worth. They returned home Sunday.

Charles Douglas and family and P. P. Dyches and daughter, Venna Bob, spent Christmas day with Mrs. T. L. Vaughn.

Mrs. G. F. Givens spent Christmas in Abilene with her son, G. F. Jr.

Rev. W. F. Smith filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday morning and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Pratt spent Christmas in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Evans and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Edens visited in Eden Sunday.

Mr. Simmons, of Valera, and Joe and Ora Simmons, of Dallas, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bennett.

Miss Elizabeth Evans, who is attending school at Denton, came in Wednesday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Evans.

Miss Irene Griffin, of Novice, is spending the week in the R. W. Courtney home.

Misses Myrtle Tate and Marie and Curtis Gregory spent last week in Talpa.

Mrs. A. V. Livingston and daughter, Virginia, spent the week-end at Coleman.

Miss Mary McDole spent the week-end at Ballinger.

Mrs. T. B. Kelly spent Christmas with her children.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Vincent spent part of the week visiting in Talpa.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Rieley, of Eldorado, spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in Talpa.

Garrett Nailey and Harvey Watts, students of Southwestern University, Georgetown, are visiting relatives here during the holidays.

WINGATE NEWS

School opened Monday with a jolly group of children returning to take up their studies again.

Mrs. George, who had been visiting in this community, left Wednesday for Hermleigh.

Misses Oleta Vosburg, Delia Rogers and Tiny Wood spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McMillan, of the Oxien community.

Everyone enjoyed Christmas and is looking forward to a better year in 1932.

Some of the farmers plan to finish gathering their crops this week.

Edd Dement and Lafflan Gerdes are visiting in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wood, of Winters, spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Rogers, of Sweetwater, spent Christmas with relatives in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barnett, of Brady, spent Christmas in this community.

We are sorry to lose so many of our neighbors from this community but are glad some other community will gain them.

The senior play, "The Red-Headed Step-Child," will be presented in the high school auditorium Friday night, January 1.

Miss Hattie Murie Bishop spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eule Bishop.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Carter, J. G. Miles and children, Lee and Mina Bee, spent Christmas in the Norton community.

MARIE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ash spent Christmas with Mrs. Ash's mother, Mrs. H. T. Russell, of Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Carroll went to Richards Springs last Wednesday to spend the holidays with his parents.

David Hardin spent a few days recently with friends and relatives at San Antonio.

Mrs. Alice Shelton, of Brownwood, spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Landers.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McGuire and daughter, Naomi, of San Angelo, spent the holidays with relatives and friends here.

Sam Seay, of Portales, New Mexico, recently visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Seay.

Misses Maude and Laura Mae Brookshire spent the Christmas holidays with their sister at Rochelle, and at Galveston.

Miss Hattie Autrey, of San Antonio, is here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ash.

Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Mackey, of Happy, were guests of friends and relatives here during the holidays.

Pat Landers, of Valley Creek, spent Christmas with his brother, A. F. Landers.

Mr. and Mrs. Monie Landers, of Robert Lee, were here Christmas day, visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Shelton ate Christmas dinner with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Shelton, of Bronte.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Arrant and son, of Abilene, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Landers.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gentry and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Baker and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Jake Kevill spent Christmas day at Tennyson with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Willis.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Gentry and daughter spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gentry of Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Netherlands gave a social entertainment last Wednesday night.

Bro. Swearington filled his regular appointment here Saturday night and Sunday evening.

J. T. Shelton went to San Angelo Wednesday evening to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Eledge.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Baker, of Rankin, were here last Tuesday visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flynt and son spent the holidays at Ballinger with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Flynt, Sam McDonald and G. W. Shelton visited in Abilene Wednesday last week.

Worth Burleson went to Rankin Wednesday of last week to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Baker.

R. J. Clark and Tullie Welsh have gone to Rankin to accept positions as musicians.

BLANTON NEWS

The Christmas program at the school house last Wednesday was well attended and enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Harvey, of Rankin, are here spending the holidays with relatives.

Miss Carrie Witter has returned home after spending several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. John D. Harvey, of Rankin.

Len Cassidy and Miss Maude James stole a march on their many friends and were quietly united in marriage Sunday, December 20.

Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Holton and family spent Christmas day in the J. P. Boothe home.

Miss Alice Foreman spent Friday night with Miss Tena Powers, of Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Boothe and family spent Christmas day in

the W. F. James home. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reese and family visited in the J. A. Foreman home Christmas night.

The party in the H. B. Fowler home Saturday night was well attended and all reported a good time. After the party quite a few gathered at the James home and chivareed Mr. and Mrs. Len Cassidy.

The dance at the Bud Morgan home Christmas night was well attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cope and family spent Sunday in the J. A. Foreman home.

Lewis Fowler, of Slaton, spent Christmas with home folks.

Quite a few from this community attended the party at the Ed McMillan home Christmas night.

Let's not forget that next Sunday is regular preaching day.

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CHURCHES

First Presbyterian Church
9:45 a. m. Sunday school.
11 a. m. morning worship.
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed at the eleven o'clock hour. The second part of the program last Sunday night, which was the cantata, "The Wondrous Story," will be given again at the morning worship.
2:30 p. m. Junior Society.
6:15 p. m., Senior-Intermediate Society.
7 p. m., evening worship.
Everyone is welcome to any and all the services of this congregation.
E. W. McLAURIN, Pastor.

First Methodist Church
9:45 a. m. Sunday school.
11:00 a. m., morning worship.
6:15 p. m., Young people's meeting.
7 p. m., evening worship.
7:30 p. m., Wednesday, evening prayer.
Visitors will find a welcome at any and all services of this church.
CLAUDE P. JONES, Pastor.

Lutheran Church
Services in the Episcopal Church in the corner of Seventh Street and Snapp Avenue, every Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock.
Sunday school and Bible classes at 4 p. m. Able and consecrated workers in all departments. You are welcome.
GEORGE HEINEMEIER, Pastor.

Church of God
Sunday school at 10 a. m.
Preaching service at 11 a. m.
Young people's meeting at 6:30 p. m.
Preaching service at 7 p. m.
Prayer meeting, Wednesday, at 7 p. m.
C. H. JOHNSON, Pastor.

Ballinger Baptist Church
9:45 a. m. Sunday school, E. Shepperd, superintendent.
11 a. m., preaching service by pastor.
7 p. m., preaching service by pastor.
J. H. McCLAIN, Pastor.

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church
Bible school at 9:45 a. m.
P. Hathaway, superintendent.
Worship at 11 a. m. Preaching by pastor.
Christian Endeavor at 6:00 p. m. Worship at 7 p. m. Preaching by pastor.
We extend this Bible invitation to all friends: "He that hath no money, come! And whosoever will, let him take the water of

life freely."
J. EDWIN KERR, Minister.

First Christian Church
(Broadway and Murrell)
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.
Scott H. Mack, superintendent.
Wednesday evening prayer service, 7:30.
The church with a cordial welcome.

Church of the Nazarene
Sunday school at 9:45
Other services as usual
W. LAWSON, BROWN, Pastor.

Church of Christ
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Teaching and communion service at 11 a. m.
Ladies' Bible class meets at church building Mondays at 3:30 p. m.
The public is invited to attend any and all these services.

Hagan Baptist Church
The Hagan Baptist Church has preaching each third Sunday morning and night, also the Saturday night before.
Sunday school every Sunday at 10 a. m. I. M. Turner, superintendent.
F. R. COLE, Pastor.

Nick Stallworth Dies Thursday
Nick Stallworth, 78, died here Thursday morning at 3:55 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. B. Rudder. He had been in failing health for a long time, for more than a year being practically an invalid.
Mr. Stallworth resided here and at Bethel for more than a quarter of a century. His wife died here nine years ago.
Funeral services will be conducted at the Ballinger Baptist Church Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. J. H. McClain officiating. Following the rites interment will be made in the family lot at Evergreen Cemetery.
Survivors include the following children, G. P. Stallworth, El Campo; J. D. Stallworth, Dallas; N. F. Stallworth, Houston; W. A. Stallworth, Los Angeles; and Mrs. Max Wilson and Mrs. L. B. Pudder of Ballinger; two sisters, Mrs. J. B. Storey and Mrs. Bob Parnell, of Lott, Texas. In addition to the near relatives nineteen grandchildren survive.
Pallbearers will be: F. D. McCoy, M. L. Taylor, Tom Caudle, B. M. Strebeck, W. C. McCarver and Jess Jones.
King-Holt Company undertakers are in charge of arrangements.

PRESBYTERIAN CHOR TO SING SUNDAY MORN.
A large number of requests received by the choir, of the First Presbyterian Church to repeat a portion of the sacred Christmas concert presented last Sunday evening has caused an announcement by the pastor, Rev. E. W. McLaughlin, that the cantata will be repeated at 11 o'clock next Sunday morning. A five-minute sermonette will be preached by Rev. McLaughlin and the remainder of the morning hour's worship will be devoted to the singing of the latter part of the concert. Miss Dorothy Chancey will assist in the music, playing violin obligatos for special songs, and also will be heard in a solo number.
A number of people were unable to get inside the church last Sunday evening and are responsible for the request that the music be repeated. The entire choir, under the direction of Miss Edith Miller, will be heard Sunday morning and everyone has an invitation to be present.
G. I. Watkins was in Ballinger Wednesday looking after business and ordered The Ledger to his address for 1932.
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Indian Farm Pays
RIVERSIDE, Calif., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Eighty Indian tribes are represented in the school membership of 1,250 students enrolled at the Sherman Institute. The last fiscal year a profit of \$14,958 was made from 200 acres of land farmed by the Indian boys. Girls of the school canned 4,000 gallons of tomatoes during the year, and baked 975 loaves of bread daily.

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