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School Allotments to be Made Larger this Year

P. L. Stone, rural school inspector for the state department of education, completed the inspection of Runnels county schools this week and the county received a recommendation of \$21,869 for state aid for this year. The amount last year amounted to \$19,370.

The amount is distributed among 36 common schools and two independent districts. The largest sum in the county goes to the Bethel school, being \$1,628 and the smallest to Runnels being \$71. The Norton independent school subject to state aid obtained \$1,368 and Wingate, also an independent school, received \$1,750.

Benoit, Miller and Kristoff, common districts, did not qualify for the aid owing to a lower tax rate than specified by the state. No school applying failed to meet the requirements and all received full allowance, according to R. E. White, county superintendent, who accompanied Mr. Stone on his inspection over the county.

Mr. Stone was very complimentary of the schools in this county which he inspected, declaring them in the best condition of any he had visited this year. His praise of their condition reflects much credit on R. E. White, county superintendent, for his efforts in the educational work of this county.

The two independent schools, Wingate and Norton both received much praise from the inspector. The vocational work taught by O. L. Conger at Norton was pointed out as an outstanding work by the inspector and articles from his manual training department received a special mention as comparing with that of any high school.

Mr. Stone stated that there were no criticisms to make of the school at Offen and when he learned it was the first year in twelve that a state school had been operated there he commended the county superintendent and the board of trustees very highly for their efficient manner in handling the school.

Crews and Content each received a high rating by the inspector. The Crews district is a consolidation of two districts while four districts are re-premaner in handling the school.

Mr. White stated that a few districts have completed their census rolls and turned them in to his office. Hatchel and Cross Roads each showed a substantial gain over last year in scholastics while Franklyn showed a slight decrease. All census rolls must be completed this month and after they are checked and approved by the county superintendent, they will be sent to Austin for final approval by the state superintendent.

LEGION AND AUXILIARY MEET HERE MONDAY

The American Legion and Auxiliary will meet in their regular monthly meeting next Monday evening at 7:45 at the American Legion Hall. A report of the district convention to be held in Brownwood next Saturday and Sunday will be made and a number of business matters brought before the two organizations. All members and those desiring to join are urged to attend the meetings.

Post Commander R. W. Earnshaw has certified a number of delegates for the Brownwood convention. M. C. Atkins was named as a member of the resolutions committee and will represent this post in the district session.

SCHOOLS TO BE GRANTED HALF HOLIDAY FRIDAY

Ballinger school will be dismissed Friday at noon for the week on account of the county meet being in session here Friday and Saturday. All classes will meet Friday morning with those students in morning contests being excused to take part. In the afternoon all rooms in the building will be in use for meeting places for different literary events. Play ground ball games, tennis and volley ball games will be held on the high school campus.

Mrs. Earl Webb, teacher of the Mexican school, is ill this week and not able to meet her classes.

Miss Swift Moved To District No. 8

Miss Helen H. Swift, for the past ten years, district home demonstration agent of district 3, has been transferred to district 8, according to an official notification received here this week from the extension service department of A. & M. College.

Her place will be taken in this district by Miss Sallie F. Hill, who for a number of years has been editor of the home department of the Progressive Farmer. Miss Hill was formerly with the extension service department and is known personally by Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, county agent in Runnels county, who declares that she is one of the best in the work. Mrs. Hollingsworth expressed her regrets at losing Miss Swift who has been here and worked in this county on many occasions but declared that she expected the same type of cooperation and work from Miss Hill.

Miss Swift is personally known to practically every club woman in this county. She has worked in cooperation with Mrs. Hollingsworth on many projects and has assisted in judging at all Runnels County Fairs ever held. She is an enthusiastic worker and knows her work perfectly.

According to the letter received here Miss Hill began her duties in this district on March 15 and is expected to be in each county as soon as she can make a visit over the territory.

The club women of this county at present have a number of projects underway and others to be started within a short time Mrs. Hollingsworth is spending a good part of her time in the country working on the main projects being sponsored by club women and girls and is anxious for the new district worker to visit in this county.

Illiteracy Shows To be on Decrease

Rotary clubs all over the nation have been asked to cooperate in the national campaign against adult illiteracy. The movement was started in 1911 and each year following, big steps have been made with more organizations joining in the ranks to help the general campaign.

A check up of the work and accomplishments in Texas and Runnels county was heard at the Ballinger Rotary Club on Tuesday of this week by County Superintendent R. E. White. In the state of Texas the percentage of illiteracy in 1920 was 8.3 per cent. This was reduced during the following ten years to 6.8 per cent as shown in 1930.

The Runnels county report is far better than the general average for the state and in 1920 was 3.1 per cent and this was reduced to 2.6 percent in 1930. This per cent in 1930 accounted for 426 persons of adult age who could neither read or write. Dividing this number of illiterates in the county into other percentages showed negroes 8.5 per cent, foreign born whites 7.7 per cent, and native born whites only 2.7 per cent.

Compulsory school attendance has done much in past years to cut these per centages, however, this is a hard law to enforce in sections where there are no truant officers. In Ballinger the city superintendent is also truant officer and in the rural school districts the work is left up to the county superintendent.

Mr. White in speaking of the compulsory attendance for this year stated that only one case had come before him so far. This was a case where a mother was an invalid and the young son was practically without clothes, no funds and it was almost impossible to enforce the law without financial aid.

Some places are organizing night schools for the adults who can neither read nor write and giving the free instructions until they can be classed other than in the illiterate class. In this way some towns are cutting their per centages very low.

Gang Boss Capone Still a Man of Mystery; What's to Become of Mob?—Chicago Ponders

By F. A. Resch

CHICAGO, Mar. 17.—(AP)—Unless some modern Sherlock Holmes gets busy, some of the most perplexing mysteries about Alphonse Capone may never be solved.

For no one—except "Scarface Al" himself—knows the whole story of this most notorious of all post-prohibition gangsters, whose exploits have made his name a synonym for organized crime and racketeering on five continents.

Even now, as Capone faces a federal prison sentence for the first time in his life, he still is a man of mystery despite all the "revelations" made about him during almost a decade in the public eye.

His exact underworld power—and the exact scope of his gang's operations—are almost as much of a secret today as when "Scarface" first grasped the reins of Chicago's underworld in 1925.

It was failure to pay taxes on income from an admittedly huge liquor business that convicted the burly gangster and brought his 11-year federal prison sentence, but—

Just what was the extent of that underworld business of which the Capone liquor trade was only a part?

Exactly what role did Capone play personally in what has been called one of the most gigantic crime "syndicates" in history?

And what of that "syndicate's" operations now—and in the future when Capone may be just another convict?

Will the so-called "Capone mob" disintegrate, or will it continue to rule the underworld of Chicago and other cities?

Capone himself can't answer all those questions.

The world came to know "Scarface Al" as the chief of a gang whose profits from widespread liquor trade ran into millions and whose guns were blamed—officially—for scores, even hundreds of underworld murders.

It knows him as the man who became Chicago's underworld boss—nominally, at least—after Johnny Torrio gave up the helm nearly seven years ago.

Capone himself has said, "They've blamed me for everything but the Chicago fire!"

Yet despite the millions of



Al Capone, Chicago gang boss, has been in the public eye nearly a decade, but his exact power and the scope of his operations still are a mystery. What will happen to his "mob" if and when he goes behind federal prison bars is question puzzling Chicago.

words printed about him, nobody except perhaps some of his own right-hand men knows exactly what Capone has done.

Some have said he was merely the "front man" for the gang—that others were the real powers behind Capone's apparent throne.

Al's brother Ralph, Jack and Sam Guzik, and Frank "The Enforcer" Nitti all have been mentioned as probable members of the so-called "big eight" which allegedly controlled the gang's affairs.

But nothing about Capone gang leadership ever has been proved in a court room.

Chicago has wondered for months what will happen to the Capone mob when and if "Scarface Al" is lodged behind prison walls. It still wonders.

Absence of major gang murders or other outbreaks since Capone's federal trial last summer has been mentioned as some evidence, at least, that the gang still rules the underworld roost.

If Capone were "through" it has been argued, rival minor vice leaders would be battling with guns to take over his "business."

Yet nobody outside the underworld has claimed to know the answers to all these and dozens of other Capone riddles—and the underworld doesn't talk.

As a result the gangster has become a bigger "rumor and report man" with every new story told about him.

Recently rumors spread that Capone was "running the gang" from his cell in the Cook county jail—and one story went so far as to say he had been out of jail on occasion.

Although those stories were dignified to the extent that the government placed a 24-hour guard at his cell, authorities said Capone was allowed to see no visitors with the slightest gangland connection.

Just as such rumors have trailed Capone at every turn throughout the spectacular years of his life, so the truth of his escapades, in nine cases out of ten, has been locked in mystery.

And if you ask the average Chicagoan when the full story of this mystery gangster will be disclosed, he most likely will say: "Never."

Annual Easter Egg Hunt Will be Staged March 26

School Census in County Underway

School trustees all over Runnels county are now busy taking the 1932 school census. The taking of this census is very important in that the state aid received by each district is based on the per capita of the census enumeration. The forms call for the enumerating of all students between the ages of 6 and 17 inclusive and when the census is complete it is approved by the county superintendent and sent to the state superintendent at Austin for his approval.

Many misunderstand the regulation for six year old children who will be given free schooling. Any child that is six years of age before the first day of September should be included in the census and will be given free schooling and the state will pay the amount available from state funds when the per capita is fixed. The same applies to the 17 year old students who will be 17 on the first day of September. The free school age in Texas is from 6 to 21, however, from 18 to 21, students are not included in the census and no per capita amount is paid the district in which they reside from state aid. There is however a special appropriation known as a tuition fund and when these students are transferred to the nearest district, for high school work, the school they attend may apply for tuition and this will be paid by the state.

Trustees taking the census in the rural districts have a big job and need the hearty cooperation of patrons. Supt. R. E. White, stated Tuesday. The law requires that they call at the home one time, and if no one is there, that a blank be left and it then becomes the duty of the school patron to see that the blank is filled out and returned to the enumerator. For every child left off of the census report, means the loss of the state aid due that district for an entire year.

The census is being taken in Ballinger by A. F. Brock and he also asks the cooperation of all the people so no one will be missed in the report. The number of scholastics here last year was 1102. The per capita of state aid given was \$17.50.

FORMER BALLINGER MAN BURNED IN GAS BLAST

News was received in Ballinger Wednesday that W. H. Thomas who was formerly a citizen here, and connected with the Ballinger Auto Company is in the William Beaumont Hospital in El Paso, recovering from burns received in a gas explosion on February 18. The explosion occurred in Mr. Thomas' garage in Corona, New Mexico, while he was pouring gasoline from one vessel to another. The only way it could be accounted for was that the buckets were not touching, thus not grounding friction, which no doubt arose from the body.

Doctors pronounced the burns first degree one but they covered the majority of his body, thus taking a long time to heal. It is not known yet as to whether or not Mr. Thomas will be able to use his limbs any more.

Sheriff W. A. Holt is staying at home with a case of influenza which attacked him last week. While ill, Harp McFarland is helping in the sheriff's office during the term of district court.

Stage All Set for Opening of County Meet Friday Morning

6 Convicted in District Court

The third week of the 119th district court adjourned here Wednesday afternoon after trying six criminal cases the first three days. Court will open here Monday with Judge J. F. Sutton of the 51st district at San Angelo, on the bench to try any case in which Judge O. L. Parish is disqualified.

Only six cases were called for trial this week and in each a conviction was given and no suspended sentences. The first case called was that of the state vs. Bill Ellison on a liquor violation. He received two years in the penitentiary. Dave Littlefield received two years in the pen for liquor violation. Earl Doston was convicted on a liquor charge and given one year. C. D. Ashenurst received one year for violation of a liquor charge.

Burford Pennington was convicted on a charge of burglary and given two years in the pen. The offense occurred at Winters when the store of G. O. Woodroof & Son was robbed. Connie Bryant, a juvenile, was tried on the same charge as Pennington and received a two year sentence in the training school for boys at Gatesville.

B. U. McQueen, convicted on a liquor charge here at the spring term of court last year is now in jail awaiting transportation to the penitentiary to serve one year.

Hazel Fulton and Allyne Strayley. Senior Girls Division: Jimmie Taylor; alternate, Freddie Sue Bloxom. Senior Boys Division: O. B. McCarver; alternate, John Pearce.

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- ### Spelling
- Senior Division: Louise Tinsley and Willie Wiesner; alternate, Adeline Simecek.
- ### Junior Division: Edith Miller and Denman White; alternate, Elliott Kemp.
- ### Essay Writing
- David Baker; alternate, Mildred Fulcher.
- ### Extemporaneous Speaking
- Boys: Lester Marsh, Girls: Jean Gressett.
- ### Track and Field
- 120 yard hurdles, C. Morris, F. Holik and O. Batts.
- 100 yard dash, L. Nelson, W. Wiesner and C. Simmons.
- One mile run, J. Lynn, T. Smith and A. Trojeak.
- 220 yard hurdles, E. Hutchinson, L. Nelson and O. Batts.
- 220 yard dash, L. Nelson, W. Bailey and W. Wiesner.
- 440 yard dash, C. Simmons, F. Holik and J. Burk.
- 880 yard run, O. Routh, E. Hutchinson and J. Ashton.
- One mile relay, C. Simmons, C. Morris, J. Burk and E. Hutchinson.
- Pole vault, W. Bailey, E. Hutchinson.
- Running broad jump, C. Morris, L. Nelson, W. Bailey.
- Running high jump, F. Holik, J. Burk, W. Bailey.
- 12 pound shot put, D. Jackson, S. Holik and F. Holik.
- Disc throw, E. Hutchinson, D. Jackson and O. Routh.
- Javelin throw, W. Wiesner, L. Nelson and D. Jackson.
- ### Junior Boys Events
- 50 yard dash, R. Nicholson, W.

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J. D. Motley, secretary of the chamber of commerce, stated Thursday morning that everything was ready for the staging of the biggest Easter egg hunt here on Saturday, March 26, ever held in Ballinger. After a canvass of the town by members of the civic and entertainment committees, everyone was enthusiastic in entering the plans for the hunt which will be open for all the boys and girls of Runnels county under twelve years of age.

Mr. Motley stated that local firms would be asked to donate one or more gold egg each. In each of these eggs will be found a prize which will be of considerable value to the finder. In these prize eggs will be found a slip of paper instructing the finder to take it to the firm giving the egg and receive a nice prize. In addition to the gold eggs there will be thousands of real Easter eggs snugly hidden in their nest for the youngsters to find.

As has been the custom in the past, the children will be divided into three groups, according to their ages and will look for eggs in three different places. It is likely that the little tots will be assembled on the court house lawn, the next age on the Santa Fe Park and the largest children will be taken to Fair Park for their hunt. A full and complete announcement will be made in the Semi-Weekly Ledger on Tuesday of next week.

MELON GROWERS WILL MEET HERE SATURDAY

A meeting of all melon growers of this county has been called at the court house Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Anyone interested in the procuring of better seed, hearing a discussion on marketing of the product and numerous other items of special interest are invited to attend the meeting.

ROWENA CEMETERY MEETING IS CALLED

A meeting has been called for all those interested in the Protestant Cemetery at Rowena for March 24. The meeting was announced sometime ago for a later date but announcement was made this week that it would be held as stated above. A general clean-up of the grounds will take place and other beautification work will be looked after.

Mrs. S. P. Stone is confined to her home with illness that has lasted for the past two weeks.

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MARIE MUSINGS

A large crowd attended Sunday school here Sunday and a good program was presented by the adult class. The Epworth League was also well attended Sunday night, a very enjoyable program was rendered, several special numbers being given at that hour.

Several of our young people went to Oak Creek Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Claude Gentry spent last week in the Bob Harwell home near Bronte.

J. A. Turner, George Shelton and son, J. T. were visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

Jack and J. C. Baker and John Atney were entertained in the G. W. Shelton home Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. John Black entertained friends with a "24" party Thursday night.

J. A. Turner went to San Angelo Thursday for a visit with his daughter, Mrs. Hermon Elledge.

Leonard Baker attended to business in Ballinger Saturday and returned to Tennyson where he visited relatives and friends the week-end.

Moody Welsh has accepted a job with John Black during the spring.

A musical entertainment was given in the home of Vernon Rutherford Saturday night.

S. M. Seay was carried to the Halley & Love sanitarium a few days ago for treatment. It is reported that he is not improving.

His children have been called to his bed side. Sam Seay who resides in New Mexico and Ernest of North Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. Pledger Coleman, of Tahoka, are all here.

Mrs. Ches. Atney and two daughters, Era and Myrtle, left Thursday for Drumright, Okla.

Everyone in our community were glad to see the severe cold spell break as the farmers are anxious to begin planting corn and prepare the ground for other crops. This was the longest cold spell we remember having in March.

TALPA TOPICS

Rev. Guy Davis, of San Angelo, preached at the Presbyterian Church Sunday morning and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Murphy, of Hobbs, New Mexico, and Miss Jessie Trammell, of Brownwood, are guests of Mrs. Cusenbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Brown spent Sunday in Brownwood. Miss Ruth Brown of that city returned home with them for a short visit.

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

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Gilmore and children of Hobbs, New Mexico, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Hale.

Mrs. Aug Herring, Miss Stella Herring and Mrs. D. S. Wilkerson spent Tuesday visiting friends at Crews. Mrs. Wilkerson remained for a longer visit.

CREWS NEWS

The extreme cold weather the past week injured gardens and some grain is said to be injured, although it is thought the grain is only killed to the ground and will now sprout out and produce.

Farming has been delayed in our community due to the rain and then the cold weather, but with the fine underground season the farmers expect to make a good crop.

Friends here sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. John Lee of the Token community, in the death of their 12 year old daughter, Lorene. The daughter died March 4, and was laid to rest in the Token cemetery the following day.

Mrs. Oma Traylor and sons of Dale community were guests in the Wallace Traylor home Sunday.

C. W. Schwartz was carried to a San Angelo hospital a few days ago and underwent another operation. Mr. Schwartz has been very ill since but shows slight improvement at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Walden received an announcement of the marriage of their son, George, who resides in Amarillo. Mr. Walden is well known here. The writer regrets being unable to give the name of the young lady whom he married.

Coupland Payne who has been ill for several days is reported to be leaving today for Glen Rose for further treatment.

The singing class at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon was very entertaining, although the audience was not very large.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Green

and family of Drasco were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. White.

Miss Alma Phipps, Mrs. Cecil Lawson and Don Norris attended the "Passion Play" presented at the First Methodist Church of Ballinger, Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Gearhart, of Harmony, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. White Thursday.

W. W. King and Clifford Wood transacted business in Sweetwater Monday.

HARMONY HERALDS

Rev. Quindlin, of Winters, will preach here Sunday as he failed to fill his regular appointment last Sunday.

The Zone No. 2, B. Y. P. U. met with the Antelope church Sunday afternoon with Harmony in charge of the program. We are glad to report our young people's society improving in interest as well as in membership but hope for a greater improvement.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Combs are the proud parents of a 9½ pound boy born February 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Truett Billups were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elza Cox Monday.

The P.-T. A. will meet at the school house next Friday night at 7:30. Every one is cordially invited.

Weldon Branham visited friends at Crews Sunday.

J. L. Aldred, of Winters, attended services here Sunday and visited friends.

Joda Smith and Miss Schwartz were business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Mrs. E. A. Meadows, of Winters, visited relatives here Friday.

Miss Joy Gallant who has been ill for some time is reported to be not improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank White and daughter, attended to business in Ballinger Monday.

Rev. M. A. Quindlin, of Winters, was a guest in the L. A. Gilbreath home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Billups were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Gambill Friday.

O. B. Northcutt, of San Angelo, visited his daughter, Miss Zenora Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Pumphrey and children, of Winters, and Maxine Seals were guests in the W. B. Worthington home Sunday.

SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Park returned home last week after spending some time in the home of their son at El Paso.

M. E. Milam and daughter, Miss Eunice, of Dallas, came in Sunday for a few days visit with his sister, Mrs. R. E. Brown.

George McMillan and daughter, Willie Mae visited in Abilene Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Newt Wardlaw and children returned to their home at Del Rio Friday after a visit with relatives here.

James Midgley and his aunt, Mrs. J. W. Roberts went to McKinney to be at the bed side of Mr. Roberts who is ill.

Mrs. R. E. Brown and Delbert visited relatives in Miles Tuesday.

Mrs. Lon Mapes and Mrs. Newt Wardlaw and children returned last week from a visit with relatives in Dallas.

Miss Annie Midgley is visiting relatives in Talpa this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Martin and little son, of Ballinger, were guests in the M. G. Justice home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Parr and Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Jones were visitors in Abilene Sunday.

Miss Helen Compton was a guest of Misses Elizabeth and Annie Midgley Thursday.

Mrs. R. E. Brown and brother, J. E. Milam and his daughter, Miss Eunice visited relatives in Abilene Wednesday.

The Merry Wives Club met Tuesday and talked on "Preparation of Foods." The next meeting will be the first Tuesday in April at which time a demonstration will be given of foundation on patterns.

HERRING TOPICS

The cold winter weather we had last week did quite a bit of damage in our community, the fruit crop and gardens seem to be a total loss, also quite a lot of small grain was killed. Also those who were not prepared for the winter weather lost a number of lambs and kid goats. And there were several who had to have repair work done on their cars on account of their radiators bursting.

News was received here Sunday of the sudden death of Jess Sims who resided at Electra. He

died in a hospital at Wichita Falls and had been ill only a short time with pneumonia. Mr. Sims lived here a number of years, reared his family in this and Coleman county. He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Mrs. E. S. Brister and Mrs. Emmett Schwartz.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Kerby and family and Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Miller were Sunday guests in the L. A. Faubion home.

Miss Loy Brevard returned home Friday from Abilene where she has been attending A. C. college.

Noble Faubion spent Saturday night with S. H. Brevard.

Miss Bernice Hale was the guest of Mrs. A. S. Alcorn Sunday.

Neonami and Lawton Brevard spent Saturday night with their aunt, Mrs. Faugion.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brister, Mrs. and Mrs. Paul Draper of San Angelo and Mrs. Hunter Lions, of Waco, were guests in the T. C. Payne home Sunday.

Miss Thora Brevard, of Victory, spent the week-end with home folks.

W. M. Brister and Mrs. Hunter Lions, of Waco, were visitors in the G. C. Avent home Sunday afternoon.

M. F. Kerby and J. W. Wood accompanied Mr. Payne to Glen Rose Monday. Mr. Payne who has been ill some time is reported to be improving.

This Woman Lost 64 Pounds of Fat

Mrs. H. Price of Woodside, L. I., writes: "A year ago I weighed 190 lbs. I started to take Kruschen and now I weigh 126 and never felt better in my life and what's more, I look more like 20 yrs. old than the mother of 2 children, one 19 and the other 18. Every one of my friends say it's marvelous the way I reduced."

To lose fat SAFELY and HARMLESSLY, take a half teaspoonful of Kruschen in a glass of hot water in the morning before breakfast—don't miss a morning—a bottle that lasts 4 weeks costs but a trifle—but don't take chances—be sure it's Kruschen—your health comes first—get it at J. Y. Pearce Drug Co., or Weeks Drug Store or any drugstore in America. If not joyfully satisfied after the first bottle—money back.

MOVIES

Runs Away; Makes Good in Pictures

When Noel Francis, who is featured in RKO Radio Pictures' "Smart Women," at the Palace Theatre, Friday and Saturday, ran away from a Methodist girls' school in the South and secured a job in the chorus of Ziegfeld's "Follies," her father, a direct descendant of John Quincy Adams, disinherited her. He died later without forgiving the daughter. But Noel, true to her pioneer stock, succeeded in her chosen profession, far beyond her dreams. Critics predict for her an outstanding screen career.

Screen Juveniles Seen in New Bancroft Drama

In "Rich Man's Folly," George Bancroft's latest starring picture, here are two very interesting juvenile artists who are great favorites with their older professional associates. Their names are David Durand and Dawn O'Day.

During the filming of the picture, whenever either of these youngsters appeared on the set, the eyes of their associates followed their work closely. And, in between times, they had plenty of admiration and attention.

David Durand takes the part of George Bancroft's son. He had the distinction of breaking the bottle of wine against the bow of the giant steamer "Mariposa" when she was launched at the great ship yard of the Bethlehem ship building plant at Quincy, Mass. This thrilling event is part of the picture, "Rich Man's Folly," which will be featured at the Palace Theatre three days beginning Sunday.

STATE LEGION COMMANDER AT WINTERS WEDNESDAY

A number of local members of the American Legion went to Winters Wednesday night to be present at a meeting of the post there. The State Commander V. Earl Earp, of Sweetwater, was present at the Winters meeting and delivered an address to the men on Legion activities over the state at this time. Mr. Earp will visit other posts in this section the remainder of the week and be at the district convention in Brownwood Saturday and Sunday.

Dog Owners Must Secure 1932 Tags

The city has received the new 1932 dog license and are notifying all dog owners to comply with the law, pay \$1.00 tax for their license tags and attach them to a collar and place them on their dogs. The tags will be issued from now until May 1 and after that date all dogs found not wearing collar and tag will be shot. Chief of Police Lee Moreland will make a careful watch after May 1 for dogs without tags and will take all he finds to the pound and shoot them after the required time has passed. A number of West Texas owners have experienced mad dog scares recently and every precaution will be taken here this year to do away with stray dogs. The city secretary is ready to start issuing the tags to those wanting them.

The office department of the city reported that on March 11 there were 105 delinquent water accounts. These have been given a second notice and the date set for discontinuing service on the 16 of this month. Some tax collections have been made during the past week and all routine business attended to.

The street department during the past week accomplished some good work in the downtown section by hauling gravel to low places in alleys. The recent rains showed where a few loads of gravel was needed and wagons were started the first of the week to bring material from the gravel beds for improvements in local alleys. The maintainer and grader operated a number of days during the past week on dirt streets that were left in bad condition after the rains. Practically all streets in the city have been graded now and are in line shape for traffic. Drain ditches and openings under culverts have been opened since the rains by the street department.

The health work for the past week included the administering of diphtheria serum to 66 Mexican children and a visit to one suspicious case of scarlet fever. Daily water consumption the past week amounted to 157,900 gallons daily.

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TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS HERE ON APRIL 1 AND 2

Those desiring to take teachers' examination for second class certificates may receive the examination here on Friday and Saturday, April 1 and 2. The examinations will be given in the office of County Superintendent R. E. White on these two days and the papers will be sent to Austin where they will be graded. These certificates are not good in any state aid rural school, Mr. White stated.

WINTERS COUPLE IS MARRIED HERE TUESDAY

L. D. Lewis and Miss Margaret Barnhill of Winters were married here Tuesday evening at the manse of the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church by Rev. J. E. Kerr. The young couple, after the ceremony, returned to Winters where they will make their future home.

GOOD NEWS FOR THOSE WHO LIKE COFFEE

"I like a good cup of coffee with every meal but I used to suffer when I drank it," says Edward J. Owens, well-known salesman of 86 Falmouth Street, Boston, Mass.

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PAPE'S DIAPEPSIN

P.-T. A. to Present Cowboy Folklore

The Ballinger Parent-Teacher Association will present John A. Lomax in a lecture here on April 1, at the high school auditorium at 8 o'clock. The women of the organization plan to start at once on a ticket sales campaign, charging adults 50 cents and students 25 cents for this attraction.

Mr. Lomax will stage his performance here in a recital of songs from the cattle range. His work all over the nation has created favorable comment and the local organization feels fortunate in securing him for an engagement at Ballinger.

Mr. Lomax has been recognized for years as the Nation's greatest authority in this phase of Southwestern folklore. His appearance in forty-three states and in most of the important universities have earned him an enviable reputation as an interpreter of perhaps the saltiest and most vital of all native American folk art. The enthusiasm and pleasure with which his Dallas audience received his talk proved that the reputation was in no wise exaggerated.

Holding, apparently, that a Texas audience at least requires little explanation of scholarly platform annotations, Mr. Lomax largely let his selections speak for themselves. The verses of these songs reproduce the character of the men who rode the range, disclosing their amusements, their loves, their hates and even their philosophy.

Mr. Lomax's great skill as a recitalist lies in his artful projection of the rhythms in each number without at the same time producing the amateur's singsong effect. He elects to sing outright some of the old songs. Refusing to make any claim for his own vocalism Mr. Lomax admits, however, that he has heard many cowboys who couldn't sing any better than he can.

South China's first long distance telephone line has been installed, connecting Hong Kong and Canton.

OKLAHOMA WILDCATTERS HIT BY OIL PRICE SLUMP

(By Associated Press) OKLAHOMA CITY, Mar. 17.—These are barren days for the wildcatter—glamorous figure of Oklahoma oil fields who makes oil flow where none flowed before, and millions of dollars through his courage and foresight. Of approximately 40 wildcat operations listed in the state, nearly all are either shut down, delayed indefinitely or merely rigging up or on location.

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FOR RENT—Four room duplex apartment. Call 73 or 284. 1-6t

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

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

Convicted—

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year. His case was appealed to the higher court and has been affirmed.

METHODIST PRE-EASTER SERVICES START SUNDAY

Sunday morning at the eleven o'clock hour the first service in the Pre-Easter campaign will start at the First Methodist Church here. Rev. C. P. Jones announced this week that services would be held each evening at 7:45 during the coming week and each Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Rev. Jones will do the preaching during the campaign and the local choir will furnish the music. All people are invited to attend and take part in the meeting which will last for one week.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our deepest appreciation and thanks to the many friends who were so kind and thoughtful of us during the recent illness and death of our loved one, Mrs. L. A. Nunn. We appreciate the expressions of sympathy, friendly acts and the beautiful floral offerings, these did much to comfort us during this trying hour.

Nunn Boys and Families and Sister, Mrs. S. D. Williams.

SEMI-MINDED CAR DRIVERS BLAMED FOR MOST CRASHES

(By Associated Press)

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Mar. 17.—It's the slow driver with a slow mind easily distracted who is responsible for the most motor accidents.

That is the conclusion of psychologists of Ohio State University, who made a study of driving psychology for the National Research Council.

The study is to obtain information on the psychological aspect of driving which could be used by the federal government in a model automobile drivers' license law.

The city of Los Angeles is considering the expenditure of \$27,000,000 to remove Bunker Hill, to provide 30 blocks for building purposes.

Stage All Set—

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Stobaugh, A. Burden, 100 yard dash, R. Nicholson, W. Stobaugh and A. Burden, 440 yard relay, Nicholson, Stobaugh, Burden and D. White, Running high jump, F. Cabiness, Running broad jump, Cabiness, H. Nicholson, W. Stobaugh, Chinning bar, C. Winans, F. Wilson.

Playground Ball

Winans, Frank Cabiness, Lloyd Moreland, Denman White, Frederick Kiechle, Bill Woods, Alton Burden, Runnels Smith, James Decker, James Lee Moreland.

Girls junior team: Evelyn Paschal, Yolanda McWilliams, Eula Mae Smith, Louise Nunn, Alvah Gray, Kathryn Mayfield, Ollie Mounce, Charlotte Willingham, Annie Russell and Margaret Ransberger.

Girls Volley Ball

Jean Gressett, Pearl Duke, Louise Pospichal, Jimmie Taylor, Margaret Ladwig and Annel Stokes.

Tennis

Boys singles: Chester Taylor, alternate, Arnold Pustka, Boys doubles: Eldwin William and Lester Marsh, Girls singles: Minnie Ola Cox, Girls doubles: Kathryn Barnett and Eloise Smith.

Following is a program of events as they will take place on the two days:

Friday, March 18

9:30 a. m.—Tennis: All divisions at high school tennis grounds for court assignments.

Volley Ball: High school court, Play Ground Ball: All divisions at Fair Park.

2:30 p. m.—Essay Writing: All divisions, room 22 high school building, Music Memory: High school building room 20.

Preliminary Debates: High school auditorium.

7:30 p. m.—Final Debates: High school auditorium.

Saturday, March 19

9:30 a. m.—Junior Track Meet: All contestants at Fair Park.

Declamation: High school division, auditorium, Class A and B will speak together, rated separately.

Rural school division, study hall, 10:30 a. m.—Extensive Speaking: High school auditorium.

Spelling: Senior division, room 16 high school building, Junior division, room 17 high school building.

Sub-Junior division, room 12 high school building.

1:00 p. m.—Arithmetic: High school building, room 22.

Picture Memory: Study hall high school building.

3 R Contest: Room 23 high school building.

Track and Field: All divisions at Fair Park.

Senior events will be scheduled first, followed by junior events. Two divisions will be held: Class A and Class B. Events will be scheduled as listed in league bulletin.

Play ground ball will be the longest contests of the meet as there are 52 teams and more than 500 students entered. The senior track and field meet will perhaps draw the largest crowd of any contests and will start promptly at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon at Fair Park.

R. W. Earnshaw will leave Friday morning for El Paso to attend the druggist convention. The West Texas Pharmaceutical Association of which Mr. Earnshaw is president will meet in that city for three days. He will return here next week following the close of the meeting.

Watch-Sized Map 4,000 Years Old Shows Mountains and Rivers Clearly

By Howard W. Blakeslee (Associated Press Science Editor) CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Mar. 17.—

The world's oldest map, drawn more than 4,000 years ago, is not much larger than a lady's watch. It is a clay tablet, found 200 miles north of Babylon, in the buried town of Ga-sur, by excavators for the Semitis and the Fogg Museums of Harvard.

The symbols on this map would be easier to recognize than those of a modern one for a person who never had seen any kind of a map. Mountains are shown by rounded lines resembling cobblestones. Two rivers are indicated by parallel lines somewhat like looking down on a double track railway from a plane a mile aloft.

The water of a sea are shown like childish drawings which use horizontal dashes, with a tip and a tilt to indicate motion. The map is the land of Shat-Azala. Judging by the size of his domain and the markings, civilization was far advanced 4,000 years ago.

"Without doubt the most important find from this area," says R. F. Starr of the Fogg Art Museum, who directed the excavations, "is a clay tablet on which is drawn a map representing a valley with mountains on either side, between which flows a river to the sea.

"Another stream runs in a southeasterly direction into the neighboring valley and off the map. Inscriptions on the edge of the tablet indicate north and south, and on the face of the tablet are place names of various points on the map itself.

"The locality presented has not yet been established, but one place name which can be read as 'the fortress of Ib-la' would indicate the locality as being northern Syria. Regardless of the still existing uncertainty it remains the earliest map yet found, and an object of great importance."

P-T. A. ELECT NEW OFFICERS FOR YEAR

The Ballinger Pre-School P-T. A. met in regular session Wednesday afternoon with eleven members present. Three of Dr. Meyers' letters were used as material for the lesson which was presented by Mrs. Chas. Galbreath, at the close of which officers for the year were elected as follows:

Mrs. Chas. Galbreath, president; Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw, vice-president; Mrs. Rothall O'Kelly, secretary; Mrs. O. R. O'Neill, treasurer; and Mrs. W. A. Greene, program chairman, all of whom will take office in April.

The president, one delegate and six visitors will go from here to the district convention to be held at San Angelo, March 31, April 1 and 2.

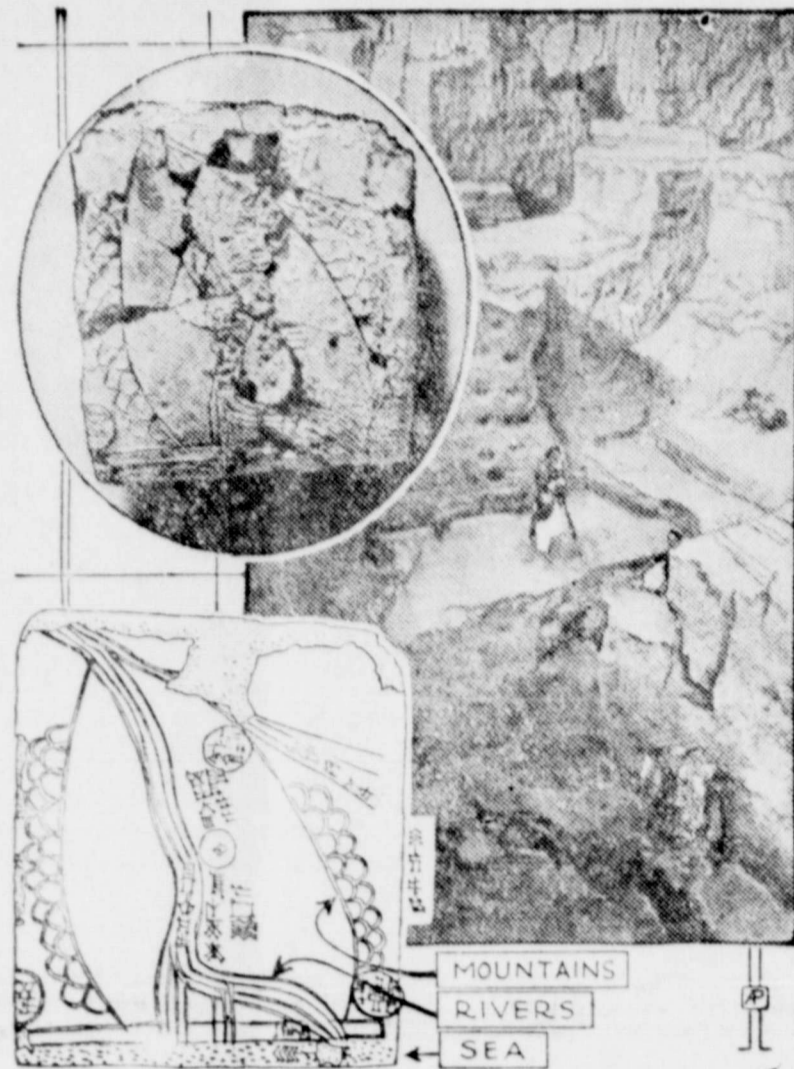
It was also decided at the meeting that the members sell candy, sandwiches, ice cream and milk chocolate at the school building and Fair Park Friday and Saturday during the Interscholastic meet here.

CLEAN STREAM CAMPAIGN SPEEDED BY UNEMPLOYED

(By Associated Press)

DETROIT, Mar. 17.—Programs for unemployment are speeding construction of sewage disposal plants and the campaign for clean fishing streams in Michigan. Communities have made much progress in such work in the past year.

Grand Rapids spent \$400,000.



American archaeologists, excavating at the buried town of Ga-sur, 200 miles north of Babylon, have uncovered a map made 4,000 years ago. Drawn on a clay tablet (left above), the map is about the size of a woman's watch. At left below is a drawing made at Harvard university from the tablet, showing how mountains and rivers were indicated. At right is shown the pit where map was found.

the earliest map yet found, and an object of great importance."

This Ga-sur site and map were found beneath the town of Nuzi, which is identified as 3,500 years old. The clay map was buried 20 feet deep. Five weeks of careful drying and baking were required

PIONEER IS HONORED ON HIS 89TH BIRTHDAY

S. D. Williams, pioneer Ballinger citizen, received a very pleasant surprise on Thursday morning when all officers and deputies in the court house honored him on his 89th birthday. Mr. Williams is a great friend to the county officials and is a regular visitor at the court house every day he is down town. Thursday morning he was ushered into the office of Mrs. Jennie Kirk, county treasurer, where all the court house force was gathered and County Superintendent R. E. White, presented him with a large number of packages containing birthday gifts. Mr. Williams responded in a very pleasing manner, telling the officials of his appreciation of the gifts and most of all of being remembered. Mr. Williams has lived in Texas under three flags.

FIVE MEN RESPOND WHEN DUKE COACH CALLS "JAMES"

(By Associated Press)

DURHAM, N. C., Mar. 17.—Coach Wallace Wade of Duke University is thinking about trying out a numbering system to keep the men identified on his football squad.

"James," he calls, and five men hopelid around.

"Yes, Mr. Wade," from five hopeful around.

On the squad are James Mullen, James Harton, James Raper, James Rupert and Norman James.

"Jim" or "Jimmy" would not solve the problem, for all but Norman James will answer to either of these names.

Wom. n. 100, Lives on Land Grant SAN BRUNO, Calif., Mar. 17.—

(AP)—Mrs. G. Valencia, 100-year-old San Bruno woman, lives on the last remaining parcel of a Spanish land grant to the Sanchez family of which she is a descendant.

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600 Expected at Legion Meeting

M. C. Atkins and a number of other legionnaires from Ballinger will go to Brownwood Sunday morning to attend the meeting of the 17 District convention. The convention will meet first on Saturday afternoon when early guests will register at the Hotel Brownwood. Entertainment features Saturday afternoon and evening will be climaxed with a dance on the roof of the hotel at 9 o'clock.

Sunday morning the entire convention, both men and women, will attend a union service at the First Methodist Church. A luncheon will be served at noon and the afternoon business session will be held separately. At the meeting Sunday afternoon State Commander Earl Earp, will speak to the members present

and he will be followed by Reed Johnson of the veterans bureau at Dallas.

All legionnaires in the 17th district are invited to attend the Brownwood meeting. Preparations are being made to take care of about 600 delegates and visitors. The usual registration fee of \$1 will be charged to those who register and their badge will admit them free to all attractions staged during the convention including the luncheon Sunday.

Ross White and sister, Miss Lola, of Omaha, Neb., are here visiting their sister, Mrs. F. L. Duncan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Tindall returned Tuesday from an extended visit with relatives at Shamrock and Twitty.

Mrs. Anna Hetzler of Columbia, Mo., owns a tin soldier with which the composer Brahms is said to have played as a child.

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