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Home and Farm Special Expected to Draw Many

The Santa Fe farm and home special will arrive in Ballinger March 11 to spend the night and will be open to the public after 7:30 p. m. until as long as the crowd lingers. According to advices received here the train is one of the best ever operated by the railroad and the A. & M. extension service. There are nine cars in the train, filled with interesting exhibits and a group of experts as speakers.

C. W. Lehmborg, county agent, and Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, home demonstration agent, have been invited to join the train at Ballinger and go as far as Sterling City. Both agents plan to accept this invitation and assist in demonstrations at a number of towns west of Ballinger.

An invitation is broadcast to every resident of Runnels and adjoining counties to be here at 7:30 Friday evening, March 11, and enter the train when the doors are opened. The nine coaches will remain open as long as there is an audience.

The program aboard the train is presented by A. & M. representatives and will feature dairying, poultry raising, better livestock, soil improvement, better farms and crops, home improvement and 4-H club work. On the train will be H. H. Williamson, vice-director of the extension service; A. L. Smith, beef cattle specialist, who will stage feeding demonstrations; E. M. Regenbrecht, swine specialist; E. N. Holmgreen, poultry specialist; E. N. Eudaly, dairy husbandman; and Miss Bess Edwards, assistant state home demonstration agent, who will be in charge of the women's division. Mr. Smith has asked for figures on beef cattle feeding in this section and Mr. Lehmborg is compiling them for this purpose. Mr. Regenbrecht will be heard on proper feeding and breeding of hogs. Miss Edwards is considered one of the best in her profession in the Southwest.

The program to be presented is strictly educational, intended to bring to the farmers and housewives of Texas new and practical ideas which will assist them in making their operations more profitable and their living more comfortable. The program, prepared by College Station experts, is based on the results of actual experiments conducted by the extension service over a long period.

The train will be parked near the Santa Fe passenger station where light and power connections can be made easily. Transformers will be placed and ready for connection when the special arrives.

Advance advertising matter requests that farmers come prepared to ask questions. Those who have problems will find men on the train who can answer them. The staff will be glad to solve if possible, any problem confronting the farmer in any line of endeavor.

Admission to the train is free. Farmers, livestock raisers, poultry fanciers, dairymen, bankers, merchants, professional men and housewives are urged to attend. There will be something of interest to everyone. Santa Fe officials state. Those who desire to view the train and not remain for lectures and demonstrations are at liberty to make their inspections and leave when finished.

GRASSHOPPER "DEVOURER" ATTACHES TO AUTOMOBILE

(By Associated Press)
OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 22.—If Walter S. Jardine's plan works out, the grasshopper will be hopping into his hopper.

Jardine, a Nebraska state representative, has applied for a patent on his machine which is calculated to "devour grasshoppers as fast as they are hatched."

His device, attached to an automobile, is a tall, shaft-like apparatus, somewhat resembling part of a threshing machine.

The hoppers are sucked, raked and blown into a hopper, where they're ground up and expelled in neat furrows for use as chicken feed, fertilizer or fish bait.

J. K. Baker, of Coleman, attended to business in county court here Monday.

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Women Extending Club Work Here

Home demonstration work will be extended in Runnels county under a new plan being started by the clubs and which is meeting with success. The communities already organized are inviting women of unorganized communities to their meetings and also accompanying the home demonstration agent into unorganized communities for demonstrations.

Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, home demonstration agent, believes the new plan will enable her to better organize the county and bring many more women into contact with the women's clubs. In a number of club group meetings are being held. Afternoons of club meeting days are spent in other sections of the county, demonstrating main projects of the clubs for the year which include gardens, wardrobe and pantry supplying.

The clubbers' accomplishments have shown in a way how thorough the organization is functioning, but the new plan will place the services of the extension agents more at the command of the entire county and other clubs are expected to be formed and new interest shown in communities that have never had regular organizations.

Mrs. Hollingsworth is extending an invitation to the women of the county to come to Ballinger March 11 to inspect the Santa Fe farm and home special which will be here on that date from 7:30 p. m. until late at night.

Frank Pearce returned the past week-end from San Antonio where he had been attending the convention of Rexall dealers and visiting his father, who has been very ill. J. Y. Pearce is improving rapidly, the son said.

Miss Merna Sue Clark returned home Friday from Temple where she had been in a sanitarium for several weeks. Miss Clark is reported to be improving rapidly since a recent operation.

Mrs. R. L. Stephenson and daughter returned to their home at Lubbock the past week-end after a visit here with Mrs. Z. A. Snell and Mrs. A. R. Jones.

Winters C. of C. to Hold Annual Feast

The Winters Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual banquet and get-together Thursday night, February 25. The affair will be a "chuck wagon supper served in the corridor of the high school building with members of the Parent-Teacher Association in charge. Harris Mullins will prepare the "cowboy" supper and serve it from the chuck wagon. The meal will be served at 7:30 p. m.

Tickets are on sale at Winters for the banquet at 35 cents per plate. A number of committees are working out details for the affair which will include as participants citizens of Winters and a number of guests from neighboring towns.

Following the serving of the menu, those present will enter the high school auditorium where a program, unique in every detail, will be staged by a number of Winters organizations. Each organization having a part on the program will be given seven and a half minutes to stage its stunts and at the end of the program out-of-town judges will award a \$5 prize for the best and \$2.50 for the second best.

Organizations to take part in the entertainment contest are the Parent-Teacher Association, Literary and Service Club, Diversity Club, American Legion, Delphian Club, Little Theatre, Fire Department, Lions Club, Diversity Daughters, and the chamber of commerce. Each organization contains a number of good entertainers and much time and thought is being spent on numbers to be presented.

A number of Ballingerites have been invited and will attend the novelty entertainment.

Woman Flier Daring Arctic Dangers On Treasure Hunt Believed to be Lost

(By Associated Press)
ATLIN, B. C., Feb. 22.—The storm-swept wastes of rugged northern British Columbia continued to hold secret today the fate of Mrs. Edna Christofferson and William R. Graham, aviators who disappeared last Monday while en route to Point Barrow, Alaska, to search for the abandoned fur trading ship Baychimo.

Mrs. Christofferson, Portland marks-woman, and Graham, Alaskan pilot, were sighted last Monday about 100 miles south of here, but since then no word has come out of the wilderness to reveal their whereabouts or condition. Meanwhile terrific blizzards have swept the area, preventing search either by dog team or plane.

The pair left Yakima, Wash., February 6, and flew first to Oroville, Wash., then to Hazelton, B. C., their progress being impeded throughout the flight by intermittent storms. They took off from Hazelton for Atlin Monday.

SEATTLE, Feb. 22.—A ghostly treasure ship squeezed between great hummocks of ice is the lure that has drawn a woman and a man on a 2,500-mile flight over tundra and mountain to the twilight of the Arctic.

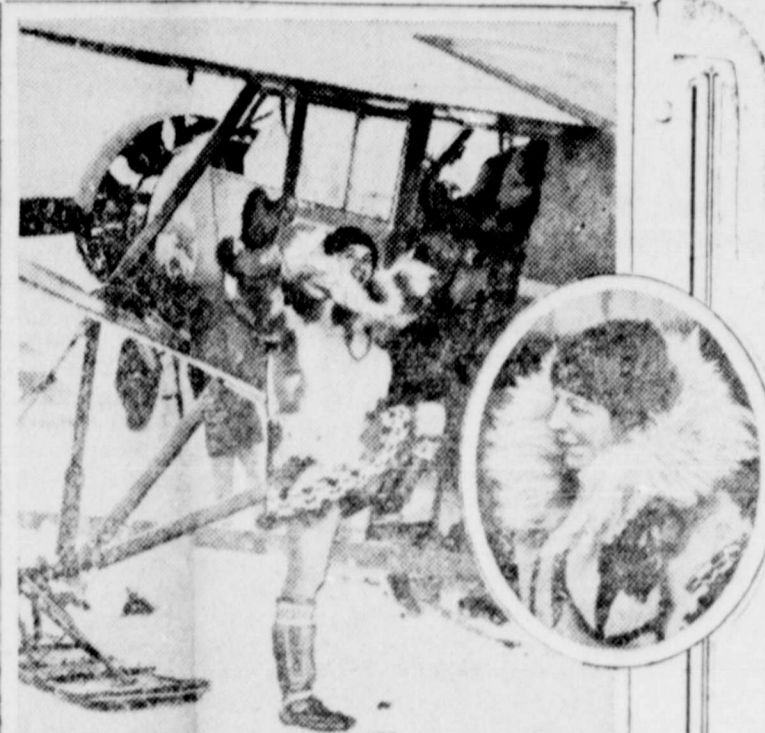
The danger of forced landings on mountainside or jagged ice block; the belief of some men familiar with the Arctic pack that the vessel is at the bottom of the ocean; the assertions of the ship's owners that furs on board are worth but little, all failed to discourage them.

The woman is Mrs. Edna Christofferson, widow of a pioneer Portland, Ore., aviator, herself a licensed pilot and owner of a private airport. The man is William R. Graham, Alaskan aviator.

The ship is the Baychimo, Hudson Bay Company trading schooner, caught in the ice last September in a race with the swift northern winter for open water and freedom.

The main "prop" in the drama is the expedition's airplane, built for Alaska mail service and characterized by Sir Hubert Wilkins, Arctic explorer, as one of the best equipped for northern flight he had ever seen.

It has skis, designed by Graham himself, of heavy hardwood plank, with projecting keels on



A fur ship lost in the Arctic ocean was the object of a treasure hunt undertaken by Mrs. Edna Christofferson and William R. Graham. The woman flier is shown at right and Graham is pictured with the ski-equipped plane in which they were hunting the vessel. Graham believed the ship, last seen near Point Barrow (map) was carried toward Siberia by the current. Their route lay to Nome and the Arctic coast.

The bottoms to prevent skidding. The plane also has a large oil heater and is well provisioned in case of a forced landing.

The value of the furs on the Baychimo has been estimated at between \$30,000 and \$1,000,000.

When the ship was frozen in her crew took off a portion of the cargo, which was flown south, and in December a trapper, who located the steamer after she disappeared during a gale, made a hazardous trek to her off Point Barrow and removed several other bundles, valued at \$35,000.

Pilot Frank Dorbandt, circling the rim of the Arctic coast from Point Barrow east, flew over about 5,000 square miles of the

Arctic ocean around Barrow, as far as 50 miles out, but could not find her.

Charles D. Brower, Point Barrow "mayor," told Dorbandt the ship had a large hole in the stern below the water line, and must have sunk before this in gales which have churned the pack ice.

The treasure hunters' flight course lay from Oroville, Wash., on the Canadian boundary line, to Prince George, Hazelton and Atlin, B. C., then to Dawson, Yukon territory, and on to Nome and the Arctic coast.

Graham believed the Arctic current, running northwest, carried the Baychimo toward Siberia.

Fair Stockholders To Meet Thursday

Stockholders of the Runnels County Fair Association will assemble at the court house here Thursday afternoon, February 25, in annual meeting. Secretary J. D. Motley will present a statement on the 1931 fair and stockholders will be permitted to ask questions regarding future plans.

Other business includes election of directors for the next year. Following the stockholders' meeting the directors will meet to complete the organization for the 1932 fair. Officers will be elected, the executive committee, standing committees and community chairmen appointed for succeeding year.

Charles Coombes, retiring president has held the office for two years because no fair was held in 1930. J. D. Motley has been secretary since the creation of a permanent county fair association.

The secretary's report this year is very flattering in many respects. Operating on the profit-sharing plan last fall the organization was able to take care of all expenses connected with the staging of the fair, pay off some past due indebtedness and pay 50 per cent on the catalogue premium lists. The same plan probably will be used for the 1932 fair, all program attractions being booked on percentage basis without guarantees.

The Southwestern Producing and Theatrical Company of Chicago will furnish all grandstand shows this year and offer a complete change of program each afternoon and night. This is something which local fair officials have sought since the fair was organized but this has been impossible until recently. Grandstand attractions will consist of ten separate and different programs offering something new at each performance.

At the next meeting here next Thursday dates for the 1932 fair probably will be set. Tentative dates agreed upon are October 4,

Half Holiday for Local Students

Students of the Ballinger schools received a half holiday Monday in observance of the 200th birthday anniversary of George Washington. The high school held a chapel program in keeping with the occasion, Rev. G. A. Dunn, visiting evangelist, being the principal speaker. Following this talk and the singing of patriotic airs, a radio set on the auditorium stage picked up the program held in the national congress in which the president delivered a Washington Day address. This program, which commenced at 11 a. m. (C. T. S.), continued until noon.

Pupils of all the schools were dismissed at noon for the remainder of the day.

Many Washington programs have been held in the city and others will be held next week. The First Methodist Church held an exclusive Washington program at the evening period Sunday. The Rotary Club devoted its Tuesday noon program to this theme, and the Lions Club will feature a bicentennial program Friday.

Other organizations of the city are observing the celebration which is nation-wide and will continue until next Thanksgiving day.

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Ballinger Girls Named Sponsors

Misses Wayne Byler and Mary Lee Gentry of this city were appointed sponsors to the Fat Stock Show at San Angelo next week. The young women will represent the 4-H clubs of this county in a pageant to be presented the first evening of the exposition. The pageant, which will include sponsors from all towns in this section of the state, will be held in the San Angelo municipal auditorium.

One of the Ballinger girls will be costumed as a cowboy and the other as a farmerette and will be rehearsed in their parts with the other sponsors upon arrival at San Angelo.

A number of livestock entries will be made in the show by clubs and individuals of this county. More than fifty head of livestock from this county will be exhibited and a number of club boys will stay in San Angelo during the show to look after their animals.

TOM VAUGHN REINSTATED

BEAUMONT, Feb. 22.—(AP)—Word was received by the Exporter club today that Tom "Muleshoe" Vaughn, veteran right handed pitcher, has been reinstated by the National Association. Vaughn was suspended last summer after he had played in the semi-professional tournament at Denver during the regular Texas League season. Exporter officials indicated he would be used in a trade.

Mrs. Joe Simmons and Miss Edith Miller attended to business at Miles and Winters Monday.

Dan Woodroof returned the past week-end from San Antonio where he had been to buy merchandise for his firm's Ballinger store.

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Eight Days Slow Rains Soak Runnels County

Runnels Club Boy Receives Award

C. W. Lehmborg has received the gold medal from the Thos. E. Wilson Fund which will be awarded to Marion Wood, of the Crews 4-H Club, champion livestock boy of the county in 1931. The award will be made in the near future at some public gathering in the county Mr. Lehmborg said.

Marion Wood has won many awards since starting his livestock projects six years ago. He has taken many prizes at the Runnels County Fair, has won two state pins and national recognition. Last year he was second in the state in his project and barely missed a trip to the International Stock Show at Chicago. This year as the representative of this county he will have another chance to compete for state honors and for the trip to Chicago.

The youth began his livestock work in this county six years ago with one orphan lamb which he raised on the bottle. The next year his father bought him two more which he raised, and his next step was to purchase ten registered ewes. He now has 18 registered ewes and 47 high grade ewes besides young lambs. He has one more year in club work in this county and expects to add other medals and awards to his long list.

In speaking of the success of young Wood, Mr. Lehmborg stated that it was very gratifying to have such boys as Marion in the county. The winning of prizes and actual accomplishments is always an incentive for better club work and this year there is more interest than ever among club boys.

All clubs which have operated in previous years are active and each member is striving to set a new goal for 1932. In addition three new clubs have been organized and will conduct programs this year. The new clubs are at Harmony, Herring, and Dale. Each has a good membership with live officers and the work is well started.

Livestock feeding is being featured at this time by boys' clubs of the county. Mr. Lehmborg expects eight exhibits to be taken from this county to the San Angelo stock show. A judging team from the county may also be taken to the exhibition and allowed to judge in contests there.

Six other club boys in this county recently received prizes given by the Ballinger Cotton Oil Company for work in livestock, poultry and field crops during the past year.

METHODIST CONFERENCE TO BE HELD AT TALPA

Pastors and laymen of the Brownwood district, Central Texas conference, have been called for an all day meeting at Talpa March 4. The meeting was called by Presiding Elder R. O. Sory and a program has been mailed to all churches in the district.

The program will start at 10 a. m. with devotional services led by the presiding elder. Rev. C. P. Jones, pastor of the Ballinger church, will deliver the message at 11 a. m. Following this sermon, women of the Talpa church will serve lunch to the visiting delegates.

A number of the leading preachers and laymen of the district will be heard in the afternoon on special subjects which have been assigned.

Eight days and nights of rains, drizzles, mists and cloudy, damp weather has been the portion of Runnels county recently. Precipitation has not been great, the average running from 2.20 to 3.25 inches, but all rains have been slow and none of the water has been wasted.

Dirty roads in the county are about as bad as were ever known. Thoroughfares were cut deep with ruts during the past week and with continued rains some are practically impassable. Highway work has been halted on account of the rains and nothing can be done to improve the situation until the sun shines and roadbeds dry enough to be dragged.

Farmers coming to town Saturday and Monday declared the season is as good as in any previous year. The ground is thoroughly soaked to a considerable depth and crops are assured with even less than normal rainfall during the spring and summer.

Reports indicate farmers need to get into their fields for plowing and some to plant small grain. County Agent C. W. Lehmborg expects much farm land to be bedded instead of broken with plows, in order to save time.

Practically all streams are full of water, but a few stock tanks have not been helped by the showers. Precipitation has not been heavy enough to cause any considerable rises on streams or increase levels of lakes and surface tanks. There is no shortage of water, however, ranchmen say.

Rev. J. E. Kerr, pastor of the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church, is reported to be slightly improved and is resting easier. Rev. Kerr has been very ill with influenza for the past ten days and friends have been anxious about his condition.

Corkill Motley, Fred Walter King and Guy Jones, students in Schreiner Institute, Kerrville, spent the week-end with their parents here.

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Catholic Mission Subjects Given

Special services commenced Sunday at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Rev. F. J. Hullive, O. M. I., of San Antonio, delivering the messages and conducting mass. First mass was held Sunday morning at 7 o'clock with ten minutes of instruction following and another service followed by instruction at 7:45. This program will be continued through the week.

The subject Sunday evening was "Salvation," with good attendance reported. The following subjects were announced for the remainder of the week: Monday night, "Sin;" Tuesday night, "Judgment;" Wednesday night, "Marriage;" Thursday night, "Confession;" Friday night, "Charity;" Saturday night, "Blessed Eucharist." The mission will close Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

Evening services begin at 7:30 o'clock and while this is a Catholic mission everyone is welcome and invited to attend the interesting and educational lectures each evening during the remainder of the week.

Preceding the main discourse each evening a short instruction period on the commandments is to be held. Rev. H. M. Janvier, O. M. I., priest of the church, is assisting in the special mission.

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This probably will be one of the most interesting political years in the history of Runnels county. An unusually large number of candidates are seeking office...

If all the gardens now being planned are planted, Runnels county will raise more food stuff in 1932 than at anytime in its history. The garden campaign is being given special attention...

Colemanites are rejoicing over the opening of their new bank. More than two thousand braved the rain and cold to attend the opening and a large number scramble to be the first depositor...

A number of towns are observing George Washington's birthday anniversary with tree planting programs. This is looking forward to the making of a more attractive town and the trees planted now will show their worth in beautification...

The Ledger is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. R. A. Smith, of Austin, asking that the paper continue to come to her address. Mrs. Smith resided here for many years and enjoys reading about her old friends in this section.

Mrs. E. R. Walker and daughter, Miss Edell Bell, left Saturday for Fort Worth to visit Mrs. L. B. Long, Mrs. Walker's sister.

H. C. Lyon and A. R. Murchison went to San Angelo Saturday night to hear General Smedley Butler lecture.

MAIL ORDER HOUSES IT'S GOOD-BYE FOREVER TO THE DOLLARS YOU SEND TO MAIL ORDER HOUSES

HOW'S your HEALTH MOVIES

Edited by Dr. Logo Goldstein for the New York Academy of Medicine

PSYCHOLOGIC EPIDEMICS

The epidemic nature of certain diseases caused by morbid agents is now universally appreciated.

There is no difficulty in achieving such an understanding when the specific causes of the diseases are known and the avenues of their spread have been demonstrated.

That morbid psychologic states are also transmissible and may spread in epidemic form is less widely appreciated, despite the fact that history records many psychopathic epidemics.

Nor are these epidemics confined to remote history. The publication of Goethe's "The Sorrows of Werthe," the tale of a hopeless love, ending in the suicide of the hero, was followed by an epidemic of suicides.

Many a young man upon reading this story became "infected" with its morbid romanticism and followed the fictitious hero to an untimely grave.

The publication of any new or novel method of self-destruction is almost certain to be followed by other similar attempts.

The infectious nature of panic is well illustrated in the tragic records of fires in theatres and assemblies.

Medical history reports many instances in which tics, tremors and convulsions of a psychopathic nature appeared in schools and communities and spread in a manner comparable to infectious diseases.

During the middle centuries the world was swept time and time again by many bizarre epidemics of weeping, howling, screaming, leaping and dancing.

Paracelsus (1493-1541) described such an epidemic mania for dancing. In the light of these facts and because psychologic states are known to be transmissible one must seriously question the wisdom of exposing oneself to the effects of morbid and gruesome recitations, pictures, plays, etc., a practice which has become rather widespread in these days of realism.

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Colombia Builds Roads BOGOTA, February 22.—(AP)—More than 600 miles of new highways will be constructed in Colombia this year under the plans of the ministry of public works.

Judge O. L. Parish left Monday morning for Paint Rock to open to second week of district court there.

Evelyn Brent Again Gun Moll in New Production

Evelyn Brent has been so successful in the role of a gunman's moll that it is not surprising she was chosen to head the cast of "Pagan Lady," the Columbia picture adapted from the Broadway success by William DuBois and to be shown here at the Palace Theatre Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

In the character of "Dot Hunter," a lady who has seen life in the raw from Bombay to Maine, Miss Brent again falls in with those gentlemen whose smoking gun are providing the public with no small amount of excitement.

Miss Brent's characterization is entirely different from others of like nature she has played in the past. This time she shows she really has a heart. She falls for a missionary and is willing to marry him to save him from the avenging guns of her rum-running sweetheart—but is it fair of her to marry this young idealist? That is the question settled dramatically in "Pagan Lady."

Conrad Nagel plays the missionary, Charles Bickford the rum-running sweetheart, and others in the all-star cast of "Pagan Lady" are Roland Young, William Farnum, Lucille Gleason, Leslie Fenton, Gwen Lee and Wallace MacDonald.

Notice to Debtors and Creditors THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels:

To Those Indebted to or Holding Claims Against the Estate of E. C. Peiser, Deceased.

The undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of the estate of E. C. Peiser, deceased, late of Runnels County, Texas, by Paul Trimmier, Judge of the county court of said county on the 28th day of December, A. D. 1931, during a regular term thereof, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to him within the time prescribed by law at his residence in Tom Green County, Texas, and whose postoffice address is Route No. 1, Miles, Texas, where he receives his mail, this 1st day of February, A. D. 1932.

GUST PEISER, Administrator of the Estate of E. C. Peiser, Deceased. 2-9-16-23

YOUTH ON RIFLE TEAM DESPITE MISSING ARM

(By Associated Press) SUPERIOR, WIS., Feb. 22.—Hugo Ranta, 17-year-old teachers' college sophomore here, has only one arm, but he's ranked as one of the best marksmen on the school's rifle squad.

In practice Ranta made such a creditable showing that he was selected as one of ten members of the club to compete against other schools.

An honor student, Ranta also plays basketball.

Farm Organizations Urge 100 Per Cent U. S. Capital For New Rural Credit Firms

By Frank I. Weller (Associated Press Farm Editor)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Organized agriculture is pressing hard for 100 per cent federal capital in new rural credit associations and livestock loan companies instead of the 75 per cent proposed by Chairman Jones of the House agricultural committee.

The Jones bill, creating a \$10,000,000 revolving fund, has been passed by the House committee, and similar legislation has been reported favorably by the Senate committee.

Before joint conference the American Farm Bureau Federation will submit amendments making it possible for the secretary of agriculture to lend to individuals for the purpose of creating farm credit organizations the full amount of capital they will need up to at least \$10,000.

This is in contrast to the proposal by Nils A. Olsen, chief of the bureau of agricultural economics, that the revolving fund be \$5,000,000, and the secretary authorized to lend up to 60 per cent of the capital of credit agencies.

It is the farm bureau's position that rural communities most needing credit associations through which farmers may borrow money from federal intermediate credit banks to finance crop and livestock production are not equipped to put up cash capital.

If agricultural interests had

their way about the proposed revolving fund any responsible group of citizens in any rural community could borrow on their own security and at moderate interest as much as \$10,000 or more to impound as the capital stock of a farm loan agency.

Then, on their own endorsement and accompanied by crop liens or other collateral, they could discount farmers' notes at the nearest federal intermediate credit bank in amounts ranging up to 10 times the capital of their organization.

Farmer borrowers would be required to invest 5 per cent of their loan in the stock of the credit association. Federal capital would be returned to the revolving fund as farmers paid the principal and interest on their loans.

Rabbit Hunt

There will be a rabbit hunt in South Ballinger and Dry Ridge communities on Thursday, February 25. First drive to begin at 8 o'clock at South Ward school. Basket dinner on Carl McAden farm. 19-21

His Name's a Bother

MANHATTAN, Kas., Feb. 22.—(AP)—George Washington, student at Kansas State College, has a hard time making people believe that's really his name. He has a grandfather, still living, whose name is also George Washington.

Notice in Bankruptcy

In the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of Texas, at San Angelo in the matter of Carl August Gottschalk, Bankrupt No. 557, in Bankruptcy San Angelo, Texas, February 18, 1932.

Creditors of Carl August Gottschalk, a farmer of Winters, Texas, are hereby given notice that on the 18th day of February, 1932, the said Carl August Gottschalk was duly adjudged bankrupt upon his voluntary petition filed herein, and that the first meeting of creditors of said bankrupt will be held in the office of the Referee at San Angelo, Texas, on the 2d day of March, 1932, at 10 o'clock a. m., at which time creditors may attend, prove their claims, elect a trustee and examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

CARTER T. DALTON, Referee in Bankruptcy 23-11

LEHMBERG TO NAME COUNTY LOAN BOARD

O. B. Martin, director of extension service, A. & M. College, has requested C. W. LehMBERG, county agent, to name the county seed loan board at once. This request will be attended to within the next few days and one man in each community in the county will be appointed to look after loans, receive applications and make investigations.

The board will pass on loans for the purchase of seed for planting, feed for livestock and fuel for tractors. The assistance is given to those who must have financial

Faculty Reductions Delayed

COLUMBIA, Mo., Feb. 22.—(AP)—Although an estimated \$232,000 must be cut from the University of Missouri budget, no faculty salaries will be reduced and no members dismissed before next September because of existing contracts.

Danes' King Retrenches

COPENHAGEN, February 22.—(AP)—King Christian, who hitherto has gone to the French Riviera each winter remained home this year because of economic conditions.

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Cartoon strip by Charles McManus. Panel 1: 'WHERE ARE YOU GOING THIS FINE SABBATH DAY?' 'TO THE MOVIES'. Panel 2: 'YOU SHOULD NOT SEEK AMUSEMENT ON THE DAY OF REST'. Panel 3: 'YOU SEEM TO BE A NICE GIRL GENERALLY'. 'WHY AIN'T I NICE TO DAY?'. Panel 4: 'THE EVIL SPIRIT IS WITH YOU'. 'WELL IF HE IS HE'LL HAVE TO PAY HIS OWN WAY IN'.

By Charles McManus

Quickly Bleaches Muddy Skins. Dull, ordinary appearances vanish as blemishes and defective features are forgotten under the lure of the bewitching beauty instantly rendered. Beneficial in correcting tan, flabbiness, freckles, wrinkles. GOURAUD'S ORIENTAL CREAM White, Flesh and Roshol Shades

Around the World

Idle Blacks Roam Congo LEOPOLDVILLE, Belgian Congo—(P)—Because work has been stopped on the Usimbura railway and road construction in Runanda-Urundi has been abandoned, 1,800 natives are unemployed in the Belgian Congo. They are wandering beyond their districts and Europeans are demanding protection.

Morocco Yields Old Art RABAT, Morocco—(P)—A Greek bronze statue, 57 inches high and apparently representing Apollo has been found in the ruins of the ancient Roman city of Volubilis. It is thought to be a copy of some work by Praxiteles or Phidias.

Illiteracy Conquered, Says Soviet Official MOSCOW—(P)—D. E. Sulimov, chairman of the council of commissars of the Russian republic, has announced that the soviet five year plan for stamping out illiteracy has been fulfilled.

He said that 1,500,000 persons had been taught in 1929 to read and write, 5,500,000 in 1930 and 10,500,000 in 1931. With the number of illiterates in the U. S. S. R. reduced now to 3,800,000, there will be none left by the end of 1932 and 32 out of every 10,000 inhabitants will be studying in universities.

Find Third Nemi Boat ROME—(P)—A third Roman boat, 2,000 years old, has been found in Lake Nemi where two barges of the Emperor Caligula were recovered by draining the lake. The new craft is thought to have been a freight barge.

Brazil to Build Planes RIO DE JANEIRO—(P)—A committee representing the army, navy and ministry of communications is studying proposals to erect here an airplane factory which would supply Brazil's aviation needs, both military and civil.

Soviets Produce Talkies MOSCOW—(P)—The first soviet talkies are being exhibited here. They were made by a sound apparatus designed by the Russian engineer Tager and known as the "Tagephone."

Trained Steeds Outwit Turkish Border Guard MARDINE, Turkey—(P)—Equine smugglers may be brought, perhaps with their trainers, before the special tribunals which Turkey is setting up to combat the contraband trade across the Turco-Syrian frontier.

The discovery that riderless horses had been trained to carry goods past the border guards was made when one animal stopped at a customs house instead of at a smugglers' rendezvous. The beast was loaded with Syrian silk and sugar.

Soviets Trade in Ethiopia ADDI ABABA—(P)—Price cutting has given Russian trade a foothold in the Abyssinian market, especially in oils and sugar. Competing interests have cut prices to meet the new rival.

Germans Glide, Then Fly BERLIN—(P)—German passenger pilots now must take a course in glider flying before they can obtain pilot certificates. Aviation interests claim the measure increases the safety factor.

MARRIAGE CHIMES GREET GANG'S END IN ITALIAN REGION

REGGIO CALABRIA, Italy, Feb. 22—Young men and women of this region, long held in terror by gangsters, who demanded tribute from those wishing to wed, are making merry.

An unprecedented number of wedding notices have been filed, since for the first time in months matrimony can be contracted without payment for "protection."

The gang used effective methods. It sent its "tax collector" to call when someone wished to wed and if he was turned away—

The bride was kidnapped, the couple's home was burned or the groom was murdered.

A gang war ended the "racket." Giuseppe Vizzari, leader of the band, shot it out with a rival and was killed. The police then captured a dozen members of the gang.

Roman Ruins Found in Germany TRIER, Germany, Feb. 22—(P)—Excavations on an old Jesuit convent ground here have brought to light ruins of a Roman wall whereone were painted figures similar to those found on some of the Pompeian ruins. This city was occupied by the Romans from 268 to 400 A. D.

COMING

DOCTOR REA OF MINNESOTA To Ballinger, Central Hotel, Wednesday, March 9th ONE DAY ONLY Hours—10 a. m. to 4 p. m.

DR. REA, well known American Physician, specialist in the science of internal medicine, licensed by the State, visiting many important places in the State. Treating diseases without surgical operation.

Specialist in stomach, liver and bowel diseases, as complicated with blood, skin, lungs, nerves, heart, kidneys, bladder, nose, throat, rheumatism, neuritis, bed-wetting, pellagra, blood pressure, leg ulcers, slow growth, and deformities in children.

He does not operate for chronic appendicitis, gall-stones, ulcers of stomach, goiter. Small tumors, skin cancer, tubercular glands, moles, warts, facial blemishes, piles, fistula, varicose veins, treated with the hypodermic injection method.

DR. REA is an experienced practitioner in chronic diseases, he also has a special diploma in diseases of children, and applies his efforts in the interest of those diseases that he is best qualified to treat, so if ailing, and not getting any better, see him, at this time, as delays just prolong your illness.

He will give free consultation and examination. Services and medicines at reasonable cost, where there is need of treatment. Remember the date, and bear in mind that his treatment is different.

Married women should come with their husbands, and children with parents.

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Russian Wheat Still is Threat Observers Hold

By Frank I. Weller (Associated Press Farm Editor) WASHINGTON, Feb. 22—

In view of the Soviet government's export practice last year and its avowed policy of paying industrial debts from the sale of agricultural commodities, trade observers still see a threat in Russian grain.

For one thing, the Russians seeded 5,000,000 acres more spring wheat alone in 1931 than the year before when they produced 1,000,000,000 bushels of wheat for the largest yield in the world and exported almost 100,000,000 bushels.

Spring wheat makes up three-fourths of the Russian crop and is the chief source of Soviet export grain. It is 1931 spring wheat which Russia has been exporting and so far this year she has shipped out more than half the total amount last year.

There has been drought in the spring wheat area. Once that meant ruin in Russia, but the Soviets have applied scientific farming methods—the deep plowing, correct fertilizing and proper cultivation depended upon to counteract drought.

Their spring wheat area this year was larger than the entire acreage of all wheats in the United States.

Soviet fall seeding of grain, which includes winter wheat, was estimated at 82,408,000 acres up to October 15. While that was but 73 per cent of the ambitious "plan" it was 82 per cent of last year's total winter sown acreage.

If Russia follows her 1930 program she may be expected to export from this crop. Winter wheat around the Black Sea was of excellent quality then and early 1931 exports of it kept Russian grain coming into world markets for the entire year.

The enormity of Russian seeding may be seen in the preliminary estimate of 235,443,000 acres of all grains in 1931 compared with 213,496,000 in 1930, an increase of 10 per cent.

Russian wheat in itself is not considered sufficient to break the world market.

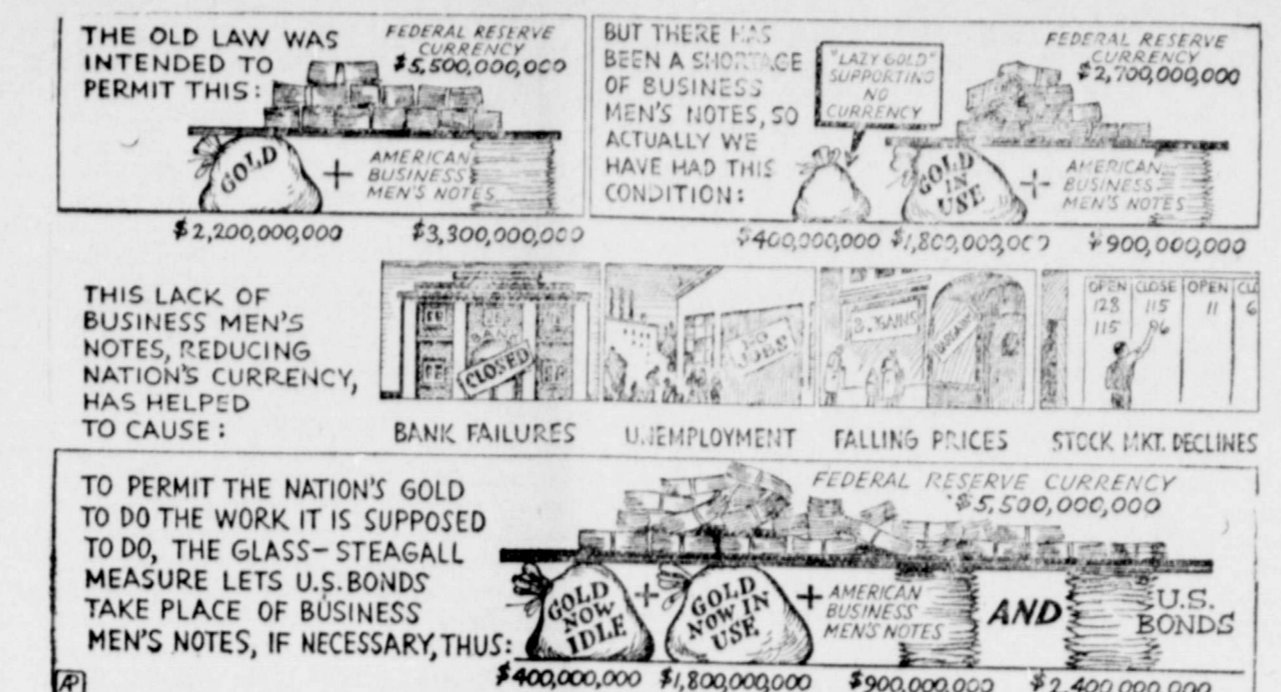
Its threat to the United States and other exporting countries is that it takes up the slack when there is a crop failure elsewhere and dams back its own weight in the exports of other countries—chiefly the United States and Canada.

Since Russia has been a huge shipper of grain unsold to the United Kingdom recent cancellation of forward commitments is not always considered significant. She frequently withdrew from the market last year only to come back when her boats and storehouses cleared.

Marshal Blackstock and Tommy Marvin, current wrestlers, were both formerly prize fighters.

The Glass Bill--Drafting Idle Gold

New Measure to Allow Use of U. S. Bonds to Back Currency



This chart partly portrays what may result from the Glass-Steagall bill to make government bonds as well as business men's notes legal to support currency. It is intended to illustrate the full potentiality of this aspect of the bill, and does not purport to indicate that all the currency which might possibly be issued, will, in fact, be issued or is needed.

(The figures in this chart and article are round numbers.) (By Associated Press) The Glass-Steagall bill proposes to put America's unemployed gold back to work by making U. S. government bonds eligible for currency backing, to make up the deficiency of available business men's notes.

It takes 40 per cent gold and 60 per cent business men's notes to make Federal Reserve currency—the paper money generally used today. Due to the shortage of notes, the amount of gold employed in supporting the currency actually is about 65 per cent against 35 per cent notes. By adding government bonds worth \$1,000,000,000 in place of business men's notes, the gold is freed in the same way, and may be used with more bonds or notes to issue more currency. Foreigners could withdraw all the gold held for them, and needed currency could be issued without fear. The total U. S. supply of gold available for currency support totals about \$2,200,000,000. If gov-

ernment bonds are added to the existing \$900,000,000 notes to the extent of 60 per cent, a total of \$5,500,000,000 in currency might be issued. That is, \$2,200,000,000 (40 per cent gold) plus \$3,300,000,000 (60 per cent notes and bonds), equals \$5,500,000,000.

It is, however, extremely unlikely that so much currency would be needed, so the gold needed for currency can be put in the "free" gold supply. The bill also makes it much easier for banks to borrow from the Federal Reserve system. Being able to borrow easily, they can lend more freely, and still be able to get money quickly to meet the demands of depositors if necessary. This would mean the end of bank failures and invigoration of credit. Also, when there is less money and credit prices go down—because there is less money and credit. If there is more money and credit, as the bill makes possible, prices will go up, helping all sellers of raw materials, stimulating employment, and the whole economic system.

without the aid of notes. In other words, gold has been performing much of the work that notes are supposed to perform. But instead of business men's notes, and supplementary to them, United States government bonds may be used to support the currency, under provisions of the new bill.

If there were sufficient business paper, the existing \$2,700,000,000 currency might be supported by about \$1,000,000,000 (40 per cent) in gold, and \$1,700,000,000 (60 per cent) in notes, instead of \$1,800,000,000 (65 per cent) in gold—freeing \$900,000,000 in gold—and \$900,000,000 (35 per cent) notes.

About NEW YORK

By William Gaines (Farmer Texas Newspaper Reporter) NEW YORK, Feb. 22—(P)—can't help wondering what the people down in Uvalde, Texas, think about all these big town newspapers with their stories and pictures acknowledging John N. Garner's enlarged renown.

I wonder if "Moon," the black boy who came to the rescue of Garner's light touring car the day I was down there in 1923, is still tinkering with the old wreck. And if he can read—or if somebody reads to him—the spreading feature stories about his boss in New York papers.

What are they thinking, those honey and basalt rock men, sipping their coffee in the little Manhattan cafe, about their fellow townsman who got all this touting for the presidency of the United States?

Those of the 5,000 population who used to pass John Garner on the street, or see him sitting on the curb watching the masons at work on his new shop building, would salute him casually but respectfully, just as they would any other leading citizen of Uvalde.

He was just the minority leader of the house of representatives then, trying to get his affairs in shape for another invasion of Washington and more scuffling with Andrew Mellon over taxation.

They had grown accustomed to hearing him talk about "Uncle Andy" Mellon. The majority of them were satisfied with the way Garner looked after their local needs when he went to Washington, so they kept sending him back, term after term.

Perhaps it never occurred to many of them that Garner was getting his name in the papers in such far-away places as New York occasionally, even then.

Home Town Folk Garner's son, Tully, was one of them, too. And they all knew Mrs. Garner, his secretary in Washington and home-maker in Uvalde, right well.

It was a familiar sight to see John Garner puttering around among his pecan trees and experimenting with new fangled plants, trying to get them to grow in Uvalde county. They took the Garner home, the best house in Uvalde for granted. It did not awe them.

Since, I have learned from correspondents, the Uvalde folk began to perk up and look upon their representative in a new light when he was elevated to the speakership.

They knew he was in line for the post, of course, but their enthusiasm really began to be fired when they found what a stir Garner was causing over the nation.

Then with dramatic suddenness, the Garner presidential boom burst upon the land. Fancy writers in New York and other cities began to employ such comparatives as "like Lincoln."

So I wonder just what the Uvalde people think about it now.

Why, Willie Willie Howard tells one about his engagement in "The Passing Show of 1912." He had to have a wig, but didn't think the show would run long enough to warrant buying one. So he rented one from week to week, thinking each would be the last.

After the first year of the run, the wig maker, his pockets bulging with Willie's coin, told him: "I guess you deserve to keep it now."

MORE "REST" FOR PLANTS BRINGS EARLIER BLOOMS (By Associated Press) ZANESVILLE, O., Feb. 22—An experiment with black "hoods" over chrysanthemums by florists here resulted in the blooms being advanced from three to five weeks.

Acting on a suggestion from Ohio State University, the florists covered the plants with black cloth three hours before sunset each day and kept the covers on until two hours after sunrise the next day.

Giving the plants a longer period of rest each day brought out the earlier blooming, the florists said. The flowers were as large and richly colored as those out in mid-season.

Scales Give Wool Warmth NEW YORK, Feb. 22—(P)—Wool owes its warmth to microscopically small scales covering the fiber and to its crinkly shape. It pays to read the ads.

Wherever the most desirable rooms are available the Want Ad columns of THE LEDGER will direct you. No need to ring endless doorbells in your search, for your quest is simplified by the list of desirable locations, with features noted, so that you pick and choose before you start on an inspection.

Advertisement for 'WANT ADS' featuring a large illustration of a rolled-up newspaper and the text: 'THERE is another nicely furnished ROOM! WANT ADS'.

"Sunnyside" to be Presented Mar. 4-5

Miss Edith Miller has announced the dates for presentation of "Sunny of Sunnyside" as March 4 and 5. The operetta, enacted by boys and girls of the city, has been under rehearsal for the past several months. More than twenty musical numbers by the main characters of the cast will be heard during the two acts.

Camp Fire Girls of Ballinger are sponsoring the operetta and are requesting patronage of all citizens at the two performances. Proceeds will go to the organization's treasury.

The performance on March 4 will be the only night show to be presented. The curtain will be raised promptly at 7:30. Admission prices for the evening show for adults will be 35 cents, provided tickets are purchased from the children before Friday night. Adult tickets will sell for 40 cents at the door on the evening of the performance.

On March 5 at 2:30 p. m. a special matinee for school children will be presented, with admission 15 cents for children under 12 years, 25 cents for pupils over 12, and 35 cents for adults.

Mary Faye Wardlaw will be seen as the central character, portraying "Sunny." Other children appearing in the cast are: Rosemary Lasater, Teddy Wardlaw, Laura Edith Miller, Sam Hollingsworth, Sibyl Cox, Powell Wear, Virginia Williams, Juliette Simmons, Lucille Joseph, Wesley Jane Reese, Jane Flynn, Helen Routh, Otis Krempin, Billie Jack Connelly, Edna Archer, Kathryn Atwell, Floyd McCoy, Christine

Caffey, Elva Sykes, Eula Mae Smith, Eulalie Nicholson. In the chorus are the following boys and girls: Carlos Burnett, Paul Trimmer, Jack Bandy McGregor, Sambo Welhausen, James Lasater, Otis Krempin, Luther Morris, Billie Jack Connelly, Eloise Mullens, Agatha Sides, Evelyn Teague, Lucille Joseph, Edith Jones, Virginia Williams and Eulalie Nicholson.

Specialties offered between the acts include: Marjorie and Alexander McGregor in "Sun Bonnet Sally and Overall Jim"; a musical reading, "The Kind of a Girl That Mother Used to Be," by Eleanor Williams; and a song and dance number, "My Trixie from Dixieland," by Lucille Joseph.

Several musical numbers call for a full chorus in dance steps. The ensemble is well costumed and Miss Miller has spent much time in rehearsing the child actors.

J. R. Severs, of Bonham, will arrive in Ballinger March 1 to be connected with the Community Gas Company. He will be in charge of the Stargas division, having formerly been here in the same capacity.

Miss Kathryn Grant is here for a few days' visit with relatives and friends. Miss Grant is a student nurse in a Temple hospital.

Aspirin Gargle in Sore Throat or Tonsillitis

Prepare a harmless and effective gargle by dissolving three to five Bayer Aspirin tablets in one-third glassful of water. Gargle thoroughly, allowing a little to trickle down throat. Repeat in two hours as necessary. Be sure you use only the genuine Bayer Aspirin, marked with the Bayer cross; beware of substitutes.

Advertisement for Ballinger Printing Co. featuring a logo with 'JOB PRINTING' and the text: 'TO US PRINTING is more than just putting words into type. It is the creation of a work of art, be it a simple little announcement or an elaborate booklet. Hence we take all the pride of an artist in his craft, in each job; and that is the secret of the superlative quality of Ballinger Printing Company printing. Let Us Quote Prices On that Next Job Ballinger Printing Co. Telephone 27'

Advertisement for 'Wake Up Your Liver Bile - Without Calomel' and 'And You'll Jump Out of Bed in the Morning Rin' to Go'. It describes the benefits of Carter's Little Liver Pills for digestive health.

Advertisement for 'THE First National Bank OF BALLINGER, TEXAS' with the slogan 'Since 1886'. It promotes the bank's long history and commitment to service.

Want Ads

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Two cents per word first insertion, no advertisement accepted for less than 25 cents. All subsequent insertions 1c per word each insertion.
All classified advertisements must be accompanied by cash unless advertiser has a regular account with the paper.
No classified advertisement accepted on an "until ordered out" basis. The number of times the ad is to run must be specified.

FOR RENT—Five-room house on Broadway, modern conveniences. Also four-room house, close in. L. E. Bair Furniture Co. 23-2t

WANTED—Local representative. References required. Fidelity Building and Loan Association, Box 55, San Angelo, Texas. 22-2t

FOR SALE—Out of town dealer has beautiful baby grand standard make piano, \$1050 model. Will sell for balance due, \$466.83. Will take your piano in trade and terms if desired. Answer PG, care of Ledger office. 12-1f

FOR RENT—Two room furnished apartment, 709 Ninth Street. Phone 1306. 2-1f

WANTED—Your Cream. We pay cash on delivery and sterilize your can. Runnels County Creamery. 1f

Weddings

Cape-Corder
George Cape and Miss Maurine Corder were married here Friday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Corder. The happy couple left early Saturday morning for Galveston where Mr. Cape is employed in the general offices of the Walker-Smith Company.

Mr. Cape was transferred from the local establishment of the Walker-Smith Company to Galveston last December. He has been employed by the grocery firm for the past three years and holds the position of cashier in the Galveston offices.

Mrs. Cape, popular in the younger set here, had been employed for more than a year in the local plant of the Mid-West Poultry Association.

Both of the contracting parties were reared and received their education in the Ballinger schools.

Reeves-Smith
Ernest Reeves and Miss Willie B. Smith were married here Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wilson. The ceremony was performed by Justice Wilson in the presence of a few intimate friends of the young couple.

Mr. Reeves resides at Novice where the couple will make their future home. Mrs. Reeves, the daughter of Mrs. Carl Wilson, has been making home here.

EVANGELIST'S MESSAGES CONTINUE TO INTEREST

Evangelist G. A. Dunn continues to give some interesting and forceful messages to splendid audiences each evening at the Eighth Street and Bonsal Avenue Church of Christ. Weather conditions have been very much against the revival for the past ten days, but this has not stopped the attendance. The auditorium was filled for both morning and evening services Sunday.

The revivalist's subject for Sunday morning was "The Lord's Supper," and for the evening service, "Conversion of Paul." The subject for Monday night's discourse was "Conversion of a Crook," the evangelist basing his chief remarks on Acts 8:5-24, which gives a record of the conversion of Simon the sorcerer, the evangelist proving that the vile and crooked sinner may come to, and accept Christ, and, too, may fall away and be lost after once coming into Christ.

Many Bible questions were answered at the Sunday night service by the revivalist, which were given to him by the public. Questions of this nature are answered at each service, the evangelist giving the public the opportunity to ask any Bible question.

Services are announced through the week at 7:30 p. m.

A four-room apartment on wheels has been developed in France. It has the appearance of a boat, being provided with windows of the shape and size of port holes.

HOLLYWOOD SIGHTS and SOUNDS

By Robbin Coons
HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 22.—Tay Garnett offers a frank reason for avoiding a long-term directing contract at this time.

Recently he completed a five-year agreement with Pathe and since has rejected offers from several other studios. Many actors, and some directors, turn down such contract offers, usually explaining that their "art" demands the freedom of freelancing. Says Garnett:



TAY GARNETT

"In boom times I was tied by such a contract and getting poppy seed for salary while others were making big money.
"If I sign a new agreement now, when retrenchment policies are in effect at the studios and salary scales are lower, I'll be in pretty much the same situation again when times turn for the better. So I'm going to freelance for a while."

A Phenomenon

Three times during the term of his contract with Pathe, Garnett sought release only to be refused. Once was after the great box-office success of "Her Man," the picture which made Helen Twelvetrees a star and brought Ricardo Cortez back from oblivion.

They took up his option over his own protests—and that, folks, is a Hollywood phenomenon!

So Tay, for the present, has no plans except to visit New York to see about publication of his compilation of "Hollywood Chestnuts," to see the new shows, and take a vacation with Mrs. Garnett (Patsy Ruth Miller).

Formerly a newspaperman, he still writes, and is responsible, with Rollo Lloyd, for the screen story of "Prestige," the Ann Harding picture which concluded his Pathe contract. Unlike the star, he has faith in his picture and believes it will make money.

Those Old Films

Lowell Sherman was in the premiere audience at a local theatre when the novelty short, "The Movie Album," was being projected. Came a scene in which the late John Bunny was seen with a little girl, the announcer explaining the child was Helen Costello, "now the wife of Lowell Sherman."

Divorce proceedings were instituted apparently after the sound track on the film was finished!

Many other celebrated stars of today had cause to squirm, or laugh, at their own film selves resurrected for the amusement of today's audiences.

Norma Shearer, Lionel Barrymore, Antonio Moreno, Lillian Gish all might wish they had followed Mary Pickford's example and bought up all their old films.

What acting they did in those old days!

Desk Blotters

Just received shipment of Desk Blotters in several different shades, sheets 19x24 inches, 10c a sheet.

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BOY, 6, SCORES 78 OUT OF 100 WITH PISTOL

(By Associated Press)
PORT CLINTON, O., Feb. 22.—Smaller and younger boys may get a thrill from shooting a cap pistol, but not William Maulin, age 6.

The boy accompanied his father, G. W. Maulin, a Lexington, Ky., policeman, to the national rifle matches at Camp Perry, O., and there showed the old-timers something.

With his father's .38 calibre pistol he scored a 78 out of a possible 100 at 25 yards. But he did not take part in the matches because he was too young to enter.

William shoots in a business-like manner. His father says he began handling a real gun only about six months ago.

AUSTRALIAN METEORITES NEW LURE FOR TOURISTS

(By Associated Press)
CANNBERRA, Australia, Feb. 22.—The huge meteorite deposits in central Australia, recently found and said to be second largest in the world, are to be preserved by the government.

There are 13 craters, varying in size from 10 to 220 yards across in an area of about half a mile square. It is believed that they will attract tourists.

Best quality typewriter ribbons and carbon paper at the Ledger. 1f

72 Per Cent County Taxes are Paid

County Tax Collector W. A. Forgey and his office staff are preparing a report on tax collections and expect to finish the work some time next week.

Tax collections in the county to date total \$176,426, which is approximately 72 per cent of the whole levy assessed for state and county. The total of assessments is \$244,190, a little less than last year, Mr. Forgey said.

As soon as the report is completed distribution of the funds will be made to their proper places. Already advances of \$20,000 to the county school system and \$35,000 to the state have been made.

Refunds to tax payers, under recent legislation, on interest and penalties collected between September 30 and January 31, \$864,79, will be sent out within the next few days, Mr. Forgey stated Tuesday.

Mr. Forgey expects to be ready next week to make a report on the poll taxes paid in each voting box of the county. Poll taxes in the county this year are greatly decreased, slightly over 3,000 paying for the right to vote.

Officers on Watch For Prowlers Here

Ballinger officers answered many night calls during the past week where prowlers were reported. Some dozen or more cases were reported but so far no arrests have been made.

A Doose took two shots at a man on his upstairs back porch a few nights ago. The man had climbed a tree and was on the gallery when Mr. Doose was awakened by the noise. Seeing the stranger trying to enter the house he took a couple of shots as the prowler fled the same way he had entered.

Three cases have been reported to officers of prowlers relieving clothes-lines of the family wash. During the rainy weather this has been a common occurrence. R. E. White lost a number of shirts, socks and other apparel. H. M. Martin had clothes stolen from his line this week, and S. L. Ferguson reported the loss of garments left out overnight.

A Ford car belonging to Oscar Wilemon was stolen Monday night from the F. C. Miller residence. The machine was driven to the Halley & Love Sanitarium where it was abandoned. The car, apparently in good shape, was located by officers early Tuesday morning. Examination was being made to see if the auto had been damaged as it was insured.

Two men were run from a garage on Twelfth Street one night this week, making their escape through the alley. Noise in the garage attracted the owner and when investigation was begun the prowlers departed in different directions. Officers were called but too late to pick up a clue.

Rev. Speer, of Winters, while visiting in Ballinger this week, lost a brief-case from his car parked on the street.

A number of other prowling cases have been reported but no losses were announced. Officers are patrolling all parts of the city and urge citizens to cooperate with them in ending this class of violations.

The loss of much milk has been reported but this petty thievery is believed to have been done by youngsters.

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Free booklets of "by air mail" labels are being issued by the British post office in a campaign to increase the use of air mail service.

The prescription-filling capacity of American drug stores has been estimated by a department of commerce expert to be more than 10 times as great as the demand.

The Electric Hat-Man Is On His Way to BALLINGER from SEATTLE, WASHINGTON
Watch this Space for His Arrival

Restless, could not sleep

"THERE were days when I felt like I could not get my work done. I would get so nervous and 'trembly' I would have to lie down. I was very restless, and could not sleep at night.

My mother advised me to take Cardui, and I certainly am glad she did. It is the first thing that seemed to give me any strength. I felt better after the first bottle. I kept it up and am now feeling fine."—Mrs. T. R. Gibson, Fort Payne, Ala.

CARDUI HELPS WOMEN to HEALTH
Take Theodor's Blood-Broughting Constitution, Indigestion, and Allergies

Woodroofs to Open Store at Winters

G. O. Woodroof & Son will open a dry goods store in Winters March 4 according to an announcement by the owners of the Ballinger store of the same name. Woodroofs signed a lease contract last week for the Tanner building adjoining the Winters postoffice and will begin at once to stock the store and getting ready for the formal opening.

Dan Woodroof, in speaking of the new enterprise stated the firm would stock brand new merchandise which is modern and up-to-date in every respect. The store will feature ready-to-wear and shoes and will have capable clerks in every department.

The opening of the Winters store will in no means affect the policy of the Ballinger store. The local store will be operated as heretofore, handling a full stock of high class merchandise for all members of the family. G. O. Woodroof will devote a large part of his time to personal management of the new store and plans to offer the people of Winters a place where the needs and wants of the most exacting buyer can be supplied.

These men formerly conducted a store in Winters in association with L. W. Woodroof, now of Oklahoma.

A Nagging Backache



May Warn of Kidney or Bladder Irregularities
A persistent backache, with bladder irregularities and a tired, nervous, depressed feeling may warn of some disordered kidney or bladder condition. Users everywhere rely on Doan's Pills. Praised for more than 50 years by grateful users the country over. Sold by all druggists.



PALACE THEATRE

WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY



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A Love Story From the Stage Success by Wm DuBois
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Most Speedy Remedies Known.

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BALLINGER MAN'S FATHER DIES AT ZEPHYR HOME

Rev. W. H. Teague, 83, died at his home in Zephyr Saturday morning after an illness which was contracted February 1. Pneumonia developed Friday morning, death following in a few hours. G. P. Teague, of this city, returned home Sunday night from Zephyr where he had been at his father's bedside and to attend the funeral. Another son, Dick Teague, of Miles, had been visiting his father for several days.

Rev. Teague, a resident of Brown county for the past 60 years, had held many appointments with Baptist churches of this section. He was well known in that county and made many friends who esteemed him for his consecrated Christian life and deeds.

Survivors include eight children, five of whom were present for the funeral, held at Zephyr Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

Mrs. Teague died in October, 1918, and for a number of years Rev. Teague had made his home with his daughter.

He is survived by the following children: A. M. Teague, Cement, Okla.; Perry Teague, Cement,

Okla.; J. O. Teague, Marshall; G. P. Teague, Ballinger; A. S. Teague, Miles; Will Teague, Rising Star; Mrs. W. L. Johnson, Waco; and Mrs. W. T. Lee, Zephyr.

W. A. GUSTAVUS, FORMER CITIZEN, DIES AT AUSTIN

W. A. Gustavus, 87, formerly of this city, died at Austin Sunday after a lingering illness. Mr. Gustavus, a pioneer business man of Ballinger, for years operated a mercantile store here, assisted by his two sons. He later moved to Corpus Christi and from there to Austin where he made home in recent years.

Relatives and friends received news of the death Sunday. The funeral was held Monday afternoon with interment in an Austin cemetery.

N. M. Gustavus, a son, was in Ballinger over the week-end, visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lynn. He was unable to attend the funeral and returned to his home at Abilene Monday morning.

Denison University at Granville, O., has celebrated its 100th anniversary.

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